

CHRIST CHURCH PADGATE PCC

England & Wales · Charity number 1178871

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2018-06-21

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

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Activities

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

Activities: Provision of Church of England Religious services

Classification

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

Geography

- Warrington

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£292,194	£203,447	-	-
2024-12-31	£513,945	£160,675	£454,154	2
2023-12-31	£202,949	£174,282	-	-
2022-12-31	£165,952	£148,309	-	-
2021-12-31	£129,405	£112,331	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Simon James Renison	Chair	2024-04-30
ALAN KEMP		2018-04-29
ALAN MARKHAM CLAYTON		2011-04-06
Alfred Edward Collinson		2025-04-06
Barbara Clayton		2025-04-06
DAVID JOHN MAGRATH		2025-04-06
DAVID MICHAEL RODNEY PERFECT		2014-04-01
DEBRA JACQUES		2019-04-07
JILL PERFECT		2019-04-07
John Barrie Crabtree		2022-04-24
LAURA LAWRENCE		2022-04-24
Louise Helen Elizabeth Appleby		2019-04-07
Natalie Vance		2025-04-06
STEPHEN BARTON		2025-04-06

Accounts

Christ Church Padgate and Church Collective

One Church, Many Communities, United in Christ

Annual Report and Accounts of the Parochial Church Council



Year ended 31 December 2025



Reference and Administrative Information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church Padgate is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.
Charity registration number: 1178871.

Christ Church is located on Station Road, Padgate, Warrington, in the Diocese of Liverpool.
Correspondence should be sent to the Secretary of the PCC at the following address:

39 Solway Close, Fearnhead, Warrington WA2 0UP.

During 2025, up to 1 March 2026, the following people served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

<i>Ex-officio members</i>			
Revd Neil Shaw	Team Rector	Chair – to 20 April 2025	
Revd Simon Renison	Rector of the one church of Christ Church Padgate and Church Collective	Chair – from 20 April 2025	
Revd Emma Stonier	Curate Christ Church and Church Collective		
Barrie Crabtree	Churchwarden		
Laura Lawrence	Churchwarden		
Alan Kemp	Deanery Synod Representative		
Dave Perfect	Deanery Synod Representative, Electoral Roll Officer		
<i>Elected Members</i>			<i>Elected</i>
Louise Appleby	Lay Reader		2023
John Baguley			2025
Stephen Barton			2025
Dave Bown		Resigned Sept 2025	2025
Alan Clayton	Vice-chair		2024
Barbara Clayton			2025
Edward Collinson			2024
Debbie Jacques	Treasurer		2023
David Magrath			2025
Jill Perfect	Secretary		2023
Natalie Vance	Gift-aid Secretary	From May 2025	2025
Ruth Waterfield	Gift-aid Secretary	To May 2025	2023

Non-PCC Officers

Hannah Austin	Operations and Admin Manager and Safeguarding Officer
Pete McDade	Youth Director (until the end of December 2025)
Vacant	Health and Safety Officer

Bankers: Barclays Bank PLC, Sankey Street WARRINGTON, WA1 1XG

Auditor: Cadishead Accountancy Services Ltd, 657 Liverpool Road, Irlam, MANCHESTER, M44 5XD

Legal Advisor: Howard Dellar, 1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, LONDON, SW1P 3JT

Architect: Graham Holland Associates, Winnington Hall, NORTHWICH, CW8 4DU



Structure, Management and Governance

Christ Church PCC is a body corporate and operates under the *Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956* and the *Church Representation Rules*.

The PCC complies with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC has adopted The House of Bishops' 'Promoting a Safer Church: safeguarding policy'; and diocesan safeguarding policies and practice guidance.

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The PCC meets every two months and has three sub-committees: The Standing, Mission and Reordering Committee, Finance Committee and Social Committee, which meet as required and report to the full PCC on a regular basis.

Membership comprises: - Standing, Mission and Reordering Committee: Rector, Churchwardens, and PCC Vice- Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Finance Committee: Rector, Churchwardens, Treasurer plus one other member. Social Committee: PCC members plus other non-PCC members.

The Safeguarding Officer and Safety Officer report to the PCC as required.

Five members of the Church (in addition to the Rector) are on the Board of Governors of Christ Church and Cinnamon Brow CE Primary Schools.

Christ Church is part of the East Warrington Team of Churches, which also includes the Church of the Ascension, Birchwood & Woolston.

Objectives and Activities

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and specifically that the PCC 'is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical.'

When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

Our objectives for 2025 were:

- To bring about a positive and hope-filled amalgamation with Church Collective, so that this significant change is balanced and sensitive and meets the needs of both Christ Church and Church Collective.
- Engage with the developing Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme.
- Develop lay leadership and enable members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent following the 'Cultivate' programme as part of 'Fit for Mission'.
- Continue to develop the reordering proposals, so that our church building can meet the needs of our mission.
- Plant new Collectives.



On Easter Sunday 20 April 2025, Revd Neil Shaw retired from ministry. His role as incumbent of Christ Church was taken over by Revd Simon Renison. Revd Renison is leader of Church Collective, which has been hosted by Christ Church since 2021. The PCC agreed in 2024 that Christ Church and Church Collective would amalgamate following the retirement of Revd Shaw, so Revd Renison is now incumbent at Christ Church, but also continues to lead Church Collective. Church Collective aims to fulfil God's call to plant a network of worshipping communities (called 'Collectives') across Warrington. Each Collective gives communities an alternative expression of church, complementing the parish system. A Celebration Service for the amalgamation was held on 21 September, with Archdeacon Simon Fisher commissioning Revd Renison into his joint ministry.

In June, our curate Revd Emma Stonier was priested at Liverpool Cathedral and in July our ordinand, John Lisle was ordained Deacon at Blackburn Cathedral, before beginning his curacy at St Luke's Church in Blackburn.

In March the PCC voted to continue to support the 'Fit for Mission' programme towards a single larger parish, the Parish of Warrington, with a single PCC, central support services and funding. Once Christ Church PCC is dissolved, a Local Leadership Team (LLT) for Christ Church and Church Collective will take over, responsible for buildings, services, mission, budget and general issues. There will be two sub-committees: a Buildings Committee (covering reordering and maintenance) and a Social Committee (to plan events).

Two surveys were carried out during 2025. A Discipleship survey carried out by the Diocesan Facilitator Anthony Clowes, highlighted areas for development, such as helping people to deepen and share their faith, developing mentorship, raising the profile of social action projects and financial giving.

We also carried out a survey of the congregation on the amalgamation of Christ Church and Church Collective, which highlighted the benefits of the increase in the numbers of children, youth and families. Challenges raised were: getting to know each other; the short time between services; the lack of space and forms of communication, particularly for those not online. The issues raised by both these surveys will be worked on in 2026.

During 2025 we held an Alpha Course, looked at Mark's Gospel, held a week of boundary prayer walks and read the whole of the Bible aloud in church over a week, to proclaim the word of God across Warrington. From 18 – 23 August, 88 readers, from under 10 to over 80 years old, from 15 churches, read Genesis to Revelation in 20 minute slots, from 6am to 10pm.

Achievements and performance including review of charitable achievements against objectives

The following section summarises our main areas of activity and performance:

Electoral Roll

At the end of the year the Electoral Roll stood at 125. This is three more than at the end of 2024. During this period, six people came on to the Electoral Roll for the first time, while three others either died or moved away.

Worship

On Sundays we hold our traditional Communion service at 10am, followed by our lively charismatic informal service at 11.15am. On the first Sunday of the month, these services are preceded by a Said Communion service at 9am. On the second Sunday of the month, we hold Active Church, an all-age



worship service, followed by a shortened Communion Service. On fifth Sundays there is a family celebration service with communion and on the first and third Sundays we hold a Kids Collective in Christ Church School.

The former Howley Collective, now meets at Christ Church at 11.15am on Sundays following the amalgamation with Christ Church, in our informal charismatic service. This is an opportunity for people to deepen their faith in an informal setting, with a time of sung worship, teaching and shared communion.

Average attendance at the 10am Sunday services is 53 adults and at the 11.15am service, 26 adults and 12 children, with an average of 12 adults at the 9am monthly service. Average attendance for Active Church services is 66 adults and 30 children and at Kids Collective 25 children.

A midweek communion service is held on Wednesday mornings, with an average attendance of 12 adults.

Baptism services are held on the first Sunday of the month, with a total of 22 (22 in 2024) children and 1 adult being baptised during the year. A special service is held every year when dollies made for each child at their baptism are presented to them. There were 13 confirmations (18 in 2024), 1 wedding (3 in 2024) and 16 funerals (17 in 2024) during 2025.

Good Friday and Easter Day services attracted a total of 289 adults and children (164 in 2024). In December the Christingle service attracted 138 adults and children (273 at both Christingle and Carols around the Tree in 2024). The Carol Service, Christmas Eve crib service, Midnight Communion and Christmas Day services attracted a total of 374 adults and children (428 in 2024).

Special services were also held in church. A Service of Thanksgiving and Reflection was held in May to mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day and, as well as a service on Remembrance Sunday, a remembrance service was held on 6 November by the 1330 (Warrington) Squadron Air Cadets which was attended by people from all over Warrington. A Worship & Prayer evening was held in November, with charismatic worship and prayer led by the church worship band, plus an All Souls service.

Four Collectives were planted in 2025. Wine and the Way and Poplars Collective for adults to worship, pray and explore faith, Kids Collective for children on Sundays and Brick Collective, exploring faith through Lego and Duplo for families. The first Brick Collective at Christ Church School was attended by over 80 adults and children.

Additional highlights of 2025 include a variety of social and community events including coffee mornings and afternoon tea, quiz nights, craft events, family picnics, Church walks in Delamere Forest and Woolston Park; a youth trip to the local outreach FUSE event, light parties at Halloween, volunteering at the Creamfields Festival, litter picks, a Nativity Scavenger hunt and Year 6 transition sessions to high school.

Youth and Children's Work

Active Church services are held once a month aimed at children and families and include craft activities related to the theme of the service.

Kids Collective meets on the first and third Sundays at 11am in Christ Church School, and is open to children aged from 3 to 11 with games, activities, Bible stories, snacks and activities.

Stay and Praise Collectives are held regularly at three primary schools, when parents and carers join in with a KS1 act of worship, with songs, Bible stories, puppets and refreshments.



Brick Collective uses Lego and Duplo to explore Bible stories and will start to meet monthly in Christ Church School in 2026.

Youth Collectives for ages 11 – 18, met weekly at Warrington Youth Zone, Fearnhead Cross Community Centre and Christ Church to socialise, play games, eat snacks and grow in faith.

Clergy led school-based acts of worship are held at **Christ Church Primary School** and **Cinnamon Brow Primary School**, including regular assemblies, as well as special festival celebrations in Church (Christmas, Easter, Harvest and Leavers services).

Open the Book sessions are held at both Christ Church Primary School and Cinnamon Brow Primary School. We endeavour to provide at least one session per month for each school. The sessions are delivered by a small team of volunteers, who together with a class of children, tell and act out a Bible story using the resources provided by the Open the Book section of the Bible Society.

Church Groups

Mothers' Union members enjoyed a busy and interesting year of talks by visiting speakers, attended craft sessions and a demonstration in flower arranging and shared meals together. Members have also supported various coffee mornings by supplying cakes and helping on stalls. Membership of the MU is not needed to attend meetings, which are open to all.

Our **Knit and Natter** group meets on the first Saturday of every month and is an opportunity to share craft activities, fellowship and refreshments. This attracts non-church goers.

Harmony is a monthly event hosted by our choir, when favourite hymns and worship songs are chosen and sung. Each session has a guest speaker who shares something of their life and faith, as well as a Bible reading, prayers and information on the music and lyrics of the hymns selected for that month.

Social Action and Fundraising

The **Social Committee** and members of the congregation organised a range of events to raise funds, including a Last Night at the Proms Concert with the Band and Drums of the Cheshire Constabulary; concerts by Warrington Musical Society; the Garden Party and the Christmas Tree Extravaganza.

A coffee morning was held to raise funds for **Macmillan**. Collections were held in church and online for **Christian Aid**, during Christian Aid week. Also, a **Fairtrade** stall selling Fairtrade food and fairly traded crafts is held regularly in church.

Smile Collective met at St Margaret's Primary School in Orford and offered a free community meal to those attending. To worship creatively, love generously and serve locally, we provided around 188 meals in 2025.

Our **Harvest** service was held in October and members of the congregation brought food items which were then donated to the Padgate branch of the **Warrington Food Bank**.

At our **Toy service** at the beginning of December, members of the congregation donated new toys for children who would otherwise have very little. These toys were then distributed to local families through Warrington Youth Zone.

The Mothers' Union again supported **Operation Christmas Child** and sent Christmas shoe boxes to the charity Samaritan's Purse.



The annual **Christingle Service** in December was attended by 138 adults and children. This service and the house boxes held by members of the congregation, raised funds for the **Children's Society**.

Our **Carols around the Tree** event attracted around 60 people and featured carols led by our church worship band and by a local brass band. There was also a cash collection for **Padgate Food Bank**. This event to support the Food Bank is in addition to donations from our harvest service and our local collection point in church, which members of the congregation regularly support.

Church Building and Grounds

The Reordering Committee continued discussions with the church architect on plans for changes in the church to create a space which is more usable and flexible and which could be used for community activities. Our priorities are improved toilet, kitchen and meeting room facilities, better disabled access and seating and a more flexible space for mission and community activities. A booklet with artist impressions of the proposed internal space is planned. This will be presented to the congregation early in 2026 and financial pledges will be sought.

The Friends of Christ Church Graveyard care for the churchyard together with a team who are part of the **Community Payback Scheme** of the Ministry of Justice. This team has been very effective at keeping the graveyard tidy on a weekly basis, by clearing leaves, strimming and mowing the grass and pruning shrubs. We are very grateful to the supervisors and members of the Community Payback Team and the Ministry of Justice for helping to maintain the graveyard.

In 2025 permission was granted by the Archdeacon for work required on 18 trees in the graveyard, which involved removing deadwood, overhanging branches and felling trees with ash dieback. The work was carried out by Holly Oak Tree Services in October 2025 following approval under Minor Matters Lists A and B.

Repair work involving resurfacing and repairing York stone insets was carried out on paths in the graveyard in the autumn of 2025.

Work has also been carried out to restore and tidy the front border in the Garden of Remembrance along Station Road.

Refreshments were offered to those visiting the graveyard over the Mother's Day weekend, as well as an opportunity for people to come into church to pray and/or light a candle.

The Friends Group held four clear-up days during 2025, and the 1330 Squadron Air Cadets held one clear-up morning and cleaned military graves.

The Friends were again successful in being selected as a local community cause for the Co-op. Funds will be added to the Friends' grant allocation when people shop at the Co-op and choose the Friends as their local cause.

A full report on the activities of the Friends during 2025 can be found in the Friends Annual Report and Accounts year ended December 2025.

Communications

As well as our websites <https://christchurch-padgate.co.uk/> and <https://churchcollective.uk/> we are on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, TikTok and Spotify.

The Friends of Christ Church Graveyard is also on Facebook.



A weekly email is circulated to around 180 members of church, providing regular updates on church services and activities.

Plans for 2026

- Continue work to bring our congregations together as 'One Church, Many Communities, United in Christ'.
- Engage with the single Parish of Warrington as it begins operating in 2026.
- Develop lay leadership and enable members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent following the 'Cultivate' programme as part of 'Fit for Mission'.
- Continue to develop the reordering proposals, so that our church building can meet the needs of our mission.
- Enable our existing Collectives to flourish and plant new Collectives.
- Engage with the soon to be formed Youth and Children's hub across the Single Larger Parish, particularly planting more Youth Collectives across the town in partnership with other Anglican churches.

Financial Review

Financial Review

The PCC continued to review the costs of running the church, making decisions that show the church's commitment given to the Diocese in 2012 to paying all liabilities as they fall due including the Parish Share.

The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission in England and Wales, reference number 1178871.

Report on Accounts for 2025

The year ended 31 December 2025 has been a year of transition as the two churches of Christ Church Padgate and Church Collective continue to work to full amalgamation to become one church. This process started in April 2025 and formally came into effect from September 2025. It was agreed by the PCC that the operational finances would be fully amalgamated by the end of 2025 and that the balance of the Church Collective fund as at 31 December will remain restricted to Church Collective activities and growth.

The attached accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 show that the overall income raised in 2025 across all unrestricted funds was £109,640. This includes £28,044 from Transform Northwest to assist with the amalgamation of the two churches. If this amount is excluded, then the income for 2025 is £81,596 (£91,542 in 2024), giving an overall decrease of £9,946.

In 2024 the church received two legacies totalling £242,959 and money received from the closure of Church of the Resurrection bank accounts which totalled £13,000. The PCC decided to set up a Reordering fund with £250,000 of this money.

Overall, Planned Giving decreased by 0.8% compared to 2024 being £42,172 in 2025 (£45,864 in 2024).



The contactless gifts received via the card machine during 2025 amounted to £1,337 (£1,816 in 2024). This amount is included in 'Collections and other giving'.

The money received from Fees for weddings and funerals decreased by £2,469 (being £7,782 in 2025 compared to £10,251 in 2024).

Various fundraising events were held during the year raising a total of £4,559 (£5,273 in 2024). These included the Garden Party £1,455, Last Night of the Proms £1,479, the Christmas Tree Extravaganza £1,374 and Warrington Musical Society concerts £250.

The Parish Share was reduced in 2025 to £44,132 (£76,501 in 2024). In 2024 we paid £44,626 leaving a balance of £31,875 outstanding. We have been informed that the Deanery will pay £8,000, leaving Christ Church to pay £23,875 in 2025, (some of which is covered by the contribution from Transform Northwest of £28,044 for the amalgamation of Christ Church and Church Collective), together with the 2025 Parish Share. The total Parish Share paid in 2025 was therefore £68,007.

The other running costs of the church show a slight increase of £910, being £38,241 (£37,331 in 2024).

The overall repairs figure of £14,458 includes £6,100 for tree work, £1,032 for repairs to paths, £1,032 for a drainage survey and £3,180 for a structural report.

The total energy costs for the year have decreased by £236 to £8,489 (£8,725 in 2024) and are broken down as: Gas £6,165 (£6,692 in 2024), Electricity £1,741 (£1,545 in 2024) and Water £582 (£488 in 2024).

The balance in the Reserve Account at year end 31/12/2025 has increased to £278,647 (£271,082 in 2024). This is split between the Reordering project fund (£249,943) and the general reserve (£28,704).

Church Collective Fund

Since July 2021 Church Collective has been hosted by Christ Church Padgate with the finances being administered through a restricted fund by the PCC and overseen by Liverpool Diocese. The accounts for the Collective are shown within the other funds for completeness. There is no cost incurred by Christ Church in administering this fund.

In September 2025 Church Collective and Christ Church Padgate amalgamated to become One Church and work is being carried out to bring their future operational income and expenditure together ready for 2026, whilst keeping the Church Collective fund balance as at 31 December 2025 restricted as before.

Parish of Warrington Services

In July 2025, as part of the Fit for Mission project, which is working to unite the twelve parishes in Warrington into one larger single parish, Christ Church was asked to facilitate payroll and operational costs within a restricted fund, until the larger single parish of Warrington is officially formed. This is carried out with no cost to Christ Church.

Reserves Policy

In 2021, as the church is a registered charity, the PCC agreed that it would be prudent to retain two months running costs amounting to £15,000, as a reserve. This is in line with the Diocese guidelines. In 2022, this amount was reduced to £10,000 in order to assist with pressures on cash-flow. This policy is reviewed regularly.



Performance of Investments

Investments are placed with the CCLA in the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. These investments attracted a total of £9,670 in interest in 2025 (£2,621 in 2024). This is split between £6,371 in unrestricted funds (£1,551 in 2024) and £3,298 in restricted funds (£1,071 in 2024).



