

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON

England & Wales · Charity number 1134833

Details

Other names ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION PCC, BLACKWELL

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-03-11

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Darlington

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£214,435	£212,002	-	-
2023-12-31	£154,727	£168,420	-	-
2022-12-31	£178,405	£183,622	-	-
2021-12-31	£198,432	£175,088	-	-
2020-12-31	£155,333	£140,160	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
SANDRA WHISTON	Chair	2019-04-10
ALISON JULIE HOPKINS BScMRPharm		2024-04-24
ALISON MORAG BARKER		2021-04-14
Alison Agnes Mannion		2021-04-14
Andrew John Young		2022-11-30
COLIN PRICE		2014-05-08
Christine Anne English		2025-04-23
DAVID VICTOR SMITH		
DEBORAH GILL BA		
EILEEN NORAH AUTY BA		
ELEANOR MARGARET WINKWORTH BA ACII		2023-05-31
Jonathan David Barker		2021-04-14
KEVIN MICHAEL WINKWORTH LLB ACII		
MICHAEL JOHN SHEPHERD		
MIKE FRYER		2011-12-07
NICHOLAS CHARLES AUTY		2022-05-04
PAMELA MARY DAVISON		
PETER JEFFREY DAVISON		
PHILIP ELLIOTT-LYALL		2024-04-24
PROFESSOR KEITH WHISTON		
SUSAN MARGARET ELLIOTT-LYALL		2024-04-24
SYLVIA ANNE WILLSON		2024-04-24

Accounts

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ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
ANNUAL REPORT
AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Registered Charity Number 1134833

**All Saints' Church
Ravensdale Road
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Incumbent:

In Vacancy

Bankers:

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The Parochial Church Council presents its report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

Objectives and activities

All Saints' and Salutation PCC has the responsibility for co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. As well as that of All Saints' Church and its grounds, the PCC has maintenance responsibilities for Salutation Hall and grounds, Salutation Road.

Public benefit

The charity's aims and achievements are set out within this report. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and the PCC have paid due regard to this guidance in deciding what activities the charity shall undertake.

Church services

Our community and church aim at all times to provide full and accessible church services for both those who live in the parish and visitors. The Ministry Team, the PCC, and volunteers from within the congregation provide services and resources for this Parish. Despite continued recovery challenges post-pandemic experienced across all churches and the current vacancy within the Parish (our incumbent, The Reverend Jennifer Croft resigned in June 2024 following a lengthy period of ill-health absence), we believe that we continue to engage with the Mission Action Plan (MAP) priorities of the Church which include:

- Discipleship and spiritual growth
- Community connection/outreach
- Ministry to young people
- Pastoral care
- Communication

At our Sunday worship we have maintained the use of Zoom, first introduced during the pandemic to livestream services, so that we can offer 'hybrid church' (physical or virtual attendance), referred to by the Church of England as 'Stay at Home' church.

For those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services we continue to distribute 'service summaries' each Monday. These include the readings from the previous Sunday's services, together with the sermon and are delivered in person by a team of volunteers. These receive positive feedback.

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Our uniformed organisations and their families continue to be invited to Parade services throughout the year, including Mothering Sunday and Remembrance Day.

Social activities continue to offer essential opportunities for fellowship amongst the congregation and within the wider Parish and community. These include the Parish lunch enjoyed by more than 40 participants every month, coffee and fellowship after 10.30 Sunday and 10am Wednesday services. These together with coffee mornings (now offered monthly), are an important means of limiting social isolation within the congregation and Parish. We also enjoyed a Burns Supper, Passover, a Harvest Ceilidh and again welcomed a local touring theatre group. Together with our Summer Garden Party and Christmas Fayre, these events also offered opportunities to engage with the Parish and wider communities.

- Discipleship and spiritual growth

A weekly group continues to meet via Zoom to study the Bible together. The Vision Day in September 2023 highlighted a need to develop further discipleship opportunities. A working group together with the Ministry team continue to develop opportunities, including focussed topics for sermons. The Wednesday afternoon reading group was also re-established in the past year.

There is a prayer group that meets monthly and provides an ongoing prayer forum for private requests in the parish and for those for whom we regularly pray. A mid-week prayer group also supports the ministry of the church.

Café Church, which was introduced following the three-year Partnership for Missional Church (PMC) programme, has continued on a bi-monthly basis on a Sunday afternoon and has a small but loyal congregation.

- Community Connection/Outreach

At the beginning of the new PCC year a Communications Group was established as a sub-committee of the PCC under the leadership of one of the churchwardens. This has enabled us to continue to develop a greater presence in our community through our website and our Facebook page. Many of the church groups have WhatsApp groups which further enable communication, connection and friendship.

The Community Outreach Group was re-established at the beginning of the new PCC year, again as a sub-committee to the PCC. The group have re-visited the development of the 'Warm Spaces' initiative and the Knitting and Stitching group are the first church group to embrace this outreach to the community. The Community Outreach Group are currently developing a new 'Parish Welcome Pack'.

The Millennium Centre (managed through a separate limited company) and Salutation Hall continue to be an important way in which this Christian community serves the needs of the wider community in which it is set. Both the centre and the hall are well used and provide invaluable service to the community. A team of buildings and grounds volunteers care for these buildings, as well as the church and its grounds, and progress of works is reported to the PCC.

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The Green Action Group continues to promote our care of God's Creation leading the work towards achieving Eco-Congregation status for the Church. We currently hold the Silver award. Members of the group continue to share their experiences within the Deanery and with other congregations.

- Pastoral care

With an ageing congregation and a parish profile that indicates a high proportion of older people, this is an area of ministry that continues to grow. The pastoral care group, consisting of a retired ordained minister, a qualified lay pastoral minister and a group of parish visitors, supports this vital ministry through regular pastoral visits in the home, care homes and hospitals together with bereavement visits.

Service summaries, developed during the pandemic for those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services, continue to be produced and distributed each Monday to those who are unable to access church services physically or online. These summaries include the readings from the Sunday services, together with the sermon and include large font versions for those who need them. They are delivered in person by a team of volunteers.

We continue to offer the 'Bereavement Journey', a 5-week course as part of a rolling programme in support of people who have experienced bereavement both recently and in the past.

We also provide monthly Holy Communion in the Garden Care Home and home communion for individuals in their own homes.

- Communication

This is an area that, as a Church, we continue to strive to improve and was an area highlighted for further work by the Parish Vision Day (2023). The development of a Communication Group as a sub-committee of the PCC has enabled co-ordination of our communication activity within and beyond the Parish. A range of communication methods are in use, including the website, Facebook and MailChimp. In addition, leaflet drops about the Summer and Christmas Fayres, together with the Parish Christmas card, are delivered to all households in the Parish. Additional individuals have been trained to support further development and updating of the Church website and Church notice boards have been replaced and updated to increase the visibility of activities and services within church buildings.

The production of the Parish Magazine continues to be led by a team of three editors who actively seek articles from a wider range of contributors. This publication (11 editions per year) is a vital source of information and interesting content for the readership and feedback has been very positive.

The Parish Vision:

"To Grow God's Kingdom through All Saints' and Salutation, Blackwell".

We believe God is calling us to do this by:

- Growing the Church
- Growing as Disciples
- Growing in Service to the parish and beyond.

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The Parish Vision was first developed in 2009, revisited in 2011 and refreshed when a Parish Profile was written in 2014. In May 2016, there was a Parish meeting to look at the Parish Vision and the current situation in the church and how this informs our plan for mission in the future.

A Parish Vision Day was held in September 2023 to review the Parish Vision and revisit our priorities. Our Parish profile demonstrates that we have a larger than average elderly population and there is a growing number of socially isolated people, not just the elderly, but also adults living on their own. The meeting considered this ageing profile and how we might support this going forward acknowledging that we needed to explore the needs of our Parish further than time permitted on the day. There was agreement that the vision statement and the three priorities are still broadly applicable, but the meeting highlighted that further work is needed to develop specific and achievable priorities within each priority area.

A working group was convened to take this work forward and this group reports to the PCC. The work to improve communication within the congregation and across the Parish was passed to the communication group when it was established by the PCC. The group continues to work with the Ministry Team to develop discipleship opportunities.

Pre-School

The All Saints' Blackwell Pre-school continues to thrive under the leadership of Amanda Summers and her team. The most recent Ofsted inspection (2022) reported that the Pre-school is outstanding in all areas and highlights:

"Children thrive at this lovely pre-school. They demonstrate high levels of independence and confidence and show that they thoroughly enjoy their time at the pre-school. Staff know children extremely well and plan exciting activities that ignite their curiosity. For instance, children show fascination as they watch caterpillars, using their magnifying glasses. Children's behaviour is impeccable. Adults set clear expectations for children's behaviour. They model respectful relationships excellently. Adults are very responsive to children's emotional needs and children make strong bonds with adults. Children thoroughly enjoy playing together. Close friendships are evident throughout the pre-school. Children take turns, discuss their ideas and work collaboratively. For example, children work together to hold a pirate flag up in the wind and say, 'Let's hold it up. Three, two, one!' " "Children benefit from adults who have a deep understanding of each child's needs. Children who need additional support receive this quickly and effectively. For example, plans are put in place so that all staff know how to help children to make progress and referrals are made to other services for support, such as speech and language therapy."

During 2024 the Pre-School benefitted from a £25,000 grant from Darlington Borough Council to install toilets for the exclusive use of the children.

Parents and carers continue to speak very highly of the Pre-school and all the staff.

Related Parties

All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited is considered to be a related charity.

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Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £101,646 (2023: £106,065) with total expenditure on unrestricted funds amounting to £113,736 (2023: £115,539) giving a deficit of £12,090 (2023: £9,474).

Unrestricted Planned Giving reduced further to £45,649 (2023: £54,159), which continues to be very disappointing trend.

A total of £100,489 (2023: £105,791) was spent to provide the Christian Ministry helped by the main part of this, our payment of parish share to the diocese, being reduced again to £50,000 from £60,000 in 2023. We remain happy to pay this large amount in parish share as it largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy within the diocese.

The Restricted Funds surplus amounted to £14,523 (2023: deficit £4,219).

This included the result of our Pre-School, which made a surplus in the year of £8,109 (2023: deficit £4,554). We are particularly proud that in 2022 Ofsted awarded it 'outstanding' in all areas.

During the year the Pre-School applied for and was awarded a grant from Darlington Borough Council of £25,000 for the building and installation of bespoke toilets for the exclusive use of the children. Unfortunately, the grant didn't cover the total cost of £31,230, the shortfall of £6,230 being taken out of reserves. Without this shortfall the Pre-School would have made a surplus of £14,339, a tremendous achievement.

During the year donations of £10,500 were also given and they were restricted by the donors for use on church projects or garden.

Consequently, the overall net surplus which amounted to £2,433 is a much better result than the deficit of £13,693 suffered in 2023. However, without the Pre-School result and the donations received we would have had a deficit similar to 2023.

Unrestricted reserves decreased by £12,090 to £60,714 while restricted reserves increased by £14,523 to £68,739 giving overall reserves of £129,453. (2023: £127,020).

Full details are provided in the financial statements.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds, if possible, which equates to approximately six months' unrestricted payments, excluding the parish share, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. It is our policy to invest our long-term funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund and Unit Trusts.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

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Committees of the PCC

The PCC operates through several committees which meet between full meetings of the PCC and whose proposals must always be agreed by the PCC before being put into action (except in the case of the Standing Committee). It is usual for each of these committees to be chaired by a churchwarden, a pro-warden, or the Incumbent.

Standing Committee

This consists of the Incumbent, churchwardens, PCC Secretary, and PCC Treasurer. It is the only committee that is required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Finance Committee

Aims to support both treasurers to develop effective stewardship of all the church's various financial resources including Planned Giving and to develop monitor and report on the annual budget. It also ensures that our insurance cover is adequate and it takes responsibility for any recommendations that are necessary with our insurers. This committee is responsible for pursuing ways of financing future enhancement of the church building. It also monitors the finances of the Pre-School Group. It ensures that the PCC complies with charity commission obligations, and ensures the church has relevant and workable policies for staff guidance. This committee advises the PCC on all required policies.

Buildings and Grounds Group

This group is responsible for the care and upkeep of the church and its grounds and Salutation Hall and its grounds. It is also responsible for ensuring that any recommendations of a quinquennial report are implemented. It also undertakes, on behalf of the All Saints' Millennium Centre Trustees, the care of the day-to-day maintenance of the Centre.

Community Outreach Group

Helps the church to communicate the Christian message to the people of the parish and to minister to their needs. This outreach is expressed in lay pastoral care, a ministry of welcome, positive communication, evangelistic initiatives, charitable giving and outreach to schools and care of the vulnerable. The group is responsible for developing the Church's concern for the needs of the wider society and world, making connections with the wider community and looking beyond the needs of our own local community when appropriate. To achieve all of this, the group needs to liaise closely with the Social Committee, the Communications Group and the Pastoral Group.

Social Committee

Organises and co-ordinates social occasions throughout the year that give church members an opportunity for fellowship. Some of these events will raise money for PCC funds. One event in each year may raise money for a special local charitable cause that is different from others supported by the parish and one event may be offered free of charge to the local community.

Pre-School Executive Committee

Usually chaired by the Incumbent (currently chaired by the vice-chair), this committee manages and oversees the running of the Ofsted registered Pre-School Group.

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Salutation Hall Working Group

This group manages the running of Salutation Hall. Membership is agreed each year by the PCC.

Communications Group

This group leads on development of internal and external communications on behalf of the Church and its remit includes the website, email communications, publicity for events and special services, the Parish Magazine, Zoom and social media.

Ministry Group

Usually chaired by the Incumbent (currently chaired by a retired member of the clergy) and independent of the PCC structures, though working in partnership with them, this group acts as a peer support group for the clergy (including the retired clergy who exercise a ministry in the Parish), the Readers and the Pastoral Assistant. In partnership with other worship and education groups, it reviews and plans worship, particularly special services, and educational opportunities for the Church.

Green Action Group

This group helps the church to appreciate individual and shared responsibility for global warming and to relate this to the Christian faith. The group aims to encourage the church and wider community to move to a simpler, more sustainable lifestyle that will protect all God's creation and ensure justice for all God's people.

Risk management

The PCC has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

PCC Meetings

The full PCC met six times in the year with an average attendance of 19, which represents approximately 79% of the full membership, including the co-opted members, secretary and treasurers. Sub-committees and groups met between meetings and their reports and proposals were discussed by the full PCC.

Administrative Information

All Saints' Church is situated in Ravensdale Road, Darlington. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) is registered as a charity. The Registered Charity Number is 1134833.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, with the secretary, treasurer and members of the Reader team co-opted at the first meeting of the year.

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Membership (continued)

During the year the following served as members:

<i>Clergy:</i>	The Reverend Jennifer Croft In Vacancy	(Incumbent and Chair)	until 23 June 2024 from 24 June 2024
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr David Smith	(Vice-chair) (Chair) (Vice-chair)	until 23 June 2024 from 24 June 2024 from 24 June 2024
<i>Pro-Wardens:</i>	Mr Michael Fryer Mr Jonathan Barker		
<i>Diocesan Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Pam Davison BSc FCA Dr Colin Price		until 31 July 2024 until 31 July 2024
<i>Deanery Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Eileen Auty Mr Michael Shepherd Mr Nick Auty		
<i>Readers:</i>	Mrs Debby Gill Mrs Susan Leatherbarrow Prof Keith Whiston Mr Kevin Winkworth Mr Andrew Young		until APCM
<i>Secretary:</i>	Mrs Eleanor Winkworth		
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mr Peter Davison BA FCA		
<i>Planned Giving Treasurer:</i>	Mrs Clare Curran		
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Mr David Smith		
<i>Safeguarding Officers:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr Michael Fryer		
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Mrs Julie Denham Mr Andy Hopkins Mr Ian Groves Mrs Alison Barker Mr Jonathan Barker Mrs Alison Mannion Mr Ellis Leatherbarrow Mrs Pam Davison BSc FCA Dr Colin Price Mrs Alison Hopkins Mrs Anne Willson Mrs Susan Elliott-Lyall Mr Phillip Elliott-Lyall		until APCM until APCM from APCM from APCM from APCM from APCM from APCM

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Sandra Whiston
Churchwarden and PCC Chair
27 March 2025

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON (PCC)**

I report to the members of the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 PCC as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Unrestricted Funds 2024	Restricted Funds 2024	Total Funds 2024	Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Total Funds 2023
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2a	65,674	10,500	76,174	74,374	115	74,489
Charitable activities	2b	5,727	102,177	107,904	6,395	48,257	54,652
Investments	2c	39	112	151	25	70	95
Other trading activities	2d	30,206	-	30,206	25,271	220	25,491
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		101,646	112,789	214,435	106,065	48,662	154,727
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Raising funds	3a	13,247	-	13,247	9,748	-	9,748
Charitable activities	3b	100,489	98,266	198,755	105,791	52,881	158,672
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		113,736	98,266	212,002	115,539	52,881	168,420
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NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		(12,090)	14,523	2,433	(9,474)	(4,219)	(13,693)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		72,804	54,216	127,020	82,278	58,435	140,713
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		60,714	68,739	129,453	72,804	54,216	127,020
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The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these accounts

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

		2024	2023
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	5,934	6,749
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank accounts		129,565	125,568
Cash in hand		2,655	2,720
Debtors	6	14,055	13,057
Stocks		160	109
		146,435	141,454
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(22,916)	(21,183)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		123,519	120,271
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		129,453	127,020
NET ASSETS		129,453	127,020
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PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted	8	60,714	72,804
Restricted	8	68,739	54,216
TOTAL FUNDS		129,453	127,020
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Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 27 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:-

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Sandra Whiston
Churchwarden and
PCC Chair

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Peter Davison
Treasurer

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these accounts

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the PCC, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees believe that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of the tangible fixed assets by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful life as follows:-

Organ and sound system	10% per annum
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Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable Church Furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property listed in the Church's inventory, which is available for inspection.

