



**ANNUAL REPORT  
AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
OF THE  
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2024**

**Parish of St. Philip, Tunbridge Wells**

**Registered charity number: 1163165**

## **Parish of St. Philip, Tunbridge Wells**

### **Reference and Administrative Information 2024**

Office: Church Office

St Philip's Church

Birken Rd

Tunbridge Wells TN2 3TE

Vicar: The Revd, Richard Thomas

The Vicarage

Birken Road

Tunbridge Wells TN2 3TE

Bankers: Lloyds TSB Bank PLC

Mount Pleasant Road

Tunbridge Wells

TN1 1RP

Barclays Bank PLC

10 Calverley Road

Tunbridge Wells

TN1 2UZ

Independent Examiner: Zachary Ramsden  
63 Deakin Leas  
Tonbridge  
TN9 2JT

Members of the PCC:	The Revd Richard Thomas	Vicar (Chairman)
	Mr Martyn Root	Warden
	Mr Andrew Collins	Warden

Elected to Deanery Synod	Mr Dennis Pearce	(2023-26)
	Mrs Cathie Kitley	(2023-26)

Elected Members	Mrs Sarah Farnes	(2023-26)
	Mrs Heather Payne	(2023-26)
	Mrs Ailsa Hemsley	(2022-25)
	Mr Mike Hobden	(2022-25)
	Mrs Morgan Senior	(2022-25)
	Mrs Lynda Howlett	(2024-27)
	Mrs Catherine Root	(2024-27)

Co-opted Member                      Mrs Ailsa Hemsley                      Secretary from 3.4.22

Parish Administrator/  
Finance Officer/  
Gift Aid Secretary                      Mrs Emma Thompson

Parish Treasurer:                      Vacancy

Registered Charity number: 1163165

Website: [www.stphilipstw.co.uk](http://www.stphilipstw.co.uk)

Signed:  
RICHARD THOMAS on behalf of the PCC

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Parish of St Philip, Tunbridge Wells was created with effect from 1 August 2004. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered as a charity under the Charities Act 2011. The function and purpose of the PCC is outlined in the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956.

Charities Law requires the PCC to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements the PCC have:

- selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently
- made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- stated whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and
- prepared the financial statements on the ongoing concern basis.

The PCC have overall responsibility for ensuring the charity has appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. They are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011.

It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurance that:

- the charity is operating efficiently and effectively
- the assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use and disposition
- proper records are maintained and financial information used within the charity or for publication is reliable
- the charity complies with relevant laws and regulations.

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. The APCM also appoints representatives to serve on the Deanery Synod. The names of those who have served on the PCC during the year are shown on Page 1. The APCM was held on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Several teams operated by the PCC meet between full meetings of the PCC.

The Standing Committee is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. The Standing Committee has not formally met during the period of this report although has corresponded via email.

Other teams of the PCC oversee the worship and prayer life of the church, children & youth work, finance, buildings improvement, pastoral care and local outreach.

The PCC is also represented on several Christian organisations and associations in the town.

## **Objectives and Activities**

St Philip's Church is located in the Sherwood district of Tunbridge Wells - an area designated as one of high social need.

When planning activities for the year, the vicar and PCC have considered the Chanty Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit" and have regard to it in their administration of the Parish. The PCC believes that, by fulfilling its responsibility to work together with the vicar in the parish and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing resources and 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.
- Supporting the wider mission of the Church through both prayer and grants to mission work, charities, and Christian relief agencies.

- Promoting Christian values, and service by Church members in their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.
- Providing community facilities in Church premises for groups to meet for social and educational purposes.

## **Safeguarding**

The Council has complied with its 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).

We continue to be committed to establishing a culture of safeguarding that believes that keeping children and vulnerable adults safe is everyone's responsibility and that we have strong systems in place to ensure that victims of historic abuse are able to seek help and support, and new concerns are dealt with swiftly and appropriately.

There have been four referrals made to the Parish Safeguarding Officer Catherine Root this year with Diocesan advice being sought on two occasions and appropriate action being taken. Thank you to the Church community for your vigilance and support in this area.

