

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PAUL'S CHURCH, STOCKTON ON TEES

England & Wales · Charity number 1195893

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2021-09-22

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: St Paul's Parochial Church Council has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also responsible for the maintenance of the Church building.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Stockton-on-tees

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£113,052	£117,367	-	-
2024-12-31	£109,801	£113,891	-	-
2023-12-31	£104,034	£77,008	-	-
2022-12-31	£85,911	£102,881	-	-
2021-12-31	£382,747	£458,857	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Paul Arnold	Chair	2021-07-01
Adam Twizell		2026-04-19
Aillean Dixon		2026-04-19
DOROTHY FRANCES AITHWAITE		2021-06-06
Joan Ursula Williams		2023-05-21
John Gordon Eyles		2022-05-21
Julie Collins		2021-06-06
Michael Heath		2026-04-19
Sally Rosser Rollinson		2024-05-19
Zoe Smith		2024-05-19

Accounts

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The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Annual Report
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

The Parochial Church Council present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2025.

Reference and Administration Information

Principal address	Bishopton Road Stockton-on-Tees TS18 4PB
Status	Registered Charity No: 1195893
Chairpersons	Rev. P. Arnold
Treasurer	John Gordon Eyles
Trustees	Rev Paul Arnold Zoe Smith Sally Rosser Rollinson Linda Catherine Errington Joan Ursula Williams John Gordon Eyles Julie Collins Dorothy Frances Aithwaite Faye Ellen Thompson
Independent Examiners	Lynne Dickson FCA JBC Accountants Limited 3B Lockheed Court Preston Farm Stockton-on-Tees TS18 3SH
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 49 High Street Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1AG

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The primary objective of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

The PCC of St Paul's has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy team in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at St Paul's Church.

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish;
- Missionary and outreach work.

Achievements and Performance

- * Worship and Prayer - Our worshipping community continues to grow. We have seen variable attendance rates through the year but the general trend is increasing.
- * Pastoral Care - we continue to provide pastoral care for the people of this parish.
- * Mission and outreach - we continue with our good holiday clubs and have increased outreach by starting a new club for 7-11 year olds 'Voyagers' which is growing steadily. This is alongside our outreach in local schools and mission weeks with teams from abroad.
- * Hall heating and lighting modernised.
- * Chancel and chapel lighting modernised.
- * Den lighting and electrical works
- * All church electrical systems EICR compliant
- * Audio Visual system upgraded, television replacing projector and screen

Financial Review

Unrestricted funds

Income £112,106 (2024: £107,307) of which:

Parish giving scheme (PGS) donations inc gift aid (auto applied) £15,541 (2024: £15,267);

Other giving, gift aid (manually claimed) £8,614 (2024: £9,632);

Weddings/funerals, £1,987 (2024: £1,646);

Hall lettings £3,741 (2024: £5,088);

Coffee morning's £909 (2024: £624);

income £66,296 (2024: £64,529)

SDF grant

Expenditure:

Electricity and water £13,914 (2024: £8,288);

Insurance £4,300 (2024: £4,174);

Parish Share £4,200 (£4,200 paid early 2026), (2024: £7,720)

Restricted funds

The Restoration and grafting funds have been used for maintenance and repair works during the year amounting to £23,197.

Reserves policy

It is the intention of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds of at least £5000, in case of a sudden drop in giving, or other emergency situations which may arise from time to time. The balance held on unrestricted funds is in line with this policy.

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Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended and Church representation rules that came into force on 1st April 2013. The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission during the year.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Appropriate induction and training procedures are in place, and PCC members are sent on relevant training courses when, and where necessary.

The major risks to which the PCC is exposed, as identified by the PCC members, have been reviewed and systems or procedures have been established to manage those risks.

Approved by the PCC on 5/4/2026 and signed on their behalf by:



John Eyles - Treasurer pro tem

**The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Independent Examiners Report
For the Year Ended 31 December 2025**

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

Name: Lynne Dickson FCA

Firm: JBC Accountants Limited

Address: 3B Lockheed Court
Preston Farm
Stockton-on-Tees
TS18 3SH

Date: 15 May 2026

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	94,114	290	94,404	90,572
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	5,748	-	5,748	6,734
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	1,198	-	1,198	624
<i>Investments</i>	2d	73	656	729	1,016
<i>Other</i>	2e	10,973	-	10,973	10,855
Total		<u>112,106</u>	<u>946</u>	<u>113,052</u>	<u>109,801</u>
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds</i>	3a	161	-	161	72
<i>Mission giving & donations</i>	3b	-	290	290	1,892
<i>Church activities</i>	3c	93,719	23,197	116,916	111,927
Total		<u>93,880</u>	<u>23,487</u>	<u>117,367</u>	<u>113,891</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		18,226	(22,541)	(4,315)	(4,090)
Transfer between funds		3,167	(3,167)	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>21,393</u>	<u>(25,708)</u>	<u>(4,315)</u>	<u>(4,090)</u>
Total funds brought forward	8 & 9	(55,458)	60,976	5,518	9,608
Total funds carried forward	8 & 9	<u>(34,065)</u>	<u>35,268</u>	<u>1,203</u>	<u>5,518</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

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Balance Sheet

For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Current Assets:			
Debtors	5	2,799	1,827
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>62,447</u>	<u>86,673</u>
		65,246	88,500
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	9,480	17,446
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>55,766</u>	<u>71,054</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	54,563	65,536
Total net assets		<u>1,203</u>	<u>5,518</u>
Parish funds:			
Unrestricted funds	8	(34,065)	(55,458)
Restricted funds	9	35,268	60,976
	10	<u>1,203</u>	<u>5,518</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on

Approved by:

Rev. P. Arnold

Mr J.G Eyles



The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 31 December 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	15,937	-	15,937	15,324
Income Tax Recoverable	4,996	-	4,996	4,072
Open collections	3,222	-	3,222	2,635
Sundry donations	2,663	290	2,953	3,782
Legacy received	1,000	-	1,000	-
Grants received	66,296	-	66,296	66,043
	<u>94,114</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>94,404</u>	<u>91,856</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	1,987	-	1,987	1,646
Church hall lettings	3,761	-	3,761	5,088
	<u>5,748</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,748</u>	<u>6,734</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/fundraising	1,198	-	1,198	624
	<u>1,198</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,198</u>	<u>624</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	<u>73</u>	<u>656</u>	<u>729</u>	<u>1,016</u>
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	10,973	-	10,973	10,855
Total	<u>112,106</u>	<u>946</u>	<u>113,052</u>	<u>111,085</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £		Total 2024 £
3a Raising funds	161	-	161	-	72
3b Mission Giving & Donations	-	290	290		1,892
3c Church activities					
Parish Share	4,200	-	4,200		7,720
Fees to DBF	1,131		1,131		
Salaries, wages and honoraria	46,780	-	46,780		45,909
Clergy & staff expenses	1,499	-	1,499		1,249
Mission & evangelism costs	10,140	-	10,140		13,044
Church running expenses	13,452	5,902	19,354		11,979
Church utility bills	13,914	-	13,914		8,288
Miscellaneous expenses	73	-	73		130
New Building work to church/hall	-	17,295	17,295		10,798
Loan interest	1,955	-	1,955		2,260
Other expenditure	-	-	-		10,000
Independent Examiner's fee	575	-	575		550
	<u>93,719</u>	<u>23,197</u>	<u>116,916</u>		<u>111,927</u>
Total	<u>93,880</u>	<u>23,487</u>	<u>117,367</u>		<u>113,891</u>

4 Employee Costs	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	45,282	42,507
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	1,368	3,102
	<u>46,650</u>	<u>45,609</u>

The average number of staff employed during the year was
(1 x Admin/Comms & 1 x Children/Youth worker):

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No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2025	2024
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	2,208	1,160
Other debtors	591	667
	<u>2,799</u>	<u>1,827</u>

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2025	2024
	£	£
Loan	5,000	5,000
Trade creditors	404	236
Accruals	4,076	2,210
Other creditors	-	10,000
	<u>9,480</u>	<u>17,446</u>

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2025	2024
	£	£
Loan	<u>54,563</u>	<u>65,536</u>

A loan of £100,000 was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2025	2024
	£	£
Brought forward at 1st January 2025	(55,458)	(73,479)
Income	112,106	42,778
Expenditure	(93,880)	(24,757)
Transfers	3,167	-
Carried forward at 31st December 2025	<u>(34,065)</u>	<u>(55,458)</u>

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS					
2025:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	23,847	656	(19,235)	-	5,268
Grafting fund	3,962	-	(3,962)	-	-
Garfield Weston grant	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
Donations	-	290	(290)	-	-
Strategic Development funding	3,167	-	-	(3,167)	-
	<u>60,976</u>	<u>946</u>	<u>(23,487)</u>	<u>3,167</u>	<u>35,268</u>

The Restoration fund has been used for ongoing maintenance to the church. The balance at 31 December 2025 includes the remnant of the bequest from the Jenny Bowron trust of £5,242.

The Grafting funds have been spent in full on mainenance during the year.

Garfield Weston fund of £30,000 for servery/kitchen works to commence 2026

Strategic development fund (SDF) has been extended for another three years. This Diocesan fund repays receipted expenditure from PCC current account, and as such the income has been reclassified as not restricted.