All expenditure on play equipment and other fittings for the Pre-School is written off at the time the expenditure is incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Administration Costs

All administration costs are borne by the unrestricted fund.

Grants receivable

Grants are credited to income when the charity becomes entitled to the grant. Grants that have not met the performance criteria in the accounting period will be deferred.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Income

Planned giving, interest, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants, legacies and pledges are accounted for when the PCC has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. All income is accounted for gross.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the PCC to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Financial instruments

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities in expenditure.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its charitable activities.

Significant judgements and estimates

In the application of the PCC's accounting policies the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Significant judgements

The judgements (apart from those involving estimations) that the trustees have made in the process of applying the PCC's accounting policies and have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

Depreciation - Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset. An estimate of the useful economic life of assets is detailed in the depreciation accounting policy. The value of depreciation charge in the year was £815.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future and, by their nature, will rarely equal the actual outcome. There are no key assumptions or sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the current amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

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2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:

2a Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
Voluntary income	£	£	£	£
Planned giving:-				
Envelopes, covenants and Gift Aid	45,649	-	45,649	54,159
Tax reclaim	12,634	-	12,634	13,807
Collections (loose plate)	6,817	-	6,817	5,627
Contributions towards Youth and Children's Minister			-	-
Special Charity collections	269	-	269	216
Donations and Legacies	305	10,500	10,805	680
	65,674	10,500	76,174	74,489
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2b Income from charitable activities

Church activities				
Occasional offices	5,727	-	5,727	6,395
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 15)	-	102,177	102,177	48,257
	5,727	102,177	107,904	54,652
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2c Income from investments

Interest receivable	39	112	151	95
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2d Other trading activities

Activities for generating funds				
Fundraising (see note 12)	23,936	-	23,936	19,130
Salutation Hall income	3,598	-	3,598	4,189
Sundry income	2,672	-	2,672	2,172
	30,206	-	30,206	25,491
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total Income and Endowments	101,646	112,789	214,435	154,727
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total income and endowments was £214,435 (2023: £154,727) of which £101,646 (2023: £106,065) was unrestricted and £112,789 (2023: £48,662) was restricted.

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3 EXPENDITURE

3a Raising funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising (see note 12)	13,247 =====	- =====	13,247 =====	9,748 =====
3b Charitable activities				
Church activities and expenses				
Charitable and Mission giving (see note 13)	3,856	-	3,856	1,396
Parish share	50,000	-	50,000	60,000
Clergy expenses	328	-	328	315
Church running expenses	15,244	-	15,244	10,776
Cost of services	3,111	-	3,111	3,267
Church maintenance	2,215	-	2,215	807
Insurance	1,038	-	1,038	968
Salutation Hall	3,913	-	3,913	3,118
Salaries, wages and honoraria	14,758	-	14,758	15,119
Sundry costs	769	4,086	4,855	5,588
Administration costs	2,942	-	2,942	2,978
Depreciation	815	-	815	159
Independent Examination	1,500	-	1,500	1,300
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School	-	94,180	94,180	52,881
	100,489 =====	98,266 =====	198,755 =====	158,672 =====
Total Expenditure	113,736 =====	98,266 =====	212,002 =====	168,420 =====

Total expenditure was £212,002 (2023: £168,420) of which £113,736 (2023: £115,539) was unrestricted and £98,266 (2023: £52,881) was restricted.

4a STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries	11,752	54,966	66,718	56,252
Pension costs	-	758	758	563
	11,752 =====	55,724 =====	67,476 =====	56,815 =====

Throughout the year the PCC employed a Parish Secretary and a Director of Music. Both of the positions are part-time and no payments were large enough to attract Social Security costs.

All Saints Pre-School employs 5 staff (2023: 5 staff).

No employees received benefits of more than £60,000.

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4b MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The members neither received nor waived remuneration during the year for their positions as members of the PCC (2023: £Nil). See note 10 for further information.

The members did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2023: £Nil).

5 FIXED ASSETS

Tangible (all unrestricted)	Organ and Sound System	Total
	£	£
COST		
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	24,750 =====	24,750 =====
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 January 2024	18,001	18,001
Charge for the year	815	815
	-----	-----
At 31 December 2024	18,816 =====	18,816 =====
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2024	5,934 =====	5,934 =====
At 31 December 2023	6,749 =====	6,749 =====

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6 DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Tax recoverable	1,570	2,898
Other debtors	12,485	10,159
	14,055	13,057
	=====	=====

7 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals	3,930	9,423
Deferred income	18,386	10,890
Other creditors	600	870
	22,916	21,183
	=====	=====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	44,124	101,646	(113,506)	-	32,264
Designated Fund	28,680	-	(230)	-	28,450
	<u>72,804</u>	<u>101,646</u>	<u>(113,736)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,714</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	(307)	-	643
Choir Fund	1,466	-	-	-	1,466
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	46,067	102,289	(94,180)	-	54,176
Green Action Group Fund	220		(64)	-	156
General Building Fund	3,715	10,500	(3,715)	-	10,500
	<u>54,216</u>	<u>112,789</u>	<u>(98,266)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,739</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>127,020</u> =====	<u>214,435</u> =====	<u>(212,002)</u> =====	<u>-</u> =====	<u>129,453</u> =====

The Designated Fund established by the PCC includes two legacies received in 2021 with a total of £35,000, which at the request of the two families will be used for future projects when agreed by the PCC. A new sound system was installed in 2023 at a cost of £6,550 and was capitalised. The fund also includes £1,000 received in 2022 and designated for use in Salutation Hall.

The Clavinova Fund holds the money raised several years ago for the provision of a clavinova at Shepherds Dene.

The Choir Fund was established to raise money to provide items for use by the Choir.

The Bennett Memorial Fund was established in memory of one of our previous organists, Nick Bennett.

In 2014 the Diocese of Durham provided £650 to the 'Open the Book' team to provide it with resources to carry out its work.

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund was established by her parents in memory of Jane who died in 2018 and had been a member of the congregation for many years.

The Pre-School funds are restricted, as all monies received are either from the local authority as grants or are fees paid by the parents of the children at the Pre-School.

The Green Action Group Fund was established to raise money for use by the Green Action Group.

The General Buidling Fund was established by donations from parishioners for expenditure on specific projects in the church or church grounds.

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	46,278	106,065	(114,769)	6,550	44,124
Designated Fund	36,000	-	(770)	(6,550)	28,680
	82,278	106,065	(115,539)	-	72,804
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	115	-	-	1,466
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	50,621	48,327	(52,881)	-	46,067
Green Action Group Fund	-	220	-	-	220
General Building Fund	3,715	-	-	-	3,715
	58,435	48,662	(52,881)	-	54,216
TOTAL FUNDS	140,713	154,727	(168,420)	-	127,020
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined movement in funds is as follows:

	At 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	46,278	207,711	(228,275)	6,550	32,264
Designated Fund	36,000	-	(1,000)	(6,550)	28,450
	<u>82,278</u>	<u>207,711</u>	<u>(229,275)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,714</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	(307)	-	643
Choir Fund	1,351	115	-	-	1,466
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	50,621	150,616	(147,061)	-	54,176
Green Action Group Fund	-	220	(64)	-	156
General Building Fund	3,715	10,500	(3,715)	-	10,500
	<u>58,435</u>	<u>161,451</u>	<u>(151,147)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>68,739</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>140,713</u> =====	<u>369,162</u> =====	<u>(380,422)</u> =====	<u>-</u> =====	<u>129,453</u> =====

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9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	5,934	-	5,934
Current assets	59,365	87,070	146,435
Creditors	(4,585)	(18,331)	(22,916)
	60,714	68,739	129,453
	=====	=====	=====

10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the charity made recharges for services of £7,620 (2023: £4,160) to a related charity, All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited. As at 31 December 2024 a balance of £9,611 (2023: £6,127) is included in other debtors.

Andy Young, PCC Member, received a salary for the position of Director of Music.

11 LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
Within one year	1,397	1,397
Between one and five years	2,444	3,841
	3,841	5,238
	=====	=====

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					2024		2023
		Note	Income	Expenses	Total	Donations Paid Out	Surplus/ (Deficit)
12 FUNDRAISING			£	£	£	£	£
Garden Party			2,741	(45)	2,696	-	2,696
Christmas Fair			4,757	(202)	4,555	-	4,555
Passover Meal			240	(165)	75	-	75
Music Festival			1,000	-	1,000	-	1,000
Parish Lunch Club		14a	2,737	(3,154)	(417)	226	(643)
Magazine		14b	1,524	(1,585)	(61)	-	(61)
Ladies Fellowship (excluding bank interest)		14c	2,381	(2,219)	162	400	(238)
Tea and Coffee		14d	732	(191)	541	-	541
Flower Fund		14e	310	(458)	(148)	-	(148)
Social Committee		14f	3,602	(1,917)	1,685	-	1,685
Badminton		14g	220	(220)	-	-	-
100 Club		14h	1,527	(1,228)	299	-	299
Bell Ringing		14i	-	-	-	-	-
Circle Dancing		14j	1,032	(780)	252	250	2
Tiny Tots		14k	1,133	(1,083)	50	-	50
			<u>23,936</u>	<u>(13,247)</u>	<u>10,689</u>	<u>876</u>	<u>9,813</u>
			=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Summary					2024		2,023
					£		£
Income					23,936		18,910
Costs					(13,247)		(9,748)
					<u>10,689</u>		<u>9,162</u>
					=====		=====

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		2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
13	CHARITABLE GIVING				
PCC :	St. Teresa's Hospice		772		-
	The Stroke Association		521		-
	Childrens Society		269		216
	Dogs Trust Darlington		237		-
	Alzheimers UK		209		51
	RNLI		208		-
	Lake District Search & Mountain Rescue Association		208		-
	Friends of Darlington Memorial Hospital		174		-
	Cancer Research UK		132		51
	Darlington Mind		125		-
	Darlington Town Mission		125		-
	North Park Care Centre		-		155
	Family Help Darlington		-		121
			2,980		594
Groups:					
Parish Lunch Club	: Christian Aid	226		232	
Ladies Fellowship	: USPG	200		100	
	: Safe Families	200		-	
	: King's Church Foodbank	-		100	
Circle Dancing	: St. Teresa's Hospice	250		100	
Bell Ringing	: King's Church Foodbank	-		270	
			876		802
			3,856		1,396
			=====		=====

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AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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The Parochial Church Council presents its report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

Objectives and activities

All Saints' and Salutation PCC has the responsibility for co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. As well as that of All Saints' Church and its grounds, the PCC has maintenance responsibilities for Salutation Hall and grounds, Salutation Road.

Public benefit

The charity's aims and achievements are set out within this report. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and the PCC have paid due regard to this guidance in deciding what activities the charity shall undertake.

Church services

Our community and church aims at all times to provide full and accessible church services for both those who live in the parish and visitors. The incumbent, The Reverend Jennifer Croft, together with the PCC, the Ministry Team and volunteers from within the congregation provide services and resources for this Parish. Despite the recovery challenges post-pandemic experienced across all churches, we believe that we continue to engage with the Mission Action Plan (MAP) priorities of the Church which include:

- Discipleship and spiritual growth
- Community connection/outreach
- Ministry to young people
- Pastoral care
- Communication

At our Sunday worship we have maintained the use of Zoom, first introduced during the pandemic to livestream services, so that we can offer 'hybrid church' (physical or virtual attendance), referred to by the Church of England as 'Stay at Home' church.

For those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services we continue to distribute 'service summaries' each Monday. These include the readings from the previous Sunday's services, together with the sermon and are delivered in person by a team of volunteers. These are very warmly received.

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Our uniformed organisations and their families continue to be invited to Parade services throughout the year, including Mothering Sunday and Remembrance Day. Sadly, one of our three Brownie Packs has relocated to a neighbouring church hall as we could no longer accommodate their increasing number of Brownies.

Social activities continue to offer essential opportunities for fellowship amongst the congregation and within the wider Parish and community. These include the Parish lunch enjoyed by more than 40 participants every month. These, together with the coffee mornings, are an important means of limiting social isolation. We also enjoyed quizzes, a Burns Supper and the return of the annual Harvest ceilidh for the first-time post pandemic. In addition we hosted a local touring theatre group which, together with our Summer Garden Party and Christmas Fayre, also offered opportunities to engage with the Parish and wider communities.

- Discipleship and spiritual growth

A weekly group continues to meet via Zoom to study the Bible together. The Vision Day in September 2023 highlighted a need to develop further discipleship opportunities. A working group together with the Ministry team have been tasked with developing opportunities to be introduced in early 2024.

A healing ministry introduced in 2022 continues to be offered as part of the 10.30am holy communion service on the first Sunday of the month.

There is a prayer group that meets monthly and provides an ongoing prayer forum for private requests in the parish and for those for whom we regularly pray. There is also a mid-week prayer group to support the ministry of the church.

Café Church, which was introduced following the three-year Partnership for Missional Church (PMC) programme, has continued on a bi-monthly basis on a Sunday afternoon and has a small but loyal congregation.

- Community Connection/Outreach

We have continued to develop a greater presence in our community through our website and our Facebook page and we now also have a church WhatsApp group which enables communication, connection and friendship.

Unfortunately, the Community Connections/Outreach group was unable to reconvene following the APCM as the new PCC established its committees and its roles have been picked up by individuals and other groups within the church community. It is hoped that this group can be re-established in the future.

The Millennium Centre (managed through a separate limited company) and Salutation Hall continue to be an important way in which this Christian community serves the needs of the wider community in which it is set. Both the centre and the hall are well used and provide invaluable service to the community. A team of buildings and grounds volunteers care for these buildings, as well as the church and its grounds, and progress of works is reported to the PCC.

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The Green Action Group continues to promote our care of God's Creation leading the work towards achieving Eco-Congregation status for the Church. We currently hold the Silver award. Members of the group have shared their experiences with Deanery Synod members and other congregations.

- Pastoral care

With an ageing congregation and a parish profile that indicates a high proportion of older people, this is an area of ministry that continues to grow. The pastoral care group, consisting of the Vicar and a retired ordained minister, a qualified lay pastoral minister and a group of parish visitors, supports this vital ministry through regular pastoral visits in the home, care homes and hospitals together with bereavement visits.

Service summaries, developed during the pandemic for those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services, continue to be produced and distributed each Monday to those who are unable to access church services. These include the readings from the previous Sunday's services, together with the sermon and are delivered in person by a team of volunteers.

We continue to offer the 'Bereavement Journey', a 5-week course as part of a rolling programme in support of people who have experienced bereavement both recently and in the past. Earlier groups have evolved into a monthly support group.

Fortnightly Holy Communion continues to be offered in Abbeyfield (an assisted living residence). We also provide monthly Holy Communion in the Garden Care Home.

- Communication

This is an area that, as a Church, we continue to strive to improve and was an area highlighted for further work by the Parish Vision Day. A range of communication methods are in use, including the website, Facebook and MailChimp. In addition leaflet drops about the Summer and Christmas Fayres, together with the Parish Christmas card, are delivered to all households in the Parish. Additional individuals have been trained to support further development and updating of the Church website. Church notice boards have also been replaced and updated to increase the visibility of activities and services within church buildings.

The Parish Magazine has been revitalised over the past year by a team of three editors who actively seek articles from a wider range of contributors. This publication (11 editions per year) is a vital source of information and interesting content for the readership and feedback has been very positive.

The Parish Vision:

"To Grow God's Kingdom through All Saints' and Salutation, Blackwell".

We believe God is calling us to do this by:

- Growing the Church
- Growing as Disciples
- Growing in Service to the parish and beyond.

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The Parish Vision was first developed in 2009, revisited in 2011 and refreshed when the Parish Profile was written in 2014. In May 2016, there was a Parish meeting to look at the Parish Vision and the current situation in the church and how this informs our plan for mission in the future.

A Parish Vision Day was held in September 2023 to review the Parish Vision and revisit our priorities. Our Parish profile demonstrates that we have a larger than average elderly population and there is a growing number of socially isolated people, not just the elderly, but also adults living on their own. The meeting considered this ageing profile and how we might support this going forward acknowledging that we needed to explore the profile and needs of our Parish further than time permitted on the day. There was agreement that the vision statement and the three priorities are still broadly applicable, but the meeting highlighted that further work is needed to develop specific and achievable priorities within each priority area.

