

St. Peter's Church, Kington



Becoming the people God calls us to be  
Loving  
God,  
Serving  
People,  
Growing  
Community



**Annual Report for the**  
**St Peter's, Kington APCM.**  
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## *Letter from the Vicar*

Dear friends,

I have been moved to tears as I've read through all the reports for this year's APCM. With so much negative in the world, it is very encouraging to read about all the positive things that are going on in the life of St Peter's church. We have a community here that is growing in love of God, in service to others and in fellowship with each other. That community sits at the heart of a network of over 200 volunteers of all faiths and beliefs, that looks to reach out and bless the community and I feel so privileged to be part of this amazing community.

It's encouraging to read and be reminded about

- The new people that are joining our church.
- The new families that are joining in with many of our church activities, events, and services. In particular:
  - The joy of seeing the growth in the young people who help lead the Simply Celebrate service.
  - The huge success of the new Toddler soft Play – Simply Play
  - The new children joining Sunday School and Simply Sing.
- The many people who have been blessed by our serving people ministries in this country and abroad.
- The growing number of volunteers (over 200) that we have supporting so many of our ministries here in church and the community.
- And more...

It was great to be able to support Alison Abbott as she was priested last July, and to welcome Matthew Arnold as he was ordained deacon on the same day. Matthew, Lynn and Clement have been a wonderful addition to our community and having two curates has enabled us to do even more as a church

I am grateful to all the clergy and lay people on our leadership teams, for the wisdom and energy that they bring to the church.

There is a lot to give thanks for... We are blessed here at St Peter's with a great church family who are becoming the people God calls us to be. We are seeing people maturing in the Christian faith, serving those in need and growing closer in fellowship. And in all this, God is adding to our number.

Thank you all for the time, talents, money, and energy that you give in serving God and people.

**Barry Jackson**

# Loving God Ministries

*Helping one another to grow in the **knowledge** and love of God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We know that people encounter God and learn in many different ways, so we continue to offer different services, prayer meetings, groups, events, and courses to help people on their journey.*

## Families, youth, and children's work

There continues to be the vision for seeing children welcomed into the church community. Families and young people are being reached out to, and the love of God shared with them through the events and services on offer. This year has seen the addition of Simply Play, Simply Sing and 10:10.



### Simply Celebrate

This happens once a month and engages the children and families in the congregation. A light breakfast is served, and refreshments are available before and during the service. The service consists of drama, songs, craft/activity, talk and games and is upbeat with a celebratory vibe. Usually, we have 5 or 6 families who attend with children and roughly 12 children who are regularly participating.



### Simply Play

This happens every Wednesday morning during term time. The session is available to all pre-school aged children and their parents and carers. There are currently around 30 families on role. The families participate in soft play, crafts, singing, stories, and socialising. The church provides hot drinks and cakes/biscuits. Several Mothers Union members volunteer to help with the clearing up during and after the session.

### Sunday School

This happens every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday morning at Kineton Primary School. Regular helpers are Abi Chapleo, Liz Host, Katie Hartless Rose and AnnMarie Lando. Sarah Jackson is on standby if more adult helpers are required. The session runs for 75 minutes and attracts between 10-20 children. Songs, games, drama, talk, and crafts are involved. Sessions are promoted on social media and in school assemblies.



### Simply Sing

We have an after-school club held at Kineton Primary School that currently has 15 children on role. Ages range from Year 2 (6/7-year-olds) through to Year 6 (10/11-year-olds). The focus is on engaging with the children through songs, puppetry, drama, craft, games,



and snacks. There are performances in church services and school assemblies. The children especially enjoy the freedom to create their own short plays with puppets and props. Sessions currently run on Wednesdays from 3:15 – 4:15pm.

**Liz Host-Elofson**

## **Connect**

Connect has continued to meet monthly at the Vicarage on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month. We have a fabulous group of young people that enjoy food together, play games and discuss various topics. There are 6-9 young people aged 13-16 years who attend and it's always lots of fun! If you know anyone interested in joining, please do encourage them to come along on the first Sunday of the month at 6pm at the Vicarage!



In Oct-Nov '23 we ran a pilot of the *Difference* course for youth on 6 consecutive Sundays, exploring conflict from different perspectives. We had 80% attendance across the six weeks and great feedback from our young people. Sarah attended a review session with the Archbishop of Canterbury's "Difference team" on Nov 18<sup>th</sup> in London and will visit Lambeth palace on 8<sup>th</sup> May to celebrate the official launch of the Difference for Youth programme.

We have recently started the *Follow* course-this is running over 3 consecutive Sundays, preparing some of our young people for confirmation on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June. This is really exciting as it has attracted young people from both of our Connect and 10:10 youth groups as well as new young people from a different church 😊.

## **10:10**

As we have more and more young people reaching the point where they would really benefit from being in a youth group environment, we decided to start a new group for 10–12-year-olds. This runs on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month and the name 10:10 comes from John chapter 10, verse 10-in summary "Life in all its fullness" and we certainly have experienced life in extreme fullness during these sessions!! We started in January of this year and have run 4 sessions to date...we have 11 young people registered and an average attendance of 9. This is a *lively* group and we run it in a similar format to Connect-starting with pizza, cake & discussion followed by games. The feedback so far is that the young people wish we could run it more regularly, but Mel, Barry & I are happy to keep it at once a month for now. 😊



## Sunday Morning Children's Group

Children between 18 months and 12 years old are welcome to join the session in the vestry after the start of the service on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> (and 5<sup>th</sup>) Sundays of each month. The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month is our Simply Celebrate all age service and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month is Sunday school. We offer activities and crafts to help children develop their faith. There tends to be between 4 - 6 children attending, and more for a special occasions- we had 15 on Easter Sunday.

There is a rota to help assist with this group and we now have a healthy number of volunteer leaders & helpers to support this, some of these very new additions to our church family. Thank you to this relatively new team for their faithful service, enthusiasm, and dedication! 😊

**Sarah Jackson**

## Services

We have continued to develop our range of services to help people encounter God:

- 8:30am **BCP** communion once a month.
- 10:30am service with **contemporary worship** which also has communion twice a month.
- Our first Sunday services, **Simply Celebrate**, continues to run successfully with breakfast beforehand and a great team of local families to help run the service.
- **Sunday School** continues to be popular, and we've had a number of parents join the church service whilst their kids are at Sunday School.
- **Bishop John** came to preach and lead us in a service or renewal in the Holy Spirit in July. For many years Bishop John has been the spiritual father of the diocese, and it was wonderful to welcome him here and be ministered to by him before he retired.
- **The Table** is a new style of service where we enjoy a bring-and-share brunch, get to know each other, explore the Bible and encounter God in food and conversation. We've had three of these services so far and they have been very popular.
- We've continued to run **'Pints of View'** in the Swan once a month and this is growing in popularity.
- We've just launched a new monthly service called 'Breathing Space', offering a short service with mindful and meditative prayer to help people release tension and find peace in the busyness of life.





- Festival services, like Carols in the Market Square, continue to be major celebrations. And it was wonderful to be able to have a church full of people for the crib service again. It was great fun, if not a little scary, with the pass-the-parcel rugby style game, and very moving as everyone waved their phone lights as we sang along to Angels.



Our services involve an incredibly large number of people that work together to organise rotas, set up, welcome, organise breakfasts, make teas and coffees, lead the prayers, lead the sung worship, offer prayer ministry, decorate the church, clean the church, etc. as well as the team that leads and preaches at services.

We can only offer the wide range of things we do because of the dedicated work of our volunteers. **You are all amazing!** Thank you to everyone involved in our services, for all that you are doing 😊

**Barry Jackson**

## Faith and Life Courses

Team: Barry Jackson, Sarah Jackson, Beren Hartless

### Foundations

We offer “Foundations” – a 2-hour course – to all those who are planning a church wedding. We structure the session around the words spoken during the wedding service. It’s intended to help couples understand a little more about the vows that they will make on their wedding day, and how the vows relate to Christian Faith. So, we cover the basics of “What is God Like?” “Who is Jesus?” “What do we mean by ‘blessing’ and ‘covenant’?” On average we get 3 – 6 couples on each course, and the feedback is positive – couples value this opportunity, making the vows much more meaningful when the Big Day comes!



### Building Lasting Relationships

This marriage prep course is focussed on a life together after the wedding day. We explore a number of themes with wedding couples; the things that can cause conflict (like differences in personality, love languages, and family traditions) and the ways that we can navigate that conflict (disagreeing well, forgiveness, listening skills, self-awareness, etc).