### Areas of focus this year have included:

- Continuation of ensuring that people on church teams have appropriate safeguarding training and have been DBS checked
- Continuation of ensuring that volunteers are recruited using the application form process
- Review of hirers' safeguarding practices
- Use of the C of E dashboard tool to audit our safeguarding practice
- Revision of St Philips safeguarding policy
- Review and redesign of St Philip's risk assessment template with ongoing review and updating of this for all St Philip's activities.

In all its activities the PCC depends upon Church members who give freely of their time and talents to help achieve its mission. This resource cannot be quantified in monetary terms and is not included in the accounts.

## **Achievements and performance**

The full PCC met six times during the year in person. Average attendance was 84%. Major decisions included approval of:

- a) Appointment of Emily Cheesman as the church Community Outreach worker
- b) Introduction of a 'Let's Practise English' group for church and local non-native English speakers

- c) Establishment of a formal partnership with St Philip's Theological College, Kongwa, Tanzania
- d) Publication of a range of policies relating to health & safety and safeguarding across the main church and the church larder
- e) The reappointment of Catherine Root as Parish Safeguarding Officer
- f) Presentation of the Church of England Living in Love and Faith resources
- g) Diocesan approval and tenders received in progress towards a partial roof replacement
- h) Reintroduction of an 8am service
- i) Purchase of chairs and an office photocopier

The average weekly attendance of adults and children at the 10am Sunday service during 2024 was 70 compared to 56 in 2023 and this includes substantial growth in the number of young people attending. The average attendance at the monthly 8am service introduced in 2024 is 11.

Although services have been conducted in person during 2024, the services have also been recorded for upload to the church website.

As of December 2024, there were 77 on the Church electoral roll, unchanged on the previous year.

**Ailsa Hemsley**  
**PCC Secretary**

## **Financial review**

The Report of the PCC has been prepared in accordance with *Accounting and Reporting by Charities* (SORP FRS102).

### Reserves

The PCC reserves policy is that a level of freely available unrestricted general funds should be maintained equivalent to between three and six months' regular running costs which would be an amount of between £25k and £50k a year. At the end of 2024 the actual level of free reserves was £87k which is in excess of this level.

### Financial risks

A financial appraisal of the parish funding showed that there would be a high impact on parish finances if some members' regular giving was reduced or ceased.

### Income

Total income of £111k is higher than last year's total income of £104k and this year as in 2023 there were grants received for the Community Larder.

### Expenses

Expenses totalled £121k a significant reduction compared to £140k last year.

### Transfers

The PCC sets aside funds for the maintenance of the Church as agreed with the Diocese under the quinquennial repair programme. £4k was transferred into the repair fund, the same as last year.

### Funds

Overall the net movement of funds is a deficit of £10,611 resulting in net assets of £359k at the end of 2024 compared to £369k last year.

The general fund shows a deficit of £19,100 for the year leaving a balance of £87,826 to be carried forward as freely available reserves.

Other than Vicarage property fund, the major part of the Designated Fund includes £29,839 for church repair, £9k for Children's worker and £9,217 for Community Outreach Larder project.

The balance on restricted funds stands at £nil.

**Emma Thompson**

**Finance Officer**

**Parish of St Philip, Tunbridge Wells**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31st December 2024**

	Note	2024			2023
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS from</b>					
Donations and legacies	2 (a)	53,698	16,233	69,931	68,453
Investment income	2 (b)	2,333	-	2,333	997
Charitable activities*	2 (c)	11,560	-	11,560	12,072
Other trading activities	2 (d)	27,019	-	27,019	22,266
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>94,610</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>110,843</b>	<b>103,788</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE on</b>					
Raising funds	3 (a)	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities					
(I) Provision of Christian worship and ministry	3 (b i)	80,042	15,333	95,375	102,592
(II) Support for the wider mission of the Church	3 (b ii)	2,782	-	2,782	3,643
(III) Provision of community facilities	3 (b iii)	22,397	900	23,297	34,029
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>105,221</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>121,454</b>	<b>140,264</b>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS in 2024</b>		<b>-10,611</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-10,611</b>	<b>-36,476</b>
Balances brought forward from end of last year		<b>369,301</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>369,301</b>	<b>405,776</b>
<b>BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD 31st December 2024</b>		<b>358,690</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>358,690</b>	<b>£ 369,300</b>

