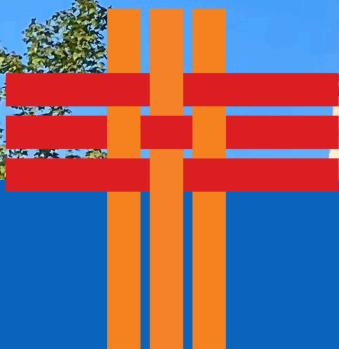


# ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ended  
31 December 2024



St Matthew's

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The PCC is a charity registered with the Charity Commission in England and Wales. St Matthew's forms part of the Tolworth Hook & Surbiton Team Ministry working alongside our brothers and sisters in Christ at St George's, Tolworth and St Paul's, Hook.

Team Rector and Vicar The Reverend Caroline Kramer (from 30th October 2024)  
20A Kingsdowne Road, Surbiton KT6 6JZ

## **2024 LEADERSHIP**

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. PCC membership is for a three year term of office. It is permitted to hold the office for two consecutive periods after which it is our practice for the member to stand down in order to spread the responsibility of this position more widely amongst the congregation. The term each member is serving is indicated below.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

### **Team Rector and Vicar of St. Matthew's:**

Revd Caroline Kramer (Instituted 30th October 2024)

### **Team Clergy**

Rev Carolyn Lucas, Rev. Nicholas Lebey

### **Lay Chair**

Dave Farris\*

### **Churchwardens**

Mr Jason Pennington

Mr Dave Hill (retiring at APCM)

### **Representatives on the Deanery Synod**

Mark Curzon

Sheena Evans (end of term APCM)

Sue Fraser

### **Treasurer**

Tim Lucas

### **Secretary**

Lyn Taylor

### **Members**

Jessica Johnson (end of term APCM)

Sue O'Hagan (end of term APCM)

Niluma Ponweera (end of term APCM)

Wendy Richmond (second term)

Mrs Jackie Farris (second term)

David Carter (first term)

Dave Farris (first term)

Mrs Mary Edwards (first term)

Mrs Harriet Pennington (first term)

Heinrich Alphons (first term)

From 1st October.2023 until 30th October 2024, Dave Farris chaired the PCC . This leadership and support was exemplary

We are very grateful to all those who have served as PCC members this year

## **CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

The Electoral Roll was revised as required in preparation for the APCM in April 2024. Following the revision the Roll stands at 169 names. This represents a very little change from last year, a net increase of just four people. Of the Roll, 59 people are resident within the parish of St Matthew – a little over a third - and 110 live further afield, in other Surbiton parishes and beyond.

Judith Jones. Electoral Roll Officer January 2025

## **OCCASIONAL SERVICES**

The number of baptisms, marriages and funerals were as follows:

Baptisms 6

Weddings 2

Funerals 24 (conducted both in our church buildings but also by a member of our ministry team elsewhere)

Occasional Services present the opportunity variously to mourn, offer comfort and celebrate with those in our Parish and beyond. All of these services allow us to speak into the life of the individuals concerned and witness to our faith both in our parish and the wider society as we seek to share the love of God. Thanks to The Revds. William Allberry and Carolyn Lucas who assist the Team Rector in this important ministry and Julie Huggett the Deanery Funerals Administrator.



## **THIS TEAM MATTERS**

Trusting In The Father, Honouring The Son, Serving In The Spirit  
Team Rector Report

I officially came into post on 30th October 2024. I was pleased to see so many folk from across the Team at my Installation and Licensing Service.

I inherited a Team which is used to working well together and had had a joint service in the summer of 2024. Rev Nicholas Lebey was Curate in Charge of St. George's Tolworth and Rev Carolyn Lucas is licensed to the whole team. The Team had been given an extra stipend, meaning that each Church could have a full-time vicar, rather than one post being a curacy. This was good news. Nicholas was looking to transition to a post having completed his curacy and became the preferred candidate at St. George's. Interviews were set for early 2025.

St. Paul's remained in interregnum and was dealing with various property ownership changes at the end of the year. They would move to a more active search in 2025. During this extended period of vacancy Rev. Carolyn Lucas agreed to be the main priest at St. Paul's. This meant each of the clergy could focus mainly on one congregation. I have had to chair the PCC there in the absence of a Team Vicar.

My aim is for us to rotate although my initial thought that I would be in either St. Paul's or St. George's is a little optimistic and we will establish a pattern in 2025, realizing we will have one more clergy person in post at some point.

We continue to work together for Sunday evening youth provision and joint services and a joint PCC will be considered into 2025.

This is a busy team and getting to know folk and all the things which go on will take a while. Team clergy aim to meet about every 3 weeks to pray together and to make sure we are communicating well.

I look forward to working closely across the team and feel very fortunate to have been called to such a wonderful place. Thank you for your welcome.

*Rev. Caroline Kramer*  
Team Rector

# REPORTS

## OFFICE HOLDER REPORTS

### A VIEW FROM THE VICARAGE. (and PEW)

To begin with there must be a huge thank you to Carolyn Lucas and William Allberry for taking on the task of leading the majority of the Sunday services during the church's vacancy. With Helen's departure in late 2023 the church rallied around and continued to offer so much to our congregation and guests.

We must also thank our wonderful church wardens who lead us through the vacancy so magnificently. Jackie Farris stepped aside to become assistant warden after serving for over 3 years, and Jason Pennington took her place alongside Dave Hill. And Jason Edge lead the increasingly proficient music groups, ensuring the quality of sung worship continued to grow.

The church and the PCC began the year working hard to create the Parish Profile document that would be the document that prospective ministers would see to decide if St. Matthew's was where God was calling them to be. The inclusive process meant that all was in place to advertise in line with the Diocese requirements, and so we were fully prepared for the interview process in June. A truly magnificent team effort that ultimately lead to the Appointment of Revd Caroline Kramer.