Christ Church Padgate
Accounts for year ended 31st December 2025
General Fund

	2025	2025	2024	2024
Receipts				
Voluntary Income				
Planned Giving	42172		45864	
Collections & Other Giving	6003		7020	
Income Tax Recovered	9645	57820	11388	64272
Other Voluntary Income				
Fees	5195		7214	
Sundry Donations	104		0	
Donations for Charities	380	5679	579	7793
Events & Activities				
Social Functions	0		0	
Sale Goods & Books	121		72	
Magazine Donations/Adverts	0	121	0	72
Other Income				
Transfers from Reserve fund	25246			
Area Dean Grant	0		500	
LDBF Grants	704		2500	£3790 Curates housing
Insurance Claims	0	25950	0	3000
TOTAL RECEIPTS		89570		75137
Payments				
Grants				
Christian Relief & Develop. Agencies	0		0	
Home Mission & Church Societies				
Secular Charities	405	405	576	576
Support Costs				
Sunday School & Walking Day	0		0	
Training Books/Notes/Videos	331		832	
Subscriptions to Other Bodies	1384	1715	1215	2047
Relating to the Work of the Church				
Parish Share	68007		44626	
Clergy Expenses	1004		1454	
Vicarage Rates/Water	3856		3632	
Upkeep of Services	968		449	
Organist/Cleaner/Verger	570		720	Gravedigger
Building & Maintenance	734		1537	Red and Green bins
Light/Heat/Water	8489		8725	
Sundry Expenses	2979		2648	
Social Function Costs	137		47	
		86743		63838
Administration				
Printing & Stationery	933		305	
Insurance	3265		3218	
		4197		3523
TOTAL PAYMENTS		93061		69985
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the Year		-3491		5152
Bank Account as at 1st January		5418		266
Bank account as at 31st December		1927		5418



Christ Church Padgate

RESERVE FUND

Receipts	2025	2025	2024	2024
Donations	1805		3699	
Legacies			244803	
Transfer from Church of Resurrection	0		13000	
Central Board of Finance Interest	1392		1551	
Coffee Morning	0		241	
Garden Party	1455		1727	
Last Night of Proms	1479		1767	
Kings Cornation Party	0		0	
Christmas tree extravaganza	1374		1388	
WMS Concert	250		150	
Coffee shop			0	
Transfer from Church Collective	28044		0	
	<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>	
		35800		268326
Payments				
Repairs & Renewals	2932		11972	
Transfer to Reordering Fund	250000			
Transfer to General Fund	<u>25246</u>		<u>0</u>	
		278178		11972
Surplus		<u>-242378</u>		<u>256354</u>
Balance at 1st January		271082		14728
Balance at 31st December		28704		271082



Christ Church Padgate

Burial Ground Fund

Designated Funds

	2025	2024
Receipts		
Memorials and tablets		
Burials	2587	3037
Grants	0	1000
Sundry Donations	975	0
Bank interest	707	0
	<u>4269</u>	<u>4037</u>
Payments		
Burial Ground Expenses	7222	0
Tree Survey	0	0
	<u>7222</u>	<u>0</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year	-2953	4037
Bank Deposit Account as at 1st January	13480	9443
Bank Deposit Account as at 31st December	10527	13480

Burial Ground Restricted Fund

Endowment received Oct 2013

Receipts

Payments

Bank account balance at 1st January	15000	15000
Bank account balance at 31st December	15000	15000

Church Day School Trust Account

Restricted Funds

Receipts

Bank interest	1	1
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Payments

Suplus for year	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
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Bank Deposit account as at 1st January	94	93
Bank Deposit account as at 31st December	94	94

Flower Fund

Designated Fund

Receipts	0	265
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Payments	<u>135</u>	<u>90</u>
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Surplus/Deficit for year	-135	175
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Balance in bank at 1st January	180	5
Balance in bank at 31st December	45	180

Reordering Fund

Designated

Receipts

Transfer from Reserve	250000	
Bank Interest	<u>4272</u>	
	254272	

Payments

Professional Fees	4329	
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Surplus for year	<u>249943</u>	
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Balance as at 31st December	249943	
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Christ Church Padgate

Church Collective

Restricted

Note Started 01/07/21

	2025	2025	2025	2024	2024	2024
Receipts						
LDBF Funding			66668			66225
Henry Smith Foundation Grant						17100
Belfry Grant		1000				60000
Planned Giving		19730			14357	
Tax Recovered		4939			3527	
Sundry Donations		2893			2702	
University Chester					0	
Warrington Charities Trust					899	
Cheshire Evangelical Trust					2574	
One off Grant Stay and Praise					855	
Fundraising		1433			663	
Bank Interest		<u>3298</u>	<u>33293</u>		<u>1071</u>	<u>26648</u>
Total Income			99961			169973
Expenditure						
Staff Costs						
Payroll		49545			47773	
Clergy Housing		<u>213</u>			<u>2836</u>	
			49758			50609
Operational Costs						
Travel & Exps		6182			5170	
Other Costs		9778			11763	
Rental Of Meeting Spa		<u>2230</u>			<u>6595</u>	
			<u>18190</u>			<u>23528</u>
Total Revenue Expenditure						<u>74137</u>
Capital Costs						
Equip		399			1885	
Office		<u>4320</u>	<u>4719</u>		<u>3900</u>	<u>5785</u>
Overall Expenditure			<u>72667</u>			<u>79922</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year			27294			90051
Balance as at 1st January			152020			61969
Balance as at 31st December			179314			152020

Parish of Warrington Services

Restricted Fund

Receipts

Grants	84465
Donations	<u>490</u>
	84955

Expenditure

Payroll	23947
Telephone	<u>131</u>
	<u>24078</u>

Surplus/ Deficit for year	60877
Balance as at 1st January	0
Balance as at 31st December	60877



Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2025

Monetary Assets	General	School	Burial Ground	Fabric Fund	Flower Fund	Reordering Fund	Collective Fund	Coffee Fund	Restricted Funds	PWS Fund	Total
Barclays Bank C/A	2068		5885	15494	45	45671	73898	234		60877.00	204172
Barclays Bank D/A		96									96
CBF Deposit Fund			4641	13210		204272	104535		15000		341659
Cash in hand								3			3
SOLDO cards	-141						878				737
Total	1927	96	10526	28704	45	249943	179315	234	15000	60877	546667

Parish Share Account

Outstanding Balances b/fwd	31874.65	Jan	10052.60
		Feb	3677.67
		Mar	0.00
Share for 2025		Apr	7355.34
Jan to Dec	44132.04	May	21177.39
		Jun	3677.67
Paid in year	68006.69	Jul	3677.67
Deanery covered from 2024 funds	8000	Aug	3677.67
Balance c/fwd	0.00	Sep	3677.67
		Oct	3677.67
	<u>76006.69</u>	Nov	3677.67
	<u>76006.69</u>	Dec	3677.67

Opening Balance represented by

Aug-24	6374.93	6374.93 paid Jan 25
Sep-24	6374.93	
Oct-24	6374.93	Note
Nov-24	6374.93	£17,499.72 paid May 25
Dec-24	6374.93	
	<u>31874.65</u>	<u>£23,874.65</u>



Christ Church Padgate
Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
Fixed assets		
	-	-
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	546,667.66	457,271.72
	546,667.66	457,271.72
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	3,766.43	3,117.31
	3,766.43	3,117.31
Net current assets less current liabilities	542,901.23	454,154.41
Total assets less current liabilities	542,901.23	454,154.41
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	542,901.23	454,154.41
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	1,927.22	5,418.00
Designated		
Designated - Burial Ground Fund	10,526.35	13,479.35
Designated - Coffee Shop	234.06	-
Designated - Fabric Fund	25,035.25	268,058.79
Designated - Flower Fund	43.82	178.80
Designated - Reordering Fund	249,942.74	-
Restricted		
Restricted - Church Collective	179,314.68	152,019.67
Restricted - Parish Of Warrington Services	60,877.02	-
Endowment		
Endowment - Burial Ground Fund	15,000.00	15,000.00
Fund Totals	542,901.23	454,154.41

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of Christ Church Padgate
on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025, as set out on
pages _____ to _____ of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for 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 accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
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Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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Signed: 

Date: 2/3/2026

IE's Name: COLIN WILKINSON

address: 659 LIVERPOOL ROAD HELM HAWKSTER M44 5X0



Christ Church Padgate
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	62,905.81	2,489.02	113,578.18	-	178,973.01	418,214.48
Income from charitable activities	4,625.00	2,587.00	-	-	7,212.00	9,710.87
Other trading activities	88.25	165.75	1,373.50	-	1,627.50	72.46
Investments	1.25	6,371.23	3,298.13	-	9,670.61	2,621.81
Other income	-	-	94,711.38	-	94,711.38	83,325.47
Total income	67,620.31	11,613.00	212,961.19	-	292,194.50	513,945.09
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	233.44	-	-	-	233.44	158.98
Expenditure on charitable activities	69,542.29	35,591.43	3,134.97	-	108,268.69	83,382.98
Other expenditure	1,335.36	-	93,610.19	-	94,945.55	77,132.77
Total expenditure	71,111.09	35,591.43	96,745.16	-	203,447.68	160,674.73
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(3,490.78)	(23,978.43)	116,216.03	-	88,746.82	353,270.36
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	278,044.00	-	-	278,044.00	5,764.38
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	(250,000.00)	(28,044.00)	-	(278,044.00)	(5,764.38)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(3,490.78)	4,065.57	88,172.03	-	88,746.82	353,270.36
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	5,418.00	281,716.74	152,019.67	15,000.00	454,154.41	100,884.05
Total funds carried forward	1,927.22	285,782.31	240,191.70	15,000.00	542,901.23	454,154.41
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General Fund	1,927.22	-	-	-	1,927.22	5,418.00
Designated						
Burial Ground Fund	-	10,526.35	-	-	10,526.35	13,479.35
Coffee Shop	-	234.05	-	-	234.05	-
Fabric Fund	-	25,035.25	-	-	25,035.25	268,058.79
Flower Fund	-	43.92	-	-	43.92	178.60
Reordering Fund	-	249,942.74	-	-	249,942.74	-
Restricted						
Church Collective	-	-	179,314.68	-	179,314.68	152,019.67
Parish Of Warrington Services	-	-	60,877.02	-	60,877.02	-
Endowment						
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Accounts

Christ Church, Padgate

Inviting people to experience God's love

Annual Report and Accounts of the Parochial Church Council



Year Ending 31 December 2024

Reference and Administrative Information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Padgate is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. Charity registration number: 1178871.

Christ Church is located on Station Road, Padgate, Warrington, in the Diocese of Liverpool. Correspondence should be sent to the Secretary of the PCC at the following address:

39 Solway Close, Fearnhead, Warrington WA2 0UP.

During 2024, up to the Annual Parochial Church meeting on 6 April 2025, the following people served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

<i>Ex-officio members</i>			
Revd Neil Shaw	Team Rector	Chair	
Revd Heather Haddow	Curate Christ Church	To end of September 2024	
Revd Emma Stonier	Curate Christ Church	From July 2024	
Revd Simon Renison	Leader Church Collective		
Barrie Crabtree	Churchwarden		
Alan Kemp	Deanery Synod Representative		
Dave Perfect	Deanery Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.	Electoral Roll Officer	
Sue Robinson	Deanery Synod Representative, Diocesan Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.	To July 2024	
<i>Elected Members</i>			<i>Elected</i>
Louise Appleby	Lay Reader		2023
Hilary Brown			2022
Alan Clayton		Vice-chair	2024
Edward Collinson			2024
Debbie Jacques		Treasurer	2023
Laura Lawrence			2022
Jill Perfect		Secretary	2023
Ruth Waterfield		Gift-aid Secretary	2023

Non-PCC Officers

Susan Kirby	Safeguarding Officer (until December 2024)
Hannah Austin	Safeguarding Officer (from December 2024)
Vacant	Health and Safety Officer

Bankers: Barclays Bank PLC. Sankey Street WARRINGTON, WA1 1XG

Auditor: Cadishead Accountancy Services Ltd, 657 Liverpool Road, Irlam, MANCHESTER, M44 5XD

Legal Advisor: Howard Dellar, 1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, LONDON, SW1P 3JT

Architect: Graham Holland Associates. Winnington Hall, NORTHWICH, CW8 4DU



Structure, Management and Governance

Christ Church PCC is a body corporate and operates under the *Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956* and the *Church Representation Rules*.

The PCC complies with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC has adopted The House of Bishops' 'Promoting a Safer Church: safeguarding policy'; and diocesan safeguarding policies and practice guidance.

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The PCC meets every two months and has three sub-committees: The Standing and Mission Committee, Finance Committee and Social Committee, which meet as required and report to the full PCC on a regular basis.

Membership comprises: - Standing and Mission Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, and PCC Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Finance Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, Treasurer plus one other member. Social Committee: PCC members plus other non-PCC members.

The Safeguarding Officer and Safety Officer report to the PCC as required.

Five members of the Church (in addition to the Team Rector) are on the Board of Governors of Christ Church and Cinnamon Brow CE Primary Schools.

Christ Church is part of the East Warrington Team of Churches, which also includes the Church of the Ascension, Birchwood & Woolston. Revd Neil Shaw, of Christ Church, is Team Rector of the Warrington East Team. He was appointed Area Dean of Warrington in April 2019 and was installed as a Canon Diocesan at Liverpool Cathedral in November 2019.

Objectives and Activities

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the *Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956* and specifically that the PCC "is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical."

When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

At Christ Church we have adopted the following mission statement:-

*We, belonging to Christ's Church,
discover in our relationship with God
the love, joy and peace that he gives.
In Jesus Christ we find acceptance whatever our faults
and his willingness to walk with us whatever our circumstances.
Through the Holy Spirit we go out in forgiveness, power and strength,
with heads held high and hearts burning within us to witness and reflect his love in our interactions
with everyone we meet.*

We agreed that during 2024 we would:

- Support Church Collective in their developing mission



- Engage with the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme
- Build back our congregations following the COVID pandemic
- Engage with the 'Leading your Church into Growth' programme (LyCiG)
- Develop lay leadership and enable members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent through the 'Cultivate' programme as part of 'Fit for Mission'
- Increase our range of approaches for deepening discipleship, particularly those which might engage those who connect with us on a more fringe basis
- Establish depth across Church Collective

In July 2024 Revd Emma Stonier was licensed as curate at Christ Church. Revd Stonier was due to serve her curacy at St Elphin's Church, but transferred to Christ Church following the death of the Revd Canon June Steventon. Our curate Revd Heather Haddow finished her curacy at Christ Church at the end of September and in November was licensed as Associate Priest of St Cuthbert's, Wrose and St John's, Greengates at Holy Trinity Church, Idle, Bradford .

We developed our plans to take forward the Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG) programme, to help the PCC to plan for growth. A sermon series on the LyCiG principles was delivered and ways of helping people to grow in confidence to invite others to church events were discussed.

Following our decision last year to join 'Fit for Mission', in February the PCC undertook a Pyramid Review, led by a Diocesan facilitator Anthony Clowes, followed by a review in July. We assessed our leadership, community, discipleship, worship and mission and considered what we can celebrate, our challenges and what we can change. We devised a short missional statement – 'Inviting people to experience God's love'.

Also as part of preparation for Fit for Mission, our Treasurer attends regular meetings of Treasurers from other parishes to discuss financial procedures and other members of the PCC have attended meetings to discuss the transition to a single, larger parish.

During the summer, members of Christ Church attended the Shape Course, held in conjunction with the Church of the Ascension at Woolston, where we looked at our skills, abilities, life experiences and spiritual gifts and discussed how we fit into God's plans. This was followed in the autumn by the Cultivate Course, held at a Deanery level, where we explored the reasons and need for new worship communities and justice initiatives and how to grow communities and leaders.

Christ Church hosts Church Collective which aims to fulfil God's call to plant a network of worshipping communities (called 'Collectives') across Warrington. Each Collective gives communities across Warrington an alternative expression of church, complementing the parish system. All Collectives share the same values: "we invite everyone to play their part as we worship creatively, love generously and serve locally."

The mission of Church Collective is to start new Collectives which engage with people 'where they are', in community spaces, schools etc. and in other appropriate spaces relevant to that specific community. Church Collective has a particular focus to reach the 'Missing Generation' as identified by the Church of England as the least represented group in the Church. Church Collective therefore positively prioritises the under 30s in terms of resources, time and style of gathering.

Church Collective is led by Revd Simon Renison, employs one full-time Youth Director and a part-time Operations Manager. In addition, Church Collective has an ordinand working three days per week.



Christ Church hosts Church Collective on a zero-cost basis and funding for Church Collective is through the Church Commissioners' Strategic Development Funds. This financial support extends to the end of 2025, although additional secured funding will allow part of the work to continue to the end of 2026.

In mid-2024 Revd Neil Shaw announced his intention to retire from ministry at Easter 2025. Warrington Deanery is now responsible for funding its own clergy with the target number of stipendiary clergy being eight. This means that stipendiary clergy are, or will be, responsible for two parishes. Consequently, the next incumbent of Christ Church would probably have to take on additional responsibilities, rather than minister to Christ Church alone.

It was therefore proposed to the PCC that Simon Renison, leader of Church Collective and licensed to Christ Church, should take over as incumbent at Christ Church, but also continue to lead Church Collective. This amalgamation was agreed unanimously by the PCC and was announced to the congregation in September, after being agreed by Deanery Synod. It was ratified by the Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee in November 2024.

The PCC consider that this is a positive opportunity and presents exciting possibilities for Christ Church. Christ Church has hosted Church Collective since 2021 and amalgamation is a logical next step. Christ Church has tried over the years to extend its mission and amalgamation with Church Collective is acknowledged as a good opportunity to increase our efforts.

We are very fortunate to be able to have a handover period which will start from 16 March 2025, with the formal amalgamation starting after Easter when Revd Renison will be in post.

Achievements and performance including review of charitable achievements against objectives

The following section summarises our main areas of activity and performance:

Electoral Roll

At the end of the year the Electoral Roll stood at 121. This is 6 fewer than at the end of 2023, since the number of people who have died, moved away or no longer attend slightly exceeds the number of new members. Previously, separate figures were given for resident and non-resident members, but the enlarged parish boundaries means that this distinction is now less relevant.

Worship

Christ Church

On Sundays we hold our Parish Communion service at 11am. On the first Sunday of the month, this is preceded by a Said Communion morning service at 9am. On the second Sunday of the month, Parish Communion is replaced by an all-age worship service called 'Active Church', followed by a shortened Communion Service.

Average attendance at Sunday Services is 58 adults and 2 children at the Parish Communion service, with an average of 9 adults at the 9am monthly service. Average attendance for Active Church services is 55 adults and 27 children. These figures are similar to attendance in 2023.

A midweek communion service is held on Wednesday mornings, with an average attendance of 12 adults.

Two of our monthly services, REFRESH, an informal evening worship service, and our all-age Sunday afternoon SPACE service, ended in 2024. Bubble Church for children and families at St Andrew's



Church, Orford, now caters for those who formerly attended the SPACE service.

Baptism services are held on the first and third Sunday of every month, with a total of 22 (26 in 2023) children being baptised during the year. A special service is held every year when dollies made for each child at their baptism are presented to them. There were 18 confirmations, 3 weddings (5 in 2023) and 17 funerals (18 in 2023) during 2024.

Special services were also held in church. In April we held a service to remember babies and infants who have died and who are buried in our churchyard, sometimes in unknown locations. The service started in church and then moved to the churchyard where we blessed a memorial plaque. In June we held a commemorative service for Eve Stratford, who was killed in 1975. Her former school friends raised funds for a new gravestone, and a service in church was followed by a blessing around the grave.

As well as a service on Remembrance Sunday, a remembrance service was held on 7 November by the 1330 (Warrington) Squadron Air Cadets which was attended by people from all over Warrington.

Good Friday and Easter Day services attracted a total of 164 adults and children. In December the Christingle service attracted 273 adults and children. The Carol Service, Christmas Eve crib service, Midnight Communion and Christmas Day services attracted a total of 428 adults and children (385 in 2023).

Our Lent course in 2024 was held in conjunction with the Church of the Ascension, Woolston.

During 2024, we held some 'Come and Share' sessions before our main Sunday service, which involved sharing faith journeys, as well as 'Bible and prayer time' on Wednesday mornings, looking at St John's Gospel. Each Friday during Advent we held 'Advent prayers', an informal service of morning prayer.

In November we held a Welcome Afternoon Tea for those who are new to Christ Church, or who have been attending for a couple of years, so that we could get to know each other.

Church Collective

Key highlights for Church Collective in 2024 include:

- Six Collectives were planted - four 'Stay and Praise Collectives' in four different schools and two for youth.
- Two new staff members joined the team - Hannah Austin as part time Operations and Admin Manager, and Pete McDade, full time Youth Director.
- In the autumn, Church Collective reached a significant milestone of 199 people attending Collectives across one week. That is (almost) 100 new people within one year finding their home within a Collective. The mission of Church Collective is therefore working. A key area of development in 2024 was discipleship, and finding additional spaces where people could grow in their faith in Jesus.
- Since the start of Church Collective we have held Howley Collective on a Sunday morning. Over the autumn, Howley Collective has slowly changed into a 'weekly service' to offer people from all Collectives a space where they can really deepen their faith, have a longer time of sung worship and teaching and share communion.
- In addition, a number of leaders underwent 'Location Based Collective' training, to discern if God is calling them to plant a Collective which is more discipleship based, encouraging a space where



people can deepen their faith. Our prayer is that a number of 'Location Based Collectives' can be planted in 2025.

- Additional highlights include two FUSE youth mission weeks in collaboration with Warrington Youth for Christ, a summer party, a light party at Halloween, volunteering at the Creamfields Festival, a flag festival, several litter picks, Year 6 transition sessions to high school and Easter and Christmas services.

Church Organisations

The **Mothers' Union** membership remained stable in 2024, with a couple of new members, but also a few members are now unable to get to meetings because of ill health.

The group enjoyed a varied programme last year including 'Guess that Tune', a talk by a lady who has a wide collection of unusual hats, two social afternoons with the Longbarn Ukulele Band, two excellent meals in the summer and at Christmas at the Mill House, Cinnamon Brow, plus a Christmas card craft making afternoon. There is no official leader at moment as both previous leaders have completed six years in the role. They are continuing to help on a voluntary basis with great support from other members, including the treasurer, who is also retiring, but has continued to help with the accounts and finances.

A programme for 2025 will be displayed on the notice board in church and the MU looks forward to another busy year. Visitors are welcome to any of the afternoon meetings.

The **Fellowship Group** has continued to meet virtually on Zoom throughout 2024. The gospel of Matthew was studied. The Group continues to pray for those who have asked for prayer, either for themselves or others who need prayers during difficult circumstances.

The **Choir** meets weekly and sings at the 11.00 service on the first Sunday of the month and at festivals. The choir hosts a monthly event called **Harmony**, where favourite hymns and worship songs are chosen and sung by those attending. Each session has a guest speaker who shares something of their life and faith, as well as a Bible reading, prayers and information on the music and lyrics of the hymns selected for that month.

Pastoral Care to the Community

Our **Knit and Natter** group continues to meet on the first Saturday of every month and is an opportunity to share craft activities, fellowship and refreshments. This attracts non-church goers.

A monthly group, **The Golden Girls**, was set up for widowed, divorced or single ladies to meet for a time of mutual support and informal chat in the meeting room at the Station House pub opposite church.

