

# **St Oswin's Church, Wylam**

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## **Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council**

for the year ended 31 December 2024

**Parish Vicar:**  
Revd Tom Birch

**Bank:**  
Barclays Bank UK Plc  
Leicester  
LE27 2BB

**Independent Examiner:**  
Ms Beth Ramsden



## Reference and administrative information

Wylam St Oswin's Church is situated on Church Road adjacent to the centre of the village of Wylam Northumberland. It is part of the Deanery of Corbridge and the Diocese of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. Correspondence for the PCC may be addressed to The Vicarage, Church Road, Wylam, NE41 8AT.

Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM), together with co-options, in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

The following served as members of the PCC from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 until the date shown (The trustees):

Incumbent      Revd Tom Birch, Vicar                      (Chairman)

Wardens:        Mrs Enikeye Gosling

Representatives on Deanery Synod (& PCC Members):

Mr Peter Tayler                      (Secretary)  
Prof Lesley Twomey

Other Members:

Mr Andrew Major                      (Treasurer)  
Mrs Judy Marr  
Mrs Fiona Oomes  
Revd Angus Palmer  
Mrs Janet Palmer  
Mrs Robin Piette  
Mrs Jane Teasdale

## Structure, governance and management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under and is governed by The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended. (This defines the principal function, or purpose, of the PCC as "promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church"). It is also subject to The Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended). With effect from 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020 the PCC is now registered with the Charity Commission (No. 1187983). Individuals when completing their self-assessment tax return may nominate Wylam St Oswin's PCC under reference AAG59JG to receive any refund. This is in addition to the Gift Aid scheme.

The method of appointment to the PCC is set out in the Church Representation Rules. It is an important policy that all church communicants (over 16 years) reflecting the diversity of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and may then stand for election to the PCC.

Committees: The PCC operates through a number of committees that meet between full meetings of the PCC.

Standing Committee:                      This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings subject to any directions given by the Council.

Parish Prayer/Care Committee:        Meets on a regular basis. Arranges to visit those in need and the administration of Home Communion.

Church Hall Management Committee:    Meets on as required basis and generally includes Wardens, Treasurer, Incumbent, Jane Teasdale and John Teasdale (co-opted to committee for career experience in property)

## Safeguarding

Enikeye Gosling is our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO). A link to our safeguarding policy and the Diocesan training provided can be found on our website [www.pontandynechurches.com/safeguarding-training](http://www.pontandynechurches.com/safeguarding-training)



**Activities** - St. Oswin's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, Reverend Tom Birch in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church, the Church Hall and the Church grounds.

Reverend Birch has responsibilities for 3 churches -St Oswin's, St Mary's Ovingham and St Andrew's Heddon with additional links with St Mary the Virgin, Stamfordham and Holy Trinity, Matfen. St Oswin's has services on 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 10 am all of which are Parish Communion Services except for every second Sunday which is led by a lay member of the congregation. Every first and fourth week the services are livestreamed to a virtual congregation averaging 5. In addition, there is a BCP Sunday service at 8am on 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays and a weekly BCP Communion Service at 9.30am every Thursday. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, we have an 'Open House' service in the Hall at 4pm to attract families and those that wish to try a different kind of worship in a more relaxed setting.

St Oswin's is also an active member of Wylam and District Churches. As such, we cooperate on key events in the church calendar and ensure the congregations at Easter, Christmas and Remembrance Sunday are combined in their worship. We led a village carol service this year at Charlie's Corner with over 100 attending with lots of interaction and hot chocolate available. Our thanks to Peter Tayler for his organisation.

St Oswin's encourages **charitable giving** to the wider community and has raised £4,556 this year with a refreshed list of charities and collections at the 9 funerals we have had in 2024.

A contactless terminal was installed in January 2023 to meet the needs of those that do not have cash on Sundays or at events; £841 has been raised using this in 2024.

Within our parish community, the annual **Jump for Joy** event raised a net figure of £1,340 in May for St Oswin's youth work (not included in above charitable giving total). Thank you to the many that continue to assist at Jump for Joy including the Uniformed Organisations.

