



**THE PARISH OF HANDSWORTH**

**(ST. MARY)**

**St Mary's Parish Church**

**Registered Charity Number 1171344**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**AND**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**For the year ended 31st December 2024**

**Rector: The Revd Elizabeth Longhurst**

**Bankers: TSB Birmingham**

**Independent Examiner: Mr Laurence Parkes FCA**

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## **Agenda of the Meeting of the Ancient Vestry Of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth St Mary**

*Registered Charity Number:1171344*

**Sunday 18th May 2025 12.15pm**

1. Opening prayer
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of the meeting held on Saturday 11th May 2024
4. Appointment of two Churchwardens for the forthcoming year.
5. Close meeting

To be followed by the Annual Parochial Church meeting.

**Minutes of the previous meeting of the Ancient Vestry  
Of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth St Mary  
held on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 10.30am**

**A Meeting of the Ancient Vestry**

**Of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth St Mary**

*Registered Charity Number:1171344*

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 10.30am**

**Minutes**

**In Attendance:** Beryl Anderson, Delia Arnold, Ruth Cooper, Diana Duggan, Christopher Hazeley-Jones, Keith Hemmings, Mary Jones, Edward Lear, Adam Lubin, Ethel Lubin, Naresh Mehay, Pam Mehay-Hydes, Camelia Paton-Devine, Richard Paton- Devine, Chris Perry, John Rose, Rosemarie Seadon, William Senteza, Edna Simkin, Shane Taylor, Graham Walters. Also present Khadeem Duncan- Banerjee who is not on the church electoral roll or resident in the parish.

**Apologies:** Pete and Sue Banford, Lee Colwill, Eureka Drayton, Doreen Hemmings, Raj Mahay, Gillian Rose.

**Appointment of two Church Wardens for the forthcoming year:**

Keith Hemmings and Chris Perry had both been proposed and seconded. They were appointed with the approval of the meeting.

The meeting closed at 10.38am

Signed: 

Dated: 18/05/2025

# **Agenda of the Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth, St Mary**

## **The Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting Of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth, St Mary**

*Registered Charity Number: 1171344*

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2025 following the meeting of the Ancient Vestry**

### **AGENDA**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the Last Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting: 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024
3. Matters Arising
4. Presentation and adoption of accounts for 2024 (ES)
5. Adoption of the Annual Report for 2024 (LL)
6. Presentation of the Electoral Roll (RS)
7. Deanery Synod members elected in 2023 for a period of three years Ruth Cooper and Shane Taylor.
8. Membership of the PCC:
  - a. Election of members to the PCC.
  - b. Appointment of Co-Opted Members:
  - c. Appointment of Ex-Officio Members:
9. Annual Review of the Safeguarding Policy (DA)
10. Appointment of the Independent Examiner: Currently Laurence Parkes
11. Any Other Business pertaining to this meeting

*To be followed by a short meeting of the PCC.*



**7. Appointment of Sidespersons:** The current list was considered. Vincent Daniel and Thaddeus Ede are unable to attend church at present and Raj Mahay has server's duties so they were removed. Pete and Sue Banford had agreed to be added.

These people were appointed for the coming year: Derek Burns, Lee Colwill, Diana Duggan, Doreen Hemmings, Naresh Mehay, Pam Mehay-Hydes, Camelia Paton-Devine, Richard Paton-Devine, Edna Simkin, Shane Taylor.

The list of sidespersons duties which had been produced by Bob will be reissued as a reminder.

**8. Election of Members to the Deanery synod:** Ruth Cooper and Shane Taylor had been elected in 2023 for a period of three years. They will continue.

**9. Membership of the PCC:**

a. David Holmes term of office had been completed and he did not wish to be re-elected. Adam Lubin had been proposed and seconded and was elected.

b. **Appointment of Co-opted Members:** Vincent Daniel and Thaddeus Ede had resigned; Doreen Hemmings and Raj Mahay were re-appointed as Assistant Wardens and William Senteza who had stepped down as warden was also elected as an assistant.

Other co-opted members also re-elected are Christopher Hazeley-Jones as Church Hall lettings officer and Graham Walters.