## Encountering the Risen Jesus

Over 100 people joined us for the Easter Season series last year as Barry's book of Easter reflections was made available for free on the 'substack' online platform.

## Explore

We ran the Explore course on the **Life Keys platform** during the summer term of 2023. We invited people to take the course as preparation for the renews service with Bishop John in July. 32 people joined us on the course and feedback was extremely encouraging.



## Les Mis

We repeated the 2016 Lent course on Les Mis. 3 new home groups formed for the course and are continuing to meet or planning to meet again.



## Follow

In preparation for the baptism and confirmation service on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2024, we've been running a sermon series with discussion groups to explore what it means to be a disciple of Jesus in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. We've been running this with our young people as well as with adults. 4 of our young people and 3 adults have asked to be baptised/confirmed. We also have several other young people and adults from other churches that are joining us for the service on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Barry Jackson**

## Revelation course

The Monday night homegroup, led by Sally Stanton, did a course on the Book of Revelation before Lent, written by Beren Hartless and Matthew Arnold. Much of the course is now on the Life Keys app. The course looks to demystify a complex and sometimes confusing book of the Bible. We are hoping to run the course again in this next year.

**Beren Hartless**



# Serving People ministries

*Helping one another to identify and develop our gifts and talents in order that each of us can serve where God is calling us to make a difference.*

*We help one another find the areas where God has given us a passion to make a difference. Our serving people ministries are specific church activities where we work together to bless people and help bring God's kingdom here on earth.*

## Community Projects

Our community projects aim to help the church engage with its responsibilities in the world, but their focus is within the community in which we live.

Community projects like these, and the many other ways in which our churches serve our communities, reflect the incarnational work that Jesus calls us to; looking to love and bless our neighbour in need. Thank you to the many people from across the benefice that give their time and effort to make them possible.

## Fosse Foodbank

**Project Coordinator:** Fiona Penson

**Core team:** Chris Cartwright, Olga Satterley, Mike Trotman, Martin Birch, David Muldoon.



The Fosse foodbank has had its busiest year yet, with the cost-of-living crisis continuing to have an impact on the number of people needing to use the foodbank. In the last 12 months (apr23-24), we distributed 1821 food parcels, a 39% increase on the previous year.



In addition to the regular food parcels, we also distributed over 70 summer hampers and over 80 Christmas hampers to families on free school meals.

Donations of food have remained steady with more than 24 tonnes of food donated over the year, a 9% increase on the year before. However, as there has been such an increase in demand for food, we have regularly become short of some items and had to purchase nearly 2 tonnes of food.

Our warehouse in St. Peter's church continues to operate twice a week on Monday and Thursday afternoons and we have a fantastic team of dedicated volunteers who

keep the warehouse running smoothly and make sure our 4 centres keep stocked up with food.

The Kinton distribution centre is open every Thursday from 12.30 -2pm in St Peter's Church. We have a great team of volunteers who welcome people who've been referred to the foodbank, prepare food parcels and arrange deliveries.

We have a further 50 volunteers working across our 3 other centres, Southam, Wellesbourne and Bishop's Itchington, which have all seen an increase in the number of people needing food, especially in the past 6 months.

We are very grateful to all our volunteers who work hard to keep the foodbank running. We are also very grateful to everyone who has donated to the food bank and supported us over a busy year.

More details on [www.fosse.foodbank.org.uk](http://www.fosse.foodbank.org.uk) or contact [Fiona@fosse.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:Fiona@fosse.foodbank.org.uk)

***Fiona Penson***

## **GIFT Project**

### **GIFT – Domestic Report**

GIFT has been making a difference this past year, offering vital support to people in need.

GIFT has facilitated or provided practical help, furniture, soft furnishings, white goods, carpets, essential cooking equipment, clothing, toys, transport, companionship, and much more.



Both single people and families have been supported and befriended by GIFT volunteer. Their reasons for requiring support are varied, for example, situational poverty, disability, bereavement, domestic violence, refugee status, depression, and dependency etc.

GIFT worked closely with Matthew who liaised with the agencies involved in the settlement of refugee families nearby and volunteers built up stocks of clothing and toys in readiness for future families as well as existing ones. Here, as well as soft furnishings, kitchen equipment and other essentials, UK lifestyle essentials such as mobile phones, laptops, cycles and more were necessary. GIFT has been supported by the generosity of outside agencies, examples include Faith Works in Banbury and Wellesbourne Lions.

The blessing of GIFT has made a real impact. One person, managing without essential furniture and furnishings for a very long time said:

*'It was wonderful to have furniture, really made a difference. The sofa and the chairs are so comfortable and to have somewhere to put things upstairs has been great. To have a bed to sleep in is amazing'.*

Another

*'I came with nothing. GIFT helped a lot and gave me a future. We have a sofa, furniture, kitchen equipment. It would have taken me a very long time to get together what we need'.*

GIFT has seen the face of a child alight with discovery when a box of toys has been delivered and a mother's smile when she was given crockery and cutlery, pots and pans and could begin to provide for her family again, and GIFT has witnessed a father's relief at the safety, security, and settling of his family.

***Lesley Turner***

***On behalf of the GIFT volunteers***

### **Gift – Refugee support.**

In December 2023 two families of refugees were home nearby before Christmas. GIFT was asked to take the lead in supporting them to settle into their new homes, assess their additional needs over and above those met by the housing and basic amenities provided. Overall support and responsibility is afforded by Warwickshire County Council and the various agencies who provide other specific support and with whom GIFT meets regularly to exchange information and join together to coordinate tasks and activities.

GIFT met with both families and provided a of clothes, shoes, electrical and domestic items gathered, assessed, and tested by a variety of committed volunteers embedded in our communities. Emergency Foodbank parcels were also coordinated before the Christmas holiday period.

Our thanks to the various volunteers that made this provision possible and to meet the needs of each family in a short period of time. Meeting with the families enabled a pastoral relationship to be built and regular contact enables GIFT to respond to additional needs that are highlighted through visits and conversations.

During 2024 support will continue to be offered and coordinated with the county council teams.

***Rev'd Matthew Arnold***

***On behalf of GIFT***

## The Bereavement Café

2023 has proved to be another busy year both for the Bereavement



Café (BC) and the Bereavement Journey course. The café continues to meet weekly during term-time at the Kinton Scout Hut which is a flexible space with excellent access and good facilities to support both for the café and the various activities that accompany it through the year. A variety of activities were

offered according to themes assigned to specific meetings across the year including opportunities to engage in ways to continue to process grief and do good 'grief work' led by Dr. Helen Gunton and Dr. Rosie Gray, as well as arts and crafts, games, book reviews and short talks given by participants. One of the BC volunteers also offered to run an additional meeting over the summer as a fun and celebratory event which was well supported and highly appreciated.

Anecdotal feedback from those who attend is very positive, reporting how they find support and growth in their personal bereavement journey both in hearing from each other's experiences and from the close and deepening relationships, welcoming and confidential atmosphere that the café affords. A number of pastoral needs have arisen through private conversations between participants of the group and the volunteers who run the café and encouragement given to point people toward appropriate support outside the café.



The Bereavement Journey course was run three times across each of the Hilary, Trinity and Michaelmas terms respectively. Using the resources provided by the Holy Trinity Brompton Church Bereavement

Journey, the same format as used during previous years has been maintained using the video and guided group work. Attendance has again been consistent with previous years with an average participation of around 12 persons. The course has been led by a variety of volunteers and a number of group facilitators. Again, anecdotal feedback has been very positive and several people in attendance have joined the course at least once before but seek to learn more at a different stage in their bereavement. Primarily the course guides people in the common experiences of grief and encourages participants to carry out their own grief work in order to process their grief personally and in a safe and confidential space to explore ideas together. During 2024, the team plan to assess the new resources offered by the HTB Bereavement Journey and potential introduce them later in the year and to implement some changes according to things that have been learnt through the delivery of this course.

Around the period of All Saints Day, St. Peter's Church held 'A Time to Remember' service and invited those from the BC to join in this time of remembrance for those who have died through a variety of readings from scripture, poetry, prayer and music. Once again, this service was well attended and feedback suggests that it was supportive and well received.

All of the above activities are made possible by a very committed group of volunteers led and coordinated by Dr. Helen Gunton and the support of the St. Peter's Kington PCC, all to whom we are extremely grateful for offering this important and very much needed support to those who are bereaved.

