

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

LICKEY & BLACKWELL

Annual Report & Financial Accounts
For the Year End 31st December 2024

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF HOLY TRINITY, LICKEY WITH ST CATHERINE'S
CHURCH, BLACKWELL
Year ended 31 December 2024

Annual Report for 2024

Background

The trustees of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of Holy Trinity, Lickey with St Catherine, Blackwell are pleased to present their report together with the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 and Church Accounting Regulations.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship and become part of our parish community of Holy Trinity with St Catherine's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

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

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; developing knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- Missionary and outreach work. In order to facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Churches of Holy Trinity and St Catherine and the Trinity Centre Complex.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer:

The PCC is keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. Regularly supporting our Vicar are Curate Rev Louise Beasley, Rev Angela Bevan and Lay Readers Maggie Forknell, Roger Jones, Tara and Ian Morrey. Our Vicar accepted a Diocesan Role as Warden of Readers in February 2024 and we are grateful to Rev Colin Corke who leads all of our services on Wednesday whilst our Vicar is fulfilling this wider role.

As well as meeting for worship on Sundays at 10am at St Catherine and 10:30am at Holy Trinity (6:30pm on the first Sunday each month) and on a Wednesday at 10am at Holy Trinity, prayer ministry is offered following our Sunday services.

Our monthly Cycle Church Service runs from April – October based at St Catherine. We hold a monthly Communion Service in Burcot Grange, Cofton Park Manor and Redwood House Residential Settings for Seniors. We hold a monthly Timeless: Dementia Service based at St Catherine from April – October and in Burcot Lodge Residential Setting from November - March. We also hold a weekly service for Under 5's and their carers – Tiny Church. In addition, we have a monthly Messy Church Service at St Catherine. We were delighted that 6 members of our church family were confirmed in 2024, one in a Residential Setting.

Occasionnel Services:

We provide opportunity for our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of their journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. We celebrated 5 baptisms and 5 weddings in 2024, and held 16 funerals and 10 burial of ashes in our churches.

Deanery Synod:

Two members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

Church Maintenance:

Our Care of Churches group has worked tirelessly this year to address wear and tear on our buildings. We are very grateful to Keith Parsons, Oliver James and Grant Wilson for their work in this area. John Armstrong has also made himself available to advise on insurance related issues.

At Holy Trinity, the gullies over the prayer vestry have been reset and extended to stop the rainwater running down the wall rather than into the gutters. The wall inside has been wiped with bleach for the time being and will need replacing once we know the fix has been successful. Grounds maintenance, including pruning and pollarding has continued in the usual way. The lightning conductor passed its test for 2024.

At St Catherine's, Blackwell work was needed to repair some broken tiles resulting from loose mortar falling onto the lower South roof. Repainting of the inside where repair work was previously carried out has been completed. Work was also completed on remote control of the heating systems in both St Catherine and The Wheel, together with rewiring of the water heater in The Wheel to improve safety.

The contribution from insurers towards the previous year's work has proved difficult to finalise and is still ongoing at the end of 2024.

Throughout the year OES have been invaluable in diagnosing problems, resolving them where appropriate and project managing other external contractors where that has been necessary. With OES's help, we have continued a programme of work to tidy and improve our Churchyard extension at Lickey and the Coffin Walk which runs between the extension and the church. This has also provided an opportunity for parishioners to enjoy working together in the open air. OES have also helped us to address issues about safety and energy efficiency in all of our buildings.

As we all know, the cost of energy has remained high during this year. This has led to ongoing consideration of more cost effective heating solutions at both churches. We are very grateful to Grant Wilson for leading us in this work. It is likely that Holy Trinity will, over time, benefit from adoption of a more fuel efficient system. At St Catherine, the system is in some respects newer and more efficient so that the payback from investment in a new system would be more marginal. During the course of the winter of 2024, we again decided to temporarily revert to joint services at alternating churches to save on heating costs.

The Trinity Centre Complex

Church Office/Parish Office:

The Church office is in The Trinity Centre and each week is occupied on two mornings by the Parish Office Manager, one day by the Finance Officer and one day by the Executive Officer of the Local Parish Council.

The Hall:

Income for the Trinity Centre continues to come in due to regular hirers but we do have times in the week for more hirers. The committee where possible have continued to maintain the Trinity Centre, thus keeping costs down as much as possible.

