

**Annual Report and Financial Statements of the
Parochial Church Council of St Bartholomew's Church
Tong**

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Charity number 1192842

The Parochial Church Council of St Bartholomew's, Tong Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2024

Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Tong (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the minister in charge, the Reverend Thorneycroft, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social, and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Tong. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach non church members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Tong, it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole

Vicar's Report 2024

Notes from Pippa of 2024 - first quarter

Until Easter Day, 31st March 2024, life at St. Bartholomew's went on in the way it had done for the previous decade; 2 services on the first Sunday of the month, the first a Communion at 8 o'clock - often cold - and then a non-Eucharistic service, for less than an hour at 11.00 with whatever weird and wonderful subject came out of my head, always put together the day before, so necessarily very ad hoc. For the first few years members of the congregation asked me if there were service sheets, but eventually were surprised if there were. I am not proud of my last-minutism but I observed that the congregations didn't dwindle because of it and it was good to have a different 'feel' from the other Sundays which were Eucharists according to the seasons.

There were two **weddings** during that time, Frank Davis's granddaughter, Hannah to Mathew Meredith, Eva (Hobbs) and Howard Jones who have attended very regularly these past few years. With the preparation, going through the service, the rehearsal and the day itself, there is a build-up of anticipation and it is always a pleasure to come to the joy of the occasion. Following my official retirement there were two other marriages: Gemma (West) & Matthew Brotheridge and Grace (Tolley) & Bryn Mullard at Tong and one at Sutton Maddock. **Funerals** in church were Bob Griffiths and the burial of ashes of Margaret Kirk after protracted correspondence about the old grave in which Margaret's remains were to be interred which involved the removal of a kerb set and new headstone but turned out very satisfactorily for the churchyard mower! I took two outside funerals both at the crematorium.

The usual and unusual round of fixtures at Tong included some tours with the trusty Christine Deane in charge, and these went on into the summer; the Quinquennial Inspection, repair of the clock, visit of the Countrykids Nursery for Easter. Then there was Safeguarding training for the team, weekly Staff meetings at Shifnal, PCC meetings, APCM, Home Communion to Paul Joseland and still ongoing, Mary and Philip Hutchinson.

Of the one-offs, with Sally Beard we pursued with the Bradford Trust the idea of making a Visitor Centre in part of the old stables to include toilets/ kitchen since stalemate seems to have been reached with the DAC. We noted the invisibility of the much-prized Tong Cup at Lichfield where it is housed, and considered the possibility of making a replica to display at Tong. I was offered a kitten which found an appreciative home with one of our future wedding couples, and I had a Sunday off to celebrate my 80th birthday.

For me St. Bartholomew's has been about God at work in the people He has sent. I tried to make sure that after me there would be continuity and am so grateful that Revd. Mike Shaw and Revd Jess Harper have picked up the baton and seamlessly continued to lead worship, that Fred Myerscough agreed to head up the project team, and Church wardens, Sandy Baker and Rob Kerrigan have been on hand to keep the show on the road, ably supported by Treasurer Mick Pilsbury and his team of David Milner and Ruth Kerrigan. A big thankyou to Ruth Pilsbury who has continued to play the organ. There are countless others who deal with coffee, refreshments, tours (Robert Parry mainly) and the willing good humour of key-holders locking and unlocking and showing round visitors. There are the unsung heroes like Tony Randall who deals with the Christmas tree lights, Pam who organises the 'Light up a Life' lists and money, Stewart Moore who faithfully mows and Sandra Owen who deals with our Dementia Friendly status. I am personally indebted to David Alcock for his regular watch on the Website (which he is due to hand over to Jessica Brunt - wedding to George Beard pending) and understudy Eva Jones. Also, Lizzie Neary (Raybould) who deals with our Facebook Page.