***Rev'd Matthew Arnold***  
***on behalf of the Bereavement Café***

## **Meet & Eat**

Meet and Eat restarted in November 2023 as a simple soup and bread lunch. Attendance has varied between 12 and 24, with an average of 18. Even on the occasions when attendance has been low, it has felt worth it as those who have come have appreciated the conversation and food.



I couldn't do this alone, so a big thank you to everyone who has contributed to the re-launch. Those who make soup, set up chairs and tables, lay tables, serve food, provide floral decoration for the tables, and come along and chat, all contributing to a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

I am hoping that attendance will increase, and it would become a valued meeting place especially, but not exclusively, for those who live alone and for whom a shared meal is a pleasure. With that in mind, I would like to encourage you to draw Meet and Eat to the attention of any friends and neighbours that you think would enjoy it and bring them along if you can.

***Alison Abbott***

## **World Mission Team 2024**

St Peter's gives away 10% of the unrestricted donations we receive, and the World Mission team recommends the charities that we should support. During the year we have been trying to reform the World Mission Team (WMT) and we now have a fledgling group but would welcome new members who have an interest in finding out more about projects in the UK and overseas and sharing what is happening with the St. Peter's family.

In the last year we have been establishing our involvement with the Diocesan

Companionship Links scheme. We have been pleased to welcome Archdeacon George and Bishop Paul and Mama Selline from Kapsabet Diocese in Kenya to Kinton in the last year.

It was good to share with them about their ministries. I think Bishop Paul also particularly enjoyed an impromptu bell ringing lesson! We are now to be linked to an Archdeaconry called Kabiyet, in the Kapsabet diocese and will look forward to developing the links with a new archdeacon there and hope to support a project helping some students with grants to enable them to complete secondary education.

Financially, awards have been made again to *Eco-Workshop; Tools with a Mission (TWAM)* and to *Friends of Ibba Girls School*, South Sudan, where we continue to support teacher Yoanne.

This year we will also be making awards to *Farming Community Network, Embrace the Middle East, Mother's Union* Coventry diocese for its *Away From It All* project, and to *Kapsabet Diocese*.

**Mel Dowden**

## **Mothers' Union Report 2024**



The Mothers' Union is a Christian organisation supporting families worldwide. Membership is open to anyone not just mothers! Although we no longer have a "branch" of the Mother's Union (MU) here at St. Peter's, many have continued our membership of MU as diocesan members, and we are hoping to enrol some new members soon. MU members play an active role in the life of St. Peter's church and in many of its various ministries.

We have also continued to meet socially and have taken part in the following MU initiatives.

- Prayer – All the work of MU is underpinned by prayer!
- Support for toddler group by serving refreshments.
- Support at the new Simply Play group.
- Social gathering for a meal at Park Farm where we celebrated Jeanne Clarke's incredible 70 years of membership & dedication to Mother's Union
- Put up a display in the church highlighting the Mother's Union "Rise Up" and "No More 1 in 3" campaigns, raising awareness of domestic abuse.
- Renewed our links with a MU branch in Nova Scotia, Canada

If you are interested in finding out more about Mother's Union, please speak to Sue Fell, Elizabeth Beaumont, or Melanie Dowden.

**Mel Dowden**

## Schools Report 2023-2024

Within this school year, St Peter's Church has supported Kineton Primary School in a number of ways.

**Collective Worship** – Once a week, a representative from church goes in to assembly to deliver an engaging act of worship. The themes are either taken from the lectionary or led by the school's values. The leader involves the children in a 20-minute



assembly including singing, story, drama, and prayer. This gives the children a positive experience of 'church' what worship can be; it also allows them to become familiar and build relationships with church leaders. We have once termly services in church.

**ISingPop** – We supported the involvement of ISingPop earlier in the year and had a great turn-out from the parents at the concerts held in church. This gave an excellent platform for ministry through upbeat and contemporary worship songs created for children to learn and perform. Emma, from the group, came in to lead workshops in school over a three-day period. She taught songs and dance moves; she also taught the children about aspects of the Christian faith that tied into the songs. The music is still being used in school and enjoyed by the children who have remembered the messages behind the songs. It was very encouraging to see the Christian faith being shared in such a dynamic and empowering way in the school.

**After-School Clubs** – Wacky Wednesday/Simply Sing takes place most Wednesdays after school. Led by Liz, the children enjoy puppets, singing, dancing, biscuits, stories, and games. The vision is to connect with the children at school, to build relationships with them and their families and give them opportunities to share life together in fun and interesting ways. Since September, around 20 children have participated in the club with between 10-15 individuals joining us on a weekly basis.



**Playgroup Services** – Once a term, we hold a short service for the playgroup children and their leaders. This lasts about 20 minutes and is an interactive experience for the children to engage with a simple story or Bible-based message.

**Foundation governors** – Four key members of our congregation serve as foundation governors, taking on key roles in supporting our school

**Breathing Space for teachers** – Barry has been going in weekly on a lunchtime to hold a short meditative prayer service for teachers. Helping let go of the stresses of the week

***Liz Host Elofson***



## Eco Church Steering Group Report

The group was set up in 2023 and our first meeting was with Alan Hill to capture his eco / green knowledge about the church and the village before he left for Scotland.

We then decided we wanted to try and get St Peter's both onto the Eco Church award scheme, but also to improve the biodiversity and nature in our churchyard, and beyond (village). This has also evolved into running the Net Zero on a Budget Event.



Having worked through the Eco Church questionnaire, we realised we almost qualified for bronze, and so we all took a few questions each to find out the answers (measuring our energy use, area of land for native wildflowers etc.) Following that, we submitted our application, and we received our bronze award in October 2023. We are now hoping to get Silver in the next two years. Doing these

awards has also made us aware of other areas where we as a church are struggling (which includes themes relating to Caring for God's Earth in our Youth and Children's work; getting PCC approval to avoid use of harmful chemicals in the church yard and in church, veg boxes on church land for the village to use, organising community actions such as litter picking, green fayres, campaigning on national or global environmental issues, registering as a Fairtrade Church, having a suggestion that all food uses Fairtrade or local ingredients, or organic) and we hope to promote some of these ideas and begin to see change over the next two years.

At the start of 2024, we were asked to organise a Net Zero event, so our group stepped sideways to look at reducing carbon emissions in buildings. Huge thanks to Bob Sherman from Harbury Energy Initiative, Phil Hemsley with an amazing example of his Net Zero house and Susan Needham from Act on Energy for talking at the event. It was well attended, and although no one wanted to take part in a workshop, lots of conversations and connections were formed. We would like to host an event in the next year focussing more on other Eco areas, including biodiversity, the Kineton Rewilding group, the Kineton Clean Water group, and a lifestyle audit.

The current Steering Group members (2024) are:

Abi Chapleo	Katie Hartless Rose	Beren Hartless	Tracy Bainton
Alison Abbott	Liz Host Elofson	Anmarie Landi	Alex Gunn

***Katie Hartless Rose***

# ***Growing Community Ministries***

*We want to grow in our love and care for one another and we want our love and hospitality to overflow to the wider village community. We help one another to build stronger friendships and make new ones through many different activities and events.*



## **Growing Community Events 2023-24**

The Growing Community Team organise a calendar of social events and activities that help to make new friendships in our community.

There is no longer a specific Growing Communities Team, but those who are interested in the events are getting involved and helping to run and organise events.

During the year there were a number of events designed to bring everyone together.

### **Carols in Market Square**



We organised Carols in Market Square on... this was a great evening where everyone had a wonderful time singing. We also enjoyed warm mince pies and mulled wine! Collections from this, the Crib, Midnight, and Christmas Days services we raised £1100 for the Tearfund's Middle East Emergency Appeal.

### **Curry Nights**

We had two 'bloke's curry night' one in May 2023 and another in April 2024. In May 2023 there were 28 men in attendance compared to 25 women. This month the 'bloke's curry night' saw 24 men enjoying a curry together and the women only managed 21... we'll get them next time.

### **Lunches, BBQs and Mince Pies at the Vicarage**

There have been several big lunches at the vicarage over the year. This brings together different groups within the church and sometimes the whole church. Everyone has a lot of fun and there is a big mix of people that get involved. There was a fire at a BBQ in June 2023, however everyone was safe, and the fire service responded quickly.





### Games evenings

We have board games evenings once or twice a term at the White Swan Pub, this brings together lots of different people from the village and surrounding areas. We've also been able to expand our community to visiting friends and family members

that have enjoyed an evening of board games.



### Treasure Hunt (not certain if this did go ahead)

We held a walking village treasure hunt in July last year and once again it was won by Derek and Catherine Jones!



