

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESTIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARY STORRINGTON

England & Wales · Charity number 1164989

Details

Other names ST MARY'S CHURCH STORRINGTON

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2015-12-30

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: Place of worship in the Church of England for Parochial Church of ST Mary's Storrington, West Sussex in the Diocese of Chichester.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£159,211	£201,871	-	-
2024-12-31	£161,196	£142,054	-	-
2023-12-31	£143,883	£138,855	-	-
2022-12-31	£173,549	£136,550	-	-
2021-12-31	£140,202	£122,367	-	-
2020-12-31	£104,975	£118,597	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN JOHN TAYLOR		1963-04-24
Alison Margaret Miles		2023-05-02
Ann Rosemary Humphreys		2022-04-24
BARBARA BUCHANAN		2010-04-25
Christine Tuson		2018-04-26
David Rice		2017-04-27
Dennis Cowdrey		2017-04-27
GWENDOLINE DIANNE FISHER		2008-04-25
Hilary Grace Fritche		2024-04-28
JACQUELINE PATRICIA LEE		2007-04-26
Katharine Bridge		2025-05-25
Martyn Freeman		2019-04-18
Michael Brian Taylor		2023-05-02
Rev Jonathan Swindells		2025-02-02
SIMON JAMES EMERSON		2024-04-28
Sonia Fox		2017-04-27
Stephen Peter Bloxham		2020-09-30

Accounts

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Report

**The Parochial Church Council of
the Ecclesiastical Parish of**

**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Registered Charity no. 1164989
For the year ended 31 December 2025**

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St Mary's Church, Church Street Storrington RH20 4LA

Incumbent

The Revd Jonathan Swindells
(Appointed 2 February 2025)

The Rectory, Rectory Road, Storrington RH20 4EF

Independent examiner: Sam Ede BFP FCA FCCA
Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited
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**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Trustees' Annual Report for 2025**

Aim and Purposes - 'Faith, Hope and Love' in Storrington

The primary objective of St Mary's is the promotion of Christianity according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd. Jonathan Swindells in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The parish is blessed to have the generous support of several retired priests: Revds. Charles Hadley, and John and Jacque Peal and Rupert Toovey. Mrs. Viv Stuart, Parish Administrator, gives invaluable assistance with the administration of the parish.

Objectives and Activities

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 St Mary. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services and activities 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, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'. We try to enable local people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, preaching and prayer in services; learning about Christianity through study groups; and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish, following illness, bereavement and other 'life events.'
- Activities for the common good of our community, such as the twice-monthly Café in the Church, Sunday Lunch Club, and SPACE - a place for people of all ages to enjoy doing arts and crafts, support for Family Support Work and the village Food Bank.
- Missionary and outreach work working with, among others, Storrington Primary School, uniform organisations such as Scouts and Guides, Air Cadets, and the British Legion. Rev J Swindells is the Chaplain of the ATC Squadron 2646 and royal British Legion-Storrington.

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To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the building of our church of St. Mary, Storrington.

Achievements and performance

Worship and Prayer

The PCC aims to offer a range of Church Services during the week and over the course of the year that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. All are welcome to attend our regular services.

St Mary's has a rich musical tradition under the excellent guidance of our Music Director, Stephen Bloxham and Deputy Director, Ian Miles. There is a good and very committed choir who are always willing to try new music.

We hold a Communion Service on the second Wednesday morning of the month and on the fourth and fifth Wednesday afternoons. This service along with 8am Holy Communion on Sunday and Evensong twice a month provides a quieter and more intimate and reflective environment for worship whilst our 10am services on Sundays give adults and children the opportunity to take part in a more outgoing style of worship. We have also started Messy Church once a month for children and their parents.

Usual attendance at all Sunday services averages 55 adults, and 8-10 on live streaming.

There were 192 parishioners on the church electoral roll, 77 of whom are not resident within the parish. The electoral roll was completely revised in the year resulting in a significantly decreased number on the roll but representing a more realistic list of church members.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at milestones of the journey through life. Through Baptism we thank God for the gift of life. In 2025 there were 13 baptisms and one wedding. Through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world, and we commend the person who has died into God's keeping. The clergy took 15 church funerals and another 2 services at the crematorium or funeral chapel. There were also 7 burials and 18 burials of Ashes in St Mary's churchyard. This is the only burial ground for the whole of Storrington.

The Church building

Our church is normally open during daylight hours as a Warm Space and it is used by people seeking space for prayer and reflection as well as regularly by visitors to the South Downs National Park.

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As one of the largest buildings in Storrington, the church is also used to hold concerts which we hope to cater for many musical tastes of people residing in the area whether members of the church or not. In 2025 there were 3 concerts, and 3 in 2024.

The Quinquennial Inspection by our Inspecting Architect was carried out in 2021 following that inspection work on the fabric of the Church being undertaken in accordance with the recommendations of that report.

The Rectory Office

The PCC is responsible for the repairs to the Rectory Office, the administrative hub of the parish, which is in reasonable order.

9 Longland Avenue

Our Stipendiary Curate moved from this house in September 2018 when she left the parish. The property has been rented out since 30 January 2019. The current lease was renewed for one year until 29 May 2026.

Pastoral Care

The pastoral care of people is a core part of what it is to be a Christian church. To this end in 2017 we chose and have trained a team of people as ministers of prayer and healing, known as the 'St Luke's Team'. Every third Sunday of the month at 10am service members of the team are available at the back of church for the laying on of hands and prayers for healing for anyone who wishes to avail themselves of this ministry. The team meets monthly for a time of further learning, reflection and prayer.

We have a small team of people who take Communion to the housebound. As a church we also continue to collect for Family Support Work.

In 2018 a new Pastoral Visiting Team was chosen and trained. Members of the Team visit the ill and housebound, or support the bereaved, or those with new babies. We are particularly aware of the needs of a growing elderly and isolated population in an area often chosen for retirement.

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Mission and Evangelism

Vision and Renewal Group

In July 2025 the PCC established a Vision and Renewal Group to draft narrative for the church's strategy for ministry and mission. The VRG met twice in 2025 and has sought to build on the church's aspiration of 'Faith, Hope and Love at the heart of the community'.

Study Groups

Study and Bible Study Groups meet on Thursday mornings and met regularly during 2025.

Churchyard

The voluntary Churchyard team entered the South and Southeast in Bloom awards, obtaining a gold award again. The score was the best ever-179 out of 200 (89.5%)– an excellent result, very justly deserved. Our thanks must go to the dedicated Churchyard team which meets on a Monday morning.

Eco Church

St Mary's has a bronze award for eco church activities, awarded by the A Rocha organisation. As part of our commitment to the environment, we have an active partnership with Sussex Wildlife Trust who regularly do surveys of insects and flora in the churchyard, and monitor bats and swifts around the church and the rectory.

Community

Over the last few years, the church has been used by Storrington Primary School and the local nursery school as they find out about places in the local community. The Rev Jonathan Swindells went to the Christmas Assembly for the whole School in December. In October all the juniors (240 Children) came to Church for a Harvest Service. In December the Year 6 children came and sang carols at the Café in the Church which was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

Scouts, Beavers, and Cubs came to church for a Carol service as well as attending the Annual Remembrance Service with Brownies, and Guides and Air Training Corps.

The "3 Heralds" the church magazine for Storrington, Thakeham, Sullington and Warminghurst contains details of our church services and Christian messages, as well as local community information. It is widely read and enjoyed throughout the parish and adjacent area by members of the congregations and others. The circulation is more than 800 copies.

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Ecumenical relationships

We join Christians in Storrington to provide a monthly Sunday lunch for elderly members of the community, as well as a monthly midweek lunch for elderly single people. We share a monthly short prayer service with other denominations at the Catholic Church. We also join Christians in Storrington for a service of Carols in the middle of Storrington at Christmas, and for the Good Friday Procession.

Revd. Charles Hadley's work with Chemin Neuf has meant that we have developed closer links with this religious community, and occasionally at a Sunday service we host young people from different parts of Europe.

We have in place policies on the following matters:

Complaints Handling
Confidentiality
Conflicts of Interest
Data Protection
Equality
Investment
Risk Management
Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults
Lone Working Party
Volunteering Policy and Guidance for Volunteers

Financial Review

We have shown a deficit on unrestricted funds of £18,952 after receiving legacies of £5,000. Without these we would have a deficit of £23,952. After the Endowment Income of £11,539 and the balance on the designated Fund we have an overall deficit of £5,160. We used £37,747 of our designated fund on the louvre repairs.

Like many parishes we rely on legacies for our survival. Our Expenses have increased during 2025 by just over £22,000. The largest expense remains the Parish Share which was £79,800. This amount covers the housing, stipends and Pension costs of clergy and a sum for Central Diocesan costs, Clergy training and a contribution to Central Church funds.

There was no movement on the Restricted Funds. We also received interest on the G & E Robinson Fabric Fund of £2,500. The increase in the Endowment Fund amounted to £104,986.

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Reserves Policy

Currently we have sufficient unrestricted reserves for two to three years of foreseeable operating deficits, but the PCC will need to keep this under review. We currently have six months' expenditure in General Reserves which exceeds the minimum requirement of two months.

We utilised the majority of the Designated Reserve of £40,000 repairing the louvres and have written the balance back to general reserves.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. This enables us to avoid the costs of employing additional people.

Structure, governance and management

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules under which the membership consists of certain ex-officio members (the incumbent and one licensed minister), the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and 13 members of the church. All those who are members of our congregation or attend our services are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Every year five members of the congregation are elected to the PCC at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and these five members hold office for a period of three years. PCC members are responsible as Trustees for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

The full PCC met 7 times during 2025 and the average number of PCC members attending was 13. Sub-committees meet between meetings and minutes of their deliberations were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary.

Administrative information

St Mary's Church is situated in Church Street Storrington. It is part of the Diocese of Chichester. The correspondence address is The Rectory Office, Rectory Road, Storrington, RH20 4EF.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956 as amended and Church Representation Rules (as amended 2025). It is registered with the Charity Commission under Number 1164989.

Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited have been appointed as Independent Examiners for the year ending 31 December 2025.

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During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex Officio members

Revd. Jonathan Swindells (Appointed 2 February 2025)	Rector	Chair
Mrs Christine Tuson	Churchwarden	Vice Chair
Mr Michael Taylor	Churchwarden	

Elected Members

Elected until 2026	Elected until 2027	Elected until 2028
Stephen Bloxham	Barbara Buchanan	Rosemary Humphries
Dennis Cowdrey	Simon Emerson	Martyn Freeman
David Rice		Katharine Bridge
John Taylor		
Alison Miles		

*Deanery Synod (holding office
until 1 June 2026)*

Christine Tuson	Gwen Fisher	Sonia Fox
Jacqueline Lee	Hilary Fritche	

Custodial Trustee

The Diocese of Chichester acts as Custodial Trustee and holds the investments on behalf of the PCC.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by The Rector, PCC Chair.