During 2024 the church continued to offer social activities to all including a board games event; a church heritage open day and a country dance night, bringing together all ages within the church and community.

Maintenance on the church building and gardens was done by many volunteers on set days and a on occasions when it was more urgently required; and we finished removing the carpet tiles from the floor oat the rear of the church in readiness to move forward with managing this area.

The church held a 'regular giving review' day, 'soft TRIO (the responsibility is ours) and successfully increased regular giving to cover increasing running costs.

Our motto verse for 2024 reflected that the church was in vacancy and that we were all part of one church – 1 Corinthians 12: v 27. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

In May we held a very successful weekend away event at the DeVere hotel, East Horsley with Peter Graystone as our speaker.  
*Dave Farris*



Following my service of Installation and Induction on 30th October I began working. We instigated Morning Prayer on five days of the week. Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday with me and Wednesday with Rev. William Allberry. We started in the church but as temperatures dropped, we moved into the Chapel which has an independent heating source and gets warm fast. These 9am services always have parishioners in attendance in addition to the clergy and, not infrequently, swell to six or eight people out of a pool of a dozen or more regular attendees.

I decided my day off would be Thursday, which threw a minor spanner in the works but this means that the once monthly double day which we now get can be Thursday and Friday which leaves Saturday as a workday. Useful for meeting with people who work during the week.

St. Matthews is a wonderfully open and friendly church and even in the couple of months of 2024 included in this report I learned that there are many hard working people who keep everything going – from cleaning toilets to singing, from sound systems to folding papers. Thank you to each and every one of you.

There is always a lot to learn in a new post and I spent the first few weeks trying to acclimatize to the culture at St. Matthews. This was not helped, at all, by getting fairly severely unwell with one of the legion of bugs which was around which left me feeling depleted until well into 2025. Christmas sermons and services were “sotto voce” but not out of choice, I simply could not speak. Someone very sensibly counselled me to show up just before the services and leave as soon as I could afterwards to save what little voice I had. I ended up feeling lucky that I had been able to be there at all, although disappointed that I was far from the lively at such a key time of year.

The Bereavement Service had already been planned long before my arrival and took place on the first  
Prayers left at Blue Christmas

Sunday of November. We introduced a Blue Christmas/Longest Night service in December which was well attended. The Christmas Services were also well attended. Especial thanks to Dave Farris for the Christingle and Jason Edge and his team of musicians for the Carol Service.

My first few weeks included several PCC meetings across the team. St. George's, Tolworth was in the process of putting together their profile and working towards interviewing Rev. Nicholas Lebey to move from being “Curate in Charge” to “Team Vicar.” St. Paul's Hook was also putting together a profile and I will chair their PCC until we get a Team Vicar in there. Rev. Carolyn Lucas agreed to take the lead in terms of day to day presence and Sunday worship at St. Paul's. I am very grateful for her leadership.

a bout of flu at the end of the year slowed my down and led to a very “sotto voce” first Christmas.

A final thank-you to everyone who worked so hard before I came and to get me here. I have inherited a post which has been loved and am privileged to be in a church with a bunch of great folk who love God and know that God loves them.

*Rev. Caroline Kramer*





## TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024.

In 2024, there was a surplus of £7,839 on unrestricted funds and a deficit of £579 on restricted funds. Consequently, unrestricted funds increased to £913,725 (of which £680,00 is represented by the property in Ellerton Road) and restricted funds reduced to £27,961.

### Income

Total unrestricted income was £184,125 in 2024 and restricted income £3,257, giving a total of £187,382 (2023 £219,231). The decrease from 2023 to 2024 was primarily due to there being no legacy receipts in 2024 (2023 £48,088). This was partially offset by increased giving (up 7% including gift aid reclaims), increased income from church lettings (up from £1,642 in 2023 to £4,295 in 2024) and interest earned (up from £7,195 in 2023 to £9,429 in 2024). Receipts from church events were also higher due to the weekend away in 2024 (up from £969 in 2023 to £4,821 in 2024).

### Expenditure

Total expenditure on the unrestricted funds was £176,286 in 2024 and on restricted funds £3,836, a total of £180,122 (2023 £172,978). Several different factors were behind the increase including expenditure on the weekend away (£4,733 in 2024 v £NIL in 2023), expenditure on the diocesan parish share (£86,300 in 2024 v £83,500 in 2023) and expenditure on music (£8,858 in 2024 v £6,570 in 2023). This was because the Director of Music was paid a more realistic salary than his predecessor). There was also substantial expenditure on the recruitment and installation of the new rector, which is reflected in the increase in the "other" category of expenditure (£7,213 in 2024 v £3,616 in 2023) as well as an increase in gas, electricity and water (£16,497 in 2024 v £14,180 in 2023). These increases were partly offset by a reduction in expenditure on major works and repairs (£NIL in 2024 v £11,928 in 2023) and insurance (£13,038 in 2024 v £15,716 in 2023).

### Transfers between Funds

There were no transfers between funds in 2024.

### Balance Sheet

The primary assets as at the end of 2023 were the property in Ellerton Road which was valued at £680,000 (2023 £680,000) and £263,824 (2023 £244,455) in cash and short term deposits.

### Free Reserves

Free reserves (ie the reserves of the unrestricted funds net of fixed assets) amounted to £232,140 at 31st December 2024 (2023 £222,715). This continues to be in excess of the minimum required by the reserves policy.