Finally, there was a wonderful gathering of the PCC for a lunch and garden tour at The Bradshaws, thanks to Sally Beard on 21st April, so as I sail off into the sunset, I say Thank - you to each one of the people I have been privileged to meet, laugh with, support and pray for. May God continue to bless St. Bartholomew's.

Pippa Thorneycroft February, 2025

Following Revd Pippa's last service on Easter Sunday myself and Revd Jess were asked by the PCC to take on day to day responsibility for St Bartholomew's. We have endeavoured to continue Pippa's ministry here in Tong without seeking to impose too many changes.

I have to say that it has worked well, and our attendance numbers are remarkably similar and to my knowledge we have not lost any members but have indeed encouraged some youth into our midst which is a source of great joy. Howard and Eva Jones followed up their wedding by having a beautiful daughter Josephene who we look forward to baptising in February 2025.

Since Pippa's retirement we have celebrated three baptisms six weddings and a wonderful choral Evensong at which she preached a lovely sermon.

Pippa has been an immense help to both of us as we have come to terms with the complexities of a treasured building. The work goes on and we are indeed fortunate to have employed the services of a new Architect Candida, who has already made great strides, alongside Fred Myerscough, in progressing our long term aim to provide toilet facilities for our congregation and many visitors.

Pippa has already thanked the many people within our community who have contributed the continuing success of our church and Jess, and I would like to thank all those already named who have assisted in our work.

During the period from Easter to the end of the year we have continued our successful Tong tours and celebrated Country Kids Nursery Nativity, our Christmas carol service at which Jess had a large congregation, and we also had good numbers for our combined Crib and Christingle service. We also had a remarkably successful Christmas Day Eucharist.

Jess and I have thoroughly enjoyed our time at Tong, which although was due to end at Christmas, will now continue into next year as we all await a permanent replacement for Pippa and I ask you to join us in our prayers for a priest in charge to take the work of the church forward.

Revd Mike February 2025

Church Wardens Report 2024

Well once again it has been an interesting year for Tong church. The good news is that our congregation numbers are remaining stable with a steady attendance average of 30 to 36 parishioners.

Our project team has been very active, and we have lodged three projects with the DAC (Diocese Advisory council).

The first project is the provision of a handrail at the entrance path (which is partly inclined) to aid all attending the church especially in inclement weather. This has been approved by the DAC and subject to availability work will commence very soon. The cost of this will be funded by church funds (circa £2.5K).

The second project is the tea point and toilets (you may remember me raising this issue last year and the year before etc.). We have the faculty for the tea point and a budget figure of £55K to provide the required foul drains, waters feeds, carpentry plus the electrical and mechanical installations. This faculty will be valid for two years. It was decided to delay the installation of the tea point until the position regarding toilet provision has been finalised. At the last PCC meeting it was agreed to progress with two lines of enquiry in tandem regarding toilet provision.

The third project is the restoration of the tombs. We have passed another stage with the DAC, moving from the unofficial guidance stage to the beginning of the 42-day official consultation period where all the relevant bodies can have official input. If we pass this stage without further questioning, we move to the 28-day notice. Candida (the architect) has sent assurances regarding the blocked drains that is possibly impacting the algae growth on the tombs in the south transept. The DAC have accepted this promise of action and the estimated cost to clean the tombs is £63K. Unknown cost to rectify the drains that will need DAC consent before progressing.

I hope that Fred Myerscough (PCC member) will not mind me putting in some of these lines from his email. Quote "I feel that we are on the correct track starting from the first principles. Although the journey may not be smooth or quick, I am convinced this time we will achieve an extension that is in keeping constructed of sandstone. It will include essential facilities in the form of two toilets (one with baby changing requirements) and a tea point/servery, all in the same building. This project will be expensive, but hopefully funds will be available through fund raising and generous donations" Unquote.

Robert Kerrigan
Church Warden

Secretary's Report - 2024

Once again it has been a busy year for St Barts. Tong. There have been six PCC meetings during the year, in January, March, June, July, September and November with an APCM in April 2024. Agenda items have been varied and all PCC members have actively contributed. As usual there has been much lively debate.

