

Financial Report

It has been a very positive year within the financial life of Beacon Church. We have been blessed by an increase in planned giving to the work of the church, from people within the church as well as external givers. As a church we have been incredibly blessed by the generosity of 20 external givers and 5 partner churches who have all given financial support and prayer over the last year. As of the end of 2025, just over 50% of the planned giving continues to come from external givers.

As a church this year we have positively benefited from grant income. This has included money towards wages, money towards new windows, money from Love your Neighbour for Love Christmas and a one off grant from Revitalise Trust towards setting up a youth group.

After discussion with Blackburn Diocese, 2025 saw a modest increase in the parish share to £23760 from £21600. Most of the other expenses were in line with last year with the exception of:

- o Building work which was just over £18k which was mainly due to replacing 16 external windows and a set of external doors. We plan to spend more money from the building fund in 2026 with work starting in March for a new accessible entrance way and ramp.
- o Mission and Evangelism jumped from £14k to £21.5k in the year with this spend covered by income received. This jump included a much larger spend in Love Christmas as we received a large grant towards this, a larger spend for the annual Illuminate event which other churches then gave money towards and the setting up of a youth group. We continue to provide meals at the majority of mission and evangelism projects and events that we run throughout the year. We budget £40-£45 a week for food for families at four and feed anywhere from 30-70 people.

Overall, in both unrestricted and restricted funds we have ended the year with a surplus. The unrestricted fund was over £30k with designated reserves, a buffer of money on top of that of £6k. The PCC have agreed to use some of the unrestricted surplus to increase the church reserves.

This has left the Church with a bank balance at the end of the year of just over £92k (2024, £80k) with the majority of that balance, £56k relating to restricted funds, which is where we expect the spend to be again in 2026.

We are most grateful to the sacrificial giving of those within the Church and plan to continue teaching on the importance of generosity being a



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central part of our worship, as well as being very grateful for the many partners we have outside of the parish who have continued to be generous.



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Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

Receipts and Payments Account	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Receipts					
Voluntary receipts:					
Planned giving	49,728			49,728	35,361
Collections at services	1,083		100	1,183	1,770
All other giving/voluntary receipts	7,288		143	7,431	29,888
Grant Income			35,180	35,180	22,531
Gift Aid recovered	6,904		13,529	20,433	6,063
Total	65,002		48,952	113,954	95,613
Activities for generating funds					
Investment income	10			10	16
Sale of shares					
Church fees & activities			109	109	4,075
Other Income			11,477	11,477	9,762
Total receipts	65,012		60,538	125,550	109,466
Payments					
Church activities:					
Parish share	23,760			23,760	21,600
Salaries / Honoraria	10,314		22,608	32,922	38,987
Clergy and Staffing costs	2,571		3,119	5,690	4,012
Church running expenses	7,187			7,187	6,540
Mission and Evangelism	7,595		13,985	21,580	14,776
Mission giving and donations	3,741			3,741	2,600
Building work and repairs	548		17,656	18,204	39,677
Other expenditure	532			532	1,126
Total Payments	56,248		57,367	113,615	129,318
Excess of receipts over payments	8,764		3,171	11,935	(19,853)
Cash held in Bank Account as at 1st January	21,266	6,000	53,000	80,265	100,118
Cash held in Bank Account as at 31st December	30,030	6000	56,171	92,201	80,265
Statement of Assets and Liabilities					
	Unrestricted Fund £	Designated Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Cash funds					
Bank current account	30,030	6,000	56,171	92,201	80,265
Assets retained for Church use (note 2)					
42 Reads Avenue			179,455	179,455	179,455
Approved by the PCC on					
Signed on their behalf by					



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The notes below form part of these financial statements

Note 1

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Note 2


During 2023 42 Reads Avenue was purchased using restricted funds for £179,455 including transaction costs. Reads Avenue is retained for Church use and its upkeep funded by the Church and is held in trust by the Diocese.

Note 3

Designated & Restricted Funds

	1 Jan 2025	Received	Spent	31 Dec 2025
Henry Smith Parish Grants	6,839	10,000	8,247	8,591
Eden Team	29,615	12,680	13,054	29,241
Childrens and Families Worker and Youth	4,963	1,500	4,891	1,572
Building fund - Church & Diocese accounts	10,372	21,516	17,253	14,636
Warm space	88		34	54
XCC/Arise	410	109	58	461
Adminstration and worship	714	11,477	11,075	1,116
Other		3,256	2,755	501
Church Reserves	6,000			6,000
Restricted funds	59,000	60,538	57,367	62,171
Unrestricted fund	21,265	65,012	56,248	30,029
Total funds	80,265	125,550	113,615	92,201

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees/ members of	Beacon Church Blackpool, formerly Christ Church with All Saints Blackpool		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st December 2025	Charity no	1163354
Set out on pages	3 and 4		
	I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (“the Trust”) for the year ended 31/12/2025		
Responsibilities and basis of report	As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust’s accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or• the accounts do not accord with the accounting records I have no concerns and 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:		Date:	7 th April 2026
Name:	Jonathan Goldthorpe		
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