### Scalextric evenings

Mervyn Fell has opened up his home to run a successful monthly Scalextric evening and, with the help of David Jessett, an occasional event at the Slot Track Scenics workshop. They have all been tremendous fun.



### Harvest Supper

We had the Harvest Supper on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023, with a bring and share meal, auction and a farewell to Alan and Jane Hill. This was a great evening where the whole community was able to spend time together, we had a mix of ages and groups involved.

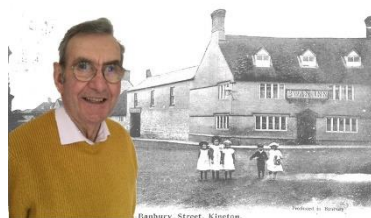


### Victorian Evening singing

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of November 2023 we sung some carols at the Victorian Evening at the beer garden at the White Swan pub. Everyone had a great time, and the evening brings everyone in the community together.

### History Evening with David Beaumont

This talk and presentation with David is always popular and well attended, so well that a further date was planned! The event was free, but any donations of over £800 were divided between Kineton Playgroup and Primary School.



There have been a number of events over the year, and it wouldn't be possible to do this without everyone's support. Thank you everyone for being involved and making all of these events' fun!

**Charlotte Wheeler**

## Outlook

Outlook is a great publication in the community which helps communicate the churches messages and activities to the parish and provides a forum that helps bring the wider community of the village together. There are a number of people involved from those who produce articles, design adverts, edit each edition, find the advertisers (who fund Outlook's production), and distribute it through the village each month.

Beverly Wright has continued to do a marvellous job as the editor of the magazine. This year Gayle Burch has taken on the advertising role and has done a fantastic job.

The distribution team involves many people from the village and Alex Gunn together with Elizabeth Beaumont do a great job in organising them.

Thank you to everyone who writes, collates material, edits, and distributes the magazine. It takes a great team effort to produce and distribute Outlook.

***Barry Jackson***

## Meeting Point Coffee Morning 23-24

We continue to meet on Thursday mornings in Church during Term Time between 9am - 11am. We welcome all to come and find friendship and fellowship over a cup of fresh coffee or tea and enjoy a scone or piece of cake. We have a good mix of ages coming along regularly and enjoying a good chat, and it seems recently that we are welcoming more people.

All money raised goes to charity and recently we've supported Crisis at Christmas and Shipston Home Nursing.

***Meeting Point has been running for 19 years now and has raised over £14,000 for local charities!***

Meeting Point was also the Kineton Warm Hub for the Winter of 2023-24.

**Sally Stanton**

# *Becoming Ministries*

*Helping one another to become the people that God calls us to be.*

## **Home Groups Report for the APCM 2024**

**Group Leaders: Sarah Jackson and Melanie Dowden; Chris Cartwright; Barry Jackson, Sally Stanton; Matthew and Lynn Arnold, Judy and Pete Ashton**

### **Groups Coordinator: Pete Ashton**

Description: Each Home Group meets weekly to provide a safe environment for Christians of all ages to have fun, grow in faith, increase their confidence in participating in prayer, worship, and bible study and to be nurtured by mutual fellowship and accountability.

Points for information

- Groups meet weekly through most of the year on; Monday evening (two groups), Tuesday afternoon, Wednesday afternoon, Thursday evening, and Sunday evening (two groups in lent).
- There are six groups and the number of people part of a group across the whole church is around 60.
- Most of the time groups choose their own programme but at certain times all the groups follow a similar programme to promote growth and cohesion across the church.
- Many find being connected regularly with others and supported through the groups has huge benefits for them.
- Groups have followed a wide variety of study material and books.
- Groups take on projects such as leading outreach or social action programmes.

If you want to join a group contact Pete Ashton in person or by email on [pete.h.ashton@btinternet.com](mailto:pete.h.ashton@btinternet.com) or by telephone on 01926 640981

***Pete Ashton***

## **Exploring Faith 1 to 1**

Do you feel as if you are stuck in a bit of a rut with your faith?

Do you wish you could grow more in your knowledge and love for God?

The Exploring Faith 1 to 1 programme is a great opportunity to ask those questions about life and the Christian faith that you've never had the chance to ask. We'd love anyone who would like to know about, or join this valuable programme, which encourages us to grow as disciples of Jesus, to come and have a chat about being matched with one of our trained mentors.

***Ministry Leader – Beren Hartless***

## **Guided Reflection**

The Guided reflection process has been designed to help people to stand back and examine their life, faith, ministries, work, etc. For those that would like to 'take stock', this process offers an opportunity to meet with one of the MLT to help you reflect on where you are with God, what you are doing in ministry and work, how you are connected in community, etc.

This could be a one-off meeting, but we expect that people will find it helpful to pause for a reflection like this every year or two.

So far, this year (2024), I have done 9 guided reflections with key leaders in our church.

***Ministry Leader – Beren Hartless***

# *St Peter's Vision & Values*

## **Vision**

Being a Christian is about following Jesus; drawing close to him, learning from him, and serving like he served, all as part of a Christian community. As we do this together, we grow to realise more of our potential, we never arrive, but we can always get closer to who we could be. So, simply stated, the vision of St Peter's is:

### **Becoming the people God calls us to be.**

And we aim to help one another do that by focussing on the things we see the church doing in the Bible;

Loving God, Serving People and Growing Community

#### **Loving God**

We want to help one another experience the love and power of God, growing in our awareness of His love for us and learning to take time just to be with him.

We also want to help one another learn more about God; the history of his interaction with humanity, the richness of our inheritance in the Bible, the guidance he has given and still gives today and more.

#### **Serving People**

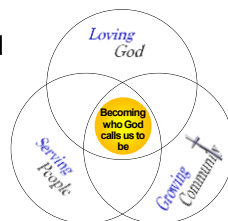
We aim to help one another identify and develop our gifts and talents and enable each of us to serve where God is calling us to make a difference. We work together to identify the needs of the people in our village to find ways that we can help.

#### **Growing Community**

We work on being a community where relationships are real and supportive, where all are welcomed and can feel at home as part of our church family. We want to grow in our love for one another as a community and we want that love and hospitality to overflow to the wider village community.

### **Becoming who God calls us to be.**

We believe if we focus on growing the church in these areas then we'll provide the right environment for making new disciples, helping every member to grow in faith, in service and in belonging. Together becoming the people that God calls us to be.





## Values

Our values are like a 'highway code' by which we all journey together and hopefully avoid accidents, or road rage!



We feel that the guidance St Paul gave the church in Colossae outlines a set of values to which we aspire. We do not always get it right, but they are a good target for which to aim:



*"... clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one*

*another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."*  
(Colossians 3:12-17)



## St Peter's Community

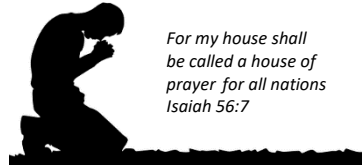
We believe God's plan for changing our world involves him helping people (through all their highs and lows, joys and sorrows, happiness, sadness, anger, and grief) to become all that he calls them to be. And, whilst on their own journey, helping others to do the same.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us on our journey. We all have a part to play in helping one another and in sharing the love of God with our community and the wider world.



The following pages on 'Loving God', 'Serving People', 'Growing Community' and 'Becoming' give ideas of how we aim to help people on their journey in each of those areas.

We surround all that we do with prayer and our hope is that St Peter's community would grow to become a house of prayer and blessing.



*For my house shall  
be called a house of  
prayer for all nations  
Isaiah 56:7*

**We are all individuals and will all relate to things differently. However, you choose to journey with us, you are welcome to engage with as much, or as little of this as you like.**

Jesus said that he came that we may have life and have it abundantly. Our prayer for you as you join us on our journey is that you would find your life overflowing with the abundant love of God and that you would know eternal life as something beautiful that starts now in this life and goes on for ever.

God bless you,

***St Peter's Leadership Team***



# *Resourcing Ministries*

The 'Resourcing Ministries' and the teams that oversee and underpin all that we do in our church. Looking at vision, values, policies, procedures, fabric, finance, safeguarding and more. We are very grateful to these teams for all that they do in the life of our church.