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9 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

2024:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	27,884	943	(4,980)		23,847
Grafting fund	14,760	-	(10,798)		3,962
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	(10,000)		-
Garfield Weston grant	30,000	-	-		30,000
Donations	-	1,821	(1,821)		-
Strategic Development Funding	443	64,259	(61,535)		3,167
	<u>83,087</u>	<u>67,023</u>	<u>(89,134)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>60,976</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
Current assets	29,978	35,268	65,246	88,500
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(9,480)	-	(9,480)	(17,446)
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(54,563)	-	(54,563)	(65,536)
	<u>(34,065)</u>	<u>35,268</u>	<u>1,203</u>	<u>5,518</u>

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2025.

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Vicar's Report



Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch out your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes.' – Isaiah 54.2 NIV

I can sum this last year up as a season of 'stretching.' Our church has stretched in terms of numbers, reach and depth of discipleship in this past year. All to ensure that people get to know the beating heart of God's love that we want to share with people so that they can get to know Jesus and his transforming love in their lives.

There have obviously been the big events that have stretched our confidence in evangelism – Festival Teesside, summer fun days, co-ordinated alphas, holiday clubs and Christmas bazaars along with our regular coffee mornings and other activities. We helped make the Festival happen and it was great to see members of St Paul's in hi-vis jackets at the event as more than 32,000 people heard the Gospel preached. After which we held a successful sports-based holiday club and community fun day, building relationship with people in our community so that they can begin to connect and explore faith in Jesus Christ. We are stretching!

We have seen new Christians coming to faith and celebrated baptisms across the year as young and old alike gave their lives to Jesus. We have seen the launch of Bubble church this year – our fun filled, puppet packed church service for youngsters and their adults – and it has grown considerably. So much so that there are plans in 2025 for this to be twice a month rather than simply once. PCC have also been stretched this year as we became part of the diocesan 'Health for Growth' cohort. This looked at various aspects that mark a healthy church, as a result we are beginning to really emphasise the benefits of joining a life group in church. These help to encourage us in our walk with Christ and build friendships that last and go deep.

2024 was also a year tinged with sadness as we said farewell to one of our long standing members, Jim Kane, whose funeral was held at the end of the year. As we look ahead there are still exciting moments of being stretched in 2025: our growth in relationship with God and each other, our growth in impact in the community and our growth in numbers as we continue to see new people encounter Jesus. My prayer is that we can continue to stretch out the tent, that we won't hold back. Because as we take those steps of faith in 2025 God will be helping us every step of the way.



Warden Report



The Good:

The continued support received from Julie, Dorothy and Tracy when the warden was acting as default treasurer.

The relief when Zoe stepped in as treasurer at the post APCM PCC meeting.

The joy when Sally agreed to be co-warden (as warden elect) with me since October.

The wonderful growth we've seen in families becoming part of the St Paul's family.

The generosity of the established congregation, joyfully making space for the new.

Happy children in church.

Pastoral care and Safeguarding continue to be well managed and supported.

St Paul's Church has developed its own forward-looking culture.

Fabric:

The modelling of the proposed partitioning of the chapel from the chancel has been received favourably.

Discussions with DAC on Hall, Chapel, Chancel, Café and Den works went on until July. They have agreed in principle the works and format.

It is now hoped that the works to electrical compliance (all areas), Hall heating and lighting will be completed in August 2025 (after Holiday Club).

Partition and other works to Chapel to follow repairs to "angled window roof", drying out and replastering, again a warm weather job.

Café/servery can commence when amendment to an existing faculty is processed.

The Hole:

We await a response from the Architect to our question "Is there any way to resolve this issue that doesn't involve taking legal action against WB Construction? (WB Construction were the main contractors for the 2020/21 works).



Safeguarding



Safeguarding is the responsibility of the whole church and St Paul's takes safeguarding of its parishioners extremely seriously. We aim to guide and protect all who come to seek a safe place within our community. The PCC have adopted the diocesan safeguarding policy and under diocesan guidance we seek to support, listen to and guide all who need it. We refer to the best service suppliers where necessary and ensure all those who need it are fully and appropriately trained.

What has this entailed over 2024

- All staff who are in service are DBS checked and relevant training undertaken for them to safely carry out their role.
- Concerns reported and given due care within 48 hours of disclosure, checking in and follow-up conversations done.
- There have been two safeguarding issues which have safely been addressed, logged and followed thoroughly, and using other agencies correctly.
- Minor concerns are logged in case follow-up is required.

Durham Diocese along with other Dioceses within the country have moved from paper trails to an online safeguarding hub which ensures that we are transparent with our safeguarding training and issues within the Parish.

Joan Williams, Parish Safeguarding Officer

Children & Youth



We long to see the children of this area reached and transformed by the love of God and 2024 has been a great year for this at St Paul's.

We have reached nearly 200 people for Jesus (children and their parents/carers) across our ministries this year. This isn't including all the school pupils that we see in collective worship and school visits.

In church on a Sunday Kids Space ministry grew. Creche launched in December with Linda and team providing a safe and fun space to nurture faith in under 5s.

Through the week: Baby and Toddler Church reached 42 children. Youth Life Group reached up to 6. Bubble Church launched in April averaging 7 families plus team across all ages.

We loved reaching new people and our work with schools and in events helped us to do that. We work with four schools through assemblies, worship, prayer spaces (with an average of 23 children a week at St Mark's), and school visits, exploring faith in Jesus together. Events like Festival Teesside, work in Newham Grange Park and Half Time Holiday Club, have extended our reach further. Thanks to Scottsdale Bible Church and Scripture Union for their help with this.

Our Holiday Club for 7-11s demonstrated a need for something here. We are planning a new group – called Voyagers – tailored to their needs. Team are gathered and we launch in January 2025.

Pray that growth can be sustained with people called into this ministry area who are passionate about reaching children, young people and their families with God's love and that those exploring faith would go deeper and experience God's love for themselves. If that is you and God is nudging you to help, talk to me.

Lauren Goodrick, Children and Youth Outreach Worker.



Pastoral Care

The pastoral team has continued this year and meets regularly to consider how to support those in need in our parish.

This year there have been a number of complex pastoral issues that required in-depth support. As well as starting to take flowers around to people in the church each week. A big thanks to the whole team who have been a part of this. Please continue to pray for and encourage them in their calling.

Electoral Roll

This year was a year for a full renewal of our electoral roll, which means that we throw away the old roll and start again with a brand new roll. This happens every 6 years.

Last year we predicted that our roll of 57 would dip considerably as there were a number of people who were on the roll who had left during lockdown and never really come back to the church. Our new roll now stands at 39 - this is actually really encouraging as it is a higher number than we expected would be on the roll after our renewal and it doesn't represent everyone who attends or sees this church as 'theirs'.

If you are not on the electoral roll and would like to be please do see Reverend Paul or Tracy Carson our administrator and they will happily help you to apply.

Curate's Report



I cannot quite believe I have been at St Paul's for almost two years! Being part of the team here continues to be an amazing privilege. 2024 has been a significant year for me, especially with my ordination to the Priesthood in June. For years, I had been anticipating how it would feel to preside at the table during Holy Communion, and it has quickly become one of my favourite things in the world to do.

In August, I served on one of the children's teams at New Wine Summer Festival, and when I came back, it was almost straight into our kids' Holiday Club. Both gave me a renewed passion for the church's work with children, and I was delighted to discover that Lauren also felt that the church was called to start a mid-week group for 7 to 11-year-olds. After gathering the team and much planning, it has been excellent to see Voyagers get off to a solid start in 2025. Alpha has continued to be a highlight. Our Alphas have not been huge, with dozens of people attending. However, they have been significant. Each course has seen multiple people encounter Jesus, particularly on the Holy Spirit away days. Through this, we have seen new families become active parts of our church family. What a joy! Previous participants have been keen to be on the team for future courses, even leading discussion times.

Looking to 2025, I am eager to see how I grow as a priest and continue to see what God has planned for St Paul's. Thank you to everyone who has been supporting me on this journey.

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- GOD'S FAMILY
- SPIRIT LED
- JESUS CENTRED
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Signed:



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Date:

29 April 2025

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Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	24,492	66,080	90,572	90,645
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	6,734	-	6,734	2,577
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	624	-	624	1,658
<i>Investments</i>	2d	73	943	1,016	344
<i>Other</i>	2e	10,855	-	10,855	8,810
Total		42,778	67,023	109,801	104,034
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds</i>	3a	72	-	72	172
<i>Mission giving & donations</i>	3b	71	1,821	1,892	1,013
<i>Church activities</i>	3c	24,614	87,313	111,927	75,823
Total		24,757	89,134	113,891	77,008
Net income/(expenditure)		18,021	(22,111)	(4,090)	27,026
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		18,021	(22,111)	(4,090)	27,026
Total funds brought forward	8 & 9	(73,479)	83,087	9,608	(17,418)
Total funds carried forward	8 & 9	(55,458)	60,976	5,518	9,608

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	Note	2024 £	2023 £
Current Assets:			
Debtors	5	1,827	2,088
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>86,673</u>	<u>93,987</u>
		88,500	96,075
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	17,446	10,076
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>71,054</u>	<u>85,999</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	65,536	76,391
Total net assets		<u><u>5,518</u></u>	<u><u>9,608</u></u>
Parish funds:			
Unrestricted funds	8	(55,458)	(73,479)
Restricted funds	9	60,976	83,087
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Approved by:

