

ST. MARY'S DONCASTER

Registered Charity No: 1189575

Diocese of Sheffield

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

for the year ended 31st December 2023

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Fund balances are invested with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund, the Current Account (Yorkshire Bank having been taken over by Virgin Money) usually being kept at the minimum necessary for day-to-day financial transactions. The proportion of restricted and unrestricted capital balances continues to change but, as increased interest rates have vastly increased the return on balances in 2023, interest is apportioned accordingly. (See note at end of Accounts!)

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A Thomas

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31st December 2023.

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	FUNDS 2022 £
	Note				
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary Income	2(a)	84399	4748	89147	95244
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	21	0	21	16
Income from Investments	2(c)	5962	0	5962	1868
Income from Church Activities	2(d)	7001	0	7001	3125
Other Incoming Resources	2(e)	495	0	495	2535
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		97878	4748	102625	102787
RESOURCES USED					
Costs of generating funds	3(a)	0	0	0	0
Church activities	3(b)	80109	19287	99395	115379
Church expenses	3(c)	16582	357	16939	18632
Major Repairs & Replacements	3(d)	0	0	0	0
TOTAL RESOURCES USED		96691	19644	116335	134011
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		1187	-14896	-13709	-31224
Transfers between funds	4	-1411	1411	0	0
Balances brought forward at 1st January 2023 (2022)		90961	51795	142756	173980
Balances carried forward at 31st December 2023 (2022)		90738	38309	129047	142756

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors & Prepayments		6244	4420
Cash at Bank:			
Current Account		3985	3972
CBF Deposit Fund		120485	136235
Cash in hand		213	0
		130927	144628
CREDITORS	6	1880	1871
NET CURRENT ASSETS		129047	142756
FUNDS			
Unrestricted - General A/c Balance	90738	90738	90961
Restricted Fabric Fund		7266	6922
Organ Repairs		5171	4926
Goodall Bequest for Flowers		80	26
Children's/Youth Work		334	364
Poor of the Parish (Legacy)		3989	4317
Boiler		2960	2960
Chairs		0	100
Staffing ex AT		17270	32091
Os-4s		90	90
Energy costs		1150	0
	90738	38309	129047
			142756

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(Chairman)

Paul Hildes

(Member)

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2023

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- 1(a) The financial statements have been prepared applying the accruals basis of accounting. Therefore income and expenditure are accounted for in the period to which they relate, whether or not received or paid.
- 1(b) Small items of capital expenditure are written off in the year in which they are incurred.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
2(a) Voluntary Income				
Tax Efficient Planned Giving	55748	1158	56906	55014
Income Tax recovered	15344	290	15633	15386
Other Planned Giving	8067		8067	17012
Loose cash collections	3915		3915	2748
Sundry Donations & Appeals	1325	2150	3475	2619
Legacies & Gifts			0	0
Income Tax recovered			0	250
Grants		1150	1150	2214
	84399	4748	89147	95244
2(b) Activities for generating funds				
Easy Fundraising	21		21	16
	21	0	21	16
2(c) Income from investments				
Interest on CBF Deposit Fund	5962		5962	1868
	5962	0	5962	1868
2(d) Income from Church Activities				
Church Hall lettings:				
- Church	6298		6298	958
- General	0		0	326
Bookstall	213		213	31
Fees from weddings & funerals	490		490	1810
	7001	0	7001	3125
2(e) Other incoming resources				
Insurance claims	495	0	495	2535
	495	0	495	2535
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3(a)	Costs of generating funds	0		0	0
3(b)	Church Activities:				
	Mission Giving & Donations	9865	135	10000	9500
	Common Fund Payments	52000		52000	48000
	Salaries, Wages & Honoraria				
	Associate Minister			0	7154
	Women's Worker	8000	13277	21277	20204
	Children's Worker	5000	5775	10775	18764
	Ministry Trainee			0	5373
	Cleaner	2151		2151	2005
	Clergy & staff expenses	2839		2839	4136
	Equipment	254	100	354	243
		80109	19287	99395	115379
3(c)	Church expenses				
	Mission & Evangelism	1477	357	1834	2114
	Mission & Evangelism - Conf. costs	748		748	1247
	Mission & Evangelism - Publicity	702		702	1092
	Church running expenses:				
	Insurance	4448		4448	4043
	Routine repairs/maintenance	3545		3545	2880
	Quinquennial provision	200		200	200
	Upkeep of services/organ	1011		1011	766
	Upkeep of church grounds	282		282	2808
	Hall Costs inc. cleaning mats.	1302		1302	851
	PCC Governance costs	345		345	216
	Church Utility Bills				
	Gas	1316		1316	1364
	Electricity	708		708	759
	Water rates	240		240	220
	Bookstall	258		258	72
		16582	357	16939	18632
3(d)	Major Repairs & Replacements	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0

