THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF WALSALL WOOD, ST JOHN

England & Wales · Charity number 1138950

Details

Other names	ST JOHN'S PCC, WALSALL WOOD
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2010-11-11
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: Our Vision Statement at St John's is :"We are a family of equal, diverse and unique people, made in the image of God, together aspiring to fulfill our God given potential by nourishing the Fruits of the Spirit in our lives."

Classification

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

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Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£66,436	£76,102	-	-
2023-12-31	£73,677	£84,098	-	-
2022-12-31	£67,012	£56,935	-	-
2021-12-31	£74,246	£51,273	-	-
2020-12-31	£68,823	£55,804	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
COLIN RUSSELL ROBERTS		
DOREEN ALICE CHRISTINE SEARS		
JANE ELIZABETH LAVENDER		2020-10-18
JEAN KING		2025-05-04
Rev John Leslie Pretty		2025-05-04
Rev Lisa Mitchell		2022-06-28
Robert Arthur Grainger		2025-05-04
Robert John Worrallo		2025-05-04
SHARON LESLEY HODGETTS		2015-04-01
SUSAN JANET BARLEY		2015-04-01
Susan Pugh		2022-04-24
Suzanna Thomas		2025-05-04
VALERIE LILIAN BENFORD		

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Accounts

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Registered Charity Number 1138950

The Parochial Church Council of The Parish of Walsall Wood St John

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2024

Charity registration number: 1138950

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent Revd. Lisa Mitchell in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Walsall Wood, St John. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach all members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Walsall Wood, St John it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and Performance

This year we have continued to see greater connections with the church and wider community.
This continues to be fruitful with the noticeable growth in attendance in Church Service and Community initiatives.
There is a noticeable lift within Worship especially the All Age Service with the introduction of new and more modern songs.
There have also been signs of the Holy Spirit at work, with a greater take up of roles and willingness to get involved with the life of the Church. This has been demonstrated with new members exploring outreach to the community with different ideas of bringing church and community together.
It has been unanimously decided at the PCC for Reverend Lisa's License to be extended with the hope of it being made permanent within the next 12 months.

Worship and Prayer
Reverend Lisa and the PCC continue to be keen to offer a range of services which attempts to cater to all peoples preferred worship styles.
Continuing with a variety of services, from Holy Communion to Morning Worship, Evensong (based upon Common Worship Morning Prayer) and our All-Age Service.
Enabling people to feel comfortable at different stages of their Christian journey.
There has been the introduction of Evening Prayer and more reflective style of Worship which has been well received, we are hoping to enhance and develop this further as a way of creating a more inclusive space.
Baptisms have continued to be held on an afternoon which seems to be a popular time.
Regular Morning Prayer has been well received within the community with a small but regular congregation who have now become part of the Leadership within this service.
Intercession prayers continue to be led by a number of laity at the Sunday morning Worship.

Revd Lisa also continues her Ministry as a Vocation Advisor.

Monthly Worship Pattern
Sunday Wk 1 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
Sunday Wk 2 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am All Age Worship;
6.30pm Evensong
Sunday Wk 3 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
Sunday Wk 4 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
Sunday Wk 5 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Morning Worship;
6.30pm Evensong;
Also: 2.30pm Baptism

Our pattern of Worship has slightly changed, we have moved our Evensong to the 2nd Sunday as a regular monthly worship.
All major festivals have been covered.

Midweek Worship
Our midweek worship has continued to have a small but regular attendance. We have introduced weekly Evening prayer and a monthly Lay Led act of worship at Alrewych Court Residential Care Home.

Tues/Weds/Thurs 10am Morning Prayer
Wednesday 7.30pm Evening Prayer
Friday (Monthly) 11am Alrewych Court

Special Services
Special Services are always successful in terms of outreach, mission and attendance. Throughout the year services include the following: Mothering Sunday, Holy Week Services, Ascension Day, Harvest Festival, Memorial Service, Remembrance Cenotaph Service, A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols and Christingle, Crib Service, Midnight Mass and Blue Christmas.

A Remembrance Sunday service was held at the Cenotaph in front of the church, with wreath laying by uniformed organisations and local dignitaries. Revd Lisa Mitchell led the proceedings following the Parade.
It was again decided to have the service outside as it was agreed that it felt more accessible and inclusive.
There was also an Act of Remembrance at Alrewych Court Residential Care Home followed by laying crosses at the war graves in the cemetery.

In place of a Lent Course for 2024 we introduced a weekly Lent Reflective Service which was a short 30 minute Service which included up to 15 minutes of quiet prayer time, whilst some gentle music played in the background.
This quiet time offered, was well received and well attended. Allowing time and space to stop, think and pray.
We held a weekly Advent Reflective Service with the same format which again has been well received and well attended.
We also had a quiet day through Advent exploring God's Call on our lives, this was also well received.

Pastoral Offices – weddings, baptisms, funerals

Pastoral offices have continued as a way of bringing church and community together at the milestones of their journey through life.

For some these times may be the only connection they have ever had with Church so the priority is being a warm and welcoming place.

- **Baptism** We have had a steady numbers of enquiries regarding Baptisms. Preparation usually takes place either at the church or in the homes of the parents, depending upon the minister.

- **Weddings** The number of Weddings have been quite low at St John's due to various other options. As a way of exploring this and finding different ways of connecting with the community, we held a Wedding Fayre in Church early February 2024. This was something very new and very fruitful both with mission and growth with Weddings. We have plans to do this again.

- **Funeral ministry** Funeral numbers have steadily decreasing this year. One of the reasons for this has been that the Churchyard is now full, therefore less burials, also a greater demand for Direct to Crem Funerals.
  Families are always visited within good time before the funeral to allow time for the preparation.
  The deceased are added to the weekly prayer list and also prayed for at Morning Prayer.
  The families are also invited to our Annual Memorial Service.

  This year, we have celebrated 14 baptisms and 1 wedding and held 16 funerals with 9 interment of ashes in Walsall Wood cemetery.

Mission and Evangelism

Our Mission at St John's is to go out into the world and be part of what already is happening and join in! The Christian messenger does not simply bring Christ to others, but identifies the presence of God, already in existence!

At St John's our Church life is based around the Christian values.
Faith, Love, Hope and Respect. These values are interwoven into everything that we do, both in and outside of the Building.
The aim of the church must not be self-serving but to seek to share God's love and to work for the Kingdom. Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith.
The Church supports several charities including Compassion, Christian Aid and the Children's Society. Locally the church family supports the Walsall North Food Bank.
Collection of Christmas gifts and Easter Eggs have been given to a local refuge for domestic violence and distributed to local schools to be given to families in need.

We continue to use social media as a way of connecting with the local community, bringing church and community together as one. We have a dedicated Facebook profile and A Church Near You Website.

The church continues to develop links and extensive work is still being carried out with the primary schools and local nursery.
Rev Lisa has continued to develop the link with our church school. We have a very strong partnership with our Church School, who have been able to hold various services in church this year with great attendance from families and friends establishing a closer link with the community.
The team of volunteers have been working enthusiastically together in partnership with the school to deliver Open the Book on a monthly basis. There has been a positive response from the school to this initiative, helping to build a stronger relationship.

Messy Church returned on Good Friday after a short break and time to reflect. Sadly, numbers in attendance have continued to be low.
We are considering if there is a need for this still in our context or if we need to reconsider a way forward. The decision was made to only have Messy Church on Good Friday.

'Places of Welcome' which is part of a National Scheme.
This is a much-needed outreach within the community. A safe warm place with free refreshments. A place to make friends and meet people, where people can connect, belong and contribute. Bringing Church and Community together. Meeting every Thursday morning from 10.30am – 12.30pm. This is held in the Community Hall. This has grown immensely and has created a safe space for new friendships and support within the community, with regular events such as bingo and crafts, also regular charity days.
We also have a regular exercise group which has been well received within the community.
St John's Baby & Toddler Group is a weekly group, this is a much needed outreach to the community.

Pastoral Care
Pastoral care continues to be an important part of St John's Ministry.
Members of our parish who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited or contacted regularly for pastoral care and to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital if requested.
We have a dedicated Pastoral Team who meet on a regular basis and we are exploring growing this further.

Deanery Synod
Three members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

The Community Hall
The Hall is a warm welcoming place.
The use of the Hall by the church and local community continues.
There has been a steady increase in community groups using the Hall facilities, including our local Guiding Groups, an AA Group, The Women's Institute, Karate Club, Music Band, Keep Fit Classes, NHS Self Care, Local Polling Station. The facilities are also available to lettings for children's birthday parties, baptism and funeral receptions.

Social Events
St. Johns aims to have a varied social and fundraising programme.
This has increased this year. We have held Wedding Fayre, Beetle Drive, Fashion Shows (May & Oct), Jumble Sale, Summer Fayre, July Choir Concert (Penkridge Community Voices), Harvest Choir Concert (Off Broadway Ladies Choir), Christmas Fayre.
We are exploring new fundraising events which will also aim to bring church and community together in new ways.

Brookland Road Cemetery
A small team of volunteers have continued to maintain the churchyard at Brookland Road. They have worked extremely hard looking after the vast areas keeping the churchyard neat and tidy. Our thanks go out to everyone who has helped in some way.
The Churchyard is now full for new graves, therefore only re-openings are permitted.

Fabric Report
The Church and Community Hall continue to run normally with the necessary maintenance continually ongoing. The Boilers in both have been serviced and a Gas certificate issued.
We have a Lightning Conductor certificate which is valid for a year.

A structural engineer was employed following the 2023 Quinquennial Inspection, and we received guidance and a report regarding the evident wall cracks in the Sanctuary.
The electrical circuitry was updated to provide a safer availability of more sockets in the choir area of the church, for the audio and video equipment
New CCTV cameras were installed on the outside of the church building, along with improvements to floodlighting around the exterior of the Community Hall.

The chairs in church have now been re-upholstered.

A Contactless Payments machine was purchased and installed.

A new projector was also purchased and installed, and has been gratefully received, adding to the quality of delivery, particularly to the All Age service, but will prove beneficial for other services and events where video interaction is needed and appropriate.
Our plans for the New Year will be to update our heating system and also carry out repairs to the roof. The availability of grants for either or both of these projects is being researched.

Financial Review

Net Total Assets: £80,316 2024 [£96,859 2023]
Deficit: (£9,666) 2024 - Unrestricted Deficit: (£3,176) Restricted Deficit: (£6,490)
[Deficit: (£10,421) 2023]

At the end of the year there was an unrestricted reserve balance of (£4,944). compared to £5,687 from 2023. However, the PCC hold £17,398 in designated funds and £32,202 in investments that can be transferred back to the General fund.
The Church has numerous 'Designated' funds due to the various committed activities, in particular Building, Thanksgiving and Mission Funds. Whilst it should be noted the designated funds are unrestricted funds, the value in these funds is monitored regularly to ensure there are enough unrestricted funds to maintain support for committed costs in the Parish.

Following a very difficult financial period for the Church over many years, liabilities have been considerably reduced to manageable levels.

The Church of England Common Fund has replaced the Parish Share in name and its calculation for every Parish has been welcomed. It is hoped that this major expense to a Parish is a sustainable and fair source of funding for the provision of clergy in the Diocese.

Our principal source of fundraising is the giving by the members of the church supported by a range of fundraising events throughout the year. However, all streams of income suffered following the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic. Attendances at church have recovered to a certain extent, but our finances remain under constant review.

We make extensive use of the opportunities provided by the Gift Aid Scheme.

Our expenditure supports the mission of the church through the maintenance and development of buildings and equipment, the funding of running costs and the payment of salaries, expenses, fees and the Common Fund (Parish Share).
In addition, funding has supported the church's work in our own community, as well as supporting other charities and good causes.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to £16,202 2024 [£19,711 2023]. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was (£4,944) 2024 [£5,687 2023] which is considerably lower than this target. However the PCC do hold £17,398 2024 [£18,544 2023] in designated funds and £32,302 2024 [£31,579 2023] in investments which would increase the balance to £44,756 2024 [£55,809 2023]. The PCC are aware of this position and aim to build up reserves within the unrestricted general fund.

It is our policy to invest the short-term investment fund balances with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund and the remainder in the CCLA Church of England Investment Fund.

Investment Policy

The charity is granted power to invest in suitable investments under the PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Trustees Act 2000. As a charity, the Trustees have a duty of care to take such advice as is appropriate before investments are undertaken. This advice is sought from the Central Board of Finance (CCLA) in London.

The charity's investment policies are based on two key principles: -

- Ethical Investment – this includes ensuring that investments are held in companies which have high standards of corporate governance and act in a responsible way towards stakeholders.
- Long-term responsibilities – the trustees are aware of their long-term responsibilities in respect of the Restricted and Unrestricted reserves and as a result follow a prudent approach to investment decisions.

Investment policy for long-term funds is aimed primarily at generating a sustainable income, with due regard to the need for the preservation of capital value, and the possible need to realise investments to meet operational needs. The charity does not have a policy of generating income at excessive or high risk – known as "purchasing income", where high returns are guaranteed at the expense of capital.

In summary, the charity has an overall policy to maximise income while preserving the real value of its funds. Due to the nature of the charity, an ethical investment policy is taken into consideration when investments are made:
The charity follows the Ethical Investment Advisory policy as recommended by the Lichfield Diocese which includes the following:

"We aim to invest in companies that:

* will develop their business in the interests of shareholders;
* demonstrate responsible employment practices;
* are conscientious concerning issues of corporate governance, the environment and human rights;
* are sensitive to the community in which they operate."

Planned giving, collections and donations are the main sources of fund raising along with tax recoverable.

Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are aware of one Serious Incident in the last year. The relative Safeguarding Officers were informed and the corresponding paperwork has been documented, but remains confidential in nature for the purposes of this Report.

Fundraising

The PCC takes it's fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

Volunteers

The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community. Our special thanks go to our Church Wardens, Lay Chair, PCC Secretary and Treasurer, who have supported our Minister throughout the first half of her Interim appointment.

Future Plans

As we continue to be in uncertain times, there is always an ongoing concern for a potential shortfall in funding again in 2025. The Cost of Living crisis of 2023 continues to be felt in all areas of funding, on streams of both income and expenditure.

In 2025, the Church has several urgent capital investment projects to undertake, concerning roof repairs, heating and lighting. A combination of funding from Reserves, Grants and Fundraising will need to be carefully considered.

We are conscious of the need to increase our regular giving as a Church Family to support the growth of the Church and to contribute to this major repair work that will need to be made to the church structure during the year.

Our hope is to connect with more members of our Walsall Wood community and welcome them into our Church in 2025, whether that be to attend one of our many planned Social and Fundraising events, to join us in worship or to attend the special family occasions for weddings, baptisms or funerals. St John's must remain at the heart of the Community of Walsall Wood.

Risk Management

The Church Wardens carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC met at least 6 times a year.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £11,211 2024 [£14,141 2023]. All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

No remuneration was paid to any Trustee during the year.

Expenses paid to Trustees

One Trustee was reimbursed £1,441 in 2024 [£1,507 2023] for telephone and broadband expenses during the year.

Reference and Administrative details
Charity Name: The Parochial Church Council of The Parish of Walsall Wood St John
Other names the charity is known by: N/A
Registered Charity Number: 1138950

Charity's principal address: High Street Walsall Wood Walsall WS9 9LP
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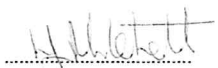
PCC Members: Who Served from 1 January 2024 to the date this report was approved

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole period
Ex-Officio		
Revd Lisa Mitchell	Chairperson	
Sharon Hodgetts	Church Warden	
Jane Lavender	Church Warden	
Valerie Benford	Deanery Synod/Secretary	
Colin Roberts	Deanery Synod	
Sue Pugh	Deanery Synod	
Elected Members		
Robert Grainger	Lay Chair	
Robert Worrallo	Treasurer	
Sue Barley		
Doreen Sears		
Gillian Rigby		Resigned 12.05.24
Barbara Grainger		
Jean King		
Mdupe Oni		Resigned 12.05.24
Susanne Thomas		Elected 12.05.24

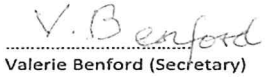
The Patron of St John's, Walsall Wood is the Rector of St Matthews, Walsall.

Bank	HSBC 5 Anchor Road Aldrige Walsall WS9 8AD
Investment Managers	CCLA 1 Angel Ln London EC4R 3AB
Independent Examiner	Jonathan Hill Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7L

Approved by the PCC on 23.03.2025 and signed on its behalf by



Rev Lisa Mitchell (Chair)



Valerie Benford (Secretary)

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of The Parish of Walsall Wood St John
Registered charity number 1138950

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an Independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- 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 have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: ..... Date: 22/05/2025.

Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA
Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield WS13 7LD

The Parish of Walsall Wood St John
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 31st December 2024

Accounting Policies
The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements 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 nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement
The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern
There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Whilst free reserves are low (£4,944) compared to three months unrestricted expenditure £16,202, the PCC have significant designated reserves £17,398 and £32,202 in investments which could be called upon if necessary.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors
No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.
No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

An explanation of purpose of each Designated fund are as follows:

Name of fund	Purpose
Admin	For administration purposes
Bible	To purchase School leaver bibles
Building	Maintenance of the Church Building
Candles	Votive candles / Purchase Altar requirements
Char	Donations and Collections for specific charities
Copier	Photocopier
Churchyard Maintenance	For the maintenance of the Churchyard
Children & Young People	Children and Young People fund
Flower	Flowers in Church
Gown	Gowns in Church
Inv	Shares we hold
Mission	Funding for Mission of the church
Music	Maintenance of the Organ and Music in Church
Thanksgiving	Thanksgiving
Tower	Maintenance of Church Tower and Electrics
VDF	Vicar's Discretionary fund
Vic	Vicarage Decoration
Youth	Purchase of Youth Bibles

Restricted funds comprise of two elements :-

a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
b) 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. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

An explanation of purpose of each Restricted fund are as follows:

Name of fund	Purpose
Baby	Baby & Toddler Group
Charity	Donations and Collections for specific charities
Compassion	Children Sponsored through Compassion
Churchyard Appeal	Brookland Road Churchyard Maintenance
Churchyard Maintenance	Churchyard Maintenance
Children & Young People	Children and Young People fund
Hall	Donation for Church Hall
Pastoral	Pastoral Support as required
Thanks	Thanksgiving for use of the church for larger items
Tower R	Maintenance of Church Tower and Electrics

Endowment funds are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Income
Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Expenditure
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 diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs
Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.
Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets
Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(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 can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

Investments
Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Debtors
Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash expected to be received.

Creditors and Accruals
Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Statement of Financial Activities 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2024	2023
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	47,398	101	3,914	-	51,414	55,026
Income from charitable activities	11,069	164	27	-	11,260	11,404
Other trading activities	2,105	-	-	-	2,105	5,674
Investments	1,655	-	1	-	1,656	1,572
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**62,228**	**265**	**3,942**	**-**	**66,436**	**73,677**
Payments						
Raising funds	656	11	-	-	668	603
Expenditure on charitable activities	64,153	848	10,432	-	75,434	83,494
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**64,809**	**860**	**10,432**	**-**	**76,102**	**84,098**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**(2,582)**	**(595)**	**(6,490)**	**-**	**(9,666)**	**(10,421)**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	1,000	450	999	-	2,449	11,055
Gross transfers between funds - out	(1,450)	(1,000)	-	-	(2,450)	(11,056)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	722	-	-	722	2,715
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	(7,600)	-	-	-	(7,600)	-
Net movement in funds	**(10,631)**	**(422)**	**(5,491)**	**-**	**(16,543)**	**(7,706)**
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	**5,686**	**50,122**	**41,050**	**-**	**96,859**	**104,564**
Total funds carried forward	**(4,944)**	**49,700**	**35,560**	**-**	**80,316**	**96,859**

Balance Sheet 2024

Class and code	Description	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets			
CB3028066	CCLA Walsall Wood St John PCC	32,302	31,579
	Total Fixed assets	32,302	31,579
Current assets			
11211552	HSBC current account	1,853	3,122
11211560	Deposit account	23,046	25,405
51211579	HSBC Churchyard account	23,626	29,731
6506	End of year Debtors - Inactive use Z04	-	99
6507	Octopus Energy - Prepayment	-	1,400
6590	Petty cash	226	58
CB3028065	CBF Deposit account	6,793	5,609
CB3028067	CBF Churchyard account	59	56
IDWALS091	IDS	148	148
Z05	Accounts Receivable	1,601	3,327
	Total Current assets	**57,356**	**68,957**
Liabilities			
6602	LDBF Common Fund - Current Year	-	-
6605	End of Year Creditors	-	390
6606	End of year Accruals	-	120
6607	End of year Income in advance	-	-
6610	Common Fund Arrears	-	-
6699	Agency collections	638	1,487
PSWALS09	LDBF Common Arrears	7,600	-
Z04	Accounts Payable	1,103	1,680
	Total Liabilities	**9,341**	**3,677**
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**80,316**	**96,859**
Reserves			
	Excess/(deficit) to date	(9,949)	39,285
Z01	Starting balances	97,150	55,149
Z02	Gains/(losses) on investment assets	431	2,424
Z03	Gains/(losses) on reval of fixed assets	(7,317)	-
	Total Reserves	80,316	96,859
	Represented by Funds		
	General (Unrestricted)	(5,988)	5,686
	Designated	49,700	50,122
	Restricted	36,603	41,050
	Total	**80,316**	**96,859**

Approved by the PCC on 23.03.2025 and signed on its behalf by

Rev Lisa Mitchell (Chair)

Valerie Benford (Secretary)

Balance Sheet 2023

Class and code	Description	As at 31/12/2023	As at 31/12/2022
Fixed assets			
9020	Investments	31,579	28,863
	Total Fixed assets	**31,579**	**28,863**
Current assets			
11211552	HSBC current account	3,122	2,320
11211560	Deposit account	25,405	45,568
5011	Choir account	-	-
5012	Baby & toddler account	-	343
51211579	HSBC Churchyard account	29,731	25,849
6506	End of year Debtors	99	1,090
6507	Octopus Energy - Prepayment	1,400	-
6590	Petty cash	58	58
CB3028065	CBF Deposit account	5,609	4,589
CB3028067	CBF Churchyard account	56	54
IDWALS091	IDS	148	148
Z05	Accounts Receivable	3,327	-
	Total Current assets	**68,957**	**80,023**
Liabilities			
6602	LDBF Common Fund - Current Year	-	-
6605	End of Year Creditors	390	2,694
6606	End of year Accruals	120	-
6607	End of year Income in advance	-	102
6610	Common Fund Arrears	-	-
6699	Agency collections	1,487	1,526
Z04	Accounts Payable	1,680	-
	Total Liabilities	**3,677**	**4,322**
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	**96,859**	**104,564**
Reserves			
	Excess/(deficit) to date	(10,421)	49,706
Z01	Starting balances	104,856	59,000
Z02	Gains/(losses) on investment assets	2,424	(4,143)
Z03	Gains/(losses) on reval of fixed assets	-	-
	Total Reserves	**96,859**	**104,564**
	Represented by Funds		
	General (Unrestricted)	5,686	6,190
	Designated	50,122	56,779
	Restricted	41,050	41,593
	Total	**96,859**	**104,564**

Statement of Assets and Liabilities 2024

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2024	2023
Fixed Asset - Investments						
CB3028066: CCLA Walsall Wood St John PCC	-	32,302.41	-	-	32,302.41	31,579.60
Total	**-**	**32,302.41**	**-**	**-**	**32,302.41**	**31,579.60**
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
11211552: HSBC current account	(15,374.14)	8,589.66	8,638.30	-	1,853.82	3,122.05
11211560: Deposit account	9,528.99	-	13,517.89	-	23,046.88	25,405.88
51211579: HSBC Churchyard account	6,266.64	3,471.60	13,888.66	-	23,626.90	29,731.49
6590: Petty cash	56.40	75.00	95.33	-	226.73	58.00
CB3028065: CBF Deposit account	1,679.61	5,113.64	-	-	6,793.25	5,609.60
CB3028067: CBF Churchyard account	1.51	-	58.11	-	59.62	56.62
IDWALS091: IDS	-	148.02	-	-	148.02	148.02
Total	**2,159.01**	**17,397.92**	**36,198.29**	**-**	**55,755.22**	**64,131.66**
Current Asset - Debtors						
6506: End of year Debtors - Inactive use Z04	-	-	-	-	-	99.00
6507: Octopus Energy - Prepayment	-	-	-	-	-	1,400.18
Z05: Accounts Receivable	1,601.00	-	-	-	1,601.00	3,327.00
Total	**1,601.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,601.00**	**4,826.18**
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	638.00	-	638.00	1,487.20
Total	**-**	**-**	**638.00**	**-**	**638.00**	**1,487.20**
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
6605: End of Year Creditors	-	-	-	-	-	390.00
6606: End of year Accruals	-	-	-	-	-	120.00
PSWALS09: LDBF Common Arrears	7,600.00	-	-	-	7,600.00	-
Z04: Accounts Payable	1,103.96	-	-	-	1,103.96	1,680.71
Total	**8,703.96**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**8,703.96**	**2,190.71**
Net total assets	**(4,943.95)**	**49,700.33**	**35,560.29**	**-**	**80,316.67**	**96,859.53**

Statement of Assets and Liabilities 2023

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
Fixed Asset - Investments						
9020: Investments	-	31,579	-	-	31,579	28,863
Total	**-**	**31,579**	**-**	**-**	**31,579**	**28,863**
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
11211552: HSBC current account	(17,390)	8,903	11,607	-	3,122	2,320
11211560: Deposit account	11,887	-	13,517	-	25,405	45,568
5012: Baby & toddler account	-	-	-	-	-	343
51211579: HSBC Churchyard account	7,998	4,377	17,355	-	29,731	25,849
6590: Petty cash	58	-	-	-	58	58
CB3028065: CBF Deposit account	495	5,113	-	-	5,609	4,589
CB3028067: CBF Churchyard account	-	-	56	-	56	54
IDWALS091: IDS	-	148	-	-	148	148
Total	**3,051**	**18,542**	**42,537**	**-**	**64,131**	**78,932**
Current Asset - Debtors						
6506: End of year Debtors	99	-	-	-	99	1,090
6507: Octopus Energy - Prepayment	1,400	-	-	-	1,400	-
Z05: Accounts Receivable	3,327	-	-	-	3,327	-
Total	**4,826**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**4,826**	**1,090**
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	1,487	-	1,487	1,526
Total	**-**	**-**	**1,487**	**-**	**1,487**	**1,526**
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
6605: End of Year Creditors	390	-	-	-	390	2,694
6606: End of year Accruals	120	-	-	-	120	-
6607: End of year Income in advance	-	-	-	-	-	102
Z04: Accounts Payable	1,680	-	-	-	1,680	-
Total	**2,190**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,190**	**2,796**
Net total assets	**5,686**	**50,122**	**41,050**	**-**	**96,859**	**104,564**

