



**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical
Parish of Christ Church, Stone**

Charity registration number: 1156528

**Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1st January 2024
to 31st December 2024**

Objectives and Activities

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Principal Risks

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There are therefore no significant risks to the charity and its future is seen as fully sustainable.

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Financial Accounting software is MFAOL – My Financial Accounting Online – supported by Lichfield Diocese Finance Board.

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

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

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Risk Management

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This vision statement is the basis of the *Mission Action Plan*. Inevitably this will be age-specific in many of our activities, but we endeavour to fulfil our mission irrespective of someone's age as we share the good news to all, whatever their cultural or religious background. The MAP applies to the Benefice, although we recognise that each of the three churches has their own part to play in order to fulfil these aims.

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We aim to encourage the nurture of our relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Actions:

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We will continue to provide pastoral care for the community through our support and instruction for baptisms, weddings, and funerals and at other times as they arise.

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2. Evangelism

In obedience to Jesus' command to '*go and make disciples of all nations*' (Mt 28v18-20) we will commit ourselves to the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Actions:

We will provide services at the main Festivals such as Harvest, Christmas and Easter as opportunities to bring guests to hear more about the good news of Jesus Christ.

We will provide a regular *Christianity Explored* discipleship course to help to strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and lead to disciples who will also make disciples of others.

We will hold an annual children's holiday club to draw more children and their families into the life of the church and to encourage them to follow Jesus.

We will resource a children and families worker to oversee our ministry amongst young people as we pray that this will lead to lasting fruit.

We shall maintain our support of Christian mission partners both in the UK and overseas by giving up to 10% of our gross income to the work.

We will endeavour to demonstrate the gospel in action by being good news to the community – by providing Governors so as to promote good schools for the area that uphold the Christian foundation; to explore the development of further ways to support families in the area.

We will aim to encourage the community to partner with us in providing a giant Advent Calendar for Christmas.

3. Worship

We aim to grow in Christ-likeness both in our personal conduct and in our service in the world. This is achieved through being committed to the local church as the body of Christ, to accept pastoral oversight (of the incumbent and all who exercise a leadership role) as a means of encouraging our faith in the Lord Jesus and to promote godly living and service in order to bring honour and glory to His name. We meet on a Sunday to give praise and thanksgiving for the mercies and grace we have received from the Lord; to confess our sins with the intention of not simply showing remorse, but leading to our genuine repentance and change to become more Christ-like; to engage prayerfully with what the Holy Bible teaches us; to remember the death of Christ on the cross as the basis of our being put right with God to which the two sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper point.

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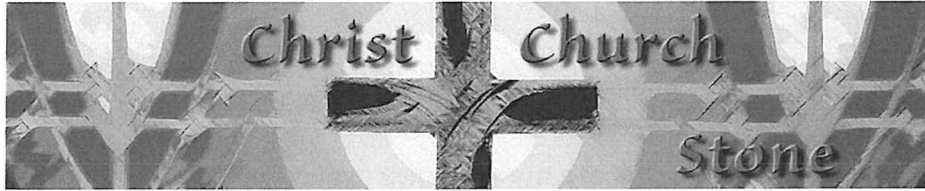
Declaration

Financial details available in the audited accounts as submitted to LDBF (appointed as Independent Examiners) – Submitted to LDBF and pending completion of the Independent Examination for 2024.

Approved by the PCC on 15th April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

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Revd Paul Kingman
For and on behalf of the PCC of Christ Church Stone



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We will hold events that promote our meeting together, to build our identity as a community of faith.

2. Evangelism

In obedience to Jesus' command to '*go and make disciples of all nations*' (Mt 28v18-20) we will commit ourselves to the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Actions:

We will provide services at the main Festivals such as Harvest, Christmas and Easter as opportunities to bring guests to hear more about the good news of Jesus Christ.

We will provide a regular *Christianity Explored* discipleship course to help to strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and lead to disciples who will also make disciples of others.

We will hold an annual children's holiday club to draw more children and their families into the life of the church and to encourage them to follow Jesus.

We will resource a children and families worker to oversee our ministry amongst young people as we pray that this will lead to lasting fruit.

We shall maintain our support of Christian mission partners both in the UK and overseas by giving up to 10% of our gross income to the work.

We will endeavour to demonstrate the gospel in action by being good news to the community – by providing Governors so as to promote good schools for the area that uphold the Christian foundation; to explore the development of further ways to support families in the area.

We will aim to encourage the community to partner with us in providing a giant Advent Calendar for Christmas.

3. Worship

We aim to grow in Christ-likeness both in our personal conduct and in our service in the world. This is achieved through being committed to the local church as the body of Christ, to accept pastoral oversight (of the incumbent and all who exercise a leadership role) as a means of encouraging our faith in the Lord Jesus and to promote godly living and service in order to bring honour and glory to His name. We meet on a Sunday to give praise and thanksgiving for the mercies and grace we have received from the Lord; to confess our sins with the intention of not simply showing remorse, but leading to our genuine repentance and change to become more Christ-like; to engage prayerfully with what the Holy Bible teaches us; to remember the death of Christ on the cross as the basis of our being put right with God to which the two sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper point.

Actions:

We will provide a regular service on a Sunday in each church, as resources will allow, drawing on the best hymns of the past and present that are inspired by the Scriptures.

We will provide the opportunity for small groups to meet for the purpose of Bible Study and prayer as a means of discipleship, both in homes and at church.

We aim to have an annual Covenant Service to as an opportunity to remember the sheer privilege of being the people of God and to renew our commitment to the Lord.

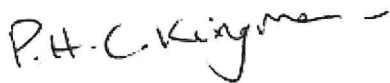
We will encourage more people to take part in the church prayer gatherings as a demonstration of our reliance on the Lord and desire to do His will.