**Fabric Report** - This year, regular maintenance has taken place at the Church and Hall – alarm, fire extinguishers and various repairs. Our thanks to John Teasdale for his leadership in this area.

The workings of the **clock** have been restored following a long period of its malfunctioning and then cessation, the clock restarted in August 2023 thanks to a Wylam Parish Council grant. It was noted that further repairs were required in September 2023 when the quarter and half hour chimes ceased, this was scheduled for 2024 and indeed has been completed.

Regarding **electricity** at the Hall, a working group has been considering PV panels and the decisions to erect 19 panels was made in 2024. The panels have now been installed in January 2025 and we benefit from the generated power immediately. Registration is underway to benefit from energy sold to the grid. The gas boiler in the Church is now at least 15 years old and it is unlikely a new gas-powered system will be permitted by the diocese. Remote heating management via 'Hive' has been installed in the Hall and Church.

Our thanks to the rota of cleaning volunteers who quietly ensure our Church remains spotless for the congregation and visitors alike.

There remains some capacity for new lettings of the **Hall**, although it is very well used by our associated uniformed organisations and community groups – keep fit, yoga, karate etc. Rental rates have been addressed with all hirers in 2024 and this will assist in balancing out the hikes in electricity and gas which have virtually doubled this year. Our thanks to Hanna Udoenko who manages our busy schedule of Hall bookings and payments.

Work to the tower steps to improve safety and reduce risk remains pending as we search for a suitable stonemason.

**Garden and Grounds** – The Church garden continues to be like the Forth Road Bridge – the work is never finished! The last twelve months have been challenging. Parts of the summer were very hot and dry (not that the weeds minded), and it feels like it has rained for the rest of the time (not that the weeds minded), consequently I have not done as much as in previous years.

I want to thank the "Grass Cutters" who regularly cut the grass which goes a long way to making our grounds look so nice. And a big thank you to everyone else who helps in the garden. (Jane Teasdale)

**Mothers' Union** – The St Oswin's MU Branch currently has 13 members who collectively organise meetings and manage the group, meeting monthly either in church or member's homes. A successful

Afternoon Tea was held last July which raised funds for MU work at home and overseas, and MU members contribute in a variety of ways in support of the life of St. Oswin's. (Karen Webster)

**Bell Ringers Report** - During the year, in addition to regular Sunday service ringing, the bell ringers have marked several special occasions:

Rang for one wedding; Rang for the funeral of Ted Gordon on 9th May;

Rang 4 quarter peals to celebrate St Oswin's Day; 60th Anniversary of the ordination of Rev Angus Palmer; 17th Birthday of Isaac Cairns and Remembrance Day (half muffled)

Additionally, we hosted visits from 2 visiting bands, including one that rang a quarter peal. (Kevin Webster)

**Treasurer's Report** - 2024 total revenues (Hall and General Account combined) were £87,673 with £80,332 of costs netting a surplus of £7,341. Planned Giving remains the vital source of our income and in 2024 this declined by £6,579 or 12.4%. We now have 54 regular donors to the Church, having lost 5 donors in 2024. We have undertaken a drive to migrate people on to the Parish Giving Scheme with some success (5 donors now give this way) – which enables inflation proofing and streamlines cashflow; we have added to revenues by getting a contactless terminal at the back of church and are always happy to sign up new donors. My thanks to Karen Webster who continues to keep our Gift Aid maximised and in order.

The Church has been busy with 10 funerals (including ashes burials and cremation services) and 1 wedding which show in the fees received section.

Income from Trusts also rose as the markets have further improved this year and the Hedley charities income has been redirected into our main bank account to support the costs of our (paid for) mowing services around the Church Hall (Garden Fund)

Parish Share has been paid in full this year at £51,000 and after considerable deliberation we have agreed to increase this in 2025 to £55,000. This will likely involve drawing down on one of our fund reserves which is less than ideal.

These funds have either remained static (Organ and Flower); increased (Bells and Youth Fund) or decreased with capital expenditure last year (Clock's partial repair from the Legacy part of the Church Building Fund). We have transferred a further £5,000 to the Reserves fund from the Hall Trading account. We now believe this fund to be adequate in case of any unforeseen issues.