*Tim Lucas*

## CHURCHWARDENS' FABRIC REPORT

Firstly our heartfelt thanks go out to all who have helped the church in the past year. Many volunteers give their time and energy in the maintenance & upkeep of the fabric of our building and grounds. To those who Hoover, clean, tend the gardens and the many other things which get carried out silently and without wider recognition - thank you. This culture of selfless giving makes our church the welcoming and hospitable place it is. As a contributor myself, I can honestly say how much it has helped my own faith journey and also has significantly contributed to my own personal sense of fulfilment. If you do not currently volunteer for anything, I do urge you to look at what you would enjoy doing for others, however small. Giving in this way is not meant to be a 'chore' but to be an active way God uses our skills and the activities we already enjoy doing.

Over the previous year there have been many hands tending the garden and generally keeping it tidy and under control. Our thanks go out to Sheena, who rallies the troops in the garden, and who has put great energy into ensuring our outside areas are well looked after. There has also been a big effort in the preparation of a potential 'community garden' and we are still examining the ways in which this could work safely and communally.

The new 'Italian garden', to the left of our entrance, has had attractive white shingle laid down and our partners at 'Monumental Masons' recently repaired the 'coping stones'. They have repointed the wall with our neighbour, where it was crumbling, ensuring it was safe and looking its best (pic).

In the Autumn we decided that with so many young children attending our creche needed some re-organisation, so a small team of volunteers came on a Saturday and emptied, sorted and cleaned the creche. The carpet and general area were cleaned making it a much more pleasant environment for the toddlers and their parents. In echoes of the wonderful BBC 'Sort your Life Out' programme, excess items were donated to charity or recycled.

The PCC are currently considering the options for the floor at the back of the church, and it is hoped that in the coming year we will be able to make the church entrance much more inviting for those who come.

With the new regular morning prayer services, repairs were made to the tapestry hangings and a new altar set up in the Chapel. It is also hoped that the carpet in this space will be replaced within the next year.

*Jason Pennington*



## SAFEGUARDING

Throughout 2024 the two Parish Safeguarding Officers, Susan Fraser and Heather Cummins have continued to 'promote a safer church' in line with the Diocese Safeguarding Policy. All new volunteers have completed DBS checks and safeguarding training. We have ensured that DBS checks are renewed 3 yearly and have encouraged volunteers to update their safeguarding training as required.

Safeguarding is the responsibility of the whole church, therefore safeguarding awareness and advice is publicised in the church and on the parish website. Safeguarding continues to be an item on every PCC meeting throughout the year. The Safeguarding policies were updated and approved by the PCC in September.

The Makin review was published in November which looked at the failures of safeguarding within the Church of England and highlighted the need for best safeguarding practice within churches. The Diocese Safeguarding team provided extra support for the parish if needed.

The Annual Diocese Safeguarding audit is due to be completed in February 2025.

Heather Cummins has now moved out of the area and we thank her for all her hard work during the year. We are looking for someone to replace her role as Parish Safeguarding Officer.

*Sue Fraser*





## MINISTRY REPORTS

### PASTORAL TEAM AND BEREAVEMENT FRIENDLY CHURCH

The Pastoral team continues to meet every three months to discuss the needs of the church family and to decide on plans of action. In between meetings we are in regular contact by email and WhatsApp to share concerns and prayer requests.

Those of our church family who are no longer able to attend church are supported by visits and offered Holy Communion in the home.

A service of Holy Communion is taken each month at four of the care homes in the area.

We are in the process of discussing further ways in which we can offer pastoral support, through developing a prayer ministry and also supporting carers in our community.

We continue to focus on being a Bereavement Friendly Church. Our annual service of Remembering and Thanking was held 3rd November and was attended by those in the parish who have suffered the loss of a loved one. On 21st December (the longest night) we held a Blue Christmas service for anyone, who for whatever reason was finding the Christmas season a particularly difficult and sad time. Many of those who came expressed their appreciation that their sadness was acknowledged.

We continue to run The Bereavement Journey course twice a year. Both church members and those from the wider community are welcome to take part. We have been encouraged by the positive feedback from participants who have completed the course. Many say that the course has given them an understanding of the grief journey and has given them hope that in time they will be able to rebuild their lives and know happiness again.

A Bereavement Walking Group and a Bereavement Support Group, both held monthly, are open to members of both the church and the wider community. These events have provided much needed sources of help and support for those living with the pain of grief.

*Susan Kang*



## ECO CHURCH

This report relates to the five Eco Church subject areas as follows:

Within **teaching and worship**, the Climate Emergency theme is always present in our prayers, and we have usually have two services each year dedicated to this subject. In 2024 there was only one, when on 2 June Andy Atkins, chief executive of A Rocha, the Eco Church parent charity, preached to both congregations. Our children's and youth groups are fully involved.

We maintained the economical lighting and heating of our **building**. We continued to encourage **Lifestyle** changes through weekly Ecotips, while any food and drink bought for the church was where possible fairtrade and organic, office supplies were recycled and cleaning materials non-toxic.

We continued to increase the biodiversity of our **land**, checking progress through the annual Churches Count for Nature event in June. With magnificent help from the girls of Surbiton High School in July, we tackled the major task of clearing the brambles behind the church, building another bug house there and painting with wood preservative the fence and benches. Regular volunteers, including some from the neighbourhood rather than the congregation, have almost finished ensuring that the brambles and ivy do not recur, as well as working all year round routine maintenance task.

Under **community and global engagement**, we liaised with St Matthew's school on environmental matters, took part in the very successful Lent Walk focused on climate change organised by the Diocese, gave to charities like A Rocha, and contributed to the Kingston Biodiversity Partnership, launched in September 2023 under the auspices of the local authority.

*Sheena Evans*



## MUSIC AND ST MATTHEW'S CHOIR

2024 has been a dynamic year for musical life at St Matthew's and our ministry continues to flourish, thanks to the love, warmth, enthusiasm, and commitment of our dedicated choir and band members. I am also especially grateful to Nigel, Hazel, and Sue who are so generous in giving their time and skills to cover services in church and/or in the community.

