

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

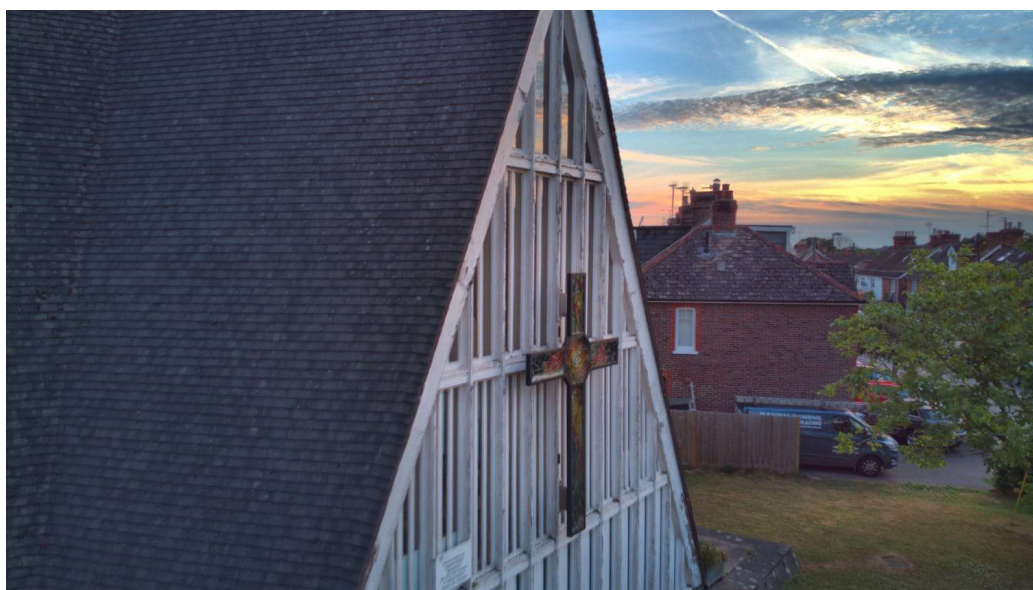
of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of

St John's Broadbridge Heath

St John's Church, St John's Hall, Church Road, Broadbridge Heath, RH12 3LD

Registered Charity No. 1195316

For the year ended 31 December 2025



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The PCC of St John's Church Trustees' Annual Report 2025



St John's
Broadbridge Heath

Aim and Purposes

St. John's PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Doctor Mark Lavender, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church building and church hall situated at Church Road, Broadbridge Heath.

We have a commitment to growth (both numerically and in Christian maturity) and see this happening through a number of different avenues namely through:

Covenant – our relationships with one another and with God

Community – our ability to gather as a church and local community and encourage one another

Children – our appeal to the younger generation and their families

Conference – our ability to gather together with other churches and partners to support one another in mission

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to attend our church and to become part of our worshipping community at St. John's. Our regular services take place at 8:30am and 10:30am every Sunday, the latter being accessible via a YouTube link which is sent via email to members of the church and others who cannot attend in person.

The PCC is aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in "The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit" and has regard to it in the administration of the Church. The trustees believe that the Church provides benefit to the public by:

- providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for the congregation and for anyone else who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers.
- promoting Christian values and service by members of the congregation to the community, for the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

It is important that we maintain the fabric of St. John's church building and hall as well as future proofing our provision. Our immediate need is to replace the existing church windows. As such we are currently working with an architect and project management team in order to best ascertain the most cost effective and functional way to do this whilst creating future potential for the building and additional benefit to the congregation and wider community.

Achievements and Performance (using our commitment to growth categories)

1. Covenant – our relationships with one another and with God

Church Services and meetings

During 2025, our Sunday morning services had an average attendance of 67 (70, 68,61) adults and 22 (26,22,18) children for the 10:30 service and 30 (30,30,28) adults for the early service. (The previous three year's figures in brackets). This means an average of 97 adults and 22 children per week on average. The national Church of England* average is 43 adults and 7 children).

Our official Electoral role number was 139 (141,140,139) at the end of 2025. This is significant in that all members had to apply to rejoin the electoral role. (A new roll is prepared every sixth year).

We took 2 funerals in our church building in the last year (national average is 6) but no baptisms or weddings.