Analysis of Income and Expenditure 2024

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2024	2023
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid collections	7,846	-	-	-	7,846	12,083
0102 - Gift aid giving one off donations	-	-	-	-	-	1,400
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	9,901	-	-	-	9,901	10,396
0201 - Other planned giving	4,474	-	-	-	4,474	4,718
0301 - Church collections	5,639	-	-	-	5,639	5,315
0302 - Collections Baptism	757	-	-	-	757	206
0303 - Contactless Receipts	-	-	-	-	-	336
0304 - Collections funerals	534	-	-	-	534	618
0305 - Collections weddings	17	-	-	-	17	20
0306 - Messy Church collections	44	-	-	-	44	35
0315 - Contactless	1,434	-	-	-	1,434	-
0410 - Giving through church boxes Inative	-	-	-	-	-	163
0500 - Donations Appeals	-	7	-	-	7	-
0502 - Donations compassion	-	-	1,451	-	1,451	3,329
0505 - Donation other	763	2	2,000	-	2,765	1,427
0509 - Candle Stand donations	74	-	-	-	74	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	1,101	91	263	-	1,456	462
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	8,207	-	-	-	8,207	7,626
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	300	-	-	-	300	1,000
0900 - Fundraising & Social Events	6,304	-	-	-	6,304	2,223
0904 - Summer / Christmas Fayre	-	-	-	-	-	3,663
0920 - Churchyard Appeal	-	-	200	-	200	-
Donations and legacies Totals	**47,398**	**101**	**3,914**	**-**	**51,414**	**55,026**
Income from charitable activities						
1100 - PCC fees wedding - Inactive 2024 use 1101	18	-	-	-	18	406
1101 - PCC Fees Weddings and Funerals	4,765	54	-	-	4,819	8,621
1102 - PCC Local Fees	1,445	110	-	-	1,555	2,377
1210 - Bookstall sales	5	-	-	-	5	-
1230 - Church hall lettings	4,836	-	27	-	4,863	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	**11,069**	**164**	**27**	**-**	**11,260**	**11,404**
Other trading activities						
1207 - Magazine adverts (use 1250) - Inactive 2024	-	-	-	-	-	280
1221 - Bookstall card sales - Inactive 2024 use 1210	2	-	-	-	2	13
1240 - Community hall lettings	1,834	-	-	-	1,834	5,057
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	240	-	-	-	240	-
1260 - Parish magazine sales	28	-	-	-	28	224
1290 - Church room lettings - Inactive 2024 use 1230	-	-	-	-	-	100
Other trading activities Totals	**2,105**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,105**	**5,674**
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	15	-	-	-	15	15
1002 - Interest deposit account	455	-	-	-	455	535
1003 - Interest CBF account	751	-	-	-	751	157
1004 - Interest CBF churchyard acount	-	-	1	-	1	1
1009 - Dividends Investment a/c CB3028066-001	434	-	-	-	434	863
Investments Totals	**1,655**	**-**	**1**	**-**	**1,656**	**1,572**
Receipts Grand totals	**62,228**	**265**	**3,942**	**-**	**66,436**	**73,677**

PAYMENTS						
Raising funds						
1700 - Costs of fetes & other events	236	-	-	-	236	387
1706 - Costs of stewardship campaign	395	-	-	-	395	215
1740 - Bank Charges	24	11	-	-	36	-
Raising funds Totals	**656**	**11**	**-**	**-**	**668**	**603**
Expenditure on charitable activities						
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	265	-	53	-	318	120
1831 - Giving to missionary societies Bible Soc	10	-	110	-	120	120
1840 - Giving - relief and development agencies	30	-	70	-	100	210
1850 - Giving Home mission	39	-	-	-	39	343
1870 - Giving Secular charities	43	-	46	-	90	-
1871 - Secular charities compassion	-	-	1,136	-	1,136	1,540
1910 - Common Fund	36,400	-	-	-	36,400	45,192
1911 - Common Fund Special Assessment - Inactve	-	-	-	-	-	(3,192)
2050 - Parish Administrator Salary	3,604	-	-	-	3,604	4,237
2150 - Vicar's telephone	1,542	-	-	-	1,542	1,611
2200 - Mission	1,046	-	31	-	1,077	20
2201 - Mission - USE 2200	-	-	-	-	-	175
2301 - Deanery contribution	90	-	-	-	90	90
2305 - Equipment	125	-	3,000	-	3,125	1,049
2306 - Misc	134	-	-	-	134	73
2307 - Waste	220	-	-	-	220	223
2308 - Hospitality use	103	53	-	-	157	359
2309 - Maint of heating & light equip	-	-	-	-	-	716
2310 - Church office - telephone	2,213	-	-	-	2,213	72
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	5	244	-	-	249	433
2321 - Organ Piano Repairs	-	-	-	-	-	125
2322 - Minor repairs (inc routine maint)	-	-	-	-	-	317
2330 - Church maintenance	921	-	-	-	921	2,045
2331 - Cleaning materials	6	-	-	-	6	8
2340 - Upkeep of services	2,903	-	-	-	2,903	2,190
2341 - Altar requisites	383	-	-	-	383	763
2342 - Music	-	321	-	-	321	127
2343 - Licence fees	404	-	-	-	404	361
2346 - Ministerial resources	-	-	-	-	-	53
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	-	-	488	-	488	87
2353 - Maint of churchyards	157	-	536	-	693	1,413
2354 - Maint rep of churchyard equip	-	-	995	-	995	33
2360 - Administration Inactive	-	-	-	-	-	1,156
2361 - Administration	477	32	-	-	509	411
2362 - Stationery etc	72	-	-	-	72	157
2363 - Copier	464	-	-	-	464	644
2366 - Software	181	-	-	-	181	234
2371 - Children Young Peoples work	-	-	140	-	140	180
2380 - Flower fund exp	-	85	-	-	85	-
2401 - Church insurance	3,073	-	-	-	3,073	2,915
2402 - Church Electric	1,564	-	-	-	1,564	2,196
2403 - Church Gas	2,694	-	-	-	2,694	5,004
2404 - Church Water	252	-	-	-	252	232
2500 - Magazine expenses	-	112	-	-	112	719
2521 - Hall electricity	974	-	169	-	1,144	1,493
2522 - Hall gas	633	-	26	-	659	810
2523 - Hall insurance	613	-	-	-	613	871
2528 - Hall equipment	-	-	-	-	-	17

2529 - Hall waste	179	-	40	-	220	223
2530 - Hall cleaner	720	-	-	-	720	810
2535 - Hall misc	-	-	70	-	70	29
2560 - Hall maintenance	697	-	266	-	963	869
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	900	-	-	-	900	-
2620 - Book Keeping Costs	-	-	-	-	-	590
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	3,250	-	3,250	3,000
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	**64,153**	**848**	**10,432**	**-**	**75,434**	**83,494**
Payments Grand totals	**64,809**	**860**	**10,432**	**-**	**76,102**	**84,098**

Fund movement by type 2024

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
Administration							
Designated	195.93	-	43.68	-	-	-	152.25
Sub-totals	**195.93**	**-**	**43.68**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**152.25**
Baby							
Restricted	200.00	27.10	101.50	-	-	-	125.60
Sub-totals	**200.00**	**27.10**	**101.50**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**125.60**
Bible							
Designated	687.65	12.90	-	-	-	-	700.55
Sub-totals	**687.65**	**12.90**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**700.55**
Building							
Designated	7,577.99	-	-	-	-	-	7,577.99
Sub-totals	**7,577.99**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**7,577.99**
Charity							
Restricted	146.28	-	226.28	-	-	-	(80.00)
Sub-totals	**146.28**	**-**	**226.28**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(80.00)**
Children & Young People							
Designated	858.80	-	-	-	-	-	858.80
Sub-totals	**858.80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**858.80**
Children & Young People Res							
Restricted	11,980.12	-	140.80	-	-	-	11,839.32
Sub-totals	**11,980.12**	**-**	**140.80**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**11,839.32**
Choir Social Fund							
Restricted	-	243.00	-	-	-	-	243.00
Sub-totals	**-**	**243.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**243.00**
Churchyard Appeal							
Restricted	10,846.95	220.00	-	-	-	-	11,066.95
Sub-totals	**10,846.95**	**220.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**11,066.95**
Churchyard Maintenance							
Restricted	7,501.87	1.49	2,021.40	-	-	-	5,481.96
Sub-totals	**7,501.87**	**1.49**	**2,021.40**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**5,481.96**
Compassion							

Restricted	4,763.00	1,451.00	1,189.00	-	-	-	5,025.00
Sub-totals	**4,763.00**	**1,451.00**	**1,189.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**5,025.00**
Decoration							
Designated	148.02	-	-	-	-	-	148.02
Sub-totals	**148.02**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**148.02**
Flower							
Designated	-	24.20	85.00	-	-	-	(60.80)
Sub-totals	**-**	**24.20**	**85.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(60.80)**
Gown							
Designated	1,027.30	-	-	-	-	-	1,027.30
Sub-totals	**1,027.30**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,027.30**
Hall							
Restricted	520.00	-	503.31	-	-	-	16.69
Sub-totals	**520.00**	**-**	**503.31**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**16.69**
Investments							
Designated	31,579.60	-	-	-	722.81	-	32,302.41
Sub-totals	**31,579.60**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**722.81**	**-**	**32,302.41**
Magazine							
Designated	-	-	112.36	-	-	-	(112.36)
Sub-totals	**-**	**-**	**112.36**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(112.36)**
Mission							
Designated	3,788.50	-	-	-	-	-	3,788.50
Sub-totals	**3,788.50**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**3,788.50**
Music							
Designated	1,006.30	164.00	566.05	-	-	-	604.25
Sub-totals	**1,006.30**	**164.00**	**566.05**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**604.25**
Pastoral							
Restricted	1,033.62	-	-	-	-	-	1,033.62
Sub-totals	**1,033.62**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,033.62**
PoW							
Designated	-	-	53.38	450.00	-	-	396.62
Sub-totals	**-**	**-**	**53.38**	**450.00**	**-**	**-**	**396.62**
Thanksgiving Des							
Designated	2,000.00	-	-	(1,000.00)	-	-	1,000.00
Sub-totals	**2,000.00**	**-**	**-**	**(1,000.00)**	**-**	**-**	**1,000.00**
Thanksgiving Restricted							
Restricted	3,554.38	2,000.00	6,250.00	999.62	-	-	304.00
Sub-totals	**3,554.38**	**2,000.00**	**6,250.00**	**999.62**	**-**	**-**	**304.00**
Tower Designated							
Designated	46.76	-	-	-	-	-	46.76
Sub-totals	**46.76**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**46.76**
Tower Restricted							

Restricted		504.15	-	-	-	-	-	504.15
	Sub-totals	**504.15**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**504.15**
Youth Bibles								
Designated		1,205.44	64.60	-	-	-	-	1,270.04
	Sub-totals	**1,205.44**	**64.60**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,270.04**
General								
Unrestricted		5,686.87	62,228.58	64,809.78	(449.62)	-	(44,000.00)	(4,944)
	Sub-totals	**5,686.87**	**62,228.58**	**64,809.78**	**(449.62)**	**-**	**(44,000.00)**	**(4,944)**
	Totals	**96,859.53**	**66,436.87**	**76,102.54**	**-**	**722.81**	**(44,000.00)**	**80,316.67**

Fund movement by type 2023

Fund		Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
admin								
Designated		365	-	169	-	-	-	195
	Sub-totals	**365**	**-**	**169**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**195**
Baby								
Restricted		543	-	343	-	-	-	200
	Sub-totals	**543**	**-**	**343**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**200**
Bible								
Designated		687	-	-	-	-	-	687
	Sub-totals	**687**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**687**
Build								
Designated		7,577	-	-	-	-	-	7,577
	Sub-totals	**7,577**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**7,577**
Candles								
Designated		284	-	-	(285)	-	-	-
	Sub-totals	**284**	**-**	**-**	**(285)**	**-**	**-**	**-**
char								
Designated		1,338	-	-	(1,339)	-	-	-
	Sub-totals	**1,338**	**-**	**-**	**(1,339)**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Charity								
Restricted		146	-	-	-	-	-	146
	Sub-totals	**146**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**146**
Comp								
Restricted		2,890	3,329	1,456	-	-	-	4,763
	Sub-totals	**2,890**	**3,329**	**1,456**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**4,763**
Copier								
Designated		1,562	-	-	(1,563)	-	-	-
	Sub-totals	**1,562**	**-**	**-**	**(1,563)**	**-**	**-**	**-**
CYApp								
Restricted		10,846	-	-	-	-	-	10,846

	Sub-totals	**10,846**	-	-	-	-	-	**10,846**
CYM								
Designated		7,809	320	923	(7,207)	-	-	-
	Sub-totals	**7,809**	**320**	**923**	**(7,207)**	-	-	-
CYP								
Designated		695	343	180	-	-	-	858
	Sub-totals	**695**	**343**	**180**	-	-	-	**858**
CYPR								
Restricted		11,980	-	-	-	-	-	11,980
	Sub-totals	**11,980**	-	-	-	-	-	**11,980**
CYR								
Restricted		7,974	0	453	(20)	-	-	7,501
	Sub-totals	**7,974**	**0**	**453**	**(20)**	-	-	**7,501**
Flower								
Designated		69	-	69	-	-	-	-
	Sub-totals	**69**	-	**69**	-	-	-	-
Gown								
Designated		1,027	-	-	-	-	-	1,027
	Sub-totals	**1,027**	-	-	-	-	-	**1,027**
HALL								
Restricted		520	-	-	-	-	-	520
	Sub-totals	**520**	-	-	-	-	-	**520**
INV								
Designated		28,863	-	-	-	2,715	-	31,579
	Sub-totals	**28,863**	-	-	-	**2,715**	-	**31,579**
Mission								
Designated		3,788	-	-	-	-	-	3,788
	Sub-totals	**3,788**	-	-	-	-	-	**3,788**
Music								
Designated		1,268	424	685	-	-	-	1,006
	Sub-totals	**1,268**	**424**	**685**	-	-	-	**1,006**
Pastoral								
Restricted		1,033	-	-	-	-	-	1,033
	Sub-totals	**1,033**	-	-	-	-	-	**1,033**
TG								
Designated		-	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000
	Sub-totals	-	**2,000**	-	-	-	-	**2,000**
thanks								
Restricted		5,154	1,400	3,000	-	-	-	3,554
	Sub-totals	**5,154**	**1,400**	**3,000**	-	-	-	**3,554**
Tower								
Designated		46	-	-	-	-	-	46

	Sub-totals	**46**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**46**
towerR								
Restricted		504	-	-	-	-	-	504
	Sub-totals	**504**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**504**
VDF								
Designated		109	-	-	(110)	-	-	-
	Sub-totals	**109**	**-**	**-**	**(110)**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Vic								
Designated		148	-	-	-	-	-	148
	Sub-totals	**148**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**148**
Youth								
Designated		1,136	68	-	-	-	-	1,205
	Sub-totals	**1,136**	**68**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,205**
General								
Unrestricted		6,190	65,791	76,816	10,521	-	-	5,686
	Sub-totals	**6,190**	**65,791**	**76,816**	**10,521**	**-**	**-**	**5,686**
	Totals	**104,564**	**73,677**	**84,098**	**-**	**2,715**	**-**	**96,859**

Allocation of Support Costs

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

Staff Costs

	2024	**2023**
Wages & Salaries	£2,698	£4,237
Average number of employees	1	1

During the year the PCC employed an administrator (part-time) for part of the year and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

The PCC use the National Employment Savings Trust [Nest] via the Diocesan Payroll Scheme. However, the employee is not eligible so no payments were made.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties [PCC members] during the year totalled £11,211 2024 [£14,141 2023]. All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

No remuneration was paid to any trustee during the year.

Expenses paid to Trustees

One Trustee was reimbursed £1,441 in 2024 [£1,507 2023] for telephone and broadband expenses.

Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent Examiner's fees	150	150
Other fees - Bookkeeping	£300	£300
Total	**£450**	**£450**

Analysis of Transfer between Funds – 2024

Reference	Account	Code description	Debit	Credit	Description	Fund	Fund Type
TFR Gen to Places of Welcome - donation	11211552	HSBC current account	-	350		General	Unr
TFR Gen to Places of Welcome - donation	11211552	HSBC current account	350	-		PoW	Des
TFR Gen to Places of Welcome - donation	11211552	HSBC current account	-	40		General	Unr
TFR Gen to Places of Welcome - donation	11211552	HSBC current account	40	-		PoW	Des
TFR Gen to Places of Welcome - donation	11211552	HSBC current account	-	60		General	Unr
TFR Gen to Places of Welcome - donation	11211552	HSBC current account	60	-		PoW	Des
Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to increase Thanksgiving Restricted fund to £304	11211552	HSBC current account	-	999.62	Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to increase Thanksgiving Restricted fund to £304	General	Unr
Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to increase Thanksgiving Restricted fund to £304	11211552	HSBC current account	999.62	-	Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to increase Thanksgiving Restricted fund to £304	Thanksgiving Restricted	Res
Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to reduce Thanksgiving designated fund to £1000	51211579	HSBC Churchyard account	-	1,000.00	Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to reduce Thanksgiving designated fund to £1000	Thanksgiving Des	Des
Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to reduce Thanksgiving designated fund to £1000	51211579	HSBC Churchyard account	1,000.00	-	Email from Rob on 27.01.25 to reduce Thanksgiving designated fund to £1000	General	Unr
		Total	2,449.62	2,449.62	-		

Analysis of Transfer between Funds - 2023

Debit	Credit	Description	Fund	Fund Type
-	284.47	TRF TO GEN FUND	Candles	Des
284.47	-	TRF FROM CANDLE DES	General	Unr
-	1,338.80	TRF TO GEN FUND	char	Des
1,338.80	-	TRF FROM CHARITIES DES	General	Unr
-	1,562.64	TRF TO GEN FUND	Copier	Des
1,562.64	-	TRF FROM COPIER DES	General	Unr
-	109.01	TRF TO GEN FUND	VDF	Des
109.01	-	TRF FROM VICARS DF DES	General	Unr
-	216.96	TRF TO MUSIC	General	Unr
216.96	-	TRF TO MUSIC	Music	Des
-	40	TO COMPASSION	General	Unr
40	-	FROM GEN	Comp	Res
-	7,226.35	TRF TO GEN FUND	CYM	Des
7,226.35	-	TRF FROM CYM	General	Unr
-	216.96	TRF TO GEN FUND	Music	Des
216.96	-	MUSIC TRF	General	Unr
-	40	TO GEN	Comp	Res
40	-	FROM COMPASSION	General	Unr
-	20	TO CLEAR DES FUND	CYR	Res
20	-	TRF FROM RES FUND	CYM	Des

Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Funds Investments	31,579	-	-	-	723	32,302
Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-		
Total	**31,579**	**-**	**-**	**-**		**32,302**

CCLA CBF Investment Fund CB3028066 £32,302 2024 [£31,580 2023]

Current Assets

Debtors

	2024 £	**2023 £**
Gift aid recoverable	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income		1.400
Other debtors	1,601	3,426
Total	**1,601**	**4,826**

Liabilities

Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	**2023 £**
Income in advance		
Common Fund	7,600	-
Other creditors	1,103	2,191
Agency *(restricted)*	638	1,487
Total	**9,341**	**3,678**

Summary of Assets 2024

Unrestricted						
General (Unrestricted)		(4,944)	-	- -	(4,944)	5,686
Designated						
Designated - Administration		-	152	- -	152	195
Designated - Bible		-	700	- -	700	687
Designated - Building		-	7,577	- -	7,577	7,577
Designated - Children & Young People		-	858	- -	858	858
Designated - Decoration		-	148	- -	148	148
Designated - Flower		-	(61)	- -	(61)	-
Designated - Gown		-	1,027	- -	1,027	1,027
Designated - Investments		-	32,302	- -	32,302	31,579
Designated - Magazine		-	(113)	- -	(113)	-
Designated - Mission		-	3,788	- -	3,788	3,788
Designated - Music		-	604	- -	604	1,006
Designated - PoW		-	396	- -	396	-
Designated - Thanksgiving Des		-	1,000	- -	1,000	2,000
Designated - Tower Designated		-	46	- -	46	46
Designated - Youth Bibles		-	1,270	- -	1,270	1,205
Restricted						
Restricted - Baby		-	-	125 -	125	200
Restricted - Charity		-	-	(80) -	(80)	146
Restricted - Children & Young People Res		-	-	11,839 -	11,839	11,980
Restricted - Choir Social Fund		-	-	243 -	243	-
Restricted - Churchyard Appeal		-	-	11,066 -	11,066	10,846
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance		-	-	5,481 -	5,481	7,501
Restricted - Compassion		-	-	5,025 -	5,025	4,763
Restricted - Hall		-	-	16 -	16	520
Restricted - Pastoral		-	-	1,033 -	1,033	1,033
Restricted - Thanksgiving Restricted		-	-	304 -	304	3,554
Restricted - Tower Restricted		-	-	504 -	504	504
	Total	**(4,944)**	**49,700**	**35,560 -**	**80,316**	**96,859**

Summary of Assets 2023

Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Desginated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
General (Unrestricted)	5,686	-	-	-	5,686	6,190
Designated						
Designated - admin	-	195	-	-	195	365
Designated - Bible	-	687	-	-	687	687
Designated - Build	-	7,577	-	-	7,577	7,577
Designated - Candles	-	-	-	-	-	284
Designated - char	-	-	-	-	-	1,338
Designated - Copier	-	-	-	-	-	1,562
Designated - CYM	-	-	-	-	-	7,809
Designated - CYP	-	858	-	-	858	695
Designated - Flower	-	-	-	-	-	69
Designated - Gown	-	1,027	-	-	1,027	1,027
Designated - INV	-	31,579	-	-	31,579	28,863
Designated - Mission	-	3,788	-	-	3,788	3,788
Designated - Music	-	1,006	-	-	1,006	1,268
Designated - TG	-	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Designated - Tower	-	46	-	-	46	46
Designated - VDF	-	-	-	-	-	109
Designated - Vic	-	148	-	-	148	148
Designated - Youth	-	1,205	-	-	1,205	1,136
Restricted						
Restricted - Baby	-	-	200	-	200	543
Restricted - Charity	-	-	146	-	146	146
Restricted - Comp	-	-	4,763	-	4,763	2,890
Restricted - CYApp	-	-	10,846	-	10,846	10,846
Restricted - CYPR	-	-	11,980	-	11,980	11,980
Restricted - CYR	-	-	7,501	-	7,501	7,974
Restricted - HALL	-	-	520	-	520	520
Restricted - Pastoral	-	-	1,033	-	1,033	1,033
Restricted - thanks	-	-	3,554	-	3,554	5,154
Restricted - towerR	-	-	504	-	504	504
Total	**5,686**	**50,122**	**41,050**	**-**	**96,859**	**104,564**

Prior Year Comparatives

Statement of Financial Activities – 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2023	2022
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	50,297	4,729	-	55,026	52,567
Income from charitable activities	11,404	-	-	11,404	8,031
Other trading activities	5,674	-	-	5,674	5,412
Investments	1,572	0	-	1,572	1,000
Other income	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	**68,947**	**4,729**	**-**	**73,677**	**67,011**
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	603	-	-	603	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	78,241	5,253	-	83,494	56,934
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	**78,845**	**5,253**	**-**	**84,098**	**56,934**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**(9,898)**	**(524)**	**-**	**(10,421)**	**10,076**
Transfers					
Gross transfers between funds - in	11,015	40	-	11,055	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	(10,996)	(60)	-	(11,056)	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	2,715	-	-	2,715	(3,852)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	**(7,162)**	**(544)**	**-**	**(7,706)**	**6,225**
Total funds brought forward	**62,970**	**41,593**	**-**	**104,564**	**98,338**
Total funds carried forward	**55,809**	**41,050**	**-**	**96,859**	**104,564**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF WALSALL WOOD, ST JOH

England & Wales - Charity number 1138950

Accounts

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

For the year ended 31st December 2023

Registered Charity Number 1138950

The Parochial Church Council of The Parish of Walsall Wood St John

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2023

Charity registration number: 1138950

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Walsall Wood, St John. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach all members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Walsall Wood, St John it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and Performance

This year has seen a time of renewal and healing within the church community and greater connections with the wider community.
This has evidently been fruitful with the noticeable growth in attendance in Church Service and Community initiatives.
There has also been signs of the Holy Spirit at work, with an Adult Baptism and 5 Adult Confirmations.
There is a noticeable lift within Worship and the life of St John's.

Worship and Prayer

Reverend Lisa and the PCC continue to be keen to offer a range of services which attempts to cater to all peoples preferred worship styles.
Continuing with a variety of services from Holy Communion to Morning Worship, Evensong (based upon Common Worship Morning Prayer) and our All-Age Service.
Enabling people to feel comfortable at different stages of their Christian journey.
There have been discussions and plans to introduce a midweek contemporary style of Worship to enhance and develop this further as a way of creating a more inclusive space.

Baptisms have continued to be held on an afternoon which seems to be a popular time but has been low in numbers.

Regular morning prayer has been well received within the community with a small but regular congregation.

Intercession prayers continue to be led by a number of laity at the Sunday morning Worship.

Revd Lisa also continues her Ministry as a Vocation Advisor.