There continues to be ongoing discussion regarding particularly the matter of toilets, drainage, heating and a servery for the church. Whilst some items have progressed to a conclusion, others remain ongoing, particularly the heating, toilets, servery and a potential visitors' center located in the stables opposite the church. These remain outstanding and conclusions seem some way off however there is always a robust challenge in respect of how funds are spent, ensuring there remains a healthy bank balance of reserve funds in case of any unforeseen but necessary expenditure.

The congregation has remained stable with average attendance 30+ and bookings of weddings and christenings have been maintained. As always members of the congregation help and support throughout the year with cleaning, flowers, prayers and serving communion. Pippa Thorneycroft left in the Spring and since then the church has been blessed with Mike Shaw and Jess Harper alternating in taking Sunday services.

A 0.2 post will be advertised in due course to cover all of Pippa's duties. The PCC and congregation are immensely grateful to Pippa for all her service to St Barts and the incredible support she gave. The impact of her work will be seen for many years to come. As with previous years there have been several events which have raised money to facilitate further improvements/plans for the church., particularly, the classic car festival in September and Light up a Life at Christmas. Tong Tours continue to be a success with plans regularly discussed to further advertise these and other events to maximise attendance and thus income for the Church given both the PCC and congregation remain keen and focused on promoting St Barts, Tong, ensuring it remains a beautiful building to visit whilst promoting its history and references to cultural figures and recognising its primary function as a place to come together and worship.

Mrs Lisa Apter

SHIFNAL AND EDMOND DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2024

There were 3 meetings of the Deanery Synod during the year.

1. 5th March 2024 at St Andrews Church Shifnal.

Rev Zoe Hemming spoke about her work as the Diocesan Enabler, assisting members of congregations to cope with disability problems. She pointed out many problems that could make attending or participating in worship difficult. She encouraged churches to advertise what they have done to alleviate these problems.

A tribute was paid to Rev Pippa Thorneycroft on her forthcoming retirement. She gave a synopsis of her life and her calling to ministry. Members present applauded her work in the area over many years.

The rural dean led some reflection on the Diocesan initiative 'Shaping for Ministry' and encouraged church to find ways of cooperating and pooling resources.

2. 3rd July 2024 at St Mary's Church Sutton Maddock

John Webb gave a potted history of the church, which was mentioned in the Domesday book, but had to be rebuilt in 1887.

There were farewells to a number of clergy. Rev Helen Morby was to retire, Rev Zoe Hemming to leave and take up a post at Newcastle Cathedral. And Lilleshall curate Rev Vikki Day was to join the Army Chaplaincy. There was concern about so many parish vacancies and the problems of providing ministers for regular worship, 'Shaping for Mission' was further discussed with the need for parishes to share resources. Parishes shared news of events connected to their churches, some that had happened and some about to happen.

3. 7th November at St John's Church Muxton

There was some discussion about local parish responses to the Diocesan Strategy Goals. These related to ways in which congregations could be increased

There was an update on progress filling the ministry vacancies in the Deanery, but no news of any new appointments.

Material was circulated to promote resources that are available from the Diocese to support Rural Mission

News was given by churches around the deanery and a summary of the Diocesan Synod from July was circulated.

Robert Parry (Deanery Synod Representative) February 2025

Tong Tours Report 2024

Again, another successful year for Tong Tours. During 2024 we welcomed over 500 visitors to Tong Church for Tours, either group bookings, Saturday morning drop-in sessions, English Heritage September Open Days and of course we offered Tours at our own Classic Car Show.

Advertising in Connect Pages again paid off well with lots of inquiries and bookings. In 2025 I would like to spread our wings and advertise in Shropshire more (I am still working on that).

I would like to thank everybody that has helped and supported me in many different ways, without their help Tong Tours would not be so successful. I have a wonderful team behind me.

