



# **St Oswald's, Norbury**



## **Annual Report 2024**

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## Introduction

As St Oswald's prepares to celebrate 90 years of a physical presence in this community there is much to be thankful for from those 90 years and from the year just gone by. It has been good to hear people talking about their memories of the church community and one of the words used most often has been 'welcome'.

This report speaks of a year of activity in which we have continued to welcome people to our Sunday worship and other activities; we have worked hard to enrich our life and worship whilst dealing with some of the issues that inevitably crop up in an ageing building; and we continue to seek to extend our ministry of welcome by reaching out to serve and engage those beyond our regular worshipping community in new ways.

In 1934, when St Oswald's was consecrated for worship, almost all of the people living in the parish would have referred to themselves as 'Christian' and the majority, even those who didn't come to church, were willing to contribute to the cost of building and maintaining the church as a centre in the community. The demographics of our parish have changed considerably over time and, although far fewer people would consider themselves to be Christians, nevertheless the church remains at the heart of the parish area, and our welcome is well known to those who visit the church, come to our events, use our parish hall for clubs, classes and social functions and enjoy the peace of our beautiful and well maintained garden.

I am very grateful to all those who give so much of their time in service of the life of St Oswald's, most of whom do so on a voluntary basis, but even those paid for their work do so much that is over and above what they are contracted to do. We are a community that knows our need of God, and of one another and we thank God for all that he has done in this place over the past year, and pray that we will continue to be blessed in the year to come.

Rev'd Alison Brunt (Vicar)

## 2024 Electoral Roll Report

The total membership roll for 2024 for St. Oswald's Norbury Parish is 162 as at 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

Of this total **95** live within the Parish and **67** are non-resident (NR) and reside outside the Parish. We have **removed** the following parishioner who has died:

Jean Atkins
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We have **added** the following names and take this opportunity to welcome them:

Maureen Bucknor	Khalil Carrol-Thompson
Angela Lacey	Dorothy Mugumba
Joan May	Christina Mary Slade
Helen Wallace	Lenroy Wallace
Aeion Swinton	

### Electoral Roll figures from previous years:

2024	162
2023	154
2022	158
2021	167
2020	163
2019 (full revision)	163

## Report of the proceedings of the Parochial Church Council 2023-2024

### Meetings and membership

The PCC met six times from 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024. The members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concerns including how funds are to be spent. The meetings were well attended and chaired by the Vicar Rev'd Alison Brunt.

The PCC operates with sub-groups which meet to discuss important issues, for example, finance, church fabric, mission projects, and report the outcome of their meetings and proposals. These are all reported on separately.

The Standing Committee consists of the Vicar, Church Wardens, Treasurer and the PCC Secretary. The Committee meets prior to each PCC meeting to discuss urgent matters ahead of scheduled PCC meetings and report back to the PCC.

Safeguarding is a standing agenda item at PCC meetings that is in line with the recommended practice from the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. The Safeguarding Officer is responsible for ensuring that a Disclosure Barring Service is completed by all members who work with children and vulnerable adults in the church.

The following officers were appointed at the first meeting on the 25 May 2023.

Secretary:	Maudlyn Riviere
Treasurer:	Dawn Blair
Safeguarding Officer:	Judy Morris
Deputy Wardens:	Sonia Rumbelow, Debbie Alleyne
Treasury:	Sylvia James, Judith Kitchingman
Standing Committee:	Alison Brunt, Yemi Adeogun, Yvonne Nwanokwu Maudlyn Riviere, Dawn Blair

The work of the PCC is reflected in the activities and events of the church which are listed later in this report.

## **Report on the Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Church**

There were several projects completed during the past year comprising the following:

### Church

1. A Hundred new hymn books 'Hymns Ancient and Modern: Hymns and Songs for Refreshing Worship' were purchased as an early St Oswald @ 90 project with congregation members invited to donate the cost of a book and in return, to have a dedication placed in the book.
2. The uneven paving slabs on the pathway on the south side of the church were re-laid, the additional stretch of uneven pathway was re-tarmacked and now made safer for users.
3. The broken right-hand accessible handrail from the church car park to the hall was replaced.
4. An Eco – Heating System survey was conducted by Cowley's, who maintain our current heating systems. This concluded that since current heat pump systems offered in the UK only operate at 70 percent output and function using a hybrid system working in conjunction with the traditional gas boiler, St Oswald's would require a heat pump which operated at 90 percent output and would still require a traditional boiler. Estimated costs of around £150,000 and would not be cost effective for the current needs of St Oswald's.
5. The damaged brick post in the car park was rebuilt and strengthened.
6. The bark bed in the car park was tarmacked over to avoid it becoming a mud pool during winter and to also make safe for pedestrians.
7. Three spotlights stopped working in the church, CES Electrics checked and rectified the fault.
8. The church hedge has been cut and well maintained throughout the year.
9. Blue Jeans was closed at the start of the year, due to company changes and Zoom is now used for Sunday Services and morning prayers.
10. Quinquennial Inspection - St Oswald's five-year inspection, under the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018, took place at the end of October. Carried out by an appointed Quinquennial Inspector (Architect/Surveyor) designated by the Diocese of Southwark. The written report outlined a series of high-level works that should be completed over two-three years. A schedule of work/strategy has been prepared and we are currently obtaining quotes to carry out the high-level work. We will need to undertake fundraising activities to cover these costs.

### Hall

1. Following a break-in to the hall, the smashed office door was strengthened with bullet proof glass by the insurance company.
2. Several system leaks and blockages occurred in the men's and ladies' toilets and there were also leaks in the outside drains and kitchen roof. Happy Drains and Plumbers were engaged to repair and reinstate full usage of the toilets, to clear the drains and repair the leaking roof.
3. The hall garden fences were badly damaged during one of the many winter storms. McKeown Fencing Ltd carried out urgent replacement fencing to ensure that the garden could be safely used by hall users.

4. General maintenance was carried out - including boiler and cooker servicing, PAT testing in the hall and church, and the annual service of the fire extinguishers in both the hall and church. Replacement first aid kits were purchased for both the hall and church.
5. Four holes in the hall garden path were filled by the team relaying the slabs in the church path.

## **Report on the Financial Affairs of the Parish**

The online banking is with Unity Trust Bank plc. Our preferred method of making payments is via BACS transfers or Direct Debits. The request for cheques is getting fewer.

### Church

Major expenditure this year covered the lighting and Church path. We transferred money from the CCLI account to cover the capital expenditure incurred in 2022.

We incurred expenses with tuning of three Pianos and Organ. A Quinquennial Inspection was done during the year. There has been an increase in Insurance and increase in Utility bills.

Overall fundraising income has increased from Concerts, Harvest Supper, Summer and Christmas Fayres. Less income was incurred from Weddings and Funerals.

We are receiving income through regular bookings from the Associated Board Music Exams.

Our annual pledge to the Diocesan Parish Support Fund for 2023 was increased to £48,000 moving to a level closer that was paid pre-Covid.

### Hall

There was significant expenditure on repairs as indicated in the Fabric Report. These costs were met through the transfer from the CCLA account.

The Utility bills were very high and in order to reduce our costs, we will be reviewing possible new suppliers.

Income from Hall bookings have increased from last year with more regular bookings.

## **Report on the Proceedings of Croydon North Deanery Synod**

During the year there were three Deanery Synod meetings covering a variety of different topics. Meetings are held in different churches in the Croydon North Deanery. The Representatives, Maudlyn and Christiana attend the Synod meetings and feedback information to the PCC.

Our Deanery continues to work with Croydon Citizens and we are considering how to make meaningful connections between churches through social activity and our work related to the Southwark Vision.

As we elected only 2 representatives last year we can elect 2 more this year to serve for the remainder of the term (2 years) if people are willing to stand.

## Key Activities and events of the Church

### Worship

Worship is at the heart of our life together as a church and week by week we offer a Sung Eucharist at 10am on Sundays, with Sunday School during term time, and said services at 8am on Sundays and 10:30am on Wednesdays. Common Worship Morning prayer is said together by Zoom (previously by Blue Jeans) each day (except Sunday) and a short evening 'Prayer for the nation' is said every evening also by Zoom.

The 10am Sunday service is shared by Zoom with between 3 and 10 people joining each week. It is pleasing that fewer people now feel the need to worship from home, but others have welcomed the opportunity to join on the odd occasion when getting to church has not been possible.

