

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

An Anglican Methodist Partnership

Charity Registration Number 1137529

Unaudited Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 August 2025

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

A JOINT ANGLICAN METHODIST PARTNERSHIP

Trustees and Ecumenical Church Council Members

Minister

Reverend N Cooke

Church Stewards & Wardens

J Owen

J C Cripps

M E Mitchell

Chair

A L Calvert

Treasurer

J W Dey

Secretary

J I Loughridge

Other Members

A E Harvey

A E Hollows

A R Morris

C Loughridge

C J Cripps

E Handy (Appointed 11.05.2025)

J H Harding

J Jordan Brown

J L Bywaters (Appointed 25.11.2024)

J M Carpenter

J M Roberts

K A Hackett (Resigned 25.11.2024)

P J Sandford (Appointed 11.05.2025)

P L Mitchell

R A Morris

S L Hindmarsh (Resigned 11.05.2025)

W Atherton

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Report of the Trustees of St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

Basis of Preparation and Legal Framework

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 have been prepared in accordance with SORP(FRS 102) as updated, being the current version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice.

Full Name of Charity/Church:

The Ecumenical Church Council of St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church, Sheffield

Registration Charity Number: 1137529

Date of registration: 17 August 2010

Main communication address:

Church Office, Shirley House, 31 Psalter Lane, Sheffield, S11 8YL

Aims & Organisation

Saint Andrew's Psalter Lane Church is an Anglican-Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership. We combine the practices of our two traditions to become a congregation seeking to follow the way of Jesus, in our worship and in our actions in our community. On our journey of faith, we ask questions and wonder at answers; we celebrate life in all its fullness; and we travel deeper into exploring the mystery of God.

We are an inclusive church because we welcome, celebrate and affirm all persons as they are, without discrimination. We maintain a congregation in which all members and adherents are encouraged to be themselves, wherever they might find themselves in life, wherever they might find themselves on a journey of faith.

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Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for the period.

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

select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);

make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed;

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and ensuring their proper application under charity law, and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Church's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements and trustees' reports may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Financial Review

Total income in the year ended 31 August 2025 was £245k, expenditure being £206k resulting in net income of £39k.

In the year we achieved increased income from lettings and income from unrestricted offerings has remained consistent. Our operating costs were less than in 2024. This continued financial success has enabled us to increase our support to the Circuit and Diocese, maintain our property and donate a record amount to good causes.

Going forward we are in a strong position financially and should benefit from the work put in to achieve a firm base on which to build our future.

We were successful in our appeal to raise funds and pledges for the employment of a lay worker. The appeal has raised a total of £35k with further pledges of £40k. An appointment has now been made and the role commenced in August. A special thank you to our membership and the organisations supporting the appeal.

The Trustees have every reason to believe that the Church is a going concern as there are sufficient contributions from members and supporters to meet commitments and liabilities.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church (the Charity) for the year ended 31 August 2025, set out on pages 4 to 9.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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

Independent Examiner's Statement


I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act;
or

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records;
or

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



S L Bladen FCA

Date 27 January 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities For the year ended 31 August 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	2025 Total	2024 Total
	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Offerings & Tax Recovered	100,616	-	34,865	135,481	100,245
Grants	6,493	-	11,955	18,448	18,934
Legacies	-	-	-	-	21,696
Bank Interest	4,551	-	1,405	5,956	4,485
Lettings	79,846	-	-	79,846	73,177
Other Receipts	5,394	-	-	5,394	2,071
TOTAL INCOME	196,900	-	48,225	245,125	220,608
EXPENDITURE					
Payments to Circuit	60,816	-	-	60,816	56,844
Payments to Diocese	16,868	-	-	16,868	18,534
Donations	10,000	-	-	10,000	8,360
Repairs, Works & Maintenance	25,806	-	29,388	55,194	115,212
Utilities	29,600	-	-	29,600	41,477
Other Payments	31,563	-	2,332	33,895	30,331
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	174,653	-	31,720	206,373	270,758
NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR	22,247	-	16,505	38,752	(50,150)
Net Movement in Funds	22,247	-	16,505	38,752	(50,150)
Reconciliation of Funds:					
Brought Forward From Last Year	796,511	21,696	49,227	867,434	917,584
Total Funds Carried Forward	818,758	21,696	65,732	906,186	867,434