We will endeavour to take regular services at Autumn House nursing home, Oulton Abbey and St Mary's as our resources allow, providing spiritual care and encouragement in an appropriate way.

Declaration

Financial details available in the audited accounts as submitted to LDBF (appointed as Independent Examiners) – Submitted to LDBF and pending completion of the Independent Examination for 2024.

Approved by the PCC on 15th April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.H.C. Kingman', followed by a short horizontal line.

Revd Paul Kingman
For and on behalf of the PCC of Christ Church Stone

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Registered charity number: 1156528

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

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA

Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance. St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Date: 15/05/2025

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

Accounting Policies

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members. There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement

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

Going Concern

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

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

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

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

Description of Funds

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

Restricted funds comprise of two elements:

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

b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

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

Income

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient

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

Expenditure

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan common fund is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs

Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

Investments

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

Debtors

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

Creditors and Accruals

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

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Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	69,922	-	16,847	-	86,769	116,270
Income from charitable activities	20,928	-	-	-	20,928	16,761
Other trading activities	1,363	-	1,242	-	2,606	2,398
Investments	1,045	-	90	-	1,136	129
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	93,258	-	18,180	-	111,438	135,557
Payments						
Raising funds	1,189	-	-	-	1,189	1,671
Expenditure on charitable activities	96,575	-	16,998	-	113,573	112,487
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	97,764	-	16,998	-	114,762	114,158
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(4,506)	-	1,182	-	(3,324)	21,399
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	19,029	-	-	-	19,029	15,768
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	(19,029)	-	-	(19,029)	(15,768)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-	110
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	14,524	(19,029)	1,182	-	(3,324)	21,509
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	(11,489)	157,099	76,652	-	222,262	200,753
Total funds carried forward Represented by	3,035	138,069	77,834	-	218,938	222,262
Unrestricted						
General fund	3,035	-	-	-	3,035	(11,489)
Designated						
Cecilia Wilding Legacy Designated Fund	-	36,648	-	-	36,648	36,648
Christine Burslem Fund	-	17,982	-	-	17,982	37,011
Diane Schemilt Fund	-	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,000
Irene Gassor Legacy Designated Fund	-	81,439	-	-	81,439	81,439
Restricted						
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-	-
Development Fund	-	-	11,722	-	11,722	11,722
Gertrude Pickering Fund	-	-	2,097	-	2,097	2,081
Rock Youth Ministry	-	-	64,015	-	64,015	62,848

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone
Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Balance Sheet

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets		
Investments	2,081	2,081
	<u>2,081</u>	<u>2,081</u>
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	220,574	222,762
	<u>220,574</u>	<u>222,762</u>
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	3,717	2,582
	<u>3,717</u>	<u>2,582</u>
Net current assets less current liabilities	<u>216,856</u>	<u>220,180</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>218,938</u>	<u>222,262</u>
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	<u>218,938</u>	<u>222,262</u>
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	3,035	(11,489)
Designated		
Designated - Cecilia Wilding Legacy Designated Fund	36,648	36,648
Designated - Christine Burslem Fund	17,982	37,011
Designated - Diane Schemilt Fund	2,000	2,000
Designated - Irene Gassor Legacy Designated Fund	81,439	81,439
Restricted		
Restricted - Development Fund	11,722	11,722
Restricted - Gertrude Pickering Fund	2,097	2,081
Restricted - Rock Youth Ministry	64,015	62,848
Fund Totals	<u>218,938</u>	<u>222,262</u>

Approved by the PCC on £ 16/7/ 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

P4C King
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The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts.
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Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Statement of Assets and Liabilities – 2024

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset - Investments						
6430: CCLA investment fund - Pickering	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	2,081
Total	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	2,081
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
6501: Bank current account	(56)	138,069	33,536	-	171,549	174,911
6505: Rock Youth 6549	7	-	4,245	-	4,252	4,170
6506: Rock Youth 0617	3,877	-	40,157	-	44,034	42,942
6510: CBF deposit account	719	-	-	-	719	719
6590: Petty Cash	20	-	-	-	20	20
Total	4,566	138,069	77,938	-	220,574	222,762
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	2,186	-	2,186	1,050
Total	-	-	2,186	-	2,186	1,050
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
Z04: Accounts Payable	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	1,531
Total	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	1,531
Net total assets	3,035	138,069	77,834	-	218,938	222,262

Statement of Assets and Liabilities – 2023

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset - Investments						
6430: CCLA investment fund - Pickering	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	1,971
Total	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	1,971
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
6501: Bank current account	(14,573)	157,099	32,385	-	174,911	155,833
6505: Rock Youth 6549	-	-	4,170	-	4,170	4,109
6506: Rock Youth 0617	3,877	-	39,065	-	42,942	39,086
6510: CBF deposit account	719	-	-	-	719	697
6590: Petty Cash	20	-	-	-	20	20
Total	(9,957)	157,099	75,620	-	222,762	199,745
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	1,050	-	1,050	964
Total	-	-	1,050	-	1,050	964
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
Z04: Accounts Payable	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	-
Total	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	-
Net total assets	(11,489)	157,099	76,652	-	222,262	200,753

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Fund movement summary – 2024

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
CBFund							
Designated	37,011	-	-	(19,029)	-	-	17,982
Sub-totals	37,011	-	-	(19,029)	-	-	17,982