(*National figures only available for 2024)

Christmas services

These again attracted well over 600 individual attendances between the nativity service: 129 (148,123,81), carol service: 154 (141,137,122), christingle 193 (180,211,162), midnight communion: 56 (60,53,50) and Christmas Day: 109 (97,91,90). (Previous three year's figures in brackets). They provided a real opportunity to celebrate Christmas as a community and to continue to establish good links and relationships within the village (particularly those who are not regular church-goers) with many attendees coming for their only service of the year at the Christingle service.

To put this in a national context the number of people attending St John's at services on Christmas Eve and Christmas day was 358 compared to the national average of 134.

(Our Easter attendance was 166, compared to the national average of 68).

Home/Connect Groups

Over the last year we have begun to move from connect groups which are a seasonal opportunity to gather in small groups to take part in activities (both spiritual and for leisure purposes) to more permanent and intentional 'home groups' which happen year long and are weekly discipleship groups meeting in people's homes for fellowship and worship. This is with the intention of 'connecting' people for a greater part of the year and to provide opportunities for pastoral care and friendship. Two new 'home groups' were started during 2025 taking the total of home groups in the church to seven.

Pastoral Care and Prayer

St John's has a pastoral care team made up of eight people who meet regularly with the clergy to discuss and pray for individual needs of the church members and the community. The wider pastoral team involves a large number of others who contribute through visits, lifts, meals, phone calls and other practical help. The team ensure that St John's is a safe church to be part of and that every individual is known and feels loved.

The church has a Prayer Chain which is coordinated by one individual in collaboration with the clergy and involves prayer requests being disseminated to members of the prayer team.

St John's is careful to comply with GDPR as well as safe-guarding regulations in all of these contexts. In more complex situations, we are careful to signpost to professional organisations wherever appropriate, including regular updates to and from the safeguarding officer at all Pastoral Team, Standing Committee and PCC meetings.

Staff and Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular, our churchwardens Jon Ogan and Andrew Edwards, our Treasurer Richard Garry and Assistant Treasurer Julia Robertson, our children and youth leaders, our worship leaders and our tech team alongside all of those who regularly cook, bake, clean and maintain.

Sarah Tombling continued to serve faithfully as our senior church Administrator during 2025 (her 21st year) and is due to step down in February 2026. Liesl Garry, has assisted with administration (particularly regarding the PCC) and acted as our safeguarding officer. During 2025 we also employed a youth worker (Harry Osborne-Cooper) to coordinate our Sunday youth work and youth outreach program. This should enable us to significantly increase our offer to this age group. We also share a youth leader with Horsham parish (Lee Buck) and St John's contributes to his salary.

We also now have two trained Authorised Lay Ministers (ALM) – one in Care for Creation and the other in Pastoral Care - and a third in training.

2. Community – our ability to gather as a church and local community and encourage one another

BBH Wider Community

We hold monthly assemblies at the local primary school (Shelley School) and frequently invite individual classes and year groups to activities within the church building for faith-based projects, performances by music artists and curriculum teaching sessions. We have initiated a number of community-based collaborations with the school including carol singing and paired reading at the care home and waiting/hosting at our small weekly church café.

The vicar and a small, dedicated team visit two of the local independent living/care homes in the parish on a monthly basis to share communion, sing hymns, pray for residents, and to offer a space to listen to individual concerns. Two members of the Highwood Mill home now regularly attend Sunday services.

Every year on Remembrance Sunday we are joined by the uniformed young people's groups (Beavers, Brownies, Cubs and Scouts) for a public act of remembrance at the village memorial where wreaths are laid by them and the local parish council.

Our church hall has continued to increase in use, with regular hall-hirers for community groups including WI, exercises classes, toddler group, puppy training, the local youth group as well as the regular village lunch, community café and other social events.

For the duration of 2025 we have taken part in a pilot project funded by Spurgeons to look at setting up Family Hubs in local churches to support local families. We have worked alongside another local church (St Mark's) to share resources and good practice and are ready at the beginning of 2026 to launch a parenting course from our church hall in February as well as a counselling service later in the year.

3. Children – our appeal to the younger generation and their families

St John's currently has 78 children registered; with an average of 22 children attending the church per week. This puts us close to the top 95th percentile for all CofE churches where the National average number of children attending was 7 in 2024.