We have enjoyed some good music from our choir, which has grown to 12 members under our Director of Music, Ann Hubble. The choir has worked hard to give and lead us in some new music during the year, including some additional sessions with Rev'd Jim Jelley assisting them in learning new music for special occasions. We have begun using the new hymn book 'Hymns Ancient and Modern- Hymns and Songs for Refreshing Worship'. There has been a gradual revision of our service booklets to accommodate the use of two new mass settings – David Thorne's Mass of St Thomas and Malcolm Archer's Mass of St Mark. . I am very sorry to note that Ann Hubble, our Director of music for the last four years will be leaving us during May – she has contributed enormously to our worshipping and our social life and will be greatly missed.

We are well supported by strong teams of servers, readers, intercessors, welcomers and coffee makers, not to mention the many people who prepare our worship without being seen – producing notices and service resources, cleaning the church and maintaining the rotas. But we would love to have more people involved, with the serving team in particular seeking for more helpers. Please do ask how you can help.

During 2023 we took services with 2 baptisms, 1 wedding and 13 funerals held either in church or at a local crematorium. We hosted a service and social event for the Diocesan SPAs in August and, as is usual, the annual service for AGNAP (The Association of Guyanese Nurses and Allied Professionals) in May.

### Children's Church

Young people continue to attend the Children's Church to learn from the weekly Bible teachings as they develop their understanding of the Christian faith. Attendance has varied throughout the last twelve months and currently three young people of primary and early secondary age attend regularly, with higher numbers at festivals such as Christmas and Easter.

We continue to hold Children's Church in the choir vestry during the main Sunday service. This means that the young people can be a part of The Gathering at the beginning of the church service and then return in time for the Communion.

Those who come attend very regularly and show real interest in the Bible teachings and the opportunities for discussion and reflection. They participate in church worship, giving readings and prayers with ever-increasing confidence. The young people worked hard on posters for the King's coronation, writing thoughtful reflections, contributing ideas for bookplate designs for the new hymn books and performing in monthly all-age worship. Our young people are also singing in the choir or acting as servers, which is testament to their increasing confidence and maturity as they contribute to the life of the church.

There has been limited activity from Public Spirit in recent months, the group for secondary-aged young people joining with others from churches in Croydon North Deanery to explore ways of expressing faith through social justice. This has been due to several factors, one of which is the low

numbers of secondary-aged young people and others moving on to college, university and other commitments, which has generally been the experience of churches in the deanery including St Oswald's. Public Spirit has focused on promoting youth safety which continues to be a significant area of work for Croydon Council. It is hoped that our young people can continue to contribute their ideas and experiences in order to build on the work they have done previously on this important issue.

### Ministry:

We are blessed with the supporting ministry of two licensed readers, Leonora Davies and Marcia Grant-Che who assist with preaching, leading worship and study groups while also offering pastoral support and friendship to the congregation. Our accredited Southwark Pastoral Auxiliaries, Anita Christ and Bevon West support and keep in touch with church members and others in the local community through visiting, telephoning and messaging and Bevon, through her work in the hall, is available for those who drop in while she is present, and also to hall users.

Although we are blessed with a strong team of licensed and accredited ministers, we are also thankful that many members of the congregation offer an excellent ministry of keeping in touch, especially with members who are unable to attend church.

### Mission Group:

The mission group meets to look at the wide range of St Oswald's church mission, within the parish and local communities, throughout the year. Including contributing to church-led activities, charitable allocations both home and abroad. The group meets four times a year and comprises six members of the congregation led by Reverend Alison Brunt. The past year the group proposed, reviewed, and actioned the following allocations of £100 granted to twelve charitable organisations based at home and abroad as approved by the PCC, these are:

#### *Overseas allocations:*

The LIFE Foundation, USPG, SOS Children's Village UK, MAF Flying for Life, Red Cross, and Manna Development Disability Centre, Bengaluru.

#### *Home Allocations:*

Salvation Army, Church Urban Fund, St Christopher's Hospice, Livability, Welcare, and Cerebra

#### *Fundraising events* for charities during the year included:

1. Christingle - the children's Christmas Eve service raised £93.50 for the Children's Society.
2. Fair trade fortnight in February raised £70.00 donated to Stop the Traffik.
3. Christian Aid week 14<sup>th</sup> -20th May 2023 raised £232.10 via envelope giving and £40 via direct donations.
4. Church Fundraising Jar - LEPRO as the nominated charity would continue for the year.