DEVELOP							
Restricted	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
Sub-totals	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
DSFund							
Designated	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
Sub-totals	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
Gassor Legacy							
Designated	81,439	-	-	-	-	-	81,439
Sub-totals	81,439	-	-	-	-	-	81,439
Gertrude							
Restricted	2,081	15	-	-	-	-	2,097
Sub-totals	2,081	15	-	-	-	-	2,097
Rock							
Restricted	62,848	18,165	16,998	-	-	-	64,015
Sub-totals	62,848	18,165	16,998	-	-	-	64,015
Wilding Legacy							
Designated	36,648	-	-	-	-	-	36,648
Sub-totals	36,648	-	-	-	-	-	36,648
General							
Unrestricted	(11,489)	93,258	97,764	19,029	-	-	3,035
Sub-totals	(11,489)	93,258	97,764	19,029	-	-	3,035
Totals	222,262	111,438	114,762	-	-	-	218,938

Fund description

Designated funds:

- Irene Gassor Legacy- funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC
- Cecelia Wilding Legacy – funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC
- Christine Burslem Legacy - funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC
- Diane Schemilt Legacy - funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC

Restricted funds:

- Development Fund – for the development and upkeep of the Church Centre
- Gertrude Pickering Fund – to provide gifts, at or about Christmas, to the sick or poor of the parish
- Rock Youth Ministry – Rock Youth Ministry funds are donated (and gift aided) by church members to cover the salary of the Children and Families Worker

Fund movement summary – 2023

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
CBFund							
Designated	-	37,011	-	-	-	-	37,011
Sub-totals	-	37,011	-	-	-	-	37,011
DEVELOP							
Restricted	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
Sub-totals	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
DSFund							
Designated	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000
Sub-totals	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000

Gassor Legacy							
Designated	83,909	-	1,701	(768)	-	-	81,439
Sub-totals	83,909	-	1,701	(768)	-	-	81,439
Gertrude							
Restricted	1,971	-	-	-	110	-	2,081
Sub-totals	1,971	-	-	-	110	-	2,081
Rock							
Restricted	50,541	10,405	-	1,902	-	-	62,848
Sub-totals	50,541	10,405	-	1,902	-	-	62,848
Wilding Legacy							
Designated	36,784	-	135	-	-	-	36,648
Sub-totals	36,784	-	135	-	-	-	36,648
General							
Unrestricted	15,826	86,141	112,322	(1,134)	-	-	(11,489)
Sub-totals	15,826	86,141	112,322	(1,134)	-	-	(11,489)
Totals	200,753	135,557	114,158	-	110	-	222,262

Analysis of income and expenditure - 2024

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	60,214	-	-	-	60,214	40,642
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	1,746	-	-	-	1,746	1,924
0201 - Other planned giving	-	-	9,275	-	9,275	19,816
0301 - Loose plate collections	3,748	-	-	-	3,748	2,308
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	700	-	2,270	-	2,970	3,755
0550 - Donations appeals etc	657	-	275	-	932	1,563
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	-	-	3,498	-	3,498	4,061
0701 - Legacies	643	-	-	-	643	39,011
0901 - Other funds generated	2,214	-	1,529	-	3,743	3,191
Donations and legacies Totals	69,922	-	16,847	-	86,769	116,270
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	3,827	-	-	-	3,827	1,234
1210 - Bookstall sales	645	-	-	-	645	560
1230 - Church hall lettings	16,455	-	-	-	16,455	14,966
Income from charitable activities Totals	20,928	-	-	-	20,928	16,761
Other trading activities						
0910 - Rummage sales & events	125	-	1,242	-	1,367	1,196
1250 - Magazine income from advertising	846	-	-	-	846	749
1260 - Parish magazine sales	393	-	-	-	393	454
Other trading activities Totals	1,363	-	1,242	-	2,606	2,398
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	1,000	-	15	-	1,015	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	45	-	75	-	120	129
Investments Totals	1,045	-	90	-	1,136	129
Receipts Grand totals	93,258	-	18,180	-	111,438	135,557
PAYMENTS						
Raising funds						
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	1,189	-	-	-	1,189	1,671
Raising funds Totals	1,189	-	-	-	1,189	1,671

Expenditure on charitable activities						
1801 - Charitable giving	2,584	-	-	-	2,584	7,134
1910 - Parish share	42,466	-	-	-	42,466	41,458
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	16,922	-	16,922	15,892
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	7,505	-	-	-	7,505	9,906
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	1,882	-	-	-	1,882	2,066
2170 - Education	305	-	-	-	305	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	255	-	-	-	255	400
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,726	-	-	-	3,726	3,563
2310 - Church office - telephone	149	-	-	-	149	58
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	55	-	-	-	55	-
2330 - Church maintenance	100	-	-	-	100	209
2331 - Cleaning	2,032	-	-	-	2,032	2,117
2340 - Upkeep of services	4,595	-	-	-	4,595	4,530
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	8,744	-	-	-	8,744	671
2360 - Administration	9,425	-	76	-	9,501	8,452
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	47
2401 - Church running - electric	623	-	-	-	623	598
2410 - Church running - gas	7,696	-	-	-	7,696	10,111
2420 - Church running - water	71	-	-	-	71	70
2510 - Bookstall costs	632	-	-	-	632	1,063
2530 - Hall running - electricity	2,027	-	-	-	2,027	2,435
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	352	-	-	-	352	467
2570 - Hall running - telephone	508	-	-	-	508	457
2580 - Hall running - water	348	-	-	-	348	329
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	495	-	-	-	495	453
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	96,575	-	16,998	-	113,573	112,487
Payments Grand totals	97,764	-	16,998	-	114,762	114,158

Staff Costs

	2024	2023
Wages & Salaries	£ 23,529	£ 24,847
Employers Pension	£227	£240
Employers National Insurance	£671	£711
Average number of employees	3	3

During the year the PCC employed two Administrators (both part-time) and a Youth Worker.

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

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

Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses

1 trustee is employed by the PCC.