Christine.

Electoral Roll

Sally Beard reports that the roll stands at 66.

Log Book 2024

Month	Where	Action
January	Church Exterior	• Repair and maintenance of PIR Lights
May June	Church Interior	• All fire extinguishers tested • New Mat replacement
	Roof	• Roof Guttering cleared
	Church Yard	• Wall repaired following accident. • Moles controlled

Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year

Volunteers

The members of the PCC would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community.

Risk

The Church Wardens carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. No. 1192842. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC meet 4 times a year. [Given its responsibilities, the PCC has a number of sub committees, each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life. These include Worship, Mission and Outreach, Buildings and Finance and Youth Work. Each reports back to the PCC with the minutes of their meetings.]

Related Parties

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from related parties during the year totalled £6,445 (2023 £7,332). All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from employment with the PCC

Expenses paid to Trustees

1 trustee was reimbursed £2,616 (2023 £801) for travel and subsistence during the year.

Reference and Administrative details

The Church is situated in Newport Road, TF11 8PW and is part of the Deanery of Edgmond and Shifnal, in the Diocese of Lichfield. The correspondence address is the St Bartholomew's Church, Newport Road, Tong, Shropshire. TF11 8PW. Parish Administrator – Mrs W. Aykroyd email: admin@shifnalbenefice.org.uk. Registered charity number 1192842. Our website address is: www.tong-church.org.uk

PCC members who have served from 1st January 2024 until the date this report was approved were:

Ex Officio Members

The Incumbent	Revd. Preb. Pippa Thorneycroft (Chairman) (until June 2024) Revd. Preb. Christopher Thorpe (Chairman) (from June 2024)
Churchwardens	Mr Robert Kerrigan (Vice Chairman) Mrs Sandy Baker

Ex-officio	Rev Mike Shaw
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Elected Members	Mr Robert Parry (Deanery Synod Rep) Mrs Lisa Apter (Secretary)
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Mr Michael Pilsbury (Treasurer)
Mr Maxwell Owen
Mr David Hopson
Mr Malcolm Groom
Mr Paul Grinnell (until APCM April 2024)
Mr David Dixon (until APCM April 2024)
Mr Peter Tonkinson (until APCM April 2024)
Mrs Sally Beard
Mr David Milner
Mr Paul Joseland
Mr Howard Jones
Mr Frederick Myerscough

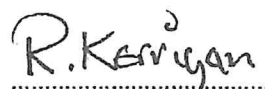
Names and addresses of advisers

Bank	Barclays Leicestershire
Investment Managers	CCLA 1 Angel Ln London EC4R 3AB
Independent	Jonathan Hill
Examiner	Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Approved by the PCC on Sunday25/05/2025..... and signed on its behalf by:



Reverend Christopher Thorpe
(Chairman)



Mr Robert Kerrigan
(Vice Chairman)

Financial Review

General

This year's accounts have been produced on a Receipts and Payments basis.

Incoming Resources	
0101/0110	Tax efficient giving through the envelope scheme, Standing Orders and yellow envelopes decreased from £22,635 in 2023 to £15,798.
0301	Open plate collections increased from £4,224 to £4,983 in 2024
0550/08A1	Donations and Grants amounted to a total of £13,574 compared with £9,489 for 2023. Notable - £6,000 from the Bradford Estate and £1,500 from the Bishops Council for the Tombs, £1,000 for the wall and £500 from Lady Forrester Trust for the hand rails.
0601	Gift Aid recovered from the tax man amounted to £5,732, a reduction of £908.
0701	We received legacies worth £10,100 (with no stipulated conditions) which was placed in the Fabric Fund (Designated)
0901	Fund raising was up from £4,413 in 2023 to £8,676 in 2024.
1001/1020	Income and Interest at £4,327 is up by £1,651 on 2023.
2d	Fees received by the PCC was down from £6,524 in 2023 to £4,713.
1220	Boxes and Book Stall was slightly up to £1,791, a rise of just of £9.
1310	We received £3,698 for the insurance claim for damaged to the wall.
Summary	In total Income stood at £73,392 compared with £58,382 in 2023.

