



Parochial Church Council of St. Chad's Church
Pattingham with Patshull

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

Year ending 31 December 2025

Charity Number: 1151604

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: The Parochial Church Council
of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Chad, Pattingham with St Mary, Patshull

Registered Number: 1151604

Address: St Chad's Church is situated in the Bullring, Pattingham, WV6 7BQ.
It is part of the Diocese of Lichfield within the Church of England.

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Names of the charity trustees - members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) - who manage the charity:

Chair: Rev Merry Smith (member and Chair from 11/8/25)

Vice Chair: Philip Sims

Church Wardens: Clive Pendrell
Dorothy Steel

Ex officio as Deanery
Synod Representatives: Geoffrey Dann (Secretary)
Dorothy Steel (also Churchwarden)
Clive Pendrell (also Churchwarden)

Elected members: Anthony Ainsworth
Iain Coleman
Amelia Colin-Stokes
Barbara Dias (from 11/5/25)
Henry Ibberson
Philip Sims (Vice chair)
Alan Smith
Graham Tritton (Treasurer)
Tracey Williams

Co-opted members: Steve Jones (from 11/5/25)

Members of the PCC are either ex officio, elected or co-opted in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

PCC's bankers: Barclays Bank plc, Leicester LE87 2BB

Independent Examiner: Mr O Ross FCA of Muras Baker Jones Limited,
Chartered Accountants,
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Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England PCC (Powers) Measure 1956, and the Church Representation Rules and is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. Charity registration number: 1151604. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended, and the Church Representation Rules which originally came into effect in 1957 and have been revised since then, most recently in 2025.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be raised and spent.

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, Vice Chair, the Churchwardens, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting by those on the Electoral Roll. There are twelve elected members of the Council serving for a term of three years. One third of these retire each year (and are eligible for immediate re-election). This policy helps to ensure continuity of experience and policies whilst providing opportunities for new members to join and contribute. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The previous incumbent retired during 2021. We were in interregnum (or vacancy) since then until August 2025 when Rev Merry Smith was installed as our Vicar. During the interregnum the Vice-Chair acted as chairman of the PCC and had the all the powers of the chairman under the Church Representation Rules. The Vicar is ex officio Chair of the PCC but can ask the Vice Chair to chair PCC meetings and take on other responsibilities of the Chair if she wishes.

The PCC has three committees that meet as required between the meetings of the full PCC:

- The *Standing Committee* required by law, consists of the Incumbent, the Wardens, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Vice Chair. It transacts the business of the council between meetings subject to any directions given by the council.
- The *Finance Committee* reviews financial matters including preparing budgets.
- The *Fabric Committee* reviews all aspects relating to the church building and churchyard.

There are also three informal working groups (IWG), operating as committees of the PCC. Each group may appoint such persons as they consider appropriate, whether members of the PCC or not, to be members of the group.

The informal working groups are:

- the Administration IWG
- the Outreach and Growth IWG
- the Spiritual Leadership IWG.

In addition, special committees meet to organise various events.

The PCC is aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in *the Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit* and have regard to it in its administration of the Charity. The PCC believes that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Chad 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.

Trustees Annual Report

Aim and Purpose

Pattingham with Patshull Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Parish Church of St Chad in Pattingham and its churchyard, as well as the churchyard of St Mary's Church, Patshull, the fabric of which is now under the care of the Churches Conservation Trust.

Objectives and Activities

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 St Chad. 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 and scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work. To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St. Chad and the Churchyards under our care.
- We continue to operate according to our Mission Action Plan for 2025/26 which is subject to regular review.

Worship and Prayer

The same service schedule has been maintained as that introduced at the start of the interregnum in 2021. This included the first Sunday Family Service and the third Sunday Youth Service, each followed by a shortened Communion Service and full Holy Communion Services on the remaining Sundays. With a few exceptions when we have relied on Communion by Extension, these have been led by visiting Clergy. In this regard we have been grateful to Rev. Paul Brown who has led the majority of such services, including those on Wednesdays, with regular support from Rev. Roberta Maxfield and Rev. Sue Watson and occasional support from Rev. Philip Wootton. We are indebted to each of them.