P Cuthbert is the Children's and Families Worker and was paid £16,122 (2023: £14,349). The PCC paid £227 and ££671 in pension contributions and National Insurance respectively in connection with this employment. were made by the PCC in connection with this employment. P Cuthbert does not take part in PCC discussions in connection with their salary.

1 Trustee has been reimbursed £1,882 (2023: £2,066 for travel and phone expenses incurred during the year

Related Parties

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

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £13,944 (2023: £11,265) .

Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Restricted Funds						
Gertrude Pickering	2,081				63	2,144
Total	2,081				63	2,144

The Charity of Gertrude Pickering, together with the Vicar and Wardens of Christ Church Stone, merged with the Charity of the Parochial Church Council of Christ Church Stone. As such, 1,438 shares held with the CCLA were transferred to the PCC and are held in a restricted fund. The income from this investment is to provide gifts, at or about Christmas, to the sick or poor of the parish.

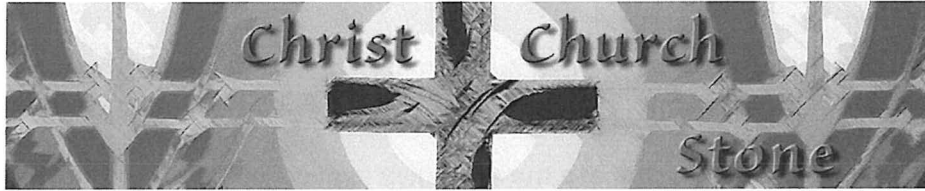
Prior Year Comparative

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	66,853	39,011	10,405	-	116,270	91,753
Income from charitable activities	16,761	-	-	-	16,761	12,602
Other trading activities	2,398	-	-	-	2,398	2,246
Investments	129	-	-	-	129	72
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	86,141	39,011	10,405	-	135,557	106,674

Payments

Raising funds	903	768	-	-	1,671	1,767
Expenditure on charitable activities	111,419	1,068	-	-	112,487	101,009
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	112,322	1,836	-	-	114,158	102,777
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(26,181)	37,175	10,405	-	21,399	3,897
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	7,317	-	8,451	-	15,768	130,709
Gross transfers between funds - out	(8,451)	(768)	(6,549)	-	(15,768)	(130,709)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	110	-	110	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	(306)
Net movement in funds	(27,314)	36,406	12,417	-	21,509	3,591
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	15,826	120,692	64,235	-	200,753	197,162
Total funds carried forward	(11,489)	157,099	76,652	-	222,262	200,753



**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical
Parish of Christ Church, Stone**

Charity registration number: 1156528

**Trustees' Annual Report for the period 1st January 2024
to 31st December 2024**

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church, Stone (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Paul Kingman, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is responsible for the maintenance of the church fabric and provides overall governance of the church activities, buildings and facilities.

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 Christ Church. 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 the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and the sacraments. Also, through non-sacramental activities of hospitality, fellowship schools and other chaplaincy work we aim to reach non churched members of the community.

Public Benefit

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

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

Achievements and Performance

The Mission Action Plan which has been developed over recent years to guide the Church's activities and focus the investment of both money and resources, continues to be the template for day to day actions.

Nurture, Evangelism and Worship are the three key aspects of the Charity's work.

To carry out these aims the following activities are funded, staffed and managed by the Charity;

Weekday Services:

Sunday mornings are the main gathering for worship in the church.

Other services are held;

Tuesday midweek communion; monthly nursing home services at Autumn House, St Mary's Home and Oulton Abbey Nursing home; termly school services.

During Covid the church continued with regular services by Zoom, and this was a major factor in maintaining numbers of worshippers once the Covid restrictions were lifted.

We still maintain Zoom links for Sunday morning services and this option is taken up by those unable to attend in person – elderly, sick or isolating

The equipment was purchased during Covid and set up with assistance for end users. Running costs are now minimal as there is just an annual Zoom licence to maintain this much appreciated facility.

Youth Work:

The Charity funds a part time worker to run "in school" Christian activities, clubs at church and after school and he provides activities for Sunday morning services.

The results of this investment, which has been a long term commitment by the church, are seen in the families attending Sunday morning but more so in the very regular attendance at the school based clubs.

In addition, a team of volunteers run an Easter Holiday Club which always attracts good numbers – as many as can be accommodated within the available buildings.

We are fortunate in having good relationships with the associated schools, giving good access for Open the Book activities, the clubs and other interactions – all facilitated by the Foundation Governors from the church.

Tuesday lunchtime 'Pursuit' (Christchurch Academy, Years 5-8); weekly school assemblies at First and Middle schools; High School assemblies; occasional school visits or extra lessons; after school clubs for Christ Church First School (Wednesdays) and Oulton First School (Thursdays).

Sunday school; annual Holiday Club; Light Party (alternative to Halloween); Good Friday craft & service for children; Christingle; Parent and Toddler group.

Staffing

The office administration is covered by two part time, paid, office based administrators

Volunteers

Church members volunteer for many activities;

Youth and children's groups; children's Easter Holiday Club; Sunday School; house group leaders; parent & toddlers group; development of Mental Health First Aid (MHFA); hospital chaplaincy for RSUH and County Hospitals, pastoral care support, cleaning of the building, flower arranging, maintenance, provision of music for services, gardening, sides person,

welcomer, visiting, sound and video engineering, marshalling, catering, First Aiders and other related roles.

Pastoral Care

This is a vital part of the church's Mission Action Plan – to provide support to those in need. As well as this support being available in an informal way through the week, there is weekly provision of an opportunity to receive pastoral care after the Sunday morning Service.

House, Study and Prayer Groups:

Bible study discipleship groups, *Hope Explored*, annual Lent courses, *Christianity Explored* discipleship course; midweek prayer; monthly prayer breakfast.