A major highlight has been the launch of our new community choir, Sing at St Matthew's. With over 40 on its mailing list and more than 30 singers participating each month, the group draws in singers from neighbouring churches as well as those who don't currently sing elsewhere. Its flexible, drop-in format complements the excellent work of our regular choir and band at our weekly services.

We also staged The Big Sing—a spirited concert that showcased our community's vocal talent, and enjoyed a superb concert from Trio Lavolta. Our joint Evensong at Salisbury Cathedral with the choirs of St Andrew's and St Mark's was another milestone. Thanks to our 'Super' Choir and the Sing at St Matthew's group, we have been well placed to field an extended choir for several major services, like the Licensing Service in October for our new Team Rector, Rev'd Caroline Kramer (herself an experienced singer!).

I'm also pleased to be in a position to nurture a musical connection with our church primary school, rehearsing with them and playing at their termly services. Last year, I also accompanied the Year 6 production based on Charlie and the Chocolate Factory at the cornerHOUSE Community Centre (to a sell-out audience!)—another reminder of how music brings our community together.

Our musical life is going from strength to strength, and I look forward to building on this as we approach our 150th anniversary in 2025, when there will be even more opportunities for music in our community!

*Jason Edge. Director of Music*



## DISCIPLESHIP & MINISTRY TEAM

The purpose of the Discipleship and Ministry Team is to enable the better equipping of our congregation to live out our faith in our everyday lives, and to deepen our relationship with God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. In a nutshell, being a Christian 7 Whole Days.

The early part of the year was dominated by the launch of our Motto Verse “Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it”, encapsulating inclusivity in the context of the Vacancy, the church as one body but many parts, all suffering or rejoicing together, each doing our own part according to our skills and abilities.

In May, we had our bi-annual Away Weekend. Our guest speaker through the whole weekend was Peter Graystone during which he talked about Meeting Jesus. Peter examined the stories of six people who met Jesus two thousand years ago and asked us to consider what it means to meet Jesus in our everyday lives today, and how we can catch sight of him in some unexpected places.

In the middle of the year, we focused on trying to learn ways to spend more time listening to God. Adam Heather (Pastor of Emmaus Road Church in Guildford (the hub of Pete Greig’s 24-7 Prayer Movement)) gave us a fascinating talk of his own experiences in this field, honestly answered many difficult questions, and talked about how he and we can try to enrich our prayer life by having conversations with God.

Other activities during the year were based around trying to increase the involvement of the children and young people groups in the everyday life of the church, improving the environment around the Prayer Corner and its usage, and encouraging Housegroups to lead church services during the Vacancy.

Being part of the team is a rewarding experience in equipping ourselves and others to live out our faith in our daily lives and deepen our relationship with God. If you would like to join us, please feel free to ask for more information from Caroline Kramer, David Itcovitz or any member of the team.

*David Itcovitz*

## REPORT ON DEANERY SYNOD

The Deanery Synod had three meetings this year.

In February we considered at length the close faith and social links that have been built up between our host church, St James New Malden, and the local Korean community. For the first time in the UK, some Anglican services at St James's were being offered in Korean under a scheme known as the "Diocesan Improvement Plan" grants would be made available to improve services for young people within the deanery. Feedback was sought from those present on ideas for which these grants might be used.

At our June meeting at St John the Evangelist Kingston we were advised that a new deanery body was being formed as a follow up to the young persons service initiative from our previous meeting.

In recent years St John's has been used as a drop in centre run by Refugee Action Kingston. Offering a variety of services including free English classes, help with navigating the health service, and an after school programme for children. A place of safety and sanctuary which welcomed all faiths and none, allowing people to forget their traumas. They are signposted to different groups and given the opportunity to meet British people. Out of 1,500 clients supported by RBK, 300 had attended the drop-in at St John's.

Our October Synod gathering at St Paul's Hook included an overview of THiS team ministry structure, history and aims. THiS team are looking forward to the arrival of the Revd Caroline Kramer, whose induction as St Matthew's vicar and THiS team rector will be at St Matthew's on 30th October

A recent Deanery Synod by-election has addressed the perceived need for greater diversity within our clergy and laity reps sitting on the Diocesan Synod. The key note speaker was Revd Charlie Lamont, our Diocesan Dean of Revitalisation. Charlie described his job within the team as "remissioning". Helping parishes to adopt fresh, innovative and adaptable approaches to mission and new ways of attracting people to church.

All Saints Kingston has been designated a "hub church" under the recently created diocesan youth investment programme and are planning to use choirs as a vehicle for growth by recruiting choral trainers. A relationship is being developed with local primary schools to form a junior choir, holding a concert in church each term. This could be shared with other churches as a resource.

*Mark Curzon*

## CHILDREN'S GROUPS

### Scramblers

In 2024, we rebranded ourselves back to "Scramblers" after a few years as "Scrimblers". We found that "Scramblers" is easier to say and is more meaningful. Our group has continued to grow, welcoming many new smiles throughout the year.

We began the year exploring Old Testament stories such as David & Goliath and the walls of Jericho. In the spring, we explored Jesus' parables, and in the autumn, we discussed each of the Fruits of the Spirit and what they meant for our lives today. Joint activities across all children's groups, including the Summer Party and the Nativity service, were thoroughly enjoyed by our Scramblers. They continue to bring joy to our community and help us see the world and Jesus' teachings in a new light.

*Wendy Richmond*

### Pathfinders

Pathfinders are a small, supportive group of mainly year 7's and 8's with one leader and an additional adult. We have been using Scripture Union's 'The Grid' since September. We are enjoying the varied material and have delved into Bible stories from creation to King David so far. We are looking forward to discovering more through the year.