Rev. P. Arnold



Mrs. Z. Smith



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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	15,324	-	15,324	14,002
Income Tax Recoverable	4,072	-	4,072	3,790
Open collections	2,635	-	2,635	3,054
Sundry donations	1,961	1,821	3,782	1,756
Legacy received	-	-	-	2,000
Grants received	500	64,259	64,759	66,043
	<u>24,492</u>	<u>66,080</u>	<u>90,572</u>	<u>90,645</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	1,646	-	1,646	520
Church hall lettings	5,088	-	5,088	2,057
	<u>6,734</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,734</u>	<u>2,577</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/fundraising	624	-	624	1,658
	<u>624</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>1,658</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	73	943	1,016	344
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	10,855	-	10,855	8,810
Total	<u>42,778</u>	<u>67,023</u>	<u>109,801</u>	<u>104,034</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
3a Raising funds	72	-	72	172
3b Mission Giving & Donations	71	1,821	1,892	1,013
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	7,720	-	7,720	8,800
Salaries, wages and honoraria	300	45,609	45,909	29,489
Clergy & staff expenses	1,249	-	1,249	1,027
Mission & evangelism costs	638	12,406	13,044	4,721
Church running expenses	3,479	8,500	11,979	21,533
Church utility bills	8,288	-	8,288	7,542
Miscellaneous expenses	130	-	130	284
New Building work to church/hall	-	10,798	10,798	-
Loan interest	2,260	-	2,260	1,877
Other expenditure	-	10,000	10,000	-
Independent Examiner's fee	550	-	550	550
	<u>24,614</u>	<u>87,313</u>	<u>111,927</u>	<u>75,823</u>
Total	<u>24,757</u>	<u>89,134</u>	<u>113,891</u>	<u>77,008</u>

4 Employee Costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	42,507	28,588
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	3,102	901
	<u>45,609</u>	<u>29,489</u>
The average number of staff employed during the year was (1 x Admin/Comms & 1 x Children/Youth worker):	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2024	2023
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	1,160	1,370
Other debtors	667	718
	1,827	2,088

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024	2023
	£	£
Loan	5,000	5,000
Trade creditors	236	2,650
Accruals	2,210	2,426
Other creditors	10,000	-
	17,446	10,076

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2024	2023
	£	£
Loan	65,536	76,391

A loan of £100,000 was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2024	2023
	£	£
Brought forward at 1st January 2024	(73,479)	(80,047)
Income	42,778	35,071
Expenditure	(24,757)	(28,503)
Transfers	-	0
Carried forward at 31st December 2024	(55,458)	(73,479)

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS					
2024:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	27,884	943	(4,980)		23,847
Grafting fund	14,760		(10,798)		3,962
National Lottery grant	10,000		(10,000)		-
Garfield Weston grant	30,000				30,000
Donations	-	1,821	(1,821)		-
Strategic Development Funding	443	64,259	(61,535)		3,167
	83,087	67,023	(89,134)	-	60,976

Quarterly payments from a bequest have now ceased but the Restoration fund is still used for ongoing maintenance to church, hall and grounds.

The Grafting fund is used for building works. A grant for £30,000 was received from Garfield Weston in 2023 towards the costs of a Community Café. This work is yet to be started. Due to increased costs and other funds not being available, replacement baptistry windows were not purchased. The PCC have therefore decided to return the grant of £10,000 to the National Lottery and this was repaid in 2025.

The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding (SDF) from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and covers staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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2023:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	33,926	2,287	(8,329)		27,884
Grafting fund	14,760	-	-		14,760
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	-		10,000
Garfield Weston grant	-	30,000	-		30,000
Donations	-	633	(633)		-
Strategic Development Funding	3,943	36,043	(39,543)		443
	<u>62,629</u>	<u>68,963</u>	<u>(48,505)</u>	-	<u>83,087</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Current assets	27,524	60,976	88,500	96,075
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- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

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Date: 29 April 2025

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	24,492	66,080	90,572	90,645
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	6,734	-	6,734	2,577
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	624	-	624	1,658
<i>Investments</i>	2d	73	943	1,016	344
<i>Other</i>	2e	10,855	-	10,855	8,810
Total		<u>42,778</u>	<u>67,023</u>	<u>109,801</u>	<u>104,034</u>
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds</i>	3a	72	-	72	172
<i>Mission giving & donations</i>	3b	71	1,821	1,892	1,013
<i>Church activities</i>	3c	24,614	87,313	111,927	75,823
Total		<u>24,757</u>	<u>89,134</u>	<u>113,891</u>	<u>77,008</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		18,021	(22,111)	(4,090)	27,026
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>18,021</u>	<u>(22,111)</u>	<u>(4,090)</u>	<u>27,026</u>
Total funds brought forward	8 & 9	(73,479)	83,087	9,608	(17,418)
Total funds carried forward	8 & 9	<u>(55,458)</u>	<u>60,976</u>	<u>5,518</u>	<u>9,608</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Balance Sheet
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	£	£
Current Assets:			
Debtors	5	1,827	2,088
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>86,673</u>	<u>93,987</u>
		88,500	96,075
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	17,446	10,076
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>71,054</u>	<u>85,999</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	65,536	76,391
Total net assets		<u>5,518</u>	<u>9,608</u>
Parish funds:			
Unrestricted funds	8	(55,458)	(73,479)
Restricted funds	9	60,976	83,087
	10	<u>5,518</u>	<u>9,608</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council 14/04/2025

Approved by:

Rev. P. Arnold



Mrs. Z. Smith



The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	15,324	-	15,324	14,002
Income Tax Recoverable	4,072	-	4,072	3,790
Open collections	2,635	-	2,635	3,054
Sundry donations	1,961	1,821	3,782	1,756
Legacy received	-	-	-	2,000
Grants received	500	64,259	64,759	66,043
	<u>24,492</u>	<u>66,080</u>	<u>90,572</u>	<u>90,645</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	1,646	-	1,646	520
Church hall lettings	5,088	-	5,088	2,057
	<u>6,734</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>6,734</u>	<u>2,577</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/fundraising	624	-	624	1,658
	<u>624</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>624</u>	<u>1,658</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	73	943	1,016	344
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	10,855	-	10,855	8,810
Total	<u>42,778</u>	<u>67,023</u>	<u>109,801</u>	<u>104,034</u>

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
3a Raising funds	72	-	72	172
3b Mission Giving & Donations	71	1,821	1,892	1,013
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	7,720	-	7,720	8,800
Salaries, wages and honoraria	300	45,609	45,909	29,489
Clergy & staff expenses	1,249	-	1,249	1,027
Mission & evangelism costs	638	12,406	13,044	4,721
Church running expenses	3,479	8,500	11,979	21,533
Church utility bills	8,288	-	8,288	7,542
Miscellaneous expenses	130	-	130	284
New Building work to church/hall	-	10,798	10,798	-
Loan interest	2,260	-	2,260	1,877
Other expenditure	-	10,000	10,000	-
Independent Examiner's fee	550	-	550	550
	<u>24,614</u>	<u>87,313</u>	<u>111,927</u>	<u>75,823</u>
Total	<u>24,757</u>	<u>89,134</u>	<u>113,891</u>	<u>77,008</u>

4 Employee Costs	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	42,507	28,588
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	3,102	901
	<u>45,609</u>	<u>29,489</u>
The average number of staff employed during the year was (1 x Admin/Comms & 1 x Children/Youth worker):	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2024 £	2023 £
Income tax recoverable	1,160	1,370
Other debtors	667	718
	1,827	2,088

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2024 £	2023 £
Loan	5,000	5,000
Trade creditors	236	2,650
Accruals	2,210	2,426
Other creditors	10,000	-
	17,446	10,076

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2024 £	2023 £
Loan	65,536	76,391

A loan of £100,000 was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2024 £	2023 £
Brought forward at 1st January 2024	(73,479)	(80,047)
Income	42,778	35,071
Expenditure	(24,757)	(28,503)
Transfers	-	0
Carried forward at 31st December 2024	(55,458)	(73,479)

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS					
2024:	At 1 January £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December £
Restoration fund	27,884	943	(4,980)	-	23,847
Grafting fund	14,760	-	(10,798)	-	3,962
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	-
Garfield Weston grant	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
Donations	-	1,821	(1,821)	-	-
Strategic Development Funding	443	64,259	(61,535)	-	3,167
	83,087	67,023	(89,134)	-	60,976

Quarterly payments from a bequest have now ceased but the Restoration fund is still used for ongoing maintenance to church, hall and grounds.

The Grafting fund is used for building works. A grant for £30,000 was received from Garfield Weston in 2023 towards the costs of a Community Café. This work is yet to be started. Due to increased costs and other funds not being available, replacement baptistry windows were not purchased. The PCC have therefore decided to return the grant of £10,000 to the National Lottery and this was repaid in 2025.

The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding (SDF) from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and covers staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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9 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

2023:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	33,926	2,287	(8,329)		27,884
Grafting fund	14,760	-	-		14,760
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	-		10,000
Garfield Weston grant	-	30,000	-		30,000
Donations	-	633	(633)		-
Strategic Development Funding	3,943	36,043	(39,543)		443
	<u>62,629</u>	<u>68,963</u>	<u>(48,505)</u>	-	<u>83,087</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Current assets	27,524	60,976	88,500	96,075
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(17,446)	-	(17,446)	(10,076)
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(65,536)	-	(65,536)	(76,391)
	<u>(55,458)</u>	<u>60,976</u>	<u>5,518</u>	<u>9,608</u>

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2024.

