

**PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH, LIVERSEDGE**

*Registered charity number 1157990*

**Annual Report  
and  
Financial Statements  
of the  
Parochial Church Council**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

**Incumbent:**

The Reverend Melusi Sibanda

**Licensed Readers:**

Mrs M. Mitchell

Mrs B. Britton

Mr M Walker

**Bank:**

Virgin Money

Cleckheaton

**Independent examiner:**

Mr Chris Drake

## Christ Church, Liversedge

### Annual Report for 2024

#### Background

Christ Church PCC has the responsibility of working together to promote within the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC also has the responsibility of maintaining the Parish Centre. The parish is a registered charity and therefore all PCC members are charitable trustees.

#### PCC membership

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During the year, the following people served as members of the PCC:

##### *Vicar*

The Reverend Melusi Sibanda

##### *Churchwardens*

Mr Michael Barker (*PCC Lay chair*)

Mrs Jean Fisher (*PCC Lay chair*)

##### *Licensed Reader (Ex Officio)*

Mrs Margaret Mitchell

Mrs Brenda Britton

Mr Michael Walker

##### *Deanery Synod Representatives (Ex Officio)*

Mrs Susan Charlton

Mrs Angela Ellis

##### From APCM 2024

Mrs Joyce Barker

Mrs Linda Kitson

Mrs Stella Preston

Mrs Gillian Walters (*Secretary*)

*2 elected PCC members: Vacancy*

*Treasurer: Vacancy*

##### From APCM 2023 to APCM 2024

Mrs Joyce Barker

Mrs Linda Kitson

Mrs Jean Fisher

Mrs Gillian Walters (*Secretary*)

*2 elected PCC members: Vacancy*

*Treasurer: Vacancy*

#### Committees

The PCC operates through various committees, which may meet if required between full PCC meetings.

*Standing Committee:* this is made up of the Vicar (chair), Lay chair, Churchwardens, treasurer and secretary. This committee is the only committee required by ecclesiastical law. It meets when necessary and it has the power to transact the business of the council between the meetings thereof subject to any directions given by the council.

*Social Committee:* chaired by Michael Barker, organises social and fund-raising events for the parish.

## **Church Attendance**

On 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 there were 31 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average Sunday attendance during the year was 17 and the average Wednesday attendance was 10.

## **Review of the Year**

### **Opportunities for Worship at Christ Church during 2024**

Regular services have continued throughout 2024. Sunday services were at 8.45am from January to May but in June the service time changed to 9am. Wednesday service time remained unchanged at 10am.

The Christingle service on Christmas Eve was well attended.

During 2024 there were 2 baptisms, 2 weddings and 5 funerals. Headlands School visited for harvest and Christmas services.

### **Other matters discussed by the PCC**

During 2024 there were 5 meetings of the full PCC.

Four Saturday Coffee Mornings were held during the year, providing opportunities to socialise whilst also raising much needed funds.

The church organ is in a poor condition and is now unreliable. The PCC took the decision that it is no longer fit for use at weddings, funerals and other major services.

The PCC has complied with its duty to have due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

### **Financial Overview**

The position of Treasurer has remained vacant for another year. Michael Barker has continued to look after parish finances in addition to all his other responsibilities as Churchwarden.

Our financial position remains unsustainable as our expenditure continues to exceed our income. We were only able to pay £4000 towards our parish share (£19664) for 2024 and we are unlikely to be able to pay our share (£19664) in full for 2025.

The PCC supported CART (Christian African Relief Trust), and Christians Against Poverty with donations of £20 each per month throughout 2024. A total of £432.70 was raised for the Children's Society through the collection at the Christingle Service and individual collection boxes.

## **Conclusion**

2024 was another challenging year for the parish. Thank you to all who have endeavoured to carry on supporting the parish in whatever ways possible.

On behalf of the PCC

*Melusi Sibanda*

*March 2025*

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH LIVERSEDGE**  
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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Receipts and Payments Summary of Financial Activities**

	<i>Unrestricted General</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Total All Funds</i>	<i>Total All Funds</i>
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Fund/s</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>				
Donations and legacies	14,415		14,415	12,248
Charitable activities	12,791		12,791	6,320
Investments	33	-	33	27
<b>Total received</b>	<b><u>27,239</u></b>	<b>-</b>	<b><u>27,239</u></b>	<b><u>18,595</u></b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>				
Raising funds	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities	<u>25,880</u>		<u>25,880</u>	<u>18,482</u>
<b>Total paid</b>	<b><u>25,880</u></b>		<b><u>25,880</u></b>	<b><u>18,482</u></b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>				
<b>Net income or (net expenditure)</b>	1,359	-	1,359	112
Transfers between funds				
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,359</b>	<b>112</b>
Balance at 1 January 2024	33,150	1,903	35,053	34,942
<b>Balance at 31 December 2024</b>	<b>£34,509</b>	<b>£1,903</b>	<b>£36,412</b>	<b>£35,054</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf

Mr. George Michael Barker  
Acting Treasurer.