Expenditure	
1701	Fees paid to the fund raiser increased by £2,039 to £3,362.
1801 to 1870	Mission giving decreased from £3,068 to £1,160. A return to pre 2023 giving.
1910	Parish share increased from £12,993 in 2023 to £13,253.
2010	Cost of Organist was down from £490 in 2023 to £455.
2101	Clergy and staff expenses amounted to £2,516.
2301 to 2370	Church Running expenses fell from £31,204 to £23,114.

2401	Utility bills were down from £6,952 in 2023 to £5,340. BUT – we did not have a utility bill from the end of August22 until March 23. Supplier problem.
2701/2710	Major Repairs (Projects) amounted to £2,794 (net) compared to £4,022 (net) in 2023.
Summary	In total our expenditure was £56,385 compared with £63,315 in 2023.

Funds	
General Fund	General fund increased from £52,121 to £54,691.
Designated Fund	The Designated Fund has increased from £6,265 in 2023 to £16,958.
Restricted Fund	The restricted fund now stands at £39,195 compared with £35,152 at the end of 2023.
Overall	At the end of 2023 all fund totals came to a surplus of £93,538 (includes £9,889 share value). At the end of 2023 the total for all funds now shows a surplus of £110,844 (includes 10,187 share value).
Comment	Opportunities. Need to continue to work hard at fund raising as we cannot always rely on general giving. Challenges. Cost control. Major projects that still need to be started in earnest are The Heating and Toilet projects and cost control needs to be uppermost in our thoughts when they do.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to £11,617. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was £54,691 which is higher than this target.

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of The Parish of Tong
Registered charity number, if applicable: N/A

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent 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.

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 the 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.

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 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.

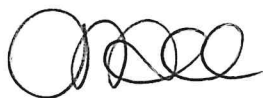
Signed:

Date:

For and on behalf of

Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield WS13 7LD



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The Parish of Tong
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the year ended 31st December 2024

Accounting Policies

The Financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

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

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties that relate to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

An explanation of purpose of the **Designated fund** are as follows:

- Fabric Fund – General Maintenance

Restricted funds comprise of two elements: -

- a) Income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest.
- b) Donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

An explanation of purpose of each **Restricted fund** are as follows:

- Fabric and Bells – Used to repair the bells (completed) and residue for further projects.
- Golden Age Project – Reordering of Nave, refurbishment of Golden Chapel etc (completed)

- Heating Project – Provide improved heating system.
- Organ – Repair and maintenance of the Organ
- Pulpit Fall – Conservation of medieval pulpit fall.
- Ramp – Provision of wheelchair access.
- Toilet – Project to provide toilet facility and tea point.
- Tomb – Preservation of tombs.

Endowment funds are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

An explanation of purpose of each **Endowment** fund are as follows:

The Parish of Tong does not hold any Endowments.

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs

Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources e.g. by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a) &(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. The Church Centre is revalued at 31 December annually using Nationwide house price calculator and shown on page 32.

Investments

Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Debtors

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured as cash expected to be received