A working group led by the Vicar has been convened to take this work forward. An initial suggestion that came from the Vision Day was to promote the activities of the church and hall user groups as part of the annual Parish Christmas card, which is delivered to every household in the Parish. A stall at the Christmas Fayre also sought to promote the activities of the church and the hall user groups. The Ministry Team has considered ways to promote discipleship which will be taken forward in 2024.

Pre-School

The All Saints' Blackwell Pre-school continues to thrive under the leadership of Amanda Summers and her team. The most recent Ofsted inspection (2022) reported that the Pre-school is outstanding in all areas and highlights:

"Children thrive at this lovely pre-school. They demonstrate high levels of independence and confidence and show that they thoroughly enjoy their time at the pre-school. Staff know children extremely well and plan exciting activities that ignite their curiosity. For instance, children show fascination as they watch caterpillars, using their magnifying glasses. Children's behaviour is impeccable. Adults set clear expectations for children's behaviour. They model respectful relationships excellently. Adults are very responsive to children's emotional needs and children make strong bonds with adults. Children thoroughly enjoy playing together. Close friendships are evident throughout the pre-school. Children take turns, discuss their ideas and work collaboratively. For example, children work together to hold a pirate flag up in the wind and say, 'Let's hold it up. Three, two, one!' "

"Children benefit from adults who have a deep understanding of each child's needs. Children who need additional support receive this quickly and effectively. For example, plans are put in place so that all staff know how to help children to make progress and referrals are made to other services for support, such as speech and language therapy."

Parents and carers continue to speak very highly of the Pre-school and all the staff.

Related Parties

All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited is considered to be a related charity.

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Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £106,065 (2022: £122,932) with total expenditure on unrestricted funds amounting to £115,539 (2022: £129,164) giving a deficit of £9,474 (2022: £6,232).

Unrestricted Planned Giving reduced further to £54,159 (2022: £57,584), which continues to be very disappointing.

A total of £105,791 (2022: £120,923) was spent to provide the Christian Ministry helped by the main part of this, our payment of parish share to the diocese, being reduced to £60,000 from £70,000 in 2022. We remain happy to pay this large amount in parish share as it largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy within the diocese.

The Restricted Funds deficit amounted to £4,219 (2022: surplus £1,015).

This included the result of our Pre-School, which unfortunately, made a deficit in the year of £4,554 (2022: surplus £1,015).

We are particularly proud that in 2022 Ofsted awarded it 'outstanding' in all areas.

The overall net deficit of £13,693 is a very disappointing result for the year (2022: deficit £5,217).

Unrestricted reserves decreased by £9,474 to £72,804 while restricted reserves decreased by £4,219 to £54,216 giving overall reserves of £127,020. (2022: £140,713).

Full details are provided in the financial statements.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds, if possible, which equates to approximately six months' unrestricted payments, excluding the parish share, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. It is our policy to invest our long-term funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund and Unit Trusts.

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Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

Committees of the PCC

The PCC operates through several committees which meet between full meetings of the PCC and whose proposals must always be agreed by the PCC before being put into action (except in the case of the Standing Committee). It is usual for each of these committees to be chaired by a churchwarden, a pro-warden, or the incumbent.

Standing Committee

This consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer and Planned Giving Treasurer. It is the only committee that is required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

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Finance Committee

Aims to support both treasurers to develop effective stewardship of all the church's various financial resources including Planned Giving and to develop monitor and report on the annual budget. It also ensures that our insurance cover is adequate and it takes responsibility for any recommendations that are necessary with our insurers. This committee is responsible for pursuing ways of financing future enhancement of the church building. It also monitors the finances of the Pre-School Group. It ensures that the PCC complies with charity commission obligations, and ensures the church has relevant and workable policies for staff guidance. This committee advises the PCC on all required policies.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Is responsible for the care and upkeep of the church and its grounds and Salutation Hall and its grounds. It is also responsible for ensuring that any recommendations of a quinquennial report are implemented. It also undertakes, on behalf of the All Saints' Millennium Centre Trustees, the care of the day-to-day maintenance of the Centre.

Community Connections Committee

Helps the church to communicate the Christian message to the people of the parish and to minister to their needs. This outreach is expressed in lay pastoral care, a ministry of welcome, written and electronic communication, evangelistic initiatives, charitable giving and educated concern. It is responsible for developing the church's concern for the needs of the wider society and world and making connections with the wider community.

Social Committee

Organises and co-ordinates social occasions throughout the year that give church members an opportunity for fellowship. Some of these events will raise money for PCC funds. One event in each year may raise money for a special local charitable cause that is different from others supported by the parish and one event may be offered free of charge to the local community.

Pre-School Executive Committee

Chaired by the Incumbent, this committee manages and oversees the running of the Ofsted registered Pre-School Group.

Salutation Hall Management Committee

This committee manages the running of Salutation Hall.

Ministry Group

Chaired by the Incumbent and independent of the PCC structures, though working in partnership with them, this group acts as a support group for the clergy (including the retired clergy who exercise a ministry in the Parish) and the Readers and Pastoral Assistant. It evaluates and monitors learning opportunities within the parish.

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Green Action Group

This group helps the church to appreciate individual and shared responsibility for global warming and to relate this to the Christian faith. The group aims to encourage the church and wider community to move to a simpler, more sustainable lifestyle that will protect all God's creation and ensure justice for all God's people.

Risk management

The PCC has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

PCC Meetings

The full PCC met six times in the year with an average attendance of 17, which represents approximately 71% of the full membership, including the co-opted members, secretary and treasurers. Sub-committees and groups met between meetings and their reports and proposals were discussed by the full PCC.

Administrative Information

All Saints' Church is situated in Ravensdale Road, Darlington. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) is registered as a charity. The Registered Charity Number is 1134833.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, with the secretary, treasurer and members of the Reader team co-opted at the first meeting of the year. During the year the following served as members:

<i>Clergy:</i>	The Reverend Jennifer Croft	Incumbent and Chair
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr David Smith	Vice-chair
<i>Pro-Wardens:</i>	Mr Michael Fryer Mr Jonathan Barker	from 31 May 2023
<i>Diocesan Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Pam Davison BSc FCA Dr Colin Price	

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<i>Deanery Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Eileen Auty Mrs Clare Curran Mr Michael Shepherd Mr Nick Auty	until APCM from APCM
<i>Readers:</i>	Mrs Debby Gill Mrs Susan Leatherbarrow Prof Keith Whiston Mr Kevin Winkworth Mr Andrew Young	
<i>Secretary:</i>	Mrs Sheila Walton Mrs Eleanor Winkworth	until APCM from 31 May 2023
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mr Peter Davison BA FCA	
<i>Planned Giving Treasurer</i>	Mrs Clare Curran	
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Mr David Smith	
<i>Safeguarding Officers:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr Michael Fryer	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Mrs Julie Denham Mr Andy Hopkins Mr Ian Groves Mrs Alison Barker Mr Jonathan Barker Mrs Alison Mannion Mr Ellis Leatherbarrow Mr Nick Auty	until 31 May 2023 until APCM

Sandra Whiston
Churchwarden and PCC Vice-chair
21 March 2024

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON (PCC)**

I report to the members of the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 PCC as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**A W Lockett Bcom BFP FCA DChA
Clive Owen LLP
Chartered Accountants
140 Coniscliffe Road
Darlington
DL3 7RT
21 March 2024**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

		Unrestricted Funds 2023	Restricted Funds 2023	Total Funds 2023	Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	Total Funds 2022
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2a	74,374	115	74,489	88,706	-	88,706
Charitable activities	2b	6,395	48,257	54,652	12,397	55,466	67,863
Investments	2c	25	70	95	4	7	11
Other trading activities	2d	25,271	220	25,491	21,825	-	21,825
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TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		106,065	48,662	154,727	122,932	55,473	178,405
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Raising funds	3a	9,748	-	9,748	8,241	-	8,241
Charitable activities	3b	105,791	52,881	158,672	120,923	54,458	175,381
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE		115,539	52,881	168,420	129,164	54,458	183,622
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		(9,474)	(4,219)	(13,693)	(6,232)	1,015	(5,217)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		82,278	58,435	140,713	88,510	57,420	145,930
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TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£ 72,804	54,216	127,020	£ 82,278	58,435	140,713
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these accounts

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023**

		2023	2022
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	6,749	358
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank accounts		125,568	140,344
Cash in hand		2,720	2,313
Debtors	6	13,057	11,435
Stocks		109	154
		141,454	154,246
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(21,183)	(13,891)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		120,271	140,355
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		127,020	140,713
NET ASSETS		£ 127,020	£ 140,713
		=====	=====
PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted	8	72,804	82,278
Restricted	8	54,216	58,435
TOTAL FUNDS		£ 127,020	£ 140,713
		=====	=====

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 21 March 2024 and signed on its behalf by:-

Sandra Whiston
Churchwarden and
PCC Vice-chair

Peter Davison
Treasurer

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these accounts

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the PCC, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective from 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees believe that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

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Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of the tangible fixed assets by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful life as follows:-

Organ and sound system	10% per annum
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Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable Church Furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property listed in the Church's inventory, which is available for inspection.

All expenditure on play equipment and other fittings for the Pre-School is written off at the time the expenditure is incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Administration Costs

All administration costs are borne by the unrestricted fund.

Grants receivable

Revenue based grants are credited to income when the charity becomes entitled to the grant.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.

Income

Planned giving, interest, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants, legacies and pledges are accounted for when the PCC has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. All income is accounted for gross.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the PCC to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Financial instruments

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities in expenditure.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its charitable activities.

Significant judgements and estimates

In the application of the PCC's accounting policies the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Significant judgements

The judgements (apart from those involving estimations) that the trustees have made in the process of applying the PCC's accounting policies and have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

Depreciation - Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset. An estimate of the useful economic life of assets is detailed in the depreciation accounting policy. The value of depreciation charge in the year was £159.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future and, by their nature, will rarely equal the actual outcome. There are no key assumptions or sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the current amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

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2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:

2a Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
Voluntary income	£	£	£	£
Planned giving:-				
Envelopes, covenants and Gift Aid	54,159	-	54,159	57,584
Tax reclaim	13,807	-	13,807	16,340
Collections (loose plate)	5,627	-	5,627	12,204
Special Charity collections	216	-	216	1,321
Donations and Legacies	565	115	680	1,257
	£ 74,374	115	74,489	88,706
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2b Income from charitable activities

Church activities				
Occasional offices	6,395	-	6,395	12,397
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 15)	-	48,257	48,257	55,466
	£ 6,395	48,257	54,652	67,863
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2c Income from investments

Interest receivable	£ 25	70	95	11
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2d Other trading activities

Activities for generating funds				
Fundraising (see note 12)	18,910	220	19,130	15,545
Salutation Hall income (including £1,000 Designated 2022)	4,189	-	4,189	3,926
Sundry income	2,172	-	2,172	2,354
	£ 25,271	£ 220	25,491	21,825
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total Income and Endowments	£ 106,065	£ 48,662	£ 154,727	£ 178,405
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total income and endowments was £154,727 (2022: £178,405) of which £106,065 (2022: £122,932) was unrestricted and £48,662 (2022: £55,473) was restricted.

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3 EXPENDITURE

3a Raising funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising (see note 12)	£ 9,748 =====	- =====	9,748 =====	8,241 =====
3b Charitable activities				
Church activities and expenses				
Charitable and Mission giving (see note 13)	1,396	-	1,396	6,042
Parish share	60,000	-	60,000	70,000
Clergy expenses	315	-	315	363
Church running expenses	10,776	-	10,776	13,424
Cost of services	3,267	-	3,267	3,181
Church maintenance	807	-	807	1,379
Insurance	968	-	968	878
Salutation Hall (£770 designated)	3,118	-	3,118	1,998
Salaries, wages and honoraria	15,119	-	15,119	19,002
Sundry costs	5,588	-	5,588	393
Administration costs	2,978	-	2,978	2,853
Depreciation	159	-	159	160
Independent Examination	1,300	-	1,300	1,250
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 15)	-	52,881	52,881	54,458
	£ 105,791 =====	52,881 =====	158,672 =====	175,381 =====
Total Expenditure	£ 115,539 =====	52,881 =====	168,420 =====	183,622 =====

Total expenditure was £168,420 (2022: £183,622) of which £115,539 (2022: £129,164) was unrestricted and £52,881(2022: £54,458) was restricted.

4a STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries	10,435	45,817	56,252	57,493
Pension costs	-	563	563	501
	£ 10,435 =====	46,380 =====	56,815 =====	57,994 =====

Throughout the year the PCC employed a Parish Secretary and a Director of Music. Both of the positions are part-time and no payments were large enough to attract Social Security costs.

All Saints Pre-School employs 5 staff (2022: 6 staff).

No employees received benefits of more than £60,000.

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4b MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The members neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2022: £Nil).

The members did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2022: £Nil).

5 FIXED ASSETS

Tangible (all unrestricted)	Organ and Sound System	Total
	£	£
COST		
At 1 January 2023	18,200	18,200
Additions during year	6,550	6,550
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At 31 December 2023	24,750	24,750
	=====	=====
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 January 2023	17,842	17,842
Charge for the year	159	159
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At 31 December 2023	18,001	18,001
	=====	=====
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2023	£ 6,749	£ 6,749
	=====	=====
At 31 December 2022	£ 358	£ 358
	=====	=====

The addition is the cost of a new sound system installed in church using money from a Designated Fund

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6 DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Tax recoverable	2,898	2,300
Other debtors	10,159	9,135
	£ 13,057	£ 11,435
	=====	=====

7 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals	9,423	3,573
Deferred income	10,890	9,018
Other creditors	870	1,300
	£ 21,183	£ 13,891
	=====	=====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 January 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	46,278	106,065	(114,769)	6,550	44,124
Designated Fund	36,000	-	(770)	(6,550)	28,680
	<u>82,278</u>	<u>106,065</u>	<u>(115,539)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,804</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	115	-	-	1,466
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	50,621	48,327	(52,881)	-	46,067
Green Action Group Fund	-	220	-	-	220
General Building Fund	3,715	-	-	-	3,715
	<u>58,435</u>	<u>48,662</u>	<u>(52,881)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,216</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 140,713</u> =====	<u>£ 154,727</u> =====	<u>£ (168,420)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 127,020</u> =====

The Designated Fund established by the PCC includes two legacies received in 2021 with a total of £35,000, which at the request of the two families will be used for future projects when agreed by the PCC. A new sound system was installed towards the end of the year at a cost of £6,550 and was capitalised. The fund also includes £1,000 received in 2022 and designated for use in Salutation Hall.

The Clavinova Fund holds the money raised several years ago for the provision of a clavinova at Shepherds Dene.

The Choir Fund was established to raise money to provide items for use by the Choir.

The Bennett Memorial Fund was established in memory of one of our previous organists, Nick Bennett.

In 2014 the Diocese of Durham provided £650 to the 'Open the Book' team to provide it with resources to carry out its work.

The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund was established by her parents in memory of Jane who died in 2018 and had been a member of the congregation for many years.

The Pre-School funds are restricted, as all monies received are either from the local authority as grants or are fees paid by the parents of the children at the Pre-School.

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

The Green Action Group Fund was established to raise money for use by the Green Action Group.

The General Building Fund had previously been included within creditors and was reclassified by members of the PCC as at 31 December 2021. It was established by a donation for expenditure that was never fully utilised and will be used, at the donor's discretion, for future specific projects.

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1 January 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	53,510	121,932	(129,164)	-	46,278
Designated Fund	35,000	1,000	-	-	36,000
	<u>88,510</u>	<u>122,932</u>	<u>(129,164)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,278</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	-	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	49,606	55,473	(54,458)	-	50,621
General Building Fund	3,715	-	-	-	3,715
	<u>57,420</u>	<u>55,473</u>	<u>(54,458)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,435</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 145,930</u> =====	<u>£ 178,405</u> =====	<u>£ (183,622)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 140,713</u> =====

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A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined movement in funds is as follows:

	At 1 January 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	At 31 December 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	53,510	227,997	(243,933)	6,550	44,124
Designated Fund	35,000	1,000	(770)	(6,550)	28,680
	<u>88,510</u>	<u>228,997</u>	<u>(244,703)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>72,804</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	115	-	-	1,466
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	49,606	103,800	(107,339)	-	46,067
Green Action Group Fund	-	220	-	-	220
General Building Fund	3,715	-	-	-	3,715
	<u>57,420</u>	<u>104,135</u>	<u>(107,339)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,216</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 145,930</u> =====	<u>£ 333,132</u> =====	<u>£ (352,042)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 127,020</u> =====

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9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	6,749	-	6,749
Current assets	76,348	65,106	141,454
Creditors	(10,293)	(10,890)	(21,183)
	£ 72,804	54,216	127,020
	=====	=====	=====

10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the charity made recharges for services of £4,160 (2022: £2,277) to a related charity, All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited.