*Practical giving* – boxes were set up to support the St Alban's community food bank and collection of soft toys for orphaned children at the Manna Development Disability centre in India.

*Benefact Mission Money 2024* - The Mission Group achieved success in obtaining a grant of £3,600 to set up a group for new and expectant mums in the hall. The group will be exploring the best way forward for implementation.

#### *Mission Strategy into the future*

The group are continuing to explore three key areas around church mission as highlighted by the diocese: The Anti-racism Charter, Living in Love and Faith and Eco-church – shrinking our carbon footprint and exploring the possibility of going for the Eco-church Award

## Website

In spring 2022, work began on an update to the pre-existing site. Our objective was to modernise the website into an attractive visual product that captured our active church life, while remaining true to our traditions as a church. Above all, we were clear that our website should serve as a component of our mission.

Early work was done to improve the site's function and visual impact while developing a completely redesigned website 'behind the scenes'. We wanted our website to be more streamlined, better prioritised and easy to use. You may recall noticing incremental updates relating to the home page and fresh graphics and new photographs of the church were incorporated through 2022-23.

Amendments to the previous site continued until, in September 2023, we launched the new website which is, we believe, fit for purpose for the modern day, able to connect with those tuned into the media age and conveys the active church that we are.

We needed a website that we could present to the world with confidence. Ultimately, our website is a key part of evangelism and we hope that it enhances the experience of the St Oswald's family while reaching the wider community and beyond for Jesus.

## Flowers and church decorations

In praise to God for the beauty of creation, our flower arrangements are renewed each week (except during Lent and Advent) with arrangements at the Altar, Lady Chapel and the Welcoming Area.

We marked the Festivals of Harvest, Christmas and Easter with more profuse floral arrangements and at the end of these Festival Services, we distributed approximately 20 bunches or arrangements of these flowers to members of the congregation including some unable to attend church. Mothering Sunday was marked with the distribution of 170 daffodil posies to members of the congregation and special visitors for this occasion.

There are currently four team members working on a rota basis with a couple more who help out at other times. We welcome new members of all abilities and can offer support from the team for beginners and less experienced arrangers. The team have risen to the challenge of being more eco-friendly through no longer using Oasis in their arrangements.

The provision of flowers is expensive and relies on donations. Contributions are gratefully received. There is also an opportunity to sponsor an arrangement in honour of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion. The cost is approximately £30.

Please do consider offering this if you are able.

This year we received monetary donations of £712.00 plus donations in Flowers - £188.05 declared and an estimated £340.00 where volunteers cover the cost of the flowers themselves without claiming or declaring the costs

Our expenditure was- £636.37 (including Harvest £62.14 / Christmas £107.49 / Mothers Day Posies £75.00 / Easter £200.85 )

## Celebrations, Social and Fundraising events:

In May we were pleased to celebrate the coronations of King Charles and Queen Camilla with a special Eucharist on Coronation Sunday followed by a community afternoon tea with the Beaufort String Quartet.

Our patronal festival was celebrated on 6<sup>th</sup> August with an afternoon tea followed by a Songs of Praise service which included reflections from members of the congregation. In September we held



our Harvest Festival and Harvest Supper. Following the Harvest Festival, the contributions of food and other items were gratefully received by The Spires Centre and The St Albans Food Bank.

In October we marked Black History Month with an event entitled 'The Power of the Pen' which paid tribute to writers of African and Caribbean heritage whose work has transformed thinking and furthered social justice and equality for all. Two published authors, Rosanna Amaka and Nicola Williams, gave powerful readings and discussions of their work, and church members gave moving performances of the work of other inspirational writers. We were able to support independent local sellers of multicultural books and cultural crafts, and enjoyed the tasty food available. The event was well attended and it was especially wonderful to see people relishing the craft of writers, excitedly buying *real* books. During October, Sunday services featured spiritual music by Black composers from the choir and musical director Ann Hubble.

