

Charity Number: 1139504

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARGARET,
LOTHBURY

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS

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The list of trustees/PCC members for the year ending 31.12.24 was as follows:

Adekemi Adebajo
Tanya Chikanza
Jacky Foot
Olly Gillett
David Henderson-Begg
Shainy Joganah
Chris Oldham
Beverley Ryan
David Schluter
Cheryl Stafford
Will Taylor
Mark Thomas

2024 Annual Report

The members of the Parochial Church Council (the PCC) who are also the Trustees of the Charity by virtue of their membership of the Council are pleased to have the opportunity to present their Annual Report together with the Financial Statements of the Charity for the year ending 31st December 2024.

The Accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Accounting Policies set out in note 1 to the Accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Accounting and Reporting Charities Statement of Recommended Practice as applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard set out in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) Objectives and Activities.

The Parochial Church Council has the responsibility of working with the Incumbent in promoting the whole mission of the Church and they fulfil this call both conscientiously and enthusiastically.

The focus of our ministry is our parish in the City of London as well as all the networks and organisations associated with the Church. We seek to be a church that longs to ensure that everyone with whom we come into contact should have the opportunity to experience the love of God in Jesus Christ. We seek to fulfil this aspiration not only through personal contacts and conversations but also through the public worship that is held each week.

We continued in 2024 to make our two main weekly services available online; the numbers joining us have been encouraging in conjunction with an increase in in-person numbers. Our upgraded equipment & the technical skill of those involved in live streaming these services & the development of our YouTube channel has clearly been appreciated by those who are not able to be in the City every week. Monday morning's Prayers for the City and Thursday morning's Men's Group remain online and have continued to grow. The Organ Recital on Thursday which has taken place weekly for over half a century continues to draw an enthusiastic group of people & Richard Townend's playing and interval talks are greatly appreciated.

Our partnership with Trinity Church Central London, who have been using our church building on Sundays & Tuesday evenings, continues. It has been encouraging to see it used on Sundays for public worship by a growing congregation. The success of this joint venture has left both sides confident that this initiative was a good one and we are looking forward to it flourishing in the years ahead.

Our support of the City Civic continues with a deep and genuine commitment: we value our relationships with those Livery Companies, Ward Clubs and the United Wards Club who are associated with the Church and to whom, in most cases the Rector is Chaplain. Our membership of the Bank Churches Cluster, which began in 2007 has been both significant & great fun. As people have returned to working in the City, we have been moving to in-person activity as well as having an online presence.

The PCC has ever been mindful of the Charity Commission's guidelines on public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on ecclesiastical charities for the advancement of true religion. The Council is satisfied that the activities of St Margaret's fall within such guidance. The PCC has also been alert to the Charity Commission's and the Church of England's Regulations of Safeguarding; more people than hitherto have gone through training & sought DBS clearance. The PCC has safeguarding as an agenda item at each meeting & has strengthened the team who oversee this.

The Church Council has continued to be deeply grateful to the team who act on the Council's behalf to sustain the life of the church. Cliff Radmore, our Operations Manager, Will Jackson, our Worship Pastor, Belinda McArdle our Bookkeeper, Richard Townend our Director of Music and Diego Rodriguez our cleaner. They have all gone beyond the call of duty and with a non-resident & professionally busy PCC their commitment is invaluable.

31st December 2024 was a sad and significant day in the long history of our church, as we bade farewell to our much-loved Rector, Jeremy Crossley, who began a well-earned retirement.

Jeremy came to St Margaret Lothbury from St James The Less, Pimlico in 1999, it's fair to say knowing very little about the City, its financial institutions, or the City Civic. And yet in a few short years he had won everyone over with his undoubted love for God, his humble spirit, tireless work ethic and great good humour.

During Jeremy's long tenure, the church has thrived, with numbers steadily growing at both our Tuesday BCP Holy Communion and Wednesday charismatic services - a testament to his rare ability to serve across traditions with equal commitment and fervour.

