

Parochial Church Council of
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, COUNTSTHORPE
Registered Charity No 1135711

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT for the year 2024

OUR YEAR

Through 2024 our congregation numbers remained low and we know that when the new Electoral Roll is completed in 2025 the number will be much smaller. In spite of that we have managed to remain financially solvent, paying the whole of our Parish Contribution to the Diocese and some more instalments of the diocesan loan for the Bridge. We have a huge repair bill waiting in the near future for the tower and the chancel walls, but loyal church members continue to be busy fund-raising.

The highlight of 2024 was the arrival in the summer of Assistant Curate in Training, Cameron. He ran a 'Treat Stop' at Halloween in 2024 and in 2025 has facilitated a Sunday Kids Group.

Messy Church continues to be successful as does the Little Friends group for mothers or carers with tiny children. The Mothers' Union branch is flourishing as are the Friendship Teas and the Craft Corner. The Rainbow Shop celebrated its 40th Anniversary in September 2024.

The Church

St Andrew's Church is a Grade II Listed building. The church was rebuilt in 1907, but its 13th/14th century tower was retained and now holds eight bells. In more recent years the church has had a new roof, new electrical wiring and sound and projection equipment. The pews have been replaced with chairs and the old organ has been replaced with an electronic one. The main entrance now has glass inner doors and new steps and railings enhance it even more. The floor was refurbished in 2019.

The church is situated on Main Street, Countesthorpe, LEICESTER LE8 5QX, and is part of the Four Saints Benefice, with Foston, Peatling Magna and Willoughby Waterleys.

There is a church hall called The Cornerstone. The church's premises at 1 Main Street, next to the church, include a shop and a flat, both let to tenants, and The Bridge building, which has toilets, the church office, the Rainbow Shop and a meeting room. The Rainbow Shop is run by volunteers from St Andrew's, other local churches and the community and it raises funds for the interdenominational charity Christian Aid. Visitors can be sure of a cup of tea and a chat there. The Bridge meeting room is used by a number of organisations as well as the church itself. The PCC is still paying regular instalments of the loan from the Diocese for the Bridge building.

The Church's Mission

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) co-operates with the Minister in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical.

Mission Statement

We wish to be

a transformed people who love God and each other,
a people set on fire by the Gospel of Jesus Christ,
a community that wants to share His Story with everyone we can,
seed-throwers and fire-starters, hope-peddlers and grace-givers, risk-takers and dreamers,
young and old.

We aim

to seek the lost, empower the poor, strengthen the weak, embrace the outcast.

We want

to serve together, play together, worship together, pray together, laugh together, cry together,
learn together and live life together,
to grow as a church in numbers and in loving service
and to see our village changed by the love God has given to us to share.

Finance

The funding needed comes mainly from the donations of individuals and a few fundraising initiatives during the year. Much of the upkeep of the Cornerstone and No 1 Main Street is funded by rent and

fees for lettings. A Parish Contribution is paid to the Diocese of Leicester for the salaries of the stipendiary clergy and central services.

Structure of the PCC

The PCC is a corporate body established and operating under the Church Representation Rules of the Church of England and is Registered Charity No 1135711.

The PCC normally holds five meetings during the year. The Standing Committee, made up of the Rector, the Curate, the Churchwardens, the Lay Vice-Chair, the Treasurer, the Secretary and two members elected by the PCC, prepares the agendas. Various PCC sub-groups are set up from time to time.

The PCC's bankers are:

HSBC, Leicester Clock Tower Branch, 2-6 Gallowtree Gate, LEICESTER LE1 1DA
Advanced Payment Solutions Limited, Cashplus Bank, 6th Floor, One London Wall, LONDON EC2Y 5EB
CBF Church of England Funds, CCLA Investment Management Ltd, 80 Cheapside, LONDON EC2V 6DZ (Central Board of Finance)
Santander (for the Rainbow Shop), Customer Service Centre, Bootle, Merseyside L30 4GB.

Its insurers are:

Ecclesiastical Insurance Group, Beaufort House, Brunswick Road, GLOUCESTER GL1 1JZ.