Creditors and Accruals

Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

Parish of St Bartholomew's Tong

Statement of Receipts and Payments 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2024	2023
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	£34,982	£14,781	£9,100	-	£58,863	£47,401
Income from charitable activities	£3,233	£1,480	-	-	£4,713	£6,524
Other trading activities	£1,791	-	-	-	£1,791	£1,782
Investments	£2,136	£1,030	£1,162	-	£4,327	£2,676
Other income	-	-	£3,698	-	£3,698	-
Total income	£42,142	£17,290	£13,960	-	£73,392	£58,382
Payments						
Raising funds	£6,397	-	£1,181	-	£7,578	£2,805
Expenditure on charitable activities	£33,473	£6,597	£8,737	-	£48,807	£60,436
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	£74
Total expenditure	£39,870	£6,597	£9,917	-	£56,385	£63,315
Net income / (expenditure) resources	£2,272	£10,693	£4,043	-	£17,007	(£4,933)
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	-	-	-	£42,596
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	-	-	-	(£42,596)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	£299	-	-	-	£299	£523
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets,	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	£2,570	£10,693	£4,043	-	£17,306	(£4,410)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	£52,121	£6,265	£35,152	-	£93,538	£97,948
Total funds carried forward	£54,691	£16,958	£39,195	-	£110,844	£93,538
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General Fund	£54,691	-	-	-	£54,691	£52,121
Designated						
Fabric Fund	-	£16,958	-	-	£16,958	£6,265

Restricted

Fabric & Bells Fund	-	-	£23,457	-	£23,457	£25,241
Golden Age Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heating Project Fund	-	-	£4,843	-	£4,843	£4,843
Organ Fund	-	-	£186	-	£186	£483
Pulpit Fall	-	-	£816	-	£816	£816
Ramp And Handrail Fund	-	-	£1,000	-	£1,000	£400
Toilet Fund	-	-	-	-	-	(£756)
Tomb Fund	-	-	£8,893	-	£8,893	£4,125

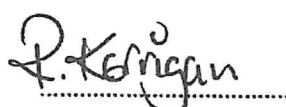
Statement of Assets and Liabilities 2024

Class and nominal code					General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2024	2023
Fixed Asset - Investments										
CB3028209: CCLA - CBF Tong St Bartholomew PCC		£10,187	-	-	-	£10,187	£9,889			
Total		£10,187	-	-	-	£10,187	£9,889			
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand										
00882399: Barclays Current Account No 1		£2,404	£11,399	£151	-	£13,955	£12,399			
6590: Cash in hand		£74	-	-	-	£74	£115			
CB0001830206: CCLA (CBF) deposit		£42,025	£5,559	£39,195	-	£86,779	£72,452			
Total		£44,504	£16,958	£39,346	-	£100,808	£84,965			
Liability - Agency Accounts										
6699: Agency collections		-	-	£151	-	£151	£1,316			
Total		-	-	£151	-	£151	£1,316			
Net total assets		£54,691	£16,958	£39,195	-	£110,844	£93,538			

Approved by the PCC on Sunday25/05/2025..... and signed on its behalf by:



Reverend Christopher Thorpe
(Chairman)



Mr Robert Kerrigan
(Vice Chairman)

Comparative Statement of Assets and Liabilities 2023

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
Fixed Asset - Investments						
CB3028209: CCLA - CBF Tong St Bartholomew PCC	£9,889	-	-	-	£9,889	£9,366
Total	£9,889	-	-	-	£9,889	£9,366
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
00882399: Barclays Current Account No 1	£7,972	£2,736	£1,691	-	£12,399	£6,690
23280845: Barclays Current Account No 2	-	-	-	-	-	£123
6590: Cash in hand	£115	-	-	-	£115	£86
CB0001830206: CCLA (CBF) deposit	£34,145	£3,529	£34,777	-	£72,452	£92,776
Total	£42,232	£6,265	£36,468	-	£84,965	£99,675
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	£1,316	-	£1,316	£1,073
Total	-	-	£1,316	-	£1,316	£1,073
Liability - Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year						
6602: Diocesan Loan due in 2 - 5 Years	-	-	-	-	-	£7,157
Total	-	-	-	-	-	£7,157
Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year						
6601: Diocesan Loan due in 1 Year	-	-	-	-	-	£2,863
Total	-	-	-	-	-	£2,863
Net total assets	£52,121	£6,265	£35,152	-	£93,538	£97,948