*Sue O'Hagan*



### Explorers

2024 got off to a great start for Explorers with our inaugural Inter-church Stroll in January to mark Week of Christian Unity. We enjoyed visiting Christ Church Surbiton Hill and New Life Baptist Church, bringing them messages of Christian greeting. We then covered the period up to Easter by investigating special days and seasons in the Church calendar- Candlemas, Jesus's Temptation in the Wilderness, Women's World Day of Prayer and Palm Sunday. In the summer, we spent some time reflecting on the Hebrews' journey to the Promised Land by erecting and decorating a 'tabernacle' in the garden. In the autumn we examined a selection of Jesus's ethical teaching and then reflected on what, from a Christian perspective, it means to be human, including freedom, possessing unconditional value and the experience of temptation. The Explorers continue to amaze us with their thoughtfulness, cheerfulness and support of one another.

*Stuart Bachelor*



## CHILDREN'S GROUPS (cont.)

### Fuel & Ignite

Fuel and Ignite youth groups meet once a month during term time for an hour on a Sunday evening in St Matthews church. We offer a chance for the young people from all the churches in THiS team to come together, play games, have fun and think about faith and what it might mean for them.

Fuel is aimed at year groups 6 – 10 and Ignite 10 – 13.

Fuel attendance numbers vary but average around 10 per session. In September we welcomed new members from year 6. We have representation from all three churches in THiS team and it's lovely watching the young people getting to know one another and forming friendships across the team. In April Wendy Richmond joined the leadership team and it's been great to have her on the team (especially her crafting skills!)

From January to July Ignite was led by Michael Novotny (St Matthews youth worker) and Ashleigh from St Matthews congregation. In June we said a fond farewell to these two leaders and now the older young people are supported by Simon. Attendance numbers at Ignite have been low and we are now thinking about alternative ways to engage our older youth (any ideas welcome!)

Please pray for Fuel and Ignite, our young people and our leaders *Simon Rowe, Wendy Richmond and Becky Whiting.*



## OTHER CHURCH GROUPS

### Delta Homegroup

Delta Housegroup meets on Thursday evenings between 7.30pm and 9.30pm currently at David Itcovitz's house but it varies. At present there are seven members in our group. Each week we start with coffee and a chat, catching up on each other's news – this is an integral part of our Housegroup as it's a time when we share our successes, joys, challenges and worries, and so we can pray for each other during the week. We then start with prayer followed by the use of study guides to read and discuss parts of the Bible.

This year, we have studied James ("Faith That Works"), a Lent Study ("Generosity"), Guidance and God's Will ("Trust God to Lead"), and a study on various Old Testament Characters. We also together led a Morning Prayer service in July.

If you don't already belong to a housegroup do think about joining us or one of the others, as it is a brilliant way to learn more about your faith, yourself and to get spiritual support to see you through the week.

*David Itcovitz*

### Inspire Homegroup

Inspire continues to meet on a weekly basis, and has eleven members on its roster. It is rare, however, that all eleven are able to attend together as other demands on time nibble away at individuals' availability.

The Group remains valued by all, with its mix of fellowship, study, discussion and sharing. We are all on a journey and it is good to be supportive of each other as we move forward.

Meeting on a Monday gives us a good opportunity to discuss the previous day's services, and to review the readings and sermons. We also use a variety of study materials to help us along. We are sharing leadership amongst members, which is a great way of building confidence and skills, and continue to meet in members' houses, and occasionally the Sitzler Room.

*Ian Davies*

### Sigma Homegroup

The Sigma house group is named after the Greek symbol for 'the sum of' and reflects that we are diverse, yet come together for a single purpose. The group is hosted by Dave & Jackie Farris. The group have gathered on Thursday nights since the beginning of June 2017 and studied many differing aspects of the Bible, as well as having social evenings that naturally involved food. We meet in blocks of 4 weeks with a break of 4 weeks which has worked well.

We look forward to 2025 and the learning that we will encounter.

*Dave Farris*

## OTHER CHURCH GROUPS cont

### Brunch Bunch

Brunch Bunch continues to meet in the Sitzler room at church on Monday morning. As 2024 came round we were in the final stages of a study on Acts, following the travels of Paul spreading the Gospel throughout the Roman world. Liking to alternate Old and New Testaments in our studies we then started a series on the Psalms, looking at some of the varied voices – of fear, of praise, of anguish of the Psalmist. Our Lent Course - Surprised by Generosity – saw leadership shared with members of the group.

In June we rejoined Paul, this time via his first letter to the Corinthians (whence our motto verse for 2024), and then John's Gospel, looking at the "I am" sayings of Christ which took us to the end of the year.

Alongside our bible study activity we have worked together to lead a service during the interregnum (something that doesn't come naturally to many of us, but we all pulled together), and managed a trip for lunch at Squires before Christmas.

We stopped as traditional with a feast of Christmas goodies and an invitation from the community choir which also meets in the Church on Monday morning for some carol singing at Christmas.

*Judith Jones*

### Beta Homegroup

The Beta Homegroup meets every Wednesday evening, with a regular attendance of about eight members. We explore a variety of topics throughout the year, including a Lent course each March, which is open to people from our church and others. In June, we led one of the church services. We find courses with engaging videos or CD commentaries particularly enjoyable. In 2024, we covered several interesting topics, including:

**Surprised by Generosity** - a seven-week course looking at God's generosity to us and our call to live generously in return.

**The Chosen** We watched Seasons 1 and 2 of this Christian historical drama television series. Primarily set in Judaea and Galilee in the 1st century, the series centres on Jesus and the people who met and followed him. It has given us a new look at the early ministry of Christ which is very thought-provoking and highly recommended. <https://watch.thechosen.tv/>

**Preparing for Christmas** - An Advent course from Richard Rohr.

We typically attract one or two new members each year, so do reach out to us and come along!