- Monthly Worship Pattern

  Sunday Wk 1 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
  Sunday Wk 2 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am All Age Worship;
  Sunday Wk 3 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
  Sunday Wk 4 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
  Sunday Wk 5 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Morning Worship;
  6.30pm Evensong;

  Also: 2.30pm Baptism

Our pattern of Worship has slightly changed, we have moved our Morning Worship to the 5th Sunday also introducing Evensong. This new pattern of worship for has encouraged and increased regular attendance.
All major festivals have been covered.

Midweek Worship
Our midweek worship has continued to have a small but regular attendance. We have also been discussing introducing weekly Evening prayer.

Tues/Weds/Thurs 10am Morning Prayer

Special Services
Special Services are always successful in terms of outreach, mission and attendance. Throughout the year services include the following: Mothering Sunday, Holy Week Services, Ascension Day, Harvest Festival, Memorial Service, Remembrance Cenotaph Service, Celebration for the Kings Coronation. A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols and Christingle, Crib Service, Midnight Mass. We also introduced a Blue Christmas.

A Remembrance Sunday service was held at the Cenotaph in front of the church, with wreath laying by uniformed organisations and local dignitaries. Revd Lisa Mitchell led the proceedings following the Parade, assisted by Revd Elizabeth Dunning.
It was again decided to have the service outside as it was agreed that it felt more accessible and inclusive.

Our Lent Course for 2023 was called Undiscovered Lent.
Each week there will be a 15-20 minute video from the 'In the Steps of Jesus' Film Series, followed by a time to reflect on the video and to dig more deeply and imaginatively into the text of the Gospels.

We held a weekly Advent Reflective Service.
The Advent Reflection Service was a short 30 minutes Service which included up to 15 minutes of quiet prayer time, whilst some gentle music played in the background.
This quiet time offered, was well received and well attended. Allowing time and space to stop, think and pray.

Pastoral Offices – weddings, baptisms, funerals
Pastoral offices have continued as a way of bringing church and community together at the milestones of their journey through life. For some these times may be the only connection they have ever had with Church so the priority is being a warm and welcoming place.

Baptism We have had a steady numbers of enquiries regarding Baptisms. Preparation usually takes place either at the church or in the homes of the parents, depending upon the minister. The aim would be to develop this further by bringing families together for baptism preparation as a way of bringing community together with young families.

Weddings The number of Weddings have been quite low at St John's. As a way of exploring this and finding different ways of connecting with the community, we are planning to hold a Wedding Fayre in Church early 2024. This will be something very new and we hope fruitful both with mission and growth with Weddings.

Funeral ministry Funeral numbers have steadily increased this year. One of the reasons for this has been a greater relationship between Church and Funeral Directors.
Families are always visited within good time before the funeral to allow time for the preparation.
The deceased are added to the weekly prayer list and also prayed for at Morning prayer.
The families are also invited to our Annual Memorial Service.

This year, we have celebrated 13 baptisms and 1 wedding and held 22 funerals with 18 internment of ashes in Walsall Wood cemetery. Ministers also presided over 3 crematorium funerals.

Mission and Evangelism
Our Mission at St John's is to go out into the world and be part of what already is happening and join in! The Christian messenger does not simply bring Christ to others, but identifies the presence of God, already in existence!

At St John's our Church life is based around the Christian values.
Faith, Love, Hope and Respect. These values are interwoven into everything that we do, both in and outside of the Building.
The aim of the church must not be self-serving but to seek to share God's love and to work for the Kingdom. Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith.
The Church supports several charities including Compassion, Water Aid, Christian Aid and the Children's Society. Locally the church family supports the Walsall North Food Bank.
Collection of Christmas gifts have been given to a local refuge for domestic violence and distributed to local schools to be given to families in need.

We continue to use social media as a way of connecting with the local community, bringing church and community together as one. We have a dedicated Facebook profile.

The church continues to develop links and extensive work is still being carried out with the primary schools and local nursery.
Rev Lisa has continued to develop the link with our church school. With regular visits and working with the pupils in prayer walks around the school. We have a very strong partnership with our Church School, who have been able to hold various services in church this year with great attendance from families and friends establishing a closer link with the community. This is now also developing within the local nursery.
We have also launched a new team of volunteers who have been working enthusiastically together in partnership with the school to deliver Open the Book on a monthly basis. There has been a positive response from the school to this initiative, helping to build a stronger relationship.

Messy Church returned on Good Friday after a short break and time to reflect. Sadly, numbers in attendance have continued to be low.
We are considering if there is a need for this still in our context or if we need to reconsider a way forward.

We have introduced 'Places of Welcome' which is part of a National Scheme.
This is a much-needed outreach within the community. A safe warm place with free refreshments. A place to make friends and meet people, where people can connect, belong and contribute. Bringing Church and Community together. Meeting every Thursday morning from 10.30am – 12.30pm. This is held in the Community Hall.

We have introduced a Golden Oldies Film Club once a month. We watch a classic movie and then share in fellowship over a hot cup of soup and a bread roll.
Also, Throughout the School Holidays we have introduced 'Movie Month' A movie has been on in Church twice a week with free treats and refreshments, this has been a greatly received and attended.

Plans for St John's Baby & Toddler Group are beginning to happen with hopes that this much needed outreach will once again return by Spring 2024.

Pastoral Care
Pastoral care continues to be an important part of St John's Ministry.
Members of our parish who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited or contacted regularly for pastoral care and to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital if requested.
We have a dedicated Pastoral Team who meet on a regular basis.

Deanery Synod
Three members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. Our PCC Secretary has now retired as the Deanery Secretary.

The Community Hall
The Hall is a warm welcoming place.
The use of the Hall by the church and local community continues.
There has been a steady increase in community groups using the Hall facilities, including our local Guiding Groups, an AA Group, The Women's Institute, Karate Club, Music Band, Keep Fit Classes, NHS Self Care, Local Polling Station and Sea Cadets. The facilities are also available to lettings for children's birthday parties, baptism and funeral receptions.

Social Events
St. Johns aims to have a varied social and fundraising programme.
This has increased this year. We have held Quiz nights, Beetle Drive, jumble sales Concerts, Harvest Supper, Summer Fayre and Christmas Fayre.

Brookland Road Cemetery
A small team of volunteers have continued to maintain the churchyard at Brookland Road. They have worked extremely hard looking after the vast areas keeping the churchyard neat and tidy. Our thanks go out to everyone who has helped in some way.
The Churchyard is now full for new graves, therefore only re-openings are permitted.

Fabric Report
The Church and Community Hall are fully back to normal running with maintenance continually ongoing. The Boilers in both have been serviced and a Gas certificate issued.
The Lightning Conductor on the Church was found to be faulty but this was repaired immediately and we have received a Lightning Conductor Certificate for a further year.

2023 saw our Quinquennial Inspection which highlighted various causes of concern.

The vegetation from the Bell Tower has been removed as highlighted in the report. Enquiries will be made into grants to help with major repairs. We will employ a structural engineer for guidance and hope to address the cracks around the Sanctuary. We also hope to address the rusting of the bell casement.

The chairs in church are in the process of being reupholstered.

Financial Review
At the end of the year there was an unrestricted reserve balance of £5,687, compared to £6,191 from 2022.
The Church has numerous 'Designated' funds due to the various committed activities, in particular Building, Thanksgiving and Mission Funds. Whilst it should be noted the designated funds are unrestricted funds, the value in these funds is monitored regularly to ensure there are enough unrestricted funds to maintain support for committed costs in the Parish.

Following a very difficult financial period for the Church over many years, liabilities have been considerably reduced to manageable levels.

The Church of England Common Fund has replaced the Parish Share in name and its calculation for every Parish has been welcomed. It is hoped that this major expense to a Parish is a sustainable and fair source of funding for the provision of clergy in the Diocese.

Our principal source of fundraising is the giving by the members of the church supported by a range of fundraising events throughout the year. However, all streams of income suffered following the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic. Attendances at church have recovered to a certain extent, but our finances remain under constant review.

We make extensive use of the opportunities provided by the Gift Aid Scheme.

Our expenditure supports the mission of the church through the maintenance and development of buildings and equipment, the funding of running costs and the payment of salaries, expenses, fees and the Common Fund (Parish Share).
In addition, funding has supported the church's work in our own community, as well as supporting other charities and good causes.

Reserves Policy
It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets plus investments in the general unrestricted fund) which equates to at least three months general unrestricted fund payments. In 2023 this was equivalent to £19,204 (2022: £12,770). It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was £5,687 (2022: £6,191) which is considerably lower than this target. The PCC are aware of this position and aim to build up reserves when able to.

It is our policy to invest the short-term investment fund balances with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund and the remainder in the CCLA Church of England Investment Fund.

Investment Policy
The charity is granted power to invest in suitable investments under the PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Trustees Act 2000. As a charity, the Trustees have a duty of care to take such advice as is appropriate before investments are undertaken. This advice is sought from the Central Board of Finance (CCLA) in London.

The charity's investment policies are based on two key principles: -

- Ethical Investment – this includes ensuring that investments are held in companies which have high standards of corporate governance and act in a responsible way towards stakeholders.
- Long-term responsibilities – the trustees are aware of their long-term responsibilities in respect of the Restricted and Unrestricted reserves and as a result follow a prudent approach to investment decisions.

Investment policy for long-term funds is aimed primarily at generating a sustainable income, with due regard to the need for the preservation of capital value, and the possible need to realise investments to meet operational needs. The charity does not have a policy of generating income at excessive or high risk – known as "purchasing income", where high returns are guaranteed at the expense of capital.

In summary, the charity has an overall policy to maximise income while preserving the real value of its funds. Due to the nature of the charity, an ethical investment policy is taken into consideration when investments are made:
The charity follows the Ethical Investment Advisory policy as recommended by the Lichfield Diocese which includes the following:

"We aim to invest in companies that:

* will develop their business in the interests of shareholders;
* demonstrate responsible employment practices;
* are conscientious concerning issues of corporate governance, the environment and human rights;
* are sensitive to the community in which they operate."

Planned giving, collections and donations are the main sources of fund raising along with tax recoverable.

Safeguarding
The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents
A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year.

Fundraising
The PCC takes it's fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

Volunteers
The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community. Our special thanks go to our Church Wardens, Lay Chair, PCC Secretary and Treasurer, who have supported our Minister throughout the first half of her Interim appointment.

Future Plans
As we continue to be in uncertain times, there is always an ongoing concern for a potential shortfall in funding again in 2024. The Cost of Living crisis fuelled by unprecedented energy costs Has already put an extra strain on sources of Parish income and church resources.

We are conscious of the need to increase our regular giving as a Church Family to support the growth of the Church and to contribute to major repair work that will need to be made to the church structure during the year, following the recent Quinquennial Report.

Our hope is to welcome more parishioners into our Church in 2024, whether that be to worship or to attend the special family occasions for weddings, baptisms or funerals. St John's must remain at the heart of the Community of Walsall Wood.

Risk Management
The Church Wardens carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management
The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC meet at least 6 times a year.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties
Donations from related parties during the year totalled £14,141 (2022: £14,111). All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees
No remuneration was paid to any Trustee during the year.

Expenses paid to Trustees
One Trustee was reimbursed £1,507 (2022: 921) for telephone and broadband expenses during the year.

Reference and Administrative details
The Church is situated at High Street, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9LP, and is part of the Deanery of Walsall, in the Diocese of Lichfield.

The correspondence address is:
The Vicarage, 2 St John's Close, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9NJ.

Registered charity number 1138950.

Our website address is www.stjohnswalsallwood.com

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2023 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio Members

The Incumbent	Reverend Lisa Mitchell
Churchwardens	Sharon Hodgetts Jane Lavender
Deanery Synod Reps	Valerie Benford (and Secretary) Colin Roberts Sue Pugh
Elected Members	Robert Grainger (Lay Chair) Robert Worrallo (Treasurer) Sue Barley Helen Harris (until 23/4/23) Doreen Sears Gillian Rigby Barbara Grainger Jean King Mdupe Oni (from 23/4/23)

The Patron of St John's, Walsall Wood is the Rector of St Matthews, Walsall.

Names and addresses of advisers

Bank	HSBC 5 Anchor Road, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 8AD
Investment Managers	CCLA Investment Management Ltd 1 Angel Lane, London EC4R 3AB
Independent Examiner	Cosy Bagot Jewitt Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Approved by the PCC on ..... 11th April ..... 2024 and signed on its behalf by

L Mitchell
Rev Lisa Mitchell (Chair)

V. L. Benford
Valerie Benford (Secretary)

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of The Parish of Walsall Wood St John

Registered charity number 1138950

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an Independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- 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 have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Cosy Bagot Jewitt Date: 17/7/24

Cosy Bagot Jewitt
For and on behalf of Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield WS13 7LD

The Parish of Walsall Wood St John
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 31st December 2023

Accounting Policies
The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements 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 nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement
The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern
There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Whilst free reserves (see page 5) are low (£5,687) compared to three months unrestricted expenditure (£19,204), the PCC have significant designated reserves (£49,974) which could be called upon if necessary.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors
No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.
No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

An explanation of purpose of each Designated fund are as follows:

Name of fund	Purpose
Admin	For administration purposes
Bible	To purchase School leaver bibles
Building	Maintenance of the Church Building
Candles	Votive candles / Purchase Altar requirements
Char	Donations and Collections for specific charities
Copier	Photocopier
Churchyard Maintenance	For the maintenance of the Churchyard
Children & Young People	Children and Young People fund
Flower	Flowers in Church
Gown	Gowns in Church
Inv	Shares we hold
Mission	Funding for Mission of the church
Music	Maintenance of the Organ and Music in Church

Thanksgiving	Thanksgiving
Tower	Maintenance of Church Tower and Electrics
VDF	Vicar's Discretionary fund
Vic	Vicarage Decoration
Youth	Purchase of Youth Bibles

Restricted funds comprise of two elements :-

a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
b) 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. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

An explanation of purpose of each Restricted fund are as follows:

Name of fund	**Purpose**
Baby	Baby & Toddler Group
Charity	Donations and Collections for specific charities
Compassion	Children Sponsored through Compassion
Churchyard Appeal	Brookland Road Churchyard Maintenance
Churchyard Maintenance	Churchyard Maintenance
Children & Young People	Children and Young People fund
Hall	Donation for Church Hall
Pastoral	Pastoral Support as required
Thanks	Thanksgiving for use of the church for larger items
Tower R	Maintenance of Church Tower and Electrics

Endowment funds are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Income
Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Expenditure
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 diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs
Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.
Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Accounting Policies continued

Fixed Assets
Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(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 can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

Investments
Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Debtors
Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash expected to be received.

Creditors and Accruals
Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John
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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	47,565	2,732	4,729	—	55,026	52,567
Income from charitable activities	10,980	424	—	—	11,404	8,031
Other trading activities	5,674	—	—	—	5,674	5,413
Investments	1,572	—	1	—	1,573	1,001
Total income	**65,791**	**3,156**	**4,730**	**—**	**73,677**	**67,012**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	603	—	—	—	603	—
Expenditure on charitable activities	76,214	2,028	5,253	—	83,495	56,935
Total expenditure	**76,817**	**2,028**	**5,253**	**—**	**84,098**	**56,935**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**(11,025)**	**1,128**	**(523)**	**—**	**(10,421)**	**10,077**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	10,778	237	40	—	11,055	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	(257)	(10,738)	(60)	—	(11,055)	—
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	2,716	—	—	2,716	(3,851)
Net movement in funds	**(504)**	**(6,658)**	**(543)**	**—**	**(7,705)**	**6,226**
Total funds brought forward	**6,191**	**56,780**	**41,594**	**—**	**104,565**	**98,339**
Total funds carried forward	**5,687**	**50,122**	**41,050**	**—**	**96,860**	**104,565**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	5,687	—	—	—	5,687	6,191
Designated						
Administration	—	196	—	—	196	365
Building	—	7,578	—	—	7,578	7,578
Candles	—	—	—	—	—	284
Charities	—	—	—	—	—	1,339
Children & Young People	—	859	—	—	859	695
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	—	—	—	—	—	7,810
Flower Fund	—	—	—	—	—	70
Gowns	—	1,027	—	—	1,027	1,027
Investments	—	31,580	—	—	31,580	28,864
Magazine copying	—	—	—	—	—	1,563
Mission Fund	—	3,789	—	—	3,789	3,789
Music	—	1,006	—	—	1,006	1,268
School Bibles	—	688	—	—	688	688
Thanksgiving	—	2,000	—	—	2,000	—
Tower	—	47	—	—	47	47
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	—	—	—	—	109
Vicarage Decoration	—	148	—	—	148	148
Youth Bibles	—	1,205	—	—	1,205	1,137
Restricted						
Baby & Toddler	—	—	200	—	200	544
Charities Restricted	—	—	146	—	146	146
Children & Young People Restricted	—	—	11,980	—	11,980	11,980
Church Hall	—	—	520	—	520	520
Churchyard Appeal	—	—	10,847	—	10,847	10,847
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	—	—	7,502	—	7,502	7,975
Compassion - sponsored children	—	—	4,763	—	4,763	2,890
Pastoral Care - Elderly	—	—	1,034	—	1,034	1,034
Thanksgiving Restricted	—	—	3,554	—	3,554	5,154
Tower Restricted	—	—	504	—	504	504

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Balance Sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Fixed assets		
Investments	31,580	28,864
	31,580	**28,864**
Current assets		
Debtors	4,826	1,091
Cash at bank and in hand	64,132	78,933
	68,958	**80,023**
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	3,678	4,322
	3,678	**4,322**
Net current assets less current liabilities	**65,280**	**75,701**
Total assets less current liabilities	**96,860**	**104,565**
Total net assets less liabilities	**96,860**	**104,565**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	5,687	6,191
Designated		
Gowns	1,027	1,027
Investments	31,580	28,864
Mission Fund	3,789	3,789
Music	1,006	1,268
Thanksgiving	2,000	—
Tower	47	47
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	109
Vicarage Decoration	148	148
School Bibles	688	688
Youth Bibles	1,205	1,137
Administration	196	365
Charities	—	1,339
Building	7,578	7,578
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	—	7,810
Children & Young People	859	695
Candles	—	284
Magazine copying	—	1,563
Flower Fund	—	70
Restricted		
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Church Hall	520	520
Pastoral Care - Elderly	1,034	1,034
Funds of the church	**96,860**	**104,565**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 4TH APRIL 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature: H Mitchell

Name: Rev Lisa Mitchell

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

Net assets – 2023

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
Investments -	—	31,580	—	—	31,580	28,864
Totals	**—**	**31,580**	**—**	**—**	**31,580**	**28,864**
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
HSBC current account -	(17,389)	8,904	11,608	—	3,122	2,321
Deposit account -	11,888	—	13,518	—	25,406	45,569
Baby & toddler account -	—	—	—	—	—	344
HSBC Churchyard account -	7,999	4,377	17,355	—	29,731	25,849
Petty cash -	58	—	—	—	58	58
CBF Deposit account -	496	5,114	—	—	5,610	4,589
CBF Churchyard account -	—	—	57	—	57	55
IDS -	—	148	—	—	148	148
Totals	**3,051**	**18,543**	**42,538**	**—**	**64,132**	**78,933**
Current assets - Debtors						
End of year Debtors -	99	—	—	—	99	1,091
Octopus Energy - Prepayment -	1,400	—	—	—	1,400	—
Accounts Receivable -	3,327	—	—	—	3,327	—
Totals	**4,826**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**4,826**	**1,091**
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	1,487	—	1,487	1,526
Totals	**—**	**—**	**1,487**	**—**	**1,487**	**1,526**
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
End of Year Creditors -	390	—	—	—	390	2,694
End of year Accruals -	120	—	—	—	120	—
End of year Income in advance -	—	—	—	—	—	102
Accounts Payable -	1,681	—	—	—	1,681	—
Totals	**2,191**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2,191**	**2,796**
Grand total	**5,687**	**50,122**	**41,050**	**—**	**96,860**	**104,565**

Fund movement by type - 2023

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	544	—	344	—	—	200
Sub-total for Baby	**544**	**—**	**344**	**—**	**—**	**200**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	688	—	—	—	—	688
Sub-total for Bible	**688**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**688**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,578	—	—	—	—	7,578
Sub-total for Build	**7,578**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,578**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,847	—	—	—	—	10,847
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,847**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**10,847**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenan						
Designated	7,810	320	923	(7,206)	—	—
Sub-total for CYM	**7,810**	**320**	**923**	**(7,206)**	**—**	**—**

CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	695	344	180	—	—	859
Sub-total for CYP	**695**	**344**	**180**	**—**	**—**	**859**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						
Restricted	11,980	—	—	—	—	11,980
Sub-total for CYPR	**11,980**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**11,980**
CYR - Churchyard Maintenan						
Restricted	7,975	1	454	(20)	—	7,502
Sub-total for CYR	**7,975**	**1**	**454**	**(20)**	**—**	**7,502**
Candles - Candles						
Designated	284	—	—	(284)	—	—
Sub-total for Candles	**284**	**—**	**—**	**(284)**	**—**	**—**
Charity - Charities Restricted						
Restricted	146	—	—	—	—	146
Sub-total for Charity	**146**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**146**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor						
Restricted	2,890	3,329	1,456	—	—	4,763
Sub-total for Comp	**2,890**	**3,329**	**1,456**	**—**	**—**	**4,763**
Copier - Magazine copying						
Designated	1,563	—	—	(1,563)	—	—
Sub-total for Copier	**1,563**	**—**	**—**	**(1,563)**	**—**	**—**
Flower - Flower Fund						
Designated	70	—	70	—	—	—
Sub-total for Flower	**70**	**—**	**70**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Gown - Gowns						
Designated	1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall						
Restricted	520	—	—	—	—	520
Sub-total for HALL	**520**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**520**
INV - Investments						
Designated	28,864	—	—	—	2,716	31,580
Sub-total for INV	**28,864**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2,716**	**31,580**
Mission - Mission Fund						
Designated	3,789	—	—	—	—	3,789
Sub-total for Mission	**3,789**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**3,789**
Music - Music						
Designated	1,268	424	686	—	—	1,006
Sub-total for Music	**1,268**	**424**	**686**	**—**	**—**	**1,006**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elde						
Restricted	1,034	—	—	—	—	1,034
Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,034**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,034**
TG - Thanksgiving						
Designated	—	2,000	—	—	—	2,000
Sub-total for TG	**—**	**2,000**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2,000**
Tower - Tower						
Designated	47	—	—	—	—	47
Sub-total for Tower	**47**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**47**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionar						
Designated	109	—	—	(109)	—	—
Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**(109)**	**—**	**—**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration						
Designated	148	—	—	—	—	148
Sub-total for Vic	**148**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**148**
Youth - Youth Bibles						
Designated	1,137	69	—	—	—	1,205

Sub-total for Youth	**1,137**	**69**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,205**
admin - Administration						
Designated	365	—	169	—	—	196
Sub-total for admin	**365**	**—**	**169**	**—**	**—**	**196**
char - Charities						
Designated	1,339	—	—	(1,339)	—	—
Sub-total for char	**1,339**	**—**	**—**	**(1,339)**	**—**	**—**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restric						
Restricted	5,154	1,400	3,000	—	—	3,554
Sub-total for thanks	**5,154**	**1,400**	**3,000**	**—**	**—**	**3,554**
towerR - Tower Restricted						
Restricted	504	—	—	—	—	504
Sub-total for towerR	**504**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**504**
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	6,191	65,791	76,817	10,521	—	5,687
Sub-total for General	**6,191**	**65,791**	**76,817**	**10,521**	**—**	**5,687**
Grand total	**104,565**	**73,677**	**84,098**	**—**	**2,716**	**96,860**

Analysis of Transfer between Funds - 2023

Debit	Credit	Description	Fund	Fund Type
-	284.47	TRF TO GEN FUND	Candles	Des
284.47	-	TRF FROM CANDLE DES	General	Unr
-	1,338.80	TRF TO GEN FUND	char	Des
1,338.80	-	TRF FROM CHARITIES DES	General	Unr
-	1,562.64	TRF TO GEN FUND	Copier	Des
1,562.64	-	TRF FROM COPIER DES	General	Unr
-	109.01	TRF TO GEN FUND	VDF	Des
109.01	-	TRF FROM VICARS DF DES	General	Unr
-	216.96	TRF TO MUSIC	General	Unr
216.96	-	TRF TO MUSIC	Music	Des
-	40	TO COMPASSION	General	Unr
40	-	FROM GEN	Comp	Res
-	7,226.35	TRF TO GEN FUND	CYM	Des
7,226.35	-	TRF FROM CYM	General	Unr
-	216.96	TRF TO GEN FUND	Music	Des
216.96	-	MUSIC TRF	General	Unr
-	40	TO GEN	Comp	Res
40	-	FROM COMPASSION	General	Unr
-	20	TO CLEAR DES FUND	CYR	Res
20	-	TRF FROM RES FUND	CYM	Des

Analysis of Transfer between Funds - 2022

No transfers

INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

Donations and legacies

Gift Aid collections	10,084	2,000	—	—	12,084	8,391
Giving Direct	—	—	1,400	—	1,400	10
GA Donation	—	—	—	—	—	5,123
Gift Aid - Envelopes	10,396	—	—	—	10,396	9,394
Other planned giving	4,718	—	—	—	4,718	5,290
Church collections	5,316	—	—	—	5,316	4,007
Collections Baptism, Funerals, Weddings	207	—	—	—	207	622
Collections funerals	618	—	—	—	618	307
Collections weddings	20	—	—	—	20	13
Messy Church collections	36	—	—	—	36	56
Contactless Receipts	336	—	—	—	336	936
Donations Appeals	—	—	—	—	—	2
Donations compassion - use 0550 / Compas	—	—	3,329	—	3,329	3,033
Donation flower fund	—	—	—	—	—	78
Donation other	696	732	—	—	1,428	830
Candle Stand donations	163	—	—	—	163	166
Donations appeals etc	462	—	—	—	462	—
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	7,626	—	—	—	7,626	8,727
Non-recurring one-off grants	1,000	—	—	—	1,000	950
Fundraising & Social Events	2,224	—	—	—	2,224	3,251
Weddings and Funerals - Heating	—	—	—	—	—	5
Summer / Christmas Fayre	3,664	—	—	—	3,664	1,357
Churchyard Appeal - use 0550 or 0901 / F	—	—	—	—	—	20
Total	47,565	2,732	4,729	—	55,026	52,567