## **Core Team**

### **Clergy**

#### **Vicar**

Rev Barry Jackson

Tel: 01926 640248

#### **Curate**

Rev Alison Abbott

Tel: 07923 442970

Rev Matthew Arnold

Tel: 01926 642076

#### **Associate Minister (part-time)**

Rev Dr Beren Hartless

Tel: 07766 086130

### **Readers**

Peter Ashton

Tel: 01926 640981

Lesley Turner

Tel: 07803 055018

### **Churchwardens**

Nicholas and Alex Gunn

Tel: 01926 642589

Melanie Dowden

Tel: 01926 641417

Tim Walker

### **Children and Families Worker (part time)**

Liz Host Elofson

Tel: 07375 122501

### **Administrator (part time)**

Katie Hartless Rose

Tel: 01926 641401

# **PCC report 2024**

## ***PCC Membership***

Vicar: Rev Barry Jackson

Associate Minister: Rev Dr Beren Hartless

Curates: Rev Alison Abbott, and Rev Matthew Arnold

Churchwardens: Nicholas Gunn, Alexandra Gunn, and Melanie Dowden

Deputy Churchwarden: Tim Walker

Treasurer: Mike Trotman

Online access to bank accounts: Nicholas Gunn

Lay Deanery Synod Reps: Katie Hartless Rose; Peter Dunn; Alex Gunn

Lay Chair: Peter Dunn

PCC Secretary: Alexandra Gunn and minute secretary - Gill Hosking

Other elected members: Liz Host Elofson, Fiona Penson, Charlotte

Wheeler, Michael Lawrence, and Tracy Bainton (Safeguarding Officer -

Tracy stood down in February and we are very grateful for the huge amount of work she had put into this role).

The PCC met five times in person since the last APCM and conducted other business via email. Every year, one-third of the elected PCC reach the end of their three-year term and step down, the three vacant positions are then available to those on the electoral role for election.

The PCC regularly receives reports from officers or leaders of individual activities and ministries (such as the Ministry Leadership Team).

During the year the main themes of business discussed by the PCC were:

- Safeguarding – A key focus remains to ensure that all those who require Safeguarding training because of their role have had that training, or are planned to have it, and that they are trained to the appropriate level.
- Children's work: Including the appointment of Liz Host Elofson as the new Families and Children's Worker, and the introduction of a Soft Play area that can be installed when needed then stored away between sessions.
- Finances: Mike Trotman agreed to become interim Treasurer. Please refer to the Treasurer's report.
- Church Fabric and Maintenance. Please refer to the Fabric Report.

Several other individual items of business were also discussed which are detailed in the full PCC minutes.

***Peter Dunn on behalf of the PCC***

# Ministry Leadership Team Report

The ministry leadership team (MLT) is a collaborative team of lay and ordained people, working together, under the authority of the PCC, to lead, envision, enable, and release all God’s people for mission and ministry in the whole of life, through the local church. We meet approximately every two months.

The MLT is there to:

- listen to and discern God’s will for the ministry and mission of the local church,
- enable Christians in the community to identify, resource and develop their gifts and ministries,
- develop sustainable patterns of ministry to support God’s mission in the world.

During the last year we have given time to supporting Barry, and all the people in our church, and have discussed a range of things relating to our ministry and mission, including the courses that we run each term, which are designed to help us become the people God calls us to be.

We were very happy to welcome Matthew Arnold who joined us in July, and, as always, we celebrated with curry at Shukurs!

The current MLT members (2024) are:

Barry Jackson	Peter Ashton	Lesley Turner
Judy Ashton	Melanie Dowden	Beren Hartless (Chair)
Alison Abbott	Matthew Arnold	

*Beren Hartless – May 2024*

## **Fabric report**

During the year we have carried out the usual, annual maintenance to the building; this has included:

- Fire extinguisher maintenance (Oct 2023)
- PAT testing of electrical items (Nov 23)
- Boiler maintenance (July 23)
- Clock Maintenance (July 23)
- Clearing roof gutters and gullies

We are very grateful to the Parish Council Thursday Morning Team that did a fantastic job of cutting the edges to all the paths in the churchyard and clearing the brambles from the stone next to the north transept. We now have to dispose of the old stone, which is no easy task. We plan to offer villagers stone for their gardens for a small charge.

A huge thank you to Tony Thorogood and Steve Gale for keeping the churchyard in such a wonderful condition, keeping the grass cut and strimmed, while maintaining several natural areas to allow wildflowers to thrive.

The vestry roof is still in need of repairs. We have only just got to the stage of asking contractors to tender for this work. Hopefully this can be concluded before the end of this year.

We have re-attached the metal grilles over the louvres on the south and west sides that were left loose after the tower restoration. This will hopefully prevent birds from nesting again.

Thanks also to Tim Walker for his continued support, helping to keep things running smoothly.

***Alex & Nick Gunn***

## **APCM Safeguarding Report 2023/2024**

Safeguarding is at the heart of our Christian faith and therefore actions the Church takes need to ensure a safer culture by seeking to be all-inclusive, promote the welfare of everyone, and protect those at risk by preventing the opportunity for any form of abuse to occur.

The Church of England has published two documents which underpin the Safeguarding policy and procedures adopted and implemented by St Peter's Church.

'Promoting a Safer Church'

'Parish Safeguarding handbook'

(The Church of England House of Bishops)

The Diocesan Safeguarding Team supports this work via their website <https://www.coventry.anglican.org/safeguarding>

This website contains all the documents and paperwork required for compliance with and implementation of The Church of England Safeguarding Policy.

DBS checks and Safeguarding training are required to be updated every three years.

I am pleased to report that we are currently compliant with DBS checks, however there are still some people who have yet to complete or update their safeguarding requirements.

Everyone involved in helping in any ministry of the Church is required to complete Basic training, this can be accessed online at

<https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org>

I would be grateful if individuals could log on to this and follow the instructions to complete the training.

Volunteer helpers involved with regular activities such as Meet and Eat; Bereavement Cafe and any Children's work are required to also complete Foundation training following completion of the Basic module.

Once again, I would be grateful if individuals this applies to could access the training portal and complete the training.

PCC members and Team Leaders of an activity are also required to complete Awareness of Domestic Abuse training as well as the above. Please could the individuals this applies to log in to the Diocesan training portal and complete this training.

Unfortunately, I am unable to continue my role as Parish Safeguarding Officer but will continue as DBS administrator and to update the Safeguarding Hub accordingly with the relevant information. Thank you for all your support.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the Church family for all their enthusiasm and support in helping to implement and follow Safeguarding policy and procedures.

It is reassuring to know we are all aiming to promote a safer church and community. Thank you.

**Tracy Bainton**  
**DBS ADMINISTRATOR**  
**17/04/24**



## Electoral Roll Report 2023/24

I am pleased to report that we have seen quite considerable growth at church this year!

Some new couples have joined the church, which is lovely reflecting the appointment of Liz as our Children and Families Worker, the success of Simply Celebrate on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month which attracts many children and their parents and also the new Sunday School which is proving popular. We have also had many Baptisms on 1st Sundays which are always great occasions! We have been able to restart activities in the vestry on Communion Sundays too! Even better news is that the next cohort of children are now old enough for Sunday evening activities and discussions at the Vicarage with the inception of 10:10! and we have started a Toddler Group called Simply Play in Wednesday mornings! Congratulations to all our wonderful staff!

The overall effect on the Electoral Roll has been:

- 10 deletions (people that have moved away) and
- 16 new people joined
- **which takes the Roll to 106.**

***Christine Cartwright***

# Statutory Requirements and Financial Report

St Peter's Parochial Church Council, Kineton

Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

Reference and administration details:

Charity name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter, Kineton.

Registered Charity Number: 1173954

## Charity's principal address

St Peter's Church, Warwick Road, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0HN. It is part of the Diocese of Coventry within the Church of England

The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Warwick Road, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0HW.

## Names of the Charity Trustees (PCC Members) who manage the charity:

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2023 until the date of this report was approved are:

Incumbent	Reverend Barry Jackson	
Curate	Reverend Alison Abbott	
Curate	Rev Matthew Arnold	
Associate Minister	Reverend Dr Beren Hartless	
Church Warden	Melanie Dowden	
Church Wardens (Fabric)	Nick Gunn	
Secretary to the PCC	Alex Gunn	
Deputy Church Warden	Tim Walker	
Treasurer	Vacant	
Bookkeeper	Sue Overland	
Lay Chair/ Deanery Synod	Peter Dunn	
Deanery Synod	Peter Ashton	
Elected Members / Deanery Synod	Katie Hartless Rose	appointed during year
Elected Members	Liz Host	appointed during year
	Michael Lawrence	appointed during year
	Fiona Penson	
	Charlotte Wheeler	
	Matt Elofson	resigned during the year
	Tracy Bainton	resigned during the year
	Elizabeth Cudworth	resigned during the year

Election of a PCC/deanery synod member is for three years (or less if replacing someone who has retired early).