Outlook for 2025 offers no reason to be overly confident. We will have increases in utility costs (full year) and the idea of needing to find a new heating solution in the church as our boiler gets older remains present but so far it has not proved necessary. However, we continue to benefit from our Hall for revenue generation and this made a surplus of £1,293 last year (£2,835 2023) and remains available for more lettings. We expect Hall rental increases to feed through this next full year and are excited about the impact the panels (installed in January) will have in reducing our electricity bills and can look at the feasibility of linking the church to the batteries in the Hall as we will be generating enough to power both buildings. This will be something that will assist if our next heating solution in Church will be powered by electricity. It should be noted that increases in utility costs are the only reason our surplus from the Hall is reduced in 2024.

2025 is also our Quinquennial year which we will need to pay for from the Church Building Fund. This will involve a structural survey of the Church fabric by a suitably qualified professional to be appointed in conjunction with Diocesan Advisory Committee. We pray no expensive surprises will emerge from this inspection!

My thanks to all of you for your continued support to both St Oswin's and to myself as I sign off my second year as Treasurer. (Andrew Major)

## **Report for APCM 2025**

**Open the Book** continued during 2024-25 with 10 members providing theatrical interpretations of Bible stories to 2 local First Schools, each with c150 pupils attending. The group meets and performs monthly during school term time. In September 2024 the Team started to use the new Children's Storyteller Bible and Handbook which were available to all who signed up for a year's full membership of Open the Book. David Featonby and David Atkinson attended an "Air and Share" meeting in Alnwick one afternoon in February. The event was well attended and provided a good opportunity to network. We are grateful to Enie Gossling for processing the Team's DBS re-applications.



**Lay led Services** held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month provides a variety of worship styles and themes with thoughtful and well-crafted presentations. Attendance varies from 15 - 30 depending on the time of the year and weather conditions. We are extremely grateful to those who lead, play the piano, read and provide our intercessions. Orders of Service are archived should anyone wish to view them.



**Our Warm Hub** is now in its 3<sup>rd</sup> year and is attended by an average of 25 people. It is hosted at St Oswin's Church Hall from November until March and is open to people from Wylam and surrounding villages. Following the death of Rosemary Cook, Judy Marr has taken over as the coordinator. Judy manages a group of volunteers to ensure its continuance each Monday during the winter. People enjoy each other's company, get involved in a variety of activities and enjoy a soup lunch. This year we have had the good fortune to have a guided meditation session, a Canny Christmas Canapes event, a talk about Book Binding and we are ending the year with a party atmosphere, bolstered by the appearance of the "The Whistle Testers" a three-man band playing songs from the 60's and 70's.

**The Wildflower Garden**, established by the late Rosemary Cook, has provided a great deal of pleasure for people walking through the grounds as well as for those who have taken advantage of the seating. We thank Ken John and Melanie Butler for taking over its maintenance. Rosemary must have had an inkling that, during the Christmas period, the garden was an ideal setting for our Nativity silhouettes which gave a great deal of joy to many of our visitors.

Coordinated by Lesley Twomey, St Oswin's is developing links with the "**Chrysalis Club**" the group which meets in the Church Hall every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday afternoon of the



month to support those with dementia along with their families and friends. A Service which would provide access for Chrysalis members is being planned for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in May as part of our Open House worship. Advice from the Chrysalis Club team will ensure that the worship and activities will be designed to provide a safe and supportive environment for the people in their care.

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of October 2024 Angus and Janet Palmer facilitated a service of **"Songs of Praise"**. The Hymns were selected by our Church Singers with an explanation as to why they were chosen. It was a very enjoyable occasion.

**The Wylam Christmas Model** continued this year but in a more downbeat fashion. For a variety of reasons, it wasn't possible to erect the base of the model, so instead individual models were placed on our church window ledges for all to enjoy during the Christmas fortnight. It was publicised as "Aspects of Wylam" and as well as being enjoyed by our congregation, a good number of visitors to our church expressed their appreciation for the effort.