Areas of co-operation;

Churches Together in Stone (Anglican, Baptist, URC/M & St Dominic's RC) cooperate for the Good Friday procession and service; 'Advent Windows' and town carols at Christmas; the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity; we support the 'Stone Community Hub' and CAP centre for the town.

Other activities;

We have organised '*Advent Windows*' since 2010 (an Advent display in shop windows involving many community groups).

We have Governor responsibility for three Church of England Schools and the Vicar is Chair of Trustees for CCA.

The Vicar is Rural Dean and serves on the Diocesan Synod and the Deanery Pastoral Standing Committee.

The Benefice is a partner church for the '*Midlands Gospel Partnership*' (MGP) encouraging mission in the Midlands.

We support several Christian mission partners overseas and at home including UCCF.

The Charity engaged with Lead Academy pre Covid, and has subsequently renewed the relationship, as this organisation provides training, resources and encouragement to help churches identify what they do well and what needs improving.

Lead Academy activities, videos and training have become a feature of PCC meetings and some church activities to provide guidance and direction.

Training for the Future

The Charity is supporting, with funding, a member of the PCC in their training and development for future Lay ministry within the C of E.

Financial Review

The accounts are attached to this Trustees' Annual Report detailing the charity's financial position.

Reserves Holding Policy Statement

It is the Charity's Policy to maintain a reserve of £30,000 in readily accessible, unrestricted accounts, for unforeseen circumstances.

Amount of Reserves Held

At the end of this reporting year, the reserves total was £171,549
This figure is substantiated in the attached full financial reports.

This figure is made up of revenue, giving and legacies as per the Income statement below. None of the legacies received are Restricted, although the Charity does allocate some legacy money for specific activities – all agreed and minuted at PCC meetings.

Charity's Sources of Income Funding

The Charity derives income from;

Free will giving
Donations
Legacies
Hire of facilities
Fees
Gift Aid Repayments
Fund raising activities

Donations from Related Parties – Trustees free will giving.

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £13,944 (2023 - £11,265)
All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from employment with the PCC other than statutory fees in the role of organist.

Expenses paid to Trustees

Only trustee to receive remuneration was the incumbent – see account for details.

Investment Policy

The Charity does not Invest Funds

Principal Risks

The Charity sustained its activities through Covid and is in a strong position both in terms of funds available and staff and volunteers to carry out its activities.
There are therefore no significant risks to the charity and its future is seen as fully sustainable.

Reference, Trustees and Administrative details

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Stone

Christ Church Parish Office
Christchurch Way
Stone
Staffs ST15 8ZB
Registered charity number 1156528

TRUSTEES

Served from 1st January 2024 until the date this report was approved;

Revd Paul Kingman	(from Sept 2003)	Incumbent and PCC Chair
Peter Cuthbert	(from Sept 2019)	Children and Families worker
Peter Mason		Warden
David Beauchamp		Warden
Andrew Stone		Deputy Warden
David Rowlands		Reader
Helen Bowes		Reader
Christine Pentland		Reader
Mr A Stone		Elected PCC member
Mrs E Mason		Elected PCC member
Mrs E Woodhead		Elected PCC member
Mrs M Hillman		Elected PCC member
Mrs S. Hallam		Elected PCC member
Mrs M Garrington-Miller		Elected PCC member
Mrs J. Abrahams		Elected PCC member
Mrs L. Bakker-Collier		Elected PCC member
Mr G Williams		Elected PCC member
Mrs S Sanders		Elected PCC member
Mr P Kelly		Elected PCC member
Mr G Holden		Elected PCC member

Bank

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Stafford
Staffs ST16 2JA

Independent Examiner:

Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Mary's House
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Lichfield
WS13 7LD
Telephone: 01543 306055

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity no. 1156528 registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

All PCC members are Trustees.

PCC members are elected by enrolled church members on a rolling 3-year basis.

The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll.

For PCC members, subject to DBS clearance and safeguarding training as specified by the Diocese of Lichfield, a service is held including an induction prayer for those newly elected. Training is acquired through attending the PCC meetings, no individual responsibilities are given to those newly elected. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

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

Management of the church and its organisation is assisted by the use of a software package "ChurchSuite". This provides a GDPR approved database for communication, a means of identifying and fulfilling rotas and a central registry for Safeguarding.

Financial Accounting software is MFAOL – My Financial Accounting Online – supported by Lichfield Diocese Finance Board.

Safeguarding

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

We maintain accurate records of DBS documentation and the ChurchSuite software prompts for renewal and training requirements.

Reporting Serious Incidents

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

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

Risk Management

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

Fabric and Insurances

In order to protect the buildings, grounds and fixtures and fixings under the charge and management of the Trustees, a comprehensive Insurance policy is maintained with Ecclesiastical Insurance and Guarantee (EIG). This policy and its implications to church activities are managed by the Wardens.

Working with EIG has proved of benefit not only in providing cover for accidental damage, but also in providing a framework and templates to ensure activities and management within the church comply with the relevant sections of the insurance policy.

Prompted by the policy, a full review and subsequent modifications have been made to the agreements for those renting rooms in the church centre.

A comprehensive review has also been made of the Fire Safety provisions and this has also produced modifications and improvements to the way the buildings are managed, especially when larger numbers are being accommodated.

This all comes as part of the Trustee's desire to provide a safe environment for visitors to the church, as well as be good stewards of the facilities in their care.

The Charity's Vision and Priorities for the Future.

Involvement with Lead Academy has focussed the Trustees on their achievable aims, what we do well and what we need to improve on.