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4 Transfers

Interest received was apportioned pro rata, thus £1410.58 was transferred to Restricted Funds: Fabric Fund £344.08, Organ Fund £244.86, Flower Fund £3.79, Staffing Fund £817.85.

5(a) Tangible fixed assets.

The PCC does not own any land, buildings or vehicles.

5(b) Investments

The PCC holds no investments other than money deposited with the CBF.

6(a) Debtors

Prepayments	0	0	36
Others	6117	127	4384
	6117	127	4420

6(b) Creditors

Accruals	359	359	1222
Others	1521	1521	395
	1880	1880	1616

RESTRICTED FUNDS AND RESERVES

	At 31/12/2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31/12/2023	
Fabric	6922	344		7266	
Organ	4926	245		5171	
Flowers	26	54		80	
Youth Work	364		29	334	
Poor of Parish	4317		328	3989	
0s-4s	90			90	
Boiler	2960			2960	
Chairs	100		100	0	
Energy Grant	0	1150		1150	
Mission Partners	0	135	135	0	
Women's Worker	0	2975	2975	0	See note
Children's Worker	0	438	438	0	See note
Staffing (Ex AT)	32091	818	15639	17270	See note
Quinqu.Provision	1222	200	1063	359	

Note re: Women's Worker

Children's Worker

8000
2975
10302
21277

5000
438
5337
10775

From Unrestricted General Fund
From Restricted (WW/CW) Fund
From Restricted (Staffing) Fund

The following is for information only and does not form part of the financial statements of the PCC.

Leaving collection (Becky Forrest/Taylors)	847
Fees collected and disbursed: SDBF	341
Reader	225
Organist	110
Verger	90
TOTAL (All collections to nearest £1)	1,613

EXPLANATORY NOTE re CCLA (CBF Church of England Deposit Fund)

CCLA updated its systems in 2023, which seems to have caused delays in procedure. End of year statements with the Q4 interest were not forthcoming by 23 January 2024, leading to a phone call from the Treasurer.

On being told that the CCLA statements would only be posted out in the forthcoming days, a verbal total of the Q4 interest was given.

This amount (£1712.17) was used to complete the Accounts, including appropriate apportioning of interest to Restricted Funds, so that the Accounts could go to PCC members for scrutiny, as their meeting was scheduled for 5 February 2024.

On 2 February 2024 the CCLA Statement of Account was finally received. It showed a Year End Balance which did NOT include interest for Q4.

The Accounts were then altered to show a correct Year End balance on the CBF Fund, with the interest for Q4 showing as a Debtor. An 'emergency' meeting of the Leadership Team (Standing Committee) was held on 4 February 2024 to agree the changes to the Accounts before the PCC meeting on 5 February - to include this explanation.