(Did anyone spot the addition of the Bistro?) This project was the result of the "We can make it happen" initiative and as such was intended to involve members of our village community as well as the congregation in its development. Sadly, this has not materialised so discussions will be taking place to investigate ways in which we can further engage the people of our village to take part. Lessons are being learned as to how we can reach out to our wider community to help them experience church in a novel way.



Following the outstanding success of the Easter Egg Decorating Workshop it was decided to have something similar near Christmas. On 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024, a **"Christmas Decoration Workshop"** was held in our Church Hall. Attended by around fifty or so adults and children the afternoon was a smash. The activities were many and varied and appealed to young and old alike. Indeed, two elderly members of our congregation painted a large cardboard Christmas tree which was later decorated at an Open House Service and placed by the font in church. After a sumptuous tea prepared by Karen Webster and Peter Tayler, was wolfed down everyone collected their newly made decorations and left to go home. The smiles and laughter in conjunction with the positive feedback has encouraged the organisers to arrange a repeat event this year. Our thanks to the staff in Stobo's who helped to distribute the free tickets.



Another manifestation of "We can make it happen" was the arrival of "**The Well**" coordinated by Rev'd Lynne Dean. This was an all-age service on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday afternoon of the month. After a reasonable beginning it struggled to gain support and as Lynne was leaving to take up her new post it was decided to rethink the content and format ready to pick up after the summer holidays of 2024. In September of that year Rev'd Tom Birch took on the role of coordinator and with the new name "**Open House**" has offered a relaxed form of worship which includes prayers, hymns and readings with the addition of a variety of interactive activities providing opportunities to socialise and be creative. It is early days to judge its success but certainly there is a strong sense of community, an opportunity to develop our faith and a chance to revitalise. The tea and cake are greatly appreciated.



Inspired by the work of St Andrew's Corbridge April Stephenson has promoted the idea of a "**Welcome to St Oswin's**" leaflet. Ideally and in an upbeat way, it would contain information about life at St Oswin's including times of services, contacts and activities. These leaflets would be held by members of the congregation who could in turn give them to people new to our village. An exemplar has gone to the PCC for discussion and possible further development.

David Atkinson 18.02.25

## Financial Review

A full review is contained in the treasurer's report.

The Trustees consider the level of reserves at £30,000 to be adequate, given the overall financial position of the Church.

The financial performance of Wylam St Oswin Parochial Church Council for the year and its financial position at the end of the year is also considered satisfactory noting the surplus of the general church fund £6,048 and a smaller hall trading surplus for 2024 of £1,293. It is recognised that in 2025 we will have significant costs for the Solar Panels and the Quinquennial inspection of the Church but recognise that our funds are currently adequate.

The position indicated for 2024 is fully covered by the General Fund standing at £16,961 as at year end with the Church Hall ('Trading') Account at £6,583 intended to cover any remaining shortfall given stated increases in Utilities and Parish Share.

## Statement of Responsibilities of the Trustees of Wylam St Oswin Parochial Church Council

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Law applicable to charities in England requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue in business

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy, at any time, the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, the Church Accounting Regulations, 2006 edition, issued by the Finance Division of the Archbishops' Council and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

## Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above  
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signed

..... Thomas Birch

..... Andrew Major

Full Name

THOMAS BIRCH  
VICAR.

Full Name

ANDREW MAJOR

Dated

11/05/25

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Wylam St Oswin Parochial Church Council**

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of Wylam St Oswin Parochial Church Council (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

### **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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

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

(Signed)