In conjunction with the Diocesan vision for 'Growing for Growth' we have adopted a simple framework within which to develop a Bible based ministry. The two PCC's have agreed to make disciples by pursuing three general aims, to be developed over time:

1. **Nurture** of believers: so that we become more like Christ.
2. **Evangelism**: to gather God's elect into the joy of worship through faith in Jesus Christ.
3. **Worship** of God: to increasingly delight in God's majesty while giving the whole of our lives God as described in Rom 12v1-2 (fed by nurture and evangelism).

This vision statement is the basis of the *Mission Action Plan*. Inevitably this will be age-specific in many of our activities, but we endeavour to fulfil our mission irrespective of someone's age as we share the good news to all, whatever their cultural or religious background. The MAP applies to the Benefice, although we recognise that each of the three churches has their own part to play in order to fulfil these aims.

1. Nurture

We aim to encourage the nurture of our relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Actions:

To faithfully expound the Holy Bible in Sunday services and also in the children's classes – this will require our prayerful preparation and application so as to make disciples.

To encourage a daily discipline of Bible reading, praise and prayer amongst all congregation members.

We will aim to meet for study courses during Lent and at other times to grow in our understanding of Biblical truth and how to live as a community of Jesus' disciples.

We will continue to provide pastoral care for the community through our support and instruction for baptisms, weddings, and funerals and at other times as they arise.

We will hold events that promote our meeting together, to build our identity as a community of faith.

2. Evangelism

In obedience to Jesus' command to '*go and make disciples of all nations*' (Mt 28v18-20) we will commit ourselves to the proclamation of the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Actions:

We will provide services at the main Festivals such as Harvest, Christmas and Easter as opportunities to bring guests to hear more about the good news of Jesus Christ.

We will provide a regular *Christianity Explored* discipleship course to help to strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and lead to disciples who will also make disciples of others.

We will hold an annual children's holiday club to draw more children and their families into the life of the church and to encourage them to follow Jesus.

We will resource a children and families worker to oversee our ministry amongst young people as we pray that this will lead to lasting fruit.

We shall maintain our support of Christian mission partners both in the UK and overseas by giving up to 10% of our gross income to the work.

We will endeavour to demonstrate the gospel in action by being good news to the community – by providing Governors so as to promote good schools for the area that uphold the Christian foundation; to explore the development of further ways to support families in the area.

We will aim to encourage the community to partner with us in providing a giant Advent Calendar for Christmas.

3. Worship

We aim to grow in Christ-likeness both in our personal conduct and in our service in the world. This is achieved through being committed to the local church as the body of Christ, to accept pastoral oversight (of the incumbent and all who exercise a leadership role) as a means of encouraging our faith in the Lord Jesus and to promote godly living and service in order to bring honour and glory to His name. We meet on a Sunday to give praise and thanksgiving for the mercies and grace we have received from the Lord; to confess our sins with the intention of not simply showing remorse, but leading to our genuine repentance and change to become more Christ-like; to engage prayerfully with what the Holy Bible teaches us; to remember the death of Christ on the cross as the basis of our being put right with God to which the two sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper point.

Actions:

We will provide a regular service on a Sunday in each church, as resources will allow, drawing on the best hymns of the past and present that are inspired by the Scriptures.

We will provide the opportunity for small groups to meet for the purpose of Bible Study and prayer as a means of discipleship, both in homes and at church.

We aim to have an annual Covenant Service to as an opportunity to remember the sheer privilege of being the people of God and to renew our commitment to the Lord.

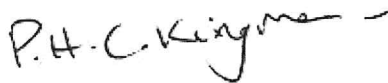
We will encourage more people to take part in the church prayer gatherings as a demonstration of our reliance on the Lord and desire to do His will.

We will endeavour to take regular services at Autumn House nursing home, Oulton Abbey and St Mary's as our resources allow, providing spiritual care and encouragement in an appropriate way.

Declaration

Financial details available in the audited accounts as submitted to LDBF (appointed as Independent Examiners) – Submitted to LDBF and pending completion of the Independent Examination for 2024.

Approved by the PCC on 15th April 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.H.C. Kingman', followed by a short horizontal line.

Revd Paul Kingman
For and on behalf of the PCC of Christ Church Stone

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Registered charity number: 1156528

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

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

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

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:.....

Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA

Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance. St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Date:15/05/2025.....

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

Accounting Policies

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members. There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

Cashflow Statement

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

Going Concern

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

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

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

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

Description of Funds

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

Restricted funds comprise of two elements:

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

b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

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

Income

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient

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

Expenditure

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan common fund is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs

Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

Investments

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

Debtors

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

Creditors and Accruals

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

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone
Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	69,922	-	16,847	-	86,769	116,270
Income from charitable activities	20,928	-	-	-	20,928	16,761
Other trading activities	1,363	-	1,242	-	2,606	2,398
Investments	1,045	-	90	-	1,136	129
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	93,258	-	18,180	-	111,438	135,557
Payments						
Raising funds	1,189	-	-	-	1,189	1,671
Expenditure on charitable activities	96,575	-	16,998	-	113,573	112,487
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	97,764	-	16,998	-	114,762	114,158
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(4,506)	-	1,182	-	(3,324)	21,399
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	19,029	-	-	-	19,029	15,768
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	(19,029)	-	-	(19,029)	(15,768)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-	110
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	14,524	(19,029)	1,182	-	(3,324)	21,509
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	(11,489)	157,099	76,652	-	222,262	200,753
Total funds carried forward Represented by	3,035	138,069	77,834	-	218,938	222,262
Unrestricted						
General fund	3,035	-	-	-	3,035	(11,489)
Designated						
Cecilia Wilding Legacy Designated Fund	-	36,648	-	-	36,648	36,648
Christine Burslem Fund	-	17,982	-	-	17,982	37,011
Diane Schemilt Fund	-	2,000	-	-	2,000	2,000
Irene Gassor Legacy Designated Fund	-	81,439	-	-	81,439	81,439
Restricted						
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-	-
Development Fund	-	-	11,722	-	11,722	11,722
Gertrude Pickering Fund	-	-	2,097	-	2,097	2,081
Rock Youth Ministry	-	-	64,015	-	64,015	62,848