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General Fund Budget for 2024 showing actual figures to 31 December 2023

	Budget 2023	Actual	Budget 2024
Church Activities:			
Mission Giving & Donations	8900	9865	10000
Common Fund	52000	52000	53200
Salaries, Wages & Honoraria:			
Children's Worker	5000	5000	0
Women's Worker	8000	8000	12000
Church Rooms Cleaner	2200	2151	2450
Clergy & Staff Expenses	4000	2839	3000
Equipment		254	
	80100	80109	80650
Mission & Evangelism:			
Costs of Outreach	1600	1477	1600
Conferences	1950	748	1000
Website & publicity	1650	702	1000
Church running expenses:			
Insurance	4448	4448	4560
Minor Repairs	5000	3545	5000
Quinquennial provision	200	200	200
Upkeep of services inc organ tuning	1000	1011	1000
Upkeep of church grounds	250	282	250
Hall costs	1000	1302	1000
PCC Governance costs	350	345	500
Church Utility Bills			
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Electricity	900	708	1200
Water rates	300	240	300
Bookstall	100	258	250
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Costs of generating income	0	0	0
Painting of Church	5000	0	5000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	105848	96691	106510
INCOME			
Voluntary Income			
Tax efficient (Gift Aid)	55000	55748	60000
Income Tax repaid	15000	15344	15600
Other Planned	7000	8067	7500
Loose collections	2500	3915	4000
Donations		1325	1000
Legacies		0	
Grants			
	79500	84399	88100
Easy Fundraising		21	
Interest on CBF Deposit Fund	3000	5962	5000
Insurance Claim		495	
Income from Church Activities			
Church hall - Other Churches	6000	6298	6000
Church hall - General use		0	
Statutory Fees from weddings & funerals		490	
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Fund balances are invested with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund, the Current Account (Yorkshire Bank having been taken over by Virgin Money) usually being kept at the minimum necessary for day-to-day financial transactions. The proportion of restricted and unrestricted capital balances continues to change but, as increased interest rates have vastly increased the return on balances in 2023, interest is apportioned accordingly. (See note at end of Accounts!)

Approved by the PCC on 5 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by the Chairman.

A Thomas

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S, DONCASTER.

Registered Charity No. 1189575

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31st December 2023.

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	FUNDS 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Voluntary Income	2(a)	84399	4748	89147	95244
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	21	0	21	16
Income from Investments	2(c)	5962	0	5962	1868
Income from Church Activities	2(d)	7001	0	7001	3125
Other Incoming Resources	2(e)	495	0	495	2535
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		97878	4748	102625	102787
RESOURCES USED					
Costs of generating funds	3(a)	0	0	0	0
Church activities	3(b)	80109	19287	99395	115379
Church expenses	3(c)	16582	357	16939	18632
Major Repairs & Replacements	3(d)	0	0	0	0
TOTAL RESOURCES USED		96691	19644	116335	134011
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		1187	-14896	-13709	-31224
Transfers between funds	4	-1411	1411	0	0
Balances brought forward at 1st January 2023 (2022)		90961	51795	142756	173980
Balances carried forward at 31st December 2023 (2022)		90738	38309	129047	142756

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S, DONCASTER

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors & Prepayments		6244	4420
Cash at Bank:			
Current Account		3985	3972
CBF Deposit Fund		120485	136235
Cash in hand		213	0
		130927	144628
CREDITORS	6	1880	1871
NET CURRENT ASSETS		129047	142756
FUNDS			
Unrestricted - General A/c Balance	90738	90738	90961
Restricted Fabric Fund		7266	6922
Organ Repairs		5171	4926
Goodall Bequest for Flowers		80	26
Children's/Youth Work		334	364
Poor of the Parish (Legacy)		3989	4317
Boiler		2960	2960
Chairs		0	100
Staffing ex AT		17270	32091
Os-4s		90	90
Energy costs		1150	0
	90738	38309	129047
			142756

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 5 February 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

A Thomas

(Chairman)

Paul Hildes

(Member)

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S, DONCASTER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2023

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- 1(a) The financial statements have been prepared applying the accruals basis of accounting. Therefore income and expenditure are accounted for in the period to which they relate, whether or not received or paid.
- 1(b) Small items of capital expenditure are written off in the year in which they are incurred.