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**BALANCE SHEET as at 31st December 2024**

	Note	2024			2023
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Fixed Assets	7	220,971	-	220,971	220,887
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors	8	2,598	-	2,598	2,936
Short Term Deposits	9	77,393	-	77,393	36,061
Cash at Bank & in Hand	10	61,417	-	61,417	113,566
		141,408	-	141,408	152,563
<b>LIABILITIES:</b>					
Amounts falling due within 1 year	11	3,689	-	3,689	4,149
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		137,719	-	137,719	148,414
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		358,690	-	358,690	369,301
<b>FUNDS</b>					
- General	12	87,726	-	87,726	106,826
- Designated	12	270,964	-	270,964	262,475
Unrestricted		358,690	-	358,690	369,301
Restricted	13	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		358,690	-	358,690	369,301

Signed on behalf of the PCC

*Richard Thomas*  
3rd April 2025

**Parish of St Philip, Tunbridge Wells**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2024**

**2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>2024 Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>2023 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
2 (a) Donations and legacies				
Charities Aid Foundation donations	7,300		7,300	6,060
Tax recoveries	6,969		6,969	7,876
Other planned giving	37,008	1,500	38,508	39,902
Plate collections at services	2,421		2,421	2,427
Grants/Restricted/Designated donations	-	14,733	14,733	12,150
Legacies	-		-	-
All other giving	-		-	38
	<b>53,698</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>69,931</b>	<b>68,453</b>
2 (b) Investment income				
Interest	<b>2,333</b>	-	<b>2,333</b>	<b>997</b>
2 (c) Charitable activities				
Community outreach	10,673		10,673	11,396
Clergy fees	887		887	676
	<b>11,560</b>	-	<b>11,560</b>	<b>12,072</b>
2 (d) Other activities				
Rentals	26,603	-	26,603	21,574
Other income	416	-	416	692
	<b>27,019</b>	-	<b>27,019</b>	<b>22,266</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94,610</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>110,843</b>	<b>103,788</b>

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3 EXPENDITURE

	2024			2023
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
3 (a) Planned giving scheme expenses	-		-	-
3 (b) Charitable activities				
(i) Provision of Christian worship and ministry				
Diocese "offer"	33,000		33,000	30,000
Clergy expenses & housing costs	4,310		4,310	4,724
Services & fellowship	1,425		1,425	838
Adult work	783		783	1,484
Youth & childrens' work	2,019		2,019	4,000
Training and development	-		-	-
Outreach and publicity	208		208	110
Community outreach costs	6,184	14,733	20,917	25,147
Subscriptions & sundry	1,772		1,772	1,542
Church & premises costs (note 4)	13,699	600	14,299	21,722
Management and administration (note 5)	16,642		16,642	13,025
	<b>80,042</b>	<b>15,333</b>	<b>95,374</b>	<b>102,592</b>
(ii) Support for the wider mission of the Church				
Grants and outward giving (note 14)	<b>2,782</b>		<b>2,782</b>	3,643
(iii) Provision of community facilities				
Church & premises costs (note 4)	20,548	900	21,448	32,582
Management and administration (note 5)	1,849		1,849	1,447
	<b>22,397</b>	<b>900</b>	<b>23,297</b>	<b>34,029</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105,221</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>121,453</b>	<b>140,264</b>

**Parish of St Philip, Tunbridge Wells**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2024**

**4 CHURCH AND PREMISES COSTS**

	<b>2024</b>			<b>2023</b>
	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Insurance	1,728	-	1,728	1,580
Water rates	1,274	-	1,274	143
Gas and electricity	6,148	-	6,148	8,339
Cleaning	5,867	-	5,867	4,391
Maintenance & repairs	14,190	-	14,190	36,694
Equipment maintenance & renewal	3,736	1,500	5,236	2,200
Depreciation	1,304	-	1,304	957
	<b>34,247</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>35,747</b>	<b>54,304</b>