11 LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Within one year	1,397	1,397
Between one and five years	3,841	5,238
	£ 5,238	£ 6,635
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						2023	2022
12 FUNDRAISING	Note	Income	Expenses	Total	Donations Paid Out	Surplus/ (Deficit)	Surplus/ (Deficit)
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Garden Party		2,363	(293)	2,070	-	2,070	-
Christmas Fair		4,003	(215)	3,788	-	3,788	3,672
Parish Lunch Club	14a	2,518	(1,454)	1,064	232	832	293
Magazine	14b	1,101	(1,620)	(519)	-	(519)	(494)
Ladies Fellowship (excluding bank interest)	14c	2,372	(2,281)	91	200	(109)	155
Tea and Coffee	14d	790	(187)	603	-	603	654
Flower Fund	14e	355	(304)	51	-	51	164
Social Committee	14f	2,259	(968)	1,291	-	1,291	1,356
Badminton	14g	188	(188)	-	-	-	-
100 Club	14h	1,585	(1,215)	370	-	370	466
Bell Ringing	14i	261	-	261	270	(9)	3
Circle Dancing	14j	808	(720)	88	100	(12)	(165)
Parent and Toddler	14k	307	(303)	4	-	4	-
Men's Group	14l	-	-	-	-	-	-
		£ 18,910	(9,748)	9,162	802	8,360	6,104

Summary

Income	18,910	15,545
Costs	(9,748)	(8,241)
	<u>£ 9,162</u>	<u>£ 7,304</u>
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	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
13 CHARITABLE GIVING				
PCC : Childrens Society		216		370
North Park Care Centre		155		-
Family Help Darlington		121		-
Alzheimers UK		51		-
Cancer Research UK		51		508
St. Teresa's Hospice		-		910
Ukraine Appeal		-		614
Macmillan Nurses		-		445
Parkinsons UK		-		374
NHS Blood Transplant Charity				364
British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal		-		336
British Heart Foundation		-		154
Leukaemia UK		-		145
Cancer Support		-		123
Great NE Air Ambulance		-		119
Durham Wildlife Trust		-		116
Marie Curie		-		102
Royal British Legion		-		82
Darlington Town Mission		-		80
		<u>594</u>		<u>4,842</u>
Groups:				
Parish Lunch Club : Christian Aid		232		-
Ladies Fellowship : USPG		100		100
: King's Church Foodbank		100		-
Circle Dancing : St. Teresa's Hospice		100		200
: Ukraine Appeal		-		200
Bell Ringing : King's Church Foodbank		270		700
		<u>802</u>		<u>1,200</u>
		<u>£ 1,396</u>		<u>£ 6,042</u>
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Registered Charity Number 1134833

**All Saints' Church
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Incumbent:

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27/31 High Row
Darlington
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The Parochial Church Council presents its report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

Objectives and activities

All Saints' and Salutation PCC has the responsibility for co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. As well as that of All Saints' Church and its grounds, the PCC has maintenance responsibilities for Salutation Hall and grounds, Salutation Road.

Public benefit

The charity's aims and achievements are set out within this report. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and the PCC have paid due regard to this guidance in deciding what activities the charity shall undertake.

Church services

Despite the challenges that Covid brought to our nation, our community and church, we have aimed at all times to provide full and accessible church services for those who live in the parish and to visitors. The incumbent, The Reverend Jennifer Croft, has worked alongside the PCC, the Curate, the Ministry Team and with those who help to provide the services and resources of this parish. All the factors that we previously used to measure the development and progress of our church were, in 2021, replaced with new parameters. However, we believe that we have still engaged with the Mission Action Plan (MAP) priorities of the church which include:

- Discipleship and Spiritual growth
- Community connection/outreach
- Ministry to young people
- Pastoral care
- Communication

During the third year of the pandemic the church attendance, in line with national statistics, has seen, in a physical sense, a slow and sporadic return of parishioners. At our Sunday worship we have maintained the use of Zoom so that we can offer 'hybrid church' and the Church of England now calls it 'Stay at Home' church. During the pandemic there were times when a limited physical gathering was possible in church and we developed a way of live streaming our worship from church via Zoom. This meant that we could offer this hybrid church, i.e. physically or virtually attending worship. In 2022 we welcomed back the uniformed organisations. It was a joy to see them returning and at our first Parade service, on Mothering Sunday, we had a tremendous turn out from the Guides and Brownies and their families.

For those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services we continue to distribute 'service summaries' on a Monday to those in need. These consist of the words of the service, prayers for the day and a copy of the weekly sermon. These are very warmly received and there has been a request for them to continue.

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During the pandemic a new and increasingly virulent variant, Omicron, was present in Darlington and alongside all the other churches in Darlington we needed to close the church for social gatherings until it was safe to resume. However, in 2022 it was very pleasing that our social activities increased. These included quizzes, themed evenings, a parish lunch and a coffee morning – all of which benefitted our parish in reducing social isolation. Our parish statistics indicate that we have a larger than average elderly population. Most of the children are now older and are teenagers, young adults are now still living with their parents and there is a growing number of socially isolated people, not just the elderly, but also adults living on their own.

I would like to focus on:

- Discipleship and Spiritual growth

We have continued a weekly group to study the Bible together. There is a group which meets in person once a week during Lent, and another group which meets online via Zoom throughout the year. By having both options available these sessions are well attended. Lent groups are always popularly attended. Unfortunately Easter and Christmas services were affected by the restrictions that all churches were required to put in place. In 2021 we received a new Curate and there was an induction period for her and an insight was given towards discipleship and spiritual growth. The Incumbent has also run a healing ministry course for the members of the pastoral care team so that the healing ministry can be offered on Sunday morning. This course, written by the Incumbent, was put in place in Chester Diocese and is still used there.

There is a prayer group that meets monthly and provides an ongoing prayer forum for private requests in the parish and for those for whom we regularly pray. There is also a mid-week prayer group to support the ministry of the church.

There is a willingness to run a rolling programme, throughout the year, of courses that focus on discipleship and spiritual growth. We have learnt that using tools such as Zoom has enabled more people to engage with Christian discipleship, as there is no need to leave the home and thus shorten the time required. We have risen to the challenge that we set ourselves and there remains an opportunity to focus on regular tithing as part of our Christian faith.

- Community connection/outreach

We have continued to develop a greater presence in our community through our website and our Facebook page and we now also have a church WhatsApp group which enables communication, connection and friendship.

Throughout the year the Community Connections Group, which works in parallel with the Partnership for Missional Church (PMC), shared this ministry with the incumbent. This group continued to meet during the year and is continuing to look at new ways of doing church that might help community outreach. There has been a real desire to do Café Church on a Sunday afternoon, every month or two initially. It has taken place 3 times in 2022 and it is finding its niche in ways of doing church.

The Millennium Centre (managed through a separate limited company) and Salutation Hall continue to be an important way in which this Christian community serves the needs of the wider community in which it is set. Both the Centre and the Hall are well used and provide

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invaluable service to the community. The Building and Grounds Committee care for these buildings, as well as the church and its grounds, and progress of works is reported to the PCC.

The Green Action Group has promoted our care of God's Creation more effectively in recent years and has continued to be a strong presence during the lockdown. The Group continues to work towards achieving the status of Eco-Congregation for the church and we have been awarded the Silver award, which is a tremendous achievement.

- Pastoral care

This is an area of ministry that continues to grow. We set up the pastoral care group to work alongside the Vicar in the pastoral care of the flock. Within this group there are three ordained ministers (including the Vicar) and three newly qualified lay pastoral ministers (one of which is now a trainee-Reader for the Church of England). This group has worked to keep in touch with our parishioners via the telephone, the Internet or doorstep visits and also we are now allowed to do visits in the home, care homes and hospitals. As a result of this group we have developed:

- 'Service summaries' which have the Sunday services in written format for distribution.
- Telephone groups using a free conference call facility for 3 or more people/friends to connect.
- Completion of 3 successful runs of the 'Bereavement journey' which is a 5 week course and is part of a rolling programme in support of people who have experienced bereavement both pre- and during lockdown. Following the last course the group decided to continue as a monthly support group and this has continued to see 100% attendance

At the end of the pandemic there has been an increase in mental health issues and bereavement. Research did show that in the first part of lockdown anxiety and depression increased by a third but these levels have since decreased. In this parish we have seen much hidden loneliness and isolation and this is present across all age groups – due to disability, illness, bereavement or mental health issues. Also, the Alzheimer's Society has told us that in Darlington we have increasing early onset dementia in younger adults. The incumbent and a reader are doing 'Singing for the Brain' (SFTB) training with the Alzheimer's Society.

We offer fortnightly Holy Communion in Abbeyfield (an assisted living place) and the Vicar is a Trustee. We also provide a monthly provision of services in the Garden Care Home. The clergy and the pastoral care team do regular pastoral visiting and bereavement visits.

- Communication

The Parish Vision highlighted that we needed to improve on our communication as a church. The lead Churchwarden on communication has been working with the lay leader of PMC and has set up a communication-working group and, with the Vicar's support, developed a communication policy for the church, which is a huge step forward. As a result of this we also have looked at what we share internally and externally and about how we might improve the presence and awareness of our church. For example, we know that the rolling programme of both Alpha and the Bereavement Journey will be dependent upon the right type of advertising and communication. To aid this, the Vicar has also attended training sessions run by the Diocese of Durham.

The Parish Vision:

To Grow God's Kingdom through All Saints' and Salutation, Blackwell.

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We believe God is calling us to do this by:

Growing the Church
Growing as Disciples
Growing in Service to the parish and beyond.

The Parish Vision was first developed in 2009, revisited in 2011 and refreshed as the Parish Profile was written in 2014. In May 2016, there was a Parish meeting to look at the Parish Vision and the current situation in the church and how this informs our plan for mission in the future. We are aware that we need to look again at the Parish Vision and further develop our priorities.

Pre-School

The All Saints Blackwell Pre-school is a feather in our cap and we are enormously proud of it. In 2022 an Ofsted inspection reported that the Pre-school is outstanding in all areas and this is a marvellous achievement and has come from the hard work of Amanda Summers and her team. The 2022 Ofsted report highlights:

"Children thrive at this lovely pre-school. They demonstrate high levels of independence and confidence and show that they thoroughly enjoy their time at the pre-school. Staff know children extremely well and plan exciting activities that ignite their curiosity. For instance, children show fascination as they watch caterpillars, using their magnifying glasses. Children's behaviour is impeccable. Adults set clear expectations for children's behaviour. They model respectful relationships excellently. Adults are very responsive to children's emotional needs and children make strong bonds with adults. Children thoroughly enjoy playing together. Close friendships are evident throughout the pre-school. Children take turns, discuss their ideas and work collaboratively. For example, children work together to hold a pirate flag up in the wind and say, 'Let's hold it up. Three, two, one!'

Children benefit from adults who have a deep understanding of each child's needs. Children who need additional support receive this quickly and effectively. For example, plans are put in place so that all staff know how to help children to make progress and referrals are made to other services for support, such as speech and language therapy."

Parents and carers speak very highly of the Pre-school and all the staff

Related Parties

All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited is considered to be a related charity.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £122,932 (2021: £133,302) with total expenditure on unrestricted funds amounting to £129,164 (2021: £114,424) giving a deficit of £6,232 (2021: surplus £18,878). However, during 2021 we were very fortunate to be the recipient of two legacies from former parishioners amounting to £35,000. Without these legacies we would have suffered a deficit in 2021 of £16,122, compared to only £6,232 in 2022.

Full details are provided in the financial statements.

Unrestricted Planned Giving reduced to £57,584 (2021: £61,926), which is very disappointing.

A total of £120,923 (2021: £110,070) was spent to provide the Christian Ministry despite the main part of this, our payment of parish share to the diocese, being reduced to £70,000 from

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£77,345 in 2021. We remain happy to pay this large amount in parish share as it largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy within the diocese.

The Restricted Funds surplus amounted to £1,015 (2021: £4,466).

This reflected the result of our Pre-School, which has continued to make a surplus throughout the pandemic and remain open. We are particularly proud that in 2022 Ofsted awarded it 'outstanding' in all areas.

The overall net deficit of £5,217 is a disappointing result, even in the difficult circumstances prevailing. (2021: surplus £23,344).

Unrestricted reserves decreased by £6,232 to £82,278 while restricted reserves increased by £1,015 to £54,720 giving overall reserves of £136,998. (2021: £142,215).

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds, if possible, which equates to approximately six months' unrestricted payments, excluding the parish share, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. It is our policy to invest our long-term funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund and Unit Trusts.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

Committees of the PCC

The PCC operates through a number of committees which meet between full meetings of the PCC and whose proposals must always be agreed by the PCC before being put into action (except in the case of the Standing Committee). It is usual for each of these committees to be chaired by a churchwarden, a pro-warden or the incumbent.

Standing Committee

This consists of the incumbent, churchwardens and pro-wardens, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer and Planned Giving Treasurer. It is the only committee that is required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Finance Committee

Aims to support both treasurers to develop effective stewardship of all the church's various financial resources including Planned Giving and to develop monitor and report on the annual budget. It also ensures that our insurance cover is adequate and it takes responsibility for any recommendations that are necessary with our insurers. This committee is responsible for pursuing ways of financing future enhancement of the church building. It also monitors the finances of the Pre-School Group. It ensures that the PCC complies with charity commission obligations, and ensures the church has relevant and workable policies for staff guidance. This committee advises the PCC on all required policies.

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Buildings and Grounds Committee

Is responsible for the care and upkeep of the church and its grounds and Salutation Hall and its grounds. It is also responsible for ensuring that any recommendations of a quinquennial report are implemented. It also undertakes, on behalf of the All Saints' Millennium Centre Trustees, the care of the day-to-day maintenance of the Centre.

Community Connections Committee

Helps the church to communicate the Christian message to the people of the parish and to minister to their needs. This outreach is expressed in: lay pastoral care, a ministry of welcome, written and electronic communication, evangelistic initiatives, charitable giving and educated concern. This committee is responsible for developing the church's concern for the needs of the wider society and world and making connections with the wider community.

Worship and Education Committee

Includes the members of the Ministry Group and representatives of groups that facilitate worship (choir and vergers). It is asked to review and plan worship, particularly special services. It is also tasked with organising the Lent course material and in looking for opportunities for growth in and through learning through the year.

Social Committee

Organises and co-ordinates social occasions throughout the year that give church members an opportunity for fellowship. Some of these events will raise money for PCC funds. One event in each year may raise money for a special local charitable cause that is different from others supported by the parish and one event may be offered free of charge to the local community.

Pre-School Executive Committee

Chaired by the Incumbent, this committee manages and oversees the running of the Ofsted registered Pre-School Group.

Salutation Hall Management Committee

This committee manages the running of Salutation Hall.

Ministry Group

Chaired by the Incumbent and independent of the PCC structures, though working in partnership with them, this group acts as a support group for the clergy (including the retired clergy who exercise a ministry in the Parish) and the Readers, Pastoral Assistant and ministers in training. It evaluates and monitors learning opportunities within the parish.

Green Action Group

This group helps the church to appreciate individual and shared responsibility for global warming and to relate this to the Christian faith. The group aims to encourage the church and wider community to move to a simpler, more sustainable lifestyle that will protect all God's creation and ensure justice for all God's people.

Risk management

The PCC has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

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PCC Meetings

The full PCC met six times in the year with an average attendance of 18, which represents approximately 77% of the full membership, including the co-opted members, secretary and treasurers. Sub-committees and groups met between meetings and their reports and proposals were discussed by the full PCC.