The pattern of Evening Services has also been maintained twice each month, with Evensong and an Iona Style Service alternating and these were generally being led by our Readers, Kenneth Scott and Iain Coleman until the end of April when Ken retired. This was a momentous occasion for Pattingham, as Ken preached his last sermon to a packed Church on Sunday evening 20 April. He had served the Church with supreme dedication and consummate skill since coming to Pattingham.

The next big change came on the 10 August with the Licensing of our new Vicar, Rev. Merry Smith. We had waited for over four years for this appointment and we have not been disappointed! Following a brief period of acclimatisation Merry has led all Communion Services and has also alternated the Evening Services with Iain Coleman.

Our first Sunday Family Services have again been led by our Readers, various members of our congregation and, in December, by Sarah Yeomans, Head of St. Chad's School. These continue to provide an opportunity for creative indulgence and are well received. The third Sunday of each month brings our Youth Service which is led by our Young People but organised by the amazing Barbara Tritton who has been undertaking this task for more years than she cares to remember. Testament to Barbara's success is that this is consistently one of our best attended services.

We have again been delighted to welcome the children of St. Chad's School into Church for their end of term services. They also visited for an "Experience Easter" immediately prior to Easter. The building of the Easter Garden came on Good Friday morning and was again followed by the annual Easter Egg Hunt and later a devotional service led by Rev. Roberta Maxfield. Easter Sunday saw our Holy Communion Service at 10am followed by a Songs of Praise Service at 6.30pm led by one of our congregation.

To return to the Licensing Service on the 10 August. This was the highlight of St. Chad's year with the service being led by the Bishop of Wolverhampton, Right Rev. Dr. Tim Wambunya. The Church was full with our new Vicar being supported by numerous friends, relatives and members of her previous Churches at Newport with Longford and Chetwynd. Pattingham also turned out in style to welcome Rev. Merry Smith and after the service everyone retired to the Village Hall to continue the celebration and enjoy superb refreshments, organised by Sue Riches and her daughter Victoria.

Two other services which are worthy of mention are the Harvest Festival on the 28 September which came at the end of the Scarecrow Festival. This Festival attracts thousands of visitors to our Village and it brings the Church alive with many coming through the doors to view the scarecrows and ring the Church Bell. It was a most uplifting experience, seeing so many families walking around our Village and viewing the numerous scarecrows, knowing that this Festival is organised on behalf of the Church.

The other Service was held on 9 November and is of course our Remembrance Service. Conducted by Rev. Merry Smith, this was a most moving tribute to those who sacrificed their lives in the two world wars and it is always poignant particularly to remember by name those from the Parishes of Pattingham and Patshull. November saw an innovation with "Hymns and Pimm's" proving a popular addition on a Saturday afternoon.

Christmas started with the visit of Santa to St. Chad's with many children and their parents from the Village coming with their requests. The following week saw our series of Christmas services continuing with Christingle, again organised and led by Chrissie Ringrose. Merry led the ever-popular Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols and on Christmas Eve led a memorable Crib Service. This was later followed by our Midnight Mass and Holy Communion on Christmas morning, both again led by Merry. By this time, she knew she had been appointed to our Church, so much so that she immediately went away on holiday following Christmas for a rest!

Prayers for Peace have continued throughout the year on Tuesday evenings.

We cannot conclude a report on our worshipping activities without acknowledging the continued impact of Martin Fox as our Organist and Choirmaster. Together with his wife, Cath, on flute and guitar, they have become a force to be reckoned with. Their impact on our worship has been immense and we are all so grateful.

In summary, St. Chad's has continued to flourish. God kept us waiting over four years for a new Vicar but during that period he taught us new skills, kept us together, grew our congregation and then blessed us with Rev. Merry who will continue to develop us practically, emotionally and spiritually as a Church.

Outreach and Growth

The Outreach and Growth Informal Working Group has continued to explore ways in which the Church can be relevant to the community.