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
2(a) Voluntary Income				
Tax Efficient Planned Giving	55748	1158	56906	55014
Income Tax recovered	15344	290	15633	15386
Other Planned Giving	8067		8067	17012
Loose cash collections	3915		3915	2748
Sundry Donations & Appeals	1325	2150	3475	2619
Legacies & Gifts			0	0
Income Tax recovered			0	250
Grants		1150	1150	2214
	84399	4748	89147	95244
2(b) Activities for generating funds				
Easy Fundraising	21		21	16
	21	0	21	16
2(c) Income from investments				
Interest on CBF Deposit Fund	5962		5962	1868
	5962	0	5962	1868
2(d) Income from Church Activities				
Church Hall lettings:				
- Church	6298		6298	958
- General	0		0	326
Bookstall	213		213	31
Fees from weddings & funerals	490		490	1810
	7001	0	7001	3125
2(e) Other incoming resources				
Insurance claims	495	0	495	2535
	495	0	495	2535
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	97878	4748	102625	102787

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S, DONCASTER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2023

RESOURCES USED		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	TOTAL 2022 £
3(a)	Costs of generating funds	0		0	0
3(b)	Church Activities:				
	Mission Giving & Donations	9865	135	10000	9500
	Common Fund Payments	52000		52000	48000
	Salaries, Wages & Honoraria				
	Associate Minister			0	7154
	Women's Worker	8000	13277	21277	20204
	Children's Worker	5000	5775	10775	18764
	Ministry Trainee			0	5373
	Cleaner	2151		2151	2005
	Clergy & staff expenses	2839		2839	4136
	Equipment	254	100	354	243
		80109	19287	99395	115379
3(c)	Church expenses				
	Mission & Evangelism	1477	357	1834	2114
	Mission & Evangelism - Conf. costs	748		748	1247
	Mission & Evangelism - Publicity	702		702	1092
	Church running expenses:				
	Insurance	4448		4448	4043
	Routine repairs/maintenance	3545		3545	2880
	Quinquennial provision	200		200	200
	Upkeep of services/organ	1011		1011	766
	Upkeep of church grounds	282		282	2808
	Hall Costs inc. cleaning mats.	1302		1302	851
	PCC Governance costs	345		345	216
	Church Utility Bills				
	Gas	1316		1316	1364
	Electricity	708		708	759
	Water rates	240		240	220
	Bookstall	258		258	72
		16582	357	16939	18632
3(d)	Major Repairs & Replacements	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S, DONCASTER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2023

4 Transfers

Interest received was apportioned pro rata, thus £1410.58 was transferred to Restricted Funds: Fabric Fund £344.08, Organ Fund £244.86, Flower Fund £3.79, Staffing Fund £817.85.

5(a) Tangible fixed assets.

The PCC does not own any land, buildings or vehicles.

5(b) Investments

The PCC holds no investments other than money deposited with the CBF.

6(a)	Debtors	Prepayments	0		0	36
		Others	6117	127	6244	4384
			6117	127	6244	4420
6(b)	Creditors	Accruals	359		359	1222
		Others	1521		1521	395
			1880		1880	1616

RESTRICTED FUNDS AND RESERVES

	At 31/12/2022	Income	Expenditure	At 31/12/2023	
Fabric	6922	344		7266	
Organ	4926	245		5171	
Flowers	26	54		80	
Youth Work	364		29	334	
Poor of Parish	4317		328	3989	
0s-4s	90			90	
Boiler	2960			2960	
Chairs	100		100	0	
Energy Grant	0	1150		1150	
Mission Partners	0	135	135	0	
Women's Worker	0	2975	2975	0	See note
Children's Worker	0	438	438	0	See note
Staffing (Ex AT)	32091	818	15639	17270	See note
Quinqu.Provision	1222	200	1063	359	

Note re: Women's Worker

Children's Worker

8000
2975
10302
21277

5000
438
5337
10775

From Unrestricted General Fund
From Restricted (WW/CW) Fund
From Restricted (Staffing) Fund

The following is for information only and does not form part of the financial statements of the PCC.