Administrative Information

All Saints' Church is situated in Ravensdale Road, Darlington. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) is registered as a charity. The Registered Charity Number is 1134833.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, with the secretary, treasurer and members of the Reader team co-opted at the first meeting of the year. During the year the following served as members:

<i>Clergy:</i>	The Reverend Jennifer Croft The Reverend Sarah Jay The Reverend Kath Long	Incumbent and Chair Associate Minister- until April 2022 Curate-until May 2022
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mr Nick Auty Mr Phil Elliott-Lyall Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr David Smith	until APCM until APCM from APCM from APCM
<i>Pro-Wardens:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr David Smith Mr Michael Fryer	until APCM until APCM from APCM
<i>Diocesan Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Pam Davison BSc FCA Dr Colin Price	
<i>Deanery Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Eileen Auty Mrs Clare Curran Mr Michael Shepherd	
<i>Readers:</i>	Mrs Debby Gill Mrs Susan Leatherbarrow Prof Keith Whiston Mr Kevin Winkworth Mr Andrew Young	from November 2022
<i>Secretary:</i>	Mrs Sheila Walton	
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mr Peter Davison BA FCA	

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<i>Planned Giving Treasurer:</i>	Mrs Clare Curran	
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Mr David Smith	
<i>Safeguarding Officers:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr Michael Fryer	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Mrs Julie Denham	
	Mr Andy Hopkins	
	Mrs Pat Williams	until APCM
	Mr Ian Groves	
	Mrs Alison Barker	
	Mr Jonathan Barker	
	Mrs Alison Mannion	
	Mr Nick Auty	from APCM
	Mr Ellis Leatherbarrow	from APCM

Reverend Jennifer Croft
Vicar and PCC Chair
12 April 2023

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON (PCC)**

I report to the members of the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 PCC as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**A W Lockett Bcom BFP FCA DChA
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12 April 2023**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

		Unrestricted Funds 2022	Restricted Funds 2022	Total Funds 2022	Unrestricted Funds 2021	Restricted Funds 2021	Total Funds 2021
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2a	88,706	-	88,706	115,411	-	115,411
Charitable activities	2b	12,397	55,466	67,863	5,063	64,054	69,117
Grants receivable	2c	-	-	-	-	1,075	1,075
Investments	2d	4	7	11	-	1	1
Other trading activities	2e	21,825	-	21,825	12,828	-	12,828
		<u>122,932</u>	<u>55,473</u>	<u>178,405</u>	<u>133,302</u>	<u>65,130</u>	<u>198,432</u>
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		122,932	55,473	178,405	133,302	65,130	198,432
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Raising funds	3a	8,241	-	8,241	4,354	-	4,354
Charitable activities	3b	120,923	54,458	175,381	110,070	60,664	170,734
		<u>129,164</u>	<u>54,458</u>	<u>183,622</u>	<u>114,424</u>	<u>60,664</u>	<u>175,088</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		129,164	54,458	183,622	114,424	60,664	175,088
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		(6,232)	1,015	(5,217)	18,878	4,466	23,344
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		88,510	53,705	142,215	69,632	49,239	118,871
		<u>88,510</u>	<u>53,705</u>	<u>142,215</u>	<u>69,632</u>	<u>49,239</u>	<u>118,871</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£ 82,278	54,720	136,998	88,510	53,705	142,215
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these accounts

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

		2022	2021
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	358	518
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank accounts		140,344	148,138
Cash in hand		2,313	2,459
Debtors	6	11,435	8,962
Stocks		154	182
		154,246	159,741
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(17,606)	(18,044)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		136,640	141,697
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		136,998	142,215
NET ASSETS		£ 136,998	£ 142,215
		=====	=====
PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted	8	82,278	88,510
Restricted	8	54,720	53,705
TOTAL FUNDS		£ 136,998	£ 142,215
		=====	=====

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 12 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:-

Reverend Jennifer Croft
Vicar and PCC Chair

Peter Davison
Treasurer

The notes on pages 12 to 23 form part of these accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the PCC, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective from 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees believe that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

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Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of the tangible fixed assets by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful life as follows:-

Organ, Amplifier and Speakers

10% per annum

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable Church Furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property listed in the Church's inventory, which is available for inspection.

All expenditure on play equipment and other fittings for the Pre-School is written off at the time the expenditure is incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Administration Costs

All administration costs are borne by the unrestricted fund.

Grants receivable

Revenue based grants are credited to income when the charity becomes entitled to the grant.

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.

Income

Planned giving, interest, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants, legacies and pledges are accounted for when the PCC has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. All income is accounted for gross.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the PCC to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Financial instruments

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities in expenditure.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its charitable activities.

Significant judgements and estimates

In the application of the PCC's accounting policies the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Significant judgements

The judgements (apart from those involving estimations) that the trustees have made in the process of applying the PCC's accounting policies and have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

Depreciation - Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset. An estimate of the useful economic life of assets is detailed in the depreciation accounting policy. The value of depreciation charge in the year was £160.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future and, by their nature, will rarely equal the actual outcome. There are no key assumptions or sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the current amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
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2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:

2a Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Voluntary income	£	£	£	£
Planned giving:-				
Envelopes, covenants and Gift Aid	57,584	-	57,584	61,926
Tax reclaim	16,340	-	16,340	15,385
Collections (loose plate)	12,204	-	12,204	3,100
Special Charity collections	1,321	-	1,321	-
Donations and Legacies (Designated in 2021)	1,257	-	1,257	35,000
	£ 88,706	-	88,706	115,411
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2b Income from charitable activities

Church activities				
Occasional offices	12,397	-	12,397	5,063
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 15)	-	55,466	55,466	64,054
	£ 12,397	55,466	67,863	69,117
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2c Grants receivable

Government grants	£ -	-	-	1,075
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2d Income from investments

Interest receivable	£ 4	7	11	1
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2e Other trading activities

Activities for generating funds				
Fundraising (see note 12)	15,545	-	15,545	10,096
Salutation Hall income (including £1,000 Designated))	3,926	-	3,926	1,888
Sundry income	2,354	-	2,354	844
	£ 21,825	-	21,825	12,828
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total Income and Endowments	£ 122,932	£ 55,473	178,405	198,432
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total income and endowments was £178,405 (2021: £198,432) of which £122,932 (2021: £133,202) was unrestricted and £55,473 (2021: £65,130) was restricted.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

3 EXPENDITURE

3a Raising funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising (see note 12)	£ 8,241 =====	- =====	8,241 =====	4,354 =====
 3b Charitable activities				
Church activities and expenses				
Charitable and Mission giving (see note 13)	6,042	-	6,042	110
Parish share	70,000	-	70,000	77,345
Clergy expenses	363	-	363	726
Church running expenses	13,424	-	13,424	4,703
Cost of services	3,181	-	3,181	1,871
Church maintenance	1,379	-	1,379	3,005
Insurance	878	-	878	786
Salutation Hall	1,998	-	1,998	1,941
Salaries, wages and honoraria	19,002	-	19,002	13,140
Sundry costs	393	-	393	2,292
Administration costs	2,853	-	2,853	2,792
Depreciation	160	-	160	159
Independent Examination	1,250	-	1,250	1,200
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 15)	-	54,458	54,458	60,664
	£ 120,923 =====	54,458 =====	175,381 =====	170,734 =====
 Total Expenditure	£ 129,164 =====	54,458 =====	183,622 =====	175,088 =====

Total expenditure was £183,622 (2021: £175,088) of which £129,164 (2021: £114,424) was unrestricted and £54,458 (2021: £60,664) was restricted.

4a STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries	9,810	47,683	57,493	62,680
Pension costs	-	501	501	634
	£ 9,810 =====	48,184 =====	57,994 =====	63,314 =====

Throughout the year the PCC employed a Parish Secretary and a Director of Music. Both of the positions are part-time and no payments were large enough to attract Social Security costs.

All Saints Pre-School employs 6 staff (2021: 6 staff).

No employees received benefits of more than £60,000.

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4b MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The members neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2021: £Nil).

The members did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2021: £Nil).

5 FIXED ASSETS

Tangible (all unrestricted)	Organ, Amplifier and Speakers	Total
	£	£
COST		
At 1 January 2022	18,200	18,200
Additions during year	-	-
	-----	-----
At 31 December 2022	18,200	18,200
	=====	=====
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 January 2022	17,682	17,682
Charge for the year	160	160
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At 31 December 2022	17,842	17,842
	=====	=====
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2022	£ 358	£ 358
	=====	=====
At 31 December 2021	£ 518	£ 518
	=====	=====

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6 DEBTORS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Tax recoverable	2,300	1,800
Other debtors	9,135	7,162
	£ 11,435	£ 8,962
	=====	=====

7 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	7,288	7,369
Deferred income	9,018	10,075
Other creditors	1,300	600
	£ 17,606	£ 18,044
	=====	=====

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 January 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	53,510	121,932	(129,164)	-	46,278
Designated Fund	35,000	1,000	-	-	36,000
	<u>88,510</u>	<u>122,932</u>	<u>(129,164)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,278</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	-	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	49,606	55,473	(54,458)	-	50,621
	<u>53,705</u>	<u>55,473</u>	<u>(54,458)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,720</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 142,215</u> =====	<u>£ 178,405</u> =====	<u>£ (183,622)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 136,998</u> =====

The Designated Fund established by the PCC includes two legacies with a total of £35,000, which at the request of the two families will be used for future projects when agreed by the PCC. It also includes £1,000 received during the year and designated for use at Salutation Hall.

The Clavinova Fund holds the money raised several years ago for the provision of a clavinova at Shepherds Dene.

The Choir Fund was established to raise money to provide items for use by the Choir.

The Bennett Memorial Fund was established in memory of one of our previous organists, Nick Bennett.

In 2014 the Diocese of Durham provided £650 to the 'Open the Book' team to provide it with resources to carry out its work.

The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund was established by her parents in memory of Jane who died in 2018 and had been a member of the congregation for many years.

The Pre-School funds are restricted, as all monies received are either from the local authority as grants or are fees paid by the parents of the children at the Pre-School.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	69,632	98,302	(114,424)	-	53,510
Designated Fund	-	35,000	-	-	35,000
	<u>69,632</u>	<u>133,302</u>	<u>(114,424)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,510</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	-	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	45,140	65,130	(60,664)	-	49,606
	<u>49,239</u>	<u>65,130</u>	<u>(60,664)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,705</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 118,871</u> =====	<u>£ 198,432</u> =====	<u>£(175,088)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 142,215</u> =====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined movement in funds is as follows:

	At 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	69,632	220,234	(243,588)	-	46,278
Designated Fund	-	36,000	-	-	36,000
	<u>69,632</u>	<u>256,234</u>	<u>(243,588)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>82,278</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	-	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	45,140	120,603	(115,122)	-	50,621
	<u>49,239</u>	<u>120,603</u>	<u>(115,122)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>54,720</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 118,871</u> =====	<u>£ 376,837</u> =====	<u>£ (358,710)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 136,998</u> =====

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9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	358	-	358
Current assets	90,508	63,738	154,246
Creditors	(8,588)	(9,018)	(17,606)
	£ 82,278	54,720	136,998
	=====	=====	=====

10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the charity made recharges for services of £4,096 (2021: £4,894) to a related charity, All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited.

11 LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Within one year	1,397	1,177
Between one and five years	5,238	-
	£ 6,635	£ 1,177
	=====	=====

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

					2022	2021
	Note	Income	Expenses	Total	Donations Paid Out	Surplus/ (Deficit)
		£	£	£	£	£
12 FUNDRAISING						
Christmas Fair		3,782	(110)	3,672	-	3,672
Parish Lunch Club	14a	733	(440)	293	-	293
Magazine	14b	876	(1,370)	(494)	-	(494)
Ladies Fellowship (excluding bank interest)	14c	2,457	(2,202)	255	100	155
Tea and Coffee	14d	762	(108)	654	-	654
Flower Fund	14e	275	(111)	164	-	164
Social Committee	14f	2,711	(1,355)	1,356	-	1,356
Badminton	14g	190	(190)	-	-	-
100 Club	14h	1,680	(1,214)	466	-	466
Bell Ringers	14i	703	-	703	700	3
Circle Dancing	14j	900	(665)	235	400	(165)
Men's Group	14k	476	(476)	-	-	-
		<u>£15,545</u>	<u>(8,241)</u>	<u>7,304</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>6,104</u>
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

Summary

Income	15,545	10,096
Costs	(8,241)	(4,354)
	<u>£ 7,304</u>	<u>£ 5,742</u>
	=====	=====

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

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	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
13 CHARITABLE GIVING				
PCC : St. Teresa's Hospice		910		110
Ukraine Appeal		614		-
Cancer Research UK		508		-
Macmillan Nurses		445		-
Parkinsons UK		374		-
Childrens Society		370		-
NHS Blood Transplant Charity		364		-
British Red Cross Ukraine Appeal		336		-
British Heart Foundation		154		-
Leukaemia UK		145		-
Cancer Support		123		-
Great NE Air Ambulance		119		-
Durham Wildlife Trust		116		-
Marie Curie		102		-
Royal British Legion		82		-
Darlington Town Mission		80		-
		<u>4,842</u>		<u>110</u>
Groups:				
Ladies Fellowship: USPG	100		-	
Circle Dancing: St. Teresa's Hospice	200		-	
: Ukraine Appeal	200		-	
Bell Ringing: King's Church Foodbank	700		-	
	<u>1,200</u>		<u>-</u>	
		<u>1,200</u>		<u>-</u>
	£	6,042	£	110
		=====		=====

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ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON

ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Parochial Church Council presents its report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

Objectives and activities

All Saints' and Salutation PCC has the responsibility for co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. As well as that of All Saints' Church and its grounds, the PCC has maintenance responsibilities for Salutation Hall and grounds, Salutation Road.

Public benefit

The charity's aims and achievements are set out within this report. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and the PCC have paid due regard to this guidance in deciding what activities the charity shall undertake.

Church services

Despite the challenges that Covid brought to our nation, our community and church, we have aimed at all times to provide full and accessible church services for those who live in the parish and to visitors. The incumbent, The Reverend Jennifer Croft, has worked alongside the PCC, the Ministry Team and with those who help to provide the services and resources of this parish. All the factors that we previously used to measure the development and progress of our church were, last year, replaced with new parameters. However, we believe that we have still engaged with the Mission Action Plan (MAP) priorities of the church which include:

- Discipleship and Spiritual growth
- Community connection/outreach
- Ministry to young people
- Pastoral care
- Communication

During the second year of the pandemic the church attendance, in line with national statistics, has seen, in a physical sense, a slow and sporadic return of parishioners. At our Sunday worship we have maintained the use of Zoom so that we can offer 'hybrid church'. During the year there were times when a limited physical gathering was possible in church and we developed a way of live streaming our worship from church via Zoom. This meant that we could offer this hybrid church, i.e. physically or virtually attending worship. During the pandemic a new and increasing variant, Omicron, was present in Darlington and alongside all the other churches in the area we needed to close the church for social gatherings until it was safe to meet again.

There is a genuine desire for the uniformed organisations to contribute more to our parade services. In late 2021 we witnessed a return of the uniformed organisations to our buildings. There is a willingness to work together and to strengthen these links. Until September there were no youth activities in the whole of the Darlington area. Happily these have just returned and a member of our church is gaining relevant experience and theological input into helping with these links.

For those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services we continue to distribute 'service summaries' on a Monday to those in need. These consist of the words of the service, prayers for the day and a copy of the weekly sermon. These are very warmly received and there has been a request for them to continue.

In this year the church has upheld its commitment to the ministry in the occasional offices and we have seen a high number of funerals but, thankfully, very few deaths have been caused by Covid. There have been a handful of other occasional offices during 2021 and bookings are being made for 2022.

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I would like to focus on:

- Discipleship and Spiritual growth

In 2021, we saw the development of a weekly group to study the Bible together. There is a group who meet in person once a week and another group which meets online via Zoom. By having both options available these sessions are well attended. A weekly Lent group is always popularly attended. Unfortunately Easter and Christmas services were affected by the restrictions that all churches were required to put in place. This year we received a new Curate and so there has been much training and she has contributed towards discipleship and spiritual growth. The Incumbent has also run a healing ministry course for the members of the pastoral care team so that the healing ministry can be offered on Sunday morning. This course, written by the Incumbent, was put in place in Chester Diocese and is still used there.

There is a prayer group, which meets monthly and provides an ongoing prayer forum for private requests in the parish and for those for whom we regularly pray. There is also a mid-week prayer group to support the ministry of the church.

There is a willingness to run a rolling programme throughout the year of courses that focus on discipleship and spiritual growth. We have learnt that using tools such as Zoom has enabled more people to engage with Christian discipleship, as there is no need to leave the home and thus shorten the time required. We have risen to the challenge that we set ourselves and there remains an opportunity to focus on regular tithing as part of our Christian faith.

- Community connection/outreach

We have continued to develop a greater presence in our community through our website and our Facebook page and we now also have a church WhatsApp group which enables communication, connection and friendship.

Throughout the year the Community Connections Group, which works in parallel with the Partnership for Missional Church (PMC), took a joint lead with the Vicar to develop further connections in the community. Unfortunately this has not been fully possible during certain times during the pandemic. The group continued to meet during the year and is beginning to look at new ways of doing church that might help community outreach. There is a real desire to do Café Church on a Sunday afternoon every month or two initially and to use our Sunday evening worship slots to look at new ways of doing church.

With the leadership from our Director of Music the use and development of music is on our agenda with a view to hosting a gospel music day and to develop a gospel choir.

The Millennium Centre (managed through a separate limited company) and Salutation Hall continue to be an important way in which this Christian community serves the needs of the wider community in which it is set. We can be grateful to all the volunteers from the church that makes the offering of these facilities possible. Both the Centre and the Hall are well used and provide invaluable service to the community. The Centre has been used throughout the year by our pre-school. The effort of the Building and Grounds Committee to care for these buildings, as well as the church and its grounds, is appreciated hugely by the PCC.

The Green Action Group has promoted our care of God's Creation more effectively in recent years and has continued to be a strong presence during the lockdown. The Group continues to work towards achieving the status of Eco-Congregation for the church and we have been awarded the Silver award, which is a tremendous achievement.

- Pastoral care

This is an area of ministry that is growing. We set up the pastoral care group to work alongside the Vicar in the pastoral care of the flock. Within this group there are three ordained ministers (including the Vicar) and three newly qualified lay pastoral ministers (one of which is now a trainee-Reader for the Church of England). This group has worked to keep in touch with our parishioners via the telephone, the internet or doorstep visits and also we are now allowed to do visits in the home. As a result of this group we have developed:

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- 'Service summaries' which have the Sunday services in written format for distribution.
- Telephone groups using a free conference call facility for 3 or more people/friends to connect.
- Completion of two successful runs of the 'Bereavement journey' which is a 5 week course and is part of a rolling programme in support of people who have experienced bereavement both pre- and during lockdown. Following the last course the group decided to continue as a monthly support group and this has continued to see 100% attendance.