Election of churchwardens takes place annually.

Three places are due for election.

**Bank- HSBC, 13 Chapel Street, Stratford upon Avon, CV37 6ET.**

**Independent Examiner-P Essex FCCA, Hope House, 24 Green Farm End, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0LD**

### **Structure, governance and management.**

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and is also a registered charity.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the church representation rules.

All church attendees are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and are eligible to stand for election to the PCC. PCC members are fully briefed on current PCC issues at the first meeting of the new PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Given its wide responsibility has delegated responsibility for various aspects of parish life to sub-committees. These committees, which include worship, mission and outreach, fabric and finance are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it at regular intervals so that their activities can be discussed as necessary by the full PCC.

The full PCC met 5 times this year: February, May, July, September, and November.

The PCC has reviewed the risks facing the church, including types of risk, potential impact on the church and means of mitigating these risks. Systems and procedures have been put in place to mitigate identifiable risks, and the PCC will continue to review risks on an on-going basis.

The PCC is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the church and its incoming resources and the application of those resources for the financial year.

In preparing these financial statements the PCC will select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently and will make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable.

The PCC is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records and for safeguarding the assets of the church.

### **Standing Committee**

The committee consisted of the Rev Barry Jackson, the churchwardens, and the treasurer.

The committee has the authority to transact the business of the PCC and tend to meet one or two weeks before PCC meetings.

### **Aim and purposes.**

The primary object of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrine and practices of the Church of England. The PCC acts in co-operation with our incumbent the Reverend Barry Jackson in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical.

### **Objectives and activities**

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community, through:

- a) worship and prayer, learning about the gospel, and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- b) provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- c) missionary and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain and improve the fabric of the church to meet the needs of present and future generations.

### **Achievements and performance**

We hope you have enjoyed reading about these in the preceding pages.

### **Volunteers**

So many people in the church contribute to the ministry of the church in time and money, and the only way that we are able to do the things we do is through the efforts of the church members. So, thank you to all of you for your ministry here.

**Financial Review**

The accounts for the year are divided into "restricted" and "unrestricted" income. Restricted income is money given for specific purposes and can only be used for that (for example money given for the restoration projects).

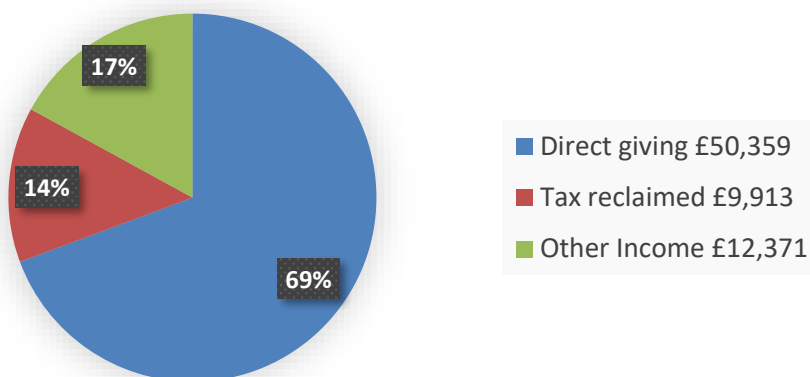
Unrestricted income is what is given for the regular ministry of the church. Our budgets for the year anticipated a deficit on our unrestricted funds and it was anticipated that we would need to access our prior year reserves to meet this. However, we actually finished the year with a surplus and give thanks to the Lord for His provision.

<b>unrestricted £</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Income	72,643	59840	55857
Expenditure	77,637	65730	63648
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>-4,994</b>	<b>-5890</b>	<b>-7791</b>

The majority of our regular income comes directly from our church members, together with the associated gift aid tax reclaimed on this giving. We are extremely grateful to all those who give so generously.

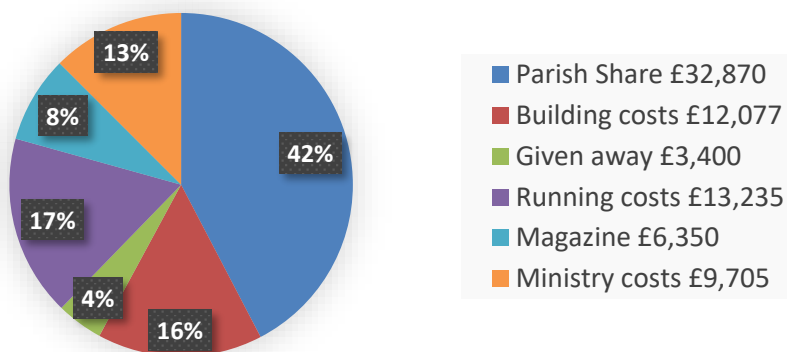
There is also a small amount of income from wedding and funeral fees. Included in other income is a legacy of £4,240 which the PCC have set aside to carry out repairs to the chancel windows.

## Regular Income



The following chart shows how the money is spent.

## Regular Expenditure



### Parish Share

This is our share of the costs of ministry in the Coventry Diocese, and includes the cost of training, housing, stipend, NI, pension, and central costs of the vicar and curate.

### Building Costs

This covers the costs of our building and equipment, including maintenance, repairs, heating, lighting, and insurance.

**Giving Away**

Each year we budget to give away 10% of our unrestricted giving to missions at home and abroad.

£4,909 has been set aside for the current year, of which £3,400 has been paid by the year end.

**Running costs**

This covers the cost of admin salaries plus associated costs of the parish office.

**Magazine**

This is the cost of printing the parish magazine. The magazine is produced ten times a year and is distributed free to every house in the parish.

**Ministry costs**

This covers the cost of clergy expenses and service costs together with contributions to the costs of children's and youth work, adult discipleship and outreach, community work and training costs.

**Reserves and Cash Flow**

The PCC held free reserves of £19,453 on 31 December 2023: this equates to 3+ months unrestricted payments.

***Paul Essex***  
***Independent Examiner***

## **Kineton PCC**

**A parish of the Edgehill Benefice**

**year to 31 December 2023**

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**ST PETERS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL, KINETON**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

This report on the financial statements of St Peter's PCC, Kineton for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 6 is in respect of an examination carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

**Respective responsibilities**

The PCC is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Regulation 3(3) of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of Section 145 of the 2011 Act

**Basis of Independent Examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commissioners. under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act and to be found in the guidance from the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

**Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed by the Independent Examiner: P Essex date: 11 May 2024

Name and address of the Independent Examiner: Paul Essex FCCA

Hope House, 24 Green Farm End, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0LD



## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

	Note	This Year				Last Year		
		Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2023	2022 Total £	Unrestricted/ Designated	Restricted
		Funds £	Funds £	Funds £	Total £			
<b>RECEIPTS</b>								
Incoming resources from donors	3(a)	49,094	115	27,876	77,086	61,851	47,508	14,343
Other voluntary incoming resources	3(b)	11,062		18,967	30,029	6,951	1,649	5,302
Income from charitable and ancillary trading	3(c)	12,318	0	3,479	15,797	17,525	10,683	6,842
Income from investments	3(d)	53			53			
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>72,527</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>50,322</b>	<b>122,964</b>	<b>86,327</b>	<b>59,840</b>	<b>26,487</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>								
Grants and donations	4(a)	0	3,400	16,213	19,613	2,542	125	2,417
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	4(b)	74,237		19,652	93,889	96,962	65,605	31,357
<b>Total resources used</b>		<b>74,237</b>	<b>3,400</b>	<b>35,865</b>	<b>113,482</b>	<b>99,504</b>	<b>65,730</b>	<b>33,774</b>
<b>NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS)</b>		<b>-1,710</b>	<b>-3,285</b>	<b>14,457</b>	<b>9,482</b>	<b>-13,177</b>	<b>-5,890</b>	<b>-7,287</b>
<b>TRANSFERS between funds</b>		6,964	669	-7633	0	5	1678	-1673
<b>CASH FUNDS b/fwd 1 January</b>		14,198	14,719	48,325	77,242	90,414	33,130	57,284
<b>CASH FUNDS c/fwd 31 December</b>		<b>19,453</b>	<b>12,103</b>	<b>55,148</b>	<b>86,724</b>	<b>77,242</b>	<b>28,918</b>	<b>48,324</b>
<b>STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES</b>								
<b>Monetary assets</b>								
Cash in hand		0.00		0	0.00	14		14
Bank current account (HSBC)		19,453	12,103	28,705	60,261	49,769	28,911	20,858
Bank & Clients Plc- Deposit				0.00	0	0	0	
HSBC Foodbank				26,443	26,443	27,452	0	27,452
<b>Total monetary assets</b>	5	<b>19,453</b>	<b>12,103</b>	<b>55,148</b>	<b>86,704</b>	<b>77,235</b>	<b>28,911</b>	<b>48,324</b>
<b>Other assets</b>								
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	Outreach				0	2,417	2,417
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	Nurture				0	0	0
		0	3,400	16,213	19,613	2,542	125 2,417
(b)	<b>Activities directly relating to the work of the church</b>						
	Clergy expenses	1,800			1,800	1,800	1,800
	Diocesan Parish Share	32,870			32,870	33,130	33,130
	Worship and evangelism	7,905		9,489	17,394	16,468	5,593 10,875
	Electricity & Oil	3,232			3,232	2,609	2,609
	Insurance	3,494			3,494	2,612	2,612
	Regular church running expenses	13,021		7389	20,410	14,027	6,902 7,125
	Church/churchyard repairs and Impr	5,351		0	5,351	9,786	4,932 4,854
	Fund Raising Costs	194			194	4,565	456 4,109
	Diocesan share of Statutory Fees			2,774	2,774	4,394	4,394
	Parish Magazine	6,350			6,350	7,465	7,465
	prior year adjustment	20				106	106
	Bank Charges				0	0	0
		74,237	0	19,652	93,869	96,962	65,605 31,357
	<b>Total resources used</b>	74,237	3,400	35,865	113,482	99,504	65,730 33,774