*Nigel Palmer*

## OTHER CHURCH GROUPS cont

### SMArties Craft Group

Smarties have had a good year. We're working on embroideries for a banner for the church's 150th anniversary in 2025. It will show things the golden cockerel has seen from the top of our spire over the years!

We aren't able to get to see exhibitions so easily now but have had outings to the cafe by Alexandra Park.

Please join us for a cuppa any Thursday morning. Visitors or new members always welcome.

*Gill Davies*

## OTHER REPORTS

### ST MATTHEW'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

Believing, Achieving, Succeeding

An incredible amount has been achieved since the beginning of September. We welcomed a new cohort of Reception pupils (from 18 different nurseries) and their families who have settled in well. We have continued to improve our grounds with the start of our 'Orchard' project. The Kingston Edible Forest kindly donated eleven fruit trees to the school and, alongside the Gardening and ECO schools' groups, we have put in place a long-term management plan of the trees, as well as working with the OPAL working party to ensure that the orchard is incorporated sensitively into our landscape for play.

We have had a successful OFSTED inspection and we have had a wonderful new vicar, Caroline Kramer, join us who has already become very much part of our vibrant and joyful school life.

We are grateful to our dedicated and stable staff team, supportive parents and carers, governing body and the wider community for all their care, enabling us to live out our vision of '**our whole school community to live life in all its fullness.**'

*Pam Dryden Head Teacher*



## THE CORNERHOUSE COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE

The cornerHOUSE has concluded another successful year with the premises increasingly in demand for public events, and private workshops and classes alike. There is a healthy balance between use by external hirers and activities which the cornerHOUSE runs itself.

Thus hirers bring, for example, top quality comedy and folk music to the building, whilst the cornerHOUSE devises pantos, runs creative workshops, film club, and much more.

The centre is busy most days of the year, and this busyness alongside an operating model which plays close attention to finances, means that the centre is able to run without reliance on grants. Costs are kept under control as much of the work in running the place is done by volunteers. However it is increasingly clear that there is not an assured supply of volunteers to run all the events which are proposed. And no one will be surprised to learn that unavoidable costs are soaring. So whilst the centre is very active, care is going to be needed in the near future to ensure that it can continue to run smoothly.

The centre is grateful to St Matthew's for continuing to make its hall available for this community focused project.

*Ian Davies*

## 1ST TOLWORTH (ST MATTHEW'S) SCOUT GROUP

### 1st Tolworth (St Matthew's) Scout Group

Our Scout, Cub Scout and Beaver Scout sections have again had the opportunity to take part in the yearly programmes, meeting face to face going to camps, sleepovers, expeditions, outings, District and National competitions, all this and also fitting in the normal weekly meetings, offering fun, excitement and skills for life to our young members.

Again, this year has seen a change in our Cub leadership. Due to work commitments our Cub Leader and Assistant Leader had to stand down. Our Cubs are currently being run by our Scout Troop Leader and Group Lead Volunteer, assisted by two of the Young Leaders from Atlas Explorer Scout Unit and some parents on a parent help group. If you are an ex scout who would like to help please contact us, or if you just want to be involved please contact [gsl@1sttolworthscouts.org.uk](mailto:gsl@1sttolworthscouts.org.uk)

Our Beaver Colony has thrived under its new leader, ably supported by dedicated assistant leader and Young Leaders from Atlas (Explorer Scout Unit) and currently there is a waiting list to join.

The Beavers and Cubs have as always have been busy working on earning their challenge badges; these challenges are not always straightforward and easy but they are the building blocks for life.

The Scouts were also working on gaining challenge badges, which as a Scout lead up to earning and being awarded the Chief Scout Gold Award, we are pleased that this year one of our Scouts has achieved this award.

The Scout Troop Summer Camp this year was to join others from across the County for “Camp Auk” at Braggers Wood. In all, there were nearly 200 on site – 70 from Sweden, 20 from France, the rest from Greater London South West. It was a different sort of camp, but enjoyable.

They had a busy week with Cycling in the New Forest, an Incident Hike, Water Activities including Raft-Building, Paddle-Boarding, Canoeing and High & High Ropes Courses plus the Tree-Top Trail then a visit to Brownsea Island.

We were able to hold our St. Georges day service again. As you know this is the day when all Scouts renew their Scout promise. And we are so grateful to St Matthew’s for allowing us to hold this very special day in the Church.

Our November Fayre, again held at the Surbiton British Legion and opened by the Mayor of Kingston, was another success and funds raised help keep the monthly subs at a low level, much needed in the current financial climate.

The Group had a good attendance at the Surbiton War Memorial Remembrance Service.

As a group we are stable and will continue to offer fun, learning and those important skills for life for the young people in our area.

We are and will proudly always be 1st Tolworth (St. Matthew’s) Scout Group.

*Martin Smith Chairman Board of Trustees.*

*1st Tolworth (St. Matthew’s) Scout Group*

## CHILDREN'S SOCIETY REPORT

The Children's Society is a United Kingdom national children's charity allied to the Church of England, working to transform the hopes and happiness of young people facing abuse, exploitation and neglect. The Society supports the many that are facing the most serious of life challenges. They need help to face a level of threat at previously unseen levels while there are ever increasing pressures on families. The ongoing cost of living crisis has resulted in fund raising to meet charitable needs being significantly reduced and the move towards a cashless society means that traditional methods of contributing are being impacted.

Nevertheless, in 2024 St Matthew's Church raised £374.03 with House Collection Boxes and £160.16 from the collection at the Christingle Service. On behalf of the Society, thank you for your continued generosity. Please take a look at [www.childrenssociety.org.uk](http://www.childrenssociety.org.uk) to learn about the initiatives and activities taking place and see how you too can help by volunteering even a small amount of your time, by participating in campaigns, by raising money, doing a charity challenge or by directly donating to this important cause.