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Vicar's Report



This is our third year of operating as a revitalisation here at St Paul's and it has been a great journey. This year the church has been beginning to see the building of momentum behind the vision to be the beating heart of God's love for Stockton. There have been physical changes to the building in our new office, changes in our staffing and structure including the arrival of Alfred our new curate and Tracy our new administrator. We have seen increased missional outreach with a continued focus on children and young people, with our amazing Narnia prayer spaces, coffee mornings and Exodus All Age series as well as the beginning of Youth Life Group. We saw two amazing groups of teenagers from the States join us on mission. Our children's groups, particularly Toddler Church, has grown to the point where we are now planning a launch of Bubble Church in 2024, a very exciting pilot of a service for families with young children.

This is all reflected in our statistics for mission in 2023 – we saw our Sunday attendance grow from 41 to 50 on average with a worshipping community growing from 68 to 140. 84 of that community are under the age of 18. And we are responding to that growth by ensuring we have space to accommodate our children and youth with plans to refurbish our chapel and vestry next year to make room for a creche and a youth den.

As we move in to 2024 it is with a sense of excitement for what God has planned for us with the upcoming Festival Teesside, new Alpha courses, Bubble Church and building projects to come.

Nine years ago, it looked like the church would close. Five years ago we dreamed about what could be. Three years ago we started the hard work of change. Now we are beginning to see lasting fruit of that journey and the hope of more to come!



Warden Report



A big thank you to all who have supported me in post as warden since June: All those who have prayed for me, served on rotas and joined in our Church family gatherings making it all worthwhile!

A particular thankyou to Julie and Dorothy who stepped up as finance team to support the Warden when he became, by default, Treasurer. And to Ian Bendall, who although stepping back from project work within this church, has carefully and thoughtfully handed over any ongoing actions.

The Church is growing in numbers, there is a real sense of looking forward to what's God going to do next. Pastoral care and Safeguarding are well managed and supported. Financial management is good and with the introduction QuickBooks will develop even better transparency.

Health and Safety: Intruder and Fire alarm systems are now tested and maintained.

Future Work: Electrics - Quotations have been received and a supplier selected by PCC who shall be worked with to bring us into compliance with our older electrics in the building.

Seymour Chapel - The works will also cover making the chapel both prayer and child friendly.

The small hall heating and lighting will be renewed. Faculties and grants for both areas are being sought.

Quinquennial action list and other works have been prioritised by PCC.

We have one Warden and one Treasurer post vacant, please consider carefully and prayerfully if you can help.

Safeguarding

After around three years as PSO I have recently handed over this role to Joan Williams. On the point of handover there were no serious concerns which we were actively working through as still unresolved. There was a number of recorded situations and incidents on file which were not causing concern at the point of handover but we were aware issues could well arise again.

Partly because of the demographics of the Parish there are many issues that arise so the role can be a busy one. There are a lot of families struggling and also individuals with health issues who became vulnerable. Issues also arise through the opening up of the church to groups such as Youth. It is important as issues arise to respond quickly and review and update safeguarding policies so groups can be properly and safely welcomed into the church.

The employment of Tracy as administrator and bookkeeper should help ease the pressure of the role as she will be taking on much of the work around DBS checks and monitoring that training is up to date.

The role of the PSO works best as part of a team alongside the vicar Paul Arnold and also the Pastoral team. Beth Miller also provides invaluable advice as Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor.

I give my heartfelt thanks to Joan Williams for taking on this role .
Geraldine Donegan

Children & Youth



Our children and youth work here in St Paul's is a key part of our mission. We cover a whole range and are beginning planning for Bubble Church and more! Our vision across all of this has been seeing our young people grow in faith and as disciples of Jesus.

Toddler Church We share stories of Jesus and have a lot of fun! The group has grown quickly and it has been great to see the team develop: sharing God's message of love in amazing creative ways. A big thank you on behalf of the whole church to the team.

Kids' Space has seen a group of about 14 children on a Sunday, although this fluctuates. We explored prayer and studied Old and New Testament stories of faith and had a fantastic summer all age series in Exodus.

Schools Work is growing! St John's primary school joining our work with Oak Tree, Green Gates and St Mark's. It is great to be in schools or invite them to us with services here.

Youth Ministry was relaunched this year with Youth Alpha bringing in 3 new young people and a Youth Life Group has developed from this. We want to build relationship with them and see them taking steps of faith from exploring to believing and sharing God's love. Movie nights and Refresh Worship has been a big part of this. Seeing a team come together with a burden for our young people to know God has been great. We are seeing the fruit as young people encounter Jesus.

Overseas Missions Two mission teams from America joined us helping decorate our hall and being in local schools and parks connecting with young people in the area, culminating in a youth led youth service with testimony and song. We look forward to welcoming Scottsdale back them back in June.



Pastoral Care

As we seek to be the beating heart of God's love for Stockton, we need to love one another and our Pastoral Team was formed this year to help us not just say it but to show it too.

Our team consists of the clergy (Paul and Alfred), Jean Eyles, Linda Errington, Geraldine Donegan and Joan Williams (our new Parish Safeguarding Officer). Our job is to help coordinate and organise some of the care that is already happening, so actually the team who care for others is the whole church!

We want to thank all of you for helping this team to do its job: sharing when you are struggling and pitching in to help those in need. We are all real and it is the only way we can really help one another and as a family it is lovely to see us pitch in.

We do have a number of complex pastoral issues that we work through as a team, some are known to us as church when people fall ill, some are rightly confidential. Please do keep us in prayer as we continue in this good work.

The team are investigating appropriate training resources to help with general pastoral skills. If you would be interested in taking on some training please let any of the team know.

A key part of pastoral care is in our relationships with each other. These are really built up in small groups of people sharing life together, so we are really glad to see that life groups are a focus for this church next year. They can be a real pastoral support in times of need.

Electoral Roll

In 2023 our Electoral Roll has grown to 57 people on the roll: 15 living in the parish and 42 out of the parish.

Leavers and joiners - We have had 13 people join our roll this year and no leavers from the roll. However, this is going to look very different next year as there are approximately 20 people who no longer attend this church that are likely to no longer be on the roll when we do a full renewal in 2025.

The 12 joiners and next year 20 leavers do not fully reflect the diversity of people that now call this place their church. This is a really good story, but I would urge those who have not joined the roll this year to seriously consider joining it for next year's renewal.

That means that this year - 2023 we cross a boundary that allows us to have on the PCC up to 9 elected lay representatives, along with 2 deanery synod representatives and 2 Churchwardens.

Curate's Report



The first thing I would like to say is thank you. From my first visit to the parish in August 2022, I have been made to feel most welcome. In describing my time at St Paul's I often overuse the words 'Joy', 'Privilege', and 'Wonderful' but it's true!

St Paul's has provided a wonderful place for me to start in ordained ministry. I have had the privilege of many good experiences that have helped with my learning. In my first few months, I helped to lead through the Exodus story in our all age summer series, where we witnessed the pulpit becoming a cloud-covered mountain!

I have been assisted and led baptisms, including one very wiggly four-year-old! I have worked alongside Lauren with toddlers, children, and youth, where I am regularly defeated in table football. And now seeing the toddler church families taking part in bubble church is a real joy.

It has been wonderful to be part of two Alpha courses. Lots of the team for the second one had been guests on the first who wanted to get more involved! I have been able to get varied experiences and insight into all parts of church life in the context of a revitalisation project, seeing both the joys, with people coming to and growing deeper in faith, and the difficulties/pains of times when a small team can be stretched and tired from the good work God gives us.

I would particularly like to thank Rev. Paul for being my training incumbent and journeying with me as I grow into ordained ministry. Please be praying for me as I look forward to being ordained Priest on the 29th of June and continuing my curacy here for the next two years.

At St Paul's we are called to be the beating heart of God's love for Stockton. Showing and sharing his love. To do this we hold 6 All's at our heart we are

ALL:

- **GOD'S
FAMILY**

- **SPIRIT
LED**

- **JESUS
CENTRED**

- **ALL IN**

- **ALL REAL**

- **ALL CAN
PLAY**

The beating heart of God's Love for Stockton'

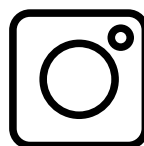


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The Parochial Church Council of the St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2023

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The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Annual Report
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The Parochial Church Council present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Reference and Administration Information

Principal address	Bishopton Road Stockton-on-Tees TS18 4PB
Status	Registered Charity No: 1195893
Chairpersons	Rev. P. Arnold
Temporary treasurer	Mrs J. Collins
Trustees	Rev. P. Arnold Mrs. F. J. Spratt <i>(resigned December 2023)</i> Mrs. D. F. Aithwaite Mrs. G. Donegan Mrs. J. Collins <i>(resigned May 2023)</i> Mr. R. C. Spratt <i>(resigned November 2023)</i> Mr. D. C. Hird <i>(resigned June 2023)</i> Mrs. F. E. Thompson <i>(resigned May 2023)</i> Mr. J. Eyles <i>(appointed May 2023)</i> Mrs. J. Williams <i>(appointed May 2023)</i> Mrs. L Errington <i>(appointed May 2023)</i> Mr. A Jennings <i>(appointed June 2023)</i>
Independent Examiners	Lynne Dickson FCA JBC Accountants Limited 3B Lockheed Court Preston Farm Stockton-on-Tees TS18 3SH
Bankers	Barclays Bank plc 49 High Street Stockton-on-Tees TS18 1AG

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The primary objective of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

The PCC of St Paul's has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy team in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at St Paul's Church.