Jeremy's diligent and wise handling of our finances was crucial first in returning St Margarets back into the black and then to establishing healthy reserves that underpin the mission of the church to this day.

Heartfelt tributes to Jeremy were led by former churchwarden and longtime PCC member James Gerry at the Wednesday service, and by current churchwarden Will Taylor on behalf of the Tuesday congregation.

Jeremy will be greatly missed by all, including church staff, PCC members, City Civic luminaries and many congregants, all of whose lives were so greatly enriched by his friendship and wise, godly counsel. He leaves a legacy among us of which he can be truly proud, and one which the PCC is resolved to build upon for the future.

St. Margaret thus moves into 2025 in a period of interregnum, where the PCC will work with the Bishop, Diocese and the church's Patron, The Simeon's Trustees, to find a new Rector. We pray for God's wisdom and steady hand to guide us and draw confidence that He who gave us Jeremy can always do more than we ask or imagine.

Financial review

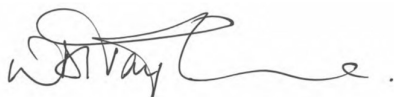
The total funds of the PCC at the 31 December 2024 stand at £1,179,490, a decrease over the previous year of less than 1%.

For the General Unrestricted Fund, income stood at £203,045 with corresponding expenditure of £260,899, giving rise after inter-fund transfers to a slightly increased deficit for the year of £27,878.

Congregational giving was marginally down, as was voluntary church rate (down 22%). The PCC continue to look for alternative sources of income to maintain a strong reserve position.

The members of the PCC balance a low-risk approach to investing against the requirement to generate a reasonable rate of return and take advice from qualified professionals as required and in accordance with the PCC investment policy.

Signed on behalf of the Parochial Church Council of St. Margaret, Lothbury

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W Taylor', followed by a long horizontal flourish.

Mr. William Taylor, Churchwarden and Chairman

28 October 2025

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARGARET,
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report to the PCC members on my examination of the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the charitable company as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination); or
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).'

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



Claire Clements
Accountant

Dated: 29 October 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

		Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Designated Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM	Notes					
Donations and legacies	2	162,196	-	-	162,196	178,826
Charitable activities	2	29,013	-	-	29,013	32,394
Investment income	2	275	12,750	8,671	21,696	20,274
Other	2	11,561	26,651	-	38,212	14,287
TOTAL INCOME		203,045	39,401	8,671	251,117	245,781
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Raising funds		2,727	-	-	2,727	2,669
Charitable activities	3	258,172	18,677	8,147	284,996	325,548
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		260,899	18,677	8,147	287,723	328,217
NET EXPENDITURE BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS/(LOSSES)		(57,854)	20,724	524	(36,606)	(82,436)
Transfers between funds		29,976	34,200	(64,176)	-	-
Net gains/(losses) on investments	7	-	4,601	23,861	28,462	82,446
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(27,878)	59,525	(39,791)	(8,144)	10
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
Total funds brought forward		282,449	300,139	605,046	1,187,634	1,187,624
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	12	254,571	359,664	565,255	1,179,490	1,187,634

The notes on pages 7 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	6		61,658		83,097
Investments	7		863,435		834,973
			925,093		918,070
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	8	25,977		31,880	
Investments: cash deposits		83,745		114,229	
Cash at bank and in hand		165,250		133,553	
		274,972		279,662	
CREDITORS					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(20,575)		(10,098)	
NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES) / ASSETS			254,397		269,564
NET ASSETS			1,179,490		1,187,634
CHARITY FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	12/14		254,571		282,449
Restricted funds	12/14		359,664		300,139
Designated funds	12/14		565,255		605,046
TOTAL FUNDS			1,179,490		1,187,634

The financial statements on pages to were approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on their behalf by:



Mr William Taylor

Chairman



Mr Mark Thomas

Treasurer

The notes on pages 7 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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 have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) second edition effective 1 January 2019 (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and Financial Reporting Standard applicable the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and Charities Act 2011.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, given the level of reserves and the support of the Church of England, the church council have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Collections are recognised when received on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on covenants or Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due, except for Heritage Lottery Fund grants which are accounted for when the entitlement to the grant becomes certain. Sales of books and magazines from the Church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised and unrealised gains and losses on investments and investment properties are included in the statement of financial activities as 'Net gains/(losses) on investments.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be recovered.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.4 Expenditure (continued)

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan quota or parish share is accounted for when payable. Any quota unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an accrual (though not a legal liability) and is included in the creditors shown on the balance sheet.

1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts in accordance with section 10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is put on the movable Church furnishings held by the churchwardens in special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be an inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable Church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets over a purchase price of £500, so as to write off the cost of the assets over their estimated usual lives, as follows:

<i>Soft furnishings</i>	<i>Straight line basis over 10 years</i>
<i>Fixtures, fittings and office equipment</i>	<i>Straight line basis over 5 years</i>

Investments

Investments are stated at fair value at the balance sheet date. Cash balances are included as fixed asset investments if they are invested in accounts of an investment nature and are intended to be held for a period of more than 12 months from the balance sheet date.

1.6 Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at the year end in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors.

Current asset investments include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank, and are intended to be held for a period between 3 and 12 months from the balance sheet date.

1.7 Donated assets and services

In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) the value of volunteer help is not included in the Financial Statements.

Donated assets are recognised as income when the PCC has control over the item; any conditions attached to the donation have been met; the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the PCC of the item is probable; and that economic benefit can be reliably measured.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.7 Donated assets and services (continued)

On receipt, donated assets are recognised as income on the basis of the value of the gift to the PCC, which is the amount the PCC would have been willing to pay to obtain an asset of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised as an asset in the period of receipt.

1.8 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the item value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risk specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

1.9 Pensions

The charity contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the charity to the fund in respect of the year.

1.10 Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the PCC members in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND GRANTS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total funds 2024 £	Total funds 2023 £
<i>Donations and legacies</i>					
Donations made under the Gift Aid scheme	65,860	-	-	65,860	67,860
Income tax recoverable	16,654	-	-	16,654	16,965
Other donations	46,692	-	-	46,692	51,955
Voluntary church rate	32,990	-	-	32,990	42,046
	<u>162,196</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>162,196</u>	<u>178,826</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
<i>Charitable activities</i>					
Service fees	4,513	-	-	4,513	3,894
Use of church building	24,500	-	-	24,500	28,500
	<u>29,013</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29,013</u>	<u>32,394</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
<i>Investment income</i>					
Dividends and interest	275	12,750	8,671	21,696	20,274
	<u>275</u>	<u>12,750</u>	<u>8,671</u>	<u>21,696</u>	<u>20,274</u>
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
<i>Other income</i>					
Grants	3,684	26,651	-	30,335	3,784
Salary contribution	7,877	-	-	7,877	10,503
	<u>11,561</u>	<u>26,651</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>38,212</u>	<u>14,287</u>
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3. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Designated funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Grants					
Charitable giving	735	-	-	735	916
Activities directly relating to the work of the church					
Ministry					
Diocesan quota	91,300	-	-	91,300	88,000
Clergy expenses	1,329	-	-	1,329	1,079
Outreach	5,066	-	-	5,066	3,182
Other clergy & service costs	3,023	-	-	3,023	2,713
CPD	720	-	-	720	705
Building/Production manager	40,272	-	-	40,272	40,397
Church running expenses	14,170	-	-	14,170	12,615
Church maintenance (inc. organ)	7,508	18,677	8,147	34,332	80,476
Housekeeper	7,337	-	-	7,337	7,213
Celebrate	44,126	-	-	44,126	45,645
Support costs allocated to activities:					
Personnel costs	13,624	-	-	13,624	14,532
Office costs	2,768	-	-	2,768	2,931
Professional fees	4,593	-	-	4,593	3,157
Bank interest and charges	162	-	-	162	179
Depreciation	21,439	-	-	21,439	21,808
	<u>258,172</u>	<u>18,677</u>	<u>8,147</u>	<u>284,996</u>	<u>325,548</u>
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Professional fees include the following amounts due to the Independent Examiner:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Independent Examination fees	2,500	2,500

