

**The Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity,
Birchfield, Birmingham**

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH
BIRCHFIELD**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Clergy:

Revd Canon Eve Pitts to 31 July 2023
In interregnum from that date

Registered Charity No. 1168155

Bankers
Unity Bank
Brindleyplace
Birmingham

Treasurer
Christine Harris

Secretary

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REPORT OF THE P.C.C.(Trustees Report)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Holy Trinity , Birchfield, Birmingham was registered as a charity on 11 July 2016 having been prior to that an excepted charity.

It is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as Amended and the Church Representation Rules that came into force on 2 January 1957.

Objectives and activities

The charity's objects

Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church. In setting our objectives and planning our activities our trustees have given serious consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular the advancement of religion through:

- raising awareness and understanding of religious beliefs and practices
- carrying out religious devotional acts
- carrying out missionary and outreach work

The objectives have been realised through the charity's main activities:

The charity is the parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity Church, which is responsible for providing Christian worship each Sunday and Holy Days, including the celebration of week-day Holy Communion on a regular basis.

The Christian faith is taught in church and in small groups;

Outreach to the local community takes place through courses and networking.

Achievements and performance

The numbers attending services over the past year is still less than pre Covid

As part of our overall care of the congregation we have a Pastoral Group to arrange contact with and visits to members of the congregation.

Following the grant from the Heritage lottery fund and the completion of repairs to the roof we have continued to host open days in the Church.

As part of heritage awareness a regular "Ancestor Day" is observed remembering the contribution made to our community by those of Afro-caribbean origin.

The church continues to be involved in community mission and missional activities.

Background to the P.C.C. and its responsibilities

The **parochial church council** (PCC) is the executive committee the **parish** of Holy Trinity, Birchfield and consists of clergy and churchwardens of the **parish**, together with representatives of the laity.

Membership of the P.C.C. and method of appointment

Members of the Parochial Church Council are elected to serve a period not exceeding three years, eligible candidates are members of the Parish Electoral Roll, Membership of the Electoral Roll is open to communicant members of the Church of England who habitually worship at Holy Trinity Birchfield.

Churchwardens are appointed at the Annual Parish Church Meeting

Details of those serving on the P.C.C. including Officers and Ex Officio Members

Rev Canon Eve Pitts, Chair of the Council. retired 31 July 2023

Miss W. Walker, Churchwarden .

Mrs E Christian, Mr K Rutherford, Mrs J Simms , Readers

Ms H Cross, Miss J De Costa, Ms V Flowers, Mrs M Scott, Miss C Forrester, Mrs J Simms, Mrs. B Anderson, Sonia Douglas, Mrs J Rutherford, Elected Members.

Miss C Harris, Treasurer

Electoral Roll, 83, (2022 – 85).

Sunday attendance 2023 - 74 (2022 40/50)

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY , BIRCHFIELD, BIRMINGHAM IN RESPECT OF THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st. December 2023 which are set out on pages 3 to 8

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011(The Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the
Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and
State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in any audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement..

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examinations, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- To keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- To prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act.

Have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Michael Hastilow
Independent Examiner
6th June 2024

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted/ Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
INCOME RECEIVED - note 2					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	46,569	-	-	46,569	42,886
Activities generating funds	14,568	14,000	-	28,568	37,887
Investment income	4,716	-	-	4,716	4,535
Statutory and other fees	22,811	-	-	22,811	34,365
Other income	5,429	440	-	5,869	118
TOTAL INCOME RECEIVED	94,093	14,440	-	108,533	119,771
PAYMENTS MADE - note 3					
Cost of generating funds	3,775	-	-	3,775	3,464
Charitable (Church) activities	78,931	301	-	79,232	53,077
Governance costs	-	-	-	-	-
Other payments	5,328	440	-	5,768	29,129
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	88,034	741	-	88,775	85,670
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	6,059	13,699	-	19,758	34,101
Net cash surplus on sale and acquisition of property	-	9,056	-	9,056	-
Movement in funds	6,059	22,755	-	28,814	34,101
Balance b/fwd 1st. January 2023	44,563	13,469	12,494	70,526	36,425
Balance c/fwd 31 st . December 2023	60,622	36,224	12,494	99,340	70,526

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SUMMARY OF FUNDS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