Ms Beth Ramsden FCCA

Date..... 13 March 2025

# Wylam St. Oswin's Parochial Church Council

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st December 2024

	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
<b>General Fund</b>				
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>				
<b>Voluntary Income</b>				
Planned Giving	36,379		39,427	
Income tax recovered	10,154		13,705	
Collections excl Charity plate	3,057		4,107	
Sundry donations incl GA envelopes	105		5,125	
WPC Clock Grant	-		2,450	
TCF Grant for Solar Panels	10,000			
J4J (see Youth Fund 2024)	-		1,424	
WDC Contribution	-		3,500	
LPW Vat Reclaim	841	60,536	683	70,421
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>				
Clergy Gift Collections	1,898		-	
Hire of church (donations)	100		100	
		1,998		100
<b>Investment income</b>				
Income from trusts	6,944		4,677	
		6,944		4,677
<b>Total incoming resources from generated funds</b>		69,478		75,198
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>				
Fees	4,483		5,314	
Contributions for use of photocopier	521		-	
Other parishes clergy contributions	4,297		3,989	
Sundry income (coffee etc)	617		431	
		9,918		9,734
<b>Total incoming resources carried forward</b>		79,396		84,932

# Wylam St. Oswin's Parochial Church Council

Income and Expenditure Account (continued) for the year ended 31st December 2024

	£	2024 £	£	2023 £
<b>Total incoming resources brought forward</b>		79,396		84,932
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
<b>Expenditure on charitable activities</b>				
Joint Churches Youth Worker (paid for 6 months but funded from WDC)	-		2,653	
Balance of Youth Worker funding back to Youth Fund	-		847	
Transfer of J4J proceeds to WDC	-		1,511	
Wylam Magical Christmas	154		466	
Clergy Gifts (Dean and Palmer)	1,898			
Fundraising Exps (SumUp)	151		760	
		<u>2,203</u>		<u>6,237</u>
<b>Governance costs</b>				
Church activities				
The Church's ministry				
Parish share	51,000		47,940	
Costs of services incl Diocesan fees	2,491		2,696	
Open the Book Membership	180			
Clergy working expenses (incl Housing)	5,435		5,559	
		59,106		56,195
The Church and services				
Coffee & Bookstall	-		65	
Heat, light, water, cleaning	2,445		2,146	
Church Use of Hall - nominal transfer	-		1,000	
Insurance	3,228		3,069	
Maintenance and minor repairs	1,444		2,452	
Planning Fees (Hall Building Fund)				
Organist	2,605		2,270	
		9,722		11,002
Other expenditure				
Grounds maintenance				
Clock Repair (Legacy Fund)	0		2,940	
Administration & management				
Printing, telephone, stationery & postage incl new printer and laptop	2,317		4,159	
		<u>2,317</u>		<u>4,159</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	73,348			<u><u>77,593</u></u>
<b>Surplus / Deficit for the year</b>				6,048
Bank account at 01.01.2024				<u>10,793</u>
<b>Nominal Balance at 31.12.2024</b>				<u>16,841</u>
Transfer from Vicar's discretionary fund				120
General Fund Balance				<u><u>16,961</u></u>

Wyllan St. Cwmni Farddonia Church  
Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024

	2024		2023	
	£		£	
<b>Church Building Fund - Restricted Fund</b>				
Income				
Bells provision	181		322	
Legacy	203			
Donations	-			
Planned Giving	1,010	1,394		322
Expenditure				
Clock repair per legacy	2,856			
General Fund	137	2,993	406	406
Bells				
	-	1,599	-	84
<b>Surplus/ Deficit for the year</b>				
		21,574		21,658
Bank deposit and current accounts at 1.01.2024				
		19,975		21,574
Bank balances at 31.12.2024				
<b>Breakdown of Church Building Fund</b>				
Legacies fund balance	10,210		13,066	
Bells repair fund	2,806		2,559	
General church building fund	6,959		5,949	
		19,975		21,574
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<b>Hall Building Fund - Restricted Fund</b>				
Income				
Donations / Grants		-	1,355	1,355
Expenditure				
Other building work & purchases	777			
Fees	648	1,425		1,355
		(1,425)		-
<b>Surplus for the year</b>				
		18,955		18,955
Bank balances at 01.01.2024				
		17,530		18,955
Bank balances at 31.12.2024				
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<b>Organ Scholar Fund</b>				
Income				
Donations		-		-
Expenditure				
Organist training				
		0		
<b>Deficit for the year</b>				
		1,530		
Bank balance at 01.01.2024				
		1,530		1,530
Bank balance at 31.12.2024				