Who's for Lunch continues to meet a community need with a monthly lunch aimed predominantly at the retire community. Forty to forty-five regularly attend this function in the Village Hall and we continue to be grateful to the Parish Council which generously underwrites the room rental costs each month.

We continue to be grateful to Keith Eden and Alix Jones who run the Shower Singers event in Church each Wednesday evening. This regularly attracts around 40 singers and has maintained its popularity throughout. Keith and Alix also took responsibility for the overall organisation of the annual Church Fete

in July for the second time. This again benefitted from a different approach and it was refreshing to see it maintain its popularity on the community calendar. We are so grateful to Keith and Alix.

It has been pleasing to see support for the Well Food Bank being maintained. Donations of food, toiletries and cash continued to be received on a weekly basis and these were again augmented with items donated to the Harvest Festival being directed to the Well.

Our Wardens

Whilst interregnum undoubtedly places increased demand on the role of Warden, we have seen no reduction in the commitment and dedication of Dorothy Steel and Clive Pendrell since the appointment of our new Vicar. They are an example to us all with unselfish commitment and absolute dedication to the task being constantly exhibited in abundance. Words cannot express our gratitude.

Safeguarding

Sadly, this is a topic which has risen to prominence in the life of the Church at large, but we are most fortunate to have Tracey Williams as our Parish Safeguarding Officer. Whilst our policy is in line with the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults, it is the manner in which Tracey ensures that we maintain that policy which stands us apart. She is supremely diligent in ensuring that all the various leaders of Church activities, as well as all members of the PCC, undertake safeguarding training every three years, ensures we up-date our DBS records as appropriate and maintains a log of our records. We are so fortunate to have Tracey share her skills with us. The PCC has complied with the requirements imposed by the code under section 5A of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.)

Financial Review

Thanks very largely to current voluntary giving, fund-raising events and the generosity of previous generations, St Chad's church is in robust financial health. Our overall financial position is strong with significant cash reserves and the support of two substantial trust funds.

It is pleasing to report that regular giving has increased over the year. Personal donations through regular giving are a crucial part of our income.

There were no major building or maintenance works in the church (as opposed to in excess of £100,000 in 2024).

We had two well-supported events in the church and parish: our annual church fête and the biennial Scarecrow Festival. The fête realised a record profit of over £7,000. The Scarecrow Festival also had a record profit of £19,300 which was distributed to village organisations as follows:

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| • St Chad's Church of England (VC) First School | £3,500 |
| • Pattingham Allotments Association | £3,500 |
| • Pattingham Village Hall | £4,500 |
| • Pattingham Parish Council Christmas Lights | £2,500 |
| • St Chad's Church, Pattingham with St Mary's | £5,300 |

During the year we donated over £6,500 in mission giving, charities and local community support, which included £700 for the Well Foodbank in Wolverhampton.

In summary, our financial position provides a sound base from which the church can develop its mission and plans for the future.

Full details of income, expenditure and fund movements are provided in the financial statements below.

Reserves Policy

It is a PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) to maintain all monthly payments to be made as well as enough to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time.

It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund.

Declaration

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report and financial statements.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees, the PCC:

M Smith

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Rev Merry Smith, Chair and Vicar

17th March 2026

P Sims

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Philip Sims, Vice Chair

17th March 2026

G A Tritton

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Graham Tritton, Treasurer

17th March 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees/members of the PCC of St Chad's Church of Pattingham with Patshull

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the PCC for the year ending 31 December 2025, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and Independent Examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The 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.
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- 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, or
- 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.