Our series of concerts aimed at inviting classical musicians to play in the church continued with Sunday afternoon recitals in June (flute and piano), October (organ) and November (piano). These were very much enjoyed by those attending but struggled to cover their costs and we will be placing these on hold in the coming year unless a couple of members of the congregation can take on the task of organising and, importantly, publicising them.

Throughout the year we had four of our very popular parish lunches which were well attended and enjoyed by those present and one or two people who were delivered a 'take-out' meal.

Our Summer and Christmas fairs, as always, offered an opportunity to invite in the local community as well as providing an opportunity to raise much needed funds for the church.

#### Pop In Club:

The Club continues to meet regularly each week with an average attendance of 22, and we have gained two new members. It's very reassuring, having received feedback from members, how much they enjoy coming and I was even surprised when I met a couple who were told by a member what a relaxed and friendly Club it is.

We continue with the usual activities of quiz, exercise, bingo, raffle and games, which include scrabble, cards, dominoes, of course, some members prefer to just talk among themselves. Our annual day trip took us to Worthing, the weather was in our favour and a lovely time was had by all.

It was sad that we lost a very dear member whose 100th birthday we were planning to celebrate unfortunately, it was not to be. May her soul rest in peace.

#### Women's Fellowship:

During the past year, the 12 regular members of the group have taken it in turns to organise the monthly talks, activities and meals out together. These have included talks on the Island of Svalbard, Local History, The Great North Wood and The Saints. We held a Celebration Tea Party for the King's Coronation, had a film and quiz afternoon, had a New Year Party and helped with preparations for the church's @90 celebrations.

This group meets on the second Wednesday of each month in the Parish Hall, for fun, friendship and activities. A warm welcome awaits any woman from the local community who would like to join us, please speak to the Vicar or any of the members for more information. Occasional 'Open House Sessions' involving outside speakers, are open to non-members, including men.

#### Community Engagement

It is always a great joy to welcome local school children into the church and it has been good to welcome back Norbury High School for Girls and Children from Kensington Avenue Primary School for their Christmas services.

We have a good link with Kensington Avenue Primary School with the vicar taking seasonal assemblies in school and children coming to visit the church for their RE studies. We are also, often, the recipients of plants that the children have grown.

### The Parish Hall

The hall continues to be busy as a venue for the local community and for regular groups who meet there including the Rainbows and Brownies, dance and fitness classes, and a Taekwondo class, as well as the regular church led-activities. Weekly groups meet every day of the week except for Tuesdays and Sundays

We host the local councillors surgeries and are used for civic consultations and also suitable commercial events. We become a polling station for elections.

The hall is a popular venue for funeral receptions and children's parties which we are able to accommodate from time to time.

The toilets have been refurbished and the kitchen needs work doing subject to available funds (details on the fabric report)

### Warm Space:

The warm space provision at St Oswald's began in January 2023, responding to huge rises in energy and living costs. At that time three mornings a week were offered: one coordinated by an external provider and the other two run by church volunteers. Sessions continued throughout the year and people enjoyed the opportunity to hear visiting speakers, play games and quizzes, meet new people and have hot drinks and snacks.

Currently one session is held on a Wednesday morning, and a consistent group of four to six attend and enjoy the opportunity to talk, share concerns, get help from time to time and interact in our safe and supportive setting. Sometimes issues of real need have emerged and we have been able to provide guidance on where to get help, especially for welfare issues. People attending have also become involved in other activities of the church or groups meeting in the hall .

It has become clear that those attending welcome the opportunity to gather socially, not just for a warm space but a warm welcome and the provision has continued throughout the year, whatever the weather, and it is hoped that this important pastoral work meeting real need can be supported to continue in the future.



**Section A**

**Independent Examiner's Report**

<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	St. Oswald's Church, Norbury		
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<b>Set out on pages</b>	1-3		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2018

**Responsibilities and  
basis of report** As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

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

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I have no concerns and 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.