# Wylam St. Oswin's Parochial Church Council

Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Flower &amp; Church Grounds Fund - Restricted Fund</b>		
Income		
Donations		110
Expenditure		
Purchase of flowers & upkeep of grounds		
	<u>0</u>	<u>110</u>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		
	744	634
Bank balance at 01.01.2024		
	<u>744</u>	<u>744</u>
Bank balance at 31.12.2024		
<b>Youth Fund (St Oswin's) - Restricted Fund</b>		
Income		
Jump for Joy	2,572	
Expenditure		
Jump for Joy	- 1,232	-
	<u>1,340</u>	
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		
	932	932
Bank balance at 01.01.2024		
	<u>2,272</u>	<u>932</u>
Bank balance at 31.12.2024		
<b>Vicar's Discretionary Fund- (Restricted Endowed Fund)</b>		
Income		
Investment Income	553	545
Expenditure		
Auditor and Clergy Gifts and Training day	-120	
TFR to General Fund	- 120	(120)
	<u>313</u>	<u>425</u>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		
	3,994	3,569
Bank balance at 01.01.2024		
	<u>4,307</u>	<u>3,994</u>
Bank balance at 31.12.2024		
<b>Charities Fund- Restricted Fund</b>		
Income		
Collections	4,556	6,959
Expenditure		
Charitable giving	(4,556)	(6,959)
	<u>0</u>	
Bank balance 01.01.2024		
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Bank balance at 31.12.2024		



# Wylam St. Oswin's Parochial Church Council

Income and Expenditure Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024

	£	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Church Hall Account - Restricted Fund</b>			
Income			
Hire of church hall	7,377	7,310	
Contributions:- community hall use		327	
Community Action Warm Hub Grant	900	-	
Church use of hall - nominal transfer	-	1,000	
Bank Interest	-		
		<u>8,277</u>	<u>8,637</u>
Expenditure			
Hall running expenses	3,307	1,894	
Hall insurance	1,076	1,024	
Hall cleaner	1,985	1,945	
Hall maintenance and repairs inc H&S inspection	616	(6,984)	(5,802)
		<u></u>	<u></u>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		1,293	2,835
Bank balance at 1.1.2024		10,290	22,455
Transfer to Reserves		-5,000	-15,000
Bank balance at 31.12.2024		<u>6,583</u>	<u>10,290</u>
<b>Garden Fund- Restricted Fund</b>			
Income			
William Hedley Charities		755	2,176
Donation		-	-
Expenditure		(1,030)	(1,538)
<b>Surplus for the year</b>	-	275	638
Bank balance at 1.1.2024		869	231
Bank balance at 31.12.2024		<u>594</u>	<u>869</u>

# Wylam St. Oswin's Parochial Church Council

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31st December 2024

Monetary Assets	General Fund	Church Hall Account	Youth Fund	Flower & Grounds Fund	Legacy Fund	Bell Fund	Church Building Fund	Organ Scholar Fund	Garden Fund	Hall Building Fund	Cash Reserve	Charity Fund	Vicar's Discretionary Fund	2024		2023	
														£	Total	£	Total
CBF Church of England Deposit	0	6,583	2,272	744	10,210	2,806	6,959	1,530	870	18,026	30,000	-		80,000	80,000		
Barclays Community	16,841	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	495				16,071	10,687		
Barclays Community	120													4,427	3,994		
	<u>16,961</u>	<u>6,583</u>	<u>2,272</u>	<u>744</u>	<u>10,210</u>	<u>2,806</u>	<u>6,959</u>	<u>1,530</u>	<u>595</u>	<u>17,531</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,307</u>	<u>100,498</u>	<u>94,681</u>		
Other Assets																	
<b>Church Hall</b>	Church £13.3m Insured Value Contents and Building 26/05/2024																
	£3.33 m Insured value: contents and building 26/05/2024																

Blackett Trust  
Vicar's Discretionary Fund

67,417 65,908  
20,394 19,938

Approved at a meeting of the Parochial Church Council held on ..... 2025

Signed..... Thomas B. C. .... (Chairman) and ..... Church Warden)