Functioning of the church

Pastoral Care:

Our Home Communion Team of 6 visit monthly by request, church members in their home/residential care who are unable to come to church due to vulnerability, frailty or illness. Our CPT (Commissioned Pastoral Care Team) are active in visiting by request members of the community / church family who need a little extra support.

Mission and Evangelism:

We seek to be a people who make known the Good News of the Kingdom, teaching, baptizing and nurturing new believers. Our life together as church is underpinned by individual and corporate prayer. We reach out to others in the local community and by loving service aim to draw them in to God's Kingdom. Specific mission outreach includes:

- Through our World Link Action Team we support a variety of Mission Partners both Overseas and in the UK. We try to receive a guest speaker from both an Overseas and a UK Mission Partner every year

- We are part of the God's Heart for Longbridge group of churches. This ecumenical group provides chaplaincy and outreach activities at Festival Events. Several church members are actively involved here
- Our work with local schools has been important this year. Termly assemblies and support with RE lessons have taken place in Lickey Hills Primary School. In November Year 1 visited Holy Trinity for the afternoon as part of their RE curriculum. In December we were able to host in Holy Trinity two Christmas Concerts for Key Stage 2 children. In addition Rev Louise Beasley is a Governor at Lickey Hills Primary School. Termly assemblies and support with RE lessons have taken place in Blackwell First School
- The Community Garden at St Catherine is a place for the local community to grow food and enjoy the outdoors together.
- Coffee Cake and Chat in both Holy Trinity Lickey and St Catherine Blackwell and Buffet Lunches at The Vicarage.

Relationships with other local churches:

We are part of The Hillside Oversight Area with the parishes of Rednal, Rubery, Cofton Hackett and Barnt Green. We are beginning to work more closely together with worship each term planned for us to be altogether. In addition, small working groups have focused on our work with children, young people and family and ministry to seniors, particularly those in residential homes.

We are part of B45 Churches Together, this group made up of the geographical Oversight Area now including all of the denominations. Our Curate is the current Chair.

Finance and Accounts

In 2024, the church continued to engage a contractor, OES, for small maintenance jobs. OES is run by Ollie James, and this has been declared on the PCC Register of Interest. The Church also continued to engage Jane Price as a contractor for Finance Administration. This is also declared on the PCC register of Interest.

In 2024, Nick Forknell, Maggie Forknell and Keith Parsons received payments for vergers and organist services. This is also declared on the PCC register of Interest.

The Total Funds at the end of 2024 stand at £262,784, representing an increase of £21,877 over the year. Voluntary Income received in 2024 was £8,077 greater than 2023. This includes an increase of £4,892 in planned giving. The PCC also received two legacies during 2024, totaling £6,145.62. As no restrictions were placed on the use of either legacy, the PCC followed the recently reviewed Legacy Policy and determined that they would be used towards the cost of our Curate. Several successful fundraising events were held raising £2,743. The PCC continue to receive a Curates House Allowance of £648.25 per month.

The Fixed Term Investments with CCLA saw a gain in value of £1,351 during 2024, significantly lower than the gain of £7,032 in 2023. However, the 2024 investment certificate for one of the three funds is still outstanding. The Short Term Deposits performed better than previous years, generating an income of £5,289 in 2024. A Deposit account was opened for the Trinity Centre in addition to the Current account to gain some interest on these funds.

Total expenditure during 2024 was £144,060; this is lower than 2023, and under budget for 2024. This is mainly due to spending on major maintenance being significantly less than expected. A number of major projects have been carried forward to 2025. Vicarage costs

are higher this year as this includes rent of the Curates house for 12 months. Church Utility payments in 2024 were £2,851 higher than 2023 due to increased supply costs.

There was movement within funds in 2024; £7,463 was transferred from the General Fund to correct shortfalls within the Curate Fund, transfers were made from the Murdoch fund to the General Fund to pay for maintenance at Holy Trinity and also from the Church and grounds fund to cover relevant expenditure.

Trinity Centre rental income for 2024 was £27,309 and outgoings were £16,106, meaning a net increase of £11,203. However, significant expenditure is expected in 2025 to replace the hall floor, and replacement of the roof remains an at risk expenditure.