The Independent Examiner is Mrs Susan V Wyllie FCA, 4 Mawby Close, Whetstone, Leicester LE8 6XA.

Apart from the ex-officio members, there are fifteen elected members of the PCC, who serve for a three-year term of office, with five standing down each year.

PCC Members 2024

Ex Officio

The Revd Richard Reakes, Rector
The Revd Cameron Wiltshire-Plant, Assistant Curate
June Ainge, Reader Minister
Sally Bailey, Deanery Synod Representative
Stephen Bailey, Deanery Synod Representative and Churchwarden
Anne Jelves, Churchwarden and Vice Chair
Lindsey Jelves, Reader Minister
Gail Mackley, Associate Minister
Jacqui McAughey, Associate Minister
Helen Stokes, Reader Minister and Deanery Synod Representative

Elected Members

Christine Baxter	Eva Morris (PCC Secretary)
Yvonne Bennett	Rachel Pound (from November 2024)
John Cook	Deborah Perkins
Alison Dale (Treasurer)	Margaret Seville (from May 2024)
Gill Gillespie (until May 2024)	Jacqueline Sturrock (from May 2024)
David McAughey	Edward Thomas

Membership

There were 100 people on the church Electoral Roll at 31 December 2024. The average Sunday attendance, counted during October 2024, was 45 adults and 5 children. In addition other families attended Messy Church.

Ministry/People

The Rector of the Four Saints Benefice is the Revd Richard Reakes. In July 2024 the Revd Cameron Wiltshire-Plant joined us as Assistant Curate in Training. A retired priest with Permission-to-Officiate (the Revd Mick Gillespie) officiates at some of our services. The Benefice has four Reader Ministers (June Ainge, Lindsey Jelves, Michael Oates and Helen Stokes) and two Associate Ministers (Gail Mackley and Jacqui McAughey).

Worship and Groups

There is currently one service on a Sunday - alternating between Holy Communion at 9am and Morning Praise at 11am. Mid-week Holy Communion is held at 9.30am on Thursdays. Morning Prayer is said in church at 8am from Monday to Saturday. 'Messay Church' is held on the third

Saturday of each month. If there is a fifth Sunday in the month just one service is held at 10am in one church in the Benefice, in turn. This service is well attended and at other times some of St Andrew's members attend services in the other churches of the Benefice.

Home Communion is provided for those who cannot get to church and this includes ministry to the Cherrytree Residential Care Home. There is a Whats App prayer and support group. The church has mid-week groups for Bible study and prayer and there is a Christian film club. In 2024 there was a Lent course called 'Be Still', about spending time with God. There is a regular Craft Group.

The tower team ring the bells on Sunday mornings and for weddings. There is a regular organist at the 9am service and singers and musicians lead the music at 11am. When they are not available the small sound and projection team are able to show pre-recorded song videos.

St Andrew's has a long-established Mothers' Union branch, which has a full programme of monthly meetings, including the Rally in October hosted by St Andrew's and attended by friends from around the Deanery and the other denominations in the village. The church takes part in the annual ecumenical World Day of Prayer service in early March.

New members are welcomed to our groups.

Outreach to the Community

Funerals and weddings take place in St Andrew's Church and the 11.00am service sometimes includes a baptism. On these occasions St Andrew's endeavours to offer a welcome and ongoing pastoral care.

St Andrew's hosts the Remembrance Service for the whole village, in the churchyard, where the village War Memorial is situated. It includes the Scouts and Guides groups' parade. The Scouts held their carol service in the church in 2024 and some of their activities take place in St Andrew's Bridge building.

Greenfield Primary School held their carol service in St Andrew's Church in 2024.

St Andrew's carol service was held in December and on Christmas Eve there were Christingle services and a Midnight Communion

The annual Service of Light was held again in 2024. This is a well-attended service when people are enabled to remember their loved ones.

The Cornerstone and The Bridge are used regularly by church and outside groups. There are 'Friendship Teas' on a Monday afternoon. On a Thursday afternoon during term time there is a group called *Little Friends*, for mothers or carers with tiny children.