Date: 26th March 2026

 Jonathan Swindells

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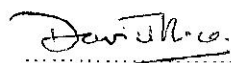
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025		2024	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investment property	2		560,000		560,000
Investment assets	3		574,289		469,303
Tangible assets	4		-		-
			<u>1,134,289</u>		<u>1,029,303</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	2,983		12,320	
Prepayments	6	1,559		770	
CBF Deposit account		150,597		182,580	
Cash at bank and in hand		34,740		32,290	
		<u>189,879</u>		<u>227,960</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors and accrued expenses	6	11,305		6,726	
			<u>178,574</u>		<u>221,234</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
NET ASSETS					
			<u>1,312,863</u>		<u>1,250,537</u>
FUNDS					
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>					
General Fund			85,223		90,383
Designated Funds:					
Property Fund		560,000		560,000	
Development Fund		-	560,000	40,000	600,000
			<u>645,223</u>		<u>690,383</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>					
G & E Robinson Fabric Fund		60,039		57,539	
Tower Capital Project		20,000		20,000	
Rector's Discretionary Fund		13,312		13,312	
			<u>93,351</u>		<u>90,851</u>
<u>Endowment Fund</u>					
Trustee Account			574,289		469,303
TOTAL FUNDS					
			<u>1,312,863</u>		<u>1,250,537</u>

Where the Funds are held is set out in Notes 2-5.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 26th March 2026 and signed on its behalf by:


Jonathan Swindells


David Rice

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these accounts.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2025	2024
		General £	Designated £	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:							
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	7	87,978				87,978	109,336
<i>Church activities</i>	8	16,829				16,829	14,485
<i>Investments</i>	9	22,234		2,500	11,539	36,273	37,375
<i>Other sources</i>	10	18,131				18,131	-
TOTAL INCOME		145,172		2,500	11,539	159,211	161,196
EXPENDITURE ON:							
<i>Church activities</i>	11	161,185				161,185	140,443
<i>Repair works</i>	12	2,939	37,747			40,686	1,611
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		164,124	37,747			201,871	142,054
<i>Net Income/(expenditure) before gains on investments</i>		(18,952)	(37,747)	2,500	11,539	(42,660)	19,142
<i>Net gains on investments and (Decrease)/Increase in valuation</i>					104,986	104,986	(1,405)
NET INCOME/ GAIN ON INVESTMENTS		(18,952)	(37,747)	2,500	116,525	62,326	17,737
<i>Transfer between funds</i>		13,792	(2,253)		(11,539)		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(5,160)	(40,000)	2,500	104,986	62,326	17,737
Reconciliation of funds: BROUGHT FORWARD 1 January 2025		90,383	600,000	90,851	469,303	1,250,537	1,232,870
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31 December 2025		85,223	560,000	93,351	574,289	1,312,863	1,250,537

STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in Sterling and are rounded to the nearest £.

Funds

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. Funds raised for specific purposes are held in a restricted fund.

Restricted Funds

These represented funds given or raised for specific purposes as set out on the Balance Sheet.

Endowment Funds

These comprise those bequests to the PCC where the capital sum must be used to provide income for the General Purposes of the PCC. The Capital may not be applied for any other purpose.

The accounts 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 or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Income

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income is recognised when the rental is due.

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Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Expenditure

Grants

Grants are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if the grant award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.102(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens are listed in the church's Inventory.

Investment Property

The House at 9, Longland Avenue was purchased by the PCC in 1996 at a cost of £101,500. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as custodial Trustees for the PCC. Until September 2018 it was occupied by the Curate. Since 2019 the property has been treated as an investment property and is rented out. The current lease was renewed for one year until 29 May 2026.

Fixed asset property

The Church Office and Carport was completed in 1996 at a total cost of £59,386. They are situated in the grounds of the Rectory which is not owned by the PCC and have no realisable value. This cost has been written off.

Both properties were acquired by using the very generous Legacy left to us by Joyce Brett.

The parish also owns a piece of land known as the 'Bell Acre' adjacent to Rycraft Lane, which was formerly used as allotments, and which is being considered for development. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as Custodial Trustees for the PCC.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Furniture used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 5 years. Electronic equipment (computer hardware, software etc) is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 3 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December 2025 in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

2. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	<u>Total</u> £
Valuation	
At 1 January 2025	<u>560,000</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>560,000</u>

The property is held as a designated fund. The property has been rented out since 31 January 2019.

The market value of the Investment Property was determined in January 2025 and again in January 2026 by a suitably qualified Estate Agent. The value hasn't significantly altered during the year.

3. INVESTMENTS

	<u>CBF Church of England Funds</u> £	<u>AstraZeneca</u> £	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Total</u> £
Market Value at 1 January 2025	128,988	340,315		469,303
Revaluation Gain(loss)	(5,157)	109,754	389	104,986
Market Value at 31 December 2025	<u>123,831</u>	<u>450,069</u>	<u>389</u>	<u>574,289</u>
Original Cost	<u>27,048</u>	<u>1,625</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,673</u>

The above investments all relate to the Endowment Fund.

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4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Furniture and Equipment £	Total £
COST		
As at 1 January 2025	8,912	8,912
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As at 31 December 2025	8,912	8,912
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DEPRECIATION		
As at 1 January 2025	8,912	8,912
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As at 31 December 2025	8,912	8,912
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NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2025	£ -	£ -
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At 31 January 2025	£ -	£ -
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There is no cost included in the fixed assets for the land known as 'Bell Acre' which was left to the parish.

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
	General £	Designated £			
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	560,000	-	-	560,000
Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	-	574,289	574,289
Net Current Assets	85,223	-	93,351	-	178,574
Fund balances	85,223	560,000	93,351	574,289	1,312,863

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Restricted Funds

The Restricted Funds represent:

- The late Edna Robinson bequeathed a sum of money to the Church “for use on Capital Projects only” and which, with the agreement of her executors, has been placed in a separate Fabric Fund named after Edna and her husband Geoffrey and may be used for repairs of the Fabric of the Church in an emergency.
- In 2021 £20,000 was received towards a possible Capital development of the bottom of the tower and £13,312 as a fund for use at the Rector’s discretion.

6 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Creditors all relate to Unrestricted Funds.

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total
	General	Designated			
	£	£	£	£	£
Debtors and Prepayments	2,381	-	602	-	2,983
CBF Deposit Account	1,559	-	-	-	1,559
	57,848	-	92,749	-	150,597
Cash at Bank	34,740				34,740
Creditors	(11,305)				(11,305)
Total	85,223		93,351		178,574

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INCOME

	Note	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL FUNDS	
		General	Designated	Funds	Funds	2025	2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
7 Donations and Legacies							
Planned Giving							
Donations with Gift Aid		58,574	—	—	—	58,574	61,966
Pledge and regular giving		2,147	—	—	—	2,147	2,112
Direct Giving							
Collections at services		6,218	—	—	—	6,218	6,380
Donations and gifts		16,039	—	—	—	16,039	1,656
Legacies		5,000	—	—	—	5,000	37,222
TOTAL		87,978	—	—	—	87,978	109,336
8 Income from Church activities							
Fees due to the PCC		8,112	—	—	—	8,112	7,737
Boxes and bookstall		769	—	—	—	769	510
Sundry fundraising and other income		7,948	—	—	—	7,948	6,238
TOTAL		16,829	—	—	—	16,829	14,485
9 Income from investments							
Income from PCC Endowment investments			—	—	11,539	11,539	11,095
Rental Income		17,128	—	—	—	17,128	16,875
Deposit and bank interest		5,106	—	2,500	—	7,606	9,405
TOTAL		22,234	—	2,500	11,539	36,273	37,375
10 Other Income (note13)		18,131	—	—	—	18,131	—
		145,172	—	2,500	11,539	159,211	161,196

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EXPENDITURE

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>	
	<u>General</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2025</u>	<u>2024</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
11	<i>Church activities</i>					
	<u>Ministry costs</u>					
	Parish Clergy	1,670	—	—	—	1,670 87
	Assistant Clergy	—	—	—	—	— 100
	Maintenance-clergy houses	15,351	—	—	—	15,351 4,202
	Parish Contribution	79,800	—	—	—	79,800 76,800
	Interregnum expenses		—	—	—	—
		<u>96,821</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>96,821 81,189</u>
	<u>Church and services</u>					
	Heating, Lighting and Water	8,497	—	—	—	8,497 10,142
	Insurance	3,431	—	—	—	3,431 3,336
	Maintenance of Church	2,560	—	—	—	2,560 2,153
	Maintenance of Churchyard	4,337	—	—	—	4,337 2,820
	Upkeep of Services	1,593	—	—	—	1,593 955
	Remuneration of Organists & Verger	11,395	—	—	—	11,395 10,274
	Hire of Halls	1,020	—	—	—	1,020 1,020
	Sundries	2,988	—	—	—	2,988 4,524
		<u>35,821</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>35,821 35,224</u>
	<u>Secretarial and general</u>					
	Cost of Longland Avenue	4,218	—	—	—	4,218 2,202
	Photocopying	764	—	—	—	764 1,028
	Stationery postage & printing	2,541	—	—	—	2,541 546
	Telephone	1,105	—	—	—	1,105 1,338
	Social Events	2,363	—	—	—	2,363 1,003
	General expenses	2,225	—	—	—	2,225 2,708
	Bank charges inc Contactless payments	582	—	—	—	582 658
	Independent Examiner's fees	4,098	—	—	—	4,098 4,938
	Secretarial services	8,155	—	—	—	8,155 7,810
	Cost of Office	2,492	—	—	—	2,492 1,799
		<u>28,543</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>28,543 24,030</u>
		<u>161,185</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>161,185 140,443</u>
12	<i>Major Items costs</i>					
	Louvres and Zoom Equipment	2,939	37,747	—	—	40,686 1,611
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	164,124	37,747	—	—	201,871 142,054

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13. Other Income

Other income in 2025 consisted of £11,470 being 2nd instalment of sale of Glebe and other grants of £6,661 (In 2024 £nil)

14. STAFF COSTS

During the year, secretarial assistance was provided to the PCC at a cost of £8,155 (2024 £7,810) and a total of £11,395 (2024 £10,274) was paid to the choirmaster, other organists and the vergers. There were four employees (2024 four).

15. DISCLOSABLE TRANSACTIONS

There were no disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or other related parties. Two trustees received £8,620 (2024 £7,555) (included in figures above). Nine Trustees received refunds of expenses incurred of £5,222 (2024 Six Trustees received £3,537).

16. GOING CONCERN

The PCC does not have unrestricted funds to cover more than six months expenditure. However, the PCC have considered the position having controlled expenditure and anticipating a full year's rental income from the property with reduced costs for that property.

The trustees are satisfied that the going concern basis for the preparation of the accounts is appropriate. In reaching this conclusion, they have considered a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the balance sheet.

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17. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES 2024

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>2024</u> £
	<u>General</u> £	<u>Designated</u> £	<u>Funds</u> £	<u>Funds</u> £	
Income from					
Donations and Legacies	109,336	-	-	-	109,336
Church Activities	14,485	-	-	-	14,485
Investments	23,463	-	2,817	11,095	37,375
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>147,284</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,817</u>	<u>11,095</u>	<u>161,196</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising Funds					
Church Activities	140,073	-	370	-	140,443
Repair Works	1,611	-	-	-	1,611
Total Expenditure	<u>141,684</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>370</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>142,054</u>
Net income before gains on investments	5,600	-	2,447	11,095	19,142
Net loss on investments	-	-	-	(1,405)	(1,405)
Net income	5,600	-	2,447	9,690	17,737
Transfer between Funds	11,095	-	-	(11,095)	-
Net movement in Funds	<u>16,695</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,447</u>	<u>(1,405)</u>	<u>17,737</u>

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 2 to 19.