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish;
- Missionary and outreach work.

Achievements and Performance

- * Vestry converted to an office for administrator and staff
- * Small hall converted to Youth space
- * Further Alpha course successfully completed
- * Junior Alpha course also held
- * Weekly Toddler group continues to flourish, as do relationships with local schools
- * Wider community engagement has continued and flourished with coffee mornings and seasonal celebrations
- * Curate appointed to St Paul's Church

Financial Review

Unrestricted funds

Total incoming resources on unrestricted funds were £35,071 (2022: £34,890) of which £14,002 (2022: £14,433) were planned voluntary donations via standing order, envelope or the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). Also £3,054 (2022: £1,838) via the collection plate, £520 (2022: £1,239) fees from weddings/funerals, £2,057 (2022: £965) from hall lettings and £1,658 (2022: £1,276) from events, eg coffee mornings, etc.

Income tax receivable from gift aid was £3,790 (2022: £4,600)

In our outgoings, our utility costs (electricity and water) totalled £7,542 (2022: £9,457).

Other running expenses (insurance, phone, etc) totalled £6,380 (2022: £5,096).

Loan repayments totalling £16,459 including interest of £2,850 were made (2022: £7,750).

£8,800 (2022:£10,682) was paid towards our Diocesan Quota for 2023.

Restricted funds

Restoration account - we received the last quarterly payment of £2,000 in March from a will trust.

This account is used to pay for regular maintenance of the church and grounds and costs totalled £8,328 (2022: £4,912) with £3,356 paid towards refurbishment of the church office.

Grafting account - there was no expenditure in 2023, however, a grant for £30,000 was received from Garfield Weston towards the cost of a Community Café. Replacement baptistry windows have yet to be purchased, but, due to increased costs, grants will have to be sourced to meet the full cost.

Reserves policy

It is the intention of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds of at least £5000, in case of a sudden drop in giving, or other emergency situations which may arise from time to time. The balance held on unrestricted funds is in line with this policy.

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Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended and Church representation rules that came into force on 1st April 2013. The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission during the year.

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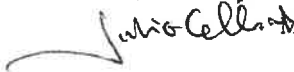
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Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	14,002	-	14,002	14,433
Income Tax Recoverable	3,790	-	3,790	4,600
Open collections	3,054	-	3,054	1,838
Sundry donations	1,123	633	1,756	1,582
Legacy received	-	2,000	2,000	8,000
Grants received	-	66,043	66,043	42,044
	<u>21,969</u>	<u>68,676</u>	<u>90,645</u>	<u>72,496</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	520	-	520	1,239
Church hall lettings	2,057	-	2,057	965
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2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/Sale of Kneelers etc	1,658	-	1,658	1,376
	<u>1,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,658</u>	<u>1,376</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	57	287	344	36
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	8,810	-	8,810	9,799
Total	<u>35,071</u>	<u>68,963</u>	<u>104,034</u>	<u>85,911</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
3a Raising funds	172	-	172	104
3b Mission Giving & Donations	380	633	1,013	1,765
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	8,800	-	8,800	10,682
Salaries, wages and honoraria	50	29,439	29,489	26,974
Clergy & staff expenses	1,027	-	1,027	702
Mission & evangelism costs	1,441	3,280	4,721	1,984
Church running expenses	6,380	15,153	21,533	21,930
Church utility bills	7,542	-	7,542	9,457
Miscellaneous expenses	284	-	284	250
New Building work to church/hall		-	-	24,884
Loan interest	1,877	-	1,877	3,600
Independent Examiner's fee	550	-	550	550
	<u>27,951</u>	<u>47,872</u>	<u>75,823</u>	<u>101,013</u>
Total	<u>28,503</u>	<u>48,505</u>	<u>77,008</u>	<u>102,882</u>

4 Employee Costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	28,588	26,405
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	901	569
	<u>29,489</u>	<u>26,974</u>
The average number of staff employed during the year was (1 x Admin/Comms & 1 x Children/Youth worker):	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2023 £	2022 £
Income tax recoverable	1,370	2,500
Other debtors	718	6,291
	2,088	8,791

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2023 £	2022 £
Loan	5,000	8,712
Trade creditors	2,650	4,823
Accruals	2,426	3,400
	10,076	16,935

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2023 £	2022 £
Loan	76,391	86,288
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A loan of £100,000 was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2023 £	2022 £
Brought forward at 1st January 2022	(80,047)	(82,004)
Income	35,071	34,890
Expenditure	(28,503)	(32,933)
Transfers	-	0
Carried forward at 31st December 2021	(73,479)	(80,047)

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

2023:	At 1 January £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	At 31 December £
Restoration fund	33,926	2,287	(8,329)		27,884
Grafting fund	14,760				14,760
National Lottery grant	10,000				10,000
Garfield Weston grant	-	30,000			30,000
Donations	-	633	(633)		-
Strategic Development Funding	3,943	36,043	(39,543)		443
	62,629	68,963	(48,505)	-	83,087

Quarterly payments from a bequest have now ceased but the Restoration fund is still used for ongoing maintenance to church, hall and grounds.

The Grafting fund is used for building works. There was no expenditure in 2023, however a grant for £30,000 was received from Garfield Weston towards the cost of a Community Café. Replacement baptistry windows have yet to be purchased, but, due to increased costs, further grants will have to be sourced to meet the full cost.

The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding (SDF) from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and covers staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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9 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

2022:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	30,814	8,024	(4,912)		33,926
Grafting fund	30,544	100	(15,884)		14,760
Donations	-	854	(854)		-
DBF grant	4,000	-	(4,000)		-
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	-		10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust	5,000	-	(5,000)		-
DBF Energy Support grant	-	2,406	(2,406)		-
Stockton Warm Spaces	-	500	(500)		-
Strategic Development Funding	1,198	39,138	(36,393)		3,943
	<u>81,556</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>(69,949)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,629</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Current assests	12,988	83,087	96,075	85,805
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(10,076)	-	(10,076)	(16,935)
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(76,391)	-	(76,391)	(86,288)
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There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2023.

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Annual Report
For the Year Ended 31 December 2023

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Reference and Administration Information

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Status	Registered Charity No: 1195893
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The PCC of St Paul's has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy team in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at St Paul's Church.

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus;
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- Missionary and outreach work.

Achievements and Performance

- * Vestry converted to an office for administrator and staff
- * Small hall converted to Youth space
- * Further Alpha course successfully completed
- * Junior Alpha course also held
- * Weekly Toddler group continues to flourish, as do relationships with local schools
- * Wider community engagement has continued and flourished with coffee mornings and seasonal celebrations
- * Curate appointed to St Paul's Church

Financial Review

Unrestricted funds

Total incoming resources on unrestricted funds were £35,071 (2022: £34,890) of which £14,002 (2022: £14,433) were planned voluntary donations via standing order, envelope or the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS). Also £3,054 (2022: £1,838) via the collection plate, £520 (2022: £1,239) fees from weddings/funerals, £2,057 (2022: £965) from hall lettings and £1,658 (2022: £1,276) from events, eg coffee mornings, etc.

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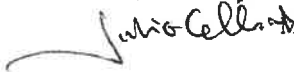
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Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	14,002	-	14,002	14,433
Income Tax Recoverable	3,790	-	3,790	4,600
Open collections	3,054	-	3,054	1,838
Sundry donations	1,123	633	1,756	1,582
Legacy received	-	2,000	2,000	8,000
Grants received	-	66,043	66,043	42,044
	<u>21,969</u>	<u>68,676</u>	<u>90,645</u>	<u>72,496</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	520	-	520	1,239
Church hall lettings	2,057	-	2,057	965
	<u>2,577</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,577</u>	<u>2,204</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/Sale of Kneelers etc	1,658	-	1,658	1,376
	<u>1,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,658</u>	<u>1,376</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	57	287	344	36
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	8,810	-	8,810	9,799
Total	<u>35,071</u>	<u>68,963</u>	<u>104,034</u>	<u>85,911</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
3a Raising funds	172	-	172	104
3b Mission Giving & Donations	380	633	1,013	1,765
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	8,800	-	8,800	10,682
Salaries, wages and honoraria	50	29,439	29,489	26,974
Clergy & staff expenses	1,027	-	1,027	702
Mission & evangelism costs	1,441	3,280	4,721	1,984
Church running expenses	6,380	15,153	21,533	21,930
Church utility bills	7,542	-	7,542	9,457
Miscellaneous expenses	284	-	284	250
New Building work to church/hall		-	-	24,884
Loan interest	1,877	-	1,877	3,600
Independent Examiner's fee	550	-	550	550
	<u>27,951</u>	<u>47,872</u>	<u>75,823</u>	<u>101,013</u>
Total	<u>28,503</u>	<u>48,505</u>	<u>77,008</u>	<u>102,882</u>

4 Employee Costs	2023 £	2022 £
Wages and salaries	28,588	26,405
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	901	569
	<u>29,489</u>	<u>26,974</u>

The average number of staff employed during the year was
(1 x Admin/Comms & 1 x Children/Youth worker):

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No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2023 £	2022 £
Income tax recoverable	1,370	2,500
Other debtors	718	6,291
	2,088	8,791

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2023 £	2022 £
Loan	5,000	8,712
Trade creditors	2,650	4,823
Accruals	2,426	3,400
	10,076	16,935

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2023 £	2022 £
Loan	76,391	86,288

A loan of £100,000 was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2023 £	2022 £
Brought forward at 1st January 2022	(80,047)	(82,004)
Income	35,071	34,890
Expenditure	(28,503)	(32,933)
Transfers	-	0
Carried forward at 31st December 2021	(73,479)	(80,047)

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS					
2023:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	33,926	2,287	(8,329)		27,884
Grafting fund	14,760				14,760
National Lottery grant	10,000				10,000
Garfield Weston grant	-	30,000			30,000
Donations	-	633	(633)		-
Strategic Development Funding	3,943	36,043	(39,543)		443
	62,629	68,963	(48,505)	-	83,087

Quarterly payments from a bequest have now ceased but the Restoration fund is still used for ongoing maintenance to church, hall and grounds.