O Ross

Signed:

Date: 24th March 2026

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**For the year ending 31 December 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2(a)	91,118	1,000	-	92,118	144,683
Charitable activities	2(b)	21,635	22,599	420	44,654	25,412
Other trading activities	2(c)	4,938	-	-	4,938	4,680
Investments	2(d)	7,214	2,588	29,032	38,834	38,320
Other income	2(e)	813	-	-	813	21,913
Total		125,718	26,187	29,452	181,357	235,008
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	3(a)	6,288	18,454	-	24,742	6,259
Charitable activities	3(b)	94,935	1,881	6,144	102,960	186,617
Other expenditure	3(c)	3,789	-	-	3,789	3,795
Total		105,012	20,335	6,144	131,491	196,671
Net income/(expenditure)		20,706	5,852	23,308	49,866	38,337
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		20,706	5,852	23,308	49,866	38,337
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds b/fwd. 1 January		173,212	60,862	250,558	484,632	446,295
Total funds c/fwd. 31 December		193,918	66,714	273,866	534,498	484,632

Notes

See Note (4) for Summary of Fund Movements.

See Note (13) for comparatives for 2024.

BALANCE SHEET**As at 31 December 2025**

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Equipment	5	-	-
Investment assets	6	225,217	199,228
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CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors and prepayments	7	1,903	3,512
Cash at bank and in hand	8	329,303	288,877
		<hr/> 331,206	<hr/> 292,389
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	9	(21,925)	(6,985)
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TOTAL NET ASSETS	10	534,498	484,632
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REPRESENTED BY:			
Unrestricted			
General Fund		193,917	173,211
Designated			
Scarecrow Festival Fund		26,078	22,732
Special Projects Fund		40,638	38,131
Restricted			
Davies Grave Maintenance Fund		938	950
Youth Activities Fund		3,631	3,493
Bells Fund		5,887	5,605
North Aisle Fund		4,674	6,747
Organ Fund		13,549	12,682
Patshull Churchyard Maintenance Fund		4,861	7,484
Pattingham Church Maintenance Fund		17,988	18,707
Butler Fund		222,337	194,890
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Funds of the church		534,498	484,632
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2025

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the principal accounting policies adopted (which have been applied consistently, except where noted), judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty, is set out below.

Basis of financial statements

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 note(s) 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 affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Cash flow 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.

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 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.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Funds designated as invested in fixed assets for the PCC's own use abated in line with assets' annual depreciation charges in the SOFA. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC will move any surplus to other general funds.

Restricted funds comprise 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. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Details of the funds held and restrictions are shown in the notes to the Accounts.

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.

The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund.

Incoming resources

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.

Resources expended

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 Common Fund payments are 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.

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10 (2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable 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. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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 as cash expected to be received.

2. INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
(a) Donations and legacies					
Regular giving	34,973	-	-	34,973	33,668
Collections at services	6,976	-	-	6,976	6,536
All other voluntary income	1,487	-	-	1,487	13,045
Gift Aid recovered	10,800	-	-	10,800	12,993
Legacies received	-	1,000	-	1,000	-
Grants ¹	36,882	-	-	36,882	78,441
	91,118	1,000	-	92,118	144,683
(b) Charitable Activities					
Church Fête ²	7,271	-	-	7,271	7,008
Century Club ³	5,905	-	-	5,905	5,925
Scarecrow Festival ⁴	-	22,599	-	22,599	90
Other Events ⁵	1,481	-	-	1,481	2,098
Fees retained by PCC ⁶	6,978	-	420	7,398	10,291
	21,635	22,599	420	44,654	25,412
(c) Other trading activities					
Parish News & advertising	4,895	-	-	4,895	4,570
Other trading	43	-	-	43	110
	4,938	-	-	4,938	4,680
(d) Investments					
Dividends (Butler)	-	-	16,965	16,965	16,824
Interest	7,214	2,588	12,067	21,869	21,496
	7,214	2,588	29,032	38,834	38,320
(e) Other Income					
Miscellaneous ⁷	813	-	-	813	21,913
Total incoming resources	125,718	26,187	29,452	181,357	235,008