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 Trustee'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 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) 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 no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



~~Sam Ede~~

Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited
Appledram Barn, Birdham Road,
Chichester, West Sussex.
PO2 7EQ

Date: / April 2026

Accounts

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Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Report

**The Parochial Church Council of
the Ecclesiastical Parish of**

**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Registered Charity no. 1164989
For the year ended 31 December 2024**

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St Mary's Church, Church Street Storrington RH20 4LA
Incumbent: The Revd. Canon Kathryn Windslow, BTh, MPhil.
(resigned 29 February 2024)
The Revd Jonathan Swindells
(Appointed 2 February 2025)
The Rectory, Rectory Road, Storrington RH20 4EF

Independent examiner: Sam Ede BFP FCA FCCA
Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited
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**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Trustees' Annual Report for 2024**

Aim and Purposes – 'Faith, Hope and Love' in Storrington

The primary objective of St Mary's is the promotion of Christianity according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd. Canon Kathryn Windslow (until her resignation), in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Rector of St Mary's, Canon Kathryn Windslow until her retirement was assisted in the care of the parish of Storrington. The parish is blessed to have the generous support of several retired priests: Revds. Charles Hadley, and John and Jacque Peal, Rupert Toovey and David Porter. Mrs. Viv Stuart, Parish Administrator, gives invaluable assistance with the administration of the parish especially during the interregnum

Objectives and Activities

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 St Mary. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services and activities 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, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'. We try to enable local people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, preaching and prayer in services; learning about Christianity through study groups; and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish, following illness, bereavement and other 'life events.'
- Activities for the common good of our community, such as the twice-monthly Café in the Church, Sunday Lunch Club, and SPACE – a place for people of all ages to enjoy doing arts and crafts, support for Family Support Work and the village Food Bank.

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- Missionary and outreach work working with, among others, Storrington Primary School, uniform organisations such as Scouts and Guides, Air Cadets, and the British Legion. Canon Kathryn was the Chaplain of the Air Cadets until her retirement.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the building of our church of St. Mary, Storrington.

Achievements and performance

Worship and Prayer

The PCC aims to offer a range of Church Services during the week and over the course of the year that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. All are welcome to attend our regular services.

St Mary's has a rich musical tradition under the excellent guidance of our Music Director, Stephen Bloxham and Deputy Director, Ian Miles. There is a good and very committed choir who are always willing to try new music.

We hold a Communion Service on the first Wednesday morning of the month and on the fourth and fifth Wednesday afternoons. This service along with 8am Holy Communion on Sunday and Evensong twice a month provides a quieter and more intimate and reflective environment for worship whilst our 10am services on Sundays give adults and children the opportunity to take part in a more outgoing style of worship.

Usual attendance at all Sunday services averages 65 adults, and 8-10 on live streaming. Numbers are slowly climbing back to pre-pandemic levels.

There were 207 parishioners on the church electoral roll, 79 of whom are not resident within the parish. 1 name was added during the year and 13 were removed either through death or because they moved away from the area. In 2019 the electoral roll was completely revised, resulting in a significantly decreased number on the roll, but representing a more realistic list of church members. This will be completely revised in 2025.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at milestones of the journey through life. Through Baptism we thank God for the gift of life. In 2024 there were 5 baptisms and 1 wedding. Through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and we commend the person who has died into God's keeping. The clergy took 8 church funerals and another 3 services at the crematorium or funeral chapel. There were also 27 burials of ashes in St Mary's churchyard. This is the only burial

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ground for the whole of Storrington.

The Church building

Our church is normally open during daylight hours as a Warm Space and it is used by people seeking space for prayer and reflection as well as regularly by visitors to the South Downs National Park.

As one of the largest buildings in Storrington, the church is also used to hold concerts which we hope to cater for many musical tastes of people residing in the area whether members of the church or not. In 2024 there were 3 concerts, and 4 in 2023.

The Quinquennial Inspection by our Inspecting Architect was carried out in 2021 following that inspection work on the fabric of the Church is being undertaken in accordance with the recommendations of that report.

The Rectory Office

The PCC is responsible for the repairs to the Rectory Office, the administrative hub of the parish, which is in reasonable order.

9 Longland Avenue

Our Stipendiary Curate moved from this house in September 2018 when she left the parish. The property is let on a renewable one-year tenancy from 30 January 2019. The most current renewal of this lease was on 31 January 2025.

Pastoral Care

The pastoral care of people is a core part of what it is to be a Christian church. To this end in 2017 we chose and have trained a team of people as ministers of prayer and healing, known as the 'St Luke's Team'. Every third Sunday of the month at 10am service members of the team are available at the back of church for the laying on of hands and prayers for healing for anyone who wishes to avail themselves of this ministry. The team meets monthly for a time of further learning, reflection and prayer.

The small team of people who take Communion to the housebound has lessened due to the pandemic. As a church we also continue to collect for Family Support Work.

In 2018 a new Pastoral Visiting Team was chosen and trained. Members of the Team visit the ill and housebound, or support the bereaved, or those with new babies. We are particularly aware of the needs of a growing elderly and isolated population in an area often chosen for retirement

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Study Groups

Study and Bible Study Groups meet on Thursday mornings and met regularly during 2024.

Churchyard

The voluntary Churchyard team entered the South and Southeast in Bloom awards, obtaining a gold award again. The score was the best ever-177 out of 200 (89%)- an excellent result, very justly deserved.

Eco Church

St Mary's has a bronze award for eco church activities, awarded by the A Rocha organisation. As part of our commitment to the environment we have an active partnership with Sussex Wildlife Trust who regularly do surveys of insects and flora in the churchyard, and monitor bats and swifts around the church and the rectory.

Community

Over the last few years, the church has been used by Storrington Primary School and the local nursery school as they find out about places in the local community. The Rev Jacquie Peal went to the Christmas Assembly for the whole School in December In October all the juniors (240 Children) came to Church for a Harvest Service. In December the Year 6 children came and sang carols at the Café in the Church which was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

Scouts, Beavers, and Cubs came to church for a Carol service and a "Moving up" ceremony as well as attending the Annual Remembrance Service with Brownies, and Guides and Air Training Corps.

The "3 Heralds" the church magazine for Storrington, Thakeham, Sullington and Warminghurst contains details of our church services and Christian messages, as well as local community information. It is widely read and enjoyed throughout the parish and adjacent area by members of the congregations and others. The circulation is more than 800 copies.

Revd. Rupert Toovey, through his business at Toovey's Auction Rooms, has a very active pastoral and missional ministry in the local community of Storrington and across the country. In 2023 Rupert was appointed Deputy Lieutenant of West Sussex - a great honour.

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We join Christians in Storrington to provide a monthly Sunday lunch for elderly members of the community, as well as a monthly midweek lunch for elderly single people. We share a monthly short prayer service with other denominations at the Catholic Church. We also join Christians in Storrington for a service of Carols in the middle of Storrington at Christmas, and for the Good Friday Procession.

Revd. Charles Hadley's work with Chemin Neuf has meant that we have developed closer links with this religious community, and occasionally at a Sunday service we host young people from different parts of Europe.

We have in place policies on the following matters:

Complaints Handling
Confidentiality
Conflicts of Interest
Data Protection
Equality
Investment
Risk Management
Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults
Lone Working Party
Volunteering Policy and Guidance for Volunteers

Financial Review

We have shown a net surplus on unrestricted funds of £5,230 after receiving legacies of £37,222 and the designated income of £16,875. Without the legacies we would have a deficit of £31,922. After the Endowment Income transfer of £11,095 we have an overall unrestricted surplus of £16,325.

Like many parishes we rely on legacies for our survival. Our Expenses have increased during 2024 by just over £3,000. The largest expense remains the Parish Share which was in £76,800. This amount covers the housing, stipends and Pension costs of clergy and a sum for Central Diocesan costs, Clergy training and a contribution to Central Church funds.

We also received interest on the G & E Robinson Fabric Fund of £2,817. The decrease in the Endowment Fund amounted to £1,405.

Reserves Policy

Currently we have sufficient unrestricted reserves for two to three years of foreseeable operating deficits, but the PCC will need to keep this under review. We currently have seven and a half months' expenditure in General Reserves which comfortably exceeds the minimum requirement of two months. We do, however, have sufficient cash reserves to meet our immediate needs and could if necessary, use the Designated Reserve of £40,000.

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Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. This enables us to avoid the costs of employing additional people.

Structure, governance and management

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules under which the membership consists of certain ex-officio members (the incumbent and one licensed minister), the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and 13 members of the church. All those who are members of our congregation or attend our services are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Every year five members of the congregation are elected to the PCC at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and these five members hold office for a period of three years. PCC members are responsible as Trustees for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

The full PCC met 7 times during 2024 and the average number of PCC members attending was 13. Sub-committees meet between meetings and minutes of their deliberations were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary.

Administrative information

St Mary's Church is situated in Church Street Storrington. It is part of the Diocese of Chichester. The correspondence address is The Rectory Office, Rectory Road, Storrington, RH20 4EF.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956 as amended and Church Representation Rules 2006). It is registered with the Charity Commission under Number 1164989.

Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited have been appointed as Independent Examiners for the year to 31 December 2024.

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During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex Officio members

Revd. Canon Kathryn Windslow (Resigned 29 February 2024)	Rector	Chair
Revd. Jonathan Swindells (Appointed 2 February 2025)	Rector	Chair
Mrs Christine Tuson	Churchwarden	Vice Chair
Mr Michael Taylor	Churchwarden	

Elected Members

Elected until 2025	Elected until 2026	Elected until 2027
Susanne Carter	Stephen Bloxham	Barbara Buchanan
Jacqueline Lee	Dennis Cowdrey	Simon Emerson (Appointed 28 April 2024)
Martyn Freeman	David Rice	
Rosemary Humphries	John Taylor	
	Jane Porter	
	Alison Miles	

*Deanery Synod (holding office
until 1 June 2024)*

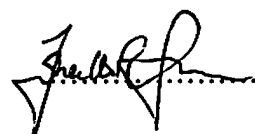
Christine Tuson	Gwen Fisher	Sonia Fox
Jacqueline Lee	Hiliary Fritche (Appointed 28 April 2024)	

Custodial Trustee

The Diocese of Chichester acts as Custodial Trustee and holds the investments on behalf of the PCC.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by The Rector, PCC Chair.