Total Debtors in 2024 is £10,205 with total Creditors £11,301

Marie Tiffany & Nick Forknell

Co-Treasurers

Vision Statement

The Vision for our parish is:

- + To add people to our local church family
- + To grow in our faith
- + To reflect the love of Christ, caring for all
- + To go out into our communities

We will seek to do this by:

- Offering services of praise and worship that reflect our identity.
- Ensuring that we are relevant for today.
- Being a welcoming and inclusive church family.
- Offering great hospitality at the heart of all that we do
- Being a parish where everyone's gifts are identified, encouraged and developed.
- Being a parish that looks to the needs of those outside of our buildings
- Offering good Pastoral Care in all seasons of life.
- Offering opportunities to develop relationships through social activities with our communities.
- Offering opportunities to grow the depth of our discipleship.
- Increasing, stabilising, strengthening and growing our physical resources
- Offering our physical resources to other groups and parishes, both in our local area and wider afield, including internationally.

Strap/Tag line: Welcoming, Growing, Loving, Serving

Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to ensure our activities and services can happen.

Reference and administrative details

The PCC is a registered charity, Number 1159273 governed by the PCC (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church representation Rules.

Lickey Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish of Holy Trinity Church, Lickey with St Catherine's Church, Blackwell, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Trinity Centre (Parish Hall) complex in Lickey.

Structure, governance and management:

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All newly elected PCC members are required to sign a declaration confirming their eligibility to hold office as a charity trustee eligibility (i.e. non-disqualification under charity law) and sign a Fit and Proper Person declaration.

At Holy Trinity, Lickey with St. Catherine, Blackwell, the membership of the PCC normally consists of the incumbent (our vicar), our Curate, churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

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

Reserve Policy

The PCC reserve policy is to retain three months' worth of parish running costs at any given time.

Administrative information

Holy Trinity Church, Lickey, with St Catherine's, Blackwell is situated in North Worcestershire, immediately adjacent to the boundary of the City of Birmingham. It is part of the Deanery of Kings Norton, Moseley and Shirley in the Diocese of Birmingham. The correspondence address is Church Office, Trinity Centre, 411 Old Birmingham Road, Lickey, B45 8ES.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity currently registered with the Charities Commission. Charity Number 1159273

Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has a number of committees each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life.

Current PCC Membership 2023/2024 (denotes Standing Committee)**

Ex Officio Membership: Sheri Gidney Vicar **
Louise Beasley Curate**
Nick Forknell Churchwarden (2026) and Denery Synod (2026) Joint Treasurer from April 2024**
Alison Rushton Churchwarden (2026)**
Judy Waller Deanery Synod (2026)
We have one Vacancy for Deanery Synod

PCC Membership: **We have one Vacancy for PCC**
Keith Parsons (2024)
Judith Cooke (2027)**
Anne O Loughlin (2025)
Ollie James (2025)
Grant Wilson (2025)**
Jane Price (2025) Treasurer** until April 2024
Marie Tiffany (2026) Joint Treasurer** from April 2024
Maggie Forknell (2026)

PCC Meetings

Since the last APCM on 28th April 2024, the PCC have met on: May 23rd, June 27th, July 18th, September 19th, October 24th, November 28th, December 12th, January 23rd 2025, February 27th, March 27st, April 10th.

Meetings were held in the Trinity Centre, Lickey or the Wheel at St Catherine, Blackwell.

Standing Committee

During this year the PCC did not action the Standing Committee to meet as PCC meetings were held monthly.

Denise Phelps PCC Secretary

Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults

The PCC review safeguarding matters at every meeting and the PCC is satisfied that it has complied with its duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure of 2016 to have due regard to the House of Bishops guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

The safeguarding team have paid due diligence to all matters of safeguarding throughout the year, the PCC regularly look at the Birmingham Diocese safeguarding dashboard to ensure everyone has the correct level of training for their role.