Income from charitable activities

PCC fees wedding	406	—	—	—	406	1,336
PCC Fees Weddings and Funerals	8,621	—	—	—	8,621	5,818
PCC Local Fees	1,953	424	—	—	2,377	872
Miscellaneous	—	—	—	—	—	5
Total	10,980	424	—	—	11,404	8,031

Other trading activities

Magazine adverts (use 1250)	280	—	—	—	280	410
Bookstall card sales	13	—	—	—	13	—
Community hall lettings - use 1230	5,057	—	—	—	5,057	3,107
Parish magazine sales	224	—	—	—	224	236
Church room lettings - us 1230	100	—	—	—	100	1,660
Total	5,674	—	—	—	5,674	5,413

Investments

Dividends	15	—	—	—	15	15
Interest deposit account - USE 1020	536	—	—	—	536	71
Interest CBF account - USE 1020	157	—	—	—	157	56
Interest CBF churchyard acount - USE 102	1	—	1	—	2	1
Dividends Investment a/c CB3028066-001 -	863	—	—	—	863	858
Total	1,572	—	1	—	1,573	1,001
INCOME TOTAL	65,791	3,156	4,730	—	73,677	67,012

EXPENDITURE

Raising funds

Costs of stewardship campaign	216	—	—	—	216	—
Costs of fetes & other events	387	—	—	—	387	—
Total	603	—	—	—	603	—

Expenditure on charitable activities

Giving to missionary societies	120	—	—	—	120	120
Giving - relief and development agencies	211	—	—	—	211	497
Giving Home mission	—	—	344	—	344	—
Giving Secular charities	—	—	—	—	—	440
Secular charities compassion	84	—	1,456	—	1,540	1,604
Common Fund	45,192	—	—	—	45,192	45,192
Common Fund Special Assessment	(3,192)	—	—	—	(3,192)	(5,192)
Diocesan Parish Share Write Off	—	—	—	—	—	(13,364)
Salary of secretary	4,237	—	—	—	4,237	2,859
Cleaning wages of cleaner	120	—	—	—	120	—
Working exps of other ministers	—	—	—	—	—	45
Parsonage house expenses	—	—	—	—	—	992
Vicar's telephone	1,611	—	—	—	1,611	921
Mission - USE 2201	175	—	—	—	175	118
Parish training and Mission	20	—	—	—	20	18
Deanery contribution	90	—	—	—	90	105
Equipment	1,050	—	—	—	1,050	—
Misc	74	—	—	—	74	236
Waste	224	—	—	—	224	206
Hospitality	359	—	—	—	359	489
Maint of heating & light equip	717	—	—	—	717	260
Maint of other equipment	73	—	—	—	73	48
Organ / piano tuning	—	434	—	—	434	402
Organ Piano Repairs	—	125	—	—	125	—
Minor repairs (inc routine maint)	317	—	—	—	317	105
Church maintenance	2,046	—	—	—	2,046	1,573
Cleaning materials	9	—	—	—	9	—
Upkeep of services	2,121	70	—	—	2,190	1,385
Altar requisites	763	—	—	—	763	103
Music - USE 2340 /MUSIC FUND	—	127	—	—	127	110
Licence fees	361	—	—	—	361	226
Ministerial resources	54	—	—	—	54	117
Upkeep of churchyard	24	64	—	—	88	—
Maint of churchyards	134	826	454	—	1,413	1,183
Maint rep of churchyard equip	—	34	—	—	34	598
Administration	1,157	—	—	—	1,157	1,296
Church Office phone	242	169	—	—	412	277
Stationery etc	157	—	—	—	157	54
Copier	645	—	—	—	645	466
Postage	—	—	—	—	—	11
Software	234	—	—	—	234	281
Children Young Peoples work	—	180	—	—	180	450
Flower fund exp	—	—	—	—	—	70
Church insurance	2,915	—	—	—	2,915	2,715
Church Electric	2,197	—	—	—	2,197	1,629
Church Gas	5,004	—	—	—	5,004	2,455
Church Water	233	—	—	—	233	315
Magazine expenses	719	—	—	—	719	439
Hall electricity	1,494	—	—	—	1,494	900
Hall gas	811	—	—	—	811	1,589
Hall insurance	871	—	—	—	871	817
Hall equipment	17	—	—	—	17	488
Hall waste	224	—	—	—	224	206
Hall cleaner	810	—	—	—	810	340
Hall cleaning materials	—	—	—	—	—	10

Hall misc	30	—	—	—	30	—
Hall maintenance	870	—	—	—	870	281
Book Keeping Costs - use 2360	590	—	—	—	590	450
Church major repairs - installation	—	—	3,000	—	3,000	—
Total	76,214	2,028	5,253	—	83,495	56,935
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	76,817	2,028	5,253	—	84,098	56,935
GRAND TOTAL	(11,025)	1,128	(523)	—	(10,421)	10,077

Allocation of Support Costs
Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

Staff Costs

	2023	2022
Wages & Salaries	£4,237	£ 2,859
Average number of employees	1	1

During the year the PCC employed an administrator (part-time) for part of the year and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties
Donations from related parties during the year totalled £14,141 (2022: £14,111). All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees
No remuneration was paid to any trustee during the year.

Expenses paid to Trustees
1 trustee was reimbursed £1,507 (2022: £921) for telephone and broadband expenses during the year.

Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2023 £	2022 £
Independent Examiner's fees	-	-
Other fees (eg accountancy services includes cost of IE)	£450	£450

Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Funds Investments	28,864	-	-	-	2,716	31,580
Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**28,864**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,716**	**31,580**

The investment is shares in the CBF Investment Fund CB3028066-001

Current Assets

Debtors

	2023 £	**2022 £**
Gift aid recoverable	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	1.400	-
Other debtors	3,426	1,091
Total	**4,826**	**1,091**

Liabilities

Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	**2022 £**
Income in advance		102
Diocesan parish share	-	
Other creditors	2,191	2,694
Agency *(restricted)*	1,487	1,526
Total	**3,678**	**4,322**

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2023

Prior Year Comparatives

Statement of Financial Activities – 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	44,215	150	8,203	—	52,567	58,513
Income from charitable activities	6,166	1,865	—	—	8,031	12,052
Other trading activities	5,413	—	—	—	5,413	2,731
Investments	1,001	—	—	—	1,001	951
Total income	**56,794**	**2,015**	**8,203**	**—**	**67,012**	**74,246**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	—	—	—	—	—	101
Expenditure on charitable activities	51,080	3,246	2,609	—	56,935	51,172
Total expenditure	**51,080**	**3,246**	**2,609**	**—**	**56,935**	**51,273**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**5,714**	**(1,231)**	**5,594**	**—**	**10,077**	**22,974**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—	660
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—	(660)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	(3,851)	—	—	(3,851)	—
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—	4,094
Net movement in funds	**5,714**	**(5,082)**	**5,594**	**—**	**6,226**	**27,068**
Total funds brought forward	**477**	**61,862**	**36,000**	**—**	**98,339**	**71,271**
Total funds carried forward	**6,191**	**56,780**	**41,594**	**—**	**104,565**	**98,339**

Analysis of Funds - 2022

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
Investments -	—	28,864	—	—	28,864	32,715
Totals	**—**	**28,864**	**—**	**—**	**28,864**	**32,715**
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
HSBC current account -	(25,948)	16,147	12,122	—	2,321	9,097
HSBC Churchyard account -	(1,708)	10,769	16,789	—	25,849	23,747
Deposit account -	32,051	—	13,518	—	45,569	42,867
CBF Deposit account -	3,320	1,269	—	—	4,589	3,675
CBF Churchyard account -	(293)	—	348	—	55	54
IDS -	—	148	—	—	148	625
Petty cash -	58	—	—	—	58	58
Baby & toddler account -	—	—	344	—	344	794
Totals	**7,480**	**28,333**	**43,120**	**—**	**78,933**	**80,918**
Current assets - Debtors						
End of year Debtors -	1,091	—	—	—	1,091	—
Accounts Receivable -	—	—	—	—	—	804
Totals	**1,091**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,091**	**804**
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	1,526	—	1,526	2,008
Totals	**—**	**—**	**1,526**	**—**	**1,526**	**2,008**

Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
End of Year Creditors -	2,277	417	—	—	2,694	—
End of year Income in advance -	102	—	—	—	102	—
Common Fund Arrears -	—	—	—	—	—	13,364
Accounts Payable -	—	—	—	—	—	726
Totals	**2,379**	**417**	**—**	**—**	**2,796**	**14,090**
Grand total	**6,191**	**56,780**	**41,594**	**—**	**104,565**	**98,339**

Fund movement by type - 2022

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	994	—	450	—	—	544
Sub-total for Baby	**994**	**—**	**450**	**—**	**—**	**544**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	688	—	—	—	—	688
Sub-total for Bible	**688**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**688**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,578	—	—	—	—	7,578
Sub-total for Build	**7,578**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,578**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,827	20	—	—	—	10,847
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,827**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**10,847**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenan						
Designated	8,276	1,615	2,081	—	—	7,810
Sub-total for CYM	**8,276**	**1,615**	**2,081**	**—**	**—**	**7,810**
CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	695	—	—	—	—	695
Sub-total for CYP	**695**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**695**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						
Restricted	11,980	—	—	—	—	11,980
Sub-total for CYPR	**11,980**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**11,980**
CYR - Churchyard Maintenan						
Restricted	7,825	150	—	—	—	7,975
Sub-total for CYR	**7,825**	**150**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,975**
Candles - Candles						
Designated	284	—	—	—	—	284
Sub-total for Candles	**284**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**284**
Charity - Charities Restricted						
Restricted	196	—	50	—	—	146
Sub-total for Charity	**196**	**—**	**50**	**—**	**—**	**146**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor						
Restricted	1,431	3,033	1,574	—	—	2,890
Sub-total for Comp	**1,431**	**3,033**	**1,574**	**—**	**—**	**2,890**
Copier - Magazine copying						
Designated	1,563	—	—	—	—	1,563
Sub-total for Copier	**1,563**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,563**
Flower - Flower Fund						
Designated	87	78	95	—	—	70
Sub-total for Flower	**87**	**78**	**95**	**—**	**—**	**70**
Gown - Gowns						
Designated	1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall						
Restricted	520	—	—	—	—	520

Sub-total for HALL	**520**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**520**
INV - Investments						
Designated	32,715	—	—	—	(3,851)	28,864
Sub-total for INV	**32,715**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**(3,851)**	**28,864**
Mission - Mission Fund						
Designated	3,907	—	118	—	—	3,789
Sub-total for Mission	**3,907**	**—**	**118**	**—**	**—**	**3,789**
Music - Music						
Designated	1,219	250	201	—	—	1,268
Sub-total for Music	**1,219**	**250**	**201**	**—**	**—**	**1,268**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elde						
Restricted	1,034	—	—	—	—	1,034
Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,034**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,034**
Tower - Tower						
Designated	47	—	—	—	—	47
Sub-total for Tower	**47**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**47**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionar						
Designated	109	—	—	—	—	109
Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**109**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration						
Designated	625	—	477	—	—	148
Sub-total for Vic	**625**	**—**	**477**	**—**	**—**	**148**
Youth - Youth Bibles						
Designated	1,065	72	—	—	—	1,137
Sub-total for Youth	**1,065**	**72**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,137**
admin - Administration						
Designated	639	—	274	—	—	365
Sub-total for admin	**639**	**—**	**274**	**—**	**—**	**365**
char - Charities						
Designated	1,339	—	—	—	—	1,339
Sub-total for char	**1,339**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,339**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restric						
Restricted	689	5,000	535	—	—	5,154
Sub-total for thanks	**689**	**5,000**	**535**	**—**	**—**	**5,154**
towerR - Tower Restricted						
Restricted	504	—	—	—	—	504
Sub-total for towerR	**504**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**504**
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	477	56,794	51,080	—	—	6,191
Sub-total for General	**477**	**56,794**	**51,080**	**—**	**—**	**6,191**
Grand total	**98,339**	**67,012**	**56,935**	**—**	**(3,851)**	**104,565**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF WALSALL WOOD, ST JOH

England & Wales - Charity number 1138950

Accounts

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Registered Charity number 1138950

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The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John
Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2022

Charity registration number: 1138950

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Walsall Wood, St John. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach all members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Walsall Wood, St John it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and Performance

Following a period of Vacancy from the 1st September 2021, Reverend Lisa Mitchell was appointed as Minister in Charge and licensed on Tuesday 28th June 2022.
There has been a time of renewal and healing within the church community. There has been a noticeable lift within Worship helped by the appointment of organist Andrew Webb reintroducing Sung Eucharist, anthems and a wide range of hymns.

- **Worship and Prayer**
  Reverend Lisa and the PCC continue to be keen to offer a range of services, which attempts to cater to all peoples preferred worship styles.
  Continuing with a variety of services from Holy Communion to Morning Worship, (based upon Common Worship Morning Prayer) and our All-Age Service, we try to enable people to feel comfortable at different stages of their Christian journey.

Baptisms have continued to be held during an afternoon, which seems to be a popular time, and is beginning to grow again in numbers.

Regular morning prayer has been introduced and has been well received within the community.

Intercession prayers continue to be led by a number of laity at the Sunday morning 10.00am Holy Communion and Morning Worship.

We held an Advent course called Travelling Light. In this Advent course, we came alongside a few of those travellers in the Bible. We journeyed with them, reflecting with them, almost getting into conversation with them about their experiences. As we walked together with them, we notice things about where we ourselves have come from and where we are heading.

Revd Lisa is also appointed as a Vocation Advisor.

- **Monthly Worship Pattern**

Sunday Wk 1 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
Sunday Wk 2 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am All Age Worship;
Sunday Wk 3 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;
Sunday Wk 4 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Morning Worship;
Sunday Wk 5 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;

Also: 2.30pm Baptism

We have decided to continue with this pattern of worship for familiarity with times to encourage attendance.
All major festivals have been covered.

Midweek Worship
Since July 2022 we have introduced regular Morning Prayer in Church at 10am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings. This has been well received by the public as a way of the Church being open for prayer during the week.

Special Services are always successful in terms of outreach, mission and attendance. Throughout the year services include the following: Mothering Sunday, Holy Week Services, Ascension Day, Harvest Festival, Memorial Service, Remembrance Cenotaph Service, A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols and Christingle, Crib Service, Midnight Mass.

A Remembrance Sunday service was held at the Cenotaph in front of the church, with wreath laying by uniformed organisations and local dignitaries. Revd Lisa Mitchell led the proceedings following the Parade, assisted by Revd Elizabeth Dunning. The decision was made to have the service outside as it was agreed that it felt more accessible and inclusive.

There was also a time of mourning for Her Majesty the Queen. Marked by a special act of Remembrance. A book of Condolences and the church remaining open for people to pay their respects.

- **Pastoral Offices – weddings, baptisms, funerals**
  Pastoral offices have continued as a way of bringing church and community together at the milestones of their journey through life. For some these times may be the only connection they have ever had with Church so the priority is being a warm and welcoming place. As a way of making it more visible to the community with regard to the pastoral offices, we have recently redesigned the porch with an ai m to signpost people towards the options available to them.

  Baptism We continue to have reasonably high numbers of enquiries regarding Baptisms. Preparation usually takes place either at the church or in the homes of the parents, depending upon the minister. The aim would be to develop this further by bringing families together for baptism preparation as a way of bringing community together with young families.

  Weddings The number of Weddings has been quite low at St John's, we are looking into different ways of approaching this by exploring the options of a Wedding Fayre in Church to promote local community business as well as the Church Building.

  Funeral ministry Funeral numbers have been considerably lower this year. There may be several reasons for this. Going through an interregnum may have had an impact but also the different options for Funeral now available from the Funeral Directors has affected this across many Churches. One way of tackling this may be by developing stronger relationships between Church and Funeral Directors.
  Families are always visited within good time before the funeral to allow time for the preparation.
  The deceased are added to the weekly prayer list and also prayed for at Morning prayer.
  The families are also invited to our Annual Memorial Service.

  This year, we have celebrated 22 baptisms and 3 wedding and held 13 funerals with 12 internments of ashes in Walsall Wood cemetery.
  Ministers also presided over 7 crematorium funerals.

- **Mission and Evangelism**
  The aim of the Church is to be seen as being part of the community and to share God's love and to work for the Kingdom. Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The Church supports several charities including Compassion and the Children's Society. We supported the UNHCR appeal for Ukraine earlier in the year as well. Locally the church family supports the Walsall North Food Bank. Once again, the collection of Christmas gifts has been given to Aven House (a local refuge for domestic violence).

  We continue to use social media to inform and offer Christian insights into our worship lives. We have a dedicated Facebook profile.

  Weekly/Monthly home communion also takes place across the parish.

  The church continues to develop links and extensive work is still being carried out with the three primary schools and local nursery.

Rev Lisa has continued to develop the link with our church school. With regular visits and working with the pupils in prayer walks around the school. We have a very strong partnership with our Church School, who have been able to hold various services in church this year with great attendance from families and friends establishing a closer link with the community. This is now also developing within the local nursery.

Messy Church continues to be part of our mission to families, sadly due to the pandemic numbers have fallen drastically. The decision was made to take a short break and time to reflect. Messy Church returned on Good Friday followed by a change of day and time.

- **Pastoral Care**
  Pastoral care continues to be an important part of St John's Ministry. Members of our parish who are unable to attend church due to sickness or age are visited regularly for pastoral care and to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital if requested. As this Ministry continues to grow the aim will be to develop a Pastoral Care Team in the future.

- **Deanery Synod**
  Three members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. Our PCC Secretary is also the Deanery Secretary.

The Community Hall
The Hall is a warm welcoming place. The use of the Hall by the church and local community continues. We welcome our local Guiding Group, an AA Group, The Women's Institute and a Karate Club. The facilities are also available to lettings for children's birthday parties, baptism and funeral receptions.

A review of fees took place in the Autumn and new Hire documentation was issued to all current users.

- **Social Events**
  St. John's aims to have a varied social programme. Fund Raising events form an important part of the Church social life as well, so the Summer and Christmas Fayres always prove popular attractions for the Church family and community in general. We enjoyed a lovely Fish & Chip Supper and Quiz evening , and also had great success with a Jumble Sale.

- **Brookland Road Cemetery**
  A small team of volunteers have continued to maintain the churchyard at Brookland Road. Although it continues to be a struggle, they have worked extremely hard looking after the vast areas, keeping the churchyard neat and tidy and loved by the community. Our thanks go out to everyone who has helped in some way, small or large.

Brookland Road contains some 17 or more War Memorial graves, so in November a small Act of Remembrance was held in the churchyard to remember those who gave so much for us.

The long term future of the Churchyard still remains a question for the Church to consider, now that it can no longer support any new burials or interment of ashes. This special area has a large emotional connection with the community of Walsall Wood, which will be taken into consideration when the Church looks to review its policy on any future courses of action, when considering the Churchyard's future.

- **Fabric Report**
  The Church and Community Hall are fully back to normal running with maintenance continually ongoing. The Boilers in both have been serviced and a Gas certificate issued. The Lightning Conductor on the Church was found to be faulty but this was repaired immediately and we have received a Lightning Conductor Certificate for a further year. Due to the dangerous state of the entrance carpet to the Church this was replaced with hard wearing carpet in keeping with the Church colours. No major structural repair work has been carried out.

Financial Review

At the end of the year there was an unrestricted reserve surplus of £6,191, compared to £477 from 2021.

The Church has numerous 'Designated' funds due to the various committed activities, in particular Building, Churchyard and Mission Funds. Whilst it should be noted the designated funds are unrestricted funds, the value in these funds is monitored regularly to ensure there are enough unrestricted funds to maintain support for committed costs in the Parish.

Following a very difficult financial period for the Church over many years, liabilities have been considerably reduced to manageable levels.

The Church of England Common Fund has replaced the Parish Share in name and it's calculation for every Parish has been welcomed. It is hoped that this major expense to a Parish is a sustainable and fair source of funding for the provision of clergy in the Diocese.

Our principal source of fundraising is the giving by the members of the church supported by a range of fundraising events throughout the year. However, all streams of income suffered following the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic. Attendances at church have recovered to a certain extent, but our finances remain under constant review.

We make extensive use of the opportunities provided by the Gift Aid Scheme.

Our expenditure supports the mission of the church through the maintenance and development of buildings and equipment, the funding of running costs and the payment of salaries, expenses, fees and the Common Fund (Parish Share). In addition, funding has supported the church's work in our own community, as well as supporting other charities and good causes.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. In 2022 this was equivalent to £12,770 (2021: £12,068). It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was £6,191 (2021: £477) which is much lower than this target.
It is our policy to invest the short-term investment fund balances with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund and the remainder in the CCLA Church of England Investment Fund.

Investment Policy

The charity is granted power to invest in suitable investments under the PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Trustees Act 2000. As a charity, the Trustees have a duty of care to take such advice as is appropriate before investments are undertaken. This advice is sought from the Central Board of Finance (CCLA) in London.

The charity's investment policies are based on two key principles: -

- Ethical Investment – this includes ensuring that investments are held in companies which have high standards of corporate governance and act in a responsible way towards stakeholders.
- Long-term responsibilities – the trustees are aware of their long-term responsibilities in respect of the Restricted and Unrestricted reserves and as a result follow a prudent approach to investment decisions.

Investment policy for long-term funds is aimed primarily at generating a sustainable income, with due regard to the need for the preservation of capital value, and the possible need to realise investments to meet operational needs. The charity does not have a policy of generating income at excessive or high risk – known as "purchasing income", where high returns are guaranteed at the expense of capital.

In summary, the charity has an overall policy to maximise income while preserving the real value of its funds. Due to the nature of the charity, an ethical investment policy is taken into consideration when investments are made:
The charity follows the Ethical Investment Advisory policy as recommended by the Lichfield Diocese which includes the following:

"We aim to invest in companies that:

* will develop their business in the interests of shareholders;
* demonstrate responsible employment practices;
* are conscientious concerning issues of corporate governance, the environment and human rights;
* are sensitive to the community in which they operate."

Planned giving, collections and donations are the main sources of fund raising along with tax recoverable.

Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year.

Fundraising

The PCC takes it's fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

Volunteers

The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community. Our special thanks go to our Church Wardens, Lay Chair, PCC Secretary and Treasurer, who have worked so tirelessly on our behalf during the Vacancy period, and have supported our new Minister during this first six months of her appointment.

Future Plans

As we continue to be in uncertain times, there is always an ongoing concern for a potential shortfall in funding again in 2023. The Cost of Living crisis fuelled by unprecedented energy costs will put an extra strain on sources of Parish income and church resources.

We are conscious of the need to increase our regular giving as a Church Family to support the growth of the Church and to contribute to major repair work that will need to be made to the church structure in the near future.

Our hope is to welcome more parishioners into our Church in 2023, whether that be to worship or to attend the special family occasions for weddings, baptisms or funerals. St John's must remain at the heart of the Community of Walsall Wood.

Risk Management

The Church Wardens carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC meet at least 6 times a year.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £14,111 (2021: £17,600). All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

No remuneration was paid to any trustee during the year.

Expenses paid to Trustees

1 trustee was reimbursed £921 for telephone and broadband expenses during the year.

Reference and Administrative details

The Church is situated at High Street, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9LP, and is part of the Deanery of Walsall, in the Diocese of Lichfield.

The correspondence address is
The Vicarage, 2 St John's Close, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9NJ.

Registered charity number 1138950.

Our website address is www.stjohnswalsallwood.com

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2022 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio Members	
The Incumbent	Reverend Lisa Mitchell (Chair) (from 28/6/22)
Churchwardens	Sharon Hodgetts
	Jane Lavender
Deanery Synod Reps	Valerie Benford (and Secretary)
	Colin Roberts
	Sue Pugh (from 24/4/22)
Elected Members	Robert Grainger (Lay Chair)
	Robert Worrallo (Treasurer)
	Sue Barley
	Helen Harris
	Doreen Sears
	Gillian Rigby (from 24/4/22)
	Barbara Grainger (from 24/4/22)
	Jean King (from 19/5/22)
	Alison Edwards (until 24/4/22)

The Patron of St John's, Walsall Wood is the Rector of St Matthews, Walsall.

Names and addresses of advisers

Bank	HSBC
	5 Anchor Road, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 8AD
Investment Managers	CCLA
	1 Angel Lane, London EC4R 3AB

Independent Examiner	Cosy Bagot Jewitt Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Approved by the PCC on 21st March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Rev Lisa Mitchell (Chair)

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Valerie Benford (Secretary)

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Walsall Wood, St John

Registered charity number 1138950

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- 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 have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Cosy Bagot Jewitt Date: 14/8/23

Cosy Bagot Jewitt
For and on behalf of Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2022

Accounting Policies
The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements 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 nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement
The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern
There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. Whilst free reserves (see page 6) are low (£6,191) compared to three months unrestricted expenditure (£12,770), the PCC have significant designated reserves (£27,916) which could be called upon if necessary.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors
No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.
No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Description of Funds
Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.
Restricted funds comprise of two elements:
a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
b) 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. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Income
Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Accounting Policies continued

Expenditure
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 diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs
Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.
Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets
Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(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 can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.
No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.

Investments
Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Debtors
Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash expected to be received.