Our youth and children's team organise a number of regular off-site activities and clubs, particularly for the youth (11-18), help us to retain good connections with other churches in Horsham and enable our young people to meet with others of their age group across the town of Horsham. One of the highlights of the year for the youth is a Diocesan-wide camp for all youth in the Diocese of Chichester at Plumpton Racecourse on the final weekend of May. We also hosted a primary-age pantomime as a gift to Shelley School in December and invited the local scout and brownie groups to join us on Remembrance Sunday. On 31st October we gave out 200 'bags of hope' containing sweets and invites to Christmas services alongside hot chocolate and candyfloss to coincide with Halloween, an event which always brings families together in the village.

4. Conference – our ability to gather together and work with other churches and mission partners to support one another

We have continued to forge strong links with other churches across Horsham through the Churches Together network, for which the vicar is now a member of the Executive team. We regularly host combined services and prayer meetings and attend the local Deanery chapter. Two members of the PCC sat on the Deanery Synod this year. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. The vicar meets monthly to pray with other church leaders in Horsham and the surrounding villages including those from other denominations (Catholic, URC, Baptist, Methodist and Free Church).

The vicar attended the National Leadership Conference for New Wine (a network of Charismatic Evangelical churches) in Harrogate. This was a great opportunity to keep updated with current theological and ecclesial matters but also to network with other church leaders. The vicar also attended the Diocesan Conference held in Canterbury for all clergy to receive instruction and teaching and various members of the church also attended a number of Christian festivals in Kent, Sussex and Somerset.

Harvest Supper

In October our Mission Team organised an evening meal in support of one of our mission families (see "Mission Partners" below) who live in Uganda and who presented their work to the church throughout the weekend at various services and gatherings.

Mission Partners

The church has a Missions Team which meets regularly to discuss our giving as a church and ways to support a number of missionary families connected to St John's, of which there are currently 6 (in Uganda, Greece, Panama, Brazil, the Middle East and the Netherlands) who each received around £1,800 during the year.

This year we have also financially supported Tearfund (£1,875); Embrace (£1,000); CSW (£600); FSW (Family Support Work in Sussex) (£1,875); and The Children's Society (£500) through our mission tithe. Total giving from Restricted and Unrestricted funds was £17,600 for the year. (2024: £15,411)

We have organised various fundraising events during the year including breakfasts, suppers and a children's mini market and a stall at the village Fete, which have raised further funds. These have included funds sent to Link to Hope (£140); Local foodbank (£56); Projects in Uganda (£1,311); Christian Aid (£515) and Projects in Brazil (£203). We also packed and delivered 36 shoeboxes for Link to Hope in November.

Financial Review

Income and Expenditure

Income and expenditure is shown for the year ending 31 December 2025 and comprises total receipts of £263,284 (2024: £204,288). The PCC is very grateful to church members for their committed and sacrificial giving to support and finance the work at St John's, particularly during these uncertain times.

Expenditure for the year was £167,655 (2024: 185,355). The decrease over 2024 is mainly due to lower expenditure on the project to replace the church building windows and consider wider plans to improve the buildings on the Church site to support the mission of the charity. It is the aim of St John's to manage its expenses carefully and remain thoughtfully mindful that our income is dependent on sacrificial giving.

Providing for Ministry

As a church we must fund our ministry costs. It comprises the largest expenditure of the PCC and for the year we paid £86,405 (2024: £83,074) to the Diocese for our share of all churches' parish ministry costs ("*Diocesan Parish Share*" in the Financial Statements). This expenditure includes:

- the housing, support, stipend and pension costs of the clergy of this parish
- training of new ordinands
- a contribution to national church funds
- shared costs of the Christian family throughout the whole diocese
- assistance towards the upkeep of churches less able to manage than ourselves.

The regular cash payments to the diocese during the year are calculated after deducting income received from the Mitchell Trust of £24,580 (2024: £23,916) from the full cost shown above. These investments are managed by the diocese.

In 2025 the PCC contributed 103% of the costs allocated to this church to help cover the shortfall for other churches in the diocese.

Staff Costs

The PCC employs two administrators, on a part-time basis, who run the Parish office and a Youth Co-ordinator who also works part time. Other than this the Parish has no employees and all other roles within the Parish are voluntary.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on the general unrestricted funds (excluding property) which equates to approximately four months of unrestricted payments as contingency against unforeseen situations. We always held at least that amount both during and at the end of the financial year. At the end of 2025 we held £58,405 in the General Fund as our 2026 budget shows that our anticipated expenditure for the first four months is £58,400. At this time, it is PCC policy to transfer surplus general funds into our Renewal Fund for the furtherance of God's work in the Parish and future building projects, including replacement of the deteriorating church windows. The PCC has also pledged to tithe 10% of total income during the year to Mission Giving. At the end of the year, £29,833 was transferred to our designated Renewal fund and £5,588 to our Mission Fund to complete the tithe for 2025.