Chris Perry had stood down as safeguarding officer. Delia Arnold was proposed by Chris Perry and seconded by Camelia Paton-Devine and appointed. (Delia is an elected member of the PCC).

c. **Appointment of Ex-officio Members:** Ruth Cooper and Eureka Drayton (by virtue of their licence as readers); Edna Simkin (Treasurer); Eddie Lear (Hall treasurer).

**10. Annual Review of the Child Protection Policy:** A revised policy had been included in the annual report for adoption at the meeting. It had been updated to include procedures for people who visit schools and social media guidance. Its adoption was proposed by Chris Perry and seconded by Camelia Paton-Devine.

All PCC members had been trained to Basic Safeguarding level.

All PCC members have been DBS checked.

**11. Appointment of the Independent Examiner:** Laurence Parkes was re-appointed. Proposed by Edward Lear and seconded by Edna Simkin.

**12. Any Other Business:** There was none pertaining to this meeting.

The meeting ended at 11.28am

Signed: 

Dated: 18/05/2025

# **Minutes of the previous Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting Of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth, St Mary**

**The Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting  
Of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Handsworth, St Mary**

***Registered Charity Number:1171344***

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2024 10.38am**

## **Minutes**

### **In Attendance:**

Keith Hemmings (Church Warden and Chair), Chris Perry (Church Warden), Beryl Anderson, Delia Arnold, Ruth Cooper, Diana Duggan, Christopher Hazeley-Jones, Mary Jones, Adam Lubin, Ethel Lubin, Naresh Mehay, Parmala Mehay-Hydes, Edward Lear, Camelia Paton-Devine, Richard Paton-Devine, John Rose, Rosemarie Seadon, William Senteza, Edna Simkin, Shane Taylor, Graham Walters.

Visitor (not on Electoral Roll) Khadeem Duncan-Banerjee.

**1. Apologies for Absence:** Pete and Sue Banford, Lee Colwill, Eureka Drayton, Doreen Hemmings, Raj Mahay, Gillian Rose.

**2. Minutes of the last APCM:** Were not read but had been distributed last year and deemed a true and correct record.

**3. Matters arising:** None.

**4 Adoption of Accounts:** The Treasurer stated that these had been collated by the Accountant/Independent Examiner and gave a brief outline. Income had decreased but so had expenditure during the interregnum so we had held our own. There had been no major expenditure on repairs and maintenance, some jobs had been held over until this year. There had been increased costs on electricity, gas and stationery. The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Rosemarie Seadon, seconded by Diana Duggan and carried by the meeting.

**5. Adoption of the Annual Report:** This had been circulated to PCC members. Adoption was proposed by Edna Simkin and seconded by Shane Taylor. Keith and William were thanked for its production.

**6. Presentation of the Electoral Roll:** At the APCM in May 2023 there were 73 on the Roll. At the recent revision 9 people were removed (2 deaths and 7 no longer attending) and 2 new members were added. This gives a total of 66 (33 resident in the Parish and 33 none resident).



## REPORTS

### **Parochial Church Council and Activities of the Parish**

#### *PCC*

St Mary's PCC has met five times since the 2024 APCM, in July, September, November, January and March. The Finance and General Purposes committee has met twice in that period.

Chris Perry resigned as church warden on the 21<sup>st</sup> of February 2025, following his relatively recent move to Pelsall, and is hoping to worship somewhere closer to home. We wish him and his family all the best. Eddie Lear has also resigned as Parish Treasurer following a move out of the area, and we thank him for his many years of service to this church.

Thanks to Secretary Rosemarie Seadon for her excellent minute taking skills, and understanding of (and adept use of) the Church Representation Rules. Thanks to all office holders on the PCC for all their hard work behind the scenes, and particular thanks to Keith as Church Warden, Delia as Parish Safeguarding Officer and Edna as Treasurer.

#### *Safeguarding, Fabric and Finance*

These are covered in their own individual reports, enclosed in this booklet.

#### *Communication*

The website has been redeveloped in the past year, which has been managed by Adam Lubin and William Senteza. Social media accounts on Instagram, Twitter (now X) and Bluesky have been created in addition to the Facebook group, all of which publicise church services and other activities.