Creditors and Accruals
Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	44,215	150	8,203	—	52,567	58,513
Income from charitable activities	6,166	1,865	—	—	8,031	12,052
Other trading activities	5,413	—	—	—	5,413	2,731
Investments	1,001	—	—	—	1,001	951
Total income	**56,794**	**2,015**	**8,203**	**—**	**67,012**	**74,246**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	—	—	—	—	—	101
Expenditure on charitable activities	51,080	3,246	2,609	—	56,935	51,172
Total expenditure	**51,080**	**3,246**	**2,609**	**—**	**56,935**	**51,273**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**5,714**	**(1,231)**	**5,594**	**—**	**10,077**	**22,974**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	—	—	—	—	660
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	—	—	—	—	(660)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	(3,851)	—	—	(3,851)	—
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—	4,094
Net movement in funds	**5,714**	**(5,082)**	**5,594**	**—**	**6,226**	**27,068**
Total funds brought forward	**477**	**61,862**	**36,000**	**—**	**98,339**	**71,271**
Total funds carried forward	**6,191**	**56,780**	**41,594**	**—**	**104,565**	**98,339**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	6,191	—	—	—	6,191	477
Designated						
Administration	—	365	—	—	365	639
Building	—	7,578	—	—	7,578	7,578
Candles	—	284	—	—	284	284
Charities	—	1,339	—	—	1,339	1,339
Children & Young People	—	695	—	—	695	695
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	—	7,810	—	—	7,810	8,276
Flower Fund	—	70	—	—	70	87
Gowns	—	1,027	—	—	1,027	1,027
Investments	—	28,864	—	—	28,864	32,715
Magazine copying	—	1,563	—	—	1,563	1,563
Mission Fund	—	3,789	—	—	3,789	3,907
Music	—	1,268	—	—	1,268	1,219
School Bibles	—	688	—	—	688	688
Tower	—	47	—	—	47	47
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	109	—	—	109	109
Vicarage Decoration	—	148	—	—	148	625
Youth Bibles	—	1,137	—	—	1,137	1,065
Restricted						
Baby & Toddler	—	—	544	—	544	994
Charities Restricted	—	—	146	—	146	196
Children & Young People Restricted	—	—	11,980	—	11,980	11,980
Church Hall	—	—	520	—	520	520
Churchyard Appeal	—	—	10,847	—	10,847	10,827
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	—	—	7,975	—	7,975	7,825
Compassion - sponsored children	—	—	2,890	—	2,890	1,431
Pastoral Care - Elderly	—	—	1,034	—	1,034	1,034
Thanksgiving Restricted	—	—	5,154	—	5,154	689
Tower Restricted	—	—	504	—	504	504

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Balance sheet

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Fixed assets		
Investments	28,864	32,715
	28,864	**32,715**
Current assets		
Debtors	1,091	804
Cash at bank and in hand	78,933	80,918
	80,023	**81,722**
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	4,322	16,098
	4,322	**16,098**
Net current assets less current liabilities	**75,701**	**65,624**
Total assets less current liabilities	**104,565**	**98,339**
Total net assets less liabilities	**104,565**	**98,339**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	6,191	477
Designated		
Gowns	1,027	1,027
Investments	28,864	32,715
Mission Fund	3,789	3,907
Music	1,268	1,219
Tower	47	47
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	109	109
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School Bibles	688	688
Youth Bibles	1,137	1,065
Administration	365	639
Charities	1,339	1,339
Building	7,578	7,578
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	7,810	8,276
Children & Young People	695	695
Candles	284	284
Magazine copying	1,563	1,563
Flower Fund	70	87
Restricted		
Baby & Toddler	544	994
Thanksgiving Restricted	5,154	689
Tower Restricted	504	504
Churchyard Appeal	10,847	10,827
Children & Young People Restricted	11,980	11,980
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	7,975	7,825
Charities Restricted	146	196
Compassion - sponsored children	2,890	1,431
Church Hall	520	520
Pastoral Care - Elderly	1,034	1,034
Funds of the church	**104,565**	**98,339**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 21st March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature: .....

Name: Revd Vicar Mitchell

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

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Analysis of Funds - 2022

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
Investments -	—	28,864	—	—	28,864	32,715
Totals	**—**	**28,864**	**—**	**—**	**28,864**	**32,715**
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
HSBC current account -	(25,948)	16,147	12,122	—	2,321	9,097
HSBC Churchyard account -	(1,708)	10,769	16,789	—	25,849	23,747
Deposit account -	32,051	—	13,518	—	45,569	42,867
CBF Deposit account -	3,320	1,269	—	—	4,589	3,675
CBF Churchyard account -	(293)	—	348	—	55	54
IDS -	—	148	—	—	148	625
Petty cash -	58	—	—	—	58	58
Baby & toddler account -	—	—	344	—	344	794
Totals	**7,480**	**28,333**	**43,120**	**—**	**78,933**	**80,918**
Current assets - Debtors						
End of year Debtors -	1,091	—	—	—	1,091	—
Accounts Receivable -	—	—	—	—	—	804
Totals	**1,091**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,091**	**804**
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	1,526	—	1,526	2,008
Totals	**—**	**—**	**1,526**	**—**	**1,526**	**2,008**
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
End of Year Creditors -	2,277	417	—	—	2,694	—
End of year Income in advance -	102	—	—	—	102	—
Common Fund Arrears -	—	—	—	—	—	13,364
Accounts Payable -	—	—	—	—	—	726
Totals	**2,379**	**417**	**—**	**—**	**2,796**	**14,090**
Grand total	**6,191**	**56,780**	**41,594**	**—**	**104,565**	**98,339**

Fund movement by type - 2022

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	994	—	450	—	—	544
Sub-total for Baby	**994**	**—**	**450**	**—**	**—**	**544**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	688	—	—	—	—	688
Sub-total for Bible	**688**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**688**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,578	—	—	—	—	7,578
Sub-total for Build	**7,578**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,578**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,827	20	—	—	—	10,847
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,827**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**10,847**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenan						
Designated	8,276	1,615	2,081	—	—	7,810
Sub-total for CYM	**8,276**	**1,615**	**2,081**	**—**	**—**	**7,810**
CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	695	—	—	—	—	695
Sub-total for CYP	**695**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**695**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						

Restricted		11,980	—	—	—	—	11,980
	Sub-total for CYPR	**11,980**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**11,980**
CYR - Churchyard Maintenan							
Restricted		7,825	150	—	—	—	7,975
	Sub-total for CYR	**7,825**	**150**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,975**
Candles - Candles							
Designated		284	—	—	—	—	284
	Sub-total for Candles	**284**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**284**
Charity - Charities Restricted							
Restricted		196	—	50	—	—	146
	Sub-total for Charity	**196**	**—**	**50**	**—**	**—**	**146**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor							
Restricted		1,431	3,033	1,574	—	—	2,890
	Sub-total for Comp	**1,431**	**3,033**	**1,574**	**—**	**—**	**2,890**
Copier - Magazine copying							
Designated		1,563	—	—	—	—	1,563
	Sub-total for Copier	**1,563**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,563**
Flower - Flower Fund							
Designated		87	78	95	—	—	70
	Sub-total for Flower	**87**	**78**	**95**	**—**	**—**	**70**
Gown - Gowns							
Designated		1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
	Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall							
Restricted		520	—	—	—	—	520
	Sub-total for HALL	**520**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**520**
INV - Investments							
Designated		32,715	—	—	—	(3,851)	28,864
	Sub-total for INV	**32,715**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**(3,851)**	**28,864**
Mission - Mission Fund							
Designated		3,907	—	118	—	—	3,789
	Sub-total for Mission	**3,907**	**—**	**118**	**—**	**—**	**3,789**
Music - Music							
Designated		1,219	250	201	—	—	1,268
	Sub-total for Music	**1,219**	**250**	**201**	**—**	**—**	**1,268**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elde							
Restricted		1,034	—	—	—	—	1,034
	Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,034**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,034**
Tower - Tower							
Designated		47	—	—	—	—	47
	Sub-total for Tower	**47**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**47**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionar							
Designated		109	—	—	—	—	109
	Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**109**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration							
Designated		625	—	477	—	—	148
	Sub-total for Vic	**625**	**—**	**477**	**—**	**—**	**148**
Youth - Youth Bibles							
Designated		1,065	72	—	—	—	1,137
	Sub-total for Youth	**1,065**	**72**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,137**
admin - Administration							
Designated		639	—	274	—	—	365
	Sub-total for admin	**639**	**—**	**274**	**—**	**—**	**365**
char - Charities							
Designated		1,339	—	—	—	—	1,339
	Sub-total for char	**1,339**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,339**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restric							

Restricted		689	5,000	535	—	—	5,154
	Sub-total for thanks	**689**	**5,000**	**535**	**—**	**—**	**5,154**
towerR - Tower Restricted							
Restricted		504	—	—	—	—	504
	Sub-total for towerR	**504**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**504**
General - General fund							
Unrestricted		477	56,794	51,080	—	—	6,191
	Sub-total for General	**477**	**56,794**	**51,080**	**—**	**—**	**6,191**
	Grand total	**98,339**	**67,012**	**56,935**	**—**	**(3,851)**	**104,565**

Analysis of Transfer between Funds

No transfers in the year.

Fund Description

Designated Funds

• Admin	For the payment of Administration for funerals and weddings
• Attendant	Payment for the churchyard attendant
• Building	For maintenance of the Church Building
• Candles	Donation from votive candle stand towards purchase of altar requirements
• Ch Young P	Donations for work with children and young adults
• Charities	Donations and collections for specific charities
• Copy	For the payment of usage of copier
• CY Maint	For the maintenance of the churchyard at St Johns & Brookland Road
• F Organist	Payments for the organist for funerals
• F Verger	Payments for the verger for funerals
• Fees	Fees due to LDBF
• Flower	Donations for the purchase of flowers
• Gowns	For maintenance of robes in the church
• Investments	Shares we hold
• Mission	Funding towards the Mission of the church
• Music	For maintenance of the organ and music of the Church
• School Bibles	For purchase of bibles for school leavers at St Johns Primary School
• Tower	For maintenance of the Church tower and electrics
• Vicars Discres Fund	For use by the vicar to assist those in need
• Vicarage Decorating	For decorating costs for the vicarage
• Wedding Deposits	Deposits for weddings
• W Verger	Payments for the Verger for weddings
• Youth Bibles	Donations for the purchase of Youth Bibles

Restricted Funds

• Baby	Church grp
• Building	For maintenance of the Church Building
• Ch Young P	Donations for work with children and young adults
• Charities	Donations and collections for specific charities
• Choir Soc	Church grp
• Churchyard Appeal	For the maintenance of Brookland Road Churchyard
• Compassion	Donations for the children sponsored through Compassion
• CY Maint	For the maintenance of Brookland Road Churchyard
• Hall	Donation for Church Hall
• Senior Citizens	For our work with Senior Citizens
• Thanks	Donations in Thanksgiving for use by the church for larger items
• Tower	For maintenance of the Church tower and electrics

Analysis of income and expenditure

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
Donations and legacies						
Gift Aid - Bank	8,391	—	—	—	8,391	13,329
Gift Aid Giving one off donations	10	—	—	—	10	—
GA Donation	123	—	5,000	—	5,123	—
Gift Aid - Envelopes	9,394	—	—	—	9,394	9,399
Other planned giving	5,290	—	—	—	5,290	4,786
Church collections	4,007	—	—	—	4,007	3,250
Collections baptism	622	—	—	—	622	811
Collections funerals	307	—	—	—	307	996
Collections weddings	13	—	—	—	13	—
Messy Church collections	56	—	—	—	56	—
Contactless Receipts	936	—	—	—	936	158
JUST GIVING DONATIONS	—	—	—	—	—	2,936
Donations Appeals	2	—	—	—	2	—
Donations compassion	—	—	3,033	—	3,033	1,845
Donation flower fund	—	78	—	—	78	25
Donation other	608	72	150	—	830	2,117
Candle Stand donations	166	—	—	—	166	134
Donations appeals etc	—	—	—	—	—	5,035
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	8,727	—	—	—	8,727	8,340
Non-recurring one-off grants	950	—	—	—	950	—
Fundraising & Social Events	3,251	—	—	—	3,251	1,303
Coffee mornings	5	—	—	—	5	19
Summer / Christmas Fayre	1,357	—	—	—	1,357	3,995
Churchyard Appeal	—	—	20	—	20	35
Total	44,215	150	8,203	—	52,567	58,513
Income from charitable activities						
PCC fees wedding	1,336	—	—	—	1,336	422
PCC fees funeral	4,183	1,635	—	—	5,818	8,723
PCC Local Fees	647	225	—	—	872	1,929
Church hall lettings - objectives	—	—	—	—	—	710
Churchyard maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	268
Miscellaneous	—	5	—	—	5	—
Total	6,166	1,865	—	—	8,031	12,052
Other trading activities						
Magazine adverts	410	—	—	—	410	—
Community hall lettings	3,107	—	—	—	3,107	1,369
Parish magazine sales	236	—	—	—	236	62
Church room lettings	1,660	—	—	—	1,660	1,300
Total	5,413	—	—	—	5,413	2,731
Investments						
Dividends	15	—	—	—	15	15
Interest deposit account	71	—	—	—	71	4
Interest CBF account	56	—	—	—	56	2
Interest CBF churchyard acount	1	—	—	—	1	0
Dividends Investment a/c 620089001S	858	—	—	—	858	830
Bank and building society interest	—	—	—	—	—	100
Total	1,001	—	—	—	1,001	951
INCOME TOTAL	56,794	2,015	8,203	—	67,012	74,246

EXPENDITURE

Raising funds

Costs of stewardship campaign	—	—	—	—	—	101
Total	—	—	—	—	—	101

Expenditure on charitable activities

Giving to missionary societies Bible Soc	120	—	—	—	120	120
Giving - relief and development agencies	497	—	—	—	497	210
Giving Secular charities	390	—	50	—	440	455
Secular charities compassion	30	—	1,574	—	1,604	1,619
Common Fund	45,192	—	—	—	45,192	52,023
Common Fund Special Assessment	(5,192)	—	—	—	(5,192)	(12,023)
Common Fund Support Package	—	—	—	—	—	(3,333)
Diocesan Parish Share Write Off	(13,364)	—	—	—	(13,364)	(13,364)
Director of music	—	—	—	—	—	3,524
Salary of secretary	2,859	—	—	—	2,859	6,857
Working exps of other ministers	45	—	—	—	45	24
Parsonage house expenses	515	477	—	—	992	103
Water rates - vicarage	—	—	—	—	—	121
Vicar's telephone	921	—	—	—	921	738
Mission	—	118	—	—	118	200
Mission - Messy Church	18	—	—	—	18	39
Parish Training	—	—	—	—	—	160
Deanery contribution	105	—	—	—	105	—
Misc	202	34	—	—	236	79
Waste	206	—	—	—	206	197
Hospitality	489	—	—	—	489	48
Maint of heating & light equip	260	—	—	—	260	295
Maint of other equipment	48	—	—	—	48	158
Organ / piano tuning	201	201	—	—	402	—
Minor repairs (inc routine maint)	105	—	—	—	105	575
Church maintenance	738	300	535	—	1,573	269
Cleaning materials	—	—	—	—	—	15
Upkeep of services	1,360	25	—	—	1,385	120
Altar requisites	103	—	—	—	103	28
Music	110	—	—	—	110	110
Licence fees	226	—	—	—	226	546
Ministerial resources	117	—	—	—	117	—
Upkeep of churchyard	—	—	—	—	—	742
Maint of churchyards	—	1,183	—	—	1,183	200
Maint rep of churchyard equip	—	598	—	—	598	292
Church office telephone	1,296	—	—	—	1,296	1,202
Administration	37	240	—	—	277	—
Stationery etc	54	—	—	—	54	51
Copier	466	—	—	—	466	460
Postage	11	—	—	—	11	115
Software	281	—	—	—	281	98
Children Young Peoples work	—	—	450	—	450	343
Flower fund exp	—	70	—	—	70	20
Church insurance	2,715	—	—	—	2,715	2,625
Church Electric	1,629	—	—	—	1,629	873
Church Gas	2,455	—	—	—	2,455	524
Church Water	315	—	—	—	315	228
Magazine expenses	439	—	—	—	439	—
Hall electricity	900	—	—	—	900	791
Hall gas	1,589	—	—	—	1,589	893
Hall insurance	817	—	—	—	817	781
Hall maintenance	281	—	—	—	281	260
Hall equipment	488	—	—	—	488	—
Hall waste	206	—	—	—	206	197
Hall cleaner	340	—	—	—	340	—
Hall cleaning materials	10	—	—	—	10	—
Hall misc	—	—	—	—	—	115

Book Keeping Costs	450	—	—	—	450	450
Total	51,080	3,246	2,609	—	56,935	51,172
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	51,080	3,246	2,609	—	56,935	51,273
GRAND TOTAL	5,714	(1,231)	5,594	—	10,077	22,974

Allocation of Support Costs

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

Staff Costs

	2022	2021
Wages & Salaries	£2,859	£ 10,381
Average number of employees	1	2

During the year the PCC employed an administrator (part-time) for part of the year and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £14,111 (2021: £17,600). All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

No remuneration was paid to any trustee during the year.

Expenses paid to Trustees

1 trustee was reimbursed £921 for telephone and broadband expenses during the year.

Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2022 £	2021 £
Independent Examiner's fees	-	-
Other fees (eg accountancy services includes cost of IE)	£450	£450

Fixed Assets

Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Funds Investments	32,715	-	-	-	(3,851)	28,864
Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**32,715**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**(3,851)**	**28,864**

The investment is shares in the CBF Investment Fund

Current Assets

Debtors

	2022 £	**2021 £**
Gift aid recoverable	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
Other debtors	1,091	804
Total	**1,091**	**804**

Liabilities

Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	**2021 £**
Income in advance	102	-
Diocesan parish share	-	13,364
Other creditors	2,694	726
Agency *(restricted)*	1,526	2,008
Total	**4,322**	**16,098**

Under a Share Package agreed in May 2019, the Diocese has rebased the Share Requested for 2022, from £52,023 to £40,000. This was paid in full during the year.

As the revised Share has been paid in full, the Diocese has written off the balance of the arrears (£13,365)

Parish share arrears are made up as follows:	2022 £	2021 £
Relating to 2016	-	5,059
Relating to 2018	-	8,305
	-	**13,364**

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Prior Year Comparatives

Statement of Financial Activities - 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	56,363	285	1,865	—	58,513	57,201
Income from charitable activities	8,873	3,179	—	—	12,052	9,105
Other trading activities	2,731	—	—	—	2,731	1,649
Investments	951	—	—	—	951	868
Total income	**68,918**	**3,464**	**1,865**	**—**	**74,246**	**68,823**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	101	—	—	—	101	105
Expenditure on charitable activities	48,171	1,084	1,917	—	51,172	55,700
Total expenditure	**48,272**	**1,084**	**1,917**	**—**	**51,273**	**55,805**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**20,645**	**2,380**	**(52)**	**—**	**22,974**	**13,019**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	660	—	—	—	660	465
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	(660)	—	—	(660)	(465)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	4,094	—	—	4,094	1,842
Net movement in funds	**21,305**	**5,814**	**(52)**	**—**	**27,068**	**14,860**
Total funds brought forward	**(20,829)**	**56,048**	**36,052**	**—**	**71,271**	**56,411**
Total funds carried forward	**477**	**61,862**	**36,000**	**—**	**98,339**	**71,271**

Analysis of Funds - 2021

		General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand							
HSBC current account -		(13,928)	16,571	6,454	—	9,097	924
HSBC Churchyard account -		(3,729)	10,581	16,895	—	23,747	24,110
Deposit account -		29,349	—	13,518	—	42,867	39,314
CBF Deposit account -		2,406	1,269	—	—	3,675	2,843
CBF Churchyard account -		(294)	—	348	—	54	54
IDS -		—	625	—	—	625	625
Petty cash -		58	—	—	—	58	100
Baby & toddler account -		—	—	794	—	794	1,116
	Totals	**13,863**	**29,047**	**38,008**	**—**	**80,918**	**69,086**
Current assets - Debtors							
Accounts Receivable -		704	100	—	—	804	2,308
	Totals	**704**	**100**	**—**	**—**	**804**	**2,308**
Fixed assets - Investments							
Investments -		—	32,715	—	—	32,715	28,621
	Totals	**—**	**32,715**	**—**	**—**	**32,715**	**28,621**
Liabilities - Agency accounts							
Agency collections -		—	—	2,008	—	2,008	1,223
	Totals	**—**	**—**	**2,008**	**—**	**2,008**	**1,223**

Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Parish Share Arrears -	13,364	—	—	—	13,364	26,728
Accounts Payable -	726	—	—	—	726	793
Totals	**14,090**	—	—	—	**14,090**	**27,521**
Grand total	**477**	**61,862**	**36,000**	—	**98,339**	**71,271**

Fund movement by type - 2021

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	1,316	—	323	—	—	994
Sub-total for Baby	**1,316**	—	**323**	—	—	**994**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	688	—	—	—	—	688
Sub-total for Bible	**688**	—	—	—	—	**688**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,578	—	—	—	—	7,578
Sub-total for Build	**7,578**	—	—	—	—	**7,578**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,807	20	—	—	—	10,827
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,807**	**20**	—	—	—	**10,827**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenance						
Designated	6,066	2,944	734	—	—	8,276
Sub-total for CYM	**6,066**	**2,944**	**734**	—	—	**8,276**
CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	895	—	200	—	—	695
Sub-total for CYP	**895**	—	**200**	—	—	**695**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						
Restricted	11,980	—	—	—	—	11,980
Sub-total for CYPR	**11,980**	—	—	—	—	**11,980**
CYR - Churchyard Maintenance						
Restricted	7,825	—	—	—	—	7,825
Sub-total for CYR	**7,825**	—	—	—	—	**7,825**
Candles - Candles						
Designated	284	—	—	—	—	284
Sub-total for Candles	**284**	—	—	—	—	**284**
Charity - Charities Restricted						
Restricted	196	—	—	—	—	196
Sub-total for Charity	**196**	—	—	—	—	**196**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor						
Restricted	1,180	1,845	1,594	—	—	1,431
Sub-total for Comp	**1,180**	**1,845**	**1,594**	—	—	**1,431**
Copier - Magazine copying						
Designated	1,563	—	—	—	—	1,563
Sub-total for Copier	**1,563**	—	—	—	—	**1,563**
Flower - Flower Fund						
Designated	82	25	20	—	—	87
Sub-total for Flower	**82**	**25**	**20**	—	—	**87**
Gown - Gowns						
Designated	1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	—	—	—	—	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall						
Restricted	520	—	—	—	—	520
Sub-total for HALL	**520**	—	—	—	—	**520**

INV - Investments						
Designated	28,621	—	—	—	4,094	32,715
Sub-total for INV	**28,621**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**4,094**	**32,715**
Mission - Mission Fund						
Designated	3,907	20	20	—	—	3,907
Sub-total for Mission	**3,907**	**20**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**3,907**
Music - Music						
Designated	879	450	110	—	—	1,219
Sub-total for Music	**879**	**450**	**110**	**—**	**—**	**1,219**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elderly						
Restricted	1,034	—	—	—	—	1,034
Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,034**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,034**
Tower - Tower						
Designated	47	—	—	—	—	47
Sub-total for Tower	**47**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**47**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionary						
Designated	109	—	—	—	—	109
Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**109**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration						
Designated	625	—	—	—	—	625
Sub-total for Vic	**625**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**625**
Wedding - Wedding deposits						
Designated	660	—	—	(660)	—	—
Sub-total for Wedding	**660**	**—**	**—**	**(660)**	**—**	**—**
Youth - Youth Bibles						
Designated	1,040	25	—	—	—	1,065
Sub-total for Youth	**1,040**	**25**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,065**
admin - Administration						
Designated	639	—	—	—	—	639
Sub-total for admin	**639**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**639**
char - Charities						
Designated	1,339	—	—	—	—	1,339
Sub-total for char	**1,339**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,339**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restricted						
Restricted	689	—	—	—	—	689
Sub-total for thanks	**689**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**689**
towerR - Tower Restricted						
Restricted	504	—	—	—	—	504
Sub-total for towerR	**504**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**504**
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	(20,829)	68,918	48,272	660	—	477
Sub-total for General	**(20,829)**	**68,918**	**48,272**	**660**	**—**	**477**
Grand total	**71,271**	**74,246**	**51,273**	**—**	**4,094**	**98,339**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF WALSALL WOOD, ST JOH

England & Wales - Charity number 1138950

Accounts

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

For the year ended 31st December 2021

Registered Charity number 1138950

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The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John
Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

Charity registration number: 1138950

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church. The incumbent, until 31st August 2021, was the Reverend David Babbington. The Parish has been In Vacancy since that date.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Walsall Wood, St John. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach all members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Walsall Wood, St John it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and Performance

- Following the 2020 periods of National Lockdowns due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, 2021 saw better times as the Church building gradually reopened.
  However, on 1st September the Church entered a period of Vacancy, following the departure of Revd Babbington.

- **Worship and Prayer**
  The PCC is keen to offer a range of services both during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. The church attempts to cater to all peoples preferred worship styles.

We have a variety of services from Holy Communion to Morning Worship (based upon Common Worship Morning Prayer) and our All-Age Service.

During the last year the afternoon Baptism Services continued to be very popular, effective, and successful. We are grateful to Rev David Sims for assisting with these services.

Intercession prayers continue to be led by a number of laity at the Sunday morning 10.00am Holy Communion and Morning Worship.

We held an online Lent Course and the Minister continued to guide people to discover their potential and release people into ministry

Revd David also worked as a Vocation Advisor, Spiritual Director, pastored a group in Wolverhampton of Christian LGBTQ+ Asylum Seekers and Refugees, and was Pastor of an LGBTQ+ Group called 'Outside In' at St John's and was Rector of the Lichfield Chapter of the Society of Catholic Priests.

- **Monthly Worship Pattern**
  Sunday Wk 1 – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion; **Sunday Wk 2** – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am All Age Worship; **Sunday Wk 3** – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion; **Sunday Wk 4** – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Morning Worship; **Sunday Wk 5** – 9.00am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion;

  Also: 2.30pm & 3.30pm Baptism

  This pattern of worship was implemented due to the pandemic and has continued since churches have been fully open to worship. Weekly online services at 10am continued until November and all major festivals have been covered.

  Special Services are always successful in terms of outreach, mission and attendance. Throughout the year services include the following: Mothering Sunday, Holy Week Services, Ascension Day, Harvest Festival, Memorial Service, Remembrance Cenotaph Service, A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols and Christingle,

  A Remembrance Sunday service was held at the Cenotaph in front of the church, with wreath laying by uniformed organisations and local dignitaries. Revd Elizabeth Dunning from the Methodist Church led the proceedings following the Parade. However, for the second year the service was unable to continue in church, due to the numbers of people present.