Structure, Governance and Management

St John's Church, Church Road, Broadbridge Heath, RH12 3LD can be contacted via e-mail either directly to our incumbent: mark.lavender@stjohnsbh.org.uk or via our administrator for other personnel: office@stjohnsbh.org.uk

The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission as required by the Charities Act 2011. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956. It is also registered with HMRC as a charity in order to reclaim gift-aid on donations.

In line with C of E regulations, members must be aged over 16 and on the Electoral Roll. All members of the church are encouraged to be on the Electoral Roll and thus eligible for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The PCC plans to meet six times this year. Attendance is usually 85% or higher.

Since the last APCM, meetings were held on: 10th June, 16th September, 11th November 2025, 13th January and 10th March 2026. Meetings are currently planned for: 9th June, 15th September and 10th November 2026. The meeting dates are published on the church calendar.

Administrative Information

PCC membership for the period of this report

Ex-officio:

Vicar	Rev Dr Mark Lavender (Chairman)
Assistant Minister	Rev Brian New

Churchwardens	Jonathan Ogan Andrew Edwards (from May 2025)
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Deanery Synod Representatives

Liz New	
Kate Discombe	
Andrew Scott	(from May 2025)

Elected:

Richard Garry	Treasurer
Andrew Edwards	Health & Safety
Katie Carter	
Tim Carter	
George Dickson	(from May 2025)
Audrey Lee	
Karen MacDonald	(until May 2025)
Lyn McCarthy	(from May 2025)
Don Patience	(from May 2025)
Chris Robertson	(from May 2025)
Kat Smith	(from May 2025)
David Tombling	

Ex officio:

Barbara Storer

Deanery Synod Reps and lay members are usually elected for a 3-year (renewable) term.

All elections are held at the APCM with nominations invited from the church family as vacancies arise. The PCC Secretary and Parish Safeguarding Officer during 2025 was Liesl Garry.

Sub-Committees:

In addition to the PCC, we have a Standing Committee, which also plans to meet 6 times each year (on alternate months to the PCC). Our Standing Committee primarily discusses business and finance issues so recommendations can be made to the PCC, leaving that group more time for discussion about the vision and mission of the church.

Members of the Standing Committee:

Vicar – Rev Dr Mark Lavender

Assistant Minister – Rev Brian New

Richard Garry, Treasurer

Liesl Garry, Parish Safeguarding Officer

Andrew Edwards, Health & Safety and Churchwarden (from May 2025)

Jonathan Ogan, Churchwarden

Julia Robertson, Assistant Treasurer

The PCC Secretary acts as SC Secretary.

DotCom – Vicar, Assistant Minister, Churchwardens and Administrators meet weekly to discuss logistics for the next few weeks and any general issues which have arisen, as well as providing support and praying for each other and church members.

The Trustees' Annual Report was approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:



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Date: 28 April 2026

Rev Dr Mark Lavender, PCC Chairman

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	161,460	52,570	-	214,030	154,271	
Charitable activities	828	185	-	1,013	6,942	
Other trading activities	16,231	3,160	-	19,391	16,045	
Investments	28,850	-	-	28,850	26,930	
Other receipts	-	-	-	-	100	
Total income	207,369	55,915	-	263,284	204,288	2
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	61	250	-	311	177	
Charitable activities	157,324	3,857	-	161,181	178,484	
Other trading activities	6,163	-	-	6,163	6,694	
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	
Total expenditure	163,548	4,107	-	167,655	185,355	3
Net gains (or losses) on investments	-	-	63,099	63,099	11,670	8
Net income or (net expenditure)	43,821	51,808	63,099	158,728	30,603	
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-	7
	43,821	51,808	63,099	158,728	30,603	
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	
Other gains/(losses)	-	-	-	-	-	
<i>Reconciliation of funds:</i>						
Net movement in funds	43,821	51,808	63,099	158,728	30,603	
Opening funds at 1 January 2025	188,916	27,630	469,535	686,081	655,478	
Total funds carried forward	232,737	79,438	532,634	844,809	686,081	

