

Report of the Trustee for the year ended 31
December 2023



Within the Llŵchwr Ministry Area in the
Deanery of Greater Gower and the Diocese of
Swansea and Brecon

Registered Charity Number: 1134662

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The principal function of the Parochial Church Council is promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, including pastoral, evangelistic, social & ecumenical.

Objectives and Activities

As required by the Charities Act 2011, when planning activities for the year the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit, and particularly the supplementary guidance on charities from the advancement of religion.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Parish of Casllwchwr and Gorseinon is within the Deanery of Greater Gower in the Church in Wales Diocese of Swansea and Brecon.

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The composition, procedure and powers of the Parochial Church Council are regulated by the Constitution of the Church in Wales, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body, set up under Section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914. The Parochial Church Council is not a body corporate.

Elections to the Parochial Church Council

Elections to the Parochial Church Council are held at the Annual Vestry Meeting, which must take place before 30 April each year. The number of elected members should not exceed eight people.

Election and/or appointment of Wardens & Officers

The Vicar, Churchwardens and Sub Wardens are ex-officio members of the Parochial Church Council. One Churchwarden and two Sub Wardens are elected annually by the Vestry Meeting and one Church warden and two Sub Wardens are appointed at that meeting by the Vicar. The successful candidates will be between the ages of 18 and 75 and they will not serve for more than six consecutive years.

The Parochial Church Council appoints a Secretary and Treasurer from among their number each year, but where there is no obvious candidate then suitable people can be co-opted.

Charity Trustees

Members of the Parochial Church Council serve as charity trustees and are directed to the Charity Commission booklet CC3 The Essential Trustee: What you Need to Know to assist in the induction process and to allow all new trustees to be aware of their legal responsibilities.

Most church business is conducted at Parochial Church Council meetings, including the approval of the accounts. Appropriate training procedures and policies have been adopted in relation to such matters as Health & Safety and Safeguarding legislation. There are other groups, established by the Parochial Church Council, that deal with aspects of church life, including a Vision Group, a Pastoral Care Group, a Children's Ministry Group, a Publications Group, an Events Group and a Fabric Group. These groups are responsible to the Parochial

Church Council and report back regularly, with minutes of their discussions being received and discussed as necessary.

The Parochial Church Council meets monthly, usually on the first Monday of every month. The Parochial Church Council is required under the Charities Act 2011, and the Constitution of the Church in Wales, to prepare financial statements each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Observe the methods and principles of the applicable Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP);
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures that must be disclosed in the financial statements
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the Church in Wales constitution.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website, in accordance with the legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements.

Both churches are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales, but the Parochial Church Council is responsible, under the Constitution of the Church in Wales, for the repair, maintenance and management of the churches.

Clergy are paid by the Church in Wales and remuneration is set by them. All other officers and trustees give their time voluntarily without payment.

As part of the Diocese of Swansea and Brecon within the Church in Wales, the parish is represented on various committees and also benefits from time to time from access to funds available from the Diocese for specific ministry projects.

Membership of the Parochial Church Council (Trustees)

Ex-officio Members:

The Reverend Dr Adrian Morgan
Philip Davies (Vicar's Warden)
Dorothy Dancer (People's Warden)
Rebekah Davies (Sub Warden)
Jeannette Grisenthwaite-Watts (Sub Warden)
Moiria Pritchard (Sub Warden)
Roddy Lewis (Sub Warden)

Elected Members

John Butler
Lauren Davies
Karen Davies
Helen Fuge
Jean Fowler
Diana Pugh
Robert Samuel
Eleanor Lewis (Secretary)

Co-opted Members

Allan Richards (Treasurer - St Catherine's)
Philip Allen (Treasurer - St David's)
Elizabeth Williams (Licenced Lay Minister)