- **Pastoral Offices – weddings, baptisms, funerals**
  As well as our regular services we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of their journey through life. The church has enhanced their engagement with the many people who bring children to baptism through improved hospitality and administration, baptism preparation, and creative use of the service. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life and in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessings.

  Baptism preparation usually takes place either at the church or in the homes of the parents, depending upon the minister. This approach has become well embedded into our church practice and has been accepted well by participants.

Weddings are also supported with preparation evenings. We have tried to accommodate the various requests of couples and have even had our minister sing at one of the weddings.

Funeral ministry continues to be high in the parish. All families are usually visited before the service. These visits are carried out by clergy or Readers (whoever is taking the service). We advise them that we pray for the deceased for a month following the funeral and by extension we pray for them. We also invite them back to our Annual Memorial Service.

This year, we have celebrated 30 baptisms and 1 wedding and held 32 funerals with 20 internment of ashes in Walsall Wood cemetery
Ministers also presided over 15 crematorium funerals.

- **Mission and Evangelism**

The aim of the church must not be self-serving but to seek to share God's love and to work for the Kingdom. Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The Church supports several charities including Compassion, Water Aid at the Harvest Auction, Christian Aid and the Children's Society. Locally the church family supports the Walsall North Food Bank. Once again, the collection of Easter Eggs and Christmas gifts have been given to Aven House (a local refuge for domestic violence).

We continue to use social media to inform and offer Christian insights into our worship lives. We have a dedicated website and a Facebook profile.

Weekly/Monthly home communion also takes place across the parish.

The church continues to develop links and extensive work is still being carried out with the three primary schools. Rev David made visits to schools to consolidate the link through a range of activities and events. Our links with our church school have continued to thrive. We have a very strong partnership with our Church School, sharing many values and objectives. We both have the same collective Vision Statement.

Messy Church continues to be part of our mission to families although we have had to put all of this work on hold due to the pandemic.

St John's Baby & Toddler Group has also been on hold this last year but we hope in the future will once again prove to be very popular and successful.

The distribution of the Walsall Wood Nativity Scene has not been successful this year but remains an asset to be utilised by the Church in the coming years

- **Pastoral Care**

There has been sustained pastoral ministry to individuals, businesses and other institutions in the parish. Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. The Pastoral team plus the clergy visit church members who have requested it, to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital. Home Communions are a key part of the church's ministry as numbers remain constant. Pastoral care is given a high

priority in the church's ministry and proves fruitful in providing a link with the sick and housebound. We can also arrange for clergy to attend hospital for anointing etc at any time.

- **Deanery Synod**
  Three members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. Our PCC Secretary is also the Deanery Secretary.

- **The Community Hall**
  The Hall is a warm welcoming place.
  The use of the Hall by the church and local community continues.
  Late Autumn saw the return of some of the community groups to use the Hall facilities, including our local Guiding Group, an AA Group, The Women's Institute and a Karate Club. The facilities are also available to lettings for children's birthday parties, baptism and funeral receptions.

  Through our community hall, we have been able to support the work of the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides by offering them a venue for their work.

- **Social Events**
  St. Johns aims to have a varied social and fundraising programme.
  This has been very difficult over the last few years, but we were able to hold a Harvest Supper and Auction.
  We are also blessed to have the Staffordshire Band based at St John's and we have benefited from their presence and several excellent concerts.
  St John's is their home, and we hope and trust that the relationship we have formed will grow over the years to come.

- **Brookland Road Cemetery**
  A small team of volunteers have continued to maintain the churchyard at Brookland Road. Although it has been a struggle at times, they have worked extremely hard looking after the vast areas keeping the churchyard neat and tidy. Our thanks go out to everyone who has helped in some way.
  However, the long term future of the Churchyard remains a question mark for the Church to consider as it nears capacity.

- **Fabric Report:**
  As the Church and Community Hall have reopened this year various maintenance jobs have been undertaken. Boilers have been serviced with new Gas Certificates issued . No major structural repair work has been carried out.

Financial Review

At the end of the year there was an unrestricted reserve surplus of £477.

The Charity has numerous 'Designated' funds due to the various committed activities, in particular Building, Churchyard and Mission Funds. Whilst it should be noted the designated

funds are unrestricted funds, if they were to be utilised to reduce current liabilities, it would create problems in maintaining support for committed costs in the Parish.

Our principal source of fundraising is the giving by the members of the church supported by a range of fundraising events throughout the year. However, all streams of income have suffered following the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic. As attendances at church have picked up following the easing of restrictions, the situation has started to ease a little, but our finances remain under constant review.

We make extensive use of the opportunities provided by the Gift Aid Scheme, including an online JustGiving page.

Our expenditure supports the mission of the church through the maintenance and development of buildings and equipment, the funding of running costs and the payment of salaries, expenses, fees and the Parish Share.
In addition, funding has supported the church's work in our own community, Compassion, Aven House and other charities, and good causes.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments.
In 2021 this was equivalent to £12,068 (2020 £12,014), but in a "normal" year we would expect this figure to be around £25,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was £29,624 (2020 £35,219) which is higher than this target.
It is our policy to invest the short-term investment fund balances with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund and the remainder in the CCLA Church of England Investment Fund.

Investment Policy

The charity is granted power to invest in suitable investments under the PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Trustees Act 2000. As a charity, the Trustees have a duty of care to take such advice as is appropriate before investments are undertaken. This advice is sought from the Central Board of Finance (CCLA) in London.

The charity's investment policies are based on two key principles: -

- Ethical Investment – this includes ensuring that investments are held in companies which have high standards of corporate governance and act in a responsible way towards stakeholders.
- Long-term responsibilities – the trustees are aware of their long-term responsibilities in respect of the Restricted and Unrestricted reserves and as a result follow a prudent approach to investment decisions.

Investment policy for long-term funds is aimed primarily at generating a sustainable income, with due regard to the need for the preservation of capital value, and the possible need to realise investments to meet operational needs. The charity does not have a policy of generating income at excessive or high risk – known as "purchasing income", where high returns are guaranteed at the expense of capital.

In summary, the charity has an overall policy to maximise income while preserving the real value of its funds. Due to the nature of the charity, an ethical investment policy is taken into consideration when investments are made:
The charity follows the Ethical Investment Advisory policy as recommended by the Lichfield Diocese which includes the following:

"We aim to invest in companies that:

* will develop their business in the interests of shareholders;
* demonstrate responsible employment practices;
* are conscientious concerning issues of corporate governance, the environment and human rights;
* are sensitive to the community in which they operate."

Planned giving, collections and donations are the main sources of fund raising along with tax recoverable.

Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year.

Fundraising

The PCC takes it's fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

Volunteers

The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community. Our especial thanks go to our church wardens. Special thanks also go to Sharon Hodgetts, and Jane Lavender, who have worked so tirelessly on our behalf during the Vacancy period.

Future Plans

As we continue to be in uncertain times, there is always an ongoing concern for a potential shortfall in funding in 2022. However, our main focus will be to recruit a new Minister to lead the Church. We also hope to welcome more parishioners back after the periods of Lockdown last year, and we are conscious of the need to increase our regular giving as a Church Family to support the growth of the Church and to contribute to major repair work that will need to be made to the church structure in the near future.

Risk Management

The Church Wardens carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC meet at least 6 times a year.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £17,600 (2020 £22,551). All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

Penny Wheble (Licensed Reader), a trustee of the PCC, was paid £3,524 (2020 £3768) by the PCC during the year for her role as Director of Music. She resigned from her position in mid November.

Expenses paid to Trustees

No Trustee expenses have been incurred during the year.

Reference and Administrative details

The Church is situated at High Street, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9LP, and is part of the Deanery of Walsall, in the Diocese of Lichfield.

The correspondence address is
The Vicarage, 2 St John's Close, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9NJ.
Registered charity number 1138950.

Our website address is www.stjohnswalsallwood.com

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2021 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio Members

The Incumbent	Reverend David Babbington (Chair) (Until 31/8/21)
Churchwardens	Sharon Hodgetts Colin Townsend (Until 30/5/21) Jane Lavender (From 30/5/21)
Deanery Synod Reps	Valerie Benford Colin Roberts Penny Wheble (Until 14/11/21)
Elected Members	Sue Barley Richard Brinck-Johnsen (Until 2/11/21) Kate Coulter (Until 30/5/21) Alison Edwards Robert Grainger (Lay Chair) Helen Harris Doreen Sears Colin Townsend (Until 19/8/21) Robert Worrallo (Treasurer) Peter Wheble (Until 14/11/21)

The Patron of St John's, Walsall Wood is the Rector of St Matthews, Walsall.

Names and addresses of advisers

Bank	HSBC 5 Anchor Road, Aldridge, Walsall, WS9 8AD
Investment Managers	CCLA Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria St, London EC4V 4ET
Independent Examiner	Sue Schulz Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Approved by the PCC on 24th March 2022 and signed on its behalf by

R Grainger
Robert Grainger (Vice Chair)

V L Benford
Valerie Benford (Secretary)

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Walsall Wood, St John: registered charity number 1138950

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- 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 have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: S Schulz Date: **27 April 2022**

Sue Schulz
For and on behalf of Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Accounting Policies

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements 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 nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Post Balance Sheet Event

The ongoing worldwide outbreak of the COVID-19 virus still represents a significant event since the end of the financial year. The Charity has reviewed its cash flow forecasts and considered the impact on going concern, concluding that the going concern basis remains an appropriate basis of preparation for these financial statements given the likely cash flow impact of operations for 12 months from the date of signing this report.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.
No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.
Restricted funds comprise of two elements:
a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
b) 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. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Accounting Policies continued

Income
Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Expenditure
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 diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs
Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.
Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets
Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(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 can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.
No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.

Investments
Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Debtors
Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash expected to be received.

Creditors and Accruals
Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Statement of Financial Activities at 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	56,363	285	1,865	—	58,513	57,201
Income from charitable activities	8,873	3,179	—	—	12,052	9,105
Other trading activities	2,731	—	—	—	2,731	1,649
Investments	951	—	—	—	951	868
Total income	**68,918**	**3,464**	**1,865**	**—**	**74,246**	**68,823**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	101	—	—	—	101	105
Expenditure on charitable activities	48,171	1,084	1,917	—	51,172	55,700
Total expenditure	**48,272**	**1,084**	**1,917**	**—**	**51,273**	**55,805**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**20,645**	**2,380**	**(52)**	**—**	**22,974**	**13,019**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	660	—	—	—	660	465
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	(660)	—	—	(660)	(465)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	4,094	—	—	4,094	1,842
Net movement in funds	**21,305**	**5,814**	**(52)**	**—**	**27,068**	**14,860**
Total funds brought forward	**(20,829)**	**56,048**	**36,052**	**—**	**71,271**	**56,411**
Total funds carried forward	**477**	**61,862**	**36,000**	**—**	**98,339**	**71,271**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	477	—	—	—	477	(20,829)
Designated						
Administration	—	639	—	—	639	639
Building	—	7,578	—	—	7,578	7,578
Candles	—	284	—	—	284	284
Charities	—	1,339	—	—	1,339	1,339
Children & Young People	—	695	—	—	695	895
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	—	8,276	—	—	8,276	6,066
Flower Fund	—	87	—	—	87	82
Gowns	—	1,027	—	—	1,027	1,027
Investments	—	32,715	—	—	32,715	28,621
Magazine copying	—	1,563	—	—	1,563	1,563
Mission Fund	—	3,907	—	—	3,907	3,907
Music	—	1,219	—	—	1,219	879
School Bibles	—	688	—	—	688	688
Tower	—	47	—	—	47	47
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	109	—	—	109	109
Vicarage Decoration	—	625	—	—	625	625
Wedding deposits	—	—	—	—	—	660
Youth Bibles	—	1,065	—	—	1,065	1,040
Restricted						
Baby & Toddler	—	—	994	—	994	1,316
Charities Restricted	—	—	196	—	196	196
Children & Young People Restricted	—	—	11,980	—	11,980	11,980
Church Hall	—	—	520	—	520	520
Churchyard Appeal	—	—	10,827	—	10,827	10,807
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	—	—	7,825	—	7,825	7,825
Compassion - sponsored children	—	—	1,431	—	1,431	1,180
Pastoral Care - Elderly	—	—	1,034	—	1,034	1,034
Thanksgiving Restricted	—	—	689	—	689	689
Tower Restricted	—	—	504	—	504	504

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John
Balance sheet at 31 December 2021

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Fixed assets		
Investments	32,715	28,621
	32,715	**28,621**
Current assets		
Debtors	804	2,308
Cash at bank and in hand	80,918	69,086
	81,722	**71,394**
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16,098	28,744
	16,098	**28,744**
Net current assets less current liabilities	**98,339**	**71,271**
Total assets less current liabilities	**98,339**	**71,271**
Total net assets less liabilities	**98,339**	**71,271**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	477	(20,829)
Designated		
Gowns	1,027	1,027
Investments	32,715	28,621
Mission Fund	3,907	3,907
Music	1,219	879
Tower	47	47
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	109	109
Vicarage Decoration	625	625
School Bibles	688	688
Wedding deposits	—	660
Youth Bibles	1,065	1,040
Administration	639	639
Charities	1,339	1,339
Building	7,578	7,578
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	8,276	6,066
Children & Young People	695	895
Candles	284	284
Magazine copying	1,563	1,563
Flower Fund	87	82
Restricted		
Baby & Toddler	994	1,316
Thanksgiving Restricted	689	689
Tower Restricted	504	504
Churchyard Appeal	10,827	10,807
Children & Young People Restricted	11,980	11,980
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	7,825	7,825
Charities Restricted	196	196
Compassion - sponsored children	1,431	1,180
Church Hall	520	520
Pastoral Care - Elderly	1,034	1,034
Funds of the church	**98,339**	**71,271**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 24th April 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature: .....

Name: R GRAINGER

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2021

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
HSBC current account -	(13,928)	16,571	6,454	—	9,097	924
HSBC Churchyard account -	(3,729)	10,581	16,895	—	23,747	24,110
Deposit account -	29,349	—	13,518	—	42,867	39,314
CBF Deposit account -	2,406	1,269	—	—	3,675	2,843
CBF Churchyard account -	(294)	—	348	—	54	54
IDS -	—	625	—	—	625	625
Petty cash -	58	—	—	—	58	100
Baby & toddler account -	—	—	794	—	794	1,116
Totals	**13,863**	**29,047**	**38,008**	**—**	**80,918**	**69,086**
Current assets - Debtors						
Accounts Receivable -	704	100	—	—	804	2,308
Totals	**704**	**100**	**—**	**—**	**804**	**2,308**
Fixed assets - Investments						
Investments -	—	32,715	—	—	32,715	28,621
Totals	**—**	**32,715**	**—**	**—**	**32,715**	**28,621**
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	2,008	—	2,008	1,223
Totals	**—**	**—**	**2,008**	**—**	**2,008**	**1,223**
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Parish Share Arrears -	13,364	—	—	—	13,364	26,728
Accounts Payable -	726	—	—	—	726	793
Totals	**14,090**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**14,090**	**27,521**
Grand total	**477**	**61,862**	**36,000**	**—**	**98,339**	**71,271**

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	1,316	—	323	—	—	994
Sub-total for Baby	**1,316**	**—**	**323**	**—**	**—**	**994**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	688	—	—	—	—	688
Sub-total for Bible	**688**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**688**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,578	—	—	—	—	7,578
Sub-total for Build	**7,578**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,578**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,807	20	—	—	—	10,827
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,807**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**10,827**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenance						
Designated	6,066	2,944	734	—	—	8,276
Sub-total for CYM	**6,066**	**2,944**	**734**	**—**	**—**	**8,276**
CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	895	—	200	—	—	695
Sub-total for CYP	**895**	**—**	**200**	**—**	**—**	**695**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						
Restricted	11,980	—	—	—	—	11,980
Sub-total for CYPR	**11,980**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**11,980**

CYR - Churchyard Maintenance						
Restricted	7,825	—	—	—	—	7,825
Sub-total for CYR	**7,825**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,825**
Candles - Candles						
Designated	284	—	—	—	—	284
Sub-total for Candles	**284**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**284**
Charity - Charities Restricted						
Restricted	196	—	—	—	—	196
Sub-total for Charity	**196**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**196**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor						
Restricted	1,180	1,845	1,594	—	—	1,431
Sub-total for Comp	**1,180**	**1,845**	**1,594**	**—**	**—**	**1,431**
Copier - Magazine copying						
Designated	1,563	—	—	—	—	1,563
Sub-total for Copier	**1,563**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,563**
Flower - Flower Fund						
Designated	82	25	20	—	—	87
Sub-total for Flower	**82**	**25**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**87**
Gown - Gowns						
Designated	1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall						
Restricted	520	—	—	—	—	520
Sub-total for HALL	**520**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**520**
INV - Investments						
Designated	28,621	—	—	—	4,094	32,715
Sub-total for INV	**28,621**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**4,094**	**32,715**
Mission - Mission Fund						
Designated	3,907	20	20	—	—	3,907
Sub-total for Mission	**3,907**	**20**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**3,907**
Music - Music						
Designated	879	450	110	—	—	1,219
Sub-total for Music	**879**	**450**	**110**	**—**	**—**	**1,219**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elderly						
Restricted	1,034	—	—	—	—	1,034
Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,034**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,034**
Tower - Tower						
Designated	47	—	—	—	—	47
Sub-total for Tower	**47**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**47**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionary						
Designated	109	—	—	—	—	109
Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**109**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration						
Designated	625	—	—	—	—	625
Sub-total for Vic	**625**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**625**
Wedding - Wedding deposits						
Designated	660	—	—	(660)	—	—
Sub-total for Wedding	**660**	**—**	**—**	**(660)**	**—**	**—**
Youth - Youth Bibles						
Designated	1,040	25	—	—	—	1,065
Sub-total for Youth	**1,040**	**25**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,065**
admin - Administration						
Designated	639	—	—	—	—	639
Sub-total for admin	**639**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**639**

char - Charities						
Designated	1,339	—	—	—	—	1,339
Sub-total for char	**1,339**	—	—	—	—	**1,339**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restricted						
Restricted	689	—	—	—	—	689
Sub-total for thanks	**689**	—	—	—	—	**689**
towerR - Tower Restricted						
Restricted	504	—	—	—	—	504
Sub-total for towerR	**504**	—	—	—	—	**504**
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	(20,829)	68,918	48,272	660	—	477
Sub-total for General	**(20,829)**	**68,918**	**48,272**	**660**	—	**477**
Grand total	**71,271**	**74,246**	**51,273**	—	**4,094**	**98,339**

Analysis of income and expenditure

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
Donations and legacies						
Gift Aid - Bank	13,329	—	—	—	13,329	14,101
GA Donation	—	—	—	—	—	80
Gift Aid - Envelopes	9,399	—	—	—	9,399	9,715
Envelope scheme	—	—	—	—	—	3,368
Other planned giving	4,786	—	—	—	4,786	1,105
Church collections	3,250	—	—	—	3,250	3,178
Collections baptism	811	—	—	—	811	31
Collections funerals	996	—	—	—	996	562
Messy Church collections	—	—	—	—	—	4
CONTACTLESS RECEIPTS	158	—	—	—	158	102
JUST GIVING DONATIONS	2,936	—	—	—	2,936	5,858
Donations Appeals	—	—	—	—	—	1,437
Donations charity	—	—	—	—	—	250
Donations compassion	—	—	1,845	—	1,845	1,624
Donation flower fund	—	25	—	—	25	63
Donation other	1,872	245	—	—	2,117	2,866
Candle Stand donations	134	—	—	—	134	139
Donations appeals etc	5,035	—	—	—	5,035	615
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	8,340	—	—	—	8,340	11,179
Legacies bequests	—	—	—	—	—	715
Fundraising & Social Events	1,303	—	—	—	1,303	132
Coffee mornings	19	—	—	—	19	78
Summer / Christmas Fayre	3,995	—	—	—	3,995	—
Churchyard Appeal	—	15	20	—	35	—
Total	56,363	285	1,865	—	58,513	57,201
Income from charitable activities						
PCC fees wedding	422	—	—	—	422	—
PCC fees funeral	6,237	2,486	—	—	8,723	7,544
PCC LOCAL FEES	1,504	425	—	—	1,929	1,561
Church hall lettings - objectives	710	—	—	—	710	—
Churchyard maintenance	—	268	—	—	268	—
Total	8,873	3,179	—	—	12,052	9,105
Other trading activities						
Bookstall card sales	—	—	—	—	—	9

Community hall lettings	1,369	—	—	—	1,369	923
Community hall lettings Weightwatchers	—	—	—	—	—	420
Parish magazine sales	62	—	—	—	62	78
Church room lettings	1,300	—	—	—	1,300	220
Total	2,731	—	—	—	2,731	1,649
Investments						
Dividends	15	—	—	—	15	15
Interest deposit account	4	—	—	—	4	41
Interest CBF account	2	—	—	—	2	10
Interest CBF churchyard account	0	—	—	—	0	0
Dividends Investment a/c 620089001S	830	—	—	—	830	802
Bank and building society interest	100	—	—	—	100	—
Total	951	—	—	—	951	868
INCOME TOTAL	68,918	3,464	1,865	—	74,246	68,823

EXPENDITURE

Raising funds

Costs of stewardship campaign	101	—	—	—	101	105
Total	101	—	—	—	101	105

Expenditure on charitable activities

Giving to missionary societies Bible Soc	120	—	—	—	120	120
Giving - relief and development agencies	210	—	—	—	210	170
Giving Secular charities	455	—	—	—	455	250
Secular charities compassion	25	—	1,594	—	1,619	1,483
Parish share	52,023	—	—	—	52,023	52,023
PARISH SHARE - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	(12,023)	—	—	—	(12,023)	(12,023)
PARISH SHARE SUPPORT PACKAGE	(3,333)	—	—	—	(3,333)	(5,000)
Diocesan Parish Share Write Off	(13,364)	—	—	—	(13,364)	(13,365)
Director of music	3,524	—	—	—	3,524	3,768
Salary of secretary	6,857	—	—	—	6,857	6,696
Working expenses of incumbent	—	—	—	—	—	218
Working exps of other ministers	24	—	—	—	24	14
Parsonage house expenses	103	—	—	—	103	—
Water rates - vicarage	121	—	—	—	121	108
Vicar's telephone	738	—	—	—	738	329
Mission	—	200	—	—	200	—
Mission - Messy Church	39	—	—	—	39	18
Parish Training	160	—	—	—	160	—
Deanery contribution	—	—	—	—	—	90
Equipment	—	—	—	—	—	968
Misc	79	—	—	—	79	—
Waste	197	—	—	—	197	192
Hospitality	48	—	—	—	48	14
Maint of heating & light equip	295	—	—	—	295	375
Maint of other equipment	158	—	—	—	158	862
Minor repairs (inc routine maint)	575	—	—	—	575	—
Church maintenance	269	—	—	—	269	—
Cleaning materials	15	—	—	—	15	187
Cleaning wages of cleaner	—	—	—	—	—	561
Upkeep of services	120	—	—	—	120	298
Altar requisites	28	—	—	—	28	175
Music	—	110	—	—	110	479
Licence fees	546	—	—	—	546	161
Upkeep of churchyard	500	242	—	—	742	412

Maint of churchyards	—	200	—	—	200	500
Maint rep of churchyard equip	—	292	—	—	292	—
Church office telephone	1,202	—	—	—	1,202	1,325
Administration	—	—	—	—	—	26
Stationery etc	51	—	—	—	51	79
Copier	460	—	—	—	460	425
Postage	115	—	—	—	115	77
Software	98	—	—	—	98	234
Children Young Peoples work	—	20	323	—	343	4,701
Flower fund exp	—	20	—	—	20	—
Church insurance	2,625	—	—	—	2,625	2,534
Church Electric	873	—	—	—	873	876
Church Gas	524	—	—	—	524	2,053
Church Water	228	—	—	—	228	147
Magazine expenses	—	—	—	—	—	46
Hall electricity	791	—	—	—	791	639
Hall gas	893	—	—	—	893	178
Hall insurance	781	—	—	—	781	777
Hall maintenance	260	—	—	—	260	260
Hall waste	197	—	—	—	197	192
Hall cleaner	—	—	—	—	—	748
Hall misc	115	—	—	—	115	—
Governance costs examination/audit fee	—	—	—	—	—	300
Book Keeping Costs	450	—	—	—	450	—
Total	48,171	1,084	1,917	—	51,172	55,700
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	48,272	1,084	1,917	—	51,273	55,805
GRAND TOTAL	20,645	2,380	(52)	—	22,974	13,019

Allocation of Support Costs

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

Staff Costs

	2021	2020
Wages & Salaries	£10,381	£ 11,772
Average number of employees	2	4

During the year the PCC employed an administrator and a Director of Music (both part-time) and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

The PCC use the National Employment Savings Trust (NEST), via the Diocesan Payroll Scheme, for its pension payments.

Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses

Penny Wheble (Licensed Reader), a trustee of the PCC, was paid £3,524 by the PCC during the year for her role as Director of Music.

No Trustee expenses have been incurred during the year,

Related Parties

No other expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £17,600.

Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2021 £	2020 £
Independent Examiner's fees	-	£150
Other fees (eg accountancy services includes cost of IE)	£450	£150

Analysis of Transfer between Funds

No material transfers in the year, just small transfers between funds owing other funds

Fund Description

Designated Funds

• Admin	For the payment of Administration for funerals and weddings
• Attendant	Payment for the churchyard attendant
• Building	For maintenance of the Church Building
• Candles	Donation from votive candle stand towards purchase of altar requirements
• Ch Young P	Donations for work with children and young adults
• Charities	Donations and collections for specific charities
• Copy	For the payment of usage of copier
• CY Maint	For the maintenance of the churchyard at St Johns & Brookland Road
• F Organist	Payments for the organist for funerals
• F Verger	Payments for the verger for funerals
• Fees	Fees due to LDBF
• Flower	Donations for the purchase of flowers
• Gowns	For maintenance of robes in the church
• Investments	Shares we hold
• Mission	Funding towards the Mission of the church
• Music	For maintenance of the organ and music of the Church
• School Bibles	For purchase of bibles for school leavers at St Johns Primary School
• Tower	For maintenance of the Church tower and electrics
• Vicars Discres Fund	For use by the vicar to assist those in need
• Vicarage Decorating	For decorating costs for the vicarage
• Wedding Deposits	Deposits for weddings
• W Verger	Payments for the Verger for weddings
• Youth Bibles	Donations for the purchase of Youth Bibles

Restricted Funds

• Baby	Church group
• Building	For maintenance of the Church Building
• Ch Young P	Donations for work with children and young adults
• Charities	Donations and collections for specific charities
• Choir Soc	Church grp
• Churchyard Appeal	For the maintenance of Brookland Road Churchyard
• Compassion	Donations for the children sponsored through Compassion
• CY Maint	For the maintenance of Brookland Road Churchyard
• Hall	Donation for Church Hall
• Senior Citizens	For our work with Senior Citizens
• Thanks	Donations in Thanksgiving for use by the church for larger items
• Tower	For maintenance of the Church tower and electrics

Fixed Assets

Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Funds Investments	28,620	-	-	-	4,095	32,715
Total	26,620	-	-	-	4,095	32,715

The investment is shares in the CBF Investment Fund

Current Assets

Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Gift aid recoverable	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	-
Other debtors	804	2,308
Total	804	2,308

Liabilities

Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals	-	-
Diocesan parish share	13,364	26,728
Other creditors	726	792
Total	14,090	27,520

Under a Share Package agreed in May 2019, the Diocese has rebased the Share Requested for 2021, from £52,023 to £40,000. This re-based Share figure was then reduced by the Parish Share Support Package (of £3,333) to £36,667..This was paid in full during the year.

As the revised Share has been paid in full, the Diocese has written off one quarter of the arrears (£13,365) and will continue to do so next year, if the revised Share is paid in full each year.

Parish share arrears are made up as follows:	2021 £	2020 £
Relating to 2016	5,059	18,423
Relating to 2018	8,305	8,305
	13,364	**26,728**

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2020

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
HSBC current account -	(21,777)	16,624	6,076	—	923	1,780
HSBC Churchyard account -	(1,070)	8,964	16,215	—	24,109	19,795
Deposit account -	25,795	—	13,517	—	39,313	43,962
CBF Deposit account -	1,574	1,269	—	—	2,843	2,031
CBF Churchyard account -	(293)	—	347	—	54	53
IDS -	—	625	—	—	625	625
Petty cash -	100	—	—	—	100	100
Choir account -	—	—	—	—	—	358
Baby & toddler account -	—	—	1,116	—	1,116	1,418
Totals	**4,329**	**27,482**	**37,274**	**—**	**69,086**	**70,125**
Current assets - Debtors						
Accounts Receivable -	2,308	—	—	—	2,308	3,420
Totals	**2,308**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2,308**	**3,420**
Current assets - Investments						
Investments -	—	28,620	—	—	28,620	26,779
Totals	**—**	**28,620**	**—**	**—**	**28,620**	**26,779**
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	1,223	—	1,223	215
Totals	**—**	**—**	**1,223**	**—**	**1,223**	**215**
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Parish Share Arrears -	26,728	—	—	—	26,728	40,093
Accounts Payable -	737	55	—	—	792	3,606
Totals	**27,465**	**55**	**—**	**—**	**27,520**	**43,699**
Grand total	**(20,828)**	**56,047**	**36,051**	**—**	**71,270**	**56,410**

Fund movement by type - 2020

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	1,643	299	601	(25)	—	1,316
Sub-total for Baby	**1,643**	**299**	**601**	**(25)**	**—**	**1,316**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	687	—	—	—	—	687
Sub-total for Bible	**687**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**687**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,577	—	—	—	—	7,577
Sub-total for Build	**7,577**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,577**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,541	265	—	—	—	10,806
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,541**	**265**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**10,806**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenan						
Designated	4,292	2,685	911	—	—	6,065
Sub-total for CYM	**4,292**	**2,685**	**911**	**—**	**—**	**6,065**
CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	895	—	—	—	—	895
Sub-total for CYP	**895**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**895**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						
Restricted	14,980	—	3,000	—	—	11,980
Sub-total for CYPR	**14,980**	**—**	**3,000**	**—**	**—**	**11,980**

CYR - Churchyard Maintenan						
Restricted	7,824	—	—	—	—	7,824
Sub-total for CYR	**7,824**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,824**
Candles - Candles						
Designated	284	—	—	—	—	284
Sub-total for Candles	**284**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**284**
Charity - Charities Restricted						
Restricted	196	—	—	—	—	196
Sub-total for Charity	**196**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**196**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor						
Restricted	979	1,684	1,483	—	—	1,180
Sub-total for Comp	**979**	**1,684**	**1,483**	**—**	**—**	**1,180**
Copier - Magazine copying						
Designated	1,562	—	—	—	—	1,562
Sub-total for Copier	**1,562**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,562**
Flower - Flower Fund						
Designated	19	62	—	—	—	82
Sub-total for Flower	**19**	**62**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**82**
Fverger - Funeral verger						
Designated	266	—	—	(266)	—	—
Sub-total for Fverger	**266**	**—**	**—**	**(266)**	**—**	**—**
Gown - Gowns						
Designated	1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall						
Restricted	500	20	—	—	—	520
Sub-total for HALL	**500**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**520**
INV - Investments						
Designated	26,779	—	—	—	1,841	28,620
Sub-total for INV	**26,779**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,841**	**28,620**
Mission - Mission Fund						
Designated	4,061	1,018	1,173	—	—	3,906
Sub-total for Mission	**4,061**	**1,018**	**1,173**	**—**	**—**	**3,906**
Music - Music						
Designated	806	180	107	—	—	879
Sub-total for Music	**806**	**180**	**107**	**—**	**—**	**879**
PS - Parish Share						
Designated	(651)	644	—	7	—	—
Sub-total for PS	**(651)**	**644**	**—**	**7**	**—**	**—**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elde						
Restricted	1,033	—	—	—	—	1,033
Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,033**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,033**
Tower - Tower						
Designated	46	—	—	—	—	46
Sub-total for Tower	**46**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**46**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionar						
Designated	109	—	—	—	—	109
Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**109**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration						
Designated	500	—	—	125	—	625
Sub-total for Vic	**500**	**—**	**—**	**125**	**—**	**625**
Wedding - Wedding deposits						
Designated	660	—	—	—	—	660
Sub-total for Wedding	**660**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**660**
Youth - Youth Bibles						
Designated	1,077	61	99	—	—	1,039

	Sub-total for Youth	**1,077**	**61**	**99**	**—**	**—**	**1,039**
admin - Administration							
Designated		368	271	—	—	—	639
	Sub-total for admin	**368**	**271**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**639**
char - Charities							
Designated		1,338	—	—	—	—	1,338
	Sub-total for char	**1,338**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,338**
choir - Choir Social Fund							
Restricted		317	13	372	41	—	—
	Sub-total for choir	**317**	**13**	**372**	**41**	**—**	**—**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restric							
Restricted		689	—	—	—	—	689
	Sub-total for thanks	**689**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**689**
towerR - Tower Restricted							
Restricted		504	—	—	—	—	504
	Sub-total for towerR	**504**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**504**
General - General fund							
Unrestricted		(34,509)	61,618	48,057	118	—	(20,828)
	Sub-total for General	**(34,509)**	**61,618**	**48,057**	**118**	**—**	**(20,828)**
	Grand total	**56,410**	**68,823**	**55,804**	**—**	**1,841**	**71,270**

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	52,984	1,934	2,281	—	57,201	67,171
Income from charitable activities	6,117	2,988	—	—	9,105	14,334
Other trading activities	1,649	—	—	—	1,649	9,090
Investments	867	—	—	—	867	878
Other income	—	—	—	—	—	5,150
Total income	**61,618**	**4,922**	**2,281**	**—**	**68,823**	**96,624**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	104	—	—	—	104	812
Expenditure on charitable activities	47,952	2,290	5,456	—	55,700	82,438
Total expenditure	**48,057**	**2,290**	**5,456**	**—**	**55,804**	**83,251**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**13,561**	**2,631**	**(3,174)**	**—**	**13,018**	**13,373**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - In	291	132	41	—	464	14,141
Gross transfers between funds - out	(173)	(266)	(25)	—	(464)	(14,141)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	1,841	—	—	1,841	4,219
Net movement in funds	**13,680**	**4,338**	**(3,158)**	**—**	**14,860**	**17,593**
Total funds brought forward	**(34,509)**	**51,709**	**39,210**	**—**	**56,410**	**38,817**
Total funds carried forward	**(20,828)**	**56,047**	**36,051**	**—**	**71,270**	**56,410**

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF WALSALL WOOD, ST JOH

England & Wales - Charity number 1138950

Accounts

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

For the year ended 31st December 2020

Registered Charity number 1138950

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The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John
Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2020

Charity registration number: 1138950

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood, St John (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend David Babbington, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Walsall Wood, St John. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach non churched members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Walsall Wood, St John it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and Performance

- 2020 saw a period of national Lockdowns due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. The church implemented all the guidance as stipulated by the Church of England. We joined together with St Mark's, Shelfield & High Heath, to form a functioning Plurality over the year, moving our Sunday Services online. The Minister in Charge, Rev David Babbington has worked tirelessly during this period as he encountered an unprecedented call upon his time and resources. We are pleased that we were able to maintain parish contact during the pandemic and hop to be resuming normality in 2021.
- **Worship and Prayer**
  The PCC is keen to offer a range of services both during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. The church attempts to

cater to all peoples preferred worship styles. For example, Sunday Evening Prayer provides an intimate and reflective environment for worship. The choir leads with sung psalm and responses making it different and varied in approach. At the 9.30am service the variety of singing is provided by either a robed choir, individual singers or musicians. We have a variety of services from Holy Communion to Morning Worship (based upon Common Worship Morning Prayer) and our All-Age Service. During the last year the afternoon Baptism Services continued to be very popular, effective, and successful. Figures indicate a reduced number of baptisms across the year due to the absence of an Incumbent for a short time. We are grateful to Rev David Sims for assisting with these services. At the 11am Wednesday Holy Communion children from St John's School (years 5 & 6) attend. They both serve and read. Following this they ask probing questions about faith. On Thursday at 12.30pm we have a Holy Communion Service that is slowly growing in number.

Prayer life is an integral part of our worshipping community. Every Wednesday, Prayers for Healing are held at 12.30pm where prayers brought forward by the schoolchildren during their service, together with the general requests to pray for healing of the sick are used. Intercession prayers continue to be led by a number of laity at the Sunday morning 9.30am Holy Communion and Morning Worship. Our Lent Course was led by members of the laity and based upon the Film 'The Greatest Showman'. The Minister continues to guide people to discover their potential and release people into ministry. We have three person who are currently studying on the Diocesan 'Pathways to Ministry', two of which are seeing Vocation Advisors.
Revd David also works as a Vocation Advisor, Spiritual Director, pastors a group in Wolverhampton of Christian LGBTQ+ Asylum Seekers and Refugees, is Pastor of an LGBTQ+ Group called 'Outside In' at St John's and is Rector of the Lichfield Chapter of the Society of Catholic Priests.

- **Monthly Worship Pattern**
  Sunday Wk 1 – 8.30am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion; 6.00pm Evening Prayer **Wk 2 –** 8.30am Holy Communion; 10.00am All Age Worship; 6.00pm Holy Communion **Wk 3 –** 8.30am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion; 6.00pm Taizé, Iona or Contemporary **Wk 4 –** 8.30am Holy Communion; 9.30am Morning Worship; 6.30pm 'Presence' **Wk 5 –** 8.30am Holy Communion; 10.00am Holy Communion; 6.00pm Healing & Wholeness
  Also: 2.30pm & 3.30pm Baptism

  Midweek Services (Holy Communion) takes place on Wednesday 11am and Thursday 12.30pm.

  This pattern of worship has had to adjust due to the pandemic. When we were open we have been at a reduced capacity and therefore there are two Sunday communion services at 9am & 10am. Baptisms, Weddings and special services have been cancelled due to distancing restrictions. There has been a weekly online service at 10am and all major festivals etc have been covered. The future pattern will be to retain morning services at 9am and 10am when we resume.

  Special Services are always successful in terms of outreach, mission and attendance. This year we have not been able to hold any in person due to the pandemic, so we held them online instead. Throughout the year services include the following: Mothering

Sunday, Memorial Service, Remembrance Cenotaph Service, A Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, Harvest Festival, Christingle, Holy Week Services, Ascension Day.

Remembrance Sunday was unusual this year as it is always such a big service. We did, however, still hold the service online and we managed to get members of the Youth Organisations as well as local dignitaries to lay wreaths.

2020 saw the chance for great inter-parish working and an opportunity to develop our Ecumenical links. We are indebted to Revs Andy McCosh & Liz Dunning for their joint working throughout the year. It shows how united and strong we are together.

- **Pastoral Offices – weddings, baptisms, funerals**

As well as our regular services we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of their journey through life. The church has enhanced their engagement with the many people who bring children to baptism through improved hospitality and administration, baptism preparation, and creative use of the service. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life and in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessings.

We have celebrated 0 baptisms and 0 weddings and held 90 funerals with 12 internment of ashes in Walsall Wood cemetery this year. Baptism preparation usually takes place either at the church or in the homes of the parents, depending upon the minister. This approach has become well embedded into our church practice and has been accepted well by participants.

Weddings are also supported with preparation evenings. We have tried to accommodate the various requests of couples and have even had our minister sing at one of the weddings.

Funeral ministry continues to be high in the parish. All families are usually visited before the service. These visits are carried out by clergy or Readers (whoever is taking the service). We advise them that we pray for the deceased for a month following the funeral and by extension we pray for them. We also invite them back to our Annual Memorial Service.

This year we have not been allowed to hold baptisms or Weddings due to the pandemic. We have seen a marked increase in Funerals due to Covid. The Minister in Charge has had to undertake pre-funeral visit via zoom or on the telephone.

- **Mission and Evangelism**

The aim of the church must not be self-serving but to seek to share God's love and to work for the Kingdom. Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The Church supports several charities including Compassion, Water Aid at the Harvest Auction, Christian Aid and the Children's Society. Locally the church family supports the Walsall North Food Bank. Once again, the collection of Easter Eggs and Christmas gifts have been given to Aven House (a local refuge for domestic violence).

We have also provided every child at St John's CE Primary School with a 'Walsall Wood Paper Nativity' to make.

Our new website has been launched and it is integrated into the Life Events Diary for Pastoral Offices. We have also developed our use of Facebook. We now have over 620 members and regularly 2k people note that we post our online services each week.

Various services are held on a regular basis at a local nursing home.

Weekly/Monthly home communion also takes place across the parish. We implemented home delivery of Communion by special dispensation from the Area Bishop.

The church continues to develop links and extensive work is still being carried out with the three primary schools. Rev David makes visits to schools and pupils occasionally take part in church services which sustains and consolidates the link through a range of activities and events. Schools are invited to contribute to special celebrations such as Harvest or Christingle and special church days such as Ash Wednesday although this year all our activities were virtual. Our links with our church school have continued to thrive. We have a very strong partnership with our Church School, sharing many values and objectives. We both have the same collective Vision Statement. The annual confirmation course failed to bear fruit this year due to the pandemic.

Our monthly Messy Church continues to be part of our mission to families although we have had to put all of this work on hold due to the pandemic; this includes our Holy Week Activities (including donkeys!).

St John's Baby & Toddler Group continues to be very popular and successful although, again, the group has not been able to meet due to the pandemic.

We have been able to start a new Karate Group in the Community Hall which is reaching out to younger people.

- **Pastoral Care**

  There has been sustained pastoral ministry to individuals, businesses and other institutions in the parish. Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. The Pastoral team plus the clergy visit church members who have requested it, to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital. Home Communions are a key part of the church's ministry as numbers remain constant. Pastoral care is given a high priority in the church's ministry and proves fruitful in providing a link with the sick and housebound. The clergy are also available to attend hospital for anointing etc at any time.

  During the pandemic we have maintained contact with everyone through a weekly telephone call and a zoom meeting after the church service.

- **Deanery Synod**

  Three members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. Our PCC Secretary is also the Deanery Secretary.

- **The Community Hall**

  The Hall continues to be a warm welcoming place.
  The use of the Hall by the church and local community continues. At present the St John's Baby & Toddler Group, Rainbow/Brownies/Guides, Walsall Wood Women's Institute, Karate,

and the ARK are the prime users of the Hall on a weekly basis during the year, with lettings for children's birthday parties, baptism and funeral receptions.

Through our community hall, we have been able to support the work of the Rainbows, Brownies and Guides by offering them a venue for their work. The local Scouts usually join us for their Christmas celebrations, which once again included a sleepover.

We have again welcomed St John's Teaching School into the hall. Our Church School has been designated as a 'Teaching School' by the Department for Education and we have been delighted to offer them the Community Hall as a venue to put on their training courses.

- **Social Events**
  St. Johns continues to have a varied social and fundraising programme. This has been run by the Social Team. There are also other members of the church who independently arrange social functions such as the Christmas time parish meal. We are blessed to have the Staffordshire Band as our resident Band. St John's is their home, and we hope and trust that the relationship we have formed will grow over the years to come.

  Alongside our social events we continue to hold fundraisers. Rev David raised money through his Birthday appeal, and we joined together with a local public House which was closed to make sure that children saw Santa this year. Santa and attracts many children from the local community.

  We also held a Drive-in Carol Service and a Drive-in Christmas Sing along with the Staffordshire Band in the car park of a local hotel. All of this raised funds for the church and enhanced fellowship with both church member and members of the local community.

- **Brookland Road Cemetery**
  A small team of volunteers have continued to maintain the churchyard at Brookland Road. Although it has been a struggle at times, they have worked extremely hard looking after the vast areas keeping the churchyard neat and tidy. This year Rev David publicly told the community, via Social Media, that we were struggling in this area and members of the public rallied to help. In the same way they have been generous towards the graveyard fund through donations towards Rev David's Birthday Appeal. This however continues to be an area of concern for the church.

- **Fundraising**
  The PCC takes it fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and have not used commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

- **Fabric Report:**
  Church: This year has we have not been able to carry out any remedial works due to the pandemic.

Community Hall: This year has we have not been able to carry out any remedial works due to the pandemic.

Financial Review

At the end of the year there was an unrestricted reserve deficit of £20,828. This was mainly due to outstanding previous years Parish Share requests. In May 2019, The Trustees agreed a new Share Package with the Diocese to cover a four year period regarding the outstanding liability. Details are shown in the creditors note to the accounts.

The Charity has numerous 'Designated' funds due to the various committed activities, in particular Building, Churchyard and Mission Funds. Whilst it should be noted the designated funds are unrestricted funds, if they were to be utilised to reduce current liabilities, it would create problems in maintaining support for committed costs in the Parish.

Our principal source of fundraising is the giving by the members of the church supported by a range of fundraising events throughout the year. However, all streams of income suffered in 2020 with the Lockdown periods following the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic.

We make extensive use of the opportunities provided by the Gift Aid Scheme, including an online JustGiving page.

Our expenditure supports the mission of the church through the maintenance and development of buildings and equipment, the funding of running costs and the payment of salaries, expenses, fees and the Parish Share.

In addition, funding has supported the church's work in our own community, Compassion, Aven House and other charities, and good causes.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. In 2020 this was equivalent to £12,014, but in a "normal" year we would expect this figure to be around £25,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow, and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was £35,219, which is higher than this target.

Investment Policy

It is our policy to invest the short-term investment fund balances with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund and the remainder in the CCLA Church of England Investment Fund.

The charity is granted power to invest in suitable investments under the PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Trustees Act 2000. As a charity, the Trustees have a duty of care to take such advice as is appropriate before investments are undertaken. This advice is sought from the Central Board of Finance (CCLA) in London.

The charity's investment policies are based on two key principles: -

- Ethical Investment – this includes ensuring that investments are held in companies which have high standards of corporate governance and act in a responsible way towards stakeholders.
- Long-term responsibilities – the trustees are aware of their long-term responsibilities in respect of the Restricted and Unrestricted reserves and as a result follow a prudent approach to investment decisions.

Investment policy for long-term funds is aimed primarily at generating a sustainable income, with due regard to the need for the preservation of capital value, and the possible need to realise investments to meet operational needs. The charity does not have a policy of generating income at excessive or high risk – known as “purchasing income”, where high returns are guaranteed at the expense of capital.

In summary, the charity has an overall policy to maximise income while preserving the real value of its funds. Due to the nature of the charity, an ethical investment policy is taken into consideration when investments are made:
The charity follows the Ethical Investment Advisory policy as recommended by the Lichfield Diocese which includes the following:

“We aim to invest in companies that:

* will develop their business in the interests of shareholders;
* demonstrate responsible employment practices;
* are conscientious concerning issues of corporate governance, the environment and human rights;
* are sensitive to the community in which they operate.”

Planned giving, collections and donations are the main sources of fund raising along with tax recoverable.

Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops’ guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity’s beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity’s money or assets, damage to the charity’s property or harm to the charity’s work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year.

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The PCC takes it fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

Volunteers

The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community. Our especial thanks go to our church wardens, Sharon Hodgetts and Colin Townsend, who have worked so tirelessly on our behalf and Robert Worrallo, who has helped us all understand the church’s accounts and its finances.

The Coronavirus Pandemic

2020 was a particularly challenging year with the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic and the consequent national lockdowns, restrictions on routine services, weddings and funerals as well as fundraising and other community events planned during the year. The PCC have tried to remain positive throughout to support the community as well as the fabric of our wonderful church building and community hall. Income has dropped considerably and particularly from general giving and weekly collections.

However, we have seen an increase in other forms of giving such as JustGiving and one-off donations. Whilst some of the expenditure fell during the year, there is still an unplanned shortfall. The Diocese offered to waive the Parish Share for 1½ months which has been most welcome as it meant that we were able to mitigate the damage of this loss.

Reverend David Babbington has worked extremely hard, together with Reverend Andy McCosh from St Mark's, Shelfield & High Heath, in producing our online services/reflections that have reached a broader audience than the routine congregation. It is hoped that this regular virtual contact has provided support to those most vulnerable. Particular thanks need to be given to Penny and Peter Wheble for all the musical worship they have provided.

Future Plans

There is concern for the potential deficit in 2021 and a specific Fundraising Team has been established, in an attempt to mitigate this shortfall. There is also the opportunity for the parish to raise several thousand pounds though the sale of the Walsall Wood Paper Nativity. We will look to develop an increase in regular giving as well as the possibility of legacy endowment.

Risk Management

The Church Wardens, together with the Health & Safety Representative, carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC meet at least 6 times a year. Given its responsibilities, the PCC has a number of sub committees, each dealing with a particular aspect

of parish life. These include Mission and Outreach, Buildings, Inclusive Church, Eco-Church and Fundraising. Each reports back to the PCC with the minutes of their meetings.

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £22,551. All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

Penny Wheble (Licensed Reader), a trustee of the PCC, was paid £3,768 by the PCC during the year for her role as Director of Music.

Expenses paid to Trustees

No Trustee expenses have been incurred during the year.

Reference and Administrative details

The Church is situated at High Street, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9LP, and is part of the Deanery of Walsall, in the Diocese of Lichfield. The correspondence address is the Vicarage, 2 St John's Close, Walsall Wood, Walsall, WS9 9NJ. Registered charity number 1138950. Our website address is:
www.stjohnswalsallwood.com
PCC members who have served from 1st January 2020 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio Members

The Incumbent	The Reverend David Babbington (Chair)	
Churchwardens	Jane Lavender	(Until 18/10/20)
	Darrell McKendry	(Until 18/10/20)
	Sharon Hodgetts	(From 18/10/20)
	Colin Townsend	(From 18/10/20)
Deanery Synod Reps	Valerie Benford	
	Richard Puzey	(Until 18/10/20)
	Kath Stanier	(Until 18/10/20)
	Colin Roberts	(From 18/10/20)
	Penny Wheble	(From 18/10/20)
Elected Members	Sue Barley	
	Sidney Bladen	(Until 18/10/20)
	Kate Coulter	
	Alison Edwards	
	Robert Grainger	
	Helen Harris	
	Sharon Hodgetts	(Until 18/10/20)
	David King	(Until 18/10/20)
	Modupe Oni	(Until 18/10/20)
	Aubrey Pugh	(Until 18/10/20)
	Sue Pugh	(Until 18/10/20)
	Gillian Rigby	(Until 18/10/20)

Maurice Rigby	(Until 18/10/20)
Doreen Sears	
Helen Walker	(Until 18/10/20)
Peter Wheble	(From 18/10/20)
Barbara Wood	(Until 18/10/20)

The Patron of St John's, Walsall Wood is the Rector of St Matthews, Walsall.

Names and addresses of advisers

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Approved by the PCC on 23 May 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



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Reverend David Babbington (Chair)

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Walsall Wood St John

Registered charity number (if applicable): 1138950

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- 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 have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn, in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: …….. Date: ……

Sue Schulz
For and on behalf of Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John
Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2020

1. Accounting Policies

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements 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 nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Post Balance Sheet Event

The ongoing worldwide outbreak of the COVID-19 virus still represents a significant event since the end of the financial year. The Charity has reviewed its cash flow forecasts and considered the impact on going concern, concluding that the going concern basis remains an appropriate basis of preparation for these financial statements given the likely cash flow impact of operations for 12 months from the date of signing this report.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

Restricted funds comprise of two elements:

a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest

b) 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. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Endowment funds are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Income
Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Expenditure
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 diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs
Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.
Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets
Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(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 can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.
No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.
Other tangible fixed assets are valued at cost.

Investments
Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Debtors
Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash expected to be received.