***allocated to activities in proportion to usage***

Provision of Christian worship and ministry - 40%	13,699	600	14,299	21,722
Provision of community facilities - 60%	20,548	900	21,448	32,582
	<b>34,247</b>	<b>1,500</b>	<b>35,747</b>	<b>54,304</b>

**5 MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION**

Salaries	14,553	-	14,553	11,376
Stationery & postage	450	-	450	264
Telephone	1,053	-	1,053	804
Office computer and software	755	-	755	585
Office equipment hire & maintenance	-	-	-	-
Website maintenance	345	-	345	427
Other administrative costs	-	-	-	12
Professional fees	1,335	-	1,335	1,004
	<b>18,491</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,491</b>	<b>14,472</b>

***allocated to activities in proportion to Administrator's time spent***

Provision of Christian worship and ministry (90%)	16,642	-	16,642	13,025
Provision of community facilities (10%)	1,849	-	1,849	1,447
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,491</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,491</b>	<b>14,472</b>

**6 STAFF COSTS**

<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
20,403	17,804

During 2024 the PCC employed an office administrator, a cleaner, and a community outreach worker, all on a part-time basis.

No employees earned over £60,000.

None of the PCC members have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from the charity (2023 - none).

No payment other than for reimbursed expenses were made to PCC members (2023 - none).

There have been no transactions with persons or entities that are closely connected to the charity or the PCC members (2023 - none).

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2024**

**7 FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC**

**Land and Buildings**

As set out in Note 1 to these accounts, the PCC is not obliged under the requirements of the Charities SORP to allocate any value to consecrated buildings. St Philip's Church is an unconsecrated building, but due to its special nature no market valuation can be readily determined.

The Parish has a 60.56% legal interest in the vicarage known as St Philip's Vicarage. The share of the vicarage owned by the PCC is included at a market value assessed by the PCC in March 2008 following consultation with the Diocese. The PCC have reviewed the value of the property at 31 December 2024 and consider the carrying value to be the same as the initial value in March 2008 in light of the fluctuations in the UK property market.

**Land and building Valuation**

	£
At 31st Dec. 2023	<u>218,016</u>
At 31st Dec. 2024	<u>218,016</u>

**Equipment**

Cost at 31st Dec. 2023	<u>3,828</u>
Additions in the year	<u>1,388</u>
Cost at 31st Dec. 2023	<u>5,216</u>
Depreciation at 31.12.23	<u>957</u>
Depreciation in the year	<u>1,304</u>
Depreciation at 31st Dec. 2024	<u>2,261</u>

**Net book value**

At 31st Dec. 2023	<u>220,887</u>
At 31st Dec. 2024	<u>220,971</u>

	<b>2024</b>			<b>2023</b>
	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
<b>8 DEBTORS</b>				
Tax recoverable	1,881	-	1,881	1,996
Other debtors	717	-	717	940
	<u>2,598</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,598</u>	<u>2,936</u>
<b>9 SHORT TERM DEPOSITS</b>				
Diocesan Loans Fund	46,591	-	46,591	10,221
Diocesan Church Repair Fund	30,802	-	30,802	25,840
	<u>77,393</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>77,393</u>	<u>36,061</u>
<b>10 CASH AT BANK &amp; IN HAND</b>				
Lloyds Bank	47,206	-	47,206	74,123
Barclays Bank	14,046	-	14,046	39,322
Cash in hand	165	-	165	121
	<u>61,417</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>61,417</u>	<u>113,566</u>
<b>11 LIABILITIES</b>				
Sundry creditors and accruals	3,689	-	3,689	4,149
	<u>3,689</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,689</u>	<u>4,149</u>