Future Plans of the PCC for 2025 and Beyond

To continue to meet the Vision and Aims as set out above, with particular focus in 2025 on

- The Closure of Lickey Cemetery Extension
- A service pattern that is sustainable and meets the needs of all in our community
- The sustainability of two churches and two halls in one parish
- A new floor in the Trinity Centre
- Replacement of sections of roof at Holy Trinity
- Replacement of the Trinity Centre roof (within the next 5 years)
- The risk of boiler replacement in both churches

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Notes	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Voluntary Income	(2a)	105,099	0	2,892	107,991	99,914
Activities for generating funds	(2b)	6,481	27,209	0	33,690	33,846
Church Activities	(2c)	14,588	0	0	14,588	15,080
Investment Income	(2d)	8,218	100	0	8,318	5,906
Total income		134,385	27,309	2,892	164,586	154,746
Payments						
Church Activities	(3a)	118,995	16,106	7,910	143,012	155,710
Raising Funds	(3b)	825	0	0	825	398
Other Expenditure	(3c)	223	0	0	223	446
Total expenditure		120,043	16,106	7,910	144,060	156,554
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		14,342	11,202	(5,018)	20,526	(1,808)
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in		23,661	9,419	15,521	48,600	47,078
Gross transfers between funds - out		(24,939)	(9,419)	(14,242)	(48,600)	(47,078)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets		1,351	0	0	1,351	7,032
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		0	0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		14,414	11,202	(3,740)	21,877	5,224
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		122,024	83,649	35,233	240,907	235,683
Total funds carried forward		136,439	94,852	31,494	262,784	240,907

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	General	Designated	Restricted	At 31/12/2024 £	At 31/12/2023 £
Fixed assets						
Investments	(8)	77,429	0	5,366	82,796	81,445
		77,429	0	5,366	82,796	81,445
Current assets						
Debtors	(11)	4,725	4,980	500	10,205	10,784
Cash At Bank And In Hand	(9) (10)	58,141	89,923	33,020	181,084	158,408
		62,866	94,903	33,520	191,289	169,192
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	(12)	3,357	51	7,893	11,301	9,730
		3,357	51	7,893	11,301	9,730
Net current assets less current liabilities		59,509	94,852	25,627	179,988	159,462
Total assets less current liabilities		136,939	94,852	30,994	262,784	240,907
Total net assets less liabilities		136,939*	94,852	30,994*	262,784	240,907

*NB £500 discrepancy in General and restricted fund balances between Balance sheet and SOFA – due to internal error within MFA software – waiting for Data Developments to resolve. Totals are correct

Approved by the PCC on: 27th February 2025

Signed on the PCC's behalf by:

Q. Gudney
Vicar.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Summary of Accounting Policies

General Information and basis of preparation

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The Financial Statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Report by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

Assets:

Consecrated and benefice property

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded and not capitalised in the financial statements in accordance with Charities Act 2011.

Fixed Assets

Depreciation has been provided on church equipment on a straight-line method based on the estimated economic life of the asset, which 4 Years in the case of Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment.

Investments

Investments are recognised at their quoted market price. Unrealised gains or losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value.

Funds:

The financial statements have been prepared using fund accounting, whereby income, expenditure, assets & liabilities are classified by fund. The 2 types of fund classification present in these accounts are:

1. **Unrestricted Funds** (General & Designated):
 - a. General Funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering the aims and objectives of the charity.
 - b. Designated Funds are general funds that have been set aside by the PCC for a particular purpose from the general fund.
2. **Restricted Funds** represent grants, donations and legacies received which are allocated by the donor for a specific purpose.

The purpose of funds held by the charity are set out in notes to the financial statements.

2. Incoming Resources

	Total				
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Last year
2a) Voluntary Income					
Planned Giving	72,252	0	260	72,512	67,620
Collections at services	5,821	0	0	5,821	6,503
Donations and Appeals	9,225	0	2,632	11,857	9,167
Gift aid	17,802	0	0	17,802	16,622
Voluntary Income Totals	105,099	0	2,892	107,991	99,914
2b) Activities for generating funds					
Trinity Centre Hire	0	27,200	0	27,200	28,374
The Wheel Hire	3,444	0	0	3,444	3,030
Parochial Fees	54	0	0	54	54
Events Fundraising	2,733	10	0	2,743	2,268
Other Fundraising	250	0	0	250	120
Activities for generating funds Totals	6,481	27,209	0	33,690	33,846
2c) Church Activities					
Parochial Fees	6,289	0	0	6,289	6,445
Curate House Allowance	7,779	0	0	7,779	4,375
Other Income	520	0	0	520	4,260
Church Activities Totals	14,588	0	0	14,588	15,080
2d) Investment Income					
Bank and Deposit Account Interest	5,709	100	0	5,809	3,408
Dividends	793	0	0	793	782
Wayleave Income	1,716	0	0	1,716	1,716
Investment Income Totals	8,218	100	0	8,318	5,906
Receipts Grand totals	134,385	27,309	2,892	164,586	154,746