Analysis of Income and Expenditure 2024

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					2024	2023
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	£8,730	-	-	-	£8,730	£10,655
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	£6,968	£100	-	-	£7,068	£11,980
0201 - Other planned giving	-	-	-	-	-	-
0301 - Loose plate collections	£4,983	-	-	-	£4,983	£4,224
0550 - Donations appeals etc	£4,474	-	£1,100	-	£5,574	£5,489
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	£5,732	-	-	-	£5,732	£6,640
0701 - Legacies	-	£10,100	-	-	£10,100	-
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	-	-	£8,000	-	£8,000	£4,000
0901 - Other funds generated - Events/Tong Tours	£4,096	£4,581	-	-	£8,676	£4,413
Donations and legacies Totals	£34,982	£14,781	£9,100	-	£58,863	£47,401
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	£3,233	£1,480	-	-	£4,713	£6,524

Income from charitable activities	£3,233	£1,480	-	-	£4,713	£6,524
Other trading activities						
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	£1,791	-	-	-	£1,791	£1,782
Other trading activities Totals	£1,791	-	-	-	£1,791	£1,782
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	-	£65	£191	-	£256	£213
1020 - Bank and building society interest	£2,136	£965	£971	-	£4,072	£2,462
Investments Totals	£2,136	£1,030	£1,162	-	£4,327	£2,676
Other income						
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	£3,698	-	£3,698	-
Other income Totals	-	-	£3,698	-	£3,698	-
Receipts Grand totals	£42,142	£17,290	£13,960	-	£73,392	£58,382

PAYMENTS

Raising funds

1701 - Fees paid to fund raisers	£2,181	-	£1,181	-	£3,362	£1,323
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	£3,759	-	-	-	£3,759	£1,046
1740 - Bank Charges	£457	-	-	-	£457	£436
Raising funds Totals	£6,397	-	£1,181	-	£7,578	£2,805

Expenditure on charitable activities

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	£75	-	-	-	£75	-
1850 - Home mission	£705	-	-	-	£705	£1,856
1870 - Secular charities	£380	-	-	-	£380	£1,212
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	£13,253	-	-	-	£13,253	£12,993
2010 - Organist Costs	£455	-	-	-	£455	£490
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	£2,516	-	-	-	£2,516	£790
2301 - Church running - insurance	-	£4,538	-	-	£4,538	£4,310
2310 - Church office - telephone &	£504	-	-	-	£504	£707
2311 - Church Security	£2,251	-	-	-	£2,251	£2,251
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	-	-	£297	-	£297	-
2330 - Church maintenance	£203	£1,080	£1,927	-	£3,210	£13,575
2331 - Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	-
2340 - Upkeep of services	£546	-	-	-	£546	£911
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	£3,103	-	£4,698	-	£7,801	£5,585
2360 - Administration	£3,967	-	-	-	£3,967	£3,865
2401 - Church running - electric	£5,340	-	-	-	£5,340	£6,952
2501 - Magazine expenses	-	-	-	-	-	£70
2510 - Bookstall costs	-	-	-	-	-	£675
2601 - Governance costs	£175	-	-	-	£175	£174
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	£979	-	-	£979	£3,391
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	-	-	£1,815	-	£1,815	£631
Expenditure on charitable activities	£33,473	£6,597	£8,737	-	£48,807	£60,436

Other expenditure

2040 - Award	-	-	-	-	-	£74
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Other expenditure Totals	-	-	-	-	-	£74
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Payments Grand totals	£39,870	£6,597	£9,917	-	£56,385	£63,315
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Fund Movement by type 2024

	Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
Fabric								
Designated		£6,265	£17,290	£6,597	-	-	-	£16,958
Sub-totals		£6,265	£17,290	£6,597	-	-	-	£16,958
FabricBells								
Restricted		£25,241	£4,829	£6,614	-	-	-	£23,457
Sub-totals		£25,241	£4,829	£6,614	-	-	-	£23,457
Heating								
Restricted		£4,843	-	-	-	-	-	£4,843
Sub-totals		£4,843	-	-	-	-	-	£4,843
Organ								
Restricted		£483	-	£297	-	-	-	£186
Sub-totals		£483	-	£297	-	-	-	£186
Pulpit								
Restricted		£816	-	-	-	-	-	£816
Sub-totals		£816	-	-	-	-	-	£816
Ramp								
Restricted		£400	£600	-	-	-	-	£1,000
Sub-totals		£400	£600	-	-	-	-	£1,000
Toilet								
Restricted		(£756)	£1,031	£275	-	-	-	-
Sub-totals		(£756)	£1,031	£275	-	-	-	-
Tomb								
Restricted		£4,125	£7,500	£2,732	-	-	-	£8,893
Sub-totals		£4,125	£7,500	£2,732	-	-	-	£8,893
General								
Unrestricted		£52,121	£42,142	£39,870	-	£299	-	£54,691
Sub-totals		£52,121	£42,142	£39,870	-	£299	-	£54,691
Totals		£93,538	£73,392	£56,385	-	£299	-	£110,844

Staff Costs

The PCC did not employ anyone during the year

Analysis of Transfer between funds – 2024

There were no Fund Transfers in 2024

Analysis of Transfer between funds – 2023

Debit	Credit	Description	Fund	Fund Type
-	21,170.28	Per PCC agreement	FabricBells	Res
21,170.28	-	Per PCC agreement	Golden	Res
-	21,425.83	Per PCC agreement	FabricBells	Res
21,425.83	-	Per PCC agreement	Toilet	Res

Fixed Assets 2024

a) Tangible fixed assets

The PCC does not hold any tangible fixed assets.

b) Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1 Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in Market Value £	At 31 Dec £
Unrestricted funds						
Investments	9,366	0.00	0.00	0.00	522	9,888
Total	9,366	0.00	0.00	0.00	522	9,888

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Comparative SOFA for 2023

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	£40,563	£2,838	£4,000	-	£47,401	£67,518
Income from charitable activities	£5,201	£1,323	-	-	£6,524	£7,837
Other trading activities	£1,782	-	-	-	£1,782	£2,306
Investments	£877	£1,799	-	-	£2,676	£1,653
Other income	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total income	£48,423	£5,960	£4,000	-	£58,382	£79,314
Payments						
Raising funds	£2,305	-	£500	-	£2,805	£7,702
Expenditure on charitable activities	£49,596	£7,285	£3,556	-	£60,436	£80,071

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
Other expenditure	£74	-	-	-	£74	£100
Total expenditure	£51,975	£7,285	£4,056	-	£63,315	£87,873
Net income / (expenditure) resources	(£3,552)	(£1,325)	(£56)	-	(£4,933)	(£8,559)
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	-	-	£42,596	-	£42,596	-
Gross transfers between funds - out	-	-	(£42,596)	-	(£42,596)	-
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains/losses on investment assets	£523	-	-	-	£523	(£1,452)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets,	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	(£3,029)	(£1,325)	(£56)	-	(£4,410)	(£10,011)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	£55,150	£7,590	£35,208	-	£97,948	£107,959
Total funds carried forward	£52,121	£6,265	£35,152	-	£93,538	£97,948
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General Fund	£52,121	-	-	-	£52,121	£55,150
Designated						
Fabric Fund	-	£6,265	-	-	£6,265	£7,590
Restricted						
Agency collection	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fabric & Bells Fund	-	-	£25,241	-	£25,241	£70,138
Golden Age Fund	-	-	-	-	-	(£21,170)
Heating Project Fund	-	-	£4,843	-	£4,843	£4,843
Organ Fund	-	-	£483	-	£483	£483
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pulpit Fall	-	-	£816	-	£816	£816
Ramp Fund	-	-	£400	-	£400	£400
Toilet Fund	-	-	(£756)	-	(£756)	(£21,426)
Tomb Fund	-	-	£4,125	-	£4,125	£1,125
Tower Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
Windows Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-