At the end of lockdown we have seen a tsunami of people requiring help for both mental health issues and bereavement especially. Research did show that in the first part of lockdown anxiety and depression increased by a third but these levels have since decreased. In this parish we have seen much hidden loneliness and isolation and this is present across all age groups – due to disability, illness, bereavement or mental health issues. Also, the Alzheimer's Society has told us that in Darlington we have increasing early onset dementia in younger adults. Three members of the church are now doing 'Singing for the Brain' (SFTB) training with the Alzheimer's Society and our local MP has asked the Vicar to lead on Dementia support provision in the Darlington faith groups. SFTB helps those who live with Dementia, but also aids anyone with cognitive difficulties.

We offer fortnightly Holy Communion in Abbeyfield (an assisted living place) and the Vicar is a Trustee. We are also re-commencing a monthly provision of services in the Garden Care Home and we have just been invited to go into the home. The clergy and the pastoral care team do regular pastoral visiting and bereavement visits.

- Communication

The Parish Vision highlighted that we needed to improve on our communication as a church. The lead Churchwarden on communication has been working with the lay leader of PMC and has set up a communication-working group and, with the Vicar's support, developed a communication policy for the church, which is a huge step forward. As a result of this we also have looked at what we share internally and externally and about how we might improve the presence and awareness of our church. For example, we know that the rolling programme of both Alpha and the Bereavement Journey will be dependent upon the right type of advertising and communication. To aid this, the Vicar has also attended training sessions run by the Diocese of Durham. We are planning for an 'Away Day', whether in person, online or hybrid to re-visit the Parish Vision and our mission statements. We are particularly pleased that this sub-group of the PCC has been called to look at this aspect of our Parish Vision, which consists of:

The Parish Vision:

To Grow God's Kingdom through All Saints' and Salutation, Blackwell.

We believe God is calling us to do this by:

- Growing the Church
- Growing as Disciples
- Growing in Service to the parish and beyond.

The Parish Vision was first developed in 2009, revisited in 2011 and refreshed as the Parish Profile was written in 2014. In May 2016, there was a Parish meeting to look at the Parish Vision and the current situation in the church and how this informs our plan for mission in the future.

Partnership for Missional Church (PMC)

During 2017 the previous incumbent attended Missional Leadership for Growth training provided by the Diocese over the course of a two-week long residential course. As a follow-up from this training a lay team worked with the incumbent on a missional initiative titled 'Through the Glass Doors'. During 2018, the Parish was invited by the Bishop of Durham to take part in the Partnership for Missional Church programme. This is a natural progression of the 'Through the Glass Doors' project and so it was commended to the PCC who agreed that the church should participate. This is a three-year long project, accompanied by leaders from the Diocese, seeking to discern God's 'preferred and promised future for the parish'.

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A steering group consisting of lay people who were chosen from within the different congregations leads the project. This project continues to be a major piece of work and commitment for the parish over these three years.

During 2019 members of the steering group interviewed several parishioners, groups linked to the church and a number of businesses that operate within the parish boundaries. Many parishioners attended two very successful events and were presented with aspects of the project and asked for thoughts on certain topics.

During 2020 and then 2021, some of the priorities of PMC have changed due to the C₁₉ lockdown. We have completed year 2 of the project and a lay member of the church leads it. One of the priorities of the PMC was to establish a Missional Innovation Team (MIT) that consists of some members of the congregation to help take PMC into the church.

As a new initiative, we have identified 'people of peace' in our community who help and support the work that we do and an example is our local Gideon representatives. During this year we have also initiated 'Dwelling in the Word' which has been encouraged by PMC as a regular activity of our church life and we now do Dwelling in the Word prior to each PCC meeting. Through this we have learnt to listen more closely to what the Bible is saying, via our regular reading and also our listening to one another.

Related Parties

All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited is considered to be a related charity.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £133,302 (2020: £98,689) with total expenditure on unrestricted funds amounting to £114,424 (2020: £84,722) giving a surplus of £18,878 (2020: £13,967). However, during the year we were very fortunate to be the recipient of two legacies from former parishioners amounting to £35,000. Without these legacies we would have suffered a deficit of £16,122, a reduction of £30,089 on 2020's result.

Full details are provided in the financial statements.

Unrestricted Planned Giving increased slightly to £61,926 (2020: £ 59,803), which is very encouraging.

A total of £110,070 (2020: £79,920) was spent to provide the Christian Ministry, the main part of this being our payment of parish share to the diocese. Due to the restrictions caused in 2020 by Covid we reduced our parish share payment that year from the original intended amount of £75,000 to only £48,000. This helped significantly in us making the surplus in 2020. However, despite the continuing pandemic the diocese insisted that parishes should try and increase their contributions for 2021. Consequently we were asked to increase our payment to £77,345. Fortunately we were able to pay this £29,345 increase in full but doing so was the principal reason for our operating result reducing by £30,089 from that achieved in 2020. However, we were happy to pay this increase as the parish share largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy within the diocese.

The Restricted Funds surplus amounted to £4,466 (2020: £1,206).

This reflected the result of our Pre-School, which continued to remain open during the pandemic. This is an increase over the surplus of £1,551 achieved in 2020 and is a very commendable result in the exceptional circumstances.

The overall net surplus of £23,344 is a pleasing result in another difficult year. (2020: £15,173).

Unrestricted reserves increased by £18,878 to £88,510 while restricted reserves increased by £4,466 to £53,705 giving overall reserves of £142,215. (2020: £118,871).

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds, if possible, which equates to approximately six months' unrestricted payments, excluding the parish share, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. It is our policy to invest our long-term funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund and Unit Trusts.

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Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

Committees of the PCC

The PCC operates through a number of committees which meet between full meetings of the PCC and whose proposals must always be agreed by the PCC before being put into action (except in the case of the Standing Committee). It is usual for each of these committees to be chaired by a churchwarden, a pro-warden or the incumbent.

Standing Committee

This consists of the incumbent, churchwardens and pro-wardens, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer and Planned Giving Treasurer. It is the only committee that is required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Finance Committee

Aims to support both treasurers to develop effective stewardship of all the church's various financial resources including Planned Giving and to develop monitor and report on the annual budget. It also ensures that our insurance cover is adequate and it takes responsibility for any recommendations that are necessary with our insurers. This committee is responsible for pursuing ways of financing future enhancement of the church building. It also monitors the finances of the Pre-School Group. It ensures that the PCC complies with charity commission obligations, and ensures the church has relevant and workable policies for staff guidance. This committee advises the PCC on all required policies.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Is responsible for the care and upkeep of the church and its grounds and Salutation Hall and its grounds. It is also responsible for ensuring that any recommendations of a quinquennial report are implemented. It also undertakes, on behalf of the All Saints' Millennium Centre Trustees, the care of the day-to-day maintenance of the Centre.

Community Connections Committee

Helps the church to communicate the Christian message to the people of the parish and to minister to their needs. This outreach is expressed in: lay pastoral care, a ministry of welcome, written and electronic communication, evangelistic initiatives, charitable giving and educated concern. This committee is responsible for developing the church's concern for the needs of the wider society and world and making connections with the wider community.

Worship and Education Committee

Includes the members of the Ministry Group and representatives of groups that facilitate worship (choir and vergers). It is asked to review and plan worship, particularly special services. It is also tasked with organising the Lent course material and in looking for opportunities for growth in and through learning through the year.

Social Committee

Organises and co-ordinates social occasions throughout the year that give church members an opportunity for fellowship. Some of these events will raise money for PCC funds. One event in each year may raise money for a special local charitable cause that is different from others supported by the parish and one event may be offered free of charge to the local community.

Pre-School Executive Committee

Chaired by the Incumbent, this committee manages and oversees the running of the Ofsted registered Pre-School Group.

Salutation Hall Management Committee

This committee manages the running of Salutation Hall.

Ministry Group

Chaired by the Incumbent and independent of the PCC structures, though working in partnership with them, this group acts as a support group for the clergy (including the retired clergy who exercise a

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ministry in the Parish) and the Readers, Pastoral Assistant and ministers in training. It evaluates and monitors learning opportunities within the parish.

Green Action Group

This group helps the church to appreciate individual and shared responsibility for global warming and to relate this to the Christian faith. The group aims to encourage the church and wider community to move to a simpler, more sustainable lifestyle that will protect all God's creation and ensure justice for all God's people.

Risk management

The PCC has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

PCC Meetings

The full PCC met six times in the year, three via Zoom, with an average attendance of 18, which represents approximately 67% of the full membership, including the co-opted members, secretary and treasurers. Sub-committees and groups met between meetings and their reports and proposals were discussed by the full PCC.

Administrative Information

All Saints' Church is situated in Ravensdale Road, Darlington. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) is registered as a charity. The Registered Charity Number is 1134833.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, with the secretary, treasurer and members of the Reader team co-opted at the first meeting of the year. During the year the following served as members:

<i>Clergy:</i>	The Reverend Jennifer Croft The Reverend Sarah Jay The Reverend Kath Long	Incumbent and Chair Associate Minister Curate-from July 2021
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mr Nick Auty Mr Phil Elliott-Lyall	
<i>Pro-Wardens:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mrs Dee Wastnedge Mr David Smith	until APCM from APCM
<i>Diocesan Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Pam Davison BSc FCA Dr Colin Price	
<i>Deanery Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Eileen Auty Mrs Clare Curran Mr Michael Shepherd Mrs Pat Williams	until May 2021
<i>Readers:</i>	Mrs Debby Gill Mrs Susan Leatherbarrow Prof Keith Whiston Mr Kevin Winkworth	Reader Reader Reader Reader
<i>Secretary:</i>	Mrs Sheila Walton	
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mr Peter Davison BA FCA	
<i>Planned Giving Treasurer:</i>	Mr Ellis Leatherbarrow Mrs Clare Curran	until 7 September 2021 from 7 September 2021

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<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Mr David Smith	
<i>Safeguarding Officer:</i>	Mrs Sandra Whiston Mr Michael Fryer	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Mr David Curran	until APCM
	Mrs Lona Martin	until APCM
	Mrs Julie Denham	
	Mr Andy Hopkins	
	Mrs Pat Williams	
	Mr Ian Groves	
	Mrs Alison Barker	from APCM
	Mr Jonathan Barker	from APCM
	Mrs Alison Mannion	from APCM

Reverend Jennifer Croft
Vicar and PCC Chair
6 April 2022

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
ALL SAINTS' AND SALUTATION, BLACKWELL, DARLINGTON (PCC)**

I report to the members of the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 PCC as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**A W Lockett Bcom BFP FCA DChA
Clive Owen LLP
Chartered Accountants
140 Coniscliffe Road
Darlington
DL3 7RT
6 April 2022**

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

		Unrestricted Funds 2021	Restricted Funds 2021	Total Funds 2021	Unrestricted Funds 2020	Restricted Funds 2020	Total Funds 2020
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2a	115,411	-	115,411	78,280	50	78,330
Charitable activities	2b	5,063	64,054	69,117	8,887	56,364	65,251
Grants receivable	2c	-	1,075	1,075	854	224	1,078
Investments	2d	-	1	1	4	6	10
Other trading activities	2e	12,828	-	12,828	10,664	-	10,664
		<u>133,302</u>	<u>65,130</u>	<u>198,432</u>	<u>98,689</u>	<u>56,644</u>	<u>155,333</u>
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		<u>133,302</u>	<u>65,130</u>	<u>198,432</u>	<u>98,689</u>	<u>56,644</u>	<u>155,333</u>
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Raising funds	3a	4,354	-	4,354	4,802	-	4,802
Charitable activities	3b	110,070	60,664	170,734	79,920	55,438	135,358
		<u>114,424</u>	<u>60,664</u>	<u>175,088</u>	<u>84,722</u>	<u>55,438</u>	<u>140,160</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>114,424</u>	<u>60,664</u>	<u>175,088</u>	<u>84,722</u>	<u>55,438</u>	<u>140,160</u>
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		18,878	4,466	23,344	13,967	1,206	15,173
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		<u>69,632</u>	<u>49,239</u>	<u>118,871</u>	<u>55,665</u>	<u>48,033</u>	<u>103,698</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>£ 88,510</u>	<u>53,705</u>	<u>142,215</u>	<u>69,632</u>	<u>49,239</u>	<u>118,871</u>

The notes on pages 11 to 22 form part of these accounts

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

		2021	2020
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	518	677
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank accounts		148,138	132,030
Cash in hand		2,459	2,187
Debtors	6	8,962	8,407
Stocks		182	-
		159,741	142,624
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(18,044)	(24,430)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		141,697	118,194
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		142,215	118,871
NET ASSETS		£ 142,215	£ 118,871
		=====	=====
PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted	8	88,510	69,632
Restricted	8	53,705	49,239
TOTAL FUNDS		£ 142,215	£ 118,871
		=====	=====

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 6 April 2022 and signed on its behalf by:-

Reverend Jennifer Croft
Vicar and PCC Chair

Peter Davison
Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the PCC, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective from 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention. The trustees have reasonable expectation that the charity will have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The trustees believe that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of the tangible fixed assets by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful life as follows:-

Organ, Amplifier and Speakers	10% per annum
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Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable Church Furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property listed in the Church's inventory, which is available for inspection.

All expenditure on play equipment and other fittings for the Pre-School is written off at the time the expenditure is incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Administration Costs

All administration costs are borne by the unrestricted fund.

Grants receivable

Revenue based grants are credited to income when the charity becomes entitled to the grant.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.

Income

Planned giving, interest, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants, legacies and pledges are accounted for when the PCC has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. All income is accounted for gross.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the PCC to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Financial instruments

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities in expenditure.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its charitable activities.

Significant judgements and estimates

In the application of the PCC's accounting policies the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Significant judgements

The judgements (apart from those involving estimations) that the trustees have made in the process of applying the PCC's accounting policies and have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

Depreciation - Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset. An estimate of the useful economic life of assets is detailed in the depreciation accounting policy. The value of depreciation charge in the year was £159.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future and, by their nature, will rarely equal the actual outcome. There are no key assumptions or sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the current amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

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2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:

2a Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Voluntary income	£	£	£	£
Planned giving:-				
Envelopes, covenants and Gift Aid	61,926	-	61,926	59,803
Tax reclaim	15,385	-	15,385	15,070
Collections (loose plate)	3,100	-	3,100	2,343
Special Charity collections	-	-	-	439
Donations and Legacies (Designated)	35,000	-	35,000	675
	£ 115,411	-	115,411	78,330
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2b Income from charitable activities

Church activities				
Occasional offices	5,063	-	5,063	8,887
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School	-	64,054	64,054	56,364
	£ 5,063	64,054	69,117	65,251
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2c Grants receivable

Government grants	£ -	1,075	1,075	1,078
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2d Income from investments

Interest receivable	£ -	1	1	10
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2e Other trading activities

Activities for generating funds				
Fundraising (see note 12)	10,096	-	10,096	8,739
Salutation Hall lettings	1,888	-	1,888	1,014
Sundry income	844	-	844	911
	£ 12,828	-	12,828	10,664
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total Income and Endowments	£ 133,302	£ 65,130	198,432	155,333
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total income and endowments was £198,432 (2020: £155,333) of which £133,202 (2020: £98,689) was unrestricted and £65,130 (2020: £56,644) was restricted.

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3 EXPENDITURE

3a Raising funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising (see note 12)	£ 4,354 =====	- =====	4,354 =====	4,802 =====
 3b Charitable activities				
Church activities and expenses				
Charitable and Mission giving (see note 13)	110	-	110	728
Parish share	77,345	-	77,345	48,000
Clergy expenses	726	-	726	160
Church running expenses	4,703	-	4,703	4,686
Cost of services	1,871	-	1,871	2,403
Church maintenance	3,005	-	3,005	962
Insurance	786	-	786	738
Salutation Hall	1,941	-	1,941	1,974
Salaries, wages and honoraria	13,140	-	13,140	15,097
Sundry costs	2,292	-	2,292	1,201
Administration costs	2,792	-	2,792	3,007
Depreciation	159	-	159	159
Independent Examination	1,200	-	1,200	1,200
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School	-	60,664	60,664	55,043
	£ 110,070 =====	60,664 =====	170,734 =====	135,358 =====
 Total Expenditure	£ 114,424 =====	60,664 =====	175,088 =====	140,160 =====

Total expenditure was £175,088 (2020: £140,160) of which £114,424 (2020: £84,722) was unrestricted and £60,664 (2020: £55,438) was restricted.

4a STAFF COSTS

Wages and salaries	9,582	53,098	62,680	57,504
Pension costs	-	634	634	527
	£ 9,582 =====	53,732 =====	63,314 =====	58,031 =====

Throughout the year the PCC employed a Parish Secretary, a Director of Music plus a caretaker at Salutation Hall until May. All the positions are part-time and no payments were large enough to attract Social Security costs.

All Saints Pre-School employs 6 staff (2020: 6 staff).

No employees received benefits of more than £60,000.

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4b MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The members neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2020: £Nil).

The members did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2020: £Nil).