As mentioned, the Rainbow Shop offers a welcome. It sent £15,000 to Christian Aid in 2024. That was the year when the Rainbow Shop celebrated its 40th Anniversary. About £275,000 had been raised for Christian Aid during that time.

The Bridge garden is a quiet space accessible to the community, with a dedicated team to maintain it.

As a founder member of the Countesthorpe Foodbank the church continues to support it.

Safeguarding and Other Policies

The church has Safeguarding Policies for both children and vulnerable adults and a benefice Safeguarding Officer, Dave McAughey. The PCC has adopted the House of Bishops' Guidance. It has a Statement on Domestic Abuse and a policy for the recruitment of ex-offenders.

It also has a Health and Safety Policy, an Equality and Diversity Policy and a Data Protection Policy.

Communication

St Andrew's has a benefice website (www.standrewscountesthorpe.co.uk). There is a St Andrew's Church & The Bridge Facebook page and a St Andrew's Church Facebook group. The church also contributes a section in the local village newspaper, with the Baptist and Methodist churches. The newspaper is delivered free to every home and is available online. There is a weekly news sheet for church members called *What's On Where (WOW)*, which is also on the benefice website.

Financial Review

At the beginning of this year, we were facing a deficit budget and unsure how we would meet our obligations. However, thanks to the generosity of church members who have made additional donations and fund-raised, we ended the year in a reasonable position. Our Parish Contribution to the Diocese was fully paid once again in spite of the 10% increase. Our balance sheet was looking

healthy at the year end with net current assets of £19,894, having generated a surplus on the General Funds of £4,848. However we were only able to repay £6,000 of the Diocesan Loan capital, rather than the £12,000 which is needed to meet our target of repaying it within ten years.

Towards the end of the year we set up a new fund, the Church Restoration Fund, as a restricted fund for urgent works needed to the church building. This has been enthusiastically supported and raised a balance of £4,792 in the last three months of the year.

Once again we face the challenge of a large deficit in the budget going forward. We have had a further increase of 10% in the Parish Contribution, but we also need to fund-raise for the Restoration Fund. We can only hope and pray that this time next year we will be able to look back and be thankful for God's provision for us over the year, as we are doing now for 2024.

E. Morris

..... EVA MORRIS (PCC Secretary)

Alison Dale

..... ALISON DALE (PCC Treasurer)

Signed on behalf of the PCC

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Date *8/4/25*


Parochial Church Council of St Andrew Countesthorpe
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ending 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted Funds (GENERAL CHURCH FUNDS)	Restricted Funds * * (RAINBOW SHOP, RESTORATION FUND, BRIDGE LOAN FUNDRAISING, AND YOUTH TRAVEL FUND)	TOTAL FUNDS	
				2024	2023
	Notes	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES	p.7				
Incoming resources from donors	2(a)	67,088	8,706	75,794	65,290
Other voluntary incoming resources inc. grants	2(b)	-	-	-	400
Incoming resources from operating activities to further the PCC's objects	2(c)	8,918	1,249	10,167	5,274
Incoming resources from operating activities to generate funds	2(d)	4,737	20,208	24,945	22,321
Income from investments	2(e)	28,195	86	28,281	30,193
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>108,938</u>	<u>30,249</u>	<u>139,187</u>	<u>123,478</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED	p.8				
Costs of generating funds	3(a)	132	2,629	2,761	2,946
Grants to charities	3(b)	613	15,000	15,613	15,520
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	3(c)	95,718	1,648	97,366	88,866
Support costs: Parish administrator		9,692	-	9,692	6,212
Church management and administration	3(d)	3,935	-	3,935	3,315
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		<u>110,090</u>	<u>19,277</u>	<u>129,367</u>	<u>116,859</u>
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		(1,152)	10,972	9,820	6,619
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:			-	-	-
Loan repayments made		6,000	(6,000)		
ADJUSTED NET INCOMING RESOURCES		<u>4,848</u>	<u>4,972</u>	<u>9,820</u>	<u>6,619</u>
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1 JANUARY		285,561	6,770	292,331	285,712
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER		<u>290,409</u>	<u>11,742</u>	<u>302,151</u>	<u>292,331</u>