Notes for Income and Endowments

- 1 Grants include support from the Pattingham Church Estate Trust and Listed Places of Worship VAT refunds.*
- 2 The Church Fête is normally run annually on the first Saturday in July.*
- 3 The Century Club has a maximum of 100 members who pay £5 per month to be included in a monthly draw. Three prizes are paid monthly - £150, £100, and £50.*
- 4 The Scarecrow Festival is a biennial event started in 2011. There was one this year. The next is scheduled for 2027. This year the proceeds were shared between the following village organisations:*
 - St Chad's Church of England (VC) First School*
 - Pattingham Allotments Association*
 - Pattingham Village Hall*
 - Pattingham Parish Council Christmas Lights*
 - St Chad's Church*
- 5 The Christmas Event in 2024 was "Follow the Star". This year there was a Male Voice Choir, the proceeds from which were donated to the Well Wolverhampton.*
- 6 Fees are received by the PCC for conducting weddings and funerals; and churchyard monuments (unrestricted funds). The amount for restricted funds is donations/monies set aside for maintenance of the church organ and bells.*
- 7 Other Income for 2024 includes interregnum cost reimbursements, Memorial Book and refreshment donations. Other Income for 2025 includes Memorial Book and refreshment donations.*

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
(a) Raising funds					
Costs of Church Fête ¹	1,121	-	-	1,121	1,260
Costs of Century Club ¹	3,600	-	-	3,600	3,600
Costs of Scarecrow Festival ¹	-	18,454	-	18,454	406
Cost of Other Events ¹	1,130	-	-	1,130	777
Other ²	437	-	-	437	216
	6,288	18,454	-	24,742	6,259
(b) Charitable activities					
Mission giving & donations	5,450	-	-	5,450	5,164
Diocesan Common Fund	20,569	-	-	20,569	27,852
Salaries and Honoraria	15,457	-	-	15,457	13,635
Vicarage expenses	17,592	-	-	17,592	621
Community Support and Outreach	1,064	-	-	1,064	374
Church running expenses ³	26,399	-	3,834	30,233	24,205
Utilities - gas and electricity	8,404	-	-	8,404	7,867
Church building work ⁴	-	1,881	2,310	4,191	106,899
	94,935	1,881	6,144	102,960	186,617
(c) Other					
Cost of Parish News	3,789	-	-	3,789	3,767
Bookstall Costs	-	-	-	-	28
	3,789	-	-	3,789	3,795
Total resources expended	105,012	20,335	6,144	131,491	196,671

Notes for Expenditure

¹ See relevant notes for activities under section 2, **Income and Endowments**, above.

² Costs of stewardship.

³ Church running expenses include costs for administration, insurance, general maintenance, verges, cleaning, organist, service materials, and churchyard maintenance at St Chad's Pattingham and St Mary's Patshull.

⁴ Church building work is the cost of maintenance and repair. In 2025 this included residual Quinquennial payments and Architect's fees for the North Aisle Project. In 2024 this included major Quinquennial works, roof repairs following theft of lead, works on the clock mechanism; and reordering of the West Porch and Adam and Eve Window areas.

4. SUMMARY OF FUND MOVEMENTS**For the year ending 31 December 2025**

Fund name	Brought forward £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains/losses £	Carried forward £
Unrestricted						
General	173,211	125,718	105,012	-	-	193,917
Scarecrow Festival	22,732	23,681	20,335	-	-	26,078
Special Projects	38,131	2,507	-	-	-	40,638
Restricted ¹	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bells	5,605	282	-	-	-	5,887
North Aisle	6,747	237	2,310	-	-	4,674
Organ	12,682	867	-	-	-	13,549
Pattingham Church Maintenance	18,707	738	1,457	-	-	17,988
Youth Activities	3,493	138	-	-	-	3,631
Davies Grave Maintenance	950	38	50	-	-	938
Patshull Churchyard Maintenance	7,484	262	2,885	-	-	4,861
Butler Fund	194,890	26,888	(559)	-	-	222,337
Grand Totals	484,632	181,356	131,490	-	-	534,498

Notes

- 1 Restricted Funds contain donations or grants received for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific objects for which they were given. Purpose of each restricted fund:

<i>Bells Fund</i>	<i>Maintenance of the bells. Mainly donations from weddings or visiting bell ringers.</i>
<i>North Aisle Fund</i>	<i>Modernisation of the church and development of the North Aisle.</i>
<i>Organ Fund</i>	<i>Maintenance of the organ. Mainly from donations from weddings and funerals.</i>
<i>Patshull Churchyard</i>	<i>Donations and grants made specifically for maintaining the churchyard at Patshull.</i>
<i>Pattingham Church</i>	<i>Donations and grants made specifically for maintaining Pattingham church.</i>
<i>Butler Fund</i>	<i>Income from the Butler Trust 1988 which may only be spent on the maintenance and preservation of the fabric of St Chad's Church, Pattingham.</i>
<i>Youth Activities</i>	<i>Set up in 2018 with funds from the defunct Pattingham Youth Club specifically for youth activities in the village.</i>
<i>Davies Grave Maintenance</i>	<i>Set up in 2019 following a legacy specifically for the upkeep of the grave of Peter Davies.</i>

5. FIXED ASSETS FOR THE USE OF THE PCC

	Cost	Depreciation	Net Book Value
	£	£	£
Tangible Assets	6,000	6,000	-

6. INVESTMENTS

	2025 £	2024 £
Butler Trust Income Account	225,217	199,228
	225,217	199,228

The Butler Trust Income Account is the accrued income generated from the capital invested and is an expendable.

The capital valuation of this fund as of 31 December 2025 is £468,477 (31 December 2024: £425,420).

Only the income generated on this fund is available for the designated purpose.

7. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2025 £	2024 £
Prepayments	1,903	1,881
Gift Aid Tax refunds due	-	1,631
Other debtors	-	-
	1,903	3,512

8. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

Accounts	2025 £	2024 £
Current account	16,202	20,360
Cash in hand	302	164
CCLA Deposit Account	312,799	268,353
Totals	329,303	288,877

9. LIABILITIES

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year		
Building works and professional fees	2,880	6,102
Gas and electricity	2,705	772
Vicarage Renovations	9,500	-
Scarecrow Festival Proceeds	6,000	-
Others	840	111
Total	21,925	6,985

10. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Fund balances as at 31 December are represented by:

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£	2025	2024
			£	£
Investment Assets	-	225,217	225,217	199,228
Current Assets ¹	279,677	51,529	331,206	292,389
Current liabilities ²	(19,045)	(2,880)	(21,925)	(6,985)
Total	260,632	273,866	534,498	484,632

Notes 1 Cash at Bank and in hand plus Debtors and Prepayments (see notes 7 and 8).

2 Liabilities (see note 9).

11. FUNDS RECEIVED AS AN AGENT

The PCC receives and distributes funds received as an agent for special services including weddings and funerals in respect of:

- statutory fees due to Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance, and
- fees due to the organists, bell ringers, choir, audio-visual equipment operator and visiting clergy, and
- collections and donations for designated charities.

These funds received by the PCC as an agent are not recognised as an asset in its accounts. Consequently, the receipt of funds as an agent is not recognised as income nor is its distribution recognised as expenditure.

12. DISCLOSURE OF TRUSTEE AND STAFF REMUNERATION, RELATED PARTY AND OTHER TRANSACTIONS

- None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with the charity.
- Trustees are reimbursed for approved expenses incurred.
- The charity has no paid employees.
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13. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - COMPARATIVES**For the year ending 31 December 2024 (i.e. previous year)**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	134,403	500	9,780	144,683
Charitable activities	24,662	90	660	25,412
Other trading activities	4,680	-	-	4,680
Investments	5,442	2,671	30,207	38,320
Other income	20,396	826	691	21,913
Total	189,583	4,087	41,338	235,008
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	5,853	406	-	6,259
Charitable activities	110,179	1,037	75,401	186,617
Other expenditure	3,795	-	-	3,795
Total	119,827	1,443	75,401	196,671
Net income/(expenditure)	69,756	2,644	(34,063)	38,337
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	69,756	2,644	(34,063)	38,337
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds b/fwd. 1 January	103,456	58,218	284,621	446,295
Total funds c/fwd. 31 December	173,212	60,862	250,558	484,632