#### *Worship, Ministry and Mission*

The eleven o'clock Sunday Parish Eucharist, and eight o'clock BCP Holy Communion services continue, as does the Friday Morning Prayer service which has a steady congregation. Christmas Services were reasonably well attended, and I look forward to my first Holy Week and Easter here at St Mary's. A new midweek said Eucharist service has been introduced on Wednesdays mornings. This started during the Advent season in 2024 and has a small but dedicated group who attend most weeks.

The Lent Study group is currently underway, and has been looking at the Psalms (using Charlie Bells book, "Searched Me Out and Known Me: Journeying Lent with The Psalms"). There will be another study group during Advent, with details of the materials to be used advertised closer to the time.

St Mary's continues to be incredibly lucky to have two excellent readers as part of the ministry team, Ruth Cooper and Eureka Dreyton. Both act as liturgical deacon on Sundays,

and are integral parts of the ministry team at St Mary's. Grateful thanks to both Ruth and Eureka for their hard work here.

Khadeem Duncan-Banerjee resigned as the St Mary's Director of Music in January, and his final Sunday was the 16<sup>th</sup> of February. Presentations and thanks were offered for all his hard work here over the past three years. And the advertisement for the interim director of music role is out. Thanks to Katia, the composer in residence who has been playing the organ for the eleven o'clock Parish Eucharists recently. The choir continues to receive singing lessons in school on Wednesday and Thursdays and the hope is to have them return to singing on Sunday mornings after Easter.

Parish ministry continues at St Mary's in day-to-day pastoral ministry. At the time of writing, since my installation there have been; five funerals at St Mary's, one baptism, with one wedding booked in for the summer months. The close working relationship with St Mary's Academy is good. The school had their end of term service in the church at Christmas, and will be having their Easter end of term service here too. I am a governor on the Local Governors Board for St Mary's Academy (which part of the Fioretti Trust).

#### *Personal Note*

I wish to add my thanks for the incredibly warm welcome that Jules, and myself have had over the past six months. It has been a joy and privilege to serve as your Rector, and it is hard to put into words how supported and valued I have felt over recent months. Thank you to all who helped keep this magnificent place going during the interregnum, and to everyone who contributes in any way, big or small, to make sure we bring glory to God in this place. Thank you.

Rector: The Revd Elizabeth Longhurst

## **Electoral Roll**

2025 is the year in which the Electoral Roll has been completely revised and a new roll prepared. The new St Mary's electoral roll, collated earlier this year, has 50 people on it. A copy of the roll will be available for inspection at the APCM.

## **Safeguarding**

Since May 2024, we have now adopted a new policy and procedures, which is the one recommended by The Church Of England under Safer Church and Safer Recruitment. (This is available to view on the church notice boards in the porch, by the north door, on the website, and is based on: <https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2019-10/ParishSafeGuardingHandBookAugust2019Web.pdf>).



We have had several emails to the Safeguarding email all of which have been dealt with, one of these had to go to the Police. Other matters were dealt with via assistance from the Safeguarding Team at the Diocese with the correct action taken.

All of the PCC are DBS checked. All have completed the required training. Any adults involved with the choir have all been enhanced DBS checked.

A new Fire Procedure has been introduced. Equipment and signs have been bought/designed and in the main, these are now up.

The PCC has been made aware of a Lockdown procedure.

The Dashboard is on 100%.

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Delia Arnold

## **Fabric**

This year has included continued maintenance, both planned and reactive, of the ancient building we have custody of. The Rector has been informed that we are due to have the periodic quinquennial report carried out this year which will provide a good picture of the fabric of St Mary's church as it stands.

In August last year we were unfortunately broken into four times. Three of which happened in the same 24-hour time period. This impacted the small door on the North side of the church, and the windows in the toilet. Repairs to the door are long lasting, and have been sealed with grey sealant, and will be painted black once the weather is more consistent. The August 2024 break-ins, in conjunction with the break-in in September 2023 (which impacted the refectory window on the West side of the church), means that two stained glass windows are now in urgent need of repair. Quotations are currently being sought for these repairs, for the insurance provider. These break-ins also resulted in the theft of the majority of the live streaming equipment. Again, this is being followed up with the insurance provider.