Movement in Funds

	Brought Forward	Receipts	Expended	Balance Forward 2023	Total 2022
General Fund	44,553	94,098	88,034	59,668	44,553
Net cash surplus on property		9,056	-		
Restricted Funds					
Jubilee Fund	9,978	440	440	9,978	9,978
HLF Roof Fund	-	-	-	-	-)
C C Derwent Legacy (Altar Requisites)	3,498	-	301	3,197	3,498
Harlow Trust	-	14,000		14,000	-
Total Restricted Funds	13,476	14,440,	741	27,175	13,476
Mark House dilapidations	12,494	-	-	12,494	12,494
Property holdings at cost / valuation - note 1	275,000	340,000	200,000	415,000	275,000
Total Funds	345,523	457,589	288,775	514,337	345,523

Represented by:

		2023	2022
Mark House			100,000
Leonard Avenue		75,000	75,000
Church Hall			100,000
315 Birchfield Road		340,000	
Unity Bank Current Account		26,453	26,126
Nat-West Jubilee Fund		51,257	31,826
Debtors and pre payments	See note 5	77	77
		492,787	333,029
Birmingham Diocesan Trustees		12,494	12,494
BDBF re property sales	See note 1	9,056	
		514,337	345,523
Creditor		-	-
TOTAL		514,337,	345,523

The Accounts were approved by the PCC and were signed on its behalf by
Chair of PCC Treasurer of PCC *Christine Harris*

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the SORP 2005.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets which are stated at market value at 31 December. The financial statements 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, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The Parish has interest in two properties ,
During the Year, The Hall and Mark House were sold for £365,000 and with the proceeds, the former vicarage, 213 Birchfield Road was acquired for £340,000, £1,464 was received for late completion and after deducting the costs of the purchase and sale, £9,056 was left.

The value of properties at the 31 December 2023 is:-

Leonard Avenue	£ 75,000	as estimated
213 Birchfield Road	£ 340,000	at cost
Total	£ 415,000	

1.1 *Funds.*

General Funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council (P.C.C.) that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the P.C.C. Funds designated by the P.C.C. are also unrestricted.

1.2 *Incoming Resources from donors*
Giving and Voluntary income

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the P.C.C.
Planned giving receivable (including those received under gift aid) is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised only when the tax is received.

Grants and legacies are accounted for when the P.C.C. receives the payment

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of Church Premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable.

Resources used
Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when received.

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2. INCOME RECEIVED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted/ Designated Funds	Endowment Mark House	Total 2023	Total 2022
Voluntary income:					
Planned giving envelopes and bank	20,722			20,722	25,458
Tax recovered	11,241			11,241	-
Loose collections	11,373	-		11,373	13,094
Donations	2,224	-		2,224	3,566
Sundry income	1,009	-	-	1,009	748
	46,569			46,569	42,866
Activities generating funds:					
Fundraising		14,000		14,000	4,292
HLF				=	21,170
Fundraising Jubilee Fund	6,641			6,641	3,543
Church hall rental	7,927			7,927	8,882
VAT recovered	-	-		-	-
	14,568	14,000	-	28,568	37,887
Investment income					
Rents	4,716			4,716	4,535
	4,716	-		4,716	4,535
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Statutory and other fees,	14,854			14,854	34,365
Grant re Heating	7,957			7,967	
	22,811	-		22,811	34,365
Other income					
Legacies	5,000	-		5,000	-
Charitable Collections,	429	440		869	118
	5,429	440		5,869	118
TOTAL	94,093	14,440	-	108,533	119,771

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3 PAYMENTS MADE

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted/ Designated Funds	Mark House Designated	Total 2023	Total 2022
Cost of generating funds	3,775	-	-	3,775	3,464
Charitable (Church) activity:					
Ministry – Diocesan Common Fund	44,000	-		44,000	24,000
Clergy expenses	1,080	-		1,080	900
Salaries and support staff costs	4,318	-		4,318	4,322
Church running cost	1,491	301		1,792	2,211
Insurance	8,654	-		8,654	6,611
Utilities	9,208	-		9,208	8,268
General Church Maintenance	9,979	-		9,979	4,845
Church Hall Costs	-	-		-	1,899
Church Hall Insurance	-	-		-	-
Other Costs	201			201	21
	78,931	301	-	79,232	53,077
Governance costs					
Administration	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources used					
Giving to Missionary societies	-	-		-	-
Giving to relief and development agencies	-			-	-
Home mission	-	440		440	116
Statutory fees paid to the Diocese	5,328			5,328	14,977
Major repairs church -roof	-	-		-	-
Major repairs church -other	-	-	-	-	11,814
Professional Fees	=	-		-	2,220
	-		-	-	-
	5,328	440	-	5,768	26,129
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	88,034	741		88,775	85,670

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Note 4 Restricted Funds

During the year a grant of £14,000 was received from the Harlow Trust to be used in replacing digital services .

Note 5 Debtors and prepayments

£ 77 (2022 £77) prepayment.