

Charity Registration no: 1154122

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE
ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF PEASEDOWN ST JOHN WITH FOXCOTE AND SHOSCOMBE
REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Administrative Office:

The Vicarage
Church Road
Peasedown St John
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Incumbent:

Reverend Matthew Street
The Vicarage
Church Road
Peasedown St John
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Bankers:

National Westminster Bank Plc
Midsomer Norton Branch
3 High Street
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Independent Examiner:

RHW Beath BSc FCCA
Ashlar House
58A Combe Road
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The Parochial Church Council

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent in promoting within this parish the whole mission of the Church – pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC registered with the Charity Commission on 7th October 2013. Members of the Council are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. The appendix to this report lists those who served as members of the Council during 2025. PCC membership remained at 14 members this year. Three PCC meetings were held in 2025, with an average attendance of 9

Buildings

The principal buildings available to the Church Family are:

St. John Baptist Church, Church Road, Peasedown St John, BA2 8AA – consecrated 1892

The Church Hall, Church Road, Peasedown St John

St. James the Less Church, Foxcote – established 1325

Green Street, Foxcote, BA3 5YE.

St Julian's Church, Shoscombe

St Julian's Road, Shoscombe, BA2 8NB

Governing Document

The charity is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956), as amended, and by church representation rules.

Public Benefit

The charity has due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Risk Management

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Review of the Year

The PCC, in its leadership role in the church, made possible a wide range of activities this year by supporting financially and prayerfully the following events and people.

Regular Sunday Worship

Three services take place every Sunday:

Two at St John's Church, one in the morning at 10.30 am and the other, known as Soul Food, in the afternoon at 4.30 pm.

One at 11.15 am, either at St James the Less, Foxcote, between April and October or St Julian's, Shoscombe, between November and March.

A monthly service takes place at St John's Church, on the first Sunday of the month, known as Bubble Church, at 9.15 am.

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Pre-School Ministry

Little Lights is held in St John's Church building on a Monday and Friday morning between 10 am and 12 noon, enabling us to engage with young families in the area on a weekly basis.

2025 Sermon Series 'Keep fit for Life'

Looked at twelve biblical disciplines: Generosity, Worship, Fasting, Confession, Fellowship, Prayer, Rest, God's Word, Gratitude, Witnessing, Service and Celebration to help nurture our spiritual health.

Mission and Outreach

Donations of £12,000 (£9,000 in 2024) to our mission partners: Redeemer Primary School in Baghdad, Bibles for Children, Hope Romania, Tutela Africa, Flame International and SAT 7.

Financial Review of the Year

Total incoming resources for 2025 were £399,607 (2024: £399,607). This comprises £176,942 of unrestricted funds and £222,665 of restricted funds.

Expenditure for 2025 was £383,397 (2024: £383,397). This comprises unrestricted expenditure of £176,356 and restricted expenditure of £207,023.

At the end of the year, the charity had unrestricted cash reserves that equated to approximately three months of unrestricted expenditure on its activities, based on the 2024 budget.

Conclusion

We end the year seeing how faithful God has been in providing for our needs as we seek to do his work in the parishes of Peasedown St John, Foxcote and Shoscombe and looking forward to the continued growth of activity in the coming year.

Statement as to Disclosure of Information to Auditor

Insofar as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditor is unaware; and
- The trustees have taken all steps they ought to have taken to become aware of any relevant audit information and to ensure the auditor is aware of it.

Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

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

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the charity's state of affairs and of the incoming and applied resources of the charity for the period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP.
- Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements in the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that, at any time, disclose the charity's financial position with reasonable accuracy and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the charity's assets and, hence, for taking reasonable steps to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the PCC



Reverend Matthew Street
Date: 22nd March 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of Saint John's Peasedown for the year ended 31st December 2025

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2024, which are set out on pages 1 to 5, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations") and section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 ("the Act")

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the PCC, you are responsible for preparing the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirements of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act and to be found in the Church Guidance, 2006 edition, issued by the Finance Division of the Archbishops' Council. That examination includes a review of the PCC's accounting records and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes reviewing any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you, as trustees, regarding such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence required for an audit, and consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter what 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 41 of the Act; and
 - To prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act, and the Regulations 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.



Richard HW Beath BSc FCCA
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19th February 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities					
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2025					
Income and Expenditure					
	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
		Funds	Funds		
		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources					
Voluntary income	2	140,377	0	140,377	130,931
Activities for generating funds		910	2,706	3,616	141,696
Investment income		5,967	0	5,967	6,564
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities		61,722	63,019	124,741	120,416
Total Incoming Resources		208,976	65,726	274,701	399,607
Resources Expended					
Costs of generating voluntary income		0	0	0	0
Fundraising trading costs		1,669	0	1,669	1,141
Investment management costs		0	0	0	0
Charitable expenditure	3	172,683	121,489	294,172	346,205
Governance costs		34,832	0	34,832	36,034
Total Resources Expended		209,184	121,489	330,673	383,379
Net Movement in Revenue Funds		(209)	(55,763)	(55,972)	16,228
Transfer to restricted		(65,290)	65,290	0	
Prior Year adjustment		0	(84,975)	(84,975)	
Balances brought forward 1/1/25		354,372	125,850	480,222	257,443
Total Funds to carry forward 31/12/25		288,873	50,402	339,275	273,671