*Paul Mackie*

## ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH SOCIAL EVENTS 2024

In response to feedback that people were missing the social activities that used to take place pre-Covid and that some people were feeling isolated/ lonely, a Social Team was formed to organise some events for 2024, comprising of Ian Davis, Mary Edwards and Carol Cameron.

A "Save the Date" card was produced at the start of the year and each event was advertised in the church notice sheet. We had a quiz in February, Desert Island Discs in April, a Games Evening in June, Heritage Open Day and a Musical Evening/Bring and share lunch in September, and Scottish Country Dancing in November. The location for these events was either the Church or the cornerHOUSE.

The decision was taken to make all the events free and to take donations for a specific charity - Kingston Churches Action on Homelessness, African Vision Malawi, Kingston Foodbank, Kingston Street Pastors - and, for the September events, for the church. In total, the events raised just over £900. The cost of refreshments, £370, came out of the 2024 £1000 church catering budget.

A BIG thank you goes to everyone who participated, especially David Itcovitz, Ian Davis, Jason Edge, and Judith Jones for leading events and to Jo Boaler and her team for providing the refreshments.

*Carol Cameron*

PARISH OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2024

REGISTERED CHARITY NO.1143978



## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PCC OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 2 to 10.

### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's report

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 you as 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

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provisions of that section of the Act and that my qualification is as shown below.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

  
Mr. George Mitchell ACA  
51 Langdon Park  
Teddington  
TW11 9PR

Dated: 15 February 2025

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds	
				2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME</b>					
Voluntary income	2(a)	145,810	3,257	149,067	189,804
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	6,928	-	6,928	4,487
Income from investments	2(c)	25,199	-	25,199	22,964
Income from church activities	2(d)	6,188	-	6,188	1,976
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<u>£ 184,125</u>	<u>£ 3,257</u>	<u>£ 187,382</u>	<u>£ 219,231</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>					
Church Activities	3	176,286	3,836	180,122	172,978
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<u>£ 176,286</u>	<u>£ 3,836</u>	<u>£ 180,122</u>	<u>£ 172,978</u>
<b>NET INCOME (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS</b>		7,839	(579)	7,260	46,252
<b>NET GAINS ON PROPERTY/INVESTMENTS</b>		-	-	-	-
Transfers between Funds	4	-	-	-	-
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		7,839	(579)	7,260	46,252
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
<b>TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD</b>		905,886	28,540	934,426	888,174
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>£ 913,725</u>	<u>£ 27,961</u>	<u>£ 941,686</u>	<u>£ 934,426</u>

# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

## BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2024</u> £	£	<u>2023</u> £	£
FIXED ASSETS	6				
Tangible assets			681,585		683,171
CURRENT ASSETS	7				
Investments		-		-	
Debtors & prepayments		12,259		18,843	
Short term deposit		247,732		217,632	
Cash at bank and in hand		16,092		26,823	
		<u>276,083</u>		<u>263,297</u>	
LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	8	<u>15,982</u>		<u>12,042</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			260,101		251,255
TOTAL NET ASSETS	9		<u>£ 941,686</u>		<u>£ 934,426</u>
PARISH FUNDS	10				
Unrestricted			913,725		905,886
Restricted			27,961		28,541
TOTAL PARISH FUNDS			<u>£ 941,686</u>		<u>£ 934,426</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 18th March and signed on its behalf by:



C.Kramer (Chair)

The notes on pages 4 to 10 form part of these accounts.

# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Basis of preparation

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. 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, together with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention other than in the case of property. 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.

#### Funds

*Restricted funds* represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (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.

*Unrestricted funds* are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

#### Income

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. 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 amount can be ascertained with reasonable certainty. Interest is accrued and all other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross. The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the PCCs' annual report.

#### Expenditure and liabilities

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation and settlement is probable and quantifiable. 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 paid or committed by the PCC to be paid in respect of the relevant accounting period. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

#### Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded from the accounts in accordance with s10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

#### *Movable church furnishings*

Movable church furnishings are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their anticipated useful economic life except where there is insufficient information about costs or where the cost is less than £1000. These assets are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected.

#### *Other land and buildings*

Other land and buildings held by the PCC are valued at estimated market value. A valuation is undertaken every three years. No depreciation is charged against such properties but any expenditure on maintenance is written off when incurred.

#### *Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment*

Equipment used within the church, or church office, not falling into the categories mentioned above, and costing more than £2,500 is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over its anticipated useful economic life.

#### Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC are shown as debtors. A provision is made if any amounts are uncollectable. Short term deposits include cash held on deposit either in the CBF Church of England fund or at a bank or other authorised financial institution.



# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	£	£	2024 £	2023 £
2(a) Voluntary income				
Tax efficient planned giving	97,015	600	97,615	99,261
Other planned giving	1,341	-	1,341	4,554
Collections	7,160	1,474	8,634	4,209
Other giving and voluntary receipts	12,491	820	13,311	5,476
Tax recoverable	27,803	363	28,166	25,613
Legacies	-	-	-	48,088
Grants (inc VAT recoverable)	-	-	-	2,602
	<u>145,810</u>	<u>3,257</u>	<u>149,067</u>	<u>189,804</u>
2(b) Activities for generating funds				
Fundraising events	297	-	297	29
Church lettings	4,295	-	4,295	1,642
Church hall income	2,336	-	2,336	2,816
	<u>6,928</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,928</u>	<u>4,487</u>
2(c) Income from investments				
Dividends and interest	9,429	-	9,429	7,195
Ellerton Road rent	15,770	-	15,770	15,770
	<u>25,199</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,199</u>	<u>22,964</u>
2(d) Income from church activities				
Wedding and funeral fees	1,367	-	1,367	1,007
Church events	4,821	-	4,821	969
	<u>6,188</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,188</u>	<u>1,976</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u><u>£ 184,125</u></u>	<u><u>£ 3,257</u></u>	<u><u>£ 187,382</u></u>	<u><u>£ 219,231</u></u>

# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	£	£	2024 £	2023 £
Church Activities				
Mission & Charitable Giving	15,100	1,624	16,724	14,307
Major works and repairs	-	-	-	11,928
Diocesan parish share	86,300	-	86,300	83,500
Music	8,858	-	8,858	6,570
Professional fees	691	-	691	750
Church maintenance	7,575	-	7,575	7,500
Insurance	13,038	-	13,038	15,716
Gas, electricity and water	16,497	-	16,497	14,180
Administration	10,519	-	10,519	9,610
Other	7,213	-	7,213	3,616
Ellerton road costs	2,194	-	2,194	1,272
Mission & ministry	8,301	2,212	10,513	4,029
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 176,286</b>	<b>£ 3,836</b>	<b>£ 180,122</b>	<b>£ 172,978</b>

### 4. ANALYSIS OF TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

There were no transfers in 2024.

# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

### 5 STAFF COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	£	£	2024 £	2023 £
Salaries	14,950	-	14,950	12,259
Employers National Insurance	-	-	-	-
Pension Costs	-	-	-	-
	<u>£ 14,950</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 14,950</u>	<u>£ 12,259</u>

The average number of staff employed during the year was 2 (2023:2).

### 6 FIXED ASSETS

		Freehold Land & Buildings
<b>Tangible (unrestricted)</b>		
VALUATION	At 1 January 2024	680,000
	Revaluation	-
	At 31 December 2024	<u>£ 680,000</u>
		AV Equipment
COST	At 1 January 2024	7,927
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2024	<u>£ 7,927</u>
DEPRECIATION	At 1 January 2024	4,756
	Charge for the year	1,586
	At 31 December 2024	<u>£ 6,342</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	At 31 December 2024	<u>£ 1,585</u>
	At 31 December 2023	<u>£ 3,171</u>
TOTAL	At 31 December 2024	<u>£ 681,585</u>
	At 31 December 2023	<u>£ 683,171</u>

The freehold land and buildings comprises the house and land at 172 Ellerton Road.  
The AV equipment is being depreciated over 5 years on a straight line basis.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

7 CURRENT ASSETS

Debtors	2024	2023
Tax recoverable	7,481	13,657
Prepayments and accrued interest	2,343	0
Other debtors	2,435	5,186
	<u>£ 12,259</u>	<u>£ 18,843</u>

The debtor split between funds is as follows

Unrestricted	11,617	18,528
Restricted	642	315
	<u>£ 12,259</u>	<u>£ 18,843</u>

8 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
Deposits in advance	200	200
Accruals	2,508	1,899
Other creditors	13,274	9,943
	<u>£ 15,982</u>	<u>£ 12,042</u>

The creditor split between funds is as follows

Unrestricted	13,694	10,099
Restricted	2,288	1,943
	<u>£ 15,982</u>	<u>£ 12,042</u>

9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Fixed assets	681,585	-	681,585
Current assets	245,834	30,249	276,083
Current liabilities	(13,694)	(2,288)	(15,982)
Fund balance	<u>£ 913,725</u>	<u>£ 27,961</u>	<u>£ 941,686</u>



PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

10 FUND DETAILS

	Balance b/fwd at 01-Jan-24 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Investment Gains/ Revaluation £	Transfer to/from Funds £	Balance c/fwd at 31-Dec-24 £
Unrestricted Funds:						
General	225,886	184,125	176,286	-	-	233,725
Property	680,000	-	-	-	-	680,000
Total	<u>£ 905,886</u>	<u>£ 184,125</u>	<u>£ 176,286</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 913,725</u>
Restricted Funds:						
Organ	18,355	813	-	-	-	19,168
Special Offerings	-	463	463	-	-	-
Youth Mission	5,408	-	2,212	-	-	3,196
Gift Day	4,778	-	-	-	-	4,778
Choir	-	820	-	-	-	820
Foodbank	-	161	161	-	-	-
KCAH	-	364	364	-	-	-
AVM	-	636	636	-	-	-
Total	<u>£ 28,540</u>	<u>£ 3,257</u>	<u>£ 3,836</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 27,961</u>
Funds Total	<u>£ 934,426</u>	<u>£ 187,382</u>	<u>£ 180,122</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ 941,686</u>

**Fund Particulars**

Property - the fund holding 172 Ellerton Road.

Organ - monies donated for major works on the organ.

Special Offerings - monies donated for mission and charities.

Youth Mission - monies donated to support mission amongst the youth of the parish

Gift Day - monies donated for various works on the building

Choir - monies donated to support the choir

Foodbank/KCAH/AVM - monies given to support these organisations

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST MATTHEW'S SURBITON

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

11 CHARITABLE DONATIONS	2024	2023
Church Mission Society	2,190	1,950
Church Urban Fund	2,190	1,950
KCAH	1,824	2,071
Oxygen	1,460	1,300
Fircroft Trust	1,460	1,300
Church Pastoral Aid Society	1,460	1,300
Street Pastors Kingston	1,620	1,300
A Rocha	1,460	1,300
Momentum	1,460	1,300
African Vision Malawi	636	281
School Hardship Fund	500	-
Christian Aid	243	-
Kingston Foodbank	161	69
Children's Society	50	117
Bishop's Lent fund	10	-
Embrace the Middle East	-	69
	<u>£ 16,724</u>	<u>£ 14,307</u>

Most of the above was funded from general giving.