There have also been issues with the heating system this winter which resulted in having to call out the boiler manufacturer to review. This was remedied, but did result in some cold weeks in the church, especially over the Christmas Tree Festival. There has also been a problem with a heating control problem in the Wyrley chapel which suffered from unexpected water ingress. This is in the process of being fixed.

The tower clocks recently underwent their annual service, and were found to be in good condition.

A list of things to explore in the next 12 months from a fabric perspective are as follows:

1. Updating fire safety protocols and equipment - this is underway
2. Repair the hearing loop system - quotations are being sought for this
3. Annual service of the heating system - to include exploration of how to reduce heating costs
4. Windows - seek health check of all windows are water ingress during stormy weather
5. Windows damaged in recent burglaries, to be repaired/replaced
6. North facing door - ensure secure and in good condition following burglaries and repairs (including locks)
7. External stone work needs a review - this will be picked up in the quinquennial inspection and subsequent report
8. Roof condition needs to be reviewed - this will be picked up in the quinquennial inspection and subsequent report
9. The Dip on the external pathway at the east end of the church needs to be investigated and repaired
10. Tiles at the end of the chancel/sanctuary area need be secured and reset
11. Installation of CCTV is to be explored and actioned for additional security of the building

It is likely that a lot of the above will be picked up as part of the quinquennial inspection, and the resultant report will detail which fabric projects should be deemed the highest priority moving forward.

Rector: The Revd Elizabeth Longhurst  
Church Warden: Keith Hemmings

## **Deanery Synod**

**Deanery Synod met on 20<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at St. Bernard's Church.**

The main subject of discussion was finance related. We looked at money coming in and out of the diocese and how that is managed and spent. We looked at which churches were

meeting their suggested Parish Giving and it was stressed again that this is a voluntary payment.

1. The Diocesan office is under – resourced.
2. The Cathedral pays into and receives from the Common Fund
3. Milawi receives £25-30K annually and Bolivia £5K presently
4. There is no allocation for mission work
5. We receive financial help from Gloucester Diocese e.g. an interest free loan

Factors that limit us from contributing more include:

1. Churches with older member
2. The level of welcome in a church makes members more or less likely to give
3. There is a need to resource churches in order to equip members to be team players
4. There is a lack of transparency about how rich or poor the church is and its need for hel
5. A giving church gives not only money but skills and talents

Also discussed was Environmental Issues (Net Zero)

Our current DEC has moved , but a new one is in post. Though the departure of Eve Pitts leaves another spot of a DEC if anyone is interested.

A Lay Chair needed to be elected.

There was a brief reflection on General Synod

**The November meeting was held at St. Mary's on November 28<sup>th</sup>.** I was unable to attend, but from the minutes:

Canon Dr. Andrew Smith, Bishop's Advisor on Interfaith Relations led the discussion about the Gaza-Israeli conflict.

1. Birmingham has 400,000 Christians, 380,000 Muslims and 1800 Jews
2. Prayers should be focused on  
peace and justice for Christian brothers and sisters

hostage release and cessation of violence

peace in UK

God's will be done

Beyond prayer let us do something positive – Write to our MP, protest well (!),  
fundraise.

Deanery Synod Member: Ruth Cooper



## Social Committee

Our new rector, Lizzie Longhurst was installed on 30 September last year. Thus begins a new era in the life of St Mary's. She very quickly put her shoulder to the wheel so that when preparations for our largest and most important fund raising event begun in late October, she enthusiastically joined the team. Despite some challenges, a depleted team of workers and most unfavourable weather, the event was most successful.

We were also involved in the Carols in the Park service in support of the Salvation Army and the popular Nine Lessons and Carols.

In February we hosted our annual parish Candlemass meal in the hall. A delicious three course meal was served and fellowship and bonhomie abounded. We would like to welcome more members of the congregation to this happy occasion.

I would like to thank Lizzie, Jules and all the members of our small committee for their fellowship, co-operation and hard work over the past six months. All moneys raised go into church funds.