Date: 25 March 2025

 Jonathan Swindells

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Note	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investment property	2		560,000		560,000
Investment assets	3		469,303		470,708
Tangible assets	4		-		-
			<u>1,029,303</u>		<u>1,030,708</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors		12,320		3,824	
Prepayments		770		1,324	
CBF Deposit account		182,580		173,334	
Cash at bank and in hand		32,290		31,253	
		<u>227,960</u>		<u>209,735</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors and accrued expenses		6,726		7,643	
NET CURRENT ASSETS	6		<u>221,234</u>		<u>202,092</u>
NET ASSETS			<u>1,250,537</u>		<u>1,232,800</u>
FUNDS					
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>					
General Fund			90,383		74,058
Designated Funds:					
Property Fund		560,000		560,000	
Development Fund		40,000	600,000	40,000	600,000
			<u>690,383</u>		<u>674,058</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>					
G & E Robinson Fabric Fund		57,539		54,722	
Tower Capital Project		20,000		20,000	
Rector's Discretionary Fund		13,312		13,312	
			<u>90,851</u>		<u>88,034</u>
<u>Endowment Fund</u>					
Trustee Account			469,303		470,708
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>1,250,537</u>		<u>1,232,800</u>

Where the Funds are held is set out in Notes 2-5.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 25 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Jonathan Swindells

.....
David Rice

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these accounts.

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2024	2023
		General £	Designated £	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:							
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	7	109,336	-	-	-	109,336	78,502
<i>Church activities</i>	8	14,485	-	-	-	14,485	14,631
<i>Investments</i>	9	6,588	16,875	2,817	11,095	37,375	35,070
<i>Other sources</i>	10	-	-	-	-	-	15,680
TOTAL INCOME		130,409	16,875	2,817	11,095	161,196	143,883
EXPENDITURE ON:							
<i>Church activities</i>	11	140,443	-	-	-	140,443	133,045
<i>Repair works</i>	12	1,611	-	-	-	1,611	5,810
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		142,054	-	-	-	142,054	138,855
<i>Net Income/(expenditure) before gains on investments</i>		(11,645)	16,875	2,817	11,095	19,142	5,028
<i>Net gains on investments and (Decrease)/Increase in valuation</i>					(1,405)	(1,405)	(9,247)
NET INCOME		(11,645)	16,875	2,817	9,690	17,737	(4,219)
<i>Transfer between funds</i>		27,970	(16,875)	-	(11,095)	-	
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		16,325	-	2,817	(1,405)	17,737	(4,219)
Reconciliation of funds: BROUGHT FORWARD 1 January 2024		74,058	600,000	88,034	470,708	1,232,800	1,237,019
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31 December 2024		90,383	600,000	90,851	469,303	1,250,537	1,232,800

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland , Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in Sterling and are rounded to the nearest £.

Funds

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. Funds raised for specific purposes are held in a restricted fund.

Restricted Funds

These represented funds given or raised for specific purposes as set out on the Balance Sheet.

Endowment Funds

These comprise those bequests to the PCC where the capital sum must be used to provide income for the General Purposes of the PCC. The Capital may not be applied for any other purpose.

The accounts 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 or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Income

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income is recognised when the rental is due.

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Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Expenditure

Grants

Grants are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if the grant award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.102(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens are listed in the church's Inventory.

Investment Property

The House at 9, Longland Avenue was purchased by the PCC in 1996 at a cost of £101,500. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as custodial Trustees for the PCC. Until September 2018 it was occupied by the Curate and has been let from 31 January 2019 on a one year's lease. This has been extended on a short-term basis. This property is now treated as an investment property.

Fixed asset property

The Church Office and Carport was completed in 1996 at a total cost of £59,386. They are situated in the grounds of the Rectory which is not owned by the PCC and have no realisable value. This cost has been written off.

Both properties were acquired by using the very generous Legacy left to us by Joyce Brett.

The parish also owns a piece of land known as the 'Bell Acre' adjacent to Ryecroft Lane, which was formerly used as allotments, and which is being considered for development. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as Custodial Trustees for the PCC.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Furniture used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 5 years. Electronic equipment (computer hardware, software etc) is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 3 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December 2024 in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

2. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	<u>Total</u> £
Valuation	
At 1 January 2024	<u>560,000</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>560,000</u>

The property is held as a designated fund. The property has been rented out since 31 January 2019.

The market value of the Investment Property was determined in January 2023 and again in January 2024 by a suitably qualified Estate Agent. The value hasn't significantly altered during the year.

3. INVESTMENTS

	<u>CBF Church of England Funds</u> £	<u>AstraZeneca</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Market Value at 1 January 2024	126,102	344,606	470,708
Revaluation Gain.(loss)	2,886	(4,291)	(1,405)
Market Value at 31 December 2024	<u>128,988</u>	<u>340,315</u>	<u>469,303</u>
Original Cost	<u>27,048</u>	<u>1,625</u>	<u>28,673</u>

The above investments all relate to the Endowment Fund.

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4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Furniture and Equipment £	Total £
COST		
As at 1 January 2024	8,912	8,912
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As at 31 December 2024	8,912	8,912
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DEPRECIATION		
As at 1 January 2024	8,912	8,912
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As at 31 December 2024	8,912	8,912
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NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2024	£ -	£ -
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At 31 January 2024	£ -	£ -
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There is no cost included in the fixed assets for the land known as 'Bell Acre' which was left to the parish.

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
	General £	Designated £			
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	560,000	-	-	560,000
Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	-	469,303	469,303
Net Current Assets	90,383	40,000	90,851	-	221,234
Fund balances	90,383	600,000	90,851	469,303	1,250,537

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Designated (Unrestricted) Funds

The Designated Fund Repairs fund of £40,000 has been created from unrestricted legacies towards the planned future development of the Church and its facilities.

Restricted Funds

The Restricted Funds represent:

- The late Edna Robinson bequeathed a sum of money to the Church “for use on Capital Projects only” and which, with the agreement of her executors, has been placed in a separate Fabric Fund named after Edna and her husband Geoffrey and may be used for repairs of the Fabric of the Church in an emergency.
- In 2021 £20,000 was received towards a possible Capital development of the bottom of the tower and £13,312 as a fund for use at the Rector’s discretion.

6 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Creditors all relate to Unrestricted Funds.

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total
	General	Designated	Funds	Funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Debtors and Prepayments	11,645	-	675	-	12,320
CBF Deposit Account	770	-	-	-	770
	52,774	40,000	89,806	-	182,580
Cash at Bank	32,290	-	-	-	32,290
Creditors	(6,726)	-	-	-	(6,726)
Total	90,753	40,000	90,481	-	221,234

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INCOME

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>		
	<u>General</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>	
<u>Note</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	
7	<i>Donations and Legacies</i>						
	Planned Giving						
	Donations with Gift Aid	61,966	—	—	—	61,966	61,473
	Pledge and regular giving	2,112	—	—	—	2,112	2,532
	Direct Giving						
	Collections at services	6,380	—	—	—	6,380	6,596
	Donations and gifts	1,656	—	—	—	1,656	1,865
	Legacies	37,222	—	—	—	37,222	6,036
	TOTAL	109,336	—	—	—	109,336	78,502
8	<i>Income from Church activities</i>						
	Fees due to the PCC	7,737	—	—	—	7,737	6,304
	Boxes and bookstall	510	—	—	—	510	505
	Sundry fundraising and other income	6,238	—	—	—	6,238	7,822
	TOTAL	14,485	—	—	—	14,485	14,631
9	<i>Income from investments</i>						
	Income from PCC Endowment investments	—	—	—	11,095	11,095	11,074
	Rental Income	—	16,875	—	—	16,875	15,600
	Deposit and bank interest	6,588	—	2,817	—	9,405	8,396
	TOTAL	6,588	16,875	2,817	11,095	37,375	35,070
10	<i>Other Income (note 12)</i>						
		—	—	—	—	—	15,680
		130,409	16,875	2,817	11,095	161,196	143,883

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EXPENDITURE

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>	
	<u>General</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
11	<i>Church activities</i>					
	<u>Ministry costs</u>					
	Parish Clergy	87	—	—	—	87 426
	Assistant Clergy	100	—	—	—	100 93
	Maintenance-clergy houses	4,202	—	—	—	4,202 7,578
	Parish Contribution	76,800	—	—	—	76,800 73,110
	Interregnum expenses		—	—	—	—
		81,189	—	—	—	81,189 81,207
	<u>Church and services</u>					
	Heating, Lighting and Water	10,142	—	—	—	10,142 4,784
	Insurance	3,336	—	—	—	3,336 2,812
	Maintenance of Church	2,153	—	—	—	2,153 1,494
	Maintenance of Churchyard	2,820	—	—	—	2,820 2,684
	Upkeep of Services	955	—	—	—	955 1,854
	Remuneration of Organists & Verger	10,274	—	—	—	10,274 10,959
	Hire of Halls	1,020	—	—	—	1,020 1,020
	Sundries	4,524	—	—	—	4,524 4,690
		35,224	—	—	—	35,224 30,297
	<u>Secretarial and general</u>					
	Cost of Longland Avenue	2,202	—	—	—	2,202 2,245
	Photocopying	1,028	—	—	—	1,028 1,272
	Stationery postage & printing	546	—	—	—	546 483
	Telephone	1,338	—	—	—	1,338 1,238
	Social Events	1,003	—	—	—	1,003 1,322
	General expenses	2,708	—	—	—	2,708 828
	Bank charges inc Contactless payments	658	—	—	—	658 408
	Independent Examiner's fees	4,938	—	—	—	4,938 5,187
	Secretarial costs	7,810	—	—	—	7,810 7,560
	Cost of Office	1,799	—	—	—	1,799 998
		24,030	—	—	—	24,030 21,541
		140,443	—	—	—	140,443 133,045
12	<i>Major Items costs</i>					
	Zoom Equipment	1,611	—	—	—	1,611 5,810
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	142,054	—	—	—	142,054 138,855

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12. Other Income

The was no Other income in 2024, (In 2023 we received £15,680 towards the cost of the louvres . Sound System).

13. STAFF COSTS

During the year, secretarial assistance was provided to the PCC at a cost of £7,810 (2023 £7,560) and a total of £11,265 (2023 £10,609) was paid to the choirmaster, other organists and the vergers. There were four employees (2023 Four).

14. DISCLOSABLE TRANSACTIONS

There were no disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or other related parties. Two trustees received £7,555 (2023 £5,819) (included in figures above). Six Trustees received refunds of expenses incurred of £3,537 (2023 Four Trustees received £4,507).

15. GOING CONCERN

The PCC does not have unrestricted funds to cover six months expenditure. However, the PCC have considered the position having controlled expenditure and anticipating a full year's rental income from the property with reduced costs for that property.

The trustees are satisfied that the going concern basis for the preparation of the accounts is appropriate. In reaching this conclusion, they have considered a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the balance sheet.

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16. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES 2023

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>2023</u> £
	<u>General</u> £	<u>Designated</u> £	<u>Funds</u> £	<u>Funds</u> £	
Income from					
Donations and Legacies	78,502	-	-	-	78,502
Church Activities	14,631	-	-	-	14,631
Investments	21,595	-	2,401	11,074	35,070
Other Sources	15,680	-	-	-	15,680
	130,408	-	2,401	11,074	143,883
Expenditure on:					
Raising Funds					
Church Activities	132,675	-	370	-	133,045
Repair Works	5,810	-	-	-	5,810
Total Expenditure	138,485	-	370	-	138,855
Net income before gains on investments	(8,077)	-	2,031	11,074	5,028
	-	-	-		
Net loss on investments				(9,247)	(9,247)
Net income	(8,077)	-	2,031	1,827	(4,219)
Transfer between Funds	11,074	-	-	(11,074)	-
Net movement in Funds	2,997	-	2,031	(9,247)	(4,219)

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Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2024 which are set out on pages 2 to 19.