*\* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

**Signed:**

**Date:**

16/04/2024

**Name:**

Judith A Morris

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**Opening balances at 01.01.2023**

Church Account	10875
Parish Hall Account	5452
CCLA Investment	167751

17916
5990
163608

**Income**

**2022**

**Voluntary Receipts**

Planned Giving	29192
Collections	24262
Gift Aid tax refund	8398
Voluntary donations	1041

62893

31346
17859
9311
2965

61481

Music Festival

906

**Fundraising**

Concerts	1578
Fair Trade	70
Harvest Supper	496
Summer Fayre	1852
Christmas Fayre	1985

5981

332
347
1217
1223

3119

**Sundry Donations**

After services Coffee

759

637

**Charities**

Misson Committee	100
Bishop's lent appeal	136
Save the children	251
Children's Society	37
Christian Aid	232

756

367
232

599

Legacy

6000

Fees Weddings & Funerals	3576
ABRSM fees	1340
Insurance claim	
Grants/Election	

4916

7201
5305
1314
1400

15220

Refund from Hall A/C

2829

2603

**Church income Total**

**78134**

**90565**

Transfer from CCLA

35000

CCLA Interest

5971

4143

Hall Income

46387

32197

**Total Income**

**165492**

**126905**

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<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>2023</b>		<b>2022</b>	
Parish Support Fund		48000		45000
Church Insurance	4694		4267	
Hall Insurance	1680	6374	1528	5795
Organist		6904		5818
Organist fees (invoiced)		1365		3073
<b>Admin and Sanctuary costs</b>				
Charles Farris/ Communion Wine / African Palms	475		1084	
Admin / Payplus	315		215	
RCSM membership	127		110	
CCLI Membership renewal	293	1210	279	1688
<b>Printing &amp; Stationary</b>				
No Problems	1595		2368	
Redemptorist / Envelopes/Thy Kingdom come	386		465	
New hymn books	1328			
Eden	202	3511		2833
<b>Fundraising</b>				
Concerts	2160		1745	
Jubilee			1029	
Ukraine			700	
Summer Fayre	300			
Christmas Fayre	353	2813	319	3793
<b>Mission Giving &amp; Donations</b>				
Missionary giving	1100		957	
Music Festival			1576	
Bishop's Lent Appeal	188		15	
Children's Society	251		268	
Christian Aid	232	1771	252	3068
<b>Church Maintenance</b>				
Utilities	4361		2142	
Chubb/Cowley/Rodells	1815		1585	
Garden / Drains/Door	912		2299	
Organ and piano servicing	790		1343	
Quinquennial survey	1215			
Sundry expenses	100	9193	105	7474
<b>Capital Expenditure</b>				
Lighting	15718		2520	
Organ rebuild			6432	
Church path	6940	22658	6500	15452
Curate's leaving gift and farewell party				1006
Wedding Refund				480
Bank fees/handling charge		204		
Transfer to Hall Account		12000		2126
<b>Total Church Expenditure</b>		<b>116003</b>		<b>97606</b>
Hall expenditure		49188		32735
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>165191</b>		<b>130341</b>

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<b>Hall Income</b>		<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Hall bookings		27267	25341
Transfer of funds from church		18904	4584
Other income		216	2272
<b>Total Hall Income</b>		<b>46387</b>	<b>32197</b>

<b>Hall running costs</b>			
<b>Virtual Business Source Ltd.</b>		16272	14403
<b>Admin costs</b>			
Go Cardless	233		435
Mobile phone	397		387
Office supplies	998		724
Bank charges	165	1793	148
<b>Utilities</b>			
Utility Warehouse	18451		7833
Waste disposal	1312		1408
Castle Water	1129	20892	244
<b>Repairs &amp; Maintenance</b>			
Cowleys	216		
GD Security (fire alarm)	585		542
Verisure alarm	618		580
Chubb	695		931
MK Plumbing	145		
Design & development	276		
Happy Drains	150		
Premier Shed	450	3135	
<b>Major Capital Expenditure</b>			
Dishwasher			2517
Lighting			1572
Toilets		5923	
<b>Sundries</b>			
Kingdom coffee	73		44
Ecclesiastical Insurance	100		
Celebration lunches/teas etc	700		
Sundries	300	1173	204
Transfer to church A/c			763
<b>Total running costs</b>		<b>49188</b>	<b>32735</b>

Approved by the PCC on 27.04.2024

Alison Brunt, Vicar and PCC chair



**Closing balances as at 31.12.2023**

Church A/c	8006
Hall A/c	2651
Deposit A/c	138722