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4. PERSONNEL

Number of employees

The average monthly head count was 2 (2023: 2). The average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year was 1 (2023: 1).

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	63,696	63,576
Social security costs	1,365	1,302
Other pension costs	3,278	3,114
	68,339	67,992
	=====	=====

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was £60,000 or more.

Regular outsourced services:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Bookkeeper	8,981	10,115
Housekeeper	7,337	7,213
	16,318	17,328
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During the year, the PCC outsourced bookkeeping and housekeeping services, neither of whom earned more than £60,000.

The members of the PCC and the building manager comprise the key management personnel of the charity and received aggregate remuneration totalling £40,272 (2023: £40,397). The members of the PCC received no remuneration (see note 5).

5. TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES

No member of the PCC (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year. Expenses totalling £1,329 were due to one member of the PCC for the year (2023: £1,079 to one member); also the reimbursement of rectory maintenance costs of £3,855 (2023: £nil). No pension benefits are accruing to any member of the PCC.

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6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Soft furnishings £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2024	12,570	132,293	144,863
Additions	-	-	-
At 31 December 2024	12,570	132,293	144,863
Depreciation and Impairment			
At 1 January 2024	12,220	49,546	61,766
Charge for the year	50	21,389	21,439
31 December 2024	12,270	70,935	83,205
Net book value			
At 31 December 2024	300	61,358	61,658
At 31 December 2023	350	82,747	83,097

Net book value at 31 December 2024 represents fixed assets used for direct charitable purposes.

7. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Market value	Unlisted Investments £	Cash or Equivalents £	Total £
At 1 January 2024	834,973	-	834,973
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals at book value	-	-	-
Net unrealised gains	28,462	-	28,462
At 31 December 2024	863,435	-	863,435

Investments are held to provide an investment return for the PCC.

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8. DEBTORS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	16,654	16,965
Occasional services	5,823	4,415
Other debtors and prepayments	3,500	10,500
	25,977	31,880
	=====	=====

9. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	17,405	6,502
Accruals and deferred income	3,170	3,596
	20,575	10,098
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10. PENSIONS AND OTHER POST-RETIREMENT BENEFIT COMMITMENTS

Defined contribution scheme

The PCC operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the PCC to the fund.

	2024	2023
	£	£
Contributions payable by the PCC for the year	3,278	3,114
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11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

There were no transactions with related parties during the year other than as disclosed in note 5 (2023: £nil) and there were no balances outstanding with related parties as at 31 December 2024 (2023: £nil).

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12. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

CURRENT YEAR	Balance at 1 Jan 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers In/(out) £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 Dec 2024 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	282,449	203,045	(260,899)	29,976	-	254,571
Restricted funds						
<i>Capital funds:</i>						
Fabric capital fund	162,916	4,522	-	(4,522)	3,729	166,645
Organ investment capital fund	38,598	1,074	-	(1,074)	872	39,470
<i>Arising from endowments and restricted capital funds:</i>						
Fabric fund	42,645	4,039	-	37,060	-	83,744
Organ repair fund	15,946	143	(918)	1,074	-	16,245
Building repairs	39,658	29,623	(17,759)	1,662	-	53,184
Historic difference	376	-	-	-	-	376
	300,139	39,401	(18,677)	34,200	4,601	359,664
Designated funds						
Reserve	597,645	8,650	(4,292)	(63,116)	23,861	562,748
Vicar's discretionary fund	436	3	-	-	-	439
Rectory repairs	6,965	18	(3,855)	(1,060)	-	2,068
	605,046	8,671	(8,147)	(64,176)	23,861	565,255
Total of funds	1,187,634	251,117	(287,723)	-	28,462	1,179,490

RESTRICTED FUNDS

Building repair fund

This comprises a restricted fund held for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the building and covers maintenance and repair work on the essential systems within the church, and other work in the church not covered by the Building fabric fund. The income of this fund is received from an endowment fund held for the PCC by the London Diocese, who is the sole trustee.