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 Trustee'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 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) 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 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.



Sam Ede BFP FCA FCCA
Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited
Appledram Barn, Birdham Road,
Chichester, West Sussex.
PO20 7EQ

Date: 7 April 2025

Accounts

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Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Report

**The Parochial Church Council of
the Ecclesiastical Parish of**

**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Registered Charity no. 1164989
For the year ended 31 December 2023**

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(resigned 29 February 2024)

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**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Trustees' Annual Report for 2023**

Aim and Purposes – 'Faith, Hope and Love' in Storrington

The primary objective of St Mary's is the promotion of Christianity according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd. Canon Kathryn Windslow, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Rector of St Mary's, Canon Kathryn Windslow, was assisted in the care of the parish of Storrington by Revd. Rupert Toovey, NSM Assistant Rector until 30 November 2023. Rupert was licensed to the parish in September 2018. The parish is blessed to have the generous support of several retired priests: Revds. Charles Hadley, and John and Jacquie Peal. Mrs. Viv Stuart, Parish Administrator, gives invaluable assistance with the administration of the parish.

Objectives and Activities

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 St Mary. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services and activities 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, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'. We try to enable local people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, preaching and prayer in services; learning about Christianity through study groups; and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish, following illness, bereavement and other 'life events'.
- Activities for the common good of our community, such as the twice-monthly Café in the Church, Sunday Lunch Club, and SPACE – a place for people of all ages to enjoy doing arts and crafts, support for Family Support Work and the village Food Bank.

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- Missionary and outreach work working with, among others, Storrington Primary School and Steyning Grammar School at Rock Road, uniform organisations such as Scouts and Guides, Air Cadets, and the British Legion. Canon Kathryn is the Chaplain of the Air Cadets.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the building of our church of St. Mary, Storrington.

Achievements and performance

Worship and Prayer

The PCC aims to offer a range of Church Services during the week and over the course of the year that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. All are welcome to attend our regular services.

St Mary's has a rich musical tradition under the excellent guidance of our Music Director, Stephen Bloxham and Deputy Director, Ian Miles. There is a good and very committed choir, who are always willing to try new music.

We hold a Communion Service on the first Wednesday morning of the month and on the fourth and fifth Wednesday afternoons. This service along with 8am Holy Communion on Sunday and Evensong twice a month provide a quieter and more intimate and reflective environment for worship whilst our 10am services on Sundays give adults and children the opportunity to take part in a more outgoing style of worship. Church@4 is aimed at young families and has a much more informal style and incorporates craft activities for young children. This is currently in abeyance.

Usual attendance at all Sunday services averages 82 adults, and 8-10 on live streaming. Easter and Christmas attendance for 2023 was up on the 2022 level. Numbers are slowly climbing back to pre-pandemic levels.

There were 219 parishioners on the church electoral roll, 89 of whom are not resident within the parish. 7 names were added during the year and 14 were removed either through death or because they moved away from the area. In 2019 the electoral roll was completely revised, resulting in a significantly decreased number on the roll, but representing a more realistic list of church members.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at milestones of the journey through life. Through Baptism we thank God for the gift of life. In 2023 there were 8 baptisms and 0 weddings. Through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and we commend the person who has died into God's keeping. The clergy took 14 church funerals and another 8 services at the crematorium or funeral chapel.

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There were also 13 burials of ashes in St Mary's churchyard. This is the only burial ground for the whole of Storrington.

The Church building

Our church is normally open during daylight hours as a Warm Space and it is used by people seeking space for prayer and reflection as well as regularly by visitors to the South Downs National Park.

As one of the largest buildings in Storrington, the church is also used to hold concerts which we hope to cater for many musical tastes of people residing in the area whether members of the church or not. In 2023 there were 4 concerts, but none in 2022.

The Quinquennial Inspection by our Inspecting Architect was carried out in 2021 and we anticipate that following that inspection work on the fabric of the church will be needed to be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations of that report.

The Rectory Office

The PCC is responsible for the repairs to the Rectory Office, the administrative hub of the parish, which is in reasonable order.

9 Longland Avenue

Our Stipendiary Curate moved from this house in September 2018 when she left the parish. The property is let on a renewable one-year tenancy from 30 January 2019. The most current renewal of this lease was on 31 January 2024.

Pastoral Care

The pastoral care of people is a core part of what it is to be a Christian church. To this end in 2017 we chose and have trained a team of people as ministers of prayer and healing, known as the 'St Luke's Team'. Every third Sunday of the month at the 10am service members of the team are available at the back of church for the laying on of hands and prayers for healing for anyone who wishes to avail themselves of this ministry. The team meets monthly for a time of further learning, reflection and prayer.

The small team of people who take Communion to the housebound has lessened due to the pandemic. As a church we also continue to collect for Family Support Work.

In 2018 a new Pastoral Visiting Team was chosen and trained. Members of the Team visit the ill and housebound, or support the bereaved, or those with new babies. We are particularly aware of the needs of a growing elderly and isolated population in an area often chosen for retirement

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Mission and Evangelism

Church@4

'Church@4', the church's monthly Sunday group for young people, has closed for the time being. This decision will be kept under review.

Study Groups

Study and Bible Study Groups meet on Wednesday afternoons and Thursday mornings, and both met regularly during 2023.

Churchyard

The voluntary Churchyard team entered the South and Southeast in Bloom awards, obtaining a gold award and best in category in 2023 – an excellent result, very justly deserved.

Community

Over the last few years, the church has been used by Storrington Primary School and the local nursery school as they find out about places in the local community. The Rector went to the school in February 2023 to talk to Year 4 about the Bible. In October all the juniors (240 Children) came to Church for a Harvest Service. In December the Year 6 children came and sang carols at the Café in the Church which was enjoyed and appreciated by all.

Scouts, Beavers, and Cubs came to church for a Carol service and a "Moving up" ceremony as well as attending the Annual Remembrance Service with Brownies, and Guides and Air Training Corps.

The "3 Heralds" the church magazine for Storrington, Thakeham, Sullington and Warminghurst contains details of our church services and Christian messages, as well as local community information. It is widely read and enjoyed throughout the parish and adjacent area by members of the congregations and others. The circulation is more than 800 copies.

Revd. Rupert Toovey, through his business at Toovey's Auction Rooms, has a very active pastoral and missional ministry in the local community of Storrington and across the country. In 2023 Rupert was appointed Deputy Lieutenant of West Sussex - a great honour.

Ecumenical relationships

We join Christians in Storrington to provide a monthly Sunday lunch for elderly

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members of the community, as well as a monthly midweek lunch for elderly single people. We share a monthly short prayer service with other denominations at the Catholic Church. We also join Christians in Storrington for a service of Carols in the middle of Storrington at Christmas, and for the Good Friday Procession.

Revd. Charles Hadley's work with Chemin Neuf has meant that we have developed closer links with this religious community, and occasionally at a Sunday service we host young people from different parts of Europe.

We have in place policies on the following matters:

- Complaints Handling
- Confidentiality
- Conflicts of Interest
- Data Protection
- Equality
- Investment
- Risk Management
- Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults
- Volunteering Policy and Guidance for Volunteers

Financial Review

We have shown a deficit on unrestricted funds of £8,077 after receiving legacies of £6,036. Without these we would have a deficit of £14,113. After the Endowment Income of £11,074 we have an overall surplus of £2,997.

Like many parishes we rely on legacies for our survival. Our Expenses have increased during 2023 by just over £2,000. The largest expense remains the Parish Share which was in excess of £73,000. This amount covers the housing, stipends and Pension costs of clergy and also a sum for Central Diocesan costs, Clergy training and a contribution to Central Church funds.

The only movement on Restricted Funds is the spending of £370 from the Rector's Fund. We also received interest on the G & E Robinson Fabric Fund of £2,401. The decrease in the Endowment Fund amounted to £9,247.

Reserves Policy

Currently we have sufficient unrestricted reserves for two to three years of foreseeable operating deficits, but the PCC will need to keep this under review. We currently have three months' expenditure in General Reserves which exceeds the minimum requirement of two months. We do, however, have sufficient cash reserves to meet our immediate needs and could if necessary use the Designated Reserve of £40,000.

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Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. This enables us to avoid the costs of employing additional people.

Structure, governance and management

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules under which the membership consists of certain ex-officio members (the incumbent and one licensed minister), the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and 13 members of the church. All those who are members of our congregation or attend our services are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Every year five members of the congregation are elected to the PCC at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) and these five members hold office for a period of three years. PCC members are responsible as Trustees for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

The full PCC met 6 times during 2023 and the average number of PCC members attending was 12. Sub-committees met between meetings and minutes of their deliberations were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary.

Administrative information

St Mary's Church is situated in Church Street Storrington. It is part of the Diocese of Chichester. The correspondence address is The Rectory Office, Rectory Road, Storrington, RH20 4EF.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956 as amended and Church Representation Rules 2006). It is registered with the Charity Commission under Number 1164989.

Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited have been appointed as Independent Examiners for the year to 31 December 2023.

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex Officio members

Revd. Canon Kathryn Windslow (Resigned 29 February 2024)	Rector	Chair
Revd. Rupert Toovey (Resigned 30 November 2023)	Hon. Assistant Rector	
Mr Dennis Cowdrey (Resigned 2 May 2023)	Churchwarden	Vice Chair
Mrs Christine Tuson	Churchwarden	Vice Chair
Mr Michael Taylor (appointed 2 May 2023)	Churchwarden	

Elected Members

Elected until 2024	Elected until 2025	Elected until 2026
John Coventry (Resigned 2 May 2023)	Susanne Carter	Stephen Bloxham
Barbara Buchanan	Valerie Rice (Resigned 30 September 2023)	Dennis Cowdrey
	Jacqueline Lee	David Rice
	Martyn Freeman	John Taylor
	Rosemary Humphries	Jane Porter
		Alison Miles

Jane Porter, Alison Miles and John Taylor were appointed on 2 May 2023

*Deanery Synod (holding office
until 1 June 2024)*

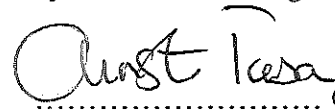
John Taylor (Resigned 2 May 2023)	Gwen Fisher	Sonia Fox
Christine Tuson	Brian Elphick (Resigned 2 May 2023)	

Custodial Trustee

The Diocese of Chichester acts as Custodial Trustee and holds the investments on behalf of the PCC.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by Mrs Christine Tuson, PCC Vice-Chair.