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2024

12 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	At 1/1/24	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>General Fund</b> (page 15)	<b>106,826</b>	<b>83,937</b>	<b>-99,037</b>	<b>-4,000</b>	<b>87,726</b>
<b>Designated Funds</b>					
Vicarage Property Fund	218,016				218,016
Community outreach	9,217	10,673	-6,184		13,706
Church Repair Fund	25,839			4,000	29,839
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	403				403
Children and Families					
Worker Support Fund	9,000				9,000
<b>Total Designated Funds</b>	<b>262,475</b>	<b>10,673</b>	<b>-6,184</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>270,964</b>
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>369,301</b>	<b>94,610</b>	<b>-105,221</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>358,690</b>
<b>13 RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>					
Chair fund	-	1,500	-1,500		-
Larder grants	-	14,733	-14,733		-
	<b>-</b>	<b>16,233</b>	<b>-16,233</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>369,301</b>	<b>110,843</b>	<b>-121,454</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>358,690</b>

### DESCRIPTION OF FUNDS

**The General Fund** represents the funds available to the PCC for the day to day running of the church and the parish.

**The Vicarage Property Fund** represents the PCC's proportionate share of the freehold value of the Vicarage.

**The Church Repair Fund** represents the funds held with the Diocese set aside for future quinquennial repairs.

**The Renovation Fund** has been established to set money aside for making the church premises more welcoming by improving signage, foyer environment and provision of information.

**Vicar's Discretionary Fund** is set aside for assistance to parishioners at the confidential discretion of the vicar.

**The Children and Family Worker Support Fund** has been set up to enable a medium term employment commitment to be made for a part-time family worker in the parish.

**Other designated asset funds** represent monies given to the PCC towards projects or one-off items of expenditure which otherwise would have been funded from the general fund.

**Associated Organisations** show the movements of the funds held for or by the various bodies belonging to the parish fellowship.

**Restricted Funds** represent funds given for specific purposes and cannot be used by the PCC for any other

# Parish of St Philip Tunbridge Wells

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS for the year ended 31st December 2024

### 14. GRANTS/OUTWARD GIVING

	2024			2023
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total £	Total £
<b>1. Overseas relief and development agencies</b>				
Magunda Care Centre	235		235	400
Kisumu Children Trust			-	400
UNICEF			-	360
Christian Aid			-	270
Mpapwa Fund	1,000		1,000	-
STPC Tanzania	600		600	-
<b>2. Home mission and other charitable giving</b>				
Life and Soul	500		500	400
Tunbridge Wells Youth for Christ			-	400
Temple Grove School			-	275
Aspens			-	175
Hospice in the Weald			-	175
Churches for Tunbridge Wells			-	25
Hope House	500		500	-
Gifts to individuals	120		120	370
Change in Mission tithe creditor	-173		-173	393
<b>Totals*</b>	<b>2,782</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,782</b>	<b>3,643</b>

# PROFORMA GENERAL ACCOUNT for the year ended 31st December 2024

## INCOME

Envelopes & direct to bank	
Charities Aid Foundation donations	
Tax recoveries	
Plate & other donations	
Legacies	
Fees, hirings & other income	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b> per accounts (page 13)	

2024
37,008
7,300
6,969
2,421
-
30,239
<b>83,937</b>

2023
39,540
6,060
7,876
2,427
-
23,661
<b>79,564</b>

## EXPENDITURE & OUTGOINGS

Diocese "offer"	
Clergy and other expenses	
Church running costs including repairs	
Mission Tithe allocation	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b> (page 13)	

33,000
16,701
46,554
2,782
<b>99,037</b>

30,000
22,980
49,296
3,643
<b>105,919</b>

Transfer to Repairs Fund	
Transfer from other funds	

4,000
-

4,000
-4,976

## **TOTAL OUTGOINGS**

<b>103,037</b>
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<b>104,943</b>
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## **SURPLUS FOR YEAR**

<b>-19,100</b>
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<b>-25,379</b>
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Balance brought forward

106,826
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132,205
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**Balance carried forward** (pages 7/13)

<b>87,726</b>
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<b>106,826</b>
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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the  
Parochial Church Council of of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Philip Tunbridge Wells**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). I report in respect of my examination of the charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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 no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: *Zachary Ramsden*

Name: Zachary Ramsden FCA

Chartered Accountant

63 Deakin Leas, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 2JT

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025