Communication with members of the congregation and the parish was maintained through Facebook and a weekly email to around 100 congregation members, which provides regular updates about church services and activities. Revd Neil Shaw prepared weekly Morning Prayer service sheets for people to use in their private devotions. Paper copies of all communications were delivered to those people who do not have access to the internet or social media.

Youth and Children's Work

Active Church services are held once a month aimed at children and families. These services are very popular and include craft activities related to the theme of the service.

Revds Neil Shaw and Simon Renison and Curates Revds Heather Haddow and Emma Stonier led school-based acts of worship at **Christ Church Primary School** and **Cinnamon Brow Primary School**. This comprised fortnightly assemblies as well as special festival celebrations in Church (Christmas,



Easter, Harvest and Leavers services).

We continue to provide our **Open the Book** sessions to both Christ Church Primary School and Cinnamon Brow Primary School. We endeavour to provide at least one session per month for each school. The sessions are delivered by a small team of volunteers, who together with a class of children, tell and act out a Bible story using the resources provided by the Open the Book section of the Bible Society.

Charity & Fund Raising

The **Social Committee** and members of the congregation organised a range of events to raise funds, including a Last Night at the Proms Concert with the Band and Drums of the Cheshire Constabulary; concerts by Warrington Musical Society; a Garden Party and the Christmas Tree Extravaganza; as well as a coffee morning.

A coffee morning was held to raise funds for **Macmillan Nurses**. Collections were held in church and online for **Christian Aid**, during Christian Aid week and a cake sale raised funds for the **North West Air Ambulance Service**. Also, a **Fairtrade** stall selling Fairtrade food and fairly traded crafts is held regularly in church.

Our **Harvest** service was held in October and members of the congregation brought food items which were then donated to the Padgate branch of the **Warrington Food Bank**.

At our **Toy service** at the beginning of December, members of the congregation donated new toys for children who would otherwise have very little. These toys were then collected and distributed by the NSPCC.

The Mothers' Union again supported **Operation Christmas Child** and sent Christmas shoe boxes to the charity Samaritan's Purse.

The annual **Christingle Service** in December was attended by 228 adults and children. This service and the house boxes held by members of the congregation, raised funds for the **Children's Society**. This service was again followed by our **Carols around the Tree** event which attracted over 200 people and featured carols played by a brass band, a nativity re-enactment by children from Christ Church School and carols sung by children from Cinnamon Brow School. There was also a cash collection for **Padgate Food Bank**. This event to support the Food Bank is in addition to donations from our harvest service and our local collection point in church, which members of the congregation regularly support.

Church Building and Grounds

During 2024 the front door and porch window frames were painted as bare wood was exposed in places. A new electrical circuit board was installed and an air curtain heater was fitted above the main door.

Following a demonstration of the Church Collective audio equipment, the stand alone speakers were set up, which has improved the audio experience in church, and a new speaker was purchased for external use.

The Re-ordering Committee continued discussions with the church architect on plans for changes in the church to create a space which is more usable and flexible and which could be used for community activities. Our priorities are improved toilet, kitchen and meeting room facilities, better disabled access and seating and a more flexible space for mission and community activities, such as concerts and children's activities. A pre-application enquiry via the online Faculty system and a Statement of Significance & Need were submitted to establish whether these proposals were accepted in principle, and further details have been requested by the Diocese. Following the decision



to amalgamate with Church Collective, further discussions have taken place with the church architect.

The Churchyard is cared for by the Friends of Christ Church Graveyard and by a team who are part of the Community Payback Scheme of the Ministry of Justice. This team has been very effective at keeping the graveyard tidy, by clearing leaves, strimming and mowing the grass and pruning shrubs. The team worked one day per week in the graveyard. We are very grateful to the supervisors and members of the Community Payback Team and the Ministry of Justice for helping to maintain the graveyard.

Two new notice boards were installed and the struts on the main noticeboard were replaced. New church gates were installed and levelling of some of the paths, including the path by the main gate, was carried out, as recommended in the Quinquennial Review.

A dead tree was felled in the Garden of Remembrance and work on the trees in the car park, which are a Diocesan responsibility, has at last been carried out.

A guidance leaflet for the Garden of Remembrance was produced and circulated.

The Friends Group held four clear-up days during 2024, and the 1330 Squadron Air Cadets held one clear-up morning and cleaned military graves.

The Friends were again successful in being selected as a local community cause for the Co-op. Funds will be added to the Friends' grant allocation when people shop at the Co-op and chose the Friends as their local cause.

A full report on the activities of the Friends during 2024 can be found in the Friends Annual Report and Accounts year ending December 2024.

Communications

Christ Church is on Facebook: **Christ Church Padgate**. The **Friends of Christ Church Graveyard** is also on Facebook.

Christ Church website: <https://christchurch-padgate.co.uk/> is in development.

As noted above, a weekly email is circulated to around 100 members of Christ Church providing regular updates on church services and activities.

Plans for 2025

Christ Church:

- Work to bring about a positive and hope-filled amalgamation with Church Collective, so that this significant change is balanced and sensitive and meets the needs of both Christ Church and Church Collective.
- Engage with the developing Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme.
- Develop lay leadership and enable members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent following the 'Cultivate' programme as part of 'Fit for Mission'.
- Continue to develop the reordering proposals, so that our church building can meet the needs of our mission.



Church Collective:

- Work to bring about a positive and hope-filled amalgamation with Christ Church, so that this significant change is balanced and sensitive and meets the needs of both Church Collective and Christ Church.
- Plant new Collectives - in 2025 we hope to see new Collectives planted - two are already in the pipeline (Wine and the Way Collective and Kids Collective) and hopefully a few Location Based Collectives.

Financial Review

Financial Review

The PCC continued to review the costs of running the church, making decisions that show the church's commitment given to the Diocese in 2012 to paying all liabilities as they fall due including the Parish Share.

The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission in England and Wales reference number 1178871.

Report on Accounts for 2024

The attached accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024 show that the overall income raised in 2024 across all funds was £347,500 (£96,424 in 2023). The bulk of this increase has come from two legacies received in 2024 totalling £242,959 and money received from the closure of Church of the Resurrection bank accounts which totalled £13,000. If these amounts are excluded, the income for 2024 is £91,542 i.e. a decrease in overall income of £4,882.

Overall planned giving increased by 0.9% compared to 2023 being £45,864 in 2024 (£45,446 in 2023). The contactless gifts received via the card machine during 2024 amounted to £1,816 (£933 in 2023). This is included in Collections and other giving.

The money received from fees for weddings and funerals decreased by £249 (being £10,251 in 2024 compared to £10,500 in 2023).

In February 2023 in recognition of the energy crisis, the Diocese gave a grant of £615 towards heating costs, but we received no such grant in 2024.

Various fundraising events were held during the year raising a total of £5,273. These included the Garden Party (£1,727); Last Night of the Proms (£1,767); the Christmas Tree Extravaganza (£1,388); Warrington Musical Society concerts (£150) and a coffee morning (£241).

The Parish Share charged remained at the same level in 2024 as 2023 being £76,501. We managed to pay £63,749 in 2023 leaving a shortfall of £12,750 outstanding. This has been paid from Deanery funds. In 2024 we paid £44,626 leaving a balance of £31,875 outstanding. We have been informed that the Deanery will pay £8,000 leaving Christ Church to pay £23,875 in 2025 together with the 2025 Parish Share.

The other running costs of the church show an overall increase of £9,862 being £37,331 (£27,469 in 2023).

The total energy costs for the year have increased by £1,274 in 2024 to £8,725 (£7,451 in 2023) and are broken down as:

Gas £6,692 (£5,395 in 2023), Electricity £1,545 (£1,608 in 2023) and Water £488 (£448 in 2023).



The repairs figure of £11,972 includes £3,350 for paths; £2,390 for electrical inspection and a new circuit board; £1476 for new church gates; £574 for repairs to gate and notice board posts; £745 for air curtain purchase and installation; £724 for exterior painting of porch window frames and door; £409 for purchase of speaker system for exterior use and £354 balance for a new notice board.

The balance in the Reserve Account at the yearend 31/12/2024 has increased to £271,082 (£14,728 in 2023), this is due to the legacy moneys being retained for future use.

Church Collective Fund

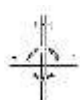
Since July 2021 Church Collective is being hosted by Christ Church Padgate and their finances are being administered through a restricted fund by the PCC and overseen by Liverpool Diocese. The accounts for the collective are shown within the other funds for completeness, there is no cost incurred by Christ Church in administering this fund.

Reserves Policy

In 2021 as the church is a registered charity the PCC agreed that it would be prudent to retain 2 months running costs amounting to £15000, as a reserve. This is in line with the Diocese guidelines. In 2022 this amount was reduced to £10000 in order to assist with pressures on cash-flow. This policy is reviewed regularly.

Performance of Investments

Investments are placed with the CCLA in the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. These investments attracted £1551 interest in 2024 (£909 in 2023)



Christ Church Padgate
Accounts for year ended 31st December 2024
General Fund

	2024	2024	2023	2023
Receipts				
Voluntary Income				
Planned Giving	45864		45446	
Collections & Other Giving	7020		7516	
Income Tax Recovered	11388	64272	11696	64658
	<u>11388</u>		<u>11696</u>	
Other Voluntary Income				
Fees	7214		8869	
Sundry Donations	0		50	
Donations for Charities	579	7793	67	8987
	<u>579</u>		<u>67</u>	
Events & Activities				
Social Functions	0		1456	
Sale Goods & Books	72		360	
Magazine Donations/Adverts	0	72	276	2091
	<u>0</u>		<u>276</u>	
Other Income				
Transfers from Reserve fund			7500	
Area Dean Grant	500		1000	
LDBF Grants	2500		828	
Insurance Claims	0	3000	1674	11002
	<u>0</u>		<u>1674</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		75137		86738
Payments				
Grants				
Christian Relief & Develop. Agencies	0		0	
Home Mission & Church Societies				
Secular Charities	576	576	786	786
	<u>576</u>		<u>786</u>	
Support Costs				
Sunday School & Walking Day	0		0	
Training Books/Notes/Videos	832		815	
Subscriptions to Other Bodies	1215	2047	980	1795
	<u>1215</u>		<u>980</u>	
Relating to the Work of the Church				
Parish Share	44626		63749	
Clergy Expenses	1454		324	
Vicarage Rates/Water	3632		3548	
Upkeep of Services	449		293	
Organist/Cleaner/Verger	720		724	
Building & Maintenance	1537		836	
Light/Heat/Water	8725		7451	
Sundry Expenses	2648		2593	
Social Function Costs	47	63838	740	80258
	<u>47</u>		<u>740</u>	



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RESERVE FUND

Receipts	2024	2024	2023	2023
Donations	3699		5547	
Legacies	244803		3445	
Transfer from Church of Resurrection	13000		0	
Central Board of Finance Interest	1551		909	
Coffee Morning	241			
Garden Party	1727		1062	
Last Night of Proms	1767		1383	
Kings Cornation Party	0		568	
Christmas tree extravaganza	1388		1466	
WMS Concert	150		175	
Coffee shop	0		1000	
	0		0	
		268326		15555
Payments				
Repairs & Renewals	11972		4522	
Transfer to General Fund	0		7500	
		11972		12022
Surplus		256354		3533
Balance at 1st January		14728		11195
Balance at 31st December		271082		14728



		Christ Church Padgate				
		Burial Ground Fund				
		Designated Funds				
			2024			2023
Receipts						
Memorials and tablets						
Burials		3037.25			1631	
Grants		1000			0	
Repayment from LDBF		0			0	
			4037			1631
Payments						
Burial Ground Expenses		0			1770	
Tree Survey		0			0	
			0			1770
Surplus/Deficit for year			4037			-139
Bank Deposit Account as at 1st January			9443			9582
Bank Deposit Account as at 31st December			13480			9443
		Burial Ground Restricted Fund				
		Endowment received Oct 2013				
Receipts						
Payments						
Bank account balance at 1st January			15000			15000
Bank account balance at 31st December			15000			15000
		Church Day School Trust Account				
		Restricted Funds				
Receipts						
Bank interest			1			1
Payments			0			0
Suplus for year			1			1
Bank Deposit account as at 1st January			93			92
Bank Deposit account as at 31st December			94			93
		Flower Fund				
		Designated Fund				
Receipts			265			57
Payments			90			124
Surplus/Deficit for year			175			-67
Balance in bank at 1st January			5			72
Balance in bank at 31st December			180			5



Christ Church Padgate

Church Collective

Restricted

Note Started 01/07/21

	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
Receipts						
LDBF Funding			66225			65619
Henry Smith Foundation Grant			17100			19500
Belfry Grant			60000			
Planned Giving		14357			9442	
Tax Recovered		3527			3086	
Sundry Donations		2702			1296	
University Chester		0			6566	
Warrington Charities Trust		899			0	
Cheshire Evangelical Trust		2574			2574	
One off Grant Stay and Praise		855			0	
Fundraising		663			0	
Bank Interest		1071	26648		167	23131
Total Income			<u>169973</u>			<u>108250</u>
Expenditure						
Staff Costs						
Payroll	47773			50601		
Clergy Housing	<u>2836</u>			<u>2694</u>		
		50609			53295	
Operational Costs						
Travel & Exps	5170			4421		
Other Costs	11763			17400		
Rental Of Meeting Space	<u>6595</u>			<u>6325</u>		
		23528			28146	
Total Revenue Expenditure		<u>74137</u>			<u>81441</u>	
Capital Costs						
Equip	1885				608	
Office	<u>3900</u>	5785				
Overall Expenditure			<u>79922</u>			<u>82049</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year			90051			26201
Balance as at 1st January			61969			35768
Balance as at 31st December			152020			61969



Statement of Assets and Liabilites as at 31st December 2024									
Monetary Assets	General	School	Burial Ground	Fabric Fund	Flower Fund	Collective Fund	Restricted Funds	Coffee Shop	Total
Barclays Bank C/A	5418		9546	259264	180	100372		0	374777
Barclays Bank D/A		94							94
CBF Deposit Fund			3934	11818		51237	15000		81989
Cash in hand						3			3
SOLDO cards						408			408
Total	5418	94	13480	271082	180	152020	15000	0	457271
Parish Share Account									

Christ Church Padgate

Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - SO	6,362.00	-	-	-	6,362.00	5,527.00
0105 - Gift Aid - Parish Giving Scheme	30,425.98	-	11,957.50	-	42,383.48	36,982.31
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	1,841.00	-	-	-	1,841.00	1,855.00
0201 - Non Gift Aid Envelopes	440.30	-	-	-	440.30	1,621.91
0202 - Non GA SO	6,775.00	-	-	-	6,775.00	6,940.00
0205 - Non Gift Aid Parish Giving Scheme	3,656.69	-	-	-	3,656.69	3,884.52
0301 - Loose plate collections	3,355.50	-	889.85	-	4,245.35	4,316.75
0401 - Gift days	-	-	-	-	-	-
0405 - Sundry Donations	3,832.06	2,759.78	3,484.81	-	10,076.65	8,963.15
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	162.64	-	1,706.28	-	1,868.92	2,216.40
0550 - Donations appeals etc	-	-	-	-	-	1,455.61
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	9,967.45	-	3,527.50	-	13,494.95	13,300.13
0605 - Tax Recoverable - Small Donations Repayment Scheme	1,420.08	-	-	-	1,420.08	1,482.37
0701 - Legacies	-	242,959.13	-	-	242,959.13	-
0801 - Recurring grants - Area Dean	500.00	-	-	-	500.00	1,000.00
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	-	13,000.00	63,428.89	-	76,428.89	3,775.00
0901 - Fundraising	3,452.40	1,726.62	583.02	-	5,762.04	4,723.71
804 - Warrington Charities Trust	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and legacies Totals	72,191.10	260,445.53	85,577.85	-	418,214.48	97,843.86
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	6,493.62	3,217.25	-	-	9,710.87	10,034.40
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	-	-	-	-	-	277.54
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	6,493.62	3,217.25	-	-	9,710.87	10,311.94
Other trading activities						
0910 - Rummage sales etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
1220 - Book sales - fund raising	72.46	-	-	-	72.46	82.04
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	-	-	-	-	-	158.00
1260 - Magazine Donations	-	-	-	-	-	118.04
902 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities Totals	72.46	-	-	-	72.46	358.08
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	1,551.41	-	1,070.40	-	2,621.81	1,076.65
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments Totals	1,551.41	-	1,070.40	-	2,621.81	1,076.65

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				Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted Endowment	This year	Last year
Other income					
0802 - Church Collective Grant	-	-	66,225.47	-	66,225.47
0803 - Henry Smith Foundation	-	-	17,100.00	-	17,100.00
0804 - University of Chester	-	-	-	-	6,565.92
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	1,674.00
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	-	-	83,325.47	-	83,325.47
Income and endowments Grand totals	80,308.59	263,662.78	169,973.72	- 513,945.09	202,949.20
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds					
1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	-	-	-	-	-
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	-	-	-	-	-
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	-	-	-	-	-
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	158.98	-	-	-	740.32
1740 - Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-
Raising funds Totals	158.98	-	-	-	740.32
Expenditure on charitable activities					
1732 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	-	-	-	-	-
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-
1850 - Home mission	-	-	-	-	-
1870 - Secular charities	-	-	-	-	602.15
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	44,826.47	-	-	-	63,749.20
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-
2010 - Organist Honoraria	-	-	-	-	-
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	-	-	-	-	-
2060 - Cleaners Wages	-	-	-	-	-
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	-	-	368.32	-	371.81
2120 - Council tax - Vicarage	3,148.61	-	2,107.22	-	5,039.06
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	-	-	-	-	-
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	483.62	-	-	-	547.06
2145 - Parsonage - water	-	-	-	-	-
2150 - Vicar's telephone	-	-	-	-	-
2170 - Education	-	-	-	-	160.00
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	2,000.00
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,218.02	-	-	-	3,176.99
2310 - Church office - telephone	2,303.00	-	193.48	-	1,792.80
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	426.00	-	-	-	-
2330 - Church maintenance	11,971.98	-	-	-	5,291.89
2331 - Cleaning	450.00	-	-	-	200.00
2332 - Repairs - Waste Disposal	743.50	-	-	-	635.70
2340 - Upkeep of services	542.24	-	25.00	-	477.80
2350 - Upkeep of Graveyard	-	-	-	-	1,000.00
2360 - Administration	658.30	90.07	1,935.40	-	1,895.49
2361 - Administration Magazine	-	-	-	-	356.00
2362 - Subscriptions	1,192.76	-	-	-	1,348.18

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
Other expenditure Totals	1,838.50	-	75,294.27	-	77,132.77	77,006.15
Expenditure Grand totals	80,660.97	90.07	79,923.69	-	160,674.73	174,281.65

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Christ Church Padgate Balance Sheet (Summary)

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets		
	-	-
Current assets		
Cash At Bank And In Hand	457,271.72	101,503.78
	457,271.72	101,503.78
Liabilities		
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	3,117.31	619.73
	3,117.31	619.73
Net current assets less current liabilities	454,154.41	100,884.05
Total assets less current liabilities	454,154.41	100,884.05
Liabilities		
	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities	454,154.41	100,884.05
Represented by		
Unrestricted		
Unrestricted - General Funds	5,418.00	266.00
Designated		
Designated - Burial Ground Fund	13,479.35	9,442.10
Designated - Fabric Fund	268,058.79	14,202.24
Designated - Flower Fund	178.60	4.07
Restricted		
Restricted - Church Collective	152,019.67	61,969.64
Endowment		
Endowment - Burial Ground Fund	15,000.00	15,000.00
Fund Totals	454,154.41	100,884.05

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Christ Church Padgate
Sofa Separate Designated
For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	72,191.10	260,445.53	85,577.85	-	418,214.48	97,843.86
Income from charitable activities	6,493.62	3,217.25	-	-	9,710.87	10,311.94
Other trading activities	72.46	-	-	-	72.46	358.08
Investments	1,551.41	-	1,070.40	-	2,621.81	1,076.65
Other income	-	-	83,325.47	-	83,325.47	93,358.67
Total income	80,308.59	263,662.78	169,973.72	-	513,945.09	202,949.20
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	158.98	-	-	-	158.98	740.32
Expenditure on charitable activities	78,663.49	90.07	4,629.42	-	83,382.98	96,535.18
Other expenditure	1,838.50	-	75,294.27	-	77,132.77	77,006.15
Total expenditure	80,660.97	90.07	79,923.69	-	160,674.73	174,281.65
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(352.38)	263,572.71	90,050.03	-	353,270.36	28,667.55
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	5,504.38	130.00	130.00	-	5,764.38	4,539.97
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	(5,634.38)	(130.00)	-	(5,764.38)	(4,539.97)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	5,152.00	258,068.33	90,050.03	-	353,270.36	28,667.55
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	266.00	23,848.41	61,969.64	15,000.00	100,884.05	72,216.50
Total funds carried forward	5,418.00	281,716.74	152,019.67	15,000.00	454,154.41	100,884.05
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General Fund	5,418.00	-	-	-	5,418.00	266.00
Designated						
Burial Ground Fund	-	13,479.35	-	-	13,479.35	9,442.10
Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fabric Fund	-	268,058.79	-	-	268,058.79	14,202.24
Flower Fund	-	178.60	-	-	178.60	4.07
Restricted						
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burial Ground Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church Collective	-	-	152,019.67	-	152,019.67	61,969.64
Endowment						
Burial Ground Fund	-	-	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of CHRIST CHURCH PADGATE
on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024, as set out on
pages _____ to _____ of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for 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 accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:  Date: 27/2/25

IE's Name: COLIN WILKINSON F.C.A.

address: 657 LIVERPOOL ROAD, IRLAM, MANCHESTER M44 5XD.