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Balance Sheet

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	
Intangible assets	-	-	
Tangible assets	0	-	
Endowed investments	532,634	469,535	
Total fixed assets	532,634	469,535	8
Stocks	-	-	
Debtors	9,655	4,579	10
Cash at bank and in hand	307,654	217,494	
Total current assets	317,309	222,073	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(5,134)	(5,527)	11
Net current assets or (liabilities)	312,175	216,546	
Total assets less current liabilities	844,809	686,081	
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-	12
Provisions for liabilities	-	-	
Total net assets or (liabilities)	844,809	686,081	
The funds of the charity:			
Endowment funds	532,634	469,535	
Restricted income funds	79,438	27,630	
Unrestricted funds	232,737	188,916	
Revaluation reserve	-	-	
Total unrestricted funds	232,737	188,916	
Total charity funds	844,809	686,081	13

The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025, including the notes following, were approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by:



Rev Dr Mark Lavender, PCC Chairman

Date: 28 April 2026

St John's Church, Broadbridge Heath

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2025

1 Accounting policies

a Accounting convention

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities, (SORP (FRS 102)). The accounts, which cover a 12 month period from 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025, present a true and fair view and the accounting policies adopted are those outlined below.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include investments at fair value. 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 affiliation to another body, nor those which are informal gatherings of church members.

b Funds accounting

Funds held by the PCC are:

Unrestricted funds - general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes

Designated funds - monies set aside by the PCC out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds - 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 the year is carried forward as a balance on that fund.

Endowment funds - funds the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used, either as restricted or unrestricted funds, depending on the purpose set out in the terms of the original endowment

c Income and endowments

All income and endowments are accounted for without deduction for any costs of receivability, are recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies

Collections are recognised when received.

Planned giving receivable is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable, and the amount accords with the Gift Aid declaration or other record of intention to donate.

Gift aid recovered is recognised when the income to which it is attached is recognised.

Grants and legacies are recognised when the formal offer in writing of the funding, is received by the PCC.

Charitable activities

Statutory fees for weddings and funerals are recognised when the office occurs.

Other trading activities

Trading activities are where income is receivable in return for selling goods or providing services. Income from trading is recognised when received.

Investment income

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2025

All other income

All other income is recognised in accordance with the above overall policy.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains are recognised when the investments are sold.

Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation at 31 December.

d Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and accounted for gross.

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded where the award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Church Activities

The diocesan parish contribution is accounted for on an annual basis, reflecting the allocation set by our Deanery. Any parish contribution unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance sheet.

e Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishing held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected but are not included in the financial statements.

All expenditure on consecrated or beneficed buildings and individual items costing under £1,500 are written off in the year they were incurred.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of tangible assets, excluding freehold properties, over their expected useful lives. The rates generally applicable are:

Land and Buildings	Nil
Fixtures and Fittings	20%
Audio visual equipment	33%
Office Equipment	25%

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date.

f Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds, or at the bank.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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2. Analysis of income and endowments

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Planned giving (excl. tax refunds)	108,791	1,940	-	110,731	96,515	
Planned giving (no tax refunds)	18,090		-	18,090	10,038	
Loose cash collections	3,715		-	3,715	2,699	
Sundry Donations	3,444	30,208	-	33,652	17,156	
Gift Aid recoverable	27,420	5,142	-	32,562	27,233	
Other income				-	-	
Grants		15,280	-	15,280	630	
Donations and legacies	£161,460	£52,570	-	£214,030	£154,271	
Fees for weddings & funerals	828	-	-	828	1,750	
Fees for events		185		185	5,192	
Charitable activities	£828	£185	-	£1,013	£6,942	
Fundraising events	27	3,160		3,187	2,177	
Church hall hiring fees	16,204	-	-	16,204	13,868	
Other trading activities	£16,231	£3,160	-	£19,391	£16,045	
Bank & CBF deposit interest	4,270	-	-	4,270	3,014	
Mitchell Trust income	24,580	-	-	24,580	23,916	
Investments	£28,850	-	-	£28,850	£26,930	
Other receipts	-	-	-	-	100	
Total income and endowments on all funds	£207,369	£55,915	-	£263,284	£204,288	