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**5 MONETARY ASSETS**

The church monies are not held in segregated accounts, but for the sake of this financial statement the total of each account is allocated appropriately over the various funds.

**6 Benefice Accounts**

Central costs such as clergy expenses are accounted for separately. These accounts recognise each parish's share of these expenses and their contribution thereto. Any cash held in the benefice account at the year end for the benefit of each individual parish would have no material effect on these accounts.

**7 Loans**

This is the amount advanced by the Kington Church & Churchyard trust. No specific repayment terms have been agreed.

**8 Significant Creditors**

There are no significant creditors.



## Reference and administration details

Charity name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter, Kineton.

Registered Charity Number: 1173954

### Charity's principal address

St Peter's Church, Warwick Road, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0HN. It is part of the Diocese of Coventry within the Church of England.  
The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Warwick Road, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0HW

### Names of the Charity Trustees (PCC Members) who manage the charity

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2023 until the date of this report was approved are:

Incumbent	Reverend Barry Jackson	
Curate	Reverend Alison Abbot	
Curate	Rev Matthew Arnold	
Associate Minister	Reverend Baron Hartless	
Church Wardens	Melanie Dowden	
Church Wardens (Fabric)	Nicholas Gunn	
	(secretary to PCC) Alexandra Gunn	
Treasurer	Bookkeeper Sue Overland	Variant
Deanery Synod	Peter Ashton	
	Fiona Scott-Dawe	
	Peter Dunn	
Elected Members	Elizabeth Cudworth	resigned during year
Lay Chair/ Deanery Synod	Peter Dunn	
	Tracy Bainton	resigned during year
	Matt Edfson	resigned during year
	Liz Host	appointed during year
	Katie Hartless Rose	appointed during year
	Michael Lawrence	appointed during year
	Fiona Penson	
	Chalotte Wheeler	
	Timothy Walker	

Election of a PCC/deanery synod member is for three years (or less if replacing someone who has retired early).

Election of churchwardens takes place annually.

Three places are due for election.

Bank- HSBC, 13 Chapel Street, Stratford upon Avon, CV37 6ET

Independent Examiner-P Essex FCCA, Hope House, 24 Green Farm End, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 8LD

### Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and is also a registered charity.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the church representation rules.

All church attendees are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and are eligible to stand for election to the PCC. PCC members are fully briefed on current PCC issues at the first meeting of the new PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Given its wide responsibility has delegated responsibility for various aspects of parish life to sub-committees. These committees, which include worship, mission and outreach, fabric and finance are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it at regular intervals so that their activities can be discussed as necessary by the full PCC.

The full PCC met 5 times this year: February, May, July, September, and November.

The PCC has reviewed the risks facing the church, including types of risk, potential impact on the church and means of mitigating these risks. Systems and procedures have been put in place to mitigate identifiable risks, and the PCC will continue to review risks on an on-going basis.

The PCC is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the church and its incoming resources and the application of those resources for the financial year.

In preparing these financial statements the PCC will select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently and will make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable.

The PCC is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records and for safeguarding the assets of the church.

### Standing Committee

The committee consisted of the Rev Barry Jackson, the churchwardens and the treasurer.

The committee has the authority to transact the business of the PCC, and tend to meet one or two weeks before PCC meetings.

### Aim and purposes

The primary object of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrine and practices of the Church of England. The PCC acts in co-operation with our incumbent the Reverend Barry Jackson in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

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### Objectives and activities

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community, through

- worship and prayer, learning about the gospel, and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- missionary and outreach work

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain and improve the fabric of the church to meet the needs of present and future generations.

### Achievements and performance

We hope you have enjoyed reading about these in the preceding pages.

### Volunteers

So many people in the church contribute to the ministry of the church in time and money, and the only way that we are able to do the things we do is through the efforts of the church members. So thank you to all of you for your ministry here.

### Financial Review

The accounts for the year are divided into "restricted" and "unrestricted" income. Restricted income is money given for specific purposes and can only be used for that (for example money given for the restoration projects).

Unrestricted income is what is given for the regular ministry of the church.

Our budgets for the year anticipated a deficit on our unrestricted funds and it was anticipated that we would need to access

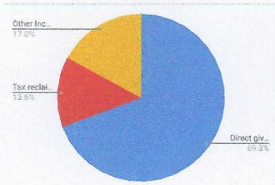
our prior year reserves to meet this. However, we actually finished the year with a surplus and give thanks to the Lord for His provision.

The PCC would like to express its thanks to the generous legacy of £10,000 to be specifically applied in the maintenance of the new churchyard

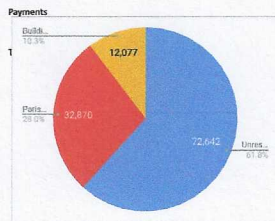
unrestricted £	2023	2022	2021
Income	72,642	59,940	59,857
Expenditure	77,637	65,730	63,648
Surplus	-4,995	-5,890	-7,791

Direct giving	69%	50,359
Tax reclaimed	14%	9,913
Other income	17%	12,371
Unrestricted income		72,642

### Income



The majority of our regular income comes directly from our church members, together with the associated gift aid tax reclaimed on this giving. We are extremely grateful to all those who give so generously.  
There is also a small amount of income from wedding and funeral fees. Included in other income is a legacy of £4,240 which the PCC have set aside to carry out repairs to the chancel windows.



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Parish Share	42%	32,870
Building costs	16%	12,077
Given away	4%	3,400
Running costs	17%	13,235
Magazine	8%	6,350
Ministry costs	13%	9,705
Unrestricted expenses		<u>77,637</u>



#### Parish Share

This is our share of the costs of ministry in the Coventry Diocese, and includes the cost of training, housing, stipend, NI, pension and central costs of the vicar and curate.

#### Building Costs

This covers the costs of our building and equipment, including maintenance, repairs, heating, lighting and insurance.

#### Giving Away

Each year we budget to give away 10% of our unrestricted giving to missions at home and abroad.

£4,509 has been set aside for the current year, of which £3,400 has been paid by the year end.

#### Running costs

This covers the cost of admin salaries plus associated costs of the parish office.

#### Magazine

This is the cost of printing the parish magazine. The magazine is produced ten times a year, and is distributed free to every house in the parish.

#### Ministry costs

This covers the cost of clergy expenses and service costs together with contributions to the costs of children's and youth work, adult discipleship and outreach, community work and training costs.

#### Reserves and Cash Flow

The PCC held free reserves of £19,453 at 31 December 2023: this equates to 3+ months unrestricted payments.