Accounts

Christ Church, Padgate

Annual Report and Accounts of the Parochial Church Council



Year Ending 31 December 2023

Reference and Administrative Information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Padgate is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.
Charity registration number: 1178871.

Christ Church is located on Station Road, Padgate, Warrington, in the Diocese of Liverpool.
Correspondence should be sent to the Secretary of the PCC at the following address:

39 Solway Close, Fearnhead, Warrington WA2 0UP.

During 2023, up to the Annual Parochial Church meeting on 21 April 2024, the following people served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

<i>Ex-officio members</i>			
Revd Neil Shaw	Team Rector	Chair	
Revd Heather Haddow	Curate Christ Church		
Revd Simon Renison	Leader Church Collective		
John Baguley	Churchwarden		
Barrie Crabtree	Churchwarden		
Alan Kemp	Deanery Synod Representative		
Dave Perfect	Deanery Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.	Electoral Roll Officer	
Sue Robinson	Deanery Synod Representative, Diocesan Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.		
<i>Elected Members</i>			<i>Elected</i>
Louise Appleby	Lay Reader (from September 2023)		2023
Cath Baguley			2021
Janet Blaydon			2021
Hilary Brown			2022
Sandra Bryers			2021
Debbie Jacques		Treasurer	2023
Laura Lawrence			2022
Jill Perfect		Secretary	2023
Ruth Waterfield		Gift-aid Secretary	2023
<i>Co-opted members</i>			
Alan Clayton		Vice-chair	2023

Non-PCC Officers

Susan Kirby Safeguarding Officer
Vacant Health and Safety Officer

Bankers: Barclays Bank PLC. Sankey Street WARRINGTON, WA1 1XG

Auditor: Cadishead Accountancy Services Ltd, 657 Liverpool Road, Irlam, MANCHESTER, M44 5XD

Legal Advisor: Howard Dellar, 1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, LONDON, SW1P 3JT

Architect: Graham Holland Associates. 4 King Street, KNUTSFORD, WA16 6DL



Structure, Management and Governance

Christ Church PCC is a body corporate and operates under the *Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956* and the *Church Representation Rules*.

The PCC complies with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC has adopted The House of Bishops' 'Promoting a Safer Church: safeguarding policy'; and diocesan safeguarding policies and practice guidance.

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC meets every two months and has three sub-committees: The Standing and Mission Committee, Finance Committee and Social Committee, which meet as required and report to the full PCC on a regular basis.

Membership comprises: - Standing and Mission Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, and PCC Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Finance Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, Treasurer plus one other member. Social Committee: PCC members plus other non-PCC members.

The Safeguarding Officer and Safety Officer report to the PCC as required.

Five members of the Church (in addition to the Team Rector) are on the Board of Governors of Christ Church and Cinnamon Brow CE Primary Schools.

Christ Church is part of the East Warrington Team of Churches, which also includes the Church of the Ascension, Birchwood & Woolston. Revd Neil Shaw, of Christ Church, is Team Rector of the Warrington East Team. He was appointed Area Dean of Warrington in April 2019 and was installed as a Canon Diocesan at Liverpool Cathedral in November 2019.

Objectives and Activities

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and specifically that the PCC "is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical."

When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

At Christ Church we have adopted the following mission statement:-

*We, belonging to Christ's Church,
discover in our relationship with God
the love, joy and peace that he gives.
In Jesus Christ we find acceptance whatever our faults
and his willingness to walk with us whatever our circumstances.
Through the Holy Spirit we go out in forgiveness, power and strength,
with heads held high and hearts burning within us to witness and reflect his love in our interactions
with everyone we meet.*



We agreed that during 2023 we would:

- Support Church Collective in their developing mission
- Prepare for the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme. Warrington Deanery is in the second cohort in 2023
- Build back our congregations following the COVID pandemic
- Engage with the 'Leading your Church into Growth' programme (LyCiG)
- Develop lay leadership and enable members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent
- Increase our range of approaches for deepening discipleship, particularly those which might engage those who connect with us on a fringe basis
- Plan to develop closer links with local communities, such as Harpers Green independent living complex.

During 2023 the parish of Christ Church was extended, following the closure of the Church of the Resurrection, Cinnamon Brow in November 2022. Christ Church welcomed former members of the Church of the Resurrection to our congregations. During 2023 the Church of the Ascension in Woolston, the other church in the Warrington East Team of Churches, remained in interregnum.

In September 2023, Louise Appleby was licensed as a Lay Reader and now serves the parish with Revd Neil Shaw and Revd Heather Haddow (Curate).

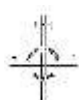
During 2023, two members of the PCC attended regular follow up meeting for the Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG) programme. These members provided regular feedback to the PCC, helping the PCC to plan for growth. A group was set up to develop an action plan for LyCiG. As part of this initiative, we replaced our traditional sidespeople at services with 'welcomers', whose role is to welcome all attendees to services, especially those who are new or visitors, to sit with them and chat to then after the service, as appropriate.

Bible study sessions were held in May and a 'prayer chain' was set up to provide a fast response when people request prayer support, particularly in emergencies.

In November the PCC made the decision to join 'Fit for Mission', the Diocese of Liverpool's strategy to make four things our priorities - introducing people to Jesus, deepening discipleship, developing new Christian leaders and working for justice. Fit for Mission includes a plan to remove the weight of governance and administration that may get in the way of these priorities, by joining forces across wider areas and becoming larger parishes. The PCC decided that it wanted to engage in the Fit for Mission journey with other churches in the Warrington deanery starting in January 2024, so that we will have the opportunity to shape the future mission and ministry of the larger parish together. However the PCC feels that there are several barriers that could cause major problems in joining together with others in the way envisaged by Fit for Mission. During the 'Acting as if' phase of the programme (2024-25) we hope that these barriers can be discussed and resolved.

Christ Church hosts Church Collective which aims to fulfil God's call to plant a network of microchurches (called 'Collectives') across Warrington. Each Collective gives communities across Warrington an alternative expression of church, complementing the parish system. All Collectives share the same values: "we invite everyone to play their part as we worship creatively, love generously and serve locally."

Part of the mission of each Collective is to go to where people are, not expecting people to 'come to



us.' Hence, Collectives meet in different neighbourhoods, engage with different networks of people in schools, the university, coffee shops, church buildings, and in other appropriate spaces relevant to that specific community. Collectives are always looking to plant new groups of Jesus-centered, disciple making, Spirit led communities. Church Collective has a particular focus to reach the 'Missing Generation' as identified by the Church of England as the least represented group in the Church. Church Collective therefore positively prioritises the under 30s in terms of resources, time and style of gathering.

Church Collective is led by Revd Simon Renison, who during 2023 also fulfilled the role of University of Chester Chaplain in Warrington. Church Collective employs one full-time Youth Director and currently has a part-time vacancy for an Operations Manager. In addition, Church Collective has an ordinand working three days per week.

Christ Church hosts Church Collective on a zero-cost basis and funding for Church Collective is through the Church Commissioners' Strategic Development Funds. This financial support, together with additional secured funding, extends to March 2025.

Achievements and performance including review of charitable achievements against objectives

The following section summarises our main areas of activity and performance.

Electoral Roll

At the end of the year the Electoral Roll stood at 127. This is 32 fewer than at the end of 2022, since the number of people who have died, moved away or no longer attend considerably exceeds the number of new members. Previously, separate figures were given for resident and non-resident members, but the enlarged parish boundaries means that this distinction is no longer relevant.

Worship

Christ Church

On Sundays we hold our Parish Communion service at 11am. On the first Sunday of the month, this is preceded by a Said Communion morning service at 9am. On the second Sunday of the month, Parish Communion is replaced by an all-age worship service called 'Active Church', followed by a shortened Communion Service. In the evening we hold our REFRESH informal worship service. These are contemplative gatherings where we sing modern worship songs and make time for God to speak to us through the Holy Spirit. Our all-age SPACE service is held on the fourth Sunday of the month, in addition to the morning Parish Communion service.

Average attendance at Sunday Services is 55 adults and 3 children at the Parish Communion service, with averages of 8 adults at the 9am monthly service and 12 adults at the monthly REFRESH service. Average attendance for Active Church services are 56 adults and 24 children and for SPACE services, 10 adults and 8 children. These figures are similar to attendance in 2022.

Online services and talks, which originally started during lockdown, by Revd Neil Shaw and Revd Heather Haddow continue and are available via Christ Church Facebook.

A midweek communion service is held on Wednesday mornings, with an average attendance of 10 adults.

Baptism services are held on the first and third Sunday of every month, with a total of 26 (30 in 2022) children being baptised during the year. A special service is held every year when dollies made for each child at their baptism are presented to them. There were 5 weddings (6 in 2022) and 18



funerals (18 in 2022) during 2023.

Special services were also held in church. As well as a service on Remembrance Sunday, a remembrance service was held on 9 November by the 1330 (Warrington) Squadron Air Cadets which was attended by people from all over Warrington. In December the Christingle service attracted 273 adults and children.

The Carol Service, Christmas Eve crib service, Midnight Communion and Christmas Day services attracted a total of 385 adults and children (420 in 2022).

Church Collective

2023 was a year of missional opportunity and growth within Church Collective:

Three Collectives started (Smile Collective at St Margaret's School, Youth Collective in the Youth Zone and Student Collective in Vale College) and 3 continued to grow (Howley, Online and Town Centre).

At the start of September we counted and saw that 100 people in total would call Church Collective their home.

In partnership with Warrington Youth for Christ, we hosted two mission weeks, seeing over 8,000 young people across nine high schools. Both ended with a 'Fuse' gig, where the Gospel was proclaimed and many young people made a commitment to following Jesus. A number of these now attend Youth Collective.

Fifty people attended an Alpha course in the autumn.

We hosted four key events over the year: a series of Easter events, one of which was an 'immersive garden' experience on Good Friday, using high quality, in house produced video technology to immerse people into the story, at the University of Chester, Warrington; a 'weekend at home' inviting people to have a church weekend together full of teaching, worship and fun; our second birthday party marketplace, exhibiting all Church Collective has to offer; and Christmas, hosting over 20 different mission events throughout December.

2023 was also a year of challenges and shifts:

Two Collectives stopped (Time Square Collective at the University and Great Sankey Collective) and another Collective that we had permission to plant, was unable to start (Garden Collective at Meadowside School).

We tried to recruit a part-time Youth Worker, with no success. The Operations Manager (Bobbi Lee) and Resource and Creative Director (Mark Wilks), both left at the end of December, leaving a significant hole in the team, but providing opportunity for growth and development in different areas. (A full-time Youth Director, Pete McDade, has subsequently been appointed).

We continue to have more opportunities to plant Collectives than we have people to lead them, which is frustrating as Church Collective wants to see as many Collectives across the town as Jesus will ordain, so we can see yet more Christians impacted by the Gospel.

Finally, financial giving didn't hit the target we were praying it would. At the start of 2024 we have embarked on a giving campaign to rectify this.

Overall 2023 felt like a balance of joys and challenges. We are praying that this year we are able to shift that balance so we see continued growth as we embark on the Fit for Mission journey.

Church Collective continues to thank the PCC for its support, generosity and governance.



Church Organisations

The Mothers' Union enjoyed a varied monthly programme in 2023 including interesting speakers telling members about 'Teaching English in China', Walking the Camino de Santiago de Compostela', the Bali International conference for midwives, plus life at St Elphin's by Revd June Steventon. A guided visit around St Oswald's Church, Winwick was also on the agenda. There was a celebration of our Deanery Festival and also Mary Sumner Day (the founder of the Mothers' Union) at St Elphin's. Social events included a strawberries and cream tea, a harvest lunch and a meal at the Millhouse. Membership has been retained and fellowship enjoyed during 2023.

The **Fellowship Group** has continued to meet virtually on Zoom throughout 2023. The book 'Growing older and wiser' by Dale and Sandy Larsen, and also various Bible passages, including the gospel of Matthew were studied. The Group continues to pray for those who have asked for prayer, either for themselves or others who need prayers during difficult circumstances.

The **Choir** meets weekly and sings at the 11.00 service on the first Sunday of the month and at festivals. The choir hosts a new monthly event called **Harmony**, where favourite hymns and worship songs are chosen and sung by those attending. Each session has a guest speaker who shares something of their life and faith, as well as a Bible reading, prayers and information on the music and lyrics of the hymns selected for that month.

Pastoral Care to the Community

Our **Knit and Natter** group continues to meet on the first Saturday of every month and is an opportunity to share craft activities, fellowship and refreshments. This attracts non-church goers.

Our **Warm Spaces** initiative ended in January, but coffee shop continues to open every Wednesday from 10-12 pm for those attending weekday communion.

Communication with members of the congregation and the parish was maintained through Facebook and a weekly email to around 100 congregation members, which provides regular updates about church services and activities. The Revd Neil Shaw prepared weekly Morning Prayer service sheets for people to use in their private devotions. Paper copies of all communications were delivered to 12 people who do not have access to the internet or social media.

Youth and Children's Work

Active Church services are held once a month aimed at children and families. These services are very popular and include craft activities related to the theme of the service. **SPACE** services are held once a month in the afternoon and include **Songs, Prayers, Activities, Chat and Eat(ing)**.

Revd Neil Shaw and Curate Revd Heather Hadow lead school-based acts of worship at **Christ Church Primary School**. This comprises fortnightly assemblies as well as special festival celebrations in Church (Christmas, Easter, Harvest and a Leavers service). In addition, during 2023 school-based acts of worship were also led by the Revd Neil Shaw and Revd Simon Renison (Church Collective) at **Cinnamon Brow Primary School** (following the closure of the Church of the Resurrection, Cinnamon Brow) on a fortnightly basis, as well as an Easter service in church. Revd Neil Shaw led school-based worship at **Woolston Primary School** (during the interregnum at the Church of the Ascension, Woolston) twice per half term.

Curate Heather Hadow also ran three morning play sessions for children under five during August. Each session attracted about 20 children plus their carers, who all enjoyed play, games and free refreshments.



We continue to provide our **Open the Book** sessions to Christ Church Primary School and from November 2023, we started to provide sessions to Cinnamon Brow Primary School as well. We endeavour to provide at least one session per month for each school. The sessions are delivered by a small team of volunteers, who together with a class of children, tell and act out a Bible story using the resources provided by the Open the Book section of the Bible Society.

Charity & Fund Raising

The **Social Committee** and members of the congregation organised a range of events to raise funds, including a Last Night at the Proms Concert with the Band and Drums of the Cheshire Constabulary; concerts by Warrington Musical Society; a Coronation Party & Picnic to celebrate the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III; a Garden Party and the Christmas Tree Extravaganza; as well as a coffee morning.

Coffee mornings were held for various charities throughout the year, including the **Children's Society** and **Macmillan Nurses**. Also, a **Fairtrade** stall selling Fairtrade food and fairly traded crafts is held regularly in church.

Collections were held in church and online for **Christian Aid**, during Christian Aid week and for the Disasters Emergency Committee's **Turkey-Syria Earthquake Appeal**.

Our **Harvest** service was held in October and members of the congregation brought food items which were then donated to the Padgate branch of the **Warrington Food Bank**.

At our **Toy service** at the beginning of December, members of the congregation donated new toys for children who would otherwise have very little. These toys were then collected and distributed by the NSPCC.

The Mothers' Union again supported **Operation Christmas Child** and sent Christmas shoe boxes to the charity Samaritan's Purse.

The annual **Christingle Service** in December was attended by 273 adults and children. This service and the house boxes held by members of the congregation, together with a coffee morning, raised funds for the **Children's Society**. This year, this service was followed by our **Carols around the Tree** event which attracted over 200 people and featured carols played by a brass band, a nativity re-enactment by children from Christ Church School and carols sung by children from Cinnamon Brow School. There was also a food collection for **Padgate Food Bank**, as well as a cash collection for the Food Bank. This event to support the Food Bank is in addition to donations from our harvest service and our local collection point in church, which members of the congregation regularly support.

Church Buildings and Grounds

During 2023 all gutters and downspouts were cleared and a split downspout repaired on the north side of the nave. Debris and vegetation were cleared from the vestry roof, and broken slates were replaced and repointing carried out. Slates were repaired on the choir vestry roof, following a leak.

A replacement leaded window was fitted in the porch, following a break-in in December 2022.

The exterior floodlight on the East window was replaced with a new LED floodlight and outdoor sockets were fitted. The carpets were replaced in the vestry, clergy vestry and choir vestry.

The PCC discussed plans for changes in the church to create a space which is more usable and flexible and which could be used for community activities. Our priorities are improved toilet, kitchen and meeting room facilities, better disabled access and seating and more flexible space for mission and community activities, such as concerts and children's activities. A small group was formed to progress



these ideas and discussions took place with the church architect.

The Churchyard is cared for by the Friends of Christ Church Graveyard and by a team who are part of the Community Payback Scheme of the Ministry of Justice. The team has been very effective at keeping the graveyard tidy, by clearing leaves, strimming and mowing the grass and pruning shrubs. The team worked one day per week in the graveyard. We are very grateful to the supervisors and members of the Community Payback Team and the Ministry of Justice for helping to maintain the graveyard.

All the tree work recommended on 21 trees in the tree survey by Treewise Solutions was carried out in February 2023, following List B approval by the Archdeacon.

In the summer, the dilapidated fence between the car park and the Garden of Remembrance was replaced. The new fence was jointly funded by the Friends and the PCC of Christ Church.

The Friends Group held three clear-up days during 2023, and the 1330 Squadron Air Cadets held one clear-up morning and cleaned military graves. To honour the Coronation of King Charles III a camellia bush was planted in the front border of the Garden of Remembrance in May.

The Friends were successful in their application to Warrington Charities Trust for funds for another noticeboard and a plaque to commemorate infants and neo-natal babies buried throughout the graveyard. The noticeboard was ordered at the end of 2023 and will be installed in 2024. A full report on the activities of the Friends during 2023 can be found in the Friends Annual Report and Accounts year ending December 2023.

Communications

The publication of Christ Church's parish magazine, *Grapevine*, came to an end in March 2023, following the retirement of the long-serving editor, Sue Robinson. No replacement editor has yet been found.

Christ Church is on Facebook: **Christ Church Padgate**; Twitter: **@PadgateChurch** and YouTube. The **Friends of Christ Church Graveyard** is also on Facebook.

Christ Church website: www.ccpadgate.co.uk is undergoing re-development.

As noted above, a weekly email is circulated to around 100 members of Christ Church providing regular updates on church services and activities.

Plans for 2024

Christ Church:

- Supporting Church Collective in their developing mission
- Engaging with the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme.
- Building back our congregations following the COVID pandemic
- Engaging with the 'Leading your Church into Growth' programme (LyCiG)
- Developing lay leadership and enabling members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent through the 'Cultivate' programme as part of 'Fit for Mission'
- Increasing our range of approaches for deepening discipleship, particularly those which might engage those who connect with us on a more fringe basis



Church Collective:

- Establishing depth across Church Collective

In 2024 we are asking God for depth across Church Collective: depth in spiritual growth, seeing people commit to Jesus and being baptised/confirmed; depth in spiritual formation to see key discipleship imperatives outworked in people such as prayer, worship, giving and service; and depth in people to be raised up and released into leadership, to outwork the aim of having at least 8 Collectives by the end of 2024.

Financial Review

The PCC continued to review the costs of running the church, making decisions that show the church's commitment given to the Diocese in 2012 to pay all liabilities as they fall due, including the Parish share.

The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission in England and Wales reference number 1178871.

Report on Accounts for 2023

The attached accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023 show that the overall income raised in 2023 across all funds was £96424 (£94064 in 2022).

Overall Planned giving decreased by 4.6% compared to 2022 being £45446 in 2023 (£47641 in 2022)

There have been several problems during the year with the card reader machine that was installed at the back of church last year so that contactless donations and gifts could be made, mainly due to the reader being unable to connect to the church internet which have been solved by strengthening the booster signal.

The contactless gifts received during 2023 amounted to £933.00 (£770 in 2022), this is included in Collections and other giving.

The money received from Fees for weddings and funerals increased by £981 (being £10500 in 2023 compared to £9519 in 2022).

In February 2023 in recognition of the energy crisis the Diocese gave a grant of £615 (£1000 in 2022) towards heating costs.

Various fundraising events were held during the year raising a total of £4604.00. These included King Charles III Coronation Garden Party (£568), Last Night of Proms (£1383), the Christmas Tree Extravaganza (£1466), Warrington Musical Society concerts (£175), and a Coffee Morning (£1062).

The Carols around the Christmas Tree event held in December 2023 made an overall profit of £1204.29 which was shared with the Padgate Foodbank (£602).

The Parish Share decreased by 3%, being £76499 in 2023 compared to £78866 in 2022.

In 2022 in recognition of the continued pressure on church finances during the pandemic, Liverpool Diocese allowed a Parish Share credit of £3128 in 2022 and an Archdeacon's credit of £12707 which meant that we actually had to pay £63031, plus the one month arrears from 2021, resulting in a total payment of £69098 in 2022. We have received no such help in 2023, but we managed to pay £63749 in 2023 leaving a shortfall of £12750 outstanding.

The other running costs of the church show an overall increase of £650 being £27469 in 2023



(£26819 in 2022).

The total energy costs for the year have increased by £1710 in 2023 to £7451 (£5741 in 2022) and are broken down as:

Gas £5395 (£4479 in 2022), Electricity £1608 (£922 in 2022) and Water £448 (£340 in 2022).

Savings of £2156 have been made in Printing and Stationery costs mainly due to the non-publication of the Church magazine since March 2023.