Social Committee Member: Shane Taylor

## Bell Ringers

### HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (ST MARY)

### ST. MARY'S BELLRINGERS

### YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2024

### BELL TOWER FUND

#### Receipts:

Ringing School	60.00
Ringing Masterclass	50.00
Wedding	<u>20.00</u>
	130.00

#### Payments:

Christmas tree festival	<u>15.00</u>
	15.00

Balance in hand 1.1.24	<u>1251.00</u>
Balance in hand 31.12.24	1366.00

Cash in hand	20.59
TSB Bank	<u>1345.41</u>
	<u>1366.00</u>

## AIMS

To ring the Church bells prior to services to 'call people to worship'. We aim to ring every Sunday from 10.40 – 11am.

To ring for weddings when requested.

To teach new recruits to ring to ensure continuity of the band. New members are always welcome.

To ring commemorative quarter peals or peals to mark special events.

To maintain the ring of bells in good working order. To this end we have a bell tower fund in which we collect fees for weddings and from visitors who make a donation when they ring quarter peals, peals or visit on an outing. This money can then be used for repairs, e.g. new ropes and stays.

## ANNUAL REPORT

We continue to ring for the 11am service on Sundays whenever possible and for special services which this year included the Induction of our new Rector Elizabeth Longhurst, who I am pleased to say can ring and we hope will join our practices. We rang in the New Year and rang for one wedding.

The Ringing school have continued to use the tower for sessions on a Saturday morning.

We would welcome more recruits to enable us to have all 8 bells rung on a Sunday morning.

Practice night is Wednesday at 8pm.

Tower Captain: Rosemarie Seadon

## Church Hall

### *General update*

The hall is presently regularly used by four main groups. Bellford Stage School (Dance and Speech) Tuesday, Wednesdays and occasional Saturdays, (term time) and the Lighthouse Chapel Church every Sunday and occasional additional days. Last Sunday of the month Enugu State Association (February to October) and Elite Active Children's Holiday club (week to two weeks) during school holidays.

We continue to receive regular (weekly/fortnightly) enquiries for use of the hall for one off functions such as parties, Henna evenings, and meetings.

General confirmed bookings remain low. This is in part due limited availability to open and close the hall for proposed events. After a long period of being operated by one person over the last year some additional assistance has been provided which has helped to increase the chances of converting enquiries into bookings.

### *Hall Condition*

The hall continues to experience difficulties with the flooring. A number of boards are loose or broken, or warped. Water ingress continues to be experienced down one side of the hall

wall. Indeed water interference has led to electrical outage including loss of heating which is still being experienced presently.

Large store room remains a wasted space full of clutter and old toys/equipment.

Other remedial work required includes replacing radiator covers, and repair of a hole in external fire door. Chair rack wheel is buckling and the unit may need replacing at some point.

May also benefit from changing heating timer to something more efficient.

Pest problem continues with mice despite repellent being placed around.

### *Summary*

The last refurbishment of the hall took place in advance of the church reordering which was some years ago. The hall requires ongoing attention. Hire price has not been reviewed or changed for at least 4 years. However any price change/increase would need to take into account its current condition.

Church Hall Bookings Manager: Chris Hazeley-Jones

## **Mothers Union**

Our AGM took place in March 2024 and Eureka was voted in as Chair, Edna is treasurer and Ruth became secretary.

Meetings had been altered and moved due to the availability of people. It seems we all have so many other calls on our time.

However, among the highlights were a strawberries and cream tea, a cheese and wine party and Christmas sweet making (always popular). As you can see, we enjoy our food and drink!

Edna led a lovely flower arranging session, where we all had small table decorations to take home.

Rosemarie got us handbell ringing. She has the patience of a saint! It was great fun.

In the beginning of 2025 we held our belated Christmas meal, to which we were pleased to welcome Lizzie, who agreed to become our chaplain.

During the year we have welcomed some new members and we are one of the groups that is actually growing.

Once again we supported Women's Aid and Eureka represented us as a prison visitor.

Mothers Union is open to all. The new programme will be out soon. Visitors are always welcome.