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Balance Sheet				
At 31st December 2025				
		Dec-25		Dec-24
	Notes	£		£
Fixed Assets				
Tangible fixed assets	4	489,122		485,122
		489,122		485,122
Current Assets				
Debtors		1,404		864
Cash at Bank and in Hand		2,645		3,264
Deposit, food bank, CBF accounts, Hive, Movement		78,541		155,785
Friends of Foxcote, main Foxcote account		9,714		8,867
SVFB CBF deposit		0		64,524
Total current assets		92,303		233,305
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		(541)		(596)
Net Current Assets		91,762		232,709
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		580,884		717,831
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		0		0
Net Assets		580,884		717,831
Represented by:				
Funds				
Restricted Funds	5	50,402		125,850
Unrestricted Funds	6	288,873		354,372
Revaluation Reserve		241,609		237,609
		580,884		717,831

Approved at the Parochial Church Council held on Thursday, 5th February 2026, and signed on their behalf by:



Reverend Matthew Street

The notes on pages 9 to 11 form an integral part of these accounts.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies are summarised below.

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a cash basis and have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in 2015 and applicable UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in the furtherance of the general objects of The Charity.

Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as specified by the donor.

(c) Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when The Charity receives the cash into the bank accounts.

Investment income is included when actually received.

(d) Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on a cash basis as a liability is incurred.

(e) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible assets are stated at cost. No depreciation is attributed:

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
			2,025	2,024
	£	£	£	
Planned Giving under gift aid	53,154	0	53,154	59,719
Planned giving not under gift aid	36,080	0	36,080	31,459
Collection under gift aid	1,025	0	1,025	1,660
Collections not under gift aid	8,566	0	8,566	10,108
Loose collections in services	2,062	0	2,062	1,517
Carlingcott donations	143	0	143	0
Legacies and major grants / donations	20,000	0	20,000	10,412
Income tax Recoverable	19,345	0	19,345	16,056
	140,377	0	140,377	130,931

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NOTE 4				
Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2025				
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	All funds
	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds under control of the PCC				
Current account	455	2,190	2,645	6,956
Carlincott account	1,843		1,843	1,823
CBF deposit	38,198		38,198	38,443
SVFB CBF Deposit	0		0	
TOTAL Cash Funds	40,497	2,190	42,687	47,223
Investments				
Alison Coles CBF fund	15,122		15,122	15,315
Total investments	15,122	0	15,122	15,315
Other accounts associated with PCC				
Movement	0	38,499	38,499	26,054
Food bank	0	0	0	47,928
The Hive	0	0	0	67,240
Friends of Foxcote	0	9,714	9,714	8,489
Total associated funds	0	48,212	48,212	149,710
Fixed Assets				
Computers	2,539		2,539	2,539
Office equipment	1,834		1,834	1,834
Heating and hot water systems	17,047		17,047	17,047
Sound systems	7,126		7,126	7,126
Storage shed	1,504		1,504	1,504
Church hall fixtures	4,990		4,990	4,990
Property	438,960		438,960	396,000
Total Fixed Assets	474,000	0	474,000	431,040
Non cash assets and liabilities				
credit card and pensions control	(541)		(541)	(773)
account receivable	1,404		1,404	864
stripe control account	0		0	0
Total Liabilities	863	0	863	92
TOTAL ASSETS EMPLOYED	530,482	50,402	580,884	643,380

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS	Balance at	Changes in	Balance at
	01.01.25	year	31.12.25
	£	£	£
Hardship fund	1,320	0	1,320
Sanctuary	1,132	0	1,132
Food Bank	7,746	(7,746)	(0)
Movement	21,810	16,426	38,236
The Hive account	84,975	(84,975)	0
Friends of Foxcote	8,867	847	9,714
	125,850	(75,448)	50,402

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS	Balance at	Changes in	Balance at
	01.01.25	year	31.12.25
	£	£	£
Hardship fund	1,320	0	1,320
Sanctuary	1,132	0	1,132
Food Bank	7,746	(7,746)	(0)
Movement	21,810	16,426	38,236
The Hive account	84,975	(84,975)	0
Friends of Foxcote	8,867	847	9,714
	125,850	(75,448)	50,402

7. PCC MEMBERS WHO ARE TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION, EXPENSES AND TRANSACTIONS

The PCC members who are also Trustees did not receive any remuneration for their role as Trustees and were not reimbursed for any expenses incurred in carrying out their duties as Trustees.

Appendix 1

Membership of the Parochial Church Council

Clergy

Rev Matthew Street

Incumbent from January 2005

Church Wardens

Richard Downing

(elected 2025 for a 1-year term to 2026)

Nigel Vening

(elected 2025 for a 1-year term to 2026)

PCC Members

Ben Attenborough

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2026)

Karen Blaylock

(elected 2025 for a 3-year term to 2028)

Sarah Bubyer

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2026)

Margaret Coles

(elected 2025 for a 3-year term to 2028)

Sally Cummings

(elected 2024 for a 3-year term to 2027)

Joy Fraser

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2026)

Claire Mitchell

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2026)

Kathy Pope

(elected 2024 for a 3-year term to 2027)

Alona Zubko

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2027)

Deanery Synod Members

Jo Vening

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2026)

Jane Street

(elected 2023 for a 3-year term to 2026)

PCC Secretary

Jo Vening