The repairs figure of £4522 includes £1506 for replacing the window in the porch which was smashed during a burglary. This cost was covered by the insurance claim received in 2023. The repairs figure also includes £580 on vestry carpets, £780 on roof repairs and £354 deposit for a new notice board.

The balance in the Reserve Account at the year end 31/12/2023 has increased to £14728 (£11195 in 2022), this is due to some legacy moneys being retained for future use.

Church Collective Fund

Since July 2021 Church Collective is being hosted by Christ Church Padgate and their finances are being administered through a restricted fund by the PCC and overseen by Liverpool Diocese.

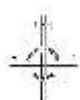
The accounts for the collective are shown within the other funds for completeness, there is no cost incurred by Christ Church in administering this fund.

Reserves Policy

In 2021 as the church is a registered charity the PCC agreed that it would be prudent to retain two months running costs amounting to £15000, as a reserve. This is in line with Diocesan guidelines. In 2022 this amount was reduced to £10000 in order to assist with pressures on cash-flow. This policy is reviewed regularly.

Performance of Investments

Investments are placed with the CCLA in the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. These investments attracted £909 interest in 2023 (£367 in 2022).



Christ Church Padgate
Accounts for year ended 31st December 2023
General Fund

	2023	2023	2022	2022
Receipts				
Voluntary Income				
Planned Giving	45446		47641	
Collections & Other Giving	7516		6699	
Income Tax Recovered	11696	64658	11956	66296
Other Voluntary Income				
Fees	8869		6936	
Sundry Donations	50		100	
Donations for Charities	67	8987	112	7148
Events & Activities				
Social Functions	1456		0	
Sale Goods & Books	360		130	
Magazine Donations/Adverts	276	2091	1850	1980
Other Income				
Transfers from Reserve fund	7500		13000	
Area Dean Grant	1000		1000	
LDBF Grants	828		1557	
Insurance Claims	1674	11002		15557
TOTAL RECEIPTS		86738		90981
Payments				
Grants				
Christian Relief & Develop. Agencies	0		0	
Home Mission & Church Societies				
Secular Charities	786	786		0
Support Costs				
Sunday School & Walking Day	0		0	
Training Books/Notes/Videos	815		1151	
Subscriptions to Other Bodies	980	1795	918	2069
Relating to the Work of the Church				
Parish Share	63749		69098	
Clergy Expenses	324		460	
Vicarage Rates/Water	3548		3295	
Upkeep of Services	293		457	
Organist/Cleaner/Verger	724		570	
Building & Maintenance	836		830	
Light/Heat/Water	7451		5741	
Sundry Expenses	2593		2089	
Social Function Costs	740			
		80258		82539
Administration				
Printing & Stationery	680		2836	
Insurance	3177		3476	
		3857		6312
TOTAL PAYMENTS		86696		90919
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the Year		42		61
Bank Account as at 1st January		224		163
Bank account as at 31st December		266		224



Christ Church Padgate

RESERVE FUND

Receipts	2023	2023	2022	2022
D&B Binks Wine Tasting	0		307	
Donations	5547		7022	
Legacies	3445		0	
Central Board of Finance Interest	909		367	
	0		0	
Coffee Morning	1062		632	
Jubilee Garden Party	0		807	
Last Night of Proms	1383		1441	
Kings Cornation Party	568		0	
Christmas tree extravaganza	1466		1532	
WMS Concert	175		279	
Coffee shop	1000		1000	
	0		0	
	0		0	
		15555		13386
Payments				
Repairs & Renewals	4522		4998	
Transfer to General Fund	7500		13000	
		12022		17998
Surplus		3533		-4612
Balance at 1st January		11195		15807
Balance at 31st December		14728		11195

Christ Church Padgate

Burial Ground Fund Designated Funds

	2023	2022
Receipts		
Memorials and tablets		
Burials	1631	2583
Grants	0	0
Repayment from LDBF	0	0
	1631	2583
Payments		
Burial Ground Expenses	1770	230
Tree Survey	0	0
	1770	230
Surplus/Deficit for year	-139	2353
Bank Deposit Account as at 1st January	9582	7229
Bank Deposit Account as at 31st December	9443	9582

Burial Ground Restricted Fund

Endowment received Oct 2013

Receipts		
Payments		
Bank account balance at 1st January	15000	15000
Bank account balance at 31st December	15000	15000



Church Day School Trust Account
Restricted Funds

Receipts		
Bank interest	0	0
Payments	0	0
Suplus for year	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Bank Deposit account as at 1st January	92	92
Bank Deposit account as at 31st December	92	92

Flower Fund
Designated Fund

Receipts	57	114
Payments	<u>124</u>	<u>298</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year	-67	-184
Balance in bank at 1st January	72	256
Balance in bank at 31st December	5	72

Christ Church Coffee Shop

	2023	2022
Income:		
Mondays		
Tuesdays		
Wednesdays		
Thursdays		
Donations		
Other Income	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Expenditure		
Fairtrade Stock		
Non Stock Expenditure		
Community Party		
Other Payments	0	180
Bank charges		15
Donation to Church	<u>1017</u>	<u>1000</u>
	<u>1017</u>	<u>1195</u>
Profit for the year	-1017	-1195
Balance in Hand at 1st January	1017	2212
Balance in Hand at 31st December	0	1017

NB Closed fund as Coffee Shop is no longer trading
Money split £1000 to General fund and £17 to Flower fund



Christ Church Padgate

Church Collective

Restricted

Note Started 01/07/21

	2023	2023	2023	2022	2022	2022
Receipts						
LDBF Funding			65619			35502
Henry Smith Foundation Grant			19500			19400
Planned Giving		9442			8360	
Tax Recovered		3086			2160	
Sundry Donations		1296			3060	
University Chester		6566			2511	
Warrington Charities Trust		0			1002	
Cheshire Evangelical Trust		2574				
Bank Interest		167	23131			17093
Total Income			<u>108250</u>			<u>71995</u>
Expenditure						
Staff Costs						
Payroll	50601			37157		
Clergy Housing	<u>2694</u>			<u>4189</u>		
		53295			41346	
Operational Costs						
Travel & Exps	4421			2596		
Other Costs	17400			5982		
Rental Of Meeting Space	<u>6325</u>			<u>2477</u>		
		28146			11055	
Total Revenue Expenditure		<u>81441</u>			<u>52401</u>	
Capital Costs						
		<u>608</u>			<u>-149</u>	
Overall Expenditure			<u>82049</u>			<u>52252</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year			26201			19743
Balance as at 1st January			35768			16025
Balance as at 31st December			61969			35768



Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2023

Monetary Assets	General	School	Burial Ground	Fabric Fund	Flower Fund	Collective Fund	Restricted Funds	Coffee Shop	Total
Barclays Bank C/A	266		5509	4459	5	40844		0	51083
Barclays Bank D/A		93							93
CBF Deposit Fund			3934	10268		20167	15000		49369
Cash in hand						3			3
SOLDO cards						956			956
Total	266	93	9443	14728	5	61970	15000	0	101504

Parish Share Account

				2021	2022
Outstanding Balances b/fwd	0	Jan	0.00		
		Feb	6374.92	Share	77322
Share for 2023	76499.09	Mar	6374.92	Parish Cre	-4032
Parish share Credit		Apr	6374.92	Parish Credit	-12707
Parish share Credit		May	6374.92	to pay	73290
Paid in year	63749.20	Jun	0.00		63031.18
		Jul	6374.92		
Balance c/fwd	12749.89	Aug	6374.92		
		Sep	0.00		
		Oct	12749.84		
	<u>76499.09</u>	Nov	6374.92		
	<u>76499.09</u>	Dec	6374.92		
Balance represented by					
November Share	6374.92				
December Share	6374.92				
Rounding	0.05				
	<u>12749.89</u>				



Christ Church Padgate
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Total income	94,699	108,250	-	202,949	165,952
Total expenditure	92,233	82,049	-	174,282	148,309
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	2,466	26,201	-	28,668	17,643
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	4,540	-	-	4,540	7,839
Gross transfers between funds - out	(4,540)	-	-	(4,540)	(7,839)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	2,466	26,201	-	28,668	17,643
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	21,448	35,768	15,000	72,217	54,573
Total funds carried forward	23,914	61,970	15,000	100,884	72,217
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General Fund	266	-	-	266	224
Designated					
Burial Ground Fund	9,442	-	-	9,442	9,581
Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	1,017
Fabric Fund	14,202	-	-	14,202	10,555
Flower Fund	4	-	-	4	71
Restricted					
Church Collective	-	61,970	-	61,970	35,768
Endowment					
Burial Ground Fund	-	-	15,000	15,000	15,000
Total funds	23,914	61,970	15,000	100,884	72,217

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

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Christ Church Padgate
Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - SO	5,527	-	-	-	5,527	5,891
0105 - Gift Aid - Parish Giving Scheme	29,886	-	7,095	-	36,982	38,081
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	1,655	-	-	-	1,655	2,486
0201 - Non Gift Aid Envelopes	1,621	-	-	-	1,621	1,737
0202 - Non GA SO	6,940	-	-	-	6,940	7,525
0205 - Non Gift Aid Parish Giving Scheme	3,744	-	140	-	3,884	3,685
0301 - Loose plate collections	3,765	-	551	-	4,316	2,785
0405 - Sundry Donations	8,017	200	744	-	8,963	9,028
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	10	-	2,206	-	2,216	1,800
0550 - Donations appeals etc	1,455	-	-	-	1,455	-
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	10,385	-	2,914	-	13,300	13,158
0605 - Tax Recoverable - Small Donations Repayment Scheme	1,310	-	171	-	1,482	957
0801 - Recurring grants - Area Dean	1,000	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,201	-	2,574	-	3,775	1,000
0901 - Fundraising	4,723	-	-	-	4,723	4,896
804 - Warrington Charities Trust	-	-	-	-	-	1,002
Donations and legacies Totals	81,244	200	16,398	-	97,843	95,035
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	8,439	1,595	-	-	10,034	8,964
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	277	-	-	-	277	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	8,716	1,595	-	-	10,311	8,964
Other trading activities						
1220 - Book sales - fund raising	82	-	-	-	82	125
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	158	-	-	-	158	1,229
1260 - Magazine Donations	118	-	-	-	118	621
902 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	2,196
Other trading activities Totals	358	-	-	-	358	4,172
Investments						
1020 - Bank and building society interest	909	-	166	-	1,075	367
Investments Totals	909	-	166	-	1,075	367
Other income						
0802 - Church Collective Grant	-	-	65,618	-	65,618	35,502
0803 - Henry Smith Foundation	-	-	19,500	-	19,500	19,400
0804 - University of Chester	-	-	6,565	-	6,565	2,510
1310 - Insurance claims	1,874	-	-	-	1,874	-
Other income Totals	1,674	-	91,684	-	93,358	57,412

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						Total
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Income and endowments Grand totals	92,903	1,795	108,249	-	202,949	165,952
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds						
1730 - Costs of fates & other events	740	-	-	-	740	-
Raising funds Totals	740	-	-	-	740	-
Expenditure on charitable activities						
1732 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	180
1870 - Secular charities	602	-	-	-	602	-
1910 - Ministry/parish share etc	63,749	-	-	-	63,749	69,097
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	-	-	371	-	371	116
2120 - Council tax - Vicarage	3,001	-	2,037	-	5,039	4,598
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	547	-	-	-	547	435
2170 - Education	160	-	-	-	160	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	2,000	-	2,000	160
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,176	-	-	-	3,176	3,475
2310 - Church office - telephone	1,674	-	118	-	1,792	1,624
2330 - Church maintenance	4,521	770	-	-	5,291	4,948
2331 - Cleaning	200	-	-	-	200	200
2332 - Repairs - Waste Disposal	635	-	-	-	635	666
2340 - Upkeep of services	377	87	11	-	477	478
2350 - Upkeep of Graveyard	-	1,000	-	-	1,000	230
2360 - Administration	733	36	1,125	-	1,895	979
2361 - Administration Magazine	356	-	-	-	356	2,758
2362 - Subscriptions	972	-	375	-	1,348	1,256
2401 - Church running - electric	1,608	-	-	-	1,608	1,172
2410 - Church running - gas	5,394	-	-	-	5,394	4,478
2420 - Church running - water	447	-	-	-	447	340
2501 - Magazine expenses	272	-	-	-	272	-
2510 - Bookstall costs	-	-	-	-	-	130
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	166	-	-	-	166	162
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	88,599	1,894	6,041	-	96,535	97,490
Other expenditure						
1735 - Outreach Costs	-	-	8,350	-	8,350	3,477
1736 - Rentals (Small Gatherings)	-	-	4,325	-	4,325	2,226
2002 - Wages Collective	-	-	39,409	-	39,409	27,854
2003 - Staff costs PAYE etc	-	-	7,658	-	7,658	6,770
2004 - Staff Costs Pension	-	-	3,533	-	3,533	2,531
2102 - Curates Expenses	433	-	-	-	433	112
2105 - Travel Exps - Collective	-	-	1,085	-	1,085	916
2132 - Curates Housing Rates	-	-	-	-	-	1,626
2142 - Water Collective	-	-	656	-	656	785
2202 - Training & Development	-	-	6,864	-	6,864	1,579
2315 - Internet Collective	-	-	240	-	240	360
2333 - Minor repairs Collective	-	-	25	-	25	85
2363 - Software	-	-	350	-	350	649
2364 - Licences & Fees	10	-	977	-	987	462

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						Total
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
2405 - Collective Office Costs	-	-	1,124	-	1,124	598
2406 - Rental of Storage Unit	-	-	581	-	581	-
2515 - Books for School	555	-	-	-	555	700
2516 - Books Collective	-	-	217	-	217	229
6432 - Office Equipment & Furniture	-	-	607	-	607	(149)
Other expenditure Totals	999	-	76,066	-	77,066	50,817
Expenditure Grand totals	90,338	1,894	82,048	-	174,281	148,308

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of CHRIST CHURCH PADGATE
on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023, as set out on
pages 11 to 18 of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for 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 accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Date:

24/2/24

IE's Name:

Colin Wickham

address:

CADSWELL ACCOUNTANCY SERVICES
BRITANNIA HOUSE 157 LIVERPOOL ROAD HELM H44 5XD



Accounts

Christ Church, Padgate

Annual Report and Accounts of the Parochial Church Council



Year Ending 31 December 2022

Reference and Administrative Information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Padgate is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales. Charity registration number: 1178871.

Christ Church is located on Station Road, Padgate, Warrington, in the Diocese of Liverpool. Correspondence should be sent to the Secretary of the PCC at the following address:

39 Solway Close, Fearnhead, Warrington WA2 0UP.

During 2022, up to the Annual Parochial Church meeting on 23 April 2023, the following people served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

<i>Ex-officio members</i>			
Revd Neil Shaw	Team Rector	Chair	
Revd Heather Haddow	Curate Christ Church		
Revd Simon Renison	Leader Church Collective		
John Baguley	Churchwarden		
Barrie Crabtree	Churchwarden		
Alan Kemp	Deanery Synod Representative		
Dave Perfect	Deanery Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.	Electoral Roll Officer	
Sue Robinson	Deanery Synod Representative, Diocesan Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.		
<i>Elected Members</i>			<i>Elected</i>
Cath Baguley			2021
Janet Blaydon			2021
Hilary Brown			2022
Sandra Bryers			2021
Alan Clayton		Vice Chair	2020
Edward Collinson			2020
Rita Kelly			2022
Laura Lawrence			2022
<i>Co-opted members*</i>			
Louise Appleby	Lay Reader in-training		
Debbie Jacques		Treasurer	
Jill Perfect		Secretary	

*Under Rule 12 (1) of the Church Representation Rules, the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 24 April 2022, voted to amend rule M15(10) which covers co-opted members to:

The number of members under paragraph (1)(k) [co-opted] is a total no more than half of the elected members of the PCC. Co-opting of retiring PCC members can only be used in the year they are not allowed to stand for re-election, otherwise they must stand for election to the PCC.

Non-PCC Officers

Susan Kirby Safeguarding Officer
Alwyn Stapleton Health and Safety Officer (up to April 2022)



Bankers: Barclays Bank PLC. Sankey Street WARRINGTON, WA1 1XG
Auditor: Cadishead Accountancy Services Ltd, 657 Liverpool Road, Irlam, MANCHESTER, M44 5XD
Legal Advisor: Howard Dellar, 1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, LONDON, SW1P 3JT
Architect: Graham Holland Associates. 4 King Street, KNUTSFORD, WA16 6DL

Structure, Management and Governance

Christ Church PCC is a body corporate and operates under the *Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956* and the *Church Representation Rules*.

The PCC complies with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC has adopted The House of Bishops' 'Promoting a Safer Church: safeguarding policy'; and diocesan safeguarding policies and practice guidance.

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC meets every two months and has three sub-committees: The Standing and Mission Committee, Finance Committee and Social Committee, which meet as required and report to the full PCC on a regular basis.

Membership comprises: - Standing and Mission Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, and PCC Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Finance Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, Treasurer plus one other member. Social Committee: PCC members plus other non-PCC members.

The Safeguarding Officer and Safety Officer report to the PCC as required.

Three members of the Church (in addition to the Team Rector) are on the Board of Governors of Christ Church CE Primary School.

Christ Church is part of the East Warrington Team of Churches, which also includes the Church of the Resurrection, Cinnamon Brow, and the Church of the Ascension, Birchwood & Woolston. Revd Neil Shaw, of Christ Church, is Team Rector of the Warrington East Team. He was appointed Area Dean of Warrington in April 2019 and was installed as a Canon Diocesan at Liverpool Cathedral in November 2019.

Objectives and Activities

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and specifically that the PCC "is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical."

When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

At Christ Church we have adopted the following mission statement:-

*We, belonging to Christ's Church,
discover in our relationship with God
the love, joy and peace that he gives.
In Jesus Christ we find acceptance whatever our faults*



*and his willingness to walk with us whatever our circumstances.
Through the Holy Spirit we go out in forgiveness, power and strength,
with heads held high and hearts burning within us to witness and reflect his love in our interactions
with everyone we meet.*

We agreed that during 2022 we would:

- Support Church Collective in their developing mission
- Build back our congregations following the COVID pandemic
- Engage with the 'Leading your Church into Growth' programme (LyCiG)
- Prepare for the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme. Warrington Deanery will probably be in the second phase in early 2023
- Plan to develop new congregations, one of which will be led by our Choir with the working title of 'Harmony'.

During 2022, all of our services resumed in church, although our Said Communion service on a Sunday morning was re-introduced in December on a different basis (9am rather than 8.30am and on a monthly basis). We also introduced new events, such as REFRESH, Harmony and Knit and Natter (see below), in an attempt to broaden our worship provision and to serve our church communities.

Two members of the PCC, together with Revd Neil Shaw, attended a residential conference in June as a foundation for the LyCiG programme. This group continues to attend a series of regular follow up meetings and feedback to the PCC, helping the PCC to plan for growth.

During 2022 we also kept up to date with the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme, as Warrington Deanery is in Cohort 2 in 2023.

In 2022 Revd Heather Haddow joined Christ Church as curate, from Church Collective, and was priested at Liverpool Cathedral in June.

During 2022 the Church of the Ascension in Woolston remained in interregnum. Revd Tracey McLoughlin from the Church of the Resurrection at Cinnamon Brow retired in January and in September the difficult decision was taken to close the Church of the Resurrection, with the last service taking place in November.

Our Team Lent course in 2022 was held on Zoom and focused on *The Seven Churches in Revelation*.

Padgate Walking Day resumed in June 2022 and was organised by Churches Together.

In September the bell at Christ Church tolled, the flag flew at half mast and the church was open for private prayer and reflection to commemorate the passing of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Christ Church hosts Church Collective which aims to fulfil God's call to plant a network of microchurches (called 'Collectives') across Warrington. Each Collective gives communities across Warrington an alternative expression of church, complementing the parish system. All Collectives share the same values; 'We invite everyone to play their part as we worship creatively, love generously and serve locally.'

Part of the mission of each Collective is to go to where people are, not expecting people to 'come to us'. Hence, Collectives meet in different neighbourhoods, engaging with different networks of people in schools, the university, coffee shops, church buildings, and in other appropriate spaces relevant to that specific



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community. Collectives are always looking to plant new groups of Jesus-centered, disciple making, Spirit led communities. Church Collective has a particular focus to reach the 'Missing Generation' as identified by the Church of England as the least represented group in the Church. Church Collective therefore positively prioritises the under 30s in terms of resources, time and style of gathering.

Church Collective is led by Revd Simon Renison, who during 2022 also fulfilled the role of University of Chester Chaplain in Warrington for 1.5 days per week. Church Collective employs one full-time Resource and Creative Director, and part-time posts of Operations Manager and Youth Pastor. In addition, Church Collective has an ordinand working 3 days per week.

Christ Church hosts Church Collective on a zero-cost basis and funding for Church Collective is through the Church Commissioners' Strategic Development Funds. In 2022 Church Collective was successful in securing additional funding, from the Henry Smith Charity, of £56,000 over 3 years from April 2022 through to March 2025, which will help to extend staff contracts.

People within Church Collective are also starting to give financially. It takes time for new Christians to give financially, and the missing generation has less disposable income, however the target of £18,200 was almost achieved.

Achievements and performance including review of charitable achievements against objectives

The following section summarises our main areas of activity and performance.

Electoral Roll

At the end of the year the Electoral Roll stood at 159 (93 resident and 66 non-resident in the parish). This is eight fewer than at the end of 2021, since the number of people who have died or moved away exceeds the number of new members.