5 FIXED ASSETS

Tangible (all unrestricted)	Organ, Amplifier and Speakers	Total
	£	£
COST		
At 1 January 2021	18,200	18,200
Additions during year	-	-
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At 31 December 2021	18,200	18,200
	=====	=====
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 January 2021	17,523	17,523
Charge for the year	159	159
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At 31 December 2021	17,682	17,682
	=====	=====
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2021	£ 518	£ 518
	=====	=====
At 31 December 2020	£ 677	£ 677
	=====	=====

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6 DEBTORS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Tax recoverable	1,800	3,745
Other debtors	7,162	4,662
	£ 8,962	£ 8,407
	=====	=====

7 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Accruals	7,369	7,234
Deferred income	10,075	16,596
Other creditors	600	600
	£ 18,044	£ 24,430
	=====	=====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	69,632	98,302	(114,424)	-	53,510
Designated Fund	-	35,000	-	-	35,000
	<u>69,632</u>	<u>133,302</u>	<u>(114,424)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,510</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,351	-	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	105	-	-	-	105
Pre-School Fund	45,140	65,130	(60,664)	-	49,606
	<u>49,239</u>	<u>65,130</u>	<u>(60,664)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,705</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 118,871</u> =====	<u>£ 198,432</u> =====	<u>£ (175,088)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 142,215</u> =====

The Designated Fund was established by the PCC allocating the two legacies received during the year which at the request of the two families will be used for future projects when agreed by the PCC.

The Clavinova Fund holds the money raised several years ago for the provision of a clavinova at Shepherds Dene.

The Choir Fund was established to raise money to provide items for use by the Choir.

The Bennett Memorial Fund was established in memory of one of our previous organists, Nick Bennett.

In 2014 the Diocese of Durham provided £650 to the 'Open the Book' team to provide it with resources to carry out its work.

The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund was established by her parents in memory of Jane who died in 2018 and had been a member of the congregation for many years.

The Pre-School funds are restricted, as all monies received are either from the local authority as grants or are fees paid by the parents of the children at the Pre-School.

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	55,665	98,689	(84,722)	-	69,632
Designated Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>55,665</u>	<u>98,689</u>	<u>(84,722)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>69,632</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,301	50	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	500	-	(395)	-	105
Pre-School Fund	43,589	56,594	(55,043)	-	45,140
	<u>48,033</u>	<u>56,644</u>	<u>(55,438)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,239</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 103,698</u> =====	<u>£ 155,333</u> =====	<u>£(140,160)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 118,871</u> =====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined movement in funds is as follows:

	At 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	55,665	196,991	(199,146)	-	53,510
Designated Fund	-	35,000	-	-	35,000
	<u>55,665</u>	<u>231,991</u>	<u>(199,146)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,510</u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,301	50	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	500	-	(395)	-	105
Pre-School Fund	43,589	121,724	(115,707)	-	49,606
	<u>48,033</u>	<u>121,774</u>	<u>(116,102)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>53,705</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>£ 103,698</u> =====	<u>£ 353,765</u> =====	<u>£ (315,248)</u> =====	<u>£ -</u> =====	<u>£ 142,215</u> =====

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9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	518	-	518
Current assets	95,961	63,780	159,741
Creditors	(7,969)	(10,075)	(18,044)
	£ 88,510	53,705	142,215
	=====	=====	=====

10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the charity made recharges for services of £4,894 (2020: £2,796) to a related charity, All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited.

11 LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Within one year	1,177	1,569
Between one and five years	-	1,177
	£ 1,177	£ 2,746
	=====	=====

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	Note				2021	2020	
12 FUNDRAISING		Income	Expenses	Total	Donations Paid Out	Surplus/ (Deficit)	Surplus/ (Deficit)
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Christmas Fair		4,004	(130)	3,874	-	3,874	-
Parish Lunch Club		-	-	-	-	-	(148)
Magazine		810	(1,000)	(190)	-	(190)	224
Ladies Fellowship (excluding bank interest)		471	(326)	145	-	145	(232)
Tea and Coffee		-	-	-	-	-	247
Flower Fund		324	(154)	170	-	170	115
Parent and Toddler Group		-	-	-	-	-	23
Social Committee		1,900	(927)	973	-	973	2,726
Badminton		46	(45)	1	-	1	(3)
100 Club		1,851	(1,217)	634	-	634	821
Bell Ringers		-	(62)	(62)	-	(62)	(63)
Circle Dancing		477	(280)	197	-	197	22
Ladies Night		-	-	-	-	-	5
Men's Group		213	(213)	-	-	-	-
		<u>£ 10,096</u>	<u>(4,354)</u>	<u>5,742</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,742</u>	<u>3,737</u>

Summary

Income	10,096	8,739
Costs	(4,354)	(4,802)
	<u>£ 5,742</u>	<u>£ 3,937</u>
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	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
13 CHARITABLE GIVING				
PCC : St. Teresa's Hospice		110		174
Cancer Research UK		-		27
Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis		-		241
Osteoporosis Society		-		43
RNID		-		43
		<u>110</u>		<u>528</u>
Groups:				
Ladies Fellowship: USPG	-		100	
Cystic Fibrosis Care	-		100	
	<u>-</u>		<u>200</u>	
		-		200
		<u>110</u>		<u>728</u>
		=====		=====

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Registered Charity Number 1134833

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The Parochial Church Council presents its report and the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

Objectives and activities

All Saints' and Salutation PCC has the responsibility for co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. As well as that of All Saints' Church and its grounds, the PCC has maintenance responsibilities for Salutation Hall and grounds, Salutation Road.

Public benefit

The charity's aims and achievements are set out within this report. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission and the PCC have paid due regard to this guidance in deciding what activities the charity shall undertake.

Church services

The Covid-19 (C₁₉) lockdown in March 2020 came as a great shock to our nation, our community and church. The new Vicar, The Reverend Jennifer Croft, was installed on 2 March 2020 and the timing of the lockdown meant that it has been important to hit the ground running. All the factors that we previously used, to measure the development and progress of our church, have been replaced with new parameters and we believe that we have still engaged with Mission Action Plan (MAP) priorities of the church which include:

- Discipleship and Spiritual growth
- Community connection/outreach
- Ministry to young people
- Pastoral care
- Communication

During the year of the C₁₉ lockdown church attendance, in a physical sense, has not been possible for the majority of the year. Initially, our Sunday worship was trialled through social media platforms and eventually we changed to the use of Zoom. During the year there have been times when a limited physical gathering was possible in church and we developed a way of live streaming our worship from church via Zoom. This meant that we could offer hybrid church, i.e. physically or virtually attended worship. In the post-Christmas C₁₉ lockdown a new and increasing variant of C₁₉ was present in Darlington and alongside all the other churches in Darlington we needed to close the church for physical gatherings. Since January 2021 all worship has been online via Zoom. As a church we have trialled a number of different types of worship including 'Puppet Church' and we have offered the Daily Office on Facebook for a few days each week. There has been an excellent commitment by parishioners to attend worship in this way, it has enabled us to join worship with the other two churches in our benefice and we have seen a growing number of new worshippers. We are very much aware that the younger families of the church community have not attended church in any form. However, we have witnessed a good age range across all our services and some small children have enjoyed the pilot 'Puppet Church' services.

For those who don't own computers or have a way to connect to online services we now distribute 'service summaries' on a Monday to those in need, which consists of the words of the service, prayers for the day and a copy of the weekly sermon.

In this year the church has upheld its' commitment to the ministry in the Occasional offices and we have seen double the numbers of funerals in this 12 month period, but only two of those deaths have been due to C₁₉. Naturally, there have been no baptisms or weddings due to a heavily reduced maximum numbers of attendees allowed to attend. In 2021 we have received a number of wedding bookings for 2021-22.

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- Discipleship and Spiritual growth

The Vicar joined this parish with a wealth of experience on Christian discipleship and spiritual growth and from April 2020, we introduced the Alpha Course on Zoom to our parish. This is a Christian Discipleship Programme and is one of the most reliable and used tools in both a global and a UK sense. Thirty-five people, on a weekly basis, attended the 12-week Alpha Programme and it was a leap of faith, which was very well received. This course has provided us with the much-needed opportunities for Christian discipleship development and spiritual growth. The feedback was both encouraging and excellent and from this, emerged a sense of spiritual hunger for more development and teaching.

Following the completion of Alpha we offered two options, which would enable Christian growth to take root. Two thirds of the first Alpha cohort joined a 6-week course that we designed based on the Alpha book, 'Searching Issues', which explores ethical issues from a Christian perspective. In this course we invited a number of speakers from the Diocese of Durham, including the Bishop of Durham and the Archdeacon of Auckland. The course was well received and supported. The second post-Alpha option was in the form of a weekly Bible study group. Initially this was co-led by the Vicar and an Ordinand and it has continued to meet over 3 months so far. The lay members of the group now maintain the Bible study group. It remains open and welcoming to anyone wishing to join this group.

In February 2021 we launched a new initiative called 'Light in the Darkness'. This is an entrepreneurial project for the Ordinand who is on placement with us. These videos, available on the Internet, have also been available on YouTube. This series of 6 videos in the Lenten period explore mental health, the Christian faith and lockdown. This has been available to a wide range of people in our community and through our personal connections, and this has also been taken up by the Diocese of Durham as an online resource to churches.

From all of these initiatives there is a willingness to run a rolling programme throughout the year of courses that focus on discipleship and spiritual growth. This year has taught us that using tools such as Zoom has enabled more people to engage with Christian discipleship, in that there is not a need to leave the home and thus shortens the time required. We have risen to the challenge that we set ourselves and there remains an opportunity to focus on regular tithing as part of our Christian faith.

- Community connection/outreach

From the outset of the C₁₉ lockdown we did a leaflet drop in every house in the parish that gave our contact details and highlighted how people may contact us during the lockdown. There was a significant uptake initially for help with shopping and collecting prescriptions for the most vulnerable adults and families in our community. As the lockdown continued, individuals and families then found their way through online shopping and obtaining family support for all their needs. We did a second leaflet drop later in the year and a number of people contacted the vicar to thank the church for the contact, some have needed help with prescriptions and whilst help wasn't immediately needed by others, they were grateful knowing that the contact was there. We also sent out a Christmas card to every home in the parish, which was a great achievement, as this would normally have been done as a joint project with the Methodist church.

We have developed a greater presence in our community through our website and our Facebook page and we now also have a church WhatsApp group which enables communication, connection and friendship.

Normally, throughout the year the Community Connections Group, which works in parallel with the Partnership for Missional Church (PMC), would take a joint lead with the Vicar to develop further connections in the community but this has not been possible during the C₁₉ lockdown. However, we have continued to collect non-perishable foods for the Darlington foodbank, with which one of our Churchwardens has strong links.

The Millennium Centre (managed through a separate trust company) and Salutation Hall continue to be an important way in which this Christian community serves the needs of the wider community in which it is set. We can be grateful to all the volunteers from the church that makes the offering of these facilities possible. Both the Centre and the Hall are usually well used and provide invaluable service to the community. This year the centre has been used primarily by the pre-school. The effort of the Building

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and Grounds Committee to care for these buildings, as well as the church and its grounds, is appreciated hugely by the PCC.

The Green Action Group has promoted our care of God's Creation more effectively in recent years and has continued to be a strong presence during the C₁₉ lockdown. The Group continues to work towards achieving the status of Eco-Congregation for the church and we remain close to qualifying for a Silver award.

- Ministry to Young People

During the C₁₉ lockdown this ministry has been the hardest hit. The uniformed organisations have had very few meetings, either indoors or outdoors, as it just has not been possible as all children have had to remain in their school bubbles. Physical attendance at church for families has not been feasible and there will be a great deal of work required to build up the children's and young people's ministry in this parish. We are fortunate that we have a member of our church training to be a youth worker with Edinburgh theological seminary (online study) and they have also made positive links with the Diocesan training programme. We have tried to build up a young people's group online but this has been challenging because there wasn't a group pre- C₁₉ lockdown. There has been a positive response to the pilot run of 'Puppet Church' to which the Bishop of Jarrow joined us on one occasion.

- Pastoral care

This was an area of parish life that we knew we had to develop. Following the appointment of the new Vicar we set up a new pastoral care group to work alongside the Vicar in the pastoral care of the flock. Within this group there are two ordained ministers (incl. Vicar), two newly qualified lay pastoral ministers (one of which is now a trainee-Reader for the C of E), a new trainee lay pastoral minister, a Churchwarden and two parish visitors. This group has worked to keep in touch with our parishioners via the telephone, the internet or doorstep visits. As a result of this group we have developed:

- 'Service summaries' which have the Sunday services in written format for distribution.
- Telephone groups using a free conference call facility for 3 or more people/friends to connect.
- A 'Light in the Darkness' series, which has raised a number of issues around mental health and has enabled people to be honest about their struggles.
- Completion of a trial run of the 'Bereavement journey' which is a 5 week course and it will be part of a rolling programme in support of people who have experienced bereavement both pre- and during the C₁₉ lockdown.

At the end of the lockdown we are anticipating a tsunami of people requiring help for both mental health issues and bereavement especially. Research, however, has shown that in the first part of the lockdown, anxiety and depression increased by a third but these levels have since decreased.

- Communication

The Parish Vision highlighted that we needed to improve on our communication as a church. The lead Churchwarden on communication has been working with the lay leader of PMC and has set up a communication-working group and, with the Vicar's support, developed a communication policy for the church, which is a huge step forward. As a result of this we also have looked at what we share internally and externally and about how we might improve the presence and awareness of our church. For example, we know that the rolling programme of both Alpha and the Bereavement Journey will be dependent upon the right type of advertising and communication. To aid this, the Vicar has also attended training sessions run by the Diocese of Durham. We are planning for an 'Away Day', whether in person, online or hybrid to re-visit the Parish Vision and our mission statements. So we are particularly pleased that this sub-group of the PCC has been called to look at this aspect of our Parish Vision, which consists of:

The Parish Vision:

To Grow God's Kingdom through All Saints' and Salutation, Blackwell.

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We believe God is calling us to do this by:

- Growing the Church
- Growing as Disciples
- Growing in Service to the parish and beyond.

The Parish Vision was first developed in 2009, revisited in 2011 and refreshed as the Parish Profile was written in 2014. In May 2016, there was a Parish meeting to look at the Parish Vision and the current situation in the church and how this informs our plan for mission in the future.

Partnership for Missional Church

During 2017 the incumbent attended Missional Leadership for Growth training provided by the Diocese over the course of two-week long residential course. As a follow-up from this training a lay team worked with the incumbent on a missional initiative titled 'Through the Glass Doors'. During 2018, the Parish was invited by the Bishop of Durham to take part in the Partnership for Missional Church programme. This is a natural progression of the 'Through the Glass Doors' project and so it was commended to the PCC who agreed that the church should participate. This is a three-year long project, accompanied by leaders from the Diocese, seeking to discern God's 'preferred and promised future for the parish'.

A steering group consisting of lay people who have been chosen from within the different congregations leads the project. This project is a major piece of work and commitment for the parish over these three years.

During 2019 members of the steering group interviewed several parishioners, groups linked to the church and a number of businesses that operate within the parish boundaries. Many parishioners attended two very successful events and were presented with aspects of the project and asked for thoughts on certain topics.

During 2020 some of the priorities of PMC have changed due to the C₁₉ lockdown. We have progressed onto this year 2 of the project and a lay member of the church leads it. One of the priorities of the PMC was to establish a Missional Innovation Team (MIT) that consists of some members of the congregation to help take PMC into the church.

As a new initiative, we have identified 'people of peace' in our community who help and support the work that we do and an example is our local Gideon representatives. During this year we have also initiated 'Dwelling in the Word' which has been encouraged by PMC as a regular activity of our church life and we now do Dwelling in the Word prior to each PCC meeting. Through this we have learnt to listen more closely to what the Bible is saying, via our regular reading and also our listening to one another.

Related Parties

All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited is considered to be a related charity.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £98,689 (2019: £132,668) with total expenditure on unrestricted funds amounting to £84,722 (2019: £134,773) giving a surplus of £13,967 (2019: deficit £2,105) Full details are provided in the financial statements.

Unrestricted Planned Giving of £59,803 represents a decrease of almost 8% on the amount received in the previous year (£64,915). This continues our recent trend with the amount of Planned Giving received reducing by a very disappointing 19% over the last 3 years.

A total of £79,920 (2019: £123,371) was spent to provide the Christian Ministry, including our payment of £48,000 in parish share (2019: £85,000). The parish share largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy within the diocese. Our original intention was to pay £75,000 as parish share during 2020. However, the loss of a significant part of our income due to the COVID pandemic meant that this was unsustainable with the result that we had to reduce our payment to £48,000.

The Restricted Funds surplus of £1,206 (2019: £5,103) includes the Pre-School which remained open during the pandemic providing a surplus of £1,551 (2019: £4,704) which, in the circumstances, was an exceptional result.

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The overall net surplus of £15,173 is a pleasing result in a very difficult year. (2019: £2,998).

Unrestricted reserves increased by £13,967 to £69,632 while restricted reserves increased by £1,206 to £49,239 giving overall reserves of £118,871. (2019: £103,698).

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to approximately six months' unrestricted payments, excluding the parish share, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. It is our policy to invest our long-term funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund and Unit Trusts.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

Committees of the PCC

The PCC operates through a number of committees which meet between full meetings of the PCC and whose proposals must always be agreed by the PCC before being put into action (except in the case of the Standing Committee). It is usual for each of these committees to be chaired by a churchwarden, a pro-warden or the incumbent.