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2025

3. Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Stewardship costs	-	-	-	-	18	
Costs of fundraising events	61	250	-	311	159	
Cost of raising funds	£61	£250	-	£311	£177	
Charitable grants and donations	17,100	500	-	17,600	15,411	4
Mission & evangelism costs	11,731	585	-	12,316	19,147	
Diocesan parish share	86,405	-	-	86,405	83,074	
Clergy and other people's expenses	8,333	-	-	8,333	5,409	
Salaries and honoraria incl NI	12,291	-	-	12,291	8,444	5
Upkeep of services	2,955	-	-	2,955	2,770	
Church running costs	12,738	-	-	12,738	12,833	
Youth and children's work	2,047	24	-	2,071	1,052	
Church and hall maintenance and repair	1,801	-	-	1,801	238	
Upkeep of church grounds	-	-	-	-	511	
Bank charges	463	-	-	463	256	
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	8
Governance	1,460	-	-	1,460	1,364	6
Church repairs	-	2,748	-	2,748	27,975	
Cost of charitable activities	£157,324	£3,857	-	£161,181	£178,484	
Church hall running costs	6,163	-	-	6,163	6,694	
Other trading costs	-	-	-	-	-	
Cost of other trading activities	£6,163	-	-	£6,163	£6,694	
Total expended on all funds	£163,548	£4,107	-	£167,655	£185,355	

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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4. Missionary and charitable giving:

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Overseas:						
<i>Tearfund</i>	1,875	-	-	1,875	1,775	
<i>Mission to seafarers</i>	1,875	-	-	1,875	1,775	
<i>Christian solidarity worldwide</i>	600	-	-	600	1,517	
<i>Sarah and Daniel Medeiros</i>	1,875	-	-	1,875	1,775	
<i>2 serve trust</i>	800	-	-	800	1,775	
<i>IFES/UFM</i>	2,375	-	-	2,375	1,775	
<i>Watoto Choir</i>	-	-	-	-	540	
<i>Mission Aviation Fellowship</i>	1,725	-	-	1,725	540	
<i>Operation Mobilisation</i>	1,725	-	-	1,725	-	
<i>Embrace</i>	1,000	-	-	1,000	1,315	
Home:						
<i>Kintsugi Hope</i>	-	-	-	-	50	
<i>The Children's Society</i>	-	500	-	500	-	
<i>Turning Tides</i>	-	-	-	-	517	
<i>Soul Edge</i>	-	-	-	-	540	
<i>Mande Family</i>	1,375	-	-	1,375		
<i>Family support work</i>	1,875	-	-	1,875	1,517	
	17,100	500	-	17,600	15,411	

5. Staff costs

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Remuneration						
<i>Wages and salaries</i>	12,291	-	-	12,291	8,444	
<i>Employer social security costs</i>	-	-	-	-	-	
	12,291	-	-	12,291	8,444	

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the financial year was 2 (2024: 2). No employee received remuneration at the rate of £60,000 or more (2024: none).

6. Governance

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
<i>Independent examination</i>	1,460	-	-	1,460	1,364	
<i>Accounts production</i>	-	-	-	-	-	
	1,460	-	-	1,460	1,364	

7. Transfers between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	

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8. Fixed Assets

a) Investments

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Notes
	£	£	£	£	
Market value 1 January 2025	-	-	469,535	469,535	
Disposals at carrying value	-	-	-	-	
Purchases at cost	-	-	-	-	
Net gains and revaluation	-	-	63,099	63,099	
Market value 31 December 2025	-	-	£532,634	£532,634	

The holdings of investments in shares at 31 December 2025 were: 3703.73 shares in the CBF Investment Fund and 26,072.72 M&G Charifund shares, both investments being included at valuation.

b) Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Audio visual equipment	Office equipment	Total fixed assets	Notes
	£	£	£	£	
Cost or valuation					
At 1 January 2025	-	3,091	-	3,091	
Additions	-	-	-	-	
Disposals	-	-	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	
At 31 December 2025	-	3,091	-	3,091	
Charge for impairment					
At 1 January 2025	-	(3,091)	-	(3,091)	
Additions	-	-	-	-	
Disposals	-	-	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	
At 31 December 2025	-	(3,091)	-	(3,091)	
Net book amounts					
At 31 December 2025	-	0	-	0	
<i>At 1 January 2025</i>	-	-	-	-	