3 Expended Resources

	Total				
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Last year
3a) Church Activities					
Common Fund	53,708	0	0	53,708	54,782
Charitable Giving	6,463	0	90	6,552	7,771
Ministry Expenses and costs	698	0	0	698	2,092
Vicarage Costs	9,909	0	7,821	17,730	10,566
Staff wages and payments	11,920	0	0	11,920	13,554
Staff and volunteer training	166	0	0	166	108
Youth and family work	182	0	0	182	98
Mission and outreach work	292	0	0	292	121
Office and admin costs	2,863	0	0	2,863	2,779
Church service costs	2,908	0	0	2,908	9,635
Insurance	6,153	0	0	6,153	5,525
Church Utilities	13,031	0	0	13,031	10,180
Maintenance and Improvements	7,224	0	0	7,224	5,107
Major Repairs	210	0	0	210	14,021
Cleaning and Hygiene	1,412	0	0	1,412	1,389
Other Running Costs	738	0	0	738	742
Safety and security	1,118	0	0	1,118	242
Church Activities sub total	118,995	0	7,910	126,905	138,712
Trinity Centre – Staffing	0	2,100	0	2,100	1,253
Trinity Centre – Office and admin	0	0	0	0	10
Trinity Centre – maintenance and Improvements	0	786	0	786	1,619
Trinity Centre – Cleaning and Hygiene	0	2,147	0	2,147	1,517
Trinity Centre – Insurance	0	1,240	0	1,240	1,387
Trinity Centre – Utilities	0	8,316	0	8,316	10,064
Trinity Centre – Other	0	1,518	0	1,518	1,148
Church Activities sub total	0	16,106	0	16,106	16,998
Church Activities Total	118,995	16,106	7,910	143,012	155,710

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total This year	Last year
3b) Raising Funds					
Giving Costs	252	0	0	252	240
Other Fundraising Costs	573	0	0	573	158
Raising Funds Totals	825	0	0	825	398
3c) Other Expenditure					
Other Expenditure	223	0	0	223	446
Other Expenditure Totals	223	0	0	223	446
Payments Grand totals	120,043	16,106	7,910	144,060	156,554

4) Unrestricted Fund movements

	Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/ Losses	Closing
Unrestricted							
	General	122,024	134,385	120,043	(1,279)	1,351	136,439
	Sub-totals	122,024	134,385	120,043	(1,279)	1,351	136,439
Designated							
	Trinity Centre	69,181	27,309	16,106	0	0	80,383
	St Catherines - Maintenance	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
	St Catherines – Altar/Vest	4,469	0	0	0	0	4,469
	Sub-totals	83,650	27,309	16,106	0	0	94,852

Unrestricted Fund Purposes:

General Fund:

- Available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering its aims and objectives.

Designated Funds

- **Trinity Centre** – A designated fund for the Trinity Centre's operation. Income & expenditure associated with the centre is recorded against this fund.
- **St Catherines - Maintenance** – A bequest received in 2017 from a member of the congregation whose non-binding wish was for it to be used for the maintenance of the fabric of St Catherines Church.
- **St Catherines – Altar / Vestments** – A bequest received in 2018 from a member of the congregation whose non-binding wish was for it to be used in procuring a set of good quality altar cloths and vestments for use in St Catherines.