Secretary of the Mothers Union: Ruth Cooper



# Financial Accounts for year end 31/12/2024

## REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

### TO THE MEMBERS OF THE P.C.C. OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF HANDSWORTH, ST. MARY

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

The P.C.C. members are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The P.C.C. considers that an audit is not required this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:


- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down under the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5) (b) ) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether any particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the financial records did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the financial statements did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns, and I 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 financial statements to be reached.



LAURENCE E PARKES FCA  
Chartered Accountant  
Birmingham

15 March 2025

**HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St. Mary)**  
**PARISH BALANCE SHEET as at 31st DECEMBER 2024**

	Unrestricted & Designated Funds £	Restricted & Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	<i>Comparative figures</i>	Unrestricted & Designated Funds £	Restricted & Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £
<b>PARISH FUNDS</b>							
Capital Funds	-	344,468	344,468	Capital Funds	-	328,095	328,095
Church Hall Capital	-	3,228	3,228	Church Hall Capital	-	3,228	3,228
St. Mary's Fabric	-	14,954	14,954	St. Mary's Fabric	-	8,201	8,201
General Funds	99,989	-	99,989	General Funds	112,126	-	112,126
Total Funds Held	99,989	362,650	462,639	Total Funds Held	112,126	339,524	451,650
Investments	50,129	344,468	394,597	Investments	44,466	328,095	372,561
Current Assets:				Current Assets:			
Amounts receivable	-	-	-	Amounts receivable	-	-	-
Bank balances	51,952	18,182	70,134	Bank balances	71,587	11,429	83,016
Current Liabilities:				Current Liabilities:			
Amounts payable	(2,092)	-	(2,092)	Amounts payable	(3,927)	-	(3,927)
Net Current Assets	49,860	18,182	68,042	Net Current Assets	67,660	11,429	79,089
Total Net Assets	99,989	362,650	462,639	Total Net Assets	112,126	339,524	451,650

The financial statements were approved by The Parochial Church Council - the Board of Trustees, and authorised for issue on and were signed on its behalf by:

  
Trustee

  
Trustee

<b>HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St.MARY)</b>			
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024			
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS (CONSOLIDATED)			
	Unrestricted	Restricted &	Total
	& Designated	Endowment	Funds
	Funds	Funds	2024
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary receipts	51,741	280	52,021
Activities for generating funds	47,528	-	47,528
Investment income	5,263	7,358	12,621
	104,532	7,638	112,170
PAYMENTS			
Church Activities	122,330	462	122,792
(Deficit) Surplus for the year	(17,798)	7,176	(10,622)
Change in value of investments	5,661	15,950	21,612
Balances at 1st January	112,126	339,524	451,650
Balances at 31st December	99,989	362,650	462,640
<i>Previous year</i>			
	Unrestricted	Restricted &	Total
	& Designated	Endowment	Funds
	Funds	Funds	2023
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS			
Voluntary receipts	97,528	258	97,786
Activities for generating funds	15,358	-	15,358
Investment income	4,999	6,500	11,498
	117,884	6,758	124,642
PAYMENTS			
Church Activities	89,470	585	90,055
(Deficit) Surplus for the year	28,415	6,172	34,587
Change in value of investments	1,956	14,933	16,889
Transfers			
Balances at 1st January	81,755	318,419	400,174
Balances at 31st December	112,126	339,524	451,650