Building fabric capital fund and Building fabric fund

The Building fabric capital fund comprises a fund held for the purpose of generating an investment return to be applied for the purpose of maintaining the fabric of the building. The income generated by the fund is paid into the Building fabric fund with the same purpose of maintaining the fabric of the building. The capital fund is protected and only to be used if there is no balance remaining on the Building fabric fund.

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RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

Organ investment capital fund and Organ repair fund

The organ investment capital fund comprises a fund held for the purpose of generating an investment return to be applied for the purpose of maintenance and repair work on the organ. The capital fund is protected and only to be used if there is no balance remaining on the Organ repair fund.

DESIGNATED FUNDS

These represent funds set aside by the members of the PCC to cover specific aims. The Reserve fund is to ensure sufficient reserves are held to enable the PCC to continue to operate for a period of twelve months. The Vicar's discretionary fund and the Rectory repair fund are to cover additional costs as described.

PRIOR YEAR	Balance at 1 Jan 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers In/(out) £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 Dec 2023 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds	285,393	225,851	(257,880)	29,085	-	282,449
Restricted funds						
<i>Capital funds:</i>						
Fabric capital fund	148,906	4,453	-	(4,453)	14,010	162,916
Organ investment capital fund	35,351	1,059	-	(1,060)	3,248	38,598
<i>Arising from endowments and restricted capital funds:</i>						
Fabric fund	35,945	2,247	-	4,453	-	42,645
Organ repair fund	15,752	-	(866)	1,060	-	15,946
Building repairs	50,756	2,479	(13,577)	-	-	39,658
Historic difference	376	-	-	-	-	376
	287,086	10,238	(14,443)	-	17,258	300,139
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Designated funds						
Reserve	606,409	9,692	(54,559)	(29,085)	65,188	597,645
Vicar's discretionary fund	436	-	-	-	-	436
Rectory repairs	8,300	-	(1,335)	-	-	6,965
	615,145	9,692	(55,894)	(29,085)	65,188	605,046
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Total of funds	1,187,624	245,781	(328,217)	-	82,446	1,187,634
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13. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There are no capital commitments as at 31.12.24 (2023 £nil).

14. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Designated Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
CURRENT YEAR					
Tangible fixed assets	61,658	-	-	61,658	83,097
Fixed asset investments	92,064	206,116	565,255	863,435	834,973
Current assets	121,187	153,785	-	274,972	279,662
Current liabilities	(20,338)	(237)	-	(20,575)	(10,098)
	<u>254,571</u>	<u>359,664</u>	<u>565,255</u>	<u>1,179,490</u>	<u>1,187,634</u>
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	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Designated Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
PRIOR YEAR					
Tangible fixed assets	83,097	-	-	83,097	3,575
Fixed asset investments	28,412	201,515	605,046	834,973	927,527
Current assets	181,038	98,624	-	279,662	275,196
Current liabilities	(10,098)	-	-	(10,098)	(18,674)
	<u>282,449</u>	<u>300,139</u>	<u>605,046</u>	<u>1,187,634</u>	<u>1,187,624</u>
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15. ENDOWMENT FUND

A Building Repair endowment fund is held for the PCC by the Diocese of London, which acts as sole trustee and has sole managerial responsibility for the capital value of this fund. The value of this fund held at the year end is £92,768 (2023: £90,692).