## Charities 2024

	2024	2023
<b>Charities Account</b>	<b>4,555.74</b>	<b>6,958.65</b>
<b>Name</b>	<b>Amount</b>	
Christian Aid	963.03	
Cooke Funeral - MDUK	467.63	
West Northumberland Food Bank	401.50	
Buckle Funeral - CR UK	322.50	
West End Refugee Service	291.00	
Royal British Legion	275.24	
MAF -214111	257.00	
The Children's Society	256.53	
United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel	225.90	
Practical Compassion for Destitute Children	151.00	
Operation Noah	149.55	
Fletcher Funeral - AMMF Cholangiocarcinoma	124.50	
Cheviot Learning Trust - Ovingham COE School	100.00	
Bible Society	98.20	
Green Funeral - Chrysalis	93.00	
St Peters Mogoditshane	86.00	
Tynedale Hospice at Home	66.00	
Mission to Seafarers	63.00	
Mothers Union	61.50	
Church Urban Fund	54.66	
Oswin Project	48.00	
	<b>4,555.74</b>	

## Wylam St. Oswin's Parochial Church Council

Notes to the Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December 2024

The investments recorded in the statement of assets and liabilities are as follows:

	Market value 2024 £	Market value 2023 £
<b>General Fund Reserves</b>		
2024 Surplus to restore Reserves	-	15,000
Transfer from Hall Trading Account	5,000	
Balance b/fwd	25,000	10,000
CBF Deposit Fund	<u>30,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>

Reserves were spent on the capital costs of hall refurbishments in 2016. We have added funds to this and now consider this amount to be adequate as it equates to over 12 months costs (excl. Parish Share) for the Hall and Church 2024 costs were £29,332 annually.

### **179T Wylam: Blackett Bequest (Trust Fund)**

under the trusteeship of the Newcastle Diocesan Society

2,915.62 CBF Investment Fund Units	<u>67,417</u>	<u>65,908</u>
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The purchase cost of these investments was £8,469.

The Blackett Trust Fund is an expendable endowment fund. The income is accounted for in the general fund 2024 £1,830; 2023 £2,226. The capital is available in an emergency at the discretion of the Trustees (Diocesan Society), Income is available for charitable and ecclesiastical purposes in the parish.  
(Extract from Trust document)

### **179T Wylam Vicar's Discretionary Fund**

882 CBF Investment Fund Units	<u>20,394</u>	<u>19,938</u>
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The purchase cost of this investment was £1,000.

The capital is permanent.  
The income is available to the Incumbent at their sole discretion for general charitable purposes in the parish. The income was £553 (2023 £545)  
(Extract from Trust document)

The William Hedley Repair Fund is a separate registered charity under the trusteeship of the PCC Treasurer and two other trustees. During 2024 this charity provided £755 of income and was set against the £1,030 maintenance costs of the church and hall grounds cost that would have been borne by the PCC.

## RESTRICTED FUNDS 2024

<b>Bells b/f</b>	2,559
Income	384
Expenditure	- 137
	<u>2,806</u>

<b>Organ Scholar b/f</b>	1,530
Income	-
Income	-
	<u>1,530</u>

<b>Church Building b/f</b>	5,949		<b>Legacies</b>	13,066
Income	1,010			-
Expenditure	-			- 2,856
	<u>6,959</u>	6,959		<u>10,210</u>
		10,210		
		2,806		
		<u>19,975</u>		

<b>Bells b/f</b>	2,559
Income	384
Expenditure	- 137
	<u>2,806</u>

<b>Hall Building b/f</b>	18,955
Income	-
Expenditure	- 1,425
	<u>17,530</u>

<b>Flowers &amp; Grounds b/f</b>	744
Income	-
Expenditure	-
	<u>744</u>

<b>Youth Fund b/f</b>	932
Income	2,572
Expenditure	- 1,233
	<u>2,271</u>

<b>Church Hall Trading b/f</b>	10,290
Income	8,277
Expenditure	- 11,984
	<u>6,583</u>

<b>Garden Fund b/f</b>	870
Income	755
Expenditure	-1,030
	<u>595</u>