The Grafting fund is used for building works. There was no expenditure in 2023, however a grant for £30,000 was received from Garfield Weston towards the cost of a Community Café. Replacement baptistry windows have yet to be purchased, but, due to increased costs, further grants will have to be sourced to meet the full cost.

The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding (SDF) from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and covers staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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9 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

2022:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	30,814	8,024	(4,912)		33,926
Grafting fund	30,544	100	(15,884)		14,760
Donations	-	854	(854)		-
DBF grant	4,000	-	(4,000)		-
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	-		10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust	5,000	-	(5,000)		-
DBF Energy Support grant	-	2,406	(2,406)		-
Stockton Warm Spaces	-	500	(500)		-
Strategic Development Funding	1,198	39,138	(36,393)		3,943
	<u>81,556</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>(69,949)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>62,629</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Current assests	12,988	83,087	96,075	85,805
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(10,076)	-	(10,076)	(16,935)
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(76,391)	-	(76,391)	(86,288)
	<u>(73,479)</u>	<u>83,087</u>	<u>9,608</u>	<u>(17,418)</u>

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2023.

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Vicar's Report – Paul Arnold

Aim and Purposes

St Paul's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Paul Arnold, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Building.

Our aim as a parish revitalisation project, is to ensure a strong foundation for the church in this parish for the foreseeable future. Seeking to be the 'beating heart of God's love in Stockton.' This means that as we gather and go through the week we follow a rhythm like a heartbeat that helps us to be present in our communities as missional disciples in our everyday lives. Bringing our homes and communities into ever greater relationship with Jesus.

Objectives and Activities

To help the church in this aim we have developed key values that form the basis of our decision-making; we believe that by following these core values we can ensure the growth that our vision entails. We are all:

- God's Family – We see all people as part of God's family and seek to honour the image of God in everyone and helping all to come to know God as Father; we also see one another as part of the church family, treating one another as brothers and sisters.
- Spirit Led – We are led by the Holy Spirit and seek to enable people to be led by the Holy Spirit in their personal lives through prayer, listening to God and taking steps of faith. We believe in the power of the Holy Spirit at work today in healing and miracles and we seek to be obedient to his call.
- Jesus Centred – We are all disciples of Jesus, seeking to follow his example of love and service in our everyday lives as we help others to follow him. We seek to learn about him through study and be like him in service.

This means that we get to be:

- All In – We are all committed to the mission that God leads us on here in Stockton and as people who rely on God we take bold steps that require faith, as individuals we give wholeheartedly into this mission in how we live, service and finances.
- All Real – We are honest about who we are and how we are, maintaining authenticity in our relationships and finding ways to support one another in times of difficulty as well as celebrating with one another in times of joy.

- All Can Play – We are all able to participate in the life of the church and seek to find ways to allow and to value the contributions of all.

Achievements and Performance

This year we have focussed mainly on reaching new people for Jesus and in particular children and young people. Our goals have been to:

- Build up our toddler worship on a Tuesday establishing a strong team and growing in number and discipleship;
- Challenge poverty and isolation through warm spaces in the building and outside;
- Energise church growth through embedding a culture of invitation and welcome.

Nearly two years on from our launch in Pentecost 2021 it is great to see how God has brought these goals to fruition together alongside the faithful work of our church teams. The toddler team has gone from strength to strength and our youth club, whilst paused to reconfigure, has been successful at reaching our local young people particularly those at the end of their time in primary school.

Our warm spaces work through mission outreach in Oasis and Warm Spaces in the Church Building have been a great exercise in taking steps in obedience. We should celebrate the risks that we take and what we can draw from this for our next steps.

I have been particularly encouraged by how we as a church have been a welcoming and inviting church throughout 2022. When new people join us for worship it is consistently the feedback that I hear. We need to be a church where everyone is welcomed by everyone just as Jesus welcomes us. So seeing this in action both in how we have grown together as a congregation and as new people have joined us has been wonderful to watch.

There are some challenges for us in this. Some are about doing more and ‘turning up the volume’ on some stuff. We are great at welcoming people as part of a Sunday service, can the same welcome be extended to sharing our home spaces? I would love to see people beginning to open up their homes to one another through the week extending that radical hospitality that we see in the Bible and that we see on a Sunday.

As such, I want to encourage each of us to join a life group if we can. Currently we have one active life group on a Friday afternoon, but we have scope for two or three more this year. They help us to become more accountable to one another as disciples through the week and help us to provide spaces where people can feel welcome. I will be looking for people to host and lead these this year. If you feel a call to host something, then let’s talk.

We have had a challenge in terms of staffing, having lost our administrative staff last summer. Big thanks to Stuart for the work that he had done, and for everybody who filled in all the gaps until Liz was able to step into the breach at the beginning of the year and doing that awful job of working for your husband! At the time of writing this we have advertised for a new administrator and would urge us all to pray for the right person or persons to come forward.

We are now looking at continuing our re-ordering work with plans to make the baptistry area structurally sound, to renovate our office space, create a ministry room for youth work and to install a new kitchen and toilets so that we can serve our growing congregation. These are good problems to have but require time and effort as well as a significant amount of funding.

Our final challenge comes as we understand what it means to be disciples together, we read in Acts that the disciples pooled their resources and gave to those as had need. We are facing a challenge in the cost of living crisis, as it has had an effect on us all, it has also had an effect on us as a church. Our funding from the central church runs out in 2026 and we begin contributing our own funds from next year. Our average giving per head per week is approximately £7.63, the actual costs per head of keeping this church going (including ministry costs through parish share) equate to £14.46 per week. We currently meet this shortfall through grants and legacies, but these are not available forever. Simply to maintain our activity beyond our SDF envelope running out (2026), to meet this shortfall we could:

1. Grow by 150 giving members in the next two years – at our current rate of growth this is not out of the realms of possibility but it is a push.
2. Each review and increase our individual giving – where we aren't giving through Parish Giving Scheme, consider doing so as this is the most efficient way of doing it.
3. Seek grants and funds from outside.
4. Pray that God will provide from the above and from elsewhere for the needs that we have.

Of course, the reality is that all of this is needed to ensure we are stewarding our resources as church wisely. But we should never fear because we know that God is with us and will provide in the midst of our needs.

It is at this point that I want to say a huge thank you to everyone in this church family. All of you are giving of your time and skills in a huge way, and it is this above all else which makes this church family special. At a time when overall attendance and volunteering is going down in the world around us, it is very much on the up here and that is down to how God is using you to build His Kingdom here.

I particularly want to personally thank everyone who is on a rota in this church, in whatever way. We held a leaders' dinner just before Holy Week to say thank you to you as you often

go unnoticed and often are working your socks off to make services and other aspects of church life happen. Thank you to our PCC members, whose time spent in evening meetings making key decisions and providing excellent support and counsel has been incredibly valuable to the life of this church and to our Staff Team who have helped on the ground to develop our leaders and see outreach happen.

PCC and Activities

As a PCC we have met throughout the year and experimented with structuring what has been discussed differently: creating separate mission and discipleship, and buildings and finance meetings alongside meetings that focus on the PCC 'business' of governance. This was to gain some more time to chew over some of the more difficult subjects and ensure that decisions were made. As a result, a Pastoral Care team has been created whose remit will be to assist in ensuring a good level of care across the church family.

The PCC will be saying a fond farewell to Julie Collins this year who has served as treasurer for a long time at St Paul's. We hope that she is able to enjoy the rest and that her replacement will be able to pick up the reigns of treasurer well.

We will also be saying a very big thank you to both Richard Spratt and Faye Thompson who have served amazingly as Church Wardens from the inception of the revitalisation to now, having stepped in at an incredibly challenging time for the church in the middle of transition to a revitalisation and managed that transition incredibly well. Both have been a great source of support and wise counsel for me as the vicar, and they have kept the ship more than steady through some really difficult times.

Deanery Synod – John Eyles

Most of the Deanery Synod meetings I managed to attend were interesting and informative; of note was the Diocesan "state of the nation" report which included plans and funding to sustain the existing whilst actively promoting outreach to the young. Unfortunately, I was not able to attend the excellent presentation on prayer spaces in schools given by Deb Hird.

Representation on the Deanery Synod is important for our church. In these changing and challenging times, it is the first level at which motions can be raised for General Synod, and evangelical churches are historically poor at involving themselves in this process.

Building and Fabric – Faye Thompson and Richard Spratt

Fabric Report

This past year has seen us continue with the re-ordering of the church, which is still very much a work in progress, and beginning to plan the ongoing development of the building to serve our church family as we grow into the space.