Parochial Church Council of St Andrew Countesthorpe
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

Item	Note p.9	2024 £	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS AT COST			
Tangible fixed assets	4	350,257	350,955
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash balances		64	63
Bank balances		17,414	10,482
CBF Deposits		1,657	1,657
Debtors			
HMRC tax refunds due		1,775	1,221
Rentals due - Cornerstone		5,422	5,850
Rentals due - Main Street		120	217
Other Debtors		469	639
Stock of Goods for resale		-	400
Total Current Assets		26,921	20,529
LIABILITIES: AMOUNT FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
Creditors - Parish Contribution		-	-
- LDBF Fees		4,345	2,356
- Clergy expenses		71	61
- Utilities		1,333	1,307
- Loan interest		513	568
- HMRC PAYE due		-	345
- Other creditors		765	516
Total Current Liabilities		7,027	5,153
NET CURRENT ASSETS		19,894	15,376
LIABILITIES: LONG TERM			
Diocesan Loan		68,000	74,000
NET ASSETS		302,151	292,331
FUNDS	5		
Unrestricted		290,409	285,561
Restricted		11,742	6,770
		302,151	292,331

Approved by the Parochial Church Council
on 8/11/25 and signed on its behalf by


Reverend Richard Reakes
Rector

The notes on pages 5 to 9 form part of
these accounts.

Parochial Church Council of St Andrew Countesthorpe
Restricted Funds Income and Expenditure Accounts
For the Year Ending 31 December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Rainbow Shop (restricted)		
Income		
Income from charitable trading	19,084	18,174
Donations/grants for refurbishment fund	-	-
Interest received	-	-
Total income	<u>19,084</u>	<u>18,174</u>
Expenditure		
Purchase of goods for resale	2,629	2,699
Running expenses	1,409	1,306
Refurbishment Fund payments (garage door)	239	-
Overseas missions and relief agencies	15,000	14,500
Total payments	<u>19,277</u>	<u>18,505</u>
Excess of expenditure over income	(193)	(331)
Total Funds at 1 January	1,794	2,125
Total Funds at 31 December	<u>1,601</u>	<u>1,794</u>

Countesthorpe (St. Andrews) Youth Fund (restricted)

Income		
Interest	86	64
Expenditure		
Payments towards youth travel	-	-
Excess of income over expenditure	<u>86</u>	<u>64</u>
Bank account at 1 January	211	147
	<u>1,657</u>	<u>1,657</u>
Total Fund at 1 January	<u>1,868</u>	<u>1,804</u>
Bank account at 31 December	297	211
CBF deposit fund account at 31 December	1,657	1,657
Total Fund at 31 December	<u>1,954</u>	<u>1,868</u>

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	2024	2023
Bridge Loan Fundraising account (restricted)		
Income		
Gift aided regular donations	4,320	4,320
Donations from groups and other single donations	860	470
Gift Aid Income tax recovered	1,107	1,077
Total Income	<u>6,287</u>	<u>5,867</u>
Expenditure		
Loan capital repayments made during the year	6,000	12,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>6,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>
Excess of Income over expenditure	287	(6,133)
Accumulated Fund at 1 January	2,890	9,023
Surplus for the year	287	(6,133)
Total Fund at 31 December	<u>3,177</u>	<u>2,890</u>
Church Restoration Fund (restricted)		
Income		
Donations and collections	2,030	-
Fundraising events	2,373	-
Gift Aid Income tax recovered	389	-
Total Income	<u>4,792</u>	<u>-</u>
Expenditure		
Payments during the year	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure	4,792	-
Accumulated Fund at 1 January	-	-
Surplus for the year	4,792	-
Total Fund at 31 December	<u>4,792</u>	<u>-</u>
Deanery Outreach Grant (restricted)		
Income		
Grants received	-	400
Total Income	<u>-</u>	<u>400</u>
Expenditure		
Projects supported during the year	-	182
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>182</u>
Excess of Income over Expenditure	-	218
Accumulated Fund at 1 January	218	-
Surplus for the year	-	218
Total Fund at 31 December	<u>218</u>	<u>218</u>

Parochial Church Council of St Andrew Countesthorpe
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ending 31 December 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, and with the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and on the Going Concern basis.