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Catherines - 1134662

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2023

		General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	2022
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources / Receipts	Voluntary Income				
	Planned Giving	42815	0	42815	44069
	Loose Collections	6358	0	6358	5937
	Donations	6959	10000	16959	6177
	For Mission	250	1750	2000	2051
	Tax Refunds	6425	0	6425	6405
	Grants	0	19500	19500	14900
	Generated Income				
	Money Raising	22477	0	22477	21273
	Fees	5000	176	5176	5800
	Investment Income	5070	0	5070	5270
	Other Incoming Resources	4000	0	4000	743
Total Incoming Resources / Receipts		99354	31426	130780	112625
Resources Expended / Payments	Total Receipts				
	Support for Ministry				
	Parish Share	59886	0	59886	36471
	Parish Activities				
	Maintenance of Services	15442	0	15442	1769
	General Parish Expenses	12291	102	12393	9062
	Church Property				
	Maintenance of Churches	38733	0	38733	17652
	Maintenance of Other	7465	0	7465	14709
	Grants and Financial				
Other Resources	Parish	0	4955	4955	11099
	Cost of Money Raising	151	0	151	170
	Sub Total	133969	5057	139026	90932
	Section Accounts - Costs	321	0	321	4460
	Total Payments	134290	5057	139347	95392
Net Receipts/Payments		-34936	26369	-8567	
Balance Brought Forward 1 January				158339	
Balance Carried Forward 31 Dec				149772	

	1 Dec £	Receipts Payments	31 Dec £
Bell Ringers	485		485
Choir	0		0
Church Fund	3836		3836
Church Yard Account	11833		11833
Church Youth	538		538
Flower Group	0		0
Church Shop	2843	321	2522
Publications Group	5527		5527
Dorcas	0		0
	25062		24741

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities

For the year ended 31 December 2023

		2023	2022
		£	£
Cash Funds			
	Bank Current	92125	148989
	Bank Deposit	29109	25383
	Petty Cash	305	481
Other Assets			
	St Davids Loan	20404	0
	Held by the Diocese	10781	10417
	Total Assets	141943	174853

Notes to the Accounts

Accounting Policy

The accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis as adjusted for items of expenditure where liability had been incurred at the accounts date but payment had not been made.

Income from tax rebates on gift aid has been included in these accounts if claim for repayment has been made.

The accounts are drawn up in accordance with the format recommended by the Church in Wales as amended to reflect the requirements of the Charities Accounting Regulations and the related Statement of Recommended Practice.

1. Voluntary Income —Planned Giving

These represent amounts received by envelopes, Gift Direct scheme and Standing orders

2. Bank Current Accounts

This represents total of all current bank accounts held by the parish including section accounts

3. Bank Deposit Accounts

This represents the total of all deposit bank accounts held by the parish

4. Petty Cash

This is the total petty cash held by all organisations in the parish.

5. Other Assets

The following assets are held by Swansea and Brecon Diocesan Trust for the benefit of the Parish

Market Value at 31st December 2023

Holy Trinity Hall Trust £7124

Mrs M. A. R. Rees Trust Fund £619

William Rufus Lewis Benefactions No1 £1519

William Rufus Lewis Benefactions No2 £1,519

28 Bryneithin Road, Gorseinon is owned by the parish.

Loan to St Davids of £20404

6. Trustees Remuneration

No member of the PCC was remunerated for services provided to the Parish.

N. B.

The Church Building and its contents are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales and do not form part of the Parish.

St David's Church Loughour - Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2023

2022		2023
		£ £
26454	Parish Share	13200
		<u>13200</u>
Parish Activities		
23	Maintenance of Services	
22570	General Parish Expenses	5309
<u>22593</u>		<u>5309</u>
Church Property		
312	Insurance	315
1350	Gas & Electric	1588
186	Water Rates	180
809	Repairs	4902
2180	Cleaning & Maintenance	84
<u>4837</u>		<u>6755</u>
Grants		
421	Mission	190
		<u>190</u>
Cost of Money Raising		
20	Lottery License	
54325	Total Resources Expended	25453

St David's Church Loughor - Receipts & Payments

For the year ended 31 December 2023

2022		2023
		£ £
15298	Planned Giving	16603
520	Loose Collections	447
455	Donations	333
518	For Mission	541
1472	Tax Refunds	960
50000	Legacy Gifts	62000
<u>65298</u>		<u>80884</u>
Generated Income		
7050	Money Raising	863
666	Fees	950
186	Refund	
<u>7902</u>		<u>1813</u>
Investment		
0	Investments	<u>0</u>
Other Income		
1000	Grants	<u>0</u>
74200	Total Income	<u>82697</u>

St David's Church Loughor Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2023

Monetary Assets

Lloyd's Bank Account - £137733.08

Monetary Liabilities

St Catherine's Church Loan - £20404

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Independent Examiner: Kirsty Pittard FIAB
Treasurer: Philip Allen

Date: 05/01/2025
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