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone
Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Balance Sheet

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets		
Investments	2,081	2,081
	<u>2,081</u>	<u>2,081</u>
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	220,574	222,762
	<u>220,574</u>	<u>222,762</u>
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	3,717	2,582
	<u>3,717</u>	<u>2,582</u>
Net current assets less current liabilities	<u>216,856</u>	<u>220,180</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>218,938</u>	<u>222,262</u>
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	<u>218,938</u>	<u>222,262</u>
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	3,035	(11,489)
Designated		
Designated - Cecilia Wilding Legacy Designated Fund	36,648	36,648
Designated - Christine Burslem Fund	17,982	37,011
Designated - Diane Schemilt Fund	2,000	2,000
Designated - Irene Gassor Legacy Designated Fund	81,439	81,439
Restricted		
Restricted - Development Fund	11,722	11,722
Restricted - Gertrude Pickering Fund	2,097	2,081
Restricted - Rock Youth Ministry	64,015	62,848
Fund Totals	<u>218,938</u>	<u>222,262</u>

Approved by the PCC on £ 16/7/ 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

P4C King
 (Vice)

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts.
The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Statement of Assets and Liabilities – 2024

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset - Investments						
6430: CCLA investment fund - Pickering	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	2,081
Total	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	2,081
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
6501: Bank current account	(56)	138,069	33,536	-	171,549	174,911
6505: Rock Youth 6549	7	-	4,245	-	4,252	4,170
6506: Rock Youth 0617	3,877	-	40,157	-	44,034	42,942
6510: CBF deposit account	719	-	-	-	719	719
6590: Petty Cash	20	-	-	-	20	20
Total	4,566	138,069	77,938	-	220,574	222,762
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	2,186	-	2,186	1,050
Total	-	-	2,186	-	2,186	1,050
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
Z04: Accounts Payable	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	1,531
Total	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	1,531
Net total assets	3,035	138,069	77,834	-	218,938	222,262

Statement of Assets and Liabilities – 2023

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset - Investments						
6430: CCLA investment fund - Pickering	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	1,971
Total	-	-	2,081	-	2,081	1,971
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
6501: Bank current account	(14,573)	157,099	32,385	-	174,911	155,833
6505: Rock Youth 6549	-	-	4,170	-	4,170	4,109
6506: Rock Youth 0617	3,877	-	39,065	-	42,942	39,086
6510: CBF deposit account	719	-	-	-	719	697
6590: Petty Cash	20	-	-	-	20	20
Total	(9,957)	157,099	75,620	-	222,762	199,745
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	1,050	-	1,050	964
Total	-	-	1,050	-	1,050	964
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
Z04: Accounts Payable	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	-
Total	1,531	-	-	-	1,531	-
Net total assets	(11,489)	157,099	76,652	-	222,262	200,753

The PCC of Christ Church, Stone

Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

Fund movement summary – 2024

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
CBFund							
Designated	37,011	-	-	(19,029)	-	-	17,982
Sub-totals	37,011	-	-	(19,029)	-	-	17,982

DEVELOP							
Restricted	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
Sub-totals	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
DSFund							
Designated	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
Sub-totals	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	2,000
Gassor Legacy							
Designated	81,439	-	-	-	-	-	81,439
Sub-totals	81,439	-	-	-	-	-	81,439
Gertrude							
Restricted	2,081	15	-	-	-	-	2,097
Sub-totals	2,081	15	-	-	-	-	2,097
Rock							
Restricted	62,848	18,165	16,998	-	-	-	64,015
Sub-totals	62,848	18,165	16,998	-	-	-	64,015
Wilding Legacy							
Designated	36,648	-	-	-	-	-	36,648
Sub-totals	36,648	-	-	-	-	-	36,648
General							
Unrestricted	(11,489)	93,258	97,764	19,029	-	-	3,035
Sub-totals	(11,489)	93,258	97,764	19,029	-	-	3,035
Totals	222,262	111,438	114,762	-	-	-	218,938

Fund description

Designated funds:

- Irene Gassor Legacy- funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC
- Cecelia Wilding Legacy – funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC
- Christine Burslem Legacy - funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC
- Diane Schemilt Legacy - funds used for projects relevant to the donor, where possible, and agreed by the PCC

Restricted funds:

- Development Fund – for the development and upkeep of the Church Centre
- Gertrude Pickering Fund – to provide gifts, at or about Christmas, to the sick or poor of the parish
- Rock Youth Ministry – Rock Youth Ministry funds are donated (and gift aided) by church members to cover the salary of the Children and Families Worker

Fund movement summary – 2023

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
CBFund							
Designated	-	37,011	-	-	-	-	37,011
Sub-totals	-	37,011	-	-	-	-	37,011
DEVELOP							
Restricted	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
Sub-totals	11,722	-	-	-	-	-	11,722
DSFund							
Designated	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000
Sub-totals	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000

Gassor Legacy							
Designated	83,909	-	1,701	(768)	-	-	81,439
Sub-totals	83,909	-	1,701	(768)	-	-	81,439
Gertrude							
Restricted	1,971	-	-	-	110	-	2,081
Sub-totals	1,971	-	-	-	110	-	2,081
Rock							
Restricted	50,541	10,405	-	1,902	-	-	62,848
Sub-totals	50,541	10,405	-	1,902	-	-	62,848
Wilding Legacy							
Designated	36,784	-	135	-	-	-	36,648
Sub-totals	36,784	-	135	-	-	-	36,648
General							
Unrestricted	15,826	86,141	112,322	(1,134)	-	-	(11,489)
Sub-totals	15,826	86,141	112,322	(1,134)	-	-	(11,489)
Totals	200,753	135,557	114,158	-	110	-	222,262