Funds

Restricted funds represent donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given.

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC only are also unrestricted.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is receivable.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and it is received.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is receivable.

Bank interest is recognised when credited

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Resources used

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over (i.e. a cheque is issued), or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the church

The Diocesan Parish Contribution is accounted for when paid (i.e. a cheque is issued). Any Contribution unpaid at 31 December, but is intended to be paid, is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts under the provisions 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 accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's Inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For inalienable property acquired prior to about 1990 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since 1 January 1990 have been capitalised in the accounts and are now being depreciated on a straight line basis over 10 years, their currently anticipated useful economic life. The railings and gates, having a much longer anticipated useful life, are being depreciated on a straight line basis over 40 years.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, or individual items under about £1000, or on the repair of moveable church furnishings acquired before 1990, is written off.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 5 years unless the decision is taken to not do so. Individual items with a purchase price of £1000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors, provided they are not considered to be irrecoverable.

Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised when it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the PCC to pay out resources, and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty.

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2	INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
2(a)	<i>Incoming resources from donors</i>				
	Tax-efficient giving				
	Gift aided envelopes	-		-	230
	Gift aided standing orders	26,229	4,320	30,549	30,249
	Gift Aided single donations	7,808	1,585	9,393	2,538
	Income tax recoverable	9,525	1,496	11,021	9,580
	Other giving				-
	Standing Orders (not Gift Aided)	16,400	60	16,460	15,250
	Single Donations (not Gift Aided)	1,471	1,245	2,716	1,439
	Collections				
	Services - cash/envelopes/card	5,057		5,057	4,872
	Gift collections	-		-	114
	Charity collections	598		598	1,018
		<u>67,088</u>	<u>8,706</u>	<u>75,794</u>	<u>65,290</u>
2(b)	<i>Other voluntary incoming resources</i>				
	Legacies	-	-	-	-
	Grants	-		-	400
		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>400</u>
2(c)	<i>Incoming resources from operating activities to further the PCC's objects</i>				
	Christmas Fair funds raised		1,249	1,249	1,041
	Fees - weddings, funerals etc	7,633		7,633	3,228
	Contribution from Rainbow Shop	660		660	660
	Contributions for use of Church	625		625	345
		<u>8,918</u>	<u>1,249</u>	<u>10,167</u>	<u>5,274</u>
2(d)	<i>Incoming resources from operating activities to generate funds</i>				
	Fundraising events (gross)	4,542	1,124	5,666	3,995
	Rainbow Shop trading income		19,084	19,084	18,174
	Miscellaneous income	195		195	152
		<u>4,737</u>	<u>20,208</u>	<u>24,945</u>	<u>22,321</u>
2(e)	<i>Income from investments</i>				
	Bank Interest		86	86	64
	Rental Income from The Cornerstone	14,025		14,025	14,940
	Rental Income from 1 Main Street	14,170		14,170	15,189
				-	-
		<u>28,195</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>28,281</u>	<u>30,193</u>
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>108,938</u>	<u>30,249</u>	<u>139,187</u>	<u>123,478</u>