Date: 3 April 2024


..... Christine Tuson

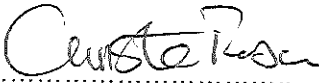
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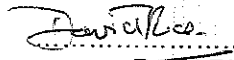
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Investment property	2		560,000		560,000
Investment assets	3		470,708		479,955
Tangible assets	4		-		-
			<u>1,030,708</u>		<u>1,039,955</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	6	3,824		2,568	
Prepayments	6	1,324		1,725	
CBF Deposit account		173,334		193,392	
Cash at bank and in hand		31,253		4,253	
		<u>209,735</u>		<u>201,938</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors and accrued expenses	6	7,643		4,874	
			<u>202,092</u>		<u>197,064</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
					<u>197,064</u>
NET ASSETS					
			<u>1,232,800</u>		<u>1,237,019</u>
FUNDS					
<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>					
General Fund			74,058		71,061
Designated Funds:					
Property Fund		560,000		560,000	
Development Fund		40,000	600,000	40,000	600,000
			<u>674,058</u>		<u>671,061</u>
<u>Restricted Funds</u>					
G & E Robinson Fabric Fund		54,722		52,321	
Tower Capital Project		20,000		20,000	
Rector's Discretionary Fund		13,312		13,682	
			<u>88,034</u>		<u>86,003</u>
<u>Endowment Fund</u>					
Trustee Account			470,708		479,955
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>1,232,800</u>		<u>1,237,019</u>

Where the Funds are held is set out in Notes 2-5.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 3 April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:


Christine Tuson


David Rice

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these accounts.

PROTESTANT CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2023	2022
		General £	Designated £	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:							
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	7	78,502	-	-	-	78,502	130,881
<i>Church activities</i>	8	14,631	-	-	-	14,631	15,387
<i>Investments</i>	9	21,595	-	2,401	11,074	35,070	27,281
<i>Other sources</i>	10	15,680	-	-	-	15,680	-
TOTAL INCOME		130,408	-	2,401	11,074	143,883	173,549
EXPENDITURE ON:							
<i>Church activities</i>	11	132,675	-	370	-	133,045	131,234
<i>Repair works</i>	12	5,810	-	-	-	5,810	5,316
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		138,485	-	370	-	138,855	136,550
<i>Net Income/(expenditure) before gains on investments</i>		(8,077)		2,031	11,074	5,028	36,999
<i>Net gains on investments and (Decrease)/increase in valuation</i>					(9,247)	(9,247)	127,197
NET INCOME		(8,077)		2,031	1,824	(4,219)	164,196
<i>Transfer between funds</i>		11,074			(11,074)		
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		2,997		2,031	(9,247)	(4,219)	164,196
Reconciliation of funds: BROUGHT FORWARD 1 January 2023		71,061	600,000	86,003	479,955	1,237,019	1,072,823
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31 December 2023		74,058	600,000	88,034	470,708	1,232,800	1,237,019

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in Sterling and are rounded to the nearest £.

Funds

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. Funds raised for specific purposes are held in a restricted fund.

Restricted Funds

These represented funds given or raised for specific purposes as set out on the Balance Sheet.

Endowment Funds

These comprise those bequests to the PCC where the capital sum must be used to provide income for the General Purposes of the PCC. The Capital may not be applied for any other purpose.

The accounts 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 or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Income

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income is recognised when the rental is due.

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
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Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Expenditure

Grants

Grants are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if the grant award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.102(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens are listed in the church's Inventory.

Investment Property

The House at 9, Longland Avenue was purchased by the PCC in 1996 at a cost of £101,500. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as custodial Trustees for the PCC. Until September 2018 it was occupied by the Curate and has been let from 31 January 2019 on a one year's lease. This has been extended on a short-term basis. This property is now treated as an investment property.

Fixed asset property

The Church Office and Carport was completed in 1996 at a total cost of £59,386. They are situated in the grounds of the Rectory which is not owned by the PCC and have no realisable value. This cost has been written off.

Both properties were acquired by using the very generous Legacy left to us by Joyce Brett.

The parish also owns a piece of land known as the 'Bell Acre' adjacent to Ryecroft Lane, which was formerly used as allotments and which is being considered for development. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as Custodial Trustees for the PCC.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Furniture used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 5 years. Electronic equipment (computer hardware, software etc) is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 3 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

2. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

	<u>Total</u> £
Valuation	
At 1 January 2023	<u>560,000</u>
At 31 December 2023	<u>560,000</u>

The property is held as a designated fund. The property has been rented out since 31 January 2019.

The market value of the Investment Property was determined in January 2023 and again in January 2024 by a suitably qualified Estate Agent. The value hasn't significantly altered during the year.

3. INVESTMENTS

	<u>CBF Church of England Funds</u> £	<u>AstraZeneca</u> £	<u>Total</u> £
Market Value at 1 January 2023	115,258	364,697	479,955
Revaluation Gain.(loss)	10,844	(20,091)	(9,247)
Market Value at 31 December 2023	<u>126,102</u>	<u>344,606</u>	<u>470,708</u>
Original Cost	<u>27,048</u>	<u>1,625</u>	<u>28,673</u>

The above investments all relate to the Endowment Fund.

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Furniture and Equipment £	Total £
COST		
As at 1 January 2023	8,912	8,912
As at 31 December 2023	<u>8,912</u>	<u>8,912</u>
DEPRECIATION		
As at 1 January 2023	8,912	8,912
As at 31 December 2023	<u>8,912</u>	<u>8,912</u>
NET BOOK VALUE		
At 31 December 2023	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>
At 31 January 2023	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

There is no cost included in the fixed assets for the land known as 'Bell Acre' which was left to the parish.

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted Funds £	Endowment Fund £	Total £
	General £	Designated £			
Tangible Fixed Assets	-	560,000	-	-	560,000
Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	-	470,708	470,708
Net Current Assets	74,058	40,000	88,034	-	202,092
Fund balances	<u>74,058</u>	<u>600,000</u>	<u>88,034</u>	<u>470,708</u>	<u>1,232,808</u>

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Designated (Unrestricted) Funds

The Designated Fund Repairs fund of £40,000 has been created from unrestricted legacies towards the planned future development of the Church and its facilities.

Restricted Funds

The Restricted Funds represent:

- The late Edna Robinson bequeathed a sum of money to the Church "for use on Capital Projects only" and which, with the agreement of her executors, has been placed in a separate Fabric Fund named after Edna and her husband Geoffrey and may be used for repairs of the Fabric of the Church in an emergency.
- In 2021 £20,000 was received towards a possible Capital development of the bottom of the tower and £13,682 as a fund for use at the Rector's discretion. £370 of the Rector's fund was used in the year.

6 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Creditors all relate to Unrestricted Funds.

	Unrestricted Funds				Total
	General	Designated	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	
	£	£	£	£	£
Debtors and Prepayments	3,824	—	—	—	3,824
CBF Deposit Account	45,300	40,000	88,034	—	173,334
Cash at Bank	31,253	—	—	—	31,253
Creditors	(7,643)	—	—	—	(7,643)
Total	74,058	40,000	88,034	—	202,092

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

INCOME

	Note	Unrestricted Funds		Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL FUNDS	
		General	Designated	Funds	Funds	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£	£	£
7 Donations and Legacies							
Planned Giving							
Donations with Gift Aid		61,473	—	—	—	61,473	66,859
Pledge and regular giving		2,532	—	—	—	2,532	2,670
Direct Giving							
Collections at services		6,596	—	—	—	6,596	5,529
Donations and gifts		1,865	—	—	—	1,865	208
Legacies		6,036	—	—	—	6,036	55,615
TOTAL		78,502	—	—	—	78,502	130,881
8 Income from Church activities							
Fees due to the PCC		6,304	—	—	—	6,304	8,627
Boxes and bookstall		505	—	—	—	505	665
Sundry fundraising and other income		7,822	—	—	—	7,822	6,095
TOTAL		14,631	—	—	—	14,631	15,387
9 Income from investments							
Income from PCC Endowment investments		—	—	—	11,074	11,074	10,635
Rental income		15,600	—	—	—	15,600	14,850
Deposit and bank interest		5,995	—	2,401	—	8,396	1,796
TOTAL		21,595	—	2,401	11,074	35,070	27,281
10 Other Income (note 12)		15,680	—	—	—	15,680	0
TOTAL INCOME		130,408	—	2,401	11,074	143,883	173,549

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
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EXPENDITURE

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>TOTAL FUNDS</u>	
	<u>General</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
10	<i>Church activities</i>					
	<u>Ministry costs</u>					
Parish Clergy	426	—	—	—	426	641
Assistant Clergy	93	—	—	—	93	2,726
Maintenance-clergy houses	7,578	—	—	—	7,578	9,636
Parish Contribution	73,110	—	—	—	73,110	70,298
Interregnum expenses	—	—	—	—	—	—
	<u>81,207</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>81,207</u>	<u>83,301</u>
	<u>Church and services</u>					
Heating, Lighting and Water	4,784	—	—	—	4,784	3,941
Insurance	2,812	—	—	—	2,812	2,556
Maintenance of Church	1,494	—	—	—	1,494	2,431
Maintenance of Churchyard	2,684	—	—	—	2,684	2,128
Upkeep of Services	1,484	—	370	—	1,854	2,886
Remuneration of Organists & Verger	10,959	—	—	—	10,959	9,570
Hire of Halls	1,020	—	—	—	1,020	1,020
Sundries	4,690	—	—	—	4,690	2,056
	<u>29,927</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>370</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>30,297</u>	<u>26,588</u>
	<u>Secretarial and general</u>					
Cost of Longland Avenue	2,245	—	—	—	2,245	4,219
Photocopying	1,272	—	—	—	1,272	600
Stationery postage & printing	483	—	—	—	483	593
Telephone	1,238	—	—	—	1,238	1,154
Social Events	1,322	—	—	—	1,322	652
General expenses	838	—	—	—	828	1,531
Bank charges inc Contactless payments	408	—	—	—	408	794
Independent Examiner's fees	5,187	—	—	—	5,187	2,559
Secretarial services	7,560	—	—	—	7,560	7,560
Cost of Office	998	—	—	—	998	1,683
	<u>21,541</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>21,541</u>	<u>21,345</u>
	<u>132,675</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>370</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>133,045</u>	<u>131,234</u>
11	<i>Major Items costs</i>					
Zoom Equipment	5,810	—	—	—	5,810	5,316
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	138,485	—	370	—	138,855	136,550

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
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12. Other Income

Other income includes £13,530 towards the cost of the louvres and Sound System (2022 £0).

13. STAFF COSTS

During the year, secretarial assistance was provided to the PCC at a cost of approximately £7,560 (£2022 £7,560) and a total of £10,609 (2022 £10,740) was paid to the choirmaster, other organists and the vergers. There were four employees.

14. DISCLOSABLE TRANSACTIONS

There were no disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or other related parties. Two trustees received £5,819 (2022 £2,670) (included in figures above). Four Trustees received refunds of expenses incurred of £4,507 (2022 £3,678).

15. GOING CONCERN

The PCC does not have unrestricted funds to cover six months expenditure. However, the PCC have considered the position having controlled expenditure and anticipating a full year's rental income from the property with reduced costs for that property.

The trustees are satisfied that the going concern basis for the preparation of the accounts is appropriate. In reaching this conclusion, they have considered a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the balance sheet.

**STORRINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

16. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES 2022

	<u>Unrestricted Funds</u>		<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowmen</u>	<u>2022</u> £
	<u>General</u> £	<u>Designated</u> £	<u>Funds</u> £	<u>t</u> <u>Funds</u> £	
Income from					
Donations and Legacies	130,881	-	-	-	130,881
Church Activities	15,387	-	-	-	15,387
Investments	15,967	-	679	10,635	27,281
Other Sources	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>162,235</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>679</u>	<u>10,635</u>	<u>173,549</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising Funds					
Church Activities	127,447	-	1,500	2,287	131,234
Repair Works	3,237	-	2,079	-	5,316
Total Expenditure	<u>130,684</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,579</u>	<u>2,287</u>	<u>136,550</u>
Net income before gains on investments	31,551	-	(2,900)	8,348	36,999
Net gains on investments	-	60,000	-	67,197	127,197
Net income	<u>31,551</u>	<u>60,000</u>	<u>(2,900)</u>	<u>75,545</u>	<u>164,196</u>
Transfer between Funds	8,348	-	-	(8,348)	-
Net movement in Funds	<u>39,899</u>	<u>60,000</u>	<u>(2,900)</u>	<u>67,197</u>	<u>164,196</u>

**CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 2 to 19.

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 Trustee'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 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- (1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- (3) 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 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.

DocuSigned by:
Christine Deacon

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Christine Deacon

Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited

Appledram Barn, Birdham Road,

Chichester, West Sussex.

PO2 7EQ

Date: 5th April 2024

Accounts

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St Mary's Church, Storrington
Registered Charity no. 1164989
For the year ended 31 December 2022

**St Mary's Church, Storrington
Trustees Annual Report for 2022**

Aim and Purposes – 'Faith, Hope and Love' in Storrington

The primary objective of St Mary's is the promotion of Christianity according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd. Canon Kathryn Windslow, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Rector of St Mary's, Canon Kathryn Windslow, is assisted in the care of the parish of Storrington by Revd. Rupert Toovey, SSM Assistant Rector. Rupert was licensed to the parish in September 2018. He exercises a full ministry in both the parish of St Mary's and the wider community. With prayerful support Revd. Toovey is sent from our church to share God's love with all whom he meets in his day-to-day work. Revd. Shirley Tupper joined in January 2022 as Curate. The parish is blessed to have the generous support of several retired priests: Revds. Charles Hadley, and John and Jacquie Peal. Mrs. Viv Stuart, Parish Administrator, gives invaluable assistance with the administration of the parish.

Objectives and Activities

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 St Mary. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services and activities 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, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'. In particular, we try to enable local people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship, preaching and prayer in services; learning about Christianity through study groups; and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish, following illness, bereavement and other 'life events';
- Activities for the common good of our community, such as twice-monthly Café in the Church, Sunday Lunch Club, and SPACE – a place for people of all ages to enjoy doing arts and crafts; support for Family Support Work and the village Food Bank;

- Missionary and outreach work working with, among others, Storrington Primary School and Steyning Grammar School at Rock Road, uniformed organisations such as Scouts and Guides, Air Cadets and the British Legion. Canon Kathryn is the chaplain of Air Cadets.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the building of our church of St. Mary, Storrington.

Achievements and performance

Worship and Prayer

The PCC aims to offer a range of Church Services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. All are welcome to attend our regular services.

St Mary's has a rich musical tradition under the excellent guidance of our Music Director, Stephen Bloxham and Deputy Director, Ian Miles. There is a good and very committed choir, who are always willing to try new music.

We hold a twice monthly Communion Service on a Wednesday morning. This service along with 8am Holy Communion on Sunday and Evensong twice a month provide a quieter and more intimate and reflective environment for worship whilst our 10am services on Sundays give adults and children the opportunity to take part in a more outgoing style of worship. During the year we have continued to live-stream our main Sunday service for the benefit of those who are unable to come to church.

Usual attendance at Sunday services averages 60-70 adults, and 8-10 on live streaming. Easter and Christmas and Sunday figures for 2022 were still affected by the pandemic.

At the last revision of the electoral roll prior to this report there were 226 parishioners on the church electoral roll, of whom 88 are not resident within the parish. 0 names were added during the year and 11 were removed either through death or because they moved away from the area. In 2019 the electoral roll was completely revised, resulting in a significantly decreased number on the roll, but representing a more realistic list of church members.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at milestones of the journey through life. Through Baptism we thank God for the gift of life. In 2021 there were no baptisms or weddings because of Covid-19. In 2022 there were 15 baptisms and 3 weddings. Through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and we commend the person who has died into God's keeping. The clergy took 9 church funerals and another 12 services at the crematorium or funeral chapel. There

were also 22 burials of ashes in St Mary's churchyard. This is the only burial ground for the whole of Storrington.

The Church building

Our church is normally open during daylight hours and is currently available as a Warm Space and is used by people seeking space for prayer and reflection as well as regularly by visitors to the South Downs National Park.

As one of the largest buildings in Storrington, the church is also used to hold concerts which we hope cater for many musical tastes of people residing in the area whether members of the church or not. We hope to begin holding concerts again in 2023.

The Quinquennial Inspection by our Inspecting Architect was carried out in 2021 and we anticipate that, following that inspection, work on the fabric of the church will need to be undertaken in accordance with the recommendations of that report.

The Rectory Office

The PCC is responsible for the repairs to the Rectory Office, the administrative hub of the parish, which is in reasonable order.

9 Longland Avenue

Our Suspendiary Curate moved from this house in September 2018 when she left the parish. The property is let on a renewable one-year tenancy from 31st January 2019. The most current renewal of this lease was on 31st January 2023.

Pastoral Care

The pastoral care of people is a core part of what it is to be a Christian church. To this end in 2017 we chose and have trained a team of people as ministers of prayer and healing, known as the 'St Luke's Team'. Every third Sunday of the month at the 10am service members of the team are available at the back of church for the laying on of hands and prayers for anyone who wishes to avail themselves of this ministry. The team meets monthly for a time of further learning, reflection and prayer.

The small team of people who take Communion to the household has lessened due to the pandemic. As a church we also continue to collect for Family Support Work.

In 2018 a new Pastoral Visiting Team was chosen and trained. Members of the Team visit the ill and household, or support the bereaved, or those with new babies. We are particularly aware of the needs of a growing elderly and isolated population in an area often chosen for retirement. Their ministry continued via the telephone during the pandemic, and in 2022 went back to being person-to-person visits.

Mission and Evangelism

Church@4

'Church@4', the church's monthly Sunday group for young people, has closed for the time being. This decision will be kept under review.

Study Groups

Study and Bible Study Groups meet on Wednesday afternoons and both met regularly during 2022.

Churchyard

The voluntary Churchyard team entered the Churchyard into the South and South East in Bloom awards, obtaining a gold award in 2022 – an excellent result, very justly deserved. Eco-church has become a focus since 2022 as an outcome of our care for God's creation.

Community

Over the last few years the church has been used by Storrington Primary School and the local nursery school as they find out about places in the local community. They did not visit during 2022, but the Rector has already been booked to visit the School in February 2023.

Scouts, Beavers and Cubs came to church for a Carol service and a "Moving up" ceremony as well as attending the Annual Remembrance Service with Brownies, and Guides and Air Training Corps. The Air Training Cadets were restricted by the pandemic.

The "3 Heralds" the church magazine for Storrington, Thakeham, Warminghurst and Sullington contains details of our church services and Christian messages, as well as local community information. It is widely read and enjoyed through the parish and adjacent areas by members of the congregations and others. The circulation is in excess of 800 copies.

Revd. Rupert Toovey, through his business at Toovey's Auction Rooms, has a very active pastoral and missionary ministry in the local community of Storrington and also across the country.

Ecumenical relationships

We join Christians in Storrington to provide a monthly Sunday lunch for elderly members of the community, as well as a monthly midweek lunch for elderly single

people. We share a monthly short prayer service with other denominations at the Catholic Church. We also join Christians in Storrington for a service of Carols in the middle of Storrington at Christmas, and for the Good Friday Procession.

Revd. Charles Hadley's work with Chemin Neuf has meant that we have developed closer links with this religious community, and occasionally at a Sunday service we host young people from different parts of Europe.

We have in place policies on the following matters:

Complaints Handling
Confidentiality
Conflicts of Interest
Data Protection
Equality
Investment
Risk Management

Safeguarding of Children and Vulnerable Adults
Volunteering Policy and Guidance for Volunteers

Financial Review

We have shown a surplus on unrestricted funds of £31,551 after receiving legacies of £55,615. Without these we would have a deficit of £24,064 before the Endowment Income. Income from Endowments increases our overall surplus of just under £40,000.

Like many parishes we rely on legacies for our survival. Our unrestricted expenses have increased during 2022 by £8,317. The largest expense remains the Parish Share which was in excess of £70,000. This amount covers the housing, stipends and Pension costs of clergy and a sum for central Diocesan costs, Clergy training and a contribution to central Church funds.

The only movement on Restricted Funds is the spending of the General Repair Fund, £2,079, the Churchyard Fund of £1,000, and Church Fabric Fund of £500 together with interest received on the G & E Robinson Fabric Fund. The increase in the Endowment Fund amounted to £67,197 taking the total to £479,955.

Reserves Policy

We currently have £71,061 of unrestricted reserves in our general fund. This should be sufficient to cover our current level of operational deficit, without the benefit of further legacy income, for two to three years but the PCC needs to keep this under review.

The PCC aims to hold sufficient unrestricted reserves in our general fund to cover two months of normal expenditure before any income is received and we are slightly under this threshold. We do however have sufficient cash and deposits to cover our

ongoing running costs and we have available to us a further £40,000 in Designated Funds which we could utilise to meet out running costs if necessary.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. This enables us to avoid the costs of employing additional people.

Structure, governance and management

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules under which the membership consists of certain ex-officio members (the incumbent and one licensed minister), the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and 15 members of the church. All those who are members of our congregation or attend our services are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Every year at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) we seek to elect five members of the congregation to the PCC, in addition to filling any vacancies that have occurred during the preceding year. and these five members hold office for a period of three years and may stand for re-election at the end of that time. PCC members are responsible as Trustees for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

The full PCC met 5 times during 2022 (including once via Zoom – one meeting was cancelled) and the average number of PCC members attending was 14. Sub-committees met between meetings and minutes of their deliberations were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary.

Administrative information

St Mary's Church is situated in Church Street Storrington. It is part of the Diocese of Winchester. The correspondence address is The Rectory Office, Rectory Road, Storrington, RH20 4EF.

The PCC is a body corporate according to the PCC Powers Measure 1956 as amended and Church Representation Rules 2020. It is registered with the Charity Commission under Number 1164989.

Lewis Brownlee (Chichester) Limited have been appointed as Independent Examiners for the year to 31 December 2022.

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex Officio members

Rev. Canon Kathryn Windslow	Rector	Chairman
Rev. Rupert Toovey	Hon. Assistant Rector	
Rev. Shirley Tupper	Assistant Curate	
(Resigned 8 February 2023)		
Mr Dennis Cowdrey	Churchwarden	Vice Chairman
Mrs Christine Tuson	Churchwarden	

Elected Members

Elected until 2023	Elected until 2024	Elected until 2025
Stephen Bloxham	John Coventry	Susanne Carter
Sonia Fox	Jane Pannett - resigned Nov 2022	Valerie Rice (Hon Secretary)
David Rice (Hon. Treasurer)	Barbara Buchanan	Jacqueline Lee
Lee Smith - resigned Nov. 2022		Martyn Freeman
		Rosemary Humphries

Deanery Synod (holding office until 1 June 2023)

John Taylor	Gwen Fisher
Christine Tuson - from 2021	Brian Elphick

Custodial Trustee

The Diocese of Chichester acts as Custodial Trustee and holds the investments on behalf of the PCC.

This Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf

by Christine Tuson


Date: 30th March 2023

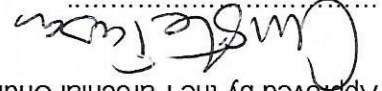
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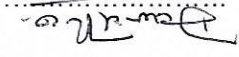
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS				
Investment property	2	560,000	500,000	500,000
Investment assets	3	479,955	412,758	412,758
Tangible assets	4	1,039,955	912,758	912,758
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	6	2,568	2,466	2,466
Prepayments	6	1,725	1,720	1,720
CBF Deposit account		193,392	131,619	131,619
Cash at bank and in hand		4,253	29,981	29,981
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors and accrued expenses	6	4,874	5,721	5,721
NET CURRENT ASSETS				
		197,064	160,065	160,065
NET ASSETS				
		1,237,019	1,072,823	1,072,823
FUNDS				
Unrestricted Funds		71,061	31,162	31,162
Designated Funds:				
Property Fund		560,000	500,000	500,000
Development Fund		40,000	40,000	540,000
Restricted Funds				
G & E Robinson Fabric Fund		52,321	51,642	51,642
Tower Capital Project		20,000	20,000	20,000
Rector's Discretionary Fund		13,682	13,682	13,682
General Repair Fund		-	2,079	2,079
Church Yard Fund		-	1,000	1,000
Church Fabric Fund		-	500	500
Endowment Fund		86,003	88,903	88,903
Trustee Account		479,955	412,758	412,758
TOTAL FUNDS		1,237,019	1,072,823	1,072,823

Where the Funds are held is set out in notes 2-5.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 30th March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:


 Christine Tuson


 David Rice
 Trustee/ Hon Treasurer

The notes on pages 11 to 18 form part of these accounts.

**STORINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	General	Designated	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022	2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:							
7 Donations and legacies		130,881	-	-	-	130,881	102,776
8 Church activities		15,387	-	-	-	15,387	11,268
9 Investments		15,967	679	10,635	-	27,281	24,008
10 Other sources		-	-	-	-	-	2,150
TOTAL INCOME		162,235	-	679	10,635	173,549	140,202
EXPENDITURE ON:							
11 Church activities		127,447	-	1,500	2,287	131,234	119,513
12 Repair works		3,237	-	2,079	-	5,316	2,854
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		130,684	-	3,579	2,287	136,550	122,367
Net Income/(expenditure) before gains on investments		31,551	-	(2,900)	8,348	36,999	17,835
Net gains on investments and increase in valuation		-	60,000	-	67,197	127,197	60,368
NET INCOME		31,551	60,000	(2,900)	75,545	164,196	78,203
<i>Transfer between funds</i>		8,348		(2,900)	67,197	164,196	78,203
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		39,899	60,000	(2,900)	67,197	164,196	78,203
BROUGHT FORWARD 1 January 2022		31,162	540,000	88,903	412,758	1,072,823	994,620
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31 December 2022		71,061	600,000	86,003	479,955	1,237,019	1,072,823

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investments which are included at market value, as modified by the revaluation of certain assets.

The Financial Statements have been prepared in Sterling and are rounded to the nearest £.

Funds

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Unrestricted Funds include funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC but are not subject to any restriction imposed when the Funds were raised or given. Designated Funds also include funds used to acquire the Investment Property including all revaluations.

Restricted Funds

These represented funds given or raised for specific purposes as set out on the Balance Sheet. These may only be used to meet expenditure related to the specific purpose.

Endowment Funds

These comprise those bequests to the PCC where the capital sum must be used to provide income for the General Purposes of the PCC and a further Fund for the maintenance of the Churchyard and Church. The Capital may not be applied for any other purpose.

The accounts 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 or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Income

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain. Funds raised by the fete, garden party and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other income

Rental income is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Expenditure

Grants

Grants are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if the grant award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed assets

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.102(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens are listed in the church's Inventory.

Investment Property

The House at 9, Longland Avenue was purchased by the PCC in 1996 at a cost of £101,500. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as custodial Trustees for the PCC. Until September 2018 it was occupied by the Curate and since 31 January 2019 on a short-term tenancy at a Market Rent and is held as an Investment Property at a fair value which is provided by a suitably qualified Estate Agent.

Fixed asset property

The Church Office and Carport was completed in 1996 at a total cost of £59,386. They are situated in the grounds of the Rectory which is not owned by the PCC and have no realisable value. This cost has been written off.

Both properties were acquired by using the very generous Legacy left to us by Joyce Brett.

The parish also owns a piece of land known as the 'Bell Acre' adjacent to Ryecroft Lane, which was formerly used as allotments, and which is being considered for development. This is owned by the Diocese of Chichester as Custodial Trustees for the PCC. AS the value is uncertain due to lack of planning approval, this land is held at nil value.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Furniture used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 5 years. Electronic equipment (computer hardware, software etc) is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 3 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

**STORINGTON (ST MARY'S) PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

2. INVESTMENT PROPERTY

Valuation	
At 1 January 2022	500,000
Revaluation	60,000
At 31 December 2022	<u>560,000</u>
	<u>£</u>
	Total

The property is held as a designated fund. The property has been leased out on a short-term tenancy agreement since 2019.

The market value of the Investment Property was determined in January 2023 by a suitably qualified Estate Agent.

3. INVESTMENTS

CBF Church of England Funds	Listed Securities	Total	
£	£	£	
130,636	282,122	412,758	Market Value at 1 January 2022
(15,378)	82,575	67,197	Revaluation Gain (loss)
115,258	364,697	479,955	Market Value at 31 December 2022
27,048	1,625	28,673	Original Cost

The listed securities comprise a shareholding in Astra Zeneca Plc for the General Endowment together with £38,356 of the CBF Funds. The balance of £76,902 relate to the Churchyard and Church Repair fund.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

All fixed assets which originally cost £8,912 have been fully written off. All small assets are expended when incurred.

There is no cost included in the fixed assets for the land known as 'Bell Acre' which was left to the parish.

5. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Fund	Total
Tangible Fixed Assets	£ -	£ 560,000	£ -	£ -	£ 560,000
Investment Fixed Assets	-	-	-	479,955	479,955
Net Current Assets	71,061	40,000	86,003	-	197,064
Fund balances	71,061	600,000	86,003	479,955	1,237,019

Designated (Unrestricted) Funds

The Designated Fund Repairs fund of £40,000 has been created from unrestricted legacies towards the future development of the Church and its facilities.

Restricted Funds

The Restricted Funds represent:

- The late Edna Robinson bequeathed a sum of money to the Church "for use on Capital Projects only" and which, with the agreement of her executors, has been placed in a separate Fabric Fund named after Edna and her husband Geoffrey and may be used for repairs of the Fabric of the Church in an emergency.
- During the year to 31 December 2021 £20,000 was received towards a possible Capital development of the tower and £13,682 as a fund for use at the Rector's discretion.
- The other Restricted funds were £2,079 as a general repair fund, £1,000 for the Churchyard and £500 for the Church fabric. These were spent during the year.

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6 DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Creditors all relate to Unrestricted Funds.

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Debtors and	2,568				2,568
Prepayments	1,725				1,725
CBF Deposit					
Account	67,389	40,000	86,003		193,392
Cash at	4,253				4,253
Bank					
Creditors	(4,874)				(4,874)
Total	71,061	40,000	86,003		197,064

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EXPENDITURE

Unrestricted Funds Designated Funds Restricted Funds Endowment TOTAL FUNDS
 £ £ £ £ £ £
 2022 2021

	2022	2021
10 Church activities		
Ministry costs		
Parish Clergy	641	410
Assistant Clergy	2,726	203
Maintenance-clergy houses	9,636	5,637
Parish Contribution	70,298	66,950
Interregnum expenses	—	—
Church and services		
Heating, Lighting and Water	3,941	3,244
Insurance	2,556	2,498
Maintenance of Church	772	5,331
Maintenance of Churchyard	—	5,128
Upkeep of Services	2,886	543
Remuneration of Organists & Verger	9,570	8,080
Hire of Halls	1,020	1,020
Sundries	2,056	2,242
Secretarial and general		
Cost of Longland Avenue	4,219	2,832
Photocopying	600	859
Stationery postage & printing	593	447
Telephone	1,154	1,193
Social Events	652	218
General expenses	1,531	1,839
Bank charges Inc Contactless payments	794	189
Independent Examiner's fees	2,559	2,136
Secretarial services	7,560	7,200
Cost of Office	1,683	1,314
	21,345	18,227
	—	—
	—	—
	1,500	2,287
	131,234	119,513
11 Major items costs		
Audio and Zoom Equipment	3,237	2,854
	—	—
	2,079	—
	—	—
	5,316	—
	136,550	122,367
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	130,684	—

13. STAFF COSTS

During the year, secretarial assistance was provided to the PCC at a cost of approximately £7,560 and a total of £10,740 was paid to the choirmaster, other organists and the vergers. There were four employees.

14. DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTIONS

There were no disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or other related parties. One trustee received £2,670 (2021 £3,020) included within staff costs in note 13. Four Trustees received refunds of expenses incurred of £3,678 (2021 £1,032).

15. GOING CONCERN

The PCC does not have unrestricted funds to cover six months expenditure. However, the PCC have considered the position having controlled expenditure and anticipating a full year's rental income from the property with reduced costs for that property.

The trustees are satisfied that the going concern basis for the preparation of the accounts is appropriate. In reaching this conclusion, they have considered a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing the balance sheet.

16. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES 2021

	General	Unrestricted Funds	Designated	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from						
Donations and Legacies	99,197	-	-	3,579	-	102,776
Church Activities	11,268	-	-	-	-	11,268
Investments	16,300	-	-	27	7,681	24,008
Other Sources	2,150	-	-	-	-	2,150
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	119,513	-	-	-	-	119,513
Church Activities	119,513	-	-	-	-	119,513
Repair Works	2,854	-	-	-	-	2,854
Total Expenditure	122,367	-	-	-	-	122,367
Net income before gains on investments	6,548	-	-	3,606	7,681	17,835
Net gains on investments	-	-	-	-	60,368	60,368
Net income	6,548	3,606	68,049	78,203	-	156,406
Transfer between Funds	7,681	-	-	3,606	(7,681)	-
Net Movement of Funds	14,229	-	-	3,606	60,368	78,203
BROUGHT FORWARD	16,933	540,000	85,297	352,390	994,620	
1 January 2021						
BALANCE FORWARD	31,162	540,000	88,903	412,758	1,072,823	
31 December 2021						

Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Storrington (St Mary's) Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 9 to 18.

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 Trustee'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 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

(1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or

(2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or

(3) 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 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.

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Date: 5 April 2023

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