Analysis of income and expenditure - 2024

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	60,214	-	-	-	60,214	40,642
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	1,746	-	-	-	1,746	1,924
0201 - Other planned giving	-	-	9,275	-	9,275	19,816
0301 - Loose plate collections	3,748	-	-	-	3,748	2,308
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	700	-	2,270	-	2,970	3,755
0550 - Donations appeals etc	657	-	275	-	932	1,563
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	-	-	3,498	-	3,498	4,061
0701 - Legacies	643	-	-	-	643	39,011
0901 - Other funds generated	2,214	-	1,529	-	3,743	3,191
Donations and legacies Totals	69,922	-	16,847	-	86,769	116,270
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	3,827	-	-	-	3,827	1,234
1210 - Bookstall sales	645	-	-	-	645	560
1230 - Church hall lettings	16,455	-	-	-	16,455	14,966
Income from charitable activities Totals	20,928	-	-	-	20,928	16,761
Other trading activities						
0910 - Rummage sales & events	125	-	1,242	-	1,367	1,196
1250 - Magazine income from advertising	846	-	-	-	846	749
1260 - Parish magazine sales	393	-	-	-	393	454
Other trading activities Totals	1,363	-	1,242	-	2,606	2,398
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	1,000	-	15	-	1,015	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	45	-	75	-	120	129
Investments Totals	1,045	-	90	-	1,136	129
Receipts Grand totals	93,258	-	18,180	-	111,438	135,557
PAYMENTS						
Raising funds						
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	1,189	-	-	-	1,189	1,671
Raising funds Totals	1,189	-	-	-	1,189	1,671

Expenditure on charitable activities						
1801 - Charitable giving	2,584	-	-	-	2,584	7,134
1910 - Parish share	42,466	-	-	-	42,466	41,458
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	16,922	-	16,922	15,892
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	7,505	-	-	-	7,505	9,906
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	1,882	-	-	-	1,882	2,066
2170 - Education	305	-	-	-	305	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	255	-	-	-	255	400
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,726	-	-	-	3,726	3,563
2310 - Church office - telephone	149	-	-	-	149	58
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	55	-	-	-	55	-
2330 - Church maintenance	100	-	-	-	100	209
2331 - Cleaning	2,032	-	-	-	2,032	2,117
2340 - Upkeep of services	4,595	-	-	-	4,595	4,530
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	8,744	-	-	-	8,744	671
2360 - Administration	9,425	-	76	-	9,501	8,452
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	47
2401 - Church running - electric	623	-	-	-	623	598
2410 - Church running - gas	7,696	-	-	-	7,696	10,111
2420 - Church running - water	71	-	-	-	71	70
2510 - Bookstall costs	632	-	-	-	632	1,063
2530 - Hall running - electricity	2,027	-	-	-	2,027	2,435
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	352	-	-	-	352	467
2570 - Hall running - telephone	508	-	-	-	508	457
2580 - Hall running - water	348	-	-	-	348	329
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	495	-	-	-	495	453
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	96,575	-	16,998	-	113,573	112,487
Payments Grand totals	97,764	-	16,998	-	114,762	114,158

Staff Costs

	2024	2023
Wages & Salaries	£ 23,529	£ 24,847
Employers Pension	£227	£240
Employers National Insurance	£671	£711
Average number of employees	3	3

During the year the PCC employed two Administrators (both part-time) and a Youth Worker.

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

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

Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses

1 trustee is employed by the PCC.

P Cuthbert is the Children's and Families Worker and was paid £16,122 (2023: £14,349). The PCC paid £227 and ££671 in pension contributions and National Insurance respectively in connection with this employment. were made by the PCC in connection with this employment. P Cuthbert does not take part in PCC discussions in connection with their salary.

1 Trustee has been reimbursed £1,882 (2023: £2,066 for travel and phone expenses incurred during the year

Related Parties

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

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £13,944 (2023: £11,265) .

Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1st Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31st Dec £
Restricted Funds						
Gertrude Pickering	2,081				63	2,144
Total	2,081				63	2,144

The Charity of Gertrude Pickering, together with the Vicar and Wardens of Christ Church Stone, merged with the Charity of the Parochial Church Council of Christ Church Stone. As such, 1,438 shares held with the CCLA were transferred to the PCC and are held in a restricted fund. The income from this investment is to provide gifts, at or about Christmas, to the sick or poor of the parish.

Prior Year Comparative

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	66,853	39,011	10,405	-	116,270	91,753
Income from charitable activities	16,761	-	-	-	16,761	12,602
Other trading activities	2,398	-	-	-	2,398	2,246
Investments	129	-	-	-	129	72
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	86,141	39,011	10,405	-	135,557	106,674

Payments

Raising funds	903	768	-	-	1,671	1,767
Expenditure on charitable activities	111,419	1,068	-	-	112,487	101,009
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	112,322	1,836	-	-	114,158	102,777
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(26,181)	37,175	10,405	-	21,399	3,897
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	7,317	-	8,451	-	15,768	130,709
Gross transfers between funds - out	(8,451)	(768)	(6,549)	-	(15,768)	(130,709)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	110	-	110	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	(306)
Net movement in funds	(27,314)	36,406	12,417	-	21,509	3,591
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	15,826	120,692	64,235	-	200,753	197,162
Total funds carried forward	(11,489)	157,099	76,652	-	222,262	200,753