Worship

Christ Church

On Sundays we hold our Parish Communion service at 11am. On the second Sunday of the month we hold an all-age worship service called 'Active Church', followed by a shortened Communion Service. In the evening we hold our new REFRESH informal worship service. These are contemplative gatherings where we sing modern worship songs and make time for God to speak to us through the Holy Spirit. Our all-age SPACE service is held on the fourth Sunday of the month, in addition to the morning Parish Communion service. In December we re-launched our Said Communion Sunday morning service at 9am on a monthly basis.

Average attendance at Sunday Services is 52 adults and 3 children at the Parish Communion service. Average attendance for Active Church services are 50 adults and 21 children and for SPACE services, 18 adults and 14 children. These figures are approximately 30% lower than pre-COVID 2019 figures.

Online services and talks, which originally started during lockdown, by Revd Neil Shaw and Revd Heather Haddow continue and are available via Christ Church Facebook.

A midweek communion service is held on Wednesday mornings, with an average attendance of 11 adults.

Baptism services are held on the first and third Sunday of every month, with a total of 30 (14 in 2021) children being baptised during the year. A special service is held every year when dollies made for each child at their baptism are presented to them. One young person and one adult were also



baptised in 2022. There were 6 weddings (6 in 2021) and 18 funerals (11 in 2021) during 2022.

Special services were also held in church. As well as a service on Remembrance Sunday, a remembrance service was held on 10 November by the 1330 (Warrington) Squadron Air Cadets which was attended by people from all over Warrington. In December the Christingle service attracted 140 adults and children.

Christmas services were not as popular as the same services before COVID, attendance being 19% lower; however the Carol Service, Christmas Eve crib service, Midnight Communion and Christmas Day services attracted a total of 420 adults and children.

Church Collective

In September 2022 Church Collective celebrated its first anniversary, with a joint celebration service at Christ Church. Four Collectives were established in this first year (fulfilling the target) at Howley (engaging families on a Sunday morning in a Community Centre); Orford Park (engaging parents and toddlers in Orford Park for a 'forest church' Collective, Thursday 2pm); Online Collective (engaging the missing generation, Online, Monday's 8.30pm) and at Great Sankey (engaging people of all ages, Sunday 3pm in a home).

In October, Time Square Collective started, using the University buildings in town, engaging with students and young professionals (18-30s), as well as the monthly Cinnamon Brow Collective, which is a re-launch of the Church of the Resurrection's Messy Church in Cinnamon Brow Cof E School.

Momentum is building and more people are engaging with Church Collective. The target set by the Church Collective funders (the Church Commissioners' Strategic Development Funds) is 50 new adults, per year. From September 2021 to December 2021 average attendance was 24 adults and 12 children per week across all the Collectives. At the end of December 2022 there was an average weekly attendance of 61 adults and 32 children.

Church Collective continues to thank the PCC for their support, generosity and governance.

Church Organisations

The **Mothers' Union** held monthly meetings from February to December. These included Stations of the Cross and Advent services and celebrating Mary Sumner Day (the founder of the Mothers' Union) at St Elphins Church. Social events included afternoon tea at the Church of Resurrection with its MU members, a meal at the Little Manor and a quiz. Talks from the curate of St Elphins, Debbie Lovett about her life in Turkey and from James Tobiason about Padgate in 1850 were entertaining and informative. The MU also organised the Christmas shoebox appeal as part of the Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child'.

Thanks to Sandra Bryers and Beverley Fearn for their six years as MU branch leaders and to Pat Lord (treasurer) and Anne Murray (secretary), for their many years of service as they retire. The MU will continue with various people helping at different times

The **Fellowship Group** has continued to meet virtually on Zoom throughout 2022. Three members have moved from Warrington but are still able to attend the meetings. The book of James was studied during the year. The Group continues to pray for those who have asked for prayer, either for themselves or others who need prayers during difficult circumstances.

The **Choir** meets weekly and sings at the 11.00 service on the first Sunday of the month and at festivals. The choir hosts a new monthly event called **Harmony**, where favourite hymns and worship songs are chosen and sung by those attending. Each session has a guest speaker who shares something of their life and faith, as well as a Bible reading, prayers and information on the music and



lyrics of the hymns selected for that month.

Pastoral Care to the Community

During 2022, some of our usual pastoral care activities continued to be curtailed. The Coffee Shop remained closed and we were unable to host the Community Party for senior members of the congregation.

We did, however launch some new activities. In October we launched **Knit & Natter**, an opportunity to share craft activities, fellowship and refreshments on the first Saturday of each month.

In December we started a **Warm Spaces** initiative, two mornings a week, in an attempt to help those facing issues with rising energy bills and the cost of living. This initiative lasted six weeks, but was unsuccessful in attracting those in particular need. It was decided however, to open the coffee shop every Wednesday from 10-12 pm for those attending weekday communion.

Communication with members of the congregation and the parish was maintained through Facebook and the website. An email list of around 100 congregation members provided regular updates about church services and activities. The Revd Neil Shaw prepared weekly Morning Prayer service sheets for people to use in their private devotions. Paper copies of all communications were delivered to around 15 people who do not have access to the internet or social media.

Youth and Children's Work

Active Church services are held once a month aimed at children and families. These services are very popular and include craft activities related to the theme of the service. **SPACE** services are held once a month in the afternoon and include Songs, Prayers, Activities, Chat and Eat(ing).

Revd Neil Shaw and Curate Heather Haddow lead school-based acts of worship at **Christ Church Primary School**. This comprises fortnightly assemblies, special festival celebrations in Church and delivering Confirmation preparation for all in Years 5 and 6. In addition, during 2022 school-based acts of worship were also led by the clergy at **Cinnamon Brow Primary School** (following the closure of the Church of the Resurrection, Cinnamon Brow) and at **Woolston Primary School** (during the interregnum at the Church of the Ascension, Woolston).

In October 2022, our *Open the Book* sessions at Christ Church Primary School resumed. The sessions are delivered by a small team of volunteers who, assisted by the children, usually tell two Bible stories every half term, to both KS1 and KS2.

Charity & Fund Raising

The **Social Committee** and members of the congregation organised a range of events to raise funds, including a Last Night at the Proms Concert with the Band and Drums of the Cheshire Constabulary; concerts by Warrington Musical Society; a Jubilee Garden Party to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II; and the Christmas Tree Extravaganza; as well as a coffee morning and a wine tasting evening. Christ Church is registered as a charity on Amazon Smile, so that every time purchases are made, a small amount is donated to the Church.

Coffee mornings were held for various charities throughout the year, including **Traidcraft Exchange** and **Macmillan Nurses**. Also, a **Fairtrade** stall selling Fairtrade food and fairly traded crafts is held regularly in church.

Collections were held in church and online for **Christian Aid**, during Christian Aid week and for the Disasters Emergency Committee's **Ukraine Appeal**.



Our **Harvest** service was held in October and members of the congregation brought food items which were then donated to the local food bank.

At our **Toy service** at the beginning of December, members of the congregation donated new toys for children who would otherwise have very little. These toys were then collected and distributed by the NSPCC.

The annual **Christingle Service** in December was attended by 140 adults and children. This service and the house boxes held by members of the congregation, raised funds for the **Children's Society**.

The Mothers' Union again supported **Operation Christmas Child** and sent Christmas shoe boxes to the charity Samaritan's Purse.

We host a collection point for **Warrington Food Bank**, which members actively support.

Church Buildings and Grounds

During 2022, the gutters were cleaned and unblocked, damaged downspouts were repaired and vegetation was cleared from the church walls. Repairs were also carried out to the vestry and choir vestry roofs.

The Churchyard is cared for by the Friends of Christ Church Graveyard and by a team who are part of the Community Payback Scheme of the Ministry of Justice. The team has been very effective at keeping the graveyard tidy, by clearing leaves, strimming and mowing the grass and pruning shrubs. The team worked two days per week in the graveyard, although there was a gap of several months due to the ill-health of the supervisor. During this time members of the regular maintenance team came out of retirement to mow the grass.

In 2022 permission was obtained from the Archdeacon (under List B works) for the work on the trees in the graveyard, recommended in the tree survey, which was carried out by TreeWise Solutions Ltd in 2021. This work will be carried out in February 2023. Funding for this work was raised by the Friends of the Graveyard, with the majority of the funds being provided by grants from the Co-op local fund and Poulton-with-Fearnhead Parish Council and the remainder from Christ Church's Burial Fund.

The Friends Group held six clear-up days during 2022, and the 1330 Squadron Air Cadets held one clear-up morning and cleaned military graves. The fences along the western and eastern boundaries of the woodland graveyard were repaired with funding from the Parish Council, and a new gate was fitted at the entrance to the woodland graveyard. A magnolia tree was planted in the Garden of Remembrance to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The Friends were successful in their application to the Co-op Community Fund for 2022-2023 and should receive funds in 2023. A full report on the activities of the Friends during 2022 can be found in the Friends Annual Report and Accounts year ending December 2022.

Communications

The publication of Christ Church's parish magazine, **the Grapevine**, continued during 2022, both electronically (on Facebook and circulated by email) and in hardcopy. As well as the regular distribution, it is also placed in the library and community centre. Large print versions are available on request.

Christ Church has a website: www.ccpadgate.co.uk and is on Facebook: **Christ Church Padgate**; Twitter: **@PadgateChurch** and YouTube. The **Friends of Christ Church Graveyard** is also on Facebook.



Plans for 2023

Christ Church:

- Supporting Church Collective in their developing mission
- Preparing for the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme. Warrington Deanery is in the second cohort in 2023
- Building back our congregations following the COVID pandemic
- Engaging with the 'Leading your Church into Growth' programme (LyCiG)
- Developing lay leadership and enabling members to discover and use their gifts to a greater extent
- Increasing our range of approaches for deepening discipleship, particularly those which might engage those who connect with us on a more fringe basis
- Planning to develop closer links with local communities, such as Harpers Green independent living complex.

Church Collective:

- Establishing further Collectives

By Easter 2023, Church Collective will have planted three more Collectives: Youth Collective in Warrington Youth Zone (engaging with 12-18 year olds); Smile Collective (a community meal at St Margaret's CE School); and Garden Collective (a community garden at Meadowside School). These focus on planting collectives around social action projects and taking people on a discipleship journey in these spaces. The eight Collectives by April 2023 will be:



Financial Review

The PCC continued to review the costs of running the church, making decisions that show the church's commitment given to the Diocese in 2012 to pay all liabilities as they fall due, including the Parish share.

The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission in England and Wales reference number 1178871.



Report on Accounts for 2022

The attached accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 show that the overall income raised in 2022 across all funds was £94064 (£93507 in 2021).

Overall planned giving remained the same being £47641 in 2022 (£47761 in 2021).

In August 2022 a card reader machine was installed at the back of church so that contactless donations and gifts could be made. The contactless gifts received during 2022 amounted to £770 which is included in Collections and other giving

The money received from Fees for weddings and funerals increased by £1505 (being £9519 in 2022 compared to £8014 in 2021).

In November 2022 in recognition of the energy crisis the Diocese gave a Grant of £1000 towards heating costs.

Various fundraising events were held during the year raising a total of £5000. These included Jubilee Garden Party £807, Last Night of Proms £1441 the Christmas Tree Extravaganza £1532 Warrington Musical Society concerts £279, Coffee Morning £632 and Wine Tasting £307.

The Parish share increased by 2%, being £78866 in 2022 compared to £77322 in 2021.

In recognition of the continued pressure on church finances during the pandemic, Liverpool Diocese allowed a Parish Share credit of £3128 in 2022 (£4032 in 2021) and an Archdeacon's Credit of £12707 which meant that we actually had to pay £63031 plus the 1 month arrears from 2021. The total Parish Share paid in 2022 was therefore £69098.

The other running costs of the church show an increase of £3792. This is mainly due to having paid £3516 for choir vestry roof repairs.

Although the energy costs show a slight decrease in 2022 compared to 2021, this is not actually the case, as the accounts for 2021 included £1901 which covers Oct to Dec 2020. The actual figures for energy costs for the 2022 are broken down as:

Gas £4479 (£3490 in 2021), Electricity £922 (£753 in 2021) and Water £340 (£306 in 2021)

The balance in the Reserve Account at 31/12/2022 has decreased to £11195 (£15807 in 2021).

Church Collective Fund

Since July 2021 Church Collective is being hosted by Christ Church Padgate and their finances are being administered through a restricted fund by the PCC and overseen by Liverpool Diocese.

The accounts for the collective are shown within the other funds for completeness. There is no cost incurred by Christ Church in administering this fund.

Reserves Policy

In 2021 as the church is a registered charity the PCC agreed that it would be prudent to retain two months running costs, amounting to £15000, as a reserve. This is in line with the Diocesan guidelines. In 2022 this amount was reduced to £10000 in order to assist with pressures on cash-flow. This policy is reviewed regularly.

Performance of Investments

Investments are placed with the CCLA in the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.



Christ Church Padgate - Accounts for year ended 31st December 2022
General Fund

	2022	2022	2021	2021
Receipts				
Voluntary Income				
Planned Giving	47641		47761	
Collections & Other Giving	6699		5139	
Income Tax Recovered	11956	66296	13166	66067
Other Voluntary Income				
Fees	6936		6884	
Sundry Donations	100		200	
Donations for Charities	112	7148	0	7084
Events & Activities				
Social Functions	0		0	
Sale Goods & Books	130		128	
Magazine Donations/Adverts	1850	1980	2010	2139
Other Income				
Transfers from Reserve fund	13000		12000	
Area Dean Grant	1000		1000	
LDBF Grants	1557	15557		13000
TOTAL RECEIPTS		90981		88289
Payments				
Grants				
Christian Relief & Develop. Agencies	0		0	
Home Mission & Church Societies				
Secular Charities		0		0
Support Costs				
Sunday School & Walking Day	0		0	
Training Books/Notes/Videos	1151		470	
Subscriptions to Other Bodies	918	2069	717	1187
Relating to the Work of the Church				
Parish Share	69098		67223	
Clergy Expenses	460		0	
Vicarage Rates/Water	3295		3335	
Upkeep of Services	457		141	
Organist/Cleaner/Verger	570		1271	
Building & Maintenance	830		831	
Light/Heat/Water	5741		6420	
Sundry Expenses	2089	82539	1754	80975
Administration				
Printing & Stationery	2836		2877	
Insurance	3476		3363	
		6312		6240
TOTAL PAYMENTS		90919		88402
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the Year		61		-113
Bank Account as at 1st January		163		276
Bank account as at 31st December		224		163



Reserve Fund

Receipts	2022	2022	2021	2021
D&B Binks Wine Tasting	307		0	
Donations	7022		5101	
Legacies	0		0	
Central Board of Finance Interest	367		15	
	0		0	
Coffee Morning	632		0	
Jubilee Garden				
Party	807		0	
Last Night of Proms	1441		0	
Gift day	0		8759	
Christmas tree extravaganza	1532		1358	
WMS Concert	279		220	
Coffee shop	1000		0	
	0		0	
	0		0	
		13386		15453
Payments				
Repairs & Renewals	4998		1848	
Transfer to General Fund	13000		12000	
		17998		13848
Surplus		-4612		1605
Balance at 1st January		15807		14202
Balance at 31st December		11195		15807

Burial Ground Fund

Designated Funds

	2022	2021
Receipts		
Memorials and tablets		
Burials	2583	1130
Grants	0	0
Repayment from LDBF	0	635
	2583	1765
Payments		
Burial Ground Expenses	230	785
Tree Survey	0	1680
	230	2465
Surplus/Deficit for year	2353	-700
Bank Deposit Account as at 1st January	7229	7929
Bank Deposit Account as at 31st December	9582	7229



Burial Ground Fund Restricted Fund
Endowment received October 2013

	2022	2021
Receipts		
Payments		
Bank account balance at 1st January	15000	15000
Bank account balance at 31st December	15000	15000

Church Day School Trust Account
Restricted Funds

	2022	2021
Receipts		
Bank interest	0	0
Payments	0	0
Suplus for year	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Bank Deposit account as at 1st January	92	92
Bank Deposit account as at 31st December	92	92

Flower Fund Designated Fund

	2022	2021
Receipts	114	288
Payments	<u>298</u>	<u>32</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year	-184	256
Balance in bank at 1st January	256	256
Balance in bank at 31st December	72	

Christ Church Coffee Shop

Income:	2022	2021
Mondays		
Tuesdays		
Wednesdays		
Thursdays		
Donations		
Other Income	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Expenditure		
Fairtrade Stock		
Non Stock Expenditure		
Community Party		
Other Payments	180	350
Bank charges	15	
Donation to Church	<u>1000</u>	<u>2000</u>
	<u>1195</u>	<u>350</u>
Profit for the year	-1195	-2350
Balance in Hand at 1st January	2212	4562
Balance in Hand at 31st December	1017	2212



Church Collective Restricted Fund

Note: Started 01/07/2021

	2022	2022	01/07/21 - 31/12/21
Receipts			
LDBF Funding		35502	31478
Henry Smith Foundation Grant		19400	
Planned Giving	8360		3329
Tax Recovered	2160		827
Sundry Donations	3060		1000
University Chester	2511		
Warrington Charities Trust	<u>1002</u>	17093	
Total Income		<u>71995</u>	<u>5156</u> 36634
Expenditure			
Staff Costs			
Payroll	37157		13231
Clergy Housing	<u>4189</u>		<u>748</u>
	41346		13979
Operational Costs			
Travel & Exps	2596		935
Other Costs	5982		2678
Rental Of Meeting Space	<u>2477</u>		<u>122</u>
	<u>11055</u>		<u>3735</u>
Total Revenue Expenditure	52401		17714
Capital Costs	<u>-149</u>		<u>2895</u>
Overall Expenditure		<u>52252</u>	<u>20609</u>
Surplus/Deficit for year		<u>19743</u>	<u>16025</u>
Balance as at 1st January		16025	0
Balance as at 31st December		35768	16025



Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2022

Monetary Assets	General	School	Burial Ground	Fabric Fund	Flower Fund	Collective Fund	Restricted Funds	Coffee Shop	Total
Barclays Bank C/A	224		5648	1836	72	34355		1017	43151
Barclays Bank D/A		92							92
CBF Deposit Fund			3934	9359			15000		28293
Cash in hand									0
SOLDO cards						1410			1410
Total	224	92	9582	11195	72	35765	15000	1017	72947

Parish Share Account

Outstanding Balances b/fwd	6066.67	Jan	6066.69
		Feb	6311.49
		Mar	0.00
Share for 2022	78866.38	Apr	5671.98
Parish share Credit	3128.2	May	11343.96
Parish share Credit	03.03.22	Jun	5671.98
Paid in year	69097.98	Jul	5671.98
		Aug	5671.98
Balance c/fwd	-0.13	Sep	0.00
		Oct	11343.96
	<u>84933.05</u>	Nov	5672
	<u>84933.05</u>	Dec	5671.98

6311.49 per month
 5671.98 per month from March 56719.8

	2021	2022
Share	77322	78866.38
Parish Credit	-4032	-3128.2
Parish Credit		-12707
to pay	73290	63031.18



Christ Church Padgate
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Total income	93,957.24	71,995.11	-	165,952.35	129,404.84
Total expenditure	96,056.39	52,252.53	-	148,308.92	112,331.45
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(2,099.15)	19,742.58	-	17,643.43	17,073.39
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	7,839.00	-	-	7,839.00	4,616.08
Gross transfers between funds - out	(7,839.00)	-	-	(7,839.00)	(4,616.08)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(2,099.15)	19,742.58	-	17,643.43	17,073.39
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	23,547.19	16,025.88	15,000.00	54,573.07	37,499.68
Total funds carried forward	21,448.04	35,768.46	15,000.00	72,216.50	54,573.07
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General Fund	223.99	-	-	223.99	184.32
Designated					
Burial Ground Fund	9,581.10	-	-	9,581.10	7,228.10
Coffee Shop	1,016.90	-	-	1,016.90	-
Fabric Fund	10,554.67	-	-	10,554.67	15,896.91
Flower Fund	71.38	-	-	71.38	255.86
Restricted					
Church Collective	-	35,768.46	-	35,768.46	16,025.88
Endowment					
Burial Ground Fund	-	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Total funds	21,448.04	35,768.46	15,000.00	72,216.50	54,573.07

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Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - SO	5,891.00	-	-	-	5,891.00	5,736.00
0105 - Gift Aid - Parish Giving Scheme	30,441.80	-	7,640.00	-	38,081.80	35,966.06
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	2,486.19	-	-	-	2,486.19	1,929.50
0201 - Non Gift Aid Envelopes	1,737.00	-	-	-	1,737.00	2,266.00
0202 - Non GASO	7,045.00	-	480.00	-	7,525.00	6,752.00
0205 - Non Gift Aid Parish Giving Scheme	3,445.16	-	240.00	-	3,685.16	3,669.06
0301 - Loose plate collections	2,785.58	-	-	-	2,785.58	1,066.32
0401 - Gift days	-	-	-	-	-	8,759.32
0405 - Sundry Donations	6,184.63	1,584.11	1,260.12	-	9,028.86	7,024.21
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	-	-	1,800.00	-	1,800.00	-
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	9,663.55	1,335.00	2,160.00	-	13,158.55	12,146.87
0605 - Tax Recoverable - Small Donations Repayment Scheme	957.74	-	-	-	957.74	691.31
0801 - Recurring grants - Area Dean	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	-
0901 - Fundraising	3,783.09	1,113.65	-	-	4,896.74	1,578.24
804 - Warrington Charities Trust	-	-	1,002.00	-	1,002.00	-
Donations and legacies Totals	76,420.74	4,032.76	14,582.12	-	95,035.62	88,584.89
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	6,381.00	2,583.00	-	-	8,964.00	7,188.60
Income from charitable activities Totals	6,381.00	2,583.00	-	-	8,964.00	7,188.60
Other trading activities						
1220 - Book sales - fund raising	125.15	-	-	-	125.15	128.25
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	1,229.00	-	-	-	1,229.00	1,571.00
1260 - Magazine Donations	621.30	-	-	-	621.30	439.31
902 - Coffee Shop	-	2,196.90	-	-	2,196.90	-
Other trading activities Totals	1,975.45	2,196.90	-	-	4,172.35	2,138.56
Investments						
1020 - Bank and building society interest	367.39	-	-	-	367.39	14.54
Investments Totals	367.39	-	-	-	367.39	14.54
Other income						
0802 - Church Collective Grant	-	-	35,502.49	-	35,502.49	31,478.25
0803 - Henry Smith Foundation	-	-	19,400.00	-	19,400.00	-
0804 - University of Chester	-	-	2,510.50	-	2,510.50	-
Other income Totals	-	-	57,412.99	-	57,412.99	31,478.25
Income and endowments Grand totals	85,144.58	8,812.66	71,995.11	-	165,952.35	129,404.84