These plans include:

- Creating a Church Office in the former Vicar's Vestry,
- Re-purposing the Choir Vestry into a comfortable and relaxing space, which can be used for youth work and as a social space,
- Phase Two building works to provide an updated kitchen and an increased number of toilets, without losing any of the Hall space. This phase will also include updating the heating and lighting in the Hall,
- Refurbishment of the Baptistry (in 2021 estimate cost £35,000),
- Roofing repairs on the Lady Chapel roof (in 2021 estimate cost £14,000).

During the year, we have completed annual maintenance requirements, repairs, and some of the outstanding Phase One building works, including dealing with ongoing snagging issues.

Annual Maintenance

- Lightning Protection Inspection and Test Certificate issued by Stone Technical,
- Guttering Inspection and Clean by Stone Technical Services Group Ltd,
- Organ Maintenance and Service: Brian Brighton serviced and completed remedial works.

Repairs and Upkeep

- The grounds have been maintained between spring and autumn by a garden company,
- A cleaning company has done periodic cleaning of the building with additional cleaning by church members,
- Decanting of shelving from the choir vestry into the Lady Chapel, to help with planning for the new office space and choir vestry updating.

Building Works

- Patio and fire escape route: the patio and path have been installed to provide a fire escape route from the main body of the church. The landscaping will be completed once the weather improves.
- Managing ongoing snagging issues from the Phase One Building work, i.e., lighting, external handrails fixing, flooring

Fixtures and Fittings

- Agreed on and ordered new tables and chairs for the children and youth work (received in 2023),
- Agreed on and ordered new fabric chairs for church (received in 2023),

Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported with the work and ongoing planning! Volunteers always welcome.

Faculty Status

2020-053913 Reordering, including GSHP Underfloor Heating, Glazing and Hall Modifications

Created	Saturday 15 Aug 2020	Status	Faculty works completed
Details	Phase One work completed		

2020-056282 Loose asbestos removal and drain works

Created	Friday 13 November 2020	Status	Public Notice
Details	Retrospective faculty for urgent work. Public notice was on the door at beginning of December 2022, and no one objected. DAC to sign off		

2021-066817 Conversion of vicar's vestry and passage into an office space

Created	Tuesday 02 Nov 2021	Status	Post determination List B
Details	Closed – as work can be completed with Archdeacon permission (granted)		

2022-069317 Roofing Works to Lady Chapel

Created	Monday 31 Jan 2022	Status	Abandoned
Details	Now included as part of 2022-069312		

2022-069312 Replacement of Baptistry bay window and roof construction and replacement roof covering to Lady Chapel

Created	Monday 31 Jan 2022	Status	Await applicant completion of the petition form
Details	To proceed we need the funding and possibly planning permission from Stockton BC.		

Richard has continued to monitor, update and apply for any faculties as required throughout the year. We have also worked closely with Martin Howard, Buildings for Mission Secretary and DAC for any advice about the building, if a faculty is required and our future developments.

Mission & Pastoral Care

During the year, we have continued to grow as a church family and have seen new people and families join us. This January 2023 a new Pastoral Care Team was established to ensure that we can keep a good level of pastoral care for those that need it and we are already seeing fruit from that. If you are in need or you know someone in our church family who might be in need of a visit, or for some more practical help then do get in touch with our vicar who leads the pastoral team.

We now have several well-established events ranging from the Toddler Group, Youth Club, a Life Group and the monthly Coffee Mornings. During the year, we have held Alpha Courses, both as part of the Sunday morning services and as the baptismal preparation course.

We have also held some church family socials throughout the year, including a Harvest Supper and Ceilidh, Tear Fund Big Quiz and a Platinum Jubilee themed street party at one of the coffee mornings. We have also supported the Children's Society and the Macmillan Big Coffee Morning, where we have used our regular Saturday morning coffee to support these charities. We have also hosted two concerts by Bella Canta Ladies Choir, a Summer Concert saw them joined by the Cobweb Orchestra and a Christmas Concert with Rhapsody Choir.

As ever, we engaged wholeheartedly in both the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox collections and Harvest. Both provided much needed food and items to people at home and abroad and our prayers and love go with them too. A huge thank you to Julie Collins for organising our Operation Christmas Child contributions!

During the past year, we have held baptisms and weddings and are delighted to share in these happy and joyful occasions. We have also conducted funerals, giving us the opportunity to provide support and comfort to those families in their time of need.

Our life group has also taken on the missional challenge of planting a community café space called "Oasis" in the Newtown Resource Centre. This is in their life group report but it is great to see missional zeal moving into our communities to reach people for Jesus, and we are praying as they pause to discern what the next steps are for that.

Thank you to everyone who has helped and supported the various events and services throughout the year. We would also welcome ideas and volunteers to help with planning and holding fundraising events.

Safeguarding – Geraldine Donegan

Safeguarding is embedded into the daily life of St Paul's. We have responded to the changing needs of our parishioners and the needs of those in our local community who have come into contact with our church, as our church has grown over the last year.

There have been eleven new 'causes for concern'. This means that a record is made of a situation where someone may be harmed and so awareness is raised. Immediate active intervention is not always needed. Sometimes pastoral support is helpful in avoiding a real crisis and safeguarding at St Paul's aims to be pastorally sensitive. Sometimes the safest and most effective way forward is to work closely with professional safeguarding services to keep people safe.

As Parish Safeguarding Officer, (PSO) I have aimed to work closely with the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. They have devised an online Safeguarding Dashboard for PSOs, working closely with the Parish Priest, to use as a checklist to ensure safeguarding tasks are all completed.

Keeping on top of DBSs and safeguarding training is an ongoing part of this role. This will be easier administration wise when our permanent administrative worker is in post.

Children and Youth Ministry – Lauren Goodrick

It has been great seeing our children and youth ministries grow over the past year. In this year we have been continuing Kids Space, schools work, and events like our instant nativity and pancake party that are able to engage both those who are regularly at church and those from our community who we have been connecting with through our outreach. Below is a picture of what has been happening in a few areas of our work with children and youth here at St Paul's.

In our church services themselves we have really begun to see a culture of intergenerational worship when we are holding our 'all in' services with children free to worship in the way that they need to alongside our young people and adults.

In Kids Space, we have worked with 15 children since September. It has been amazing seeing our children grow in how they pray as we spent several weeks learning about how God listens to us, talks to us, and answers prayer. We can see how they have taken this on board in our prayer time and in prayer spaces we often use in our all age services. Perhaps the most exciting part of Kids Space this year is seeing our team of leaders grow, which gives us more discipleship opportunities.

Our Tuesday morning Toddlers Group has been running for almost a year now. It has been great to build relationships with families with babies and toddlers in our local area. Comments we have regularly gotten is how warm and welcoming the church is and parents and grandparents are continually inviting their friends with little ones to come too. We had our first Teddy Bear Picnic at the park during Easter which we hope to do again as it was fun (even with the mud).

We have continued to work with 4 of our local primary schools running assemblies, prayer spaces, and school trips which vary from hosting services to more interactive trips where we explore Christianity through games and prayer space. We have also been meeting with schools to explore how we can support them and hope out of that to build relationships between the schools and others in the church in the form of 1-2-1 reading and learning new skills or hobbies.

In September we launched our Tuesday night Youth Club. Over the course of 6 months we were able to connect and build relationships with 19 young people. During the course of the night we'd have lots of games of many kinds (from dodgeball to Uno) and have 5 minutes together to think about a topic ranging from the power of words to Christmas. For the time being, we prayerfully made the decision to pause the youth club to create space to seek God to hear what he wants for our youth ministry and how we can disciple our young people well. We have also been piloting our 1-2-1 discipleship and junior leaders this year. We are looking forward to expanding how we do this.

We would like to thank all the volunteers who have provided time in all of our teams: toddlers, youth and kids space. You make our Kids' growth in relationship with Jesus possible. Thank you!

Friday Life Group – John Eyles

Normally meeting every week, the group is currently 7 strong.

Over the last year we have grown closer, through scripture study and discussion, prayer and being there for each other, not forgetting chat, laughter, and meals together. We are currently using the course “Way of Discipleship” (Guy Donegan Cross), which has proved to be stimulating, challenging, and entertaining.

Our group venture “Oasis” is now taking time out to seek ways of reaching out to more of Newtown and surrounding areas, offering time, conversation, and tea, to build friendships and rebuild community. Oasis enabled some good new and old friendships to grow, a real sense of community was developed amongst the regulars (including the team), obviously this community will be supported during the Oasis time out.

Ecumenical Relationships

These continue to blossom as our ecumenical Transforming Teesside Together movement continues. This year the announcement was made that we will be holding Festival Teesside in 2024. We hope to play a part in this and will be looking to provide people, missional support and where possible finances to what promises to be an exciting and rewarding evangelistic event. If you would like to be a part of this then let Paul Arnold know, core teams are forming now and it would be really exciting to be able to join in with prayer, practical support or giving. There will be opportunities in the run up to this to be involved in evangelism training and follow up from the event itself.

Financial Review – Julie Collins

I have given main details of the accounts in our detailed financial report and accounts for the year 2022, which show the income and expenditure relating to each account. You will note that income from donors, via standing order, Parish Giving Scheme and envelopes to the PCC account has decreased slightly.

Once again, we have paid our parish share in full.

On behalf of the PCC, I would like to offer grateful thanks to everyone for your support in 2022.