Standing Committee

This consists of the incumbent, churchwardens and pro-wardens, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer and Stewardship Treasurer. It is the only committee that is required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Finance Committee

Aims to support both treasurers to develop effective stewardship of all the church's various financial resources including Planned Giving and to develop, monitor and report on the annual budget. It also ensures that our insurance cover is adequate and it takes responsibility for any recommendations that are necessary with our insurers. This committee is responsible for pursuing ways of financing future enhancement of the church building. It also monitors the finances of the Pre-School Group. It ensures that the PCC complies with charity commission obligations, and ensures the church has relevant and workable policies for staff guidance. This committee advises the PCC on all required policies.

Buildings and Grounds Committee

Is responsible for the care and upkeep of the church and its grounds and Salutation Hall and its grounds. It is also responsible for ensuring that any recommendations of a quinquennial report are implemented. It also undertakes, on behalf of the All Saints' Millennium Centre Trustees, the care of the day-to-day maintenance of the Centre.

Community Connections Committee

Helps the church to communicate the Christian message to the people of the parish and to minister to their needs. This outreach is expressed in: lay pastoral care, a ministry of welcome, written and electronic communication, evangelistic initiatives, charitable giving and educated concern. This committee is responsible for developing the church's concern for the needs of the wider society and world and making connections with the wider community.

Worship and Education Committee

Includes the members of the Ministry Group and representatives of groups that facilitate worship (choir and vergers). It is asked to review and plan worship, particularly special services. It is also tasked with organising the Lent course material and in looking for opportunities for growth in and through learning through the year.

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Social Committee

Organises and co-ordinates social occasions throughout the year that give church members an opportunity for fellowship. Some of these events will raise money for PCC funds. One event in each year may raise money for a special local charitable cause that is different from others supported by the parish and one event may be offered free of charge to the local community.

Pre-School Executive Committee

Chaired by the Incumbent, this committee manages and oversees the running of the Ofsted registered Pre-School Group.

Salutation Hall Management Committee

This committee manages the running of Salutation Hall.

Ministry Group

Chaired by the Incumbent and independent of the PCC structures, though working in partnership with them, this group acts as a support group for the clergy (including the retired clergy who exercise a ministry in the Parish) and the Readers, Pastoral Assistant and ministers in training. It evaluates and monitors learning opportunities within the parish.

Green Action Group

This group helps the church to appreciate individual and shared responsibility for global warming and to relate this to the Christian faith. The group aims to encourage the church and wider community to move to a simpler, more sustainable lifestyle that will protect all God's creation and ensure justice for all God's people.

Risk management

The PCC has a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

PCC Meetings

The full PCC met seven times in the year, six via Zoom, with an average attendance of 19, which represents approximately 71% of the full membership, including the co-opted members, secretary and treasurers. Sub-committees and groups met between meetings and their reports and proposals were discussed by the full PCC.

Administrative Information

All Saints' Church is situated in Ravensdale Road, Darlington. It is part of the Diocese of Durham within the Church of England. The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) is registered as a charity. The Registered Charity Number is 1134833.

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Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules, with the secretary, treasurer and members of the Reader team co-opted at the first meeting of the year. During the year the following served as members:

<i>Incumbent:</i>	<i>Vacant</i>	<i>until 2 March 2020</i>
	The Reverend Jennifer Croft	Chair-from 2 March 2020
<i>Wardens:</i>	Mrs Dee Wastnedge Mr Nick Auty Mr Phil Elliott-Lyall	Until APCM from APCM
<i>Pro-Wardens:</i>	Mr Phil Elliott-Lyall Mrs Sandra Whiston Mrs Dee Wastnedge	until APCM from APCM
<i>Diocesan Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Pam Davison BSc FCA Dr Colin Price	
<i>Deanery Synod Members:</i>	Mrs Eileen Auty Mrs Clare Curran Mr Michael Shepherd Mrs Pat Williams	
<i>Co-opted Members:</i>	The Reverend Sarah Jay Mrs Debby Gill Mrs Susan Leatherbarrow Prof Keith Whiston Mr Kevin Winkworth	Associate Minister Reader Reader and Lay Pastoral Assistant Reader Reader
<i>Secretary:</i>	Mrs Sheila Walton	
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mr Peter Davison BA FCA	
<i>Stewardship Treasurer:</i>	MR Ellis Leatherbarrow	
<i>Electoral Roll Officer:</i>	Mr David Smith	
<i>Safeguarding Officer:</i>	Mr Michael Fryer	
<i>Elected Members:</i>	Mr David Curran Mrs Lona Martin Mr Richard Rayner Mr Andrew Watson Mrs Judi Kent Mrs Julie Denham Mr Andrew Hopkins Mrs Nicky Waller Mr Ian Groves	until 21 January 2020 until 19 March 2020 until 28 November 2020 until 26 August 2020

Reverend Jennifer Croft
Vicar and PCC Chairman
17 March 2021

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO MEMBERS OF
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
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I report to the members of the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' and Salutation Blackwell, Darlington (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the PCC's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 PCC as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**A W Lockett BCom FCA DChA
Clive Owen LLP
Chartered Accountants
140 Coniscliffe Road
Darlington
DL3 7RT
17 March 2021**

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

		Unrestricted Funds 2020	Restricted Funds 2020	Total Funds 2020	Unrestricted Funds 2019	Restricted Funds 2019	Total Funds 2019
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and legacies	2a	78,280	50	78,330	93,514	500	94,014
Charitable activities	2b	8,887	56,364	65,251	9,924	65,248	75,172
Grants receivable	2c	854	224	1,078	-	-	-
Investments	2d	4	6	10	6	15	21
Other trading activities	2e	10,664	-	10,664	29,224	-	29,224
TOTAL INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		98,689	56,644	155,333	132,668	65,763	198,431
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
EXPENDITURE ON:							
Raising funds	3a	4,802	-	4,802	11,402	-	11,402
Charitable activities	3b	79,920	55,438	135,358	123,371	60,660	184,031
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		84,722	55,438	140,160	134,773	60,660	195,433
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		13,967	1,206	15,173	(2,105)	5,103	2,998
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:							
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		55,665	48,033	103,698	57,770	42,930	100,700
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£ 69,632	49,239	118,871	55,665	48,033	103,698
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The notes on pages 11 to 22 form part of these accounts

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

		2020	2019
	Note	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	5	677	836
CURRENT ASSETS			
Bank accounts		132,030	99,182
Cash in hand		2,187	2,659
Debtors	6	8,407	19,449
Stocks		-	164
		142,624	121,454
Creditors			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(24,430)	(18,592)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		118,194	102,862
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		118,871	103,698
NET ASSETS		£ 118,871	£ 103,698
		=====	=====
PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted	8	69,632	55,665
Restricted	8	49,239	48,033
TOTAL FUNDS		£ 118,871	£ 103,698
		=====	=====

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 17 March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:-

Reverend Jennifer Croft
Vicar and PCC Chair

Peter Davison
Treasurer

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the PCC, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair view'. This departure has involved following the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective from 1 January 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis under the historical cost convention. At the date of approval, the country and the rest of the world continue to be affected by the Covid-19 pandemic. Whilst uncertainty remains around the length of time this will last and the full impact on the economy, the trustees believe that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of the tangible fixed assets by equal annual instalments over their estimated useful life as follows:-

Organ, Amplifier and Speakers	10% per annum
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Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable Church Furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are alienable property listed in the Church's inventory, which is available for inspection.

All expenditure on play equipment and other fittings for the Pre-School is written off at the time the expenditure is incurred.

Stocks

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

Administration Costs

All administration costs are borne by the unrestricted fund.

Grants receivable

Revenue based grants are credited to income when the charity becomes entitled to the grant.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Funds

Unrestricted funds are funds that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.

Income

Planned giving, interest, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the income to which they relate is received. Grants, legacies and pledges are accounted for when the PCC has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably. All income is accounted for gross.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the PCC to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Financial instruments

Debtors and creditors with no stated interest rate and receivable or payable within one year are recorded at transaction price. Any losses arising from impairment are recognised in the statement of financial activities in expenditure.

Leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Significant judgements and estimates

In the application of the PCC's accounting policies the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Significant judgements

The judgements (apart from those involving estimations) that the trustees have made in the process of applying the PCC's accounting policies and have the most significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements are as follows:

Depreciation - Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset. An estimate of the useful economic life of assets is detailed in the depreciation accounting policy. The value of depreciation charge in the year was £159.

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future and, by their nature, will rarely equal the actual outcome. There are no key assumptions or sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the current amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

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2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:

2a Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
Voluntary income	£	£	£	£
Planned giving:-				
Envelopes, covenants and Gift Aid	59,803	-	59,803	64,915
Tax reclaim	15,070	-	15,070	17,526
Collections (loose plate)	2,343	-	2,343	10,512
Special Charity collections	439	-	439	531
Donations and Legacies	625	50	675	530
	£ 78,280	50	78,330	94,014
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2b Income from charitable activities

Church activities				
Occasional offices	8,887	-	8,887	9,924
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 14j)	-	56,364	56,364	65,248
	£ 8,887	56,364	65,251	75,172
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2c Grants receivable

Government grants	£ 854	224	1,078	-
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2d Income from investments

Interest receivable	£ 4	6	10	21
	=====	=====	=====	=====

2e Other trading activities

Activities for generating funds				
Fundraising (see note 12)	8,739	-	8,739	24,194
Salutation Hall lettings	1,014	-	1,014	4,500
Sundry income	911	-	911	530
	£ 10,664	-	10,664	29,224
	=====	=====	=====	=====

Total Income and Endowments	£ 98,689	£ 56,644	155,333	198,431
	=====	=====	=====	=====

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3 EXPENDITURE

3a Raising funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising (see note 12)	£ 4,802 =====	- =====	4,802 =====	11,402 =====
3b Charitable activities				
Church activities and expenses				
Charitable and Mission giving (see note 13)	728	-	728	6,103
Parish share	48,000	-	48,000	85,000
Clergy expenses	160	-	160	407
Church running expenses	4,686	-	4,686	4,781
Cost of services	2,403	-	2,403	2,799
Church maintenance	962	-	962	970
Insurance	738	-	738	689
Salutation Hall	1,974	-	1,974	2,516
Salaries, wages and honoraria	15,097	-	15,097	14,084
Sundry costs	806	395	1,201	1,482
Administration costs	3,007	-	3,007	3,281
Depreciation	159	-	159	160
Independent Examination	1,200	-	1,200	1,200
All Saints Blackwell Pre-School (see note 14j)	-	55,043	55,043	60,559
	£ 79,920 =====	55,438 =====	135,358 =====	184,031 =====
Total Expenditure	£ 84,722 =====	55,438 =====	140,160 =====	195,433 =====
4a STAFF COSTS				
Wages and salaries	9,187	48,317	57,504	60,120
Pension costs	-	527	527	358
	£ 9,187 =====	48,844 =====	58,031 =====	60,478 =====

Throughout the year the PCC employed a Parish Secretary, a Director of Music and a caretaker at Salutation Hall. All the positions are part-time and no payments were large enough to attract Social Security costs.

All Saints Pre-School employs 6 staff (2019: 7 staff).

No employees received benefits of more than £60,000.

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4b MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The members neither received nor waived any remuneration during the year (2019: £Nil).

The members did not have any expenses reimbursed during the year (2019: £Nil).

5 FIXED ASSETS

Tangible (all unrestricted)	Organ, Amplifier and Speakers	Total
	£	£
COST		
At 1 January 2020	18,200	18,200
Additions during year	-	-
At 31 December 2020	18,200	18,200
	=====	=====
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 January 2020	17,364	17,364
Charge for the year	159	159
At 31 December 2020	17,523	17,523
	=====	=====
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2020	£ 677	£ 677
	=====	=====
At 31 December 2019	£ 836	£ 836
	=====	=====

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6 DEBTORS

	2020	2019
	£	£
Tax recoverable	3,745	9,300
Other debtors	4,662	10,149
	£ 8,407	£ 19,449
	=====	=====

7 CREDITORS - amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals	7,234	6,381
Deferred income	16,596	11,230
Other creditors	600	981
	£ 24,430	£ 18,592
	=====	=====

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	55,665	98,689	(84,722)	-	69,632
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,301	50	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	70	-	-	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	500	-	(395)	-	105
Pre-School Fund	43,589	56,594	(55,043)	-	45,140
	48,033	56,644	(55,438)	-	49,239
TOTAL FUNDS	£103,698	155,333	(140,160)	-	118,871
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====

The Clavinova Fund holds the money raised several years ago for the provision of a clavinova at Shepherds Dene.

The Choir Fund was established to raise money to provide items for use by the Choir.

The Bennett Memorial Fund was established in memory of one of our previous organists, Nick Bennett.

In 2014 the Diocese of Durham provided £650 to the 'Open the Book' team to provide it with resources to carry out its work.

The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund was established by her parents in memory of Jane who died in 2018 and had been a member of the congregation for many years.

The PCC has acknowledged that the Pre-School funds are, in reality, restricted as all monies received are either from the local authority as grants or are fees paid by the parents of the children at the Pre-School.

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8 MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1 January 2019	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	57,770	132,668	(134,773)	-	55,665
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,301	-	-	-	1,301
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	171	-	(101)	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	-	500	-	-	500
Pre-School Fund	38,885	65,263	(60,559)	-	43,589
	42,930	65,763	(60,660)	-	48,033
TOTAL FUNDS	£ 100,700	198,431	(195,433)	-	103,698
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A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined movement in funds is as follows:

	At 1 January 2019	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Gains / (losses)	At 31 December 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds					
General Fund	57,770	231,357	(219,495)	-	69,632
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Restricted funds					
Clavinova Fund	950	-	-	-	950
Choir Fund	1,301	50	-	-	1,351
Bennett Memorial Fund	1,623	-	-	-	1,623
Open the Book Diocesan Fund	171	-	(101)	-	70
The Jane Tulip Memorial Fund	-	500	(395)	-	105
Pre-School Fund	38,885	121,857	(115,602)	-	45,140
	<u>42,930</u>	<u>122,407</u>	<u>(116,098)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,239</u>
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	£ 100,700	353,764	(335,593)	-	118,871
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9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS

BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	677	-	677
Current assets	76,394	66,230	142,624
Creditors	(7,439)	(16,991)	(24,430)
	£ 69,632	49,239	118,871
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10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the charity made recharges for services of £2,796 (2019: £3,219) to a related charity, All Saints Millennium Trust (Darlington) Limited.

11 LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Within one year	1,569	1,569
Between one and five years	1,177	2,746
	£ 2,746	£ 4,315
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	Note					2020	2019
12 FUNDRAISING		Income	Expenses	Total	Donations Paid Out	Surplus/ (Deficit)	Surplus/ (Deficit)
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Garden Party		-	-	-	-	-	3,192
Christmas Fair		-	-	-	-	-	4,150
Parish Lunch Club	14a	367	(515)	(148)	-	(148)	332
Magazine	14b	972	(748)	224	-	224	(81)
Ladies Fellowship (excluding bank interest)	14c	157	(189)	(32)	200	(232)	(3)
Tea and Coffee	14d	271	(24)	247	-	247	1,095
Flower Fund	14e	425	(310)	115	-	115	49
Parent and Toddler Group	14f	283	(260)	23	-	23	(41)
Social Committee	14g	3,886	(1,160)	2,726	-	2,726	1,690
Badminton	14h	72	(75)	(3)	-	(3)	(4)
Men's Group	14i	240	(240)	-	-	-	(10)
100 Club	14k	1,859	(1,038)	821	-	821	744
Bell Ringers	14l	-	(63)	(63)	-	(63)	(48)
Circle Dancing	14m	202	(180)	22	-	22	3
Ladies Night	14n	5	-	5	-	5	(74)
		<u>£ 8,739</u>	<u>(4,802)</u>	<u>3,937</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>3,737</u>	<u>10,994</u>
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Summary

Income	8,739	24,194
Costs	(4,802)	(11,402)
	<u>£ 3,937</u>	<u>£ 12,792</u>
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	2020		2019	
	£	£	£	£
13 CHARITABLE GIVING				
PCC : St. Teresa's Hospice		174		492
Cancer Research UK		27		1,176
Action for Pulmonary Fibrosis		241		-
Osteoporosis Society		43		-
RNID		43		-
Children's Society - Christingle		-		531
Alzheimer's Society		-		615
MacMillan Nurses		-		176
Parkinsons UK		-		135
Guide Dogs for the Blind		-		206
Willington Open Door		-		701
Darlington Mind		-		138
St Leonard's Hospice		-		135
		<u>528</u>		<u>4,305</u>
Groups:				
Parish Lunch Club : Christian Aid	-		138	
Ladies Fellowship: USPG	100		100	
Cystic Fibrosis Care	100		-	
The 700 Club	-		100	
Polam Hall School	-		200	
Bell Ringers: Cystic Fibrosis Care	-		1,120	
Circle Dancing: Guide Dogs for the Blind	-		140	
		<u>200</u>	<u>1,798</u>	
		<u>£ 728</u>	<u>£ 6,103</u>	
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