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9. Analysis of net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets for church use	0			0	0	
Investment fixed assets	-	-	532,634	532,634	469,535	
Current assets (except cash)	9,305	350	-	9,655	4,579	
Cash at bank and on deposit	228,085	79,569	-	307,654	217,494	
Current liabilities	(4,637)	(497)	-	(5,134)	(5,527)	
	£232,753	£79,422	£532,634	£844,809	£686,081	

10. Debtors

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Income tax recoverable	7,049	212	-	7,261	2,824	
Prepayments and accrued income	1,429		-	1,429	1,434	
Other debtors	827	138	-	965	321	
	£9,305	£350	-	£9,655	£4,579	

11. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Deferred income	-	-	-	-	-	
Accruals for utilities and other costs	4,498	50	-	4,548	5,527	
Other creditors	139	447	-	586	-	
	£4,637	£497	-	£5,134	£5,527	

12. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Accruals for utilities and other costs	-	-	-	-	-	
Other creditors	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	

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13. Statement of funds

	Opening Balances 1 Jan 2025	Income	Expenditure	Transfers, other gains and losses	Balances c/fwd 31 Dec 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Mitchell Trust	469,535	-	-	63,099	532,634
Total of all endowed funds	469,535	-	-	63,099	532,634
Fabric fund	15,813	-	-	-	15,813
Mission fund	854	1,135	(500)	-	1,489
Retreats (was Camp fund)	2,675	108	(252)	481	3,012
Renewal Fund	7,440	39,073	(2,998)	-	43,515
Pastoral (previously Tea and Fellowship)	178	280	(250)	-	208
Womens Ministry	481	-	-	(481)	-
Youth Coordinator	-	15,000	-	-	15,000
Youth and Children's work	189	319	(107)	-	401
Total of all restricted funds	27,630	55,915	(4,107)	-	79,438
General fund	45,368	207,369	(158,911)	(35,421)	58,405
Renewal fund	113,125	-	-	29,833	142,958
Fabric fund	24,203	-	(1,637)	-	22,566
Mission Fund	3,900	-	(3,000)	5,588	6,488
YP Bursary	675	-	-	-	675
Hardship Fund	1,645	-	-	-	1,645
Total of all unrestricted funds	188,916	207,369	(163,548)	-	232,737
Total funds	£686,081	£263,284	£(167,655)	£63,099	£844,809

14. Transactions with PCC members and connected parties:

Mrs S Tombling, wife of Mr D Tombling, a trustee, received £5,567 for administrative services. (2024: £5,428)

Mrs L Garry, wife of Mr R Garry, a trustee, received £3,626 for administrative services. (2024: £3,016)

Mr G Dickson, a trustee, was employed to undertake Electrical work and was paid £949 (2024: £450)

Mrs R Dickson, wife of Mr G Dickson, a trustee, was paid for her professional photography services £100 (2024: £150)

The PCC supported the vicar by paying Council Tax of £3,314 (2024: £3,264), water and environmental charges of £950 (2024: £586); decorating of the clergy house £785 (2024: £0) plus other regular reimbursement which includes travel, training, hospitality, telephone and broadband amounting to £3,273 (2024: £2,236) for the year.

There were no expenses paid to any of the other trustees.

The aggregate donations made by the charity's trustees amounted to £48,930 (2024: £48,004). None of these carried any conditions on receipt.

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15. Prior year Statement of Financial Activities comparative figures for this year

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:				
Donations and legacies	144,168	10,103	-	154,271
Charitable activities	1,841	5,101	-	6,942
Other trading activities	14,128	1,917	-	16,045
Investments	26,930	-	-	26,930
Other income	100	-	-	100
Total income	187,167	17,121	-	204,288
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	18	159	-	177
Charitable activities	142,291	36,193	-	178,484
Other trading activities	6,694	-	-	6,694
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure	149,003	36,352	-	185,355
Net gains (or losses) on investments		-	11,670	11,670
Net income or (net expenditure)	38,164	(19,231)	11,670	30,603
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):				
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	-	-	-	-
<i>Reconciliation of funds:</i>				
Net movement in funds	38,164	(19,231)	11,670	30,603
Total funds brought forward	150,752	46,861	457,865	655,478
Total funds carried forward	188,916	27,630	469,535	686,081

Independent Examiner's Report to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St John's Church, Broadbridge Heath

I report to the members of the PCC on my examination of the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2025 which are set out on pages 9 to 19.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The PCC members 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that is required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view', and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect,

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

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



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