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds						
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	-	-	-	-	-	64.53
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	-	-	64.53
Expenditure on charitable activities						
1732 - Coffee Shop	-	180.00	-	-	180.00	-
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	69,097.98	-	-	-	69,097.98	67,223.19
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	-	-	116.32	-	116.32	-
2120 - Council tax - vicarage	2,822.17	-	1,776.31	-	4,598.48	2,731.92
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	435.40	-	-	-	435.40	803.48
2201 - Parish training and mission	180.00	-	-	-	180.00	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,475.87	-	-	-	3,475.87	3,363.43
2310 - Church office - telephone	1,560.00	-	64.34	-	1,624.34	1,524.00
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	-	-	-	-	-	82.80
2330 - Church maintenance	2,524.54	2,424.00	-	-	4,948.54	1,848.39
2331 - Cleaning	200.00	-	-	-	200.00	100.00
2332 - Repairs - Waste Disposal	888.70	-	-	-	888.70	731.03
2340 - Upkeep of services	457.05	21.74	-	-	478.79	140.99
2350 - Upkeep of Graveyard	-	230.00	-	-	230.00	2,465.04
2360 - Administration	541.24	276.74	161.24	-	979.22	440.98
2361 - Administration Magazine	2,758.71	-	-	-	2,758.71	2,547.00
2362 - Subscriptions	916.15	-	338.44	-	1,256.59	681.58
2401 - Church running - electric	922.14	-	250.00	-	1,172.14	724.02
2410 - Church running - gas	4,478.54	-	-	-	4,478.54	5,390.48
2420 - Church running - water	340.42	-	-	-	340.42	305.72
2510 - Bookstall costs	130.95	-	-	-	130.95	128.25
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	162.00	-	-	-	162.00	156.00
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	91,651.86	3,132.48	2,706.65	-	97,490.99	91,188.30
Other expenditure						
1735 - Outreach Costs	-	-	3,477.19	-	3,477.19	1,217.97
1736 - Rentals (Small Gatherings)	-	-	2,226.93	-	2,226.93	122.00
2002 - Wages Collective	-	-	27,854.83	-	27,854.83	9,301.24
2003 - Staff costs PAYE etc	-	-	6,770.92	-	6,770.92	3,020.33
2004 - Staff Costs Pension	-	-	2,531.54	-	2,531.54	909.09
2102 - Curates Expenses	112.05	-	-	-	112.05	-
2105 - Travel Exp - Collective	-	-	916.29	-	916.29	352.16
2132 - Curates Housing Rates	-	-	1,626.93	-	1,626.93	-
2142 - Water Collective	-	-	785.62	-	785.62	747.65
2202 - Training & Development	460.00	-	1,119.26	-	1,579.26	730.00
2315 - Internet Collective	-	-	360.00	-	360.00	400.37
2333 - Minor repairs Collective	-	-	85.00	-	85.00	20.00
2363 - Software	-	-	649.45	-	649.45	286.00
2384 - Licences & Fees	-	-	462.99	-	462.99	296.18
2405 - Collective Office Costs	-	-	598.20	-	598.20	246.04
2515 - Books for School	700.00	-	-	-	700.00	470.00
2516 - Books Collective	-	-	229.26	-	229.26	64.26
6431 - Audio Visual Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	2,363.40
6432 - Office Equipment & Furniture	-	-	(148.53)	-	(148.53)	531.93

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Other expenditure Totals	1,272.05	-	49,545.88	-	50,817.93	21,078.62
Expenditure Grand totals	92,923.91	3,132.48	52,252.53	-	148,308.92	112,331.45

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Independent Examiner's Report (SORP 2015)

Report to the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of Christ Church Padgate on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022, as set out on pages 9 to 17 of your Annual Report.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income does not exceed £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW).

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view, and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:



accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act,
or the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which
attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to
be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 15/3/23

IE's Name: Colin Wickenden

address: Britannic House, 657 Liverpool Road, Irlam, Manchester
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Year Ending 31 December 2021

Reference and Administrative Information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Padgate is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales.
Charity registration number: 1178871.

Christ Church is located on Station Road, Padgate, Warrington, in the Diocese of Liverpool.
Correspondence should be sent to the Secretary of the PCC at the following address:

39 Solway Close, Fearnhead, Warrington WA2 0UP.

During 2021 the following people served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

<i>Ex-officio members</i>			
Revd Neil Shaw	Team Rector	Chair	
Revd Simon Renison	Leader Church Collective		
Revd Heather Haddow	Curate Church Collective		
John Baguley	Churchwarden		
Alan Kemp	Deanery Synod Representative		
Dave Perfect	Deanery Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.	Electoral Roll Officer	
Sue Robinson	Deanery Synod Representative, Diocesan Synod Representative, Warrington East Team Rep.		
<i>Elected Members</i>			<i>Elected</i>
Louise Appleby			2019
Cath Baguley			2021
Barbara Binks			2019
Janet Blaydon			2021
Sandra Bryers			2021
Alan Clayton		Vice Chair	2020
Edward Collinson			2020
Debbie Jacques		Treasurer	2019
Chris Lord			2019
Jill Perfect		Secretary	2019

Bankers: Barclays Bank PLC. Sankey Street WARRINGTON, WA1 1XG

Auditor: Cadishead Accountancy Services Ltd, 657 Liverpool Road, Irlam, MANCHESTER, M44 5XD

Legal Advisor: Howard Dellar, 1 The Sanctuary, Westminster, LONDON, SW1P 3JT

Architect: Graham Holland Associates. 4 King Street, KNUTSFORD, WA16 6DL



Structure, Management and Governance

Christ Church PCC is a body corporate and operates under the *Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956* and the *Church Representation Rules*.

The PCC complies with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). The PCC has adopted The House of Bishops' 'Promoting a Safer Church: safeguarding policy'; and diocesan safeguarding policies and practice guidance.

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church members are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC meets every two months and has three sub-committees: The Standing and Mission Committee, Finance Committee and Social Committee, which meet as required and report to the full PCC on a regular basis.

Membership comprises: - Standing and Mission Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, and PCC Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Finance Committee: Team Rector, Churchwardens, Treasurer plus one other member. Social Committee: PCC members plus other non-PCC members.

The Safeguarding Officer and Safety Officer report to the PCC as required.

Three members of the Church (in addition to the Team Rector) are on the Board of Governors of Christ Church CE Primary School.

Christ Church is part of the East Warrington Team of Churches, which also includes the Church of the Resurrection, Cinnamon Brow, and the Church of the Ascension, Birchwood & Woolston. Revd Neil Shaw, of Christ Church, is Team Rector of the Warrington East Team. He was appointed Area Dean of Warrington in April 2019 and was installed as a Canon Diocesan at Liverpool Cathedral in November 2019.

Objectives and Activities

The general functions of the PCC are stated within section 2 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and specifically that the PCC "is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical."

When planning activities for the year, the PCC gave consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities concerned with the advancement of religion.

At Christ Church we have adopted the following mission statement:-

*We, belonging to Christ's Church,
discover in our relationship with God
the love, joy and peace that he gives.
In Jesus Christ we find acceptance whatever our faults
and his willingness to walk with us whatever our circumstances.
Through the Holy Spirit we go out in forgiveness, power and strength,
with heads held high and hearts burning within us to witness and reflect his love in our interactions
with everyone we meet.*



We appreciated that 2021 would be a time of reflection and review. We agreed that during 2021 we would:

- assess how we intend to develop our 2020 Objectives:
 - prioritise and rectify issues raised in the Quinquennial report
 - continue to look at and discuss development of building and facilities
 - look at how we continue to integrate and embed the Diocesan Rule of Life into the fabric of our personal lives and lives together at Christ Church
- review our weekly service schedule in the light of the successes of our online services

During 2021 COVID-19 restrictions still presented challenges to progressing our objectives and also to our ability to continue to make provision for public worship and to serve our church communities.

Services had resumed in church in July 2020 on Wednesdays. These services continued during 2021 and in September 2021, services resumed on Sundays at 11am in church. Online services continued as well, but the 8am Sunday service did not resume.

At the end of July 2021 Revd Rebecca Roberts left the Church of the Ascension in Woolston for a new post in the Diocese of Blackburn. Revd Tracey McLoughlin from the Church of the Resurrection at Cinnamon Brow was on long term sick leave and so some flexibility was required in services at Christ Church, to allow Revd Neil Shaw to provide cover as required.

Our Lent course in 2021 was held on Zoom and focused on the *Prayers of Jesus*. In June we considered human identity, relationships, sexuality and marriage in the Church of England *Living in Love and Faith* course, which was also held on Zoom.

In March 2021 Christ Church PCC was approached by Transform North West to act as the sponsor parish for a new church in Warrington, called Church Collective. The aim of Church Collective is to establish mid-sized worshipping communities of people meeting together in their locality in different and creative ways, focusing on mission. All the Collectives reach out in practical ways to prioritise community-togetherness and mutual encouragement in faith, with the focus being on engaging with younger generations. Most of the focus will be in schools, colleges and the university, and on young professionals and families in and around the town centre. Revd Simon Renison, Leader of the Church Collective and Revd Heather Hadow, curate, were licensed to Christ Church in 2021, but are released to carry out the work of the Church Collective in Warrington, with no major involvement in carrying out duties in the parish. Funds and resources for Church Collective are funnelled through the parish, but there are no financial liabilities for Christ Church as the Deanery has funds to support the project.

Achievements and performance including review of charitable achievements against objectives

The following section summarises our main areas of activity and performance.

Electoral Roll

At the end of the year the Electoral Roll stood at 167 (101 resident and 66 non-resident in the parish). This is eight fewer than at the end of 2020, since the number of people who have died or moved away exceeds the number of new members.



Worship

From January to April, services in church were suspended due to the COVID lockdown and services continued to be delivered online. The church opened on Good Friday for an hour for private prayer and reflection and then on Easter Sunday for Holy Communion. Following this in April, services resumed on Wednesday mornings, under COVID restrictions (booking system, socially distancing, one way system, hand sanitising, celebrant only receiving the wine).

In April/May we circulated a short questionnaire so that we could assess how services should be planned for the future, given the success of our online services during the pandemic. The results demonstrated that the online services have provided support and comfort for many people during COVID and that there is strong support for online services to continue post-COVID. This would probably result in only one in-church service on a Sunday, but there was no consensus over an acceptable time for that service to be held. The situation in the Warrington East Team (the interregnum at Woolston and the sick leave of Revd Tracey McLoughlin at Cinnamon Brow) meant that any resumption of in-church services at Christ Church would be on a temporary basis until the situation in the Team became clearer.

Services resumed in church on Sundays at 11am in September, but with some restrictions still in place (only the celebrant receiving the wine in communion, sharing the peace by waving, words on screen and no use of hymn books or service sheets, no after-service refreshments). Online services were still held on Facebook. **Active Church** and **SPACE** services continued to be held on Facebook, until they resumed in church in October.

Special services were also held in church. As well as a service on Remembrance Sunday, a remembrance service was held on Armistice Day by the 1330 (Warrington) Squadron Air Cadets which was attended by over a hundred people from all over Warrington. In December the Christingle service attracted 130 adults and children.

Christmas services were not as popular as services before COVID, however the Carol Service, Christmas Eve crib service, and Christmas Day services attracted a total of over 300 adults and children.

There were 14 baptisms in 2021 (7 in 2020). There were 6 weddings (0 in 2020). Neil Shaw conducted 11 funerals (17 in 2020), mostly at Walton Lea Crematorium or the Chapel at Warrington Cemetery.

Church Collective

The Core Planting Team of Church Collective was set up during the summer and autumn of 2021 (Vicar, Curate and the Creative and Resourcing Pastor) and three Collectives were launched: Howley (town centre residential community) on a Sunday morning reaching out to families; Orford Park engaging parents with toddlers; and Online-Collective engaging young professionals/adults. Collectives are intentionally 'warm' in faith content, not shying away from talking about Jesus, but ensuring a space where people of faith and no faith feel comfortable and welcomed. Within all the Collectives stories are told and questions posed to allow the space for people to think about their own relationship with Jesus. For people making commitments to follow Jesus, there are sessions of intentional discipleship, prayer, worship and accountability called 'Rhythm'. Using the language of 'hot' 'warm' and 'cold', Rhythms would be 'hot', intentionally looking at the Bible and listening to God in prayer. In these sessions small groups of 3-6 people use SOAP Bible Study (Scripture, Observe, Application, Prayer). Additionally 'cold' events happen where first contacts and relationships can be built.

Further Collectives are planned for 2022, including a Youth Collective, with more in following years. Collectives will emerge across Warrington in homes, parks, coffee-shops, community-centres,



schools and will provide a welcome to all, facilitating a culture and community which model God's love and commend faith in an accessible way. Each new Collective will differ in its approach in reaching-out to new people, being tailored to the needs and opportunities of each new setting and will test and trial new pioneering approaches. However, all Collectives will inhabit the same values; 'We invite everyone to play their part as we worship creatively, love generously and serve locally.'

Church Collective continue to thank the PCC for their support, generosity and governance.

Church Organisations

Activities of our church organisations continued to be severely restricted during 2021.

The **Mothers' Union** held meetings in October, November and December. MU leaders maintained contact with members through regular phone calls, and delivering bookmarks and leaflets from the Prayer Trust. The MU also organised the Christmas shoebox appeal as part of the Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child'.

The **Fellowship Group** has continued virtually on Zoom throughout 2021, with about eleven members attending. The study of St John's Gospel continued from 2020, followed by the study and discussion of the Fruit of the Spirit. Each session includes prayers for those who are ill or who need prayers during difficult circumstances.

Pastoral Care to the Community

During 2021, our usual pastoral care activities were curtailed. The Coffee Shop was closed and we were unable to host the Community Party for senior members of the congregation.

Communication with members of the congregation and the parish was maintained through Facebook and the website. An email list of around 100 congregation members provided regular updates about church services and activities. The Revd Neil Shaw also prepared weekly Morning Prayer service sheets for people to use in their private devotions. Paper copies of all communications were delivered to around 25 people who do not have access to the internet or social media.

Youth and Children's Work

During 2021, our *Open the Book* sessions at Christ Church Primary School and the *Teddy Bears' Picnic* were cancelled.

Active Church and **SPACE** services continued to be held on Facebook, until they resumed in church in October.

Charity & Fund Raising

Our usual charity and fund raising activities were severely curtailed during 2021, with the Garden Party and Brass Band concert cancelled.

In September, a one-off **Gift Day** was held to raise funds for our depleted reserves which had been used to pay our ongoing costs and financial commitments, following a significant drop in income during the pandemic. A total of £8759 was raised.

The **Christmas Tree Extravaganza** was held in church in 2021, on the theme of 'light'. Trees were decorated on behalf of the Mothers' Union, NSPCC, Friends of Christ Church Graveyard and the 26th Warrington Cubs, as well as by members of the congregation. Crafts made by members of the congregation were also available for sale and a catalogue of Christmas Crafts for sale was also compiled (and made available via Facebook and email). The Christmas Tree Extravaganza, Crafts and the Warrington Musical Society Christmas Concert raised over £1578 for church funds.



In June, **'Walking Boots for Books'**, a sponsored walk by members of the congregation, raised £1070 for the library at Christ Church school.

Funds were also raised for external charities. There was no Christian Aid house-to house collection during 2021, however a Christ Church online donation page raised £360. In October a coffee morning for Macmillan Nurses raised £546.

Our **Harvest** service was held in church in October and members of the congregation were encouraged to bring food items which were then donated to the local food bank. Our **Toy service** at the beginning of December, was also held in church and members of the congregation donated new toys for children who would otherwise have very little. These toys were then collected and distributed by the NSPCC.

The annual **Christingle Service** in December was held in church, with donations being forwarded to the Children's Society.

Church Buildings and Grounds

During 2021, repairs were carried out to the main gate and, following the work on the new heating system, to the panelling in the nave.

The Churchyard is cared for by volunteers in the regular maintenance team and by the Friends of Christ Church Graveyard. During 2021 the maintenance team met regularly to carry out mowing in the graveyard. In November Revd Neil Shaw was contacted by the Community Payback Scheme of the Ministry of Justice to see if the scheme could help with work in the graveyard. The PCC agreed to the scheme and at the beginning of December a small team started working two days a week on the graveyard mainly clearing leaves and fallen branches and twigs. This arrangement will be kept under review.

In 2021 the PCC funded a tree survey by TreeWise Solutions Ltd of Carlisle, which was organised by the Friends Committee. The report concluded that the overall condition of the trees is very good, with no defects being identified that require urgent attention. Work is recommended on about 30 trees, in a priority order starting from work required in the next twelve months, then the next two years, then the next four years. The next stage in the process will be for the Friends to get estimates for the recommended work and then secure the funding. Permission for the work will be obtained by the PCC from the Diocese.

The Friends Group held six clear-up days during 2021, and the 1330 Squadron Air Cadets held one clear-up morning and also presented the Friends with a donation of £500, which they raised on a sponsored cycle ride. Work to enhance the entrance to the Woodland graveyard has been carried out. The main path to the Woodland through the churchyard has been repaired with funds from Poulton-with-Fearnhead Parish Council, as has the fence on the northern boundary of the woodland graveyard, with funds from Warrington Borough Council. In addition, Poulton-with-Fearnhead Parish Council agreed to fund the repair of the fences on the western and eastern boundaries of the Woodland graveyard, where needed. This work is now scheduled for 2022. The Friends were successful in their application to the Co-op Community Fund, and were selected as a local community cause and so received nearly £3000 in 2021. A full report on the activities of the Friends during 2021 can be found in the Friends Annual Report and Accounts year ending December 2021.

Communications

The publication of Christ Church's parish magazine, **the Grapevine**, continued during 2021, both electronically (on Facebook and circulated by email) and in hardcopy, although the usual distribution in shops, the library and community centre was not possible. The 'pew slip' weekly newsletter was



not produced during 2021.

Christ Church has a website: www.ccpadgate.co.uk and is on Facebook: **Christ Church Padgate**; Twitter: **@PadgateChurch** and YouTube. The **Friends of Christ Church Graveyard** is also on Facebook.

Plans for 2022

Christ Church:

- Supporting Church Collective in their developing mission
- Building back our congregations following the COVID pandemic
- Engaging with the 'Leading your Church into Growth' programme (LYCIG)
- Preparing for the Diocesan 'Fit for Mission' programme. Warrington Deanery will probably be in the second phase in early 2023
- Planning to develop new congregations, one of which will be led by our Choir with the working title of 'Harmony'.

Church Collective:

- Establish further Collectives, including a Youth Collective

Financial Review

The PCC continued to review the costs of running the church, making decisions that show the church's commitment given to the Diocese in 2012 to pay all liabilities as they fall due, including the Parish share. The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission in England and Wales reference number 1178871.

Report on Accounts for 2021

The Coronavirus Pandemic continued to affect the church finances and services etc during 2021 with the church being closed until September; the reserves had to be used to continue to pay the bills as they fell due.

The attached accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 show that the overall income raised in 2021 across all funds was £93507 (£84433 in 2020).

The increase is due to the very successful Gift Day held 25th September 2021 which raised £8759 which includes a donation of £2000 from Coffee shop.

Planned giving continued to decrease slightly (£1169 down on 2020), this was due to the reduced receipt of envelopes as the amounts received from the Parish Giving scheme and those paying by Standing order remained the same.

The money received from Fees for weddings and funerals increased by £3950 (being £6884 in 2021 compared to £2933 in 2020).

In December the Church again held a Christmas Tree Extravaganza which raised £1578 which includes £220 from the Warrington Musical Society concert held during the Extravaganza.

The Parish share had increased by 3.13% being £77322 in 2021 compared to £74969 in 2020.



In recognition of the continued pressure on church finances during the pandemic Liverpool Diocese allowed a Parish share credit of £4032 in 2021 (£10216 in 2020) which meant that we actually had to pay £73290. Unfortunately due to reduced cash-flow we only paid £67223 (representing 11 out of 12 shares for the year)

Other running costs of the church show an increase of £3205 which is mainly due to having paid 5 quarters' gas bills in 2021 (£1901 relates to Oct to Dec 20) The increase shown in Insurance is due to the fact that we now paid 12 monthly direct debit compared with 8 in 2020 when we changed to direct debit to help with cash-flow

Burial Ground fund expenditure includes £1680 being the fee for a complete Tree Survey that was carried out in order for the Friends of the Graveyard and PCC to plan necessary works.

The balance in the Reserve Account at the year end 31/12/2021 has increased to £15807 (£14202 in 2020).

Church Collective Fund

Since July 2021 Church Collective is being hosted by Christ Church Padgate and their finances are being administered through a restricted fund by the PCC and overseen by Liverpool Diocese.