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3	RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 £	2023 £
3(a)	<i>Costs of generating funds</i>				
	Rainbow Shop purchases		2,629	2,629	2,699
	Fundraising expenses	132		132	247
		<u>132</u>	<u>2,629</u>	<u>2,761</u>	<u>2,946</u>
3(b)	<i>Grants</i>				
	Overseas relief and mission	55	15,000	15,055	15,160
	Home missions	383		383	198
	Home relief and secular	175		175	162
		<u>613</u>	<u>15,000</u>	<u>15,613</u>	<u>15,520</u>
	<i>Activities directly relating to the work of the church</i>				
3(c)	Parish Contribution to Diocese	48,400		48,400	44,000
	Fees paid to LDBF & staff	5,065		5,065	2,716
	Clergy expenses	1,033		1,033	810
	Church running expenses				
	Utilities	6,232		6,232	5,378
	Insurance	1,934		1,934	1,930
	Maintenance & Miscellaneous	2,577		2,577	3,614
	Upkeep of services:				
	Worship inc music and related items	1,473		1,473	1,834
	Outreach inc Messy Church	607		607	738
	Children & Youth groups	273		273	441
	Gifts	341		341	164
	Miscellaneous expenses inc. bank chgs	606		606	563
	Premises Management and cleaning	7,118		7,118	10,413
	Cornerstone running expenses				
	Utilities	3,152		3,152	2,562
	Insurance	1,939		1,939	1,930
	Maintenance & Miscellaneous (incl. new boiler)	4,165		4,165	449
	1 Main St running expenses				
	Utilities	3,089		3,089	1,633
	Insurance	2,326		2,326	2,270
	Hygiene items and contract	1,180		1,180	874
	Maintenance & Miscellaneous	1,546		1,546	1,536
	Rental expenses/professional fees	-		-	594
	Rainbow Shop expenses		1,409	1,409	1,306
	Rainbow Shop refurbishment exps		239	239	-
	Garden expenses	44		44	56
	Diocesan Loan interest	2,072		2,072	2,359
	Depreciation of fixed assets	546		546	546
	Leaving/retirement gifts etc.			-	150
	Grants from Youth Travel Fund	-		-	-
		<u>95,718</u>	<u>1,648</u>	<u>97,366</u>	<u>88,866</u>
	<i>Church management and administration</i>				
3(d)	Office expenses - Printing, Phone etc	3,783	-	3,783	2,928
	Depreciation of office equipment	152	-	152	-
		<u>3,935</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,935</u>	<u>2,928</u>

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4 FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC

	1 Main Street at valuation	Railings and gates at cost	Office equipment: Laptops	Total
	£	£		£
At 1 January 2024	330,000	21,843	998	352,841
Additions			-	-
At 31 December 2024	<u>330,000</u>	<u>21,843</u>	<u>998</u>	<u>352,841</u>
DEPRECIATION				
At 1 January 2024	-	1,638	248	1,886
Charge for the year	-	546	152	698
At 31 December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>2,184</u>	<u>400</u>	<u>2,584</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31 December 2024	<u>330,000</u>	<u>19,659</u>	<u>598</u>	<u>350,257</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>330,000</u>	<u>20,205</u>	<u>750</u>	<u>350,955</u>

5 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Fixed Assets	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	Long Term Liabilities	
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds					-
General Fund	350,257	15,179	(7,027)	(68,000)	290,409
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Restricted Funds					
Rainbow shop	-	1,601	-	-	1,601
Youth Travel Fund	-	1,954	-	-	1,954
Bridge Loan Repayment		3,177			3,177
Church Restoration Fund		4,792			4,792
Outreach Grant balance		218			218
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,742</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,742</u>
	350,257	26,921	(7,027)	(68,000)	302,151

6 TRANSACTIONS WITH MEMBERS OF THE PCC AND RELATED PARTIES:

There have been no material transactions with, or payments of expenses to, PCC members.

7 EMPLOYEE EMOLUMENTS

Total remuneration for the year:	£	(Gross pay)
Administrator	10,042	
Premises Officer	7,118	

The number of employees for the year was two. There was no change in the year. Neither employee is a member of the PCC.

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Independent Examiners statement

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- (2) There are no other matters to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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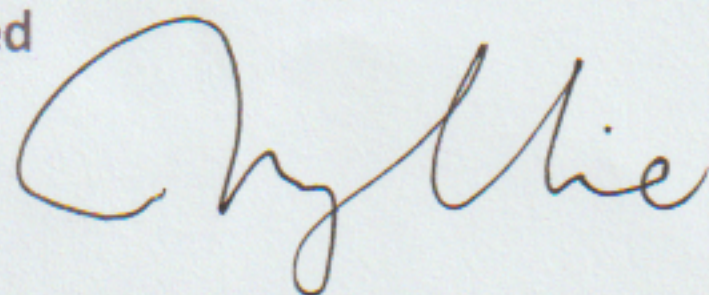
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