

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2024



The Parish of Casllwchwr and Gorseinon

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 Llŵchwr Ministry Area CIO and the Church in Wales Diocese of Swansea and Brecon. The Parish's principal theatre of activities is at St Catherine's Church on Alexandra Road and the parish also has responsibility for St David's Church Loughor nearby.

Principal Address & Contact Details

St Catherine's Church

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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 Samual
Eleanor Lewis (Secretary)

Co-opted Members

Allan Richards (Treasurer)

Combined Profit and Loss for Casllwchwr & Gorseinon

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2024

		General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	2023
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources / Receipts	Voluntary Income				
	Planned Giving	64514	0	64514	59418
	Loose Collections	7136	0	7136	6805
	Donations	9143	5000	14143	17292
	For Mission	0	0	0	2541
	Tax Refunds	5578	0	5578	7385
	Grants	0	185617	185617	19500
	Generated Income				
	Money Raising	23289	0	23289	23340
	Fees	5444	0	5444	6126
	Investment Income	168834	0	168834	5070
	Other Incoming Resources	21397	0	21397	66000
	Total Incoming Resources / Receipts	305335	190617	495952	213477
Resources Expended / Payments	Total Receipts				
	Support for Ministry				
	Parish Share	68334	0	68334	73086
	Parish Activities				
	Maintenance of Services	15466	0	15466	15442
	General Parish Expenses	4655	0	4655	17702
	Church Property				
	Maintenance of Churches	23101	28833	51934	45802
	Maintenance of Other	7512	0	7512	7465
	Grants and Financial				
	Parish	0	1380	1380	4955
	Building Works	0	158743	158743	0
	Other Resources				
	Cost of Money Raising	140	0	140	341
	Sub Total	119207	188956	308163	164794
	Section Accounts - Costs			0	321
	Total Payments	119207	188956	308163	165115
	Net Receipts/Payments	186129	1661	187789	
	Balance Brought Forward 1 January			109578	
Balance Carried Forward 31 Dec		297367			

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

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For the year ended 31 December 2024

		General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total	2023
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources / Receipts	Voluntary Income				
	Planned Giving	49215	0	49215	42815
	Loose Collections	5816	0	5816	6358
	Donations	8898	5000	13898	16959
	For Mission	0	0	0	2000
	Tax Refunds	4021	0	4021	6425
	Grants	0	185617	185617	19500
	Generated Income				
	Money Raising	22244	0	22244	22477
	Fees	4750		4750	5176
	Investment Income	168834	0	168834	5070
	Other Incoming Resources			0	4000
Total Incoming Resources / Receipts		263779	190617	454396	130780
Resources Expended / Payments	Total Receipts				
	Support for Ministry				
	Parish Share	68334	0	68334	59886
	Parish Activities				
	Maintenance of Services	15466	0	15466	15442
	General Parish Expenses	4655	0	4655	12393
	Church Property				
	Maintenance of Churches	21739	28833	50572	38733
	Maintenance of Other	7512	0	7512	7465
	Grants and Financial				
	Parish	0	1380	1380	4955
	Building Works	0	158743	158743	0
Other Resources	Cost of Money Raising	140	0	140	151
	Sub Total	117845	188956	306801	139026
Section Accounts - Costs				0	321
Total Payments		117845	188956	306801	139347
Net Receipts/Payments		145934	1661	147595	
Balance Brought Forward 1 January				149772	
Balance Carried Forward 31 Dec				297367	

	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	2522			2522
Publications Group	5527			5527
Dorcas	0			0
	24741			24741

Combined BS for Casllwchwr & Gorseinon
 Statement of Assets and Liabilities
 For the year ended 31 December 2024

		2024	2023
		£	£
Cash Funds			
	Bank Current	202397	92125
	Bank Deposit	29109	29109
	Petty Cash	100	305
	St Davids Bank	178288	137733
	St Davids uncleared cheque	-360	0
Other Assets			
	St Davids Loan	30240	20404
	St Catherines Loan	-30240	-20404
	Held by the Diocese	10781	10781
	Total Assets	420314	270053

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Total Assets		272627	152724

St David's Church Loughour - Receipts and Payments Accounts

For the year ended 31 December 2024

2023		2024
13200	Parish Share	£ £ 0 <u>0</u>
Parish Activities		
0	Maintenance of Services	
5309	General Parish Expenses	0
<u>5309</u>		<u>0</u>
Church Property		
315	Insurance	
1588	Gas & Electric	1362
180	Water Rates	
4902	Repairs	
84	Cleaning & Maintenance	
<u>7069</u>		<u>1362</u>
Grants		
190	Mission	
		<u>0</u>
Cost of Money Raising		
0	Lottery License	
25768	Total Resources Expended	1362

St David's Church Loughour - Receipts & Payments

For the year ended 31 December 2024

2023		2024
		£ £
16603	Planned Giving	15299
447	Loose Collections	1320
333	Donations	245
541	For Mission	0
960	Tax Refunds	1557
62000	Legacy Gifts	21397
<u>80884</u>		<u>39817</u>
Generated Income		
863	Money Raising	1045
950	Fees	694
	Refund	
<u>1813</u>		<u>1739</u>
Investment		
0	Investments	<u>0</u>
Other Income		
0	Grants	<u>0</u>
82697	Total Income	<u>41556</u>

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parish of Casllwchwr and Gorseinon.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the The Parish of Casllwchwr and Gorseinon (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 11 of the 2011 Act due to gross income being below 250k after deduction of endowments and sale of assets.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: klpittard

Name: Kirsty Pittard

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): IAB

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Date: 27/09/2025