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**General Fund Receipts and Payments**

	2024	2023
	£	£

**PAYMENTS**

**Raising funds**

Social events costs	0	0
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**Church activity costs**

Parish Share	4,000	2,000
Charitable giving	986	944
Clergy costs	236	0
Vicarage costs	325	325
Other ministry costs	378	300
Upkeep of services:		
Organ and organist	867	300
Sacristy	845	482
Heat and light and water (church)	2,041	666
Church insurance	5,480	5,140
Church repairs & maintenance	4,146	1,101
Churchyard maintenance	1,043	1,265
Hall costs heat/light/water/insurance	5,469	5,933
Admin costs	64	25
	25,880	18,482

<b>TOTAL Payments</b>	25,880	18,482
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<b>Excess/(Shortfall)</b>	1,359	112
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**General Fund Receipts and Payments**

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Voluntary Income</b>		
Planned giving	3,727	3,852
Gift aided donations	33	90
Tax Recovered	3,124	228
Plate Collections	1,463	1,057
Occ. Office collections	295	221
Sundry donations	98	336
Donations for charity	676	464
Grants	0	0
Legacy	0	1,000
Transfer from Restricted account	5,000	5,000
	<u>14,416</u>	<u>12,248</u>
<b>Activity Income</b>		
Fees weddings and funerals	2,256	527
Hall income	8,355	3,930
Coffee fund	581	360
Fundraising: Social/Coffee morning	1,599	1,503
	<u>12,791</u>	<u>6,329</u>
<b>Investment income</b>	33	27
<b>TOTAL Receipts</b>	<b>27,239</b>	<b>18,595</b>

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Restricted Accounts**

<b>Connect 19</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Balance at 1 Jan 2024	<b>890</b>	<b>890</b>
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2024</b>	<b>890</b>	<b>890</b>

<b>Bell Fund</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Balance at 1 Jan 2024	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2024</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>

<b>Appeal Fund</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Balance at 1 Jan 2024	<b>491</b>	<b>491</b>
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2024</b>	<b>517</b>	<b>491</b>

<b>Flower Fund</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Balance at 1 Jan 2024	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Balance at 31 Dec 2024</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

**Statement of Assets**

	<b>Unrestricted Fund</b>	<b>Restricted Fund/s</b>	<b>Total All Funds 2024</b>	<b>Total All Funds 2023</b>
<b>Assets:</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Bank accounts	2,786	3,408	6,194	9,835
Flower Fund (cash)		37	37	37
CBF Deposit Fund 640064001D (Reserve)	8,336		8,336	7,916
CBF Deposit Fund 640064002D (Appeal)		517	517	491
CBF Deposit Fund 640064003D (Legacy)	10,599		10,599	10,065
CBF FIS Fund 640064001F	1,279		1,297	1,259
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>23,018</b>	<b>3,962</b>	<b>26,980</b>	<b>29,603</b>

**Statement of funds**

	<b>Balances b/fwd 1 Jan 2024 £</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Balances c/fwd 31 Dec 2024 £</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>				
Connect 19	890			890
Bells	500			500
CBF deposit (Appeal)	491			517
Flower Fund	37			37
	<u>1,918</u>			<u>1,944</u>
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				
General Fund	33,151	27,239	25,880	27,659
CBF FIS shares (870)	1,259	38		1,297
	<u>34,410</u>	<u>27,277</u>	<u>25,880</u>	<u>28,956</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>36,328</b>	<b>27,277</b>	<b>25,880</b>	<b>29,603</b>



# CBF ACCOUNT Year ending 31 December 2024

Deposit accounts	B/F	Interest	Withdrawals	C/F
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640064001D (CB30364990001)	7,915.61	420.14	-	8,335.75
640064002D (CB30365010001)	516.93	26.05	-	516.98
640064003D (CB30365020001)	10,064.71	534.21	-	10,598.92
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,497.25</b>	<b>980.40</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,451.65</b>

## FIS Fund

640064001F Freeman	Shares 870	Unit 31/12 1,4912	Value at 31/12/23 1,259.32	Value at 31/12/24 1,297.44	Gain/(Loss) +38.12
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# RESTRICTED ACCOUNT Year ending 31 December 2024

## Credits

Date	Narrative	ref	Bank	Total
8/03/2024	Funeral	Bacs	224.00	224.00
2/04/2024	Funeral	Bacs	259.00	259.00
30/05/2024	Wedding	Bacs	564.00	564.00
10/06/2024	Funeral	Bacs	431.00	431.00
16/08/2024	Service of Remembrance	Bacs	29.00	29.00
6/09/2024	Funeral	Bacs	154.00	154.00
27/09/2024	Wedding	Bacs	595.00	595.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>2,256.00</b>	<b>2,256.00</b>

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## Payments

4/03/2024	Transfer to General Account	Mb	5000.00	5000.00
18/03/2024	Funeral Organist fee	Mb	75.00	75.00
4/04/2024	Funeral Organist/Vergers fee	Mb	125.00	125.00
3/06/2024	Funeral Organist/Vergers fee	Mb	125.00	125.00
4/07/2024	Wedding fee to Diocese	Mb	241.00	241.00
26/10/2024	Wedding Vergers fee	Mb	60.00	60.00
9/12/2024	Wedding fee to Diocese	Mb	241.00	241.00
<b>Total</b>			<b>5,867.00</b>	<b>5,867.00</b>

**Independent examiner's report  
to the PCC of Christ Church Liversedge  
for the year ended 31 December 2024**

This is my report to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish (PCC) of Christ Church, Liversedge, on the annual report for the year ended 31 December 2024 set out on pages the preceding pages.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The PCC members are responsible for the preparation of the annual reports. The PCC members 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:

1. Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
2. 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
3. to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

1. a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and  
b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have 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.

Signed:

*C Drake*

Date

20/3/25

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