<b>HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St. MARY)</b>							
<b>YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024</b>							
<b>PARISH ACCOUNTS (UNRESTRICTED FUNDS)</b>							
	St. Mary's	Church	Total	St. Mary's	Church	Total	
		Hall	2024		Hall	2023	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	
<b>RECEIPTS</b>							
<b>Regular Giving:</b>							
Gift Aided Receipts	15,455		15,455	18,632		18,632	
Other pledged giving	10,531		10,531	9,573		9,573	
Income Tax recovered	8,604		8,604	9,266		9,266	
Open	3,192		3,192	2,988		2,988	
			-				
	37,782		37,782	40,459		40,459	
<b>Other voluntary receipts:</b>							
Baptisms, weddings & funerals	831		831	4,472	-	4,472	
Donations	5,939		5,939	3,374	-	3,374	
Sum Up & Live Streaming	710		710	1,459	-	1,459	
Rectory Refurbishment Grant	500		500	-	-	-	
Legacy	2,500		2,500	-	-	-	
Fees	2,642		2,642	-	-	-	
Keble College Grant	-		-	-	2,000	2,000	
	13,123		13,123	9,305	2,000	11,305	
<b>Receipts from activities generating funds:</b>							
Lettings	-	13,857	13,857	-	12,785	12,785	
Fundraising	2,041	-	2,041	2,573	-	2,573	
	2,041	13,857	15,898	2,573	12,785	15,358	
<b>Receipts from investments:</b>							
Trust income (M&G Arrand)	3,587	-	3,587	3,408	-	3,408	
Substation rent	-	75	75	-	75	75	
Interest TSB	-	141	141	-	79	79	
	3,587	216	3,803	3,408	154	3,562	
<b>Other sundry receipts</b>							
	192		192	769		769	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>56,724</b>	<b>14,073</b>	<b>70,798</b>	<b>56,514</b>	<b>14,939</b>	<b>71,453</b>	
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>57,246</b>	<b>15,819</b>	<b>73,065</b>	<b>57,222</b>	<b>11,175</b>	<b>68,397</b>	
<b>Surplus / Deficit) for the year</b>	<b>(522)</b>	<b>(1,746)</b>	<b>(2,267)</b>	<b>(708)</b>	<b>3,764</b>	<b>3,056</b>	
<b>(Loss) / Gain in investments</b>	<b>5,662</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,662</b>	<b>1,956</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,956</b>	
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>5,140</b>	<b>(1,746)</b>	<b>3,394</b>	<b>1,248</b>	<b>3,764</b>	<b>5,012</b>	
<b>Balances at 1st January</b>	<b>41,008</b>	<b>27,538</b>	<b>68,546</b>	<b>39,760</b>	<b>23,774</b>	<b>63,534</b>	
<b>Balances at 31st December</b>	<b>46,148</b>	<b>25,792</b>	<b>71,940</b>	<b>41,008</b>	<b>27,538</b>	<b>68,546</b>	

<b>HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St. MARY)</b>							
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024							
PARISH ACCOUNTS (UNRESTRICTED FUNDS)							
	St. Mary's	Church Hall	Total	St. Mary's	Church Hall	Total	
	£	£	2024	£		2023	
PAYMENTS							
Common Fund	5,000		5,000	18,000		18,000	
Church Service:							
Service expenses	1,869		1,869	3,425		3,425	
Ecclesiastical requisites	1,127		1,127	609		609	
Organist	4,800		4,800	4,800		4,800	
	7,796		7,796	8,834		8,834	
Church Maintenance:							
Electricity	6,708		6,708	4,368		4,368	
Gas	7,732		7,732	9,137		9,137	
Insurance	10,514		10,514	10,176		10,176	
Sundry repairs and maintenance	11,627		11,627	1,540		1,540	
Cleaning	-		-	704		704	
Internet	4,083		4,083	-		-	
	40,664		40,664	25,925		25,925	
Clergy Housing:							
Water rates and insurance			-	233		233	
Utilities	532		532	529		529	
Alarm service	102		102	90		90	
	634		634	852		852	
Clergy expenses:							
Telephone	303		303	217		217	
Motor and travelling	65		65	-		-	
Stationery	55		55	-		-	
	423		423	217		217	
Church Hall Maintenance							
Cleaning			-		830	830	
Water charges		897	897		536	536	
Electricity		7,522	7,522		1,846	1,846	
Gas		3,178	3,178		3,947	3,947	
Repairs and maintenance		1,099	1,099		1,213	1,213	
Alarm		1,056	1,056		966	966	
Insurance		1,446	1,446		1,404	1,404	
Other expenses		621	621		433	433	
		15,819	15,819		11,175	11,175	
Other Expenses:							
Printing, postage & stationery	2,173		2,173	4,149		4,149	
Sundry expenses	556		556	97		97	
	2,729		2,729	4,246		4,246	
Total Payments	57,246	15,819	73,065	57,222	11,175	68,397	



HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St.MARY)											
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024											
PARISH ACCOUNTS											
RESTRICTED											
	St.	Church	Total		St.	Church	Total				
	Mary	Hall			Mary	Hall					
	Fabric	Capital	2024		Fabric	Capital	2023				
	£	£	£		£	£	£				
RECEIPTS											
Voluntary Income:											
Gift Aided Receipts	228		228		210		210				
Income Tax recovered	52		52		48		48				
	280		280		258		258				
Investment income:											
Timms Trust BSL	6,473		6,473		5,980		5,980				
Total Income	6,753		6,753		6,238		6,238				
Outgoings	-		-		-		-				
Net Income / Outgoings	6,753		6,753		6,238		6,238				
Balances at 1st January	8,201	3,228	11,429		1,963	3,228	5,191				
Balances at 31st December	14,954	3,228	18,182		8,201	3,228	11,429				



**HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St. MARY)**  
**YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024**  
**PARISH ACCOUNTS (DESIGNATED FUNDS)**

	St. Mary's Special Projects £	Music & Choir £	Total 2024 £	St. Mary's Special Projects £	Music & Choir £	Total 2023 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>						
<b>Investment income:</b>						
CBF interest (James Watt & Curates)	1,460	-	1,460	1,437	-	1,437
<b>Receipts from Activities</b>						
Concerts - cash	-	565	565	-	4,912	4,912
Concerts - Sum up	-	80	80	-	2,009	2,009
<b>Other income:</b>						
Parsonage Fund	-	-	-	1,850	-	1,850
Birmingham Diocesan Multi-Academy Trust	-	6,292	6,292	-	2,475	2,475
Donations	-	7,156	7,156	-	15,408	15,408
Grants	-	18,182	18,182	-	18,340	18,340
	<u>1,460</u>	<u>32,275</u>	<u>33,734</u>	<u>3,287</u>	<u>43,145</u>	<u>46,432</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>						
<b>Expenditure:</b>						
Choir	-	9,900	9,900	-	7,876	7,876
Concerts	-	4,989	4,989	-	7,688	7,688
Church	-	500	500	-	975	975
Musicians	-	33,875	33,875	-	4,093	4,093
Photocopying	-	-	-	-	442	442
<b>Expenditure:</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>49,265</u>	<u>49,265</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,074</u>	<u>21,074</u>
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for year</b>	1,460	(16,990)	(15,530)	3,287	22,071	25,358
<b>Balances at 1st January</b>	10,314	33,265	43,579	7,027	11,194	18,221
<b>Balances at 31st December</b>	<u>11,774</u>	<u>16,275</u>	<u>28,049</u>	<u>10,314</u>	<u>33,265</u>	<u>43,579</u>

<b>HANDSWORTH PARISH CHURCH (St.MARY)</b>						
<b>YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024</b>						
<b>PARISH ACCOUNTS ENDOWMENTS)</b>						
					Church	
	Timms	Arrand	Assistant	James	Hall	
	Bequest	Legacy	Clergy	Watt	Residue	Total
	Capital	Capital	Capital	Capital	Capital	2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>						
Investment income					885	885
CBF Interest						
<b>PAYMENTS</b>						
Investment management fees	(462)					(462)
Deficit for the year	(462)				885	423
Change in value of investments	7,867	1,491	6,591	()		15,948
Balances at 1st January	201,738	64,161	43,538	9,042	9,618	328,097
Balances at 31st December	209,143	65,652	50,129	9,042	10,503	344,468
<b>Previous year</b>						
					Church	
	Timms	Arrand	Assistant	James	Hall	
	Bequest	Legacy	Clergy	Watt	Residue	Total
	Capital	Capital	Capital	Capital	Capital	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>RECEIPTS</b>						
Investment income						
CBF Interest					520	520
<b>PAYMENTS</b>						
Investment management fees	(585)					(585)
Deficit for the year	(585)				520	(65)
Change in value of investments	11,452	(1,376)	4,074	784		14,934
Balances at 1st January	190,871	65,537	39,464	8,258	9,098	313,228
Balances at 31st December	201,738	64,161	43,538	9,042	9,618	328,097