Leaving collection (Becky Forrest/Taylors)	847
Fees collected and disbursed: SDBF	341
Reader	225
Organist	110
Verger	90
TOTAL (All collections to nearest £1)	1,613

EXPLANATORY NOTE re CCLA (CBF Church of England Deposit Fund)

CCLA updated its systems in 2023, which seems to have caused delays in procedure. End of year statements with the Q4 interest were not forthcoming by 23 January 2024, leading to a phone call from the Treasurer.

On being told that the CCLA statements would only be posted out in the forthcoming days, a verbal total of the Q4 interest was given.

This amount (£1712.17) was used to complete the Accounts, including appropriate apportioning of interest to Restricted Funds, so that the Accounts could go to PCC members for scrutiny, as their meeting was scheduled for 5 February 2024.

On 2 February 2024 the CCLA Statement of Account was finally received. It showed a Year End Balance which did NOT include interest for Q4.

The Accounts were then altered to show a correct Year End balance on the CBF Fund, with the interest for Q4 showing as a Debtor. An 'emergency' meeting of the Leadership Team (Standing Committee) was held on 4 February 2024 to agree the changes to the Accounts before the PCC meeting on 5 February - to include this explanation.

ST. MARY'S PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

General Fund Budget for 2024 showing actual figures to 31 December 2023

	Budget 2023	Actual	Budget 2024
Church Activities:			
Mission Giving & Donations	8900	9865	10000
Common Fund	52000	52000	53200
Salaries, Wages & Honoraria:			
Children's Worker	5000	5000	0
Women's Worker	8000	8000	12000
Church Rooms Cleaner	2200	2151	2450
Clergy & Staff Expenses	4000	2839	3000
Equipment		254	
	80100	80109	80650
Mission & Evangelism:			
Costs of Outreach	1600	1477	1600
Conferences	1950	748	1000
Website & publicity	1650	702	1000
Church running expenses:			
Insurance	4448	4448	4560
Minor Repairs	5000	3545	5000
Quinquennial provision	200	200	200
Upkeep of services inc organ tuning	1000	1011	1000
Upkeep of church grounds	250	282	250
Hall costs	1000	1302	1000
PCC Governance costs	350	345	500
Church Utility Bills			
Gas	2000	1316	3000
Electricity	900	708	1200
Water rates	300	240	300
Bookstall	100	258	250
	20748	16582	20860
Costs of generating income	0	0	0
Painting of Church	5000	0	5000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	105848	96691	106510
INCOME			
Voluntary Income			
Tax efficient (Gift Aid)	55000	55748	60000
Income Tax repaid	15000	15344	15600
Other Planned	7000	8067	7500
Loose collections	2500	3915	4000
Donations		1325	1000
Legacies		0	
Grants			
	79500	84399	88100
Easy Fundraising		21	
Interest on CBF Deposit Fund	3000	5962	5000
Insurance Claim		495	
Income from Church Activities			
Church hall - Other Churches	6000	6298	6000
Church hall - General use		0	
Statutory Fees from weddings & funerals		490	
Bookstall		213	
TOTAL INCOME	88500	97878	99100

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH DONCASTER, FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023.

I report on the accounts of the Parochial Church Council ('PCC') for the year ended 31st December 2023, which are set out on pages 4 to 8.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and Independent Examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. You consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

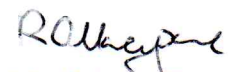
An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention:

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records 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)



Mr Richard Honeybone (BTEC HND Business & Finance)

43 Park Avenue, Penistone

14th April 2024