## **Kineton PCC**

**A parish of the Edgehill Benefice**

**year to 31 December 2023**

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**ST PETERS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL, KINETON**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

This report on the financial statements of St Peter's PCC, Kineton for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 1 to 6 is in respect of an examination carried out under Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

**Respective responsibilities**

The PCC is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and considers that the audit requirement of Regulation 3(3) of Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of Section 145 of the 2011 Act

**Basis of Independent Examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions of the Charity Commissioners. under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act and to be found in the guidance from the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

**Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination of the church funds, nothing came to my attention which gave me cause to believe otherwise than that the financial statements accord with the accounting records of the church, and that those records satisfied the requirements of the Act. I am not aware of any matter to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed by the Independent Examiner: P Essex date: 11 May 2024

Name and address of the Independent Examiner: Paul Essex FCCA

Hope House, 24 Green Farm End, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0LD



## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

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<b>TRANSFERS between funds</b>		6,964	669	-7633	0	5	1678	-1673
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	<b>Grants</b>							
	Charitable donations		3,400	16,213	19,613	125	125	0
	Outreach				0	2,417		2,417
					0	0		
	Nurture				0	0	0	
		0	3,400	16,213	19,613	2,542	125	2,417
(b)	<b>Activities directly relating to the work of the church</b>							
	Clergy expenses	1,800			1,800	1,800	1,800	
	Diocesan Parish Share	32,870			32,870	33,130	33,130	
	Worship and evangelism	7,905		9,489	17,394	16,468	5,593	10,875
	Electricity & Oil	3,232			3,232	2,609	2,609	
	Insurance	3,494			3,494	2,612	2,612	
	Regular church running expenses	13,021		7389	20,410	14,027	6,902	7,125
	Church/churchyard repairs and Impr	5,351		0	5,351	9,786	4,932	4,854
	Fund Raising Costs	194			194	4,565	456	4,109
	Diocesan share of Statutory Fees			2,774	2,774	4,394		4,394
	Parish Magazine	6,350			6,350	7,465	7,465	
	prior year adjustment	20				106	106	
	Bank Charges				0	0	0	
		74,237	0	19,652	93,869	96,962	65,605	31,357
	<b>Total resources used</b>	74,237	3,400	35,865	113,482	99,504	65,730	33,774

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**5 MONETARY ASSETS**

The church monies are not held in segregated accounts, but for the sake of this financial statement the total of each account is allocated appropriately over the various funds.

**6 Benefice Accounts**

Central costs such as clergy expenses are accounted for separately. These accounts recognise each parish's share of these expenses and their contribution thereto. Any cash held in the benefice account at the year end for the benefit of each individual parish would have no material effect on these accounts.

**7 Loans**

This is the amount advanced by the Kineton Church & Churchyard trust. No specific repayment terms have been agreed.

**8 Significant Creditors**

There are no significant creditors.



## Reference and administration details

Charity name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter, Kineton.

Registered Charity Number: 1173954

### Charity's principal address

St Peter's Church, Warwick Road, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0HN. It is part of the Diocese of Coventry within the Church of England.  
The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Warwick Road, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 0HW

### Names of the Charity Trustees (PCC Members) who manage the charity

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2023 until the date of this report was approved are:

Incumbent	Reverend Barry Jackson	
Curate	Reverend Alison Abbot	
Curate	Rev Matthew Arnold	
Associate Minister	Reverend Baron Hartless	
Church Wardens	Melanie Dowden	
Church Wardens (Fabric)	Nicholas Gunn	
	(secretary to PCC) Alexandra Gunn	
Treasurer	Bookkeeper Sue Overland	Variant
Deanery Synod	Peter Ashton	
	Fiona Scott-Dawe	
	Peter Dunn	
Elected Members	Elizabeth Cudworth	resigned during year
Lay Chair/ Deanery Synod	Peter Dunn	
	Tracy Bainton	resigned during year
	Matt Edfson	resigned during year
	Liz Host	appointed during year
	Katie Hartless Rose	appointed during year
	Michael Lawrence	appointed during year
	Fiona Penson	
	Chalotte Wheeler	
	Timothy Walker	

Election of a PCC/deanery synod member is for three years (or less if replacing someone who has retired early).

Election of churchwardens takes place annually.

Three places are due for election.

Bank- HSBC, 13 Chapel Street, Stratford upon Avon, CV37 6ET

Independent Examiner-P Essex FCCA, Hope House, 24 Green Farm End, Kineton, Warwick, CV35 8LD

### Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and is also a registered charity.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the church representation rules.

All church attendees are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and are eligible to stand for election to the PCC. PCC members are fully briefed on current PCC issues at the first meeting of the new PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish, including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

Given its wide responsibility has delegated responsibility for various aspects of parish life to sub-committees. These committees, which include worship, mission and outreach, fabric and finance are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it at regular intervals so that their activities can be discussed as necessary by the full PCC.

The full PCC met 5 times this year: February, May, July, September, and November.

The PCC has reviewed the risks facing the church, including types of risk, potential impact on the church and means of mitigating these risks. Systems and procedures have been put in place to mitigate identifiable risks, and the PCC will continue to review risks on an on-going basis.

The PCC is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the affairs of the church and its incoming resources and the application of those resources for the financial year.

In preparing these financial statements the PCC will select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently and will make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable.

The PCC is responsible for maintaining proper accounting records and for safeguarding the assets of the church.

### Standing Committee

The committee consisted of the Rev Barry Jackson, the churchwardens and the treasurer.

The committee has the authority to transact the business of the PCC, and tend to meet one or two weeks before PCC meetings.

### Aim and purposes

The primary object of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrine and practices of the Church of England. The PCC acts in co-operation with our incumbent the Reverend Barry Jackson in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

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### Objectives and activities

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular we try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community, through

- worship and prayer, learning about the gospel, and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- missionary and outreach work

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain and improve the fabric of the church to meet the needs of present and future generations.

### Achievements and performance

We hope you have enjoyed reading about these in the preceding pages.

### Volunteers

So many people in the church contribute to the ministry of the church in time and money, and the only way that we are able to do the things we do is through the efforts of the church members. So thank you to all of you for your ministry here.

### Financial Review

The accounts for the year are divided into "restricted" and "unrestricted" income. Restricted income is money given for specific purposes and can only be used for that (for example money given for the restoration projects).

Unrestricted income is what is given for the regular ministry of the church.

Our budgets for the year anticipated a deficit on our unrestricted funds and it was anticipated that we would need to access

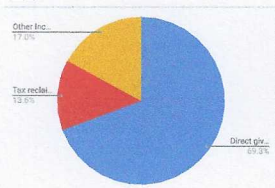
our prior year reserves to meet this. However, we actually finished the year with a surplus and give thanks to the Lord for His provision.

The PCC would like to express its thanks to the generous legacy of £10,000 to be specifically applied in the maintenance of the new churchyard

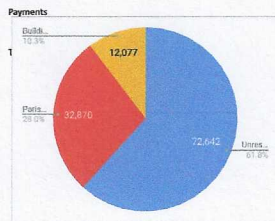
unrestricted £	2023	2022	2021
Income	72,642	59,940	59,857
Expenditure	77,637	65,730	63,648
Surplus	-4,995	-5,890	-7,791

Direct giving	69%	50,359
Tax reclaimed	14%	9,913
Other income	17%	12,371
Unrestricted income		72,642

### Income



The majority of our regular income comes directly from our church members, together with the associated gift aid tax reclaimed on this giving. We are extremely grateful to all those who give so generously.  
There is also a small amount of income from wedding and funeral fees. Included in other income is a legacy of £4,240 which the PCC have set aside to carry out repairs to the chancel windows.



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Parish Share	42%	32,870
Building costs	16%	12,077
Given away	4%	3,400
Running costs	17%	13,235
Magazine	8%	6,350
Ministry costs	13%	9,705
Unrestricted expenses		<u>77,637</u>



#### Parish Share

This is our share of the costs of ministry in the Coventry Diocese, and includes the cost of training, housing, stipend, NI, pension and central costs of the vicar and curate.

#### Building Costs

This covers the costs of our building and equipment, including maintenance, repairs, heating, lighting and insurance.

#### Giving Away

Each year we budget to give away 10% of our unrestricted giving to missions at home and abroad.

£4,509 has been set aside for the current year, of which £3,400 has been paid by the year end.

#### Running costs

This covers the cost of admin salaries plus associated costs of the parish office.

#### Magazine

This is the cost of printing the parish magazine. The magazine is produced ten times a year, and is distributed free to every house in the parish.

#### Ministry costs

This covers the cost of clergy expenses and service costs together with contributions to the costs of children's and youth work, adult discipleship and outreach, community work and training costs.

#### Reserves and Cash Flow

The PCC held free reserves of £19,453 at 31 December 2023: this equates to 3+ months unrestricted payments.