Reserves Policy – Julie Collins

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), of at least £5000 in case of a sudden drop in giving, or other emergency situations which may arise from time to time. The balance held on unrestricted funds in the Business Premium account is in line with this policy.

The balances on the Restoration accounts (restricted funds) are to cover any repairs as well as future regular payments for grounds maintenance, cleaning, organ service, etc.

The Grafting account (restricted funds) is used for building works. Emergency exit paving was paid from this account in 2022. Replacement baptistry windows are yet to be purchased but, due to increased costs, further funds will have to be sourced to meet the full cost.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is the governing body of the Church and works in co-operation with the Priest-in-Charge (Paul Arnold), to co-ordinate the life of the church in matters missional, social, pastoral and evangelistic. Meetings cover all the above and include time for reflection and prayer, as well as days away and it can be a really rewarding part of contributing to the life of the church.

Members are made up of those who hold a place because they have an office in the church (Clergy, Wardens, Deanery Synod Reps, Readers) and elected members of the church (currently a maximum of 6). The PCC can also invite (or co-opt) 2 further members from anywhere.

To be elected as a PCC member you must be over 16, be a regular attender of the Church and be on the electoral roll of the parish.

Electoral Roll Report – Duncan Hird

The electoral roll for last year was reported as 53. One person has unfortunately died in the last year. Seven people have asked to be removed from the roll, and three people have been added.

The roll for this year is recorded as 48. The new electoral roll has been displayed on the noticeboard in the foyer for 14 days, since Sunday 7th May 2023.

Duncan Hird
Electoral Roll Officer

Administrative Information

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Contact details	Email: office@stpaulstockton.church Telephone: 07784 780407 (voicemail)
Status	The PCC is a registered Charity, with charity number: 1195893 and is registered under the name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Paul's Church, Stockon-on-Tees.
Membership	Ex-Officio: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Arnold (Priest-in-Charge) • Faye Thompson (Warden) • Richard Spratt (Warden) • John Eyles (Deanery Synod) Elected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geraldine Donegan (Safeguarding) • Fiona Spratt (Secretary) • Duncan Hird (Electoral Roll) • Julie Collins (Treasurer) • Dorothy Aithwaite (Assistant Treasurer) • Joan Williams

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Signed: 

Name: Lynne Dickson FCA

Firm: JBC Accountants Limited

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Stockton-on-Tees
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Date: 26/4/2023

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	21,599	50,898	72,496	380,331
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	2,204	-	2,204	1,132
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	1,276	100	1,376	1,282
<i>Investments</i>	2d	12	24	36	2
<i>Other</i>	2e	9,799	-	9,799	-
Total		<u>34,890</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>85,911</u>	<u>382,747</u>
Expenditure on:					
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Total		<u>32,933</u>	<u>69,949</u>	<u>102,881</u>	<u>458,857</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		1,957	(18,927)	(16,970)	(76,110)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>1,957</u>	<u>(18,927)</u>	<u>(16,970)</u>	<u>(76,110)</u>
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		2022		2021
	Note	£		£
Current Assets:				
Debtors	5	8,791		4,198
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>77,014</u>		<u>98,419</u>
		85,805		102,617
Liabilities:				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	16,935		8,065
		<u>68,870</u>		<u>94,552</u>
Total assets less current liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	86,288		95,000
Total net assets		<u><u>(17,418)</u></u>		<u><u>(448)</u></u>
Parish funds:				
Unrestricted funds	8	(80,047)		(82,004)
Restricted funds	9	62,629		81,556
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18/4/2023

Approved by:

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Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	14,433	-	14,433	15,240
Income Tax Recoverable	4,600	-	4,600	4,781
Open collections	1,838	-	1,838	774
Sundry donations	728	854	1,582	4,773
Legacy received	-	8,000	8,000	305,000
Grants received	-	42,044	42,044	49,763
	<u>21,599</u>	<u>50,898</u>	<u>72,497</u>	<u>380,331</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	1,239	-	1,239	702
Church hall lettings	965	-	965	430
Newsletter income	-	-	-	0
	<u>2,204</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,204</u>	<u>1,132</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/Sale of Kneelers etc	1,276	100	1,376	1,282
	<u>1,276</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>1,376</u>	<u>1,282</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	12	24	36	2
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	9,799	-	9,799	-
Total	<u>34,890</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>85,912</u>	<u>382,747</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3a Raising funds	104	-	104	67
3b Mission Giving & Donations	911	854	1,765	560
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	10,682	-	10,682	10,500
Salaries, wages and honoraria	150	26,824	26,974	14,115
Clergy & staff expenses	702	-	702	169
Mission & evangelism costs		1,984	1,984	2,343
Church running expenses	9,433	12,497	21,930	22,135
Church utility bills	6,551	2,906	9,457	2,398
Costs of trading	-	-	-	205
Miscellaneous expenses	250	-	250	407
New Building work to church/hall		24,884	24,884	403,408
Loan interest	3,600	-	3,600	2,000
Independent Examiner's fee	550	-	550	550
	<u>31,918</u>	<u>69,095</u>	<u>101,012</u>	<u>458,230</u>
Total	<u>32,933</u>	<u>69,949</u>	<u>102,881</u>	<u>458,857</u>

4 Employee Costs

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	26,255	13,891
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	569	174
	<u>26,824</u>	<u>14,065</u>

The average number of staff employed during the year was
(1 x Admin/Comms & 2 x Children/Youth workers):

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No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2022	2021
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	2,500	3,000
Other debtors	6,291	1,198
	<u>8,791</u>	<u>4,198</u>

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2022	2021
	£	£
Loan	8,712	5,000
Trade creditors	4,823	515
Accruals	3,400	2,550
	<u>16,935</u>	<u>8,065</u>

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2022	2021
	£	£
Loan	<u>86,288</u>	<u>95,000.00</u>

A loan was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2022	2021
	£	£
Brought forward at 1st January 2022	(82,004)	15,867
Income	34,890	25,590
Expenditure	(32,933)	(23,043)
Transfers	-	(100,418)
Carried forward at 31st December 2021	<u>(80,047)</u>	<u>(82,004)</u>

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

2022:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	30,814	8,024	(4,912)		33,926
Grafting fund	30,544	100	(15,884)		14,760
Donations	-	854	(854)		-
DBF grant	4,000	-	(4,000)		-
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	-		10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust	5,000	-	(5,000)		-
DBF Energy Support grant	-	2,406	(2,406)		-
Stockton Warm Spaces	-	500	(500)		-
Strategic Development Funding	1,198	39,138	(36,393)		3,943
	<u>81,556</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>(69,949)</u>	-	<u>62,629</u>

A quarterly payment from an ongoing bequest is paid into the Restoration fund and this is used for ongoing maintenance. The Grafting fund, together with grants from the DBF and the Dickens Goshen Trust have been used for building works, with the balance on the fund and the National Lottery grant to be carried forward to meet future costs. Emergency exit paving has been paid from the Grafting account in 2022. Replacement baptistry windows are yet to be purchased but, due to increased costs, further grant(s) will have to be sourced to meet the full cost.

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2021:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	24,493	8,051	(1,050)	(680)	30,814
Grafting fund	35,302	298,650	(403,408)	100,000	30,544
Donations		693	(560)	(133)	-
DBF grant		4,000			4,000
National Lottery grant		10,000			10,000
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Strategic Development Funding		30,763	(30,796)	1,231	1,198
	<u>59,795</u>	<u>357,157</u>	<u>(435,814)</u>	<u>100,418</u>	<u>81,556</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Current assets	10,471	75,334	85,805	102,617
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(16,935)	-	(16,935)	(8,065)
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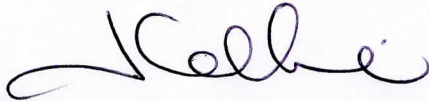
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- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

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The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	21,599	50,898	72,496	380,331
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	2,204	-	2,204	1,132
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	1,276	100	1,376	1,282
<i>Investments</i>	2d	12	24	36	2
<i>Other</i>	2e	9,799	-	9,799	-
Total		<u>34,890</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>85,911</u>	<u>382,747</u>
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds</i>	3a	104	-	104	67
<i>Mission giving & donations</i>	3b	911	854	1,765	560
<i>Church activities</i>	3c	31,918	69,095	101,012	458,230
Total		<u>32,933</u>	<u>69,949</u>	<u>102,881</u>	<u>458,857</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		1,957	(18,927)	(16,970)	(76,110)
Transfer between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		<u>1,957</u>	<u>(18,927)</u>	<u>(16,970)</u>	<u>(76,110)</u>
Total funds brought forward	8 & 9	(82,004)	81,556	(448)	75,662
Total funds carried forward	8 & 9	<u>(80,047)</u>	<u>62,629</u>	<u>(17,418)</u>	<u>(448)</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Balance Sheet
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

		2022		2021
	Note	£		£
Current Assets:				
Debtors	5	8,791		4,198
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>77,014</u>		<u>98,419</u>
		85,805		102,617
Liabilities:				
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	16,935		8,065
		<u>68,870</u>		<u>94,552</u>
Total assets less current liabilities				
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	86,288		95,000
Total net assets		<u><u>(17,418)</u></u>		<u><u>(448)</u></u>
Parish funds:				
Unrestricted funds	8	(80,047)		(82,004)
Restricted funds	9	62,629		81,556
	10	<u>(17,418)</u>		<u>(448)</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on

18/4/2023

Approved by:

Rev. P. Arnold

Mrs. J. Collins

P