5 Restricted Fund Movements

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/ Losses	Closing
Curates Fund	0	357	7,821	7,463	0	0
Church and Grounds Fund	478	2,048	0	(1,276)	0	1,250
Community Garden	115	0	0	0	0	115
Malawi Container	325	487	90	0	0	722
Murdoch	17,144	0	0	(4,909)	0	12,235
Nursery Deposit	2,475	0	0	0	0	2,475
Rosehill Flowers	977	0	0	0	0	977
Special Collections	27	0	0	0	0	27
St Catherines – Maintenance	465	0	0	0	0	465
St Catherines – Paint	6,861	0	0	0	0	6,861
TV Notice Screens	1,000	0	0	0	0	1,000
War Graves	5,366	0	0	0	0	5,366
Sub-totals	35,233	2,892	7,911	1,278	0	31,493
All Fund Totals	240,907	164,586	144,060	0	1,351	262,784

Restricted Fund Purposes:

- **Curate Fund** – A Fund set up for donations towards the Curate
- **Community Garden** – a grant from BDC towards a Community Garden
- **Malawi Container** – Donations towards the costs of sending a shipping container to Malawi
- **John Murdoch** – A Fund set up to use for the maintenance of Holy Trinity
- **Nursery Deposit** – the deposit the nursery paid to the Church
- **Rosehill Flowers** – for use for flowers at Holy Trinity
- **St Catherines Maintenance** – a fund for use in maintaining St Catherines
- **St Catherines Paint** – a fund to repaint exterior of St Catherines
- **TV Notice Screens** – a fund for screens at St Catherines
- **War Graves** – A Fund for use on the war graves and the environment surrounding the cemetery extension

6 Transfers Between Funds

	Note	General	Designated	Restricted	Total
Curates Fund	1	(7,463)		7,463	0
Church and grounds Fund	2	1,276		(1,276)	0
Murdoch Fund	3	4,909		(4,909)	0
		(1,278)		1,278	0

1. £7463 transferred from General Fund to cover deficit in Curates Fund
2. £1276 transferred from Church and Grounds fund to General Fund to include church ground maintenance (e.g. grass and hedge cutting)
3. £4909 transferred from Murdoch Fund to General Fund to cover maintenance materials and minor repairs at Holy Trinity.

7 Staff costs

Parish Administrator

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Total - wages and salaries	11,494	10,583
Average number of employees	1	1

During the year, no employee earned £60,000 per annum or more

There are no other disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or other related parties

8. Fixed Investments

Class and nominal code	Total	Last Year	Revaluation Gain/(loss)
CCLA Investment - 2086S			
Fabric and graveyard	6,243	6,103	139.70
CCLA Investment - 2242S			
Parish Savings Scheme	54,141	52,930	1,211.48
CCLA Investment -			
88625002T	22,412	22,412	*
Fabric and Maintenance			
Total	82,796	81,445	1,351.18

*2024 certificate of investment not yet received

9 Cash At Bank and In Hand

Class and nominal code	Total	Last Year
Current Account	22,780	20,869
Deposit Account (Instant Saver)	35,080	29,816
Trinity Centre Account	33,413	43,301
32 Day Notice Deposit Account (Trinity Centre)	20,100	0
Total	111,373	93,986

10 Short Term Deposits

Class and nominal code	Total	Last Year
CCLA 2201D (PS Interest)	13,370	10,921
CCLA 2133D (Hall)	25,186	23,916
CCLA 2255D (Murdoch Capital)	25,833	25,833
CCLA 2256D (Murdoch Interest)	5,322	3,752
Total	69,711	64,422

11 Debtors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Hire Debtor	0	519
Prepayments	1,866	1,796
Other Debtors	3	1,786
Accounts Receivable	8,337	6,683
Total	10,205	10,784

12 Liabilities - Creditors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Account Fees	400	400
Charitable Giving	68	68
Utility Creditors	720	343
Vicar's Expenses	1,317	0
Other Creditors	423	423
Deferred Income	100	100
Accounts Payable	380	37
Agency Collections	7,893	8,359
Total	11,301	9,730
Net total assets	262,784	240,907

Independent Examiner's unqualified report to the C. of E. P.C.C.'s 2018, members of the P.C.C. of the Parish of Lickey and Blackwell in respect of the Financial Statements of the P.C.C. for the year ending 31st. December 2024 as set out in this Report.

Charity no 1159273.

Respective responsibilities of the P.C.C. and the examiner.

The P.C.C. members acting as the charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the 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 the Independent Examiner's statement.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission and the guidance published in PCC Accountability (The Charities Act 2011 and the P.C.C.), 5th edition). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for 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 matter has 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 to the accounting records.

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 is reached.

Signed. 
Name Revd. A. A. Clements

Date 4th. March 2025

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