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Balance Sheet

As at 31 August 2025

	Notes	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets					
Land & Buildings	4	700,000		700,000	
Current Assets					
Debtors & Prepayments	5	20,589		17,385	
Cash at Bank and in Hand		17,397		39,146	
Central Finance Board Deposits		170,200		115,014	
		<u>208,186</u>		<u>171,545</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year					
Creditors and Accruals	6	<u>(2,000)</u>		<u>(4,111)</u>	
Net Current Assets		206,186		167,434	
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>906,186</u>		<u>867,434</u>	
Income Funds					
Restricted Funds	7	65,732		49,227	
Unrestricted Funds:					
Designated Funds	8	21,696		21,696	
General Unrestricted Funds		818,758		796,511	
		<u>906,186</u>		<u>867,434</u>	

Approval

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 6 NOV 2025



Joseph W Dey FCA
Treasurer

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Notes to the Financial Statements

As at 31 August 2025

1 Basis of Preparation

Charity Information

St Andrew's Psalter Lane Church is a local ecumenical partnership between Anglican and Methodist churches.

1.1 Accounting framework

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2019 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard FRS102. The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified by the revaluation of freehold properties.

The principal accounting policies are set out below.

1.2 Going Concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable Funds

Unrestricted Funds

The General Fund represents the funds of the Church that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the Church.

Designated Funds

Funds designated for a particular purpose by the Church are also unrestricted.

Restricted Funds

The restricted funds comprise: Solar Panels Fund, Spire Repair Fund, Eco Projects Fund, Music/AV Fund, Tuesday Café Fund, W Davey Bequest, Church Repair Fund and Lay Worker Fund.

1.4 Income Recognition

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will be received.

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1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

1.6 Tangible Fixed Assets for Use by the Church

These will be capitalised if they can be used for more than one year.

The freehold properties are shown at estimated market value.

2 Payments to Trustees

	2025	2024
	£	£
Payments made to Trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Ecumenical Church Council Meeting.	-	-

3 Salaries and Associated Costs

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

	£	£
Gross wages and salaries	27,989	24,128
Employer's National Insurance Contributions	829	134
Pension Costs	258	210
Total Staff Costs	29,076	24,472

4 Tangible Fixed Assets

	Church Land & Buildings £
Cost or Valuation	
Brought forward	700,000
Additions	-
Disposals	-
Carried forward	<u>700,000</u>
Accumulated Depreciation	
Brought forward	-
Depreciation charge for the year	-
Disposals	-
Carried forward	<u>-</u>
Net Book Value	<u><u>700,000</u></u>

There is no depreciation figure for church buildings as the impairment review at the end of the year judged the market value to be greater than book value.

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	2025	2024
	£	£
5 Debtors & Prepayments		
Accrued Income (Gift Aid debtor)	20,589	17,385
6 Creditors & Accruals		
Trade and other creditors	2,000	4,101
Due to External Organisations	-	10
Total	2,000	4,111

7 Restricted Funds

	Opening Balance	Receipts	Transfers	Payments	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Internal Funds					
Lay Worker Fund	-	35,197	-	1,859	33,338
Solar Panels Fund	31,960	13,028	-	29,388	15,600
Spire Repair Fund	473	-	-	473	-
Eco Projects Fund	12,813	-	-	-	12,813
Music/AV Equipment Fund	81	-	-	-	81
Church Repair Fund	3,640	-	-	-	3,640
Total	48,967	48,225	-	31,720	65,472
Internal Organisations					
Tuesday Café Fund	260	-	-	-	260
Total Restricted Funds	49,227	48,225	-	31,720	65,732

8 Designated Funds

	Opening Balance	Transfer from General Fund	Transfer to General Fund	Payments	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Ministry and Mission Fund	21,696	-	-	-	21,696
Total	21,696	-	-	-	21,696

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9 Related Party Disclosures

The Church is part of The Sheffield Methodist Circuit, which is part of The Sheffield Methodist District and is also accountable to The Methodist Conference. None of the Trustees made a gift of land or substantial other asset to the Church during the year or seek to influence the Trustees.

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Reserves Policy

As part of our reserves policy, the ECC reviews our reserves position at least annually.

Our aim is to maintain unrestricted reserves at a sufficient level to ensure financial resilience and sustainability, including protecting us against key risks. The most significant continue to be the cost of repairs to our properties; a reduction in the level of regular giving from the community and increasing utility costs. Our aim is also to achieve an appropriate balance between financial resilience and stepping out in faith to use our funds in support of the mission of the church.

We have carefully considered our present financial position and future obligations.
Where possible we are trying to reduce expenses and increase income.

We continue to appeal to our members and friends to consider increasing their planned giving. In addition we are aiming to increase income from our lettings and make savings and efficiencies in our expenses.

We believe that we should look ahead over a full year planning period, but that as a minimum we should seek to have sufficient reserves for the next six months.

Our unrestricted reserves are sufficient to fund our budgeted six months expenditure of £94,500.