The accounts for the Collective are shown within the other funds for completeness, there is no cost incurred by Christ Church in administering this fund.

Reserves Policy

As a registered charity the PCC agreed that it would be prudent to retain 2 months running costs amounting to £15000, as a reserve. This is in line with the Diocese's guidelines.

This policy is reviewed regularly.

Performance of Investments

Investments are placed with the CCLA in the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.



Christ Church Padgate - Accounts for year ended 31st December 2021
General Fund

	2021	2021	2020	2020
Receipts				
Voluntary Income				
Planned Giving	47761		48930	
Collections & Other Giving	5139		5993	
Income Tax Recovered	<u>13166</u>	66067	<u>14338</u>	69262
Other Voluntary Income				
Fees	6884		2933	
Sundry Donations	200		210	
Donations for Charities	<u>0</u>	7084	<u>0</u>	3143
Events & Activities				
Social Functions	0		0	
Sale Goods & Books	128		109	
Magazine Donations/Adverts	<u>2010</u>	2139	<u>1469</u>	1577
Other Income				
Transfers from Reserve fund	12000		8000	
Area Dean Grant	1000		1000	
Parish share credit			10219	
		<u>13000</u>		<u>19219</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		88289		93201
Payments				
Grants				
Christian Relief & Develop. Agencies	0		0	
Home Mission & Church Societies				
Secular Charities		<u>0</u>		<u>0</u>
Support Costs				
Sunday School & Walking Day	0		0	
Training Books/Notes/Videos	470		492	
Subscriptions to Other Bodies	<u>717</u>	1187	<u>807</u>	1299
Relating to the Work of the Church				
Parish Share	67223		74989	
Clergy Expenses	0		88	
Vicarage Rates/Water	3335		3494	
Upkeep of Services	141		338	
Organist/Cleaner/Verger	1271		2786	
Building & Maintenance	831		105	
Light/Heat/Water	6420		3520	
Sundry Expenses	<u>1754</u>		<u>1804</u>	
		<u>80975</u>		<u>87125</u>
Administration				
Printing & Stationery	2877		2166	
Insurance	<u>3363</u>		<u>2373</u>	
		<u>6240</u>		<u>4539</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS		88402		92963
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the Year		-113		238
Bank Account as at 1st January		276		38
Bank account as at 31st December		163		276



Reserve Fund

Receipts	2021	2021	2020	2020
Donations	5101		6504	
Legacies	0		0	
Central Board of Finance Interest	15		118	
Beetle Drive	0		0	
Garden Party	0		0	
Last Night of Proms	0		0	
Gift day	8759		0	
Christmas tree extravaganza	1578		1144	
Coffee Morning	0		0	
		15453		7766
Payments				
Repairs & Renewals	1848		691	
New Heating system			27000	
Transfer to General Fund	12000		8000	
		13848		35691
Surplus		1605		-27925
Balance at 1st January		14202		42127
Balance at 31st December		15807		14202

Burial Ground Fund Designated Funds

	2021	2020
Receipts		
Memorials and tablets		
Burials	1130	1685
Grants	0	0
Repayment from LDBF	635	0
	1765	1685
Payments		
Burial Ground Expenses	785	400
Tree Survey	1680	0
	2465	400
Surplus/Deficit for year	-700	1285
Bank Deposit Account as at 1st January	7929	6644
Bank Deposit Account as at 31st December	7229	7929



Burial Ground Fund Restricted Fund
Endowment received October 2013

	2021	2020
Receipts		
Payments		
Bank account balance at 1st January	15000	15000
Bank account balance at 31st December	15000	15000

Church Day School Trust Account
Restricted Funds

	2021	2020
Receipts		
Bank interest	0	0
Payments	0	0
Surplus for year	0	0
Bank Deposit account as at 1st January	92	92
Bank Deposit account as at 31st December	92	92

Flower Fund Designated Fund

	2021	2020
Receipts	288	
Payments	32	
Surplus/Deficit for year	256	0



Church Collective Restricted Fund

Note: Started 01/07/2021

Receipts

LDBF Funding		31478
Planned Giving	3329	
Tax Recovered	827	
Sundry Donations	<u>1000</u>	
		5156
Total Income		<u>36634</u>

Expenditure

Staff Costs	13979
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Operational Costs

Travel & Exps	935	
Other Costs	2678	
Rental Of Meeting Space	<u>122</u>	
		3735
Total Revenue Expenditure		<u>17714</u>
Capital Costs	<u>2895</u>	

Overall Expenditure	<u>20609</u>
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Surplus/Deficit for year	<u><u>16025</u></u>
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Represented by

Bank Balance at 31.12.21	15875
Cash in Hand	<u>150</u>
	<u><u>16025</u></u>



Christ Church Coffee Shop

	2021	2020
Income:		
Mondays		95
Tuesdays		92
Wednesdays		153
Thursdays		
Donations		
Other Income	0	340
Expenditure		
Fairtrade Stock		31
Non Stock Expenditure		
Community Party		
Other Payments		171
Other Donations		
Padgate Primary School	150	
Community centre	200	
Donation to Church	2000	
	2350	202
Profit for the year	-2350	138
Balance in Hand at 1st January 2021	4562	4424
Balance in Hand at 31st December 2021	2212	4562

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2020

Monetary Assets	General	School	Burial Ground	Fabric Fund	Flower Fund	Collective Fund	Restricted Funds	Coffee Shop	Total
Barclays Bank C/A	163		3295	6815	256	15875			26404
Barclays Bank D/A		92							92
CBF Deposit Fund			3934	8991			15000		27926
HSBC								2212	2212
Cash						150			150
Total	163	92	7229	15807	256	16025	15000	2212	56784

Parish Share Account

Outstanding Balances b/fwd	0
Share for 2021	77322.23
Parish share Credit	1584.37
Parish share Credit	2448.00
03/03/2021	
Paid in year	67223.19
Balance c/fwd	6066.67
	77322.23 77322.23

6311.49 per month
6066.69 per month from 03/21



Christ Church Padgate
Statement of Financial Activities
For the period from 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	83,428.64	5,156.25	-	88,584.89	77,910.03
Income from charitable activities	7,188.60	-	-	7,188.60	-
Other trading activities	2,138.56	-	-	2,138.56	1,323.70
Investments	14.54	-	-	14.54	118.00
Other income	-	31,478.25	-	31,478.25	-
Total income	92,770.34	36,634.50	-	129,404.84	79,351.73
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds	64.53	-	-	64.53	-
Expenditure on charitable activities	91,188.30	-	-	91,188.30	113,746.18
Other expenditure	470.00	20,608.62	-	21,078.62	-
Total expenditure	91,722.83	20,608.62	-	112,331.45	113,746.18
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	1,047.51	16,025.88	-	17,073.39	(34,394.45)
Transfers:					
Gross transfers between funds - in	4,616.08	-	-	4,616.08	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	(4,616.08)	-	-	(4,616.08)	-
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	-	-	-	-	-
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	1,047.51	16,025.88	-	17,073.39	(34,394.45)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	22,499.68	-	15,000.00	37,499.68	71,894.13
Total funds carried forward	23,547.19	16,025.88	15,000.00	54,573.07	37,499.68
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General Fund	164.32	-	-	164.32	277.15
Designated					
Burial Ground Fund	7,228.10	-	-	7,228.10	7,928.50
Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-
Fabric Fund	15,898.91	-	-	15,898.91	14,294.03
Flower Fund	255.86	-	-	255.86	-
Restricted					
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-
Burial Ground Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Church Collective	-	16,025.88	-	16,025.88	-
Endowment					
Burial Ground Fund	-	-	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Total funds	23,547.19	16,025.88	15,000.00	54,573.07	37,499.68

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Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - SO	5,544.00	-	192.00	-	5,736.00	12,616.00
0105 - Gift Aid - Parish Giving Scheme	33,021.06	-	2,945.00	-	35,966.06	30,865.15
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	1,929.50	-	-	-	1,929.50	2,575.00
0201 - Non Gift Aid Envelopes	2,266.00	-	-	-	2,266.00	2,874.15
0202 - Non GA SO	6,464.00	-	288.00	-	6,752.00	-
0205 - Non Gift Aid Parish Giving Scheme	3,669.06	-	-	-	3,669.06	5,124.14
0301 - Loose plate collections	1,066.32	-	-	-	1,066.32	868.91
0401 - Gift days	8,759.32	-	-	-	8,759.32	-
0405 - Sundry Donations	472.99	5,551.22	1,000.00	-	7,024.21	6,504.04
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	-	-	-	-	-	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	11,415.62	-	731.25	-	12,146.87	12,438.27
0605 - Tax Recoverable - Small Donations Repayment Scheme	691.31	-	-	-	691.31	1,900.00
0701 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
0801 - Recurring grants - Area Dean	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Fundraising	-	1,578.24	-	-	1,578.24	1,144.37
Donations and legacies Totals	76,299.18	7,129.46	5,156.25	-	88,584.89	77,910.03
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	6,059.00	1,129.60	-	-	7,188.60	-
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	6,059.00	1,129.60	-	-	7,188.60	-
Other trading activities						
0910 - Rummage sales etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
1220 - Book sales - fund raising	128.25	-	-	-	128.25	108.70
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	1,571.00	-	-	-	1,571.00	1,215.00
1260 - Magazine Donations	439.31	-	-	-	439.31	-
902 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities Totals	2,138.56	-	-	-	2,138.56	1,323.70
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	-	14.54	-	-	14.54	118.00
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments Totals	-	14.54	-	-	14.54	118.00
Other income						

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					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0802 - Church Collective Grant	-	-	31,478.25	-	31,478.25	-
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	-	-	31,478.25	-	31,478.25	-
Income and endowments Grand totals	84,496.74	8,273.60	36,634.50	-	129,404.84	79,351.73

Expenditure on:

Raising funds

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	-	-	-	-	-	-
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	64.53	-	-	-	64.53	-
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	-	-	-	-	-	-
1740 - Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Raising funds Totals	64.53	-	-	-	64.53	-

Expenditure on charitable activities

1732 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	-
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1850 - Home mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
1870 - Secular charities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	67,223.19	-	-	-	67,223.19	64,770.00
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 - Organist Honoraria	-	-	-	-	-	1,200.00
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	-	-	-	-	-	-
2060 - Cleaners Wages	-	-	-	-	-	80.00
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	-	-	-	-	-	88.13
2120 - Council tax - Vcarage	2,731.92	-	-	-	2,731.92	2,605.55
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	603.48	-	-	-	603.48	888.37
2145 - Parsonage - water	-	-	-	-	-	-
2150 - Vicar's telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-
2170 - Education	-	-	-	-	-	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,363.43	-	-	-	3,363.43	2,373.00
2310 - Church office - telephone	1,524.00	-	-	-	1,524.00	1,708.95
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	82.80	-	-	-	82.80	-
2330 - Church maintenance	1,848.39	-	-	-	1,848.39	664.60
2331 - Cleaning	100.00	-	-	-	100.00	-
2332 - Repairs - Waste Disposal	731.03	-	-	-	731.03	105.00
2340 - Upkeep of services	140.99	-	-	-	140.99	338.46
2350 - Upkeep of Graveyard	-	2,465.04	-	-	2,465.04	400.00
2360 - Administration	408.84	32.14	-	-	440.98	-
2361 - Administration Magazine	2,547.00	-	-	-	2,547.00	1,797.00
2362 - Subscriptions	681.58	-	-	-	681.58	806.78
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	-
2401 - Church running - electric	724.02	-	-	-	724.02	524.62
2410 - Church running - gas	5,390.48	-	-	-	5,390.48	2,719.85
2420 - Church running - water	305.72	-	-	-	305.72	275.87

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
2430 - Church running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2510 - Bookstall costs	128.25	-	-	-	128.25	-
2520 - Hall running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2530 - Hall running - electricity	-	-	-	-	-	-
2540 - Hall running - gas	-	-	-	-	-	-
2550 - Hall running - insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
2570 - Hall running - telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-
2580 - Hall running - water	-	-	-	-	-	-
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	156.00	-	-	-	156.00	-
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	32,400.00
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	-
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	-
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	-	-	-	-	-	-
2901 - New building parsonage house	-	-	-	-	-	-
2910 - New building house for curate	-	-	-	-	-	-
2920 - New building Church	-	-	-	-	-	-
2930 - New building Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	88,691.12	2,497.18	-	-	91,188.30	113,746.18
Other expenditure						
1735 - Outreach Costs	-	-	1,217.97	-	1,217.97	-
1736 - Rentals (Small Gatherings)	-	-	122.00	-	122.00	-
2002 - Wages Collective	-	-	9,301.24	-	9,301.24	-
2003 - Staff costs PAYE etc	-	-	3,020.33	-	3,020.33	-
2004 - Staff Costs Pension	-	-	909.09	-	909.09	-
2105 - Travel Exps - Collective	-	-	352.16	-	352.16	-
2132 - Curates Housing Rates	-	-	-	-	-	-
2142 - Water Collective	-	-	747.65	-	747.65	-
2202 - Training & Development	-	-	730.00	-	730.00	-
2315 - Internet Collective	-	-	400.37	-	400.37	-
2333 - Minor repairs Collective	-	-	20.00	-	20.00	-
2363 - Software	-	-	286.00	-	286.00	-
2364 - Licences & Fees	-	-	296.18	-	296.18	-
2405 - Collective Office Costs	-	-	246.04	-	246.04	-
2515 - Books for School	470.00	-	-	-	470.00	-
2516 - Books Collective	-	-	64.26	-	64.26	-
6431 - Audio Visual Equipment	-	-	2,363.40	-	2,363.40	-
6432 - Office Equipment & Furniture	-	-	531.93	-	531.93	-
Other expenditure Totals	470.00	-	20,608.62	-	21,078.62	-
Expenditure Grand totals	89,225.65	2,497.18	20,608.62	-	112,331.45	113,746.18

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Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - SO	5,544.00	-	192.00	-	5,736.00	12,616.00
0105 - Gift Aid - Parish Giving Scheme	33,021.06	-	2,945.00	-	35,966.06	30,865.15
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	1,929.50	-	-	-	1,929.50	2,575.00
0201 - Non Gift Aid Envelopes	2,266.00	-	-	-	2,266.00	2,874.15
0202 - Non GA SO	6,464.00	-	288.00	-	6,752.00	-
0205 - Non Gift Aid Parish Giving Scheme	3,669.06	-	-	-	3,669.06	5,124.14
0301 - Loose plate collections	1,066.32	-	-	-	1,066.32	868.91
0401 - Gift days	8,759.32	-	-	-	8,759.32	-
0405 - Sundry Donations	472.99	5,551.22	1,000.00	-	7,024.21	6,504.04
0410 - Giving through church boxes	-	-	-	-	-	-
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	-	-	-	-	-	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	11,415.62	-	731.25	-	12,146.87	12,438.27
0605 - Tax Recoverable - Small Donations Repayment Scheme	691.31	-	-	-	691.31	1,900.00
0701 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
0801 - Recurring grants - Area Dean	1,000.00	-	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
0901 - Fundraising	-	1,578.24	-	-	1,578.24	1,144.37
Donations and legacies Totals	76,299.18	7,129.46	5,156.25	-	88,584.89	77,910.03
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	6,059.00	1,129.60	-	-	7,188.60	-
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	6,059.00	1,129.60	-	-	7,188.60	-
Other trading activities						
0910 - Rummage sales etc	-	-	-	-	-	-
1220 - Book sales - fund raising	128.25	-	-	-	128.25	108.70
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund raising	-	-	-	-	-	-
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	1,571.00	-	-	-	1,571.00	1,215.00
1260 - Magazine Donations	439.31	-	-	-	439.31	-
902 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other trading activities Totals	2,138.56	-	-	-	2,138.56	1,323.70
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	-	-	-	-	-	-
1020 - Bank and building society interest	-	14.54	-	-	14.54	118.00
1030 - Rent from lands or buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments Totals	-	14.54	-	-	14.54	118.00
Other income						

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
0802 - Church Collective Grant	-	-	31,478.25	-	31,478.25	-
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
1320 - Surplus - sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	-	-	31,478.25	-	31,478.25	-
Income and endowments Grand totals	84,496.74	8,273.60	36,634.50	-	129,404.84	79,351.73

Expenditure on:

Raising funds

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	-	-	-	-	-	-
1710 - Costs of applying for grants	-	-	-	-	-	-
1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	64.53	-	-	-	64.53	-
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	-	-	-	-	-	-
1740 - Investment management costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
Raising funds Totals	64.53	-	-	-	64.53	-

Expenditure on charitable activities

1732 - Coffee Shop	-	-	-	-	-	-
1801 - Giving to missionary societies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	-	-
1850 - Home mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
1870 - Secular charities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	67,223.19	-	-	-	67,223.19	64,770.00
2001 - Assistant staff costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
2010 - Organist Honoraria	-	-	-	-	-	1,200.00
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	-	-	-	-	-	-
2060 - Cleaners Wages	-	-	-	-	-	80.00
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	-	-	-	-	-	88.13
2120 - Council tax - Vicarage	2,731.92	-	-	-	2,731.92	2,605.55
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2140 - Water rates - vicarage	603.48	-	-	-	603.48	888.37
2145 - Parsonage - water	-	-	-	-	-	-
2150 - Vicar's telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-
2170 - Education	-	-	-	-	-	-
2201 - Parish training and mission	-	-	-	-	-	-
2301 - Church running - insurance	3,363.43	-	-	-	3,363.43	2,373.00
2310 - Church office - telephone	1,524.00	-	-	-	1,524.00	1,708.95
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	82.80	-	-	-	82.80	-
2330 - Church maintenance	1,848.39	-	-	-	1,848.39	664.60
2331 - Cleaning	100.00	-	-	-	100.00	-
2332 - Repairs - Waste Disposal	731.03	-	-	-	731.03	105.00
2340 - Upkeep of services	140.99	-	-	-	140.99	338.46
2350 - Upkeep of Graveyard	-	2,465.04	-	-	2,465.04	400.00
2360 - Administration	408.84	32.14	-	-	440.98	-
2361 - Administration Magazine	2,547.00	-	-	-	2,547.00	1,797.00
2362 - Subscriptions	681.58	-	-	-	681.58	806.78
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	-
2401 - Church running - electric	724.02	-	-	-	724.02	524.62
2410 - Church running - gas	5,390.48	-	-	-	5,390.48	2,719.85
2420 - Church running - water	305.72	-	-	-	305.72	275.87

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
2430 - Church running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2440 - Church running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
2510 - Bookstall costs	128.25	-	-	-	128.25	-
2520 - Hall running - oil	-	-	-	-	-	-
2530 - Hall running - electricity	-	-	-	-	-	-
2540 - Hall running - gas	-	-	-	-	-	-
2550 - Hall running - insurance	-	-	-	-	-	-
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-
2570 - Hall running - telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-
2580 - Hall running - water	-	-	-	-	-	-
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	-	-	-	-	-	-
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	156.00	-	-	-	156.00	-
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	32,400.00
2720 - Church interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	-
2801 - Hall + major repairs - structure	-	-	-	-	-	-
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	-	-	-	-	-	-
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior decorating	-	-	-	-	-	-
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	-	-	-	-	-	-
2901 - New building parsonage house	-	-	-	-	-	-
2910 - New building house for curate	-	-	-	-	-	-
2920 - New building Church	-	-	-	-	-	-
2930 - New building Hall	-	-	-	-	-	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	88,691.12	2,497.18	-	-	91,188.30	113,746.18
Other expenditure						
1735 - Outreach Costs	-	-	1,217.97	-	1,217.97	-
1736 - Rentals (Small Gatherings)	-	-	122.00	-	122.00	-
2002 - Wages Collective	-	-	9,301.24	-	9,301.24	-
2003 - Staff costs PAYE etc	-	-	3,020.33	-	3,020.33	-
2004 - Staff Costs Pension	-	-	909.09	-	909.09	-
2105 - Travel Exps - Collective	-	-	352.16	-	352.16	-
2132 - Curates Housing Rates	-	-	-	-	-	-
2142 - Water Collective	-	-	747.65	-	747.65	-
2202 - Training & Development	-	-	730.00	-	730.00	-
2315 - Internet Collective	-	-	400.37	-	400.37	-
2333 - Minor repairs Collective	-	-	20.00	-	20.00	-
2363 - Software	-	-	286.00	-	286.00	-
2364 - Licences & Fees	-	-	296.18	-	296.18	-
2405 - Collective Office Costs	-	-	246.04	-	246.04	-
2515 - Books for School	470.00	-	-	-	470.00	-
2516 - Books Collective	-	-	64.26	-	64.26	-
6431 - Audio Visual Equipment	-	-	2,363.40	-	2,363.40	-
6432 - Office Equipment & Furniture	-	-	531.93	-	531.93	-
Other expenditure Totals	470.00	-	20,608.62	-	21,078.62	-
Expenditure Grand totals	89,225.65	2,497.18	20,608.62	-	112,331.45	113,746.18



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A: Independent examiner's report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name

**On accounts for the
year ended**

**Charity no
(if any)**

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

**Respective
responsibilities of
trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed. [The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [named body]]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Section A: Independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below ^{*})

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
 have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

^{*} Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

Name:

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

Section B: Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.(E.g. accounting records have not been kept in accordance with s132 of the Charities' Act 2011 and those accounts do not comply with the requirements of the 2008 Regulations setting out the form and content of charity accounts; any material expenditure or action which appears not to be in accordance with the trusts of the charity; any failure to be provided with information and explanations by any past or present trustee, officer or employee; and any material consistency between the accounts and the trustees' annual report.)

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.