Creditors and Accruals
Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	52,984	1,934	2,281	—	57,201	67,171
Income from charitable activities	6,117	2,988	—	—	9,105	14,334
Other trading activities	1,649	—	—	—	1,649	9,090
Investments	867	—	—	—	867	878
Other income	—	—	—	—	—	5,150
Total income	**61,618**	**4,922**	**2,281**	**—**	**68,823**	**96,624**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	104	—	—	—	104	812
Expenditure on charitable activities	47,952	2,290	5,456	—	55,700	82,438
Total expenditure	**48,057**	**2,290**	**5,456**	**—**	**55,804**	**83,251**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	**13,561**	**2,631**	**(3,174)**	**—**	**13,018**	**13,373**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	291	132	41	—	464	14,141
Gross transfers between funds - out	(173)	(266)	(25)	—	(464)	(14,141)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	1,841	—	—	1,841	4,219
Net movement in funds	**13,680**	**4,338**	**(3,158)**	**—**	**14,860**	**17,593**
Total funds brought forward	**(34,509)**	**51,709**	**39,210**	**—**	**56,410**	**38,817**
Total funds carried forward	**(20,828)**	**56,047**	**36,051**	**—**	**71,270**	**56,410**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund	(20,828)	—	—	—	(20,828)	(34,509)
Designated						
Administration	—	639	—	—	639	368
Building	—	7,577	—	—	7,577	7,577
Candles	—	284	—	—	284	284
Charities	—	1,338	—	—	1,338	1,338
Children & Young People	—	895	—	—	895	895
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	—	6,065	—	—	6,065	4,292
Flower Fund	—	82	—	—	82	19
Funeral verger	—	—	—	—	—	266
Gowns	—	1,027	—	—	1,027	1,027
Investments	—	28,620	—	—	28,620	26,779
Magazine copying	—	1,562	—	—	1,562	1,562
Mission Fund	—	3,906	—	—	3,906	4,061
Music	—	879	—	—	879	806
Parish Share	—	—	—	—	—	(651)
School Bibles	—	687	—	—	687	687
Tower	—	46	—	—	46	46
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	109	—	—	109	109
Vicarage Decoration	—	625	—	—	625	500
Wedding deposits	—	660	—	—	660	660
Youth Bibles	—	1,039	—	—	1,039	1,077
Restricted						
Baby & Toddler	—	—	1,316	—	1,316	1,643
Charities Restricted	—	—	196	—	196	196
Children & Young People Restricted	—	—	11,980	—	11,980	14,980
Choir Social Fund	—	—	—	—	—	317
Church Hall	—	—	520	—	520	500
Churchyard Appeal	—	—	10,806	—	10,806	10,541
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	—	—	7,824	—	7,824	7,824
Compassion - sponsored children	—	—	1,180	—	1,180	979
Pastoral Care - Elderly	—	—	1,033	—	1,033	1,033
Thanksgiving Restricted	—	—	689	—	689	689
Tower Restricted	—	—	504	—	504	504

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Balance sheet as at 31 December 2020

	Total funds	Prior year funds
Current assets		
Debtors	2,308	3,420
Investments	28,620	26,779
Cash at bank and in hand	69,086	70,125
	100,014	**100,325**
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts falling due wthin one year	28,743	43,914
	28,743	**43,914**
Net current assets less current liabilities	**71,270**	**56,410**
Total assets less current liabilities	**71,270**	**56,410**
Total net assets less liabilities	**71,270**	**56,410**
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
General fund	(20,828)	(34,509)
Designated		
Attendant	—	—
Gowns	1,027	1,027
Investments	28,620	26,779
Mission Fund	3,906	4,061
Music	879	806
F Organist	—	—
Parish Share	—	(651)
Thanksgiving	—	—
Tower	46	46
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	109	109
Vicarage Decoration	625	500
School Bibles	687	687
Wedding verger	—	—
Wedding deposits	660	660
Youth Bibles	1,039	1,077
Administration	639	368
Charities	1,338	1,338
Fees	—	—
Building	7,577	7,577
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	6,065	4,292
Children & Young People	895	895
Candles	284	284
Magazine copying	1,562	1,562
Flower Fund	82	19
Funeral verger	—	266
Restricted		
Baby & Toddler	1,316	1,643
Choir Social Fund	—	317
Thanksgiving Restricted	689	689

Tower Restricted	504	504
Agency collection	—	—
Building Restricted	—	—
Churchyard Appeal	10,806	10,541
Children & Young People Restricted	11,980	14,980
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	7,824	7,824
Charities Restricted	196	196
Compassion - sponsored children	1,180	979
Church Hall	520	500
Pastoral Care - Elderly	1,033	1,033
Funds of the church	**71,270**	**56,410**

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on ……. 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature: ……

Name: ……...

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

Parochial Church Council of Walsall Wood St John

Statement of assets and liabilities at 31 December 2020

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
HSBC current account -	(21,777)	16,624	6,076	—	923	1,780
HSBC Churchyard account -	(1,070)	8,964	16,215	—	24,109	19,795
Deposit account -	25,795	—	13,517	—	39,313	43,962
CBF Deposit account -	1,574	1,269	—	—	2,843	2,031
CBF Churchyard account -	(293)	—	347	—	54	53
IDS -	—	625	—	—	625	625
Petty cash -	100	—	—	—	100	100
Choir account -	—	—	—	—	—	358
Baby & toddler account -	—	—	1,116	—	1,116	1,418
Totals	**4,329**	**27,482**	**37,274**	**—**	**69,086**	**70,125**
Current assets - Debtors						
Accounts Receivable -	2,308	—	—	—	2,308	3,420
Totals	**2,308**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**2,308**	**3,420**
Current assets - Investments						
Investments -	—	28,620	—	—	28,620	26,779
Totals	**—**	**28,620**	**—**	**—**	**28,620**	**26,779**
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	1,223	—	1,223	215
Totals	**—**	**—**	**1,223**	**—**	**1,223**	**215**
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Parish Share Arrears -	26,728	—	—	—	26,728	40,093
Accounts Payable -	737	55	—	—	792	3,606
Totals	**27,465**	**55**	**—**	**—**	**27,520**	**43,699**
Grand total	**(20,828)**	**56,047**	**36,051**	**—**	**71,270**	**56,410**

Fund movement by type

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
ATT - Attendant						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for ATT	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Baby - Baby & Toddler						
Restricted	1,643	299	601	(25)	—	1,316
Sub-total for Baby	**1,643**	**299**	**601**	**(25)**	**—**	**1,316**
Bible - School Bibles						
Designated	687	—	—	—	—	687
Sub-total for Bible	**687**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**687**
Buil - Building Restricted						
Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for Buil	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Build - Building						
Designated	7,577	—	—	—	—	7,577
Sub-total for Build	**7,577**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,577**
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal						
Restricted	10,541	265	—	—	—	10,806
Sub-total for CYApp	**10,541**	**265**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**10,806**
CYM - Churchyard Maintenan						
Designated	4,292	2,685	911	—	—	6,065

Sub-total for CYM	**4,292**	**2,685**	**911**	**—**	**—**	**6,065**
CYP - Children & Young Peo						
Designated	895	—	—	—	—	895
Sub-total for CYP	**895**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**895**
CYPR - Children & Young Peo						
Restricted	14,980	—	3,000	—	—	11,980
Sub-total for CYPR	**14,980**	**—**	**3,000**	**—**	**—**	**11,980**
CYR - Churchyard Maintenan						
Restricted	7,824	—	—	—	—	7,824
Sub-total for CYR	**7,824**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**7,824**
Candles - Candles						
Designated	284	—	—	—	—	284
Sub-total for Candles	**284**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**284**
Charity - Charities Restricted						
Restricted	196	—	—	—	—	196
Sub-total for Charity	**196**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**196**
Comp - Compassion - sponsor						
Restricted	979	1,684	1,483	—	—	1,180
Sub-total for Comp	**979**	**1,684**	**1,483**	**—**	**—**	**1,180**
Copier - Magazine copying						
Designated	1,562	—	—	—	—	1,562
Sub-total for Copier	**1,562**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,562**
Flower - Flower Fund						
Designated	19	62	—	—	—	82
Sub-total for Flower	**19**	**62**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**82**
Fverger - Funeral verger						
Designated	266	—	—	(266)	—	—
Sub-total for Fverger	**266**	**—**	**—**	**(266)**	**—**	**—**
Gown - Gowns						
Designated	1,027	—	—	—	—	1,027
Sub-total for Gown	**1,027**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,027**
HALL - Church Hall						
Restricted	500	20	—	—	—	520
Sub-total for HALL	**500**	**20**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**520**
INV - Investments						
Designated	26,779	—	—	—	1,841	28,620
Sub-total for INV	**26,779**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,841**	**28,620**
Mission - Mission Fund						
Designated	4,061	1,018	1,173	—	—	3,906
Sub-total for Mission	**4,061**	**1,018**	**1,173**	**—**	**—**	**3,906**
Music - Music						
Designated	806	180	107	—	—	879
Sub-total for Music	**806**	**180**	**107**	**—**	**—**	**879**
Organist - F Organist						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for Organist	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
PS - Parish Share						
Designated	(651)	644	—	7	—	—
Sub-total for PS	**(651)**	**644**	**—**	**7**	**—**	**—**
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elde						
Restricted	1,033	—	—	—	—	1,033

Sub-total for Pastoral	**1,033**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,033**
TG - Thanksgiving						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for TG	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Tower - Tower						
Designated	46	—	—	—	—	46
Sub-total for Tower	**46**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**46**
VDF - Vicar's Discretionar						
Designated	109	—	—	—	—	109
Sub-total for VDF	**109**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**109**
Vic - Vicarage Decoration						
Designated	500	—	—	125	—	625
Sub-total for Vic	**500**	**—**	**—**	**125**	**—**	**625**
WVerg - Wedding verger						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for WVerg	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
Wedding - Wedding deposits						
Designated	660	—	—	—	—	660
Sub-total for Wedding	**660**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**660**
Youth - Youth Bibles						
Designated	1,077	61	99	—	—	1,039
Sub-total for Youth	**1,077**	**61**	**99**	**—**	**—**	**1,039**
admin - Administration						
Designated	368	271	—	—	—	639
Sub-total for admin	**368**	**271**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**639**
char - Charities						
Designated	1,338	—	—	—	—	1,338
Sub-total for char	**1,338**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**1,338**
choir - Choir Social Fund						
Restricted	317	13	372	41	—	—
Sub-total for choir	**317**	**13**	**372**	**41**	**—**	**—**
fees - Fees						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Sub-total for fees	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**
thanks - Thanksgiving Restric						
Restricted	689	—	—	—	—	689
Sub-total for thanks	**689**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**689**
towerR - Tower Restricted						
Restricted	504	—	—	—	—	504
Sub-total for towerR	**504**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**—**	**504**
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	(34,509)	61,618	48,057	118	—	(20,828)
Sub-total for General	**(34,509)**	**61,618**	**48,057**	**118**	**—**	**(20,828)**
Grand total	**56,410**	**68,823**	**55,804**	**—**	**1,841**	**71,270**

Analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
Donations and legacies						
Gift Aid - Bank	14,100	—	—	—	14,100	13,026
GA Donation	20	—	60	—	80	—
Gift Aid - Envelopes	9,714	—	—	—	9,714	14,127
Envelope scheme	3,368	—	—	—	3,368	5,146
Other planned giving	1,105	—	—	—	1,105	240
Church collections	3,177	—	—	—	3,177	4,759
Collections baptism	31	—	—	—	31	858
Collections funerals	562	—	—	—	562	791
Collections weddings	—	—	—	—	—	124
Messy Church collections	—	3	—	—	3	—
CONTACTLESS RECEIPTS	102	—	—	—	102	325
JUST GIVING DONATIONS	5,857	—	—	—	5,857	—
Donations Appeals	972	200	265	—	1,437	5,535
Donations charity	250	—	—	—	250	—
Donations compassion	—	—	1,624	—	1,624	1,373
Donation flower fund	—	62	—	—	62	187
Donation other	1,479	1,053	332	—	2,865	2,795
Candle Stand donations	139	—	—	—	139	248
Donations appeals etc	—	615	—	—	615	80
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	11,179	—	—	—	11,179	9,689
Legacies bequests	715	—	—	—	715	1,000
Fundraising & Social Events	132	—	—	—	132	3,903
Coffee mornings	78	—	—	—	78	319
Christmas Fayre	—	—	—	—	—	2,641
Total	52,984	1,934	2,281	—	57,201	67,171
Income from charitable activities						
PCC fees wedding	—	—	—	—	—	1,178
PCC fees funeral	4,736	2,808	—	—	7,544	10,699
PCC LOCAL FEES	1,381	180	—	—	1,561	2,417
Church hall lettings - objectives	—	—	—	—	—	40
Total	6,117	2,988	—	—	9,105	14,334
Other trading activities						
Bookstall card sales	8	—	—	—	8	60
Community hall lettings	922	—	—	—	922	6,249
Community hall lettings Weightwatchers	420	—	—	—	420	1,530
Magazine income - advertising	—	—	—	—	—	240
Parish magazine sales	77	—	—	—	77	331
Church room lettings	220	—	—	—	220	680
Total	1,649	—	—	—	1,649	9,090
Investments						
Dividends	15	—	—	—	15	15
Interest deposit account	41	—	—	—	41	72
Interest CBF account	9	—	—	—	9	12
Interest CBF churchyard acount	0	—	—	—	0	0
Dividends Investment a/c 620089001S	801	—	—	—	801	778
Total	867	—	—	—	867	878
Other income						
Insurance claims	—	—	—	—	—	5,150
Total	—	—	—	—	—	5,150
INCOME TOTAL	61,618	4,922	2,281	—	68,823	96,624

EXPENDITURE

Raising funds

Costs of fetes & other events	—	—	—	—	—	560
Costs of stewardship campaign	104	—	—	—	104	251
Total	104	—	—	—	104	812

Expenditure on charitable activities

Giving to missionary societies Bible Soc	120	—	—	—	120	120
Giving - relief and development agencies	170	—	—	—	170	120
Giving Home mission	—	—	—	—	—	17
Giving Secular charities	250	—	—	—	250	575
Secular charities compassion	—	—	1,483	—	1,483	1,475
Parish share	35,000	—	—	—	35,000	38,000
Diocesan Parish Share Write Off	(13,365)	—	—	—	(13,365)	(13,365)
Director of music	3,768	—	—	—	3,768	2,198
Salary of secretary	6,695	—	—	—	6,695	6,695
Working expenses of incumbent	218	—	—	—	218	—
Working exps of other ministers	13	—	—	—	13	159
Parsonage house expenses	—	—	—	—	—	3,964
Water rates - vicarage	107	—	—	—	107	74
Vicar's telephone	329	—	—	—	329	95
Mission	—	—	—	—	—	510
Mission - Messy Church	—	17	—	—	17	160
Parish Training	—	—	—	—	—	80
Deanery contribution	90	—	—	—	90	90
Equipment	968	—	—	—	968	—
Waste	192	—	—	—	192	188
Hospitality	13	—	—	—	13	694
Maint of heating & light equip	375	—	—	—	375	1,632
Maint of other equipment	862	—	—	—	862	443
Organ / piano tuning	—	—	—	—	—	174
Church maintenance	—	—	—	—	—	358
Cleaning materials	186	—	—	—	186	107
Cleaning wages of cleaner	561	—	—	—	561	2,244
Upkeep of services	198	99	—	—	297	1,395
Altar requisites	175	—	—	—	175	354
Music	—	107	372	—	479	2,405
License fees	160	—	—	—	160	683
Upkeep of churchyard	—	411	—	—	411	1,124
Maint of churchyards	—	500	—	—	500	11,102
Church office telephone	1,324	—	—	—	1,324	1,757
Administration	26	—	—	—	26	50
Stationery etc	79	—	—	—	79	277
Copier	369	55	—	—	425	478
Postage	76	—	—	—	76	75
Software	234	—	—	—	234	—
Children Young Peoples work	—	1,100	3,601	—	4,701	—
Flower fund exp	—	—	—	—	—	136
Church insurance	2,534	—	—	—	2,534	2,340
Church Electric	876	—	—	—	876	1,731
Church Gas	2,053	—	—	—	2,053	3,118
Church Water	146	—	—	—	146	121
Church running - gas	—	—	—	—	—	422
Magazine expenses	45	—	—	—	45	44
Hall electricity	638	—	—	—	638	1,054
Hall gas	177	—	—	—	177	1,263
Hall insurance	776	—	—	—	776	761

Hall maintenance	260	—	—	—	260	758
Hall waste	192	—	—	—	192	192
Hall cleaner	748	—	—	—	748	2,244
Hall misc	—	—	—	—	—	5
Governance costs examination/audit fee	300	—	—	—	300	300
Church interior and exterior decorating	—	—	—	—	—	375
Verger funerals & weddings	—	—	—	—	—	1,050
Total	47,952	2,290	5,456	—	55,700	82,438
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	48,057	2,290	5,456	—	55,804	83,251
GRAND TOTAL	13,561	2,631	(3,174)	—	13,018	13,373

2. Allocation of Support Costs

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

3. Staff Costs

	2020	2019
Wages & Salaries	£ 11,772	£ 11,183
Average number of employees	4	3

During the year the PCC employed an administrator, Director of Music, church cleaner and hall cleaner (all part-time) and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

The PCC use the National Employment Savings Trust (NEST), via the Diocesan Payroll Scheme, for its pension payments.

4. Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses

Penny Wheble (Licensed Reader), a trustee of the PCC, was paid £3,768 by the PCC during the year for her role as Director of Music.

No Trustee expenses have been incurred during the year,

5. Related Parties

No other expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

Donations from related parties (PCC members) during the year totalled £22,551.

6. Fees for the examination of the accounts

	2020 £	2019 £
Independent Examiner's fees	150	150
Other fees (eg accountancy services) paid to the Independent Examiner	150	150

7. Analysis of Transfer between Funds

- No material transfers in the year, just small transfers between funds owing other funds

8. Fund Description

Designated Funds

• Admin	For the payment of Administration for funerals and weddings
• Attendant	Payment for the churchyard attendant
• Building	For maintenance of the Church Building
• Candles	Donation from votive candle stand towards purchase of altar requirements
• Ch Young P	Donations for work with children and young adults
• Charities	Donations and collections for specific charities
• Copy	For the payment of usage of copier
• CY Maint	For the maintenance of the churchyard at St Johns & Brookland Road
• F Organist	Payments for the organist for funerals
• F Verger	Payments for the verger for funerals
• Fees	Fees due to LDBF
• Flower	Donations for the purchase of flowers
• Gowns	For maintenance of robes in the church
• Investments	Shares we hold
• Mission	Funding towards the Mission of the church
• Music	For maintenance of the organ and music of the Church
• School Bibles	For purchase of bibles for school leavers at St Johns Primary School
• Tower	For maintenance of the Church tower and electrics
• Vicars Discres Fund	For use by the vicar to assist those in need
• Vicarage Decorating	For decorating costs for the vicarage
• Wedding Deposits	Deposits for weddings
• W Verger	Payments for the Verger for weddings
• Youth Bibles	Donations for the purchase of Youth Bibles

Restricted Funds

• Baby	Church group
• Building	For maintenance of the Church Building
• Ch Young P	Donations for work with children and young adults
• Charities	Donations and collections for specific charities
• Choir Soc	Church grp
• Churchyard Appeal	For the maintenance of Brookland Road Churchyard
• Compassion	Donations for the children sponsored through Compassion
• CY Maint	For the maintenance of Brookland Road Churchyard
• Hall	Donation for Church Hall
• Senior Citizens	For our work with Senior Citizens
• Thanks	Donations in Thanksgiving for use by the church for larger items
• Tower	For maintenance of the Church tower and electrics

9. Fixed Assets

a. Tangible Fixed Assets

None held

b. Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Unrestricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Designated Funds Investments	26,779				1,841	26,620
Total	26,779				1,841	26,620

The investment is shares in the CBF Investment Fund

10. Current Assets

a. Debtors

	2020 £	2019 £
Gift aid recoverable		
Prepayments and accrued income		
Other debtors	2308	3420
Total	2308	3420

b. Current Asset Investments
None held

11. Liabilities

a. Amounts falling due within one year

	2020 £	2019 £
Accruals		
Diocesan parish share	26,728	40,093
Other creditors	792	3,606
Total	27,520	43,699

Under a Share Package agreed in May 2019, the Diocese has rebased the Share Requested for 2020, from £52,023 to £40,000. This re-based Share figure was then reduced by the Parish Share Support Package (of £5,000) to £35,000..This was paid in full during the year.

As the revised Share has been paid in full, the Diocese has written off one quarter of the arrears (£13,365) and will continue to do so over the next 2 years, if the revised Share is paid in full each year.

Parish share arrears are made up as follows:	**2020 £**	**2019 £**
Relating to 2014	-	4,188
Relating to 2015	-	8,476
Relating to 2016	18,423	19,124
Relating to 2018	8,305	8,305
	26,728	**40,093**

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	64,961	2,210	—	67,171	69,364
Income from charitable activities	14,334	—	—	14,334	13,392
Other trading activities	9,090	—	—	9,090	5,360
Investments	878	—	—	878	926
Other income	5,150	—	—	5,150	—
Total income and endowments from:	**94,414**	**2,210**	**—**	**96,624**	**89,043**
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	812	—	—	812	929
Expenditure on charitable activities	80,453	1,985	—	82,438	97,850
Total expenditure on:	**81,265**	**1,985**	**—**	**83,251**	**98,779**
Net income / (expenditure)	**13,149**	**224**	**—**	**13,373**	**(9,736)**
Transfers					
Gross transfers between funds - in	14,141	—	—	14,141	34,722
Gross transfers between funds - out	(14,141)	—	—	(14,141)	(34,722)
Net income / (expenditure)	**13,149**	**224**	**—**	**13,373**	**(9,736)**
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	(291)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	4,219	—	—	4,219	—
Net movement in funds	**17,368**	**224**	**—**	**17,593**	**(10,027)**
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	**(168)**	**38,985**	**—**	**38,817**	**48,845**
Total funds carried forward	**17,200**	**39,210**	**—**	**56,410**	**38,817**
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General fund	(34,509)	—	—	(34,509)	(60,094)
Designated					
Administration	368	—	—	368	3,500
Attendant	—	—	—	—	56
Building	7,577	—	—	7,577	7,878
Candles	284	—	—	284	184
Charities	1,338	—	—	1,338	1,338
Children & Young People	895	—	—	895	895
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	4,292	—	—	4,292	7,468
F Organist	—	—	—	—	70
Fees	—	—	—	—	26
Flower Fund	19	—	—	19	(168)
Funeral verger	266	—	—	266	266
Gowns	1,027	—	—	1,027	1,027
Investments	26,779	—	—	26,779	22,559
Magazine copying	1,562	—	—	1,562	1,562
Mission Fund	4,061	—	—	4,061	4,061
Music	806	—	—	806	2,651
Parish Share	(651)	—	—	(651)	—
School Bibles	687	—	—	687	687
Tower	46	—	—	46	46
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	109	—	—	109	109
Vicarage Decoration	500	—	—	500	3,904
Wedding deposits	660	—	—	660	660
Wedding verger	—	—	—	—	226
Youth Bibles	1,077	—	—	1,077	913
Restricted					
Baby & Toddler	—	1,643	—	1,643	2,153
Charities Restricted	—	196	—	196	196
Children & Young People Restricted	—	14,980	—	14,980	14,980
Choir Social Fund	—	317	—	317	290
Church Hall	—	500	—	500	200
Churchyard Appeal	—	10,541	—	10,541	10,031
Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	—	7,824	—	7,824	7,824
Compassion - sponsored children	—	979	—	979	1,081
Pastoral Care - Elderly	—	1,033	—	1,033	1,033
Thanksgiving Restricted	—	689	—	689	689
Tower Restricted	—	504	—	504	504

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

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Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2019 to 31 December 2019

Fund	Fund Balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Enties	Fund balances Carried forward
admin - Administration	3,500	3,572	25	(6,679)	—	—	368
ATT - Attendant	56	—	—	(56)	—	—	—
Baby - Baby & Toddler	2,153	—	510	—	—	—	1,643
Build - Building	7,878	135	435	—	—	—	7,577
Buil - Building Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Candles - Candles	184	100	—	—	—	—	284
char - Charities	1,338	—	—	—	—	—	1,338
Charity - Charities Restricted	196	—	—	—	—	—	196
CYP - Children & Young People	895	—	—	—	—	—	895
CYPR - Children & Young People Restricted	14,980	—	—	—	—	—	14,980
choir - Choir Social Fund	290	26	—	—	—	—	317
HALL - Church Hall	200	300	—	—	—	—	500
CYApp - Churchyard Appeal	10,031	510	—	—	—	—	10,541
CYM - Churchyard Maintenance Fund	7,468	8,956	12,132	—	—	—	4,292
CYR - Churchyard Maintenance Fund Restricted	7,824	—	—	—	—	—	7,824
Comp - Compassion - sponsored children	1,081	1,373	1,475	—	—	—	979
Organist - F Organist	70	—	—	(70)	—	—	—
fees - Fees	26	—	—	(26)	—	—	—
Flower - Flower Fund	(168)	187	—	—	—	—	19
Fverger - Funeral verger	266	—	—	—	—	—	266
Gown - Gowns	1,027	—	—	—	—	—	1,027
INV - Investments	22,559	—	—	—	4,219	—	26,779
Copier - Magazine copying	1,562	—	—	—	—	—	1,562
Mission - Mission Fund	4,061	—	—	—	—	—	4,061
Music - Music	2,651	560	2,405	—	—	—	806
PS - Parish Share	—	6,433	—	(7,084)	—	—	(651)
Pastoral - Pastoral Care - Elderly	1,033	—	—	—	—	—	1,033
Bible - School Bibles	687	—	—	—	—	—	687
TG - Thanksgiving	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
thanks - Thanksgiving	689	—	—	—	—	—	689
Tower - Tower	46	—	—	—	—	—	46
towerR - Tower Restricted	504	—	—	—	—	—	504
VDF - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	109	—	—	—	—	—	109
Vic - Vicarage Decoration	3,904	—	3,404	—	—	—	500
Wedding - Wedding deposits	660	—	—	—	—	—	660
WVerg - Wedding verger	226	—	—	(226)	—	—	—
Youth - Youth Bibles	913	163	—	—	—	—	1,077
General - General fund	(60,094)	74,307	62,863	14,141	—	—	(34,509)
Totals	**38,817**	**96,624**	**83,251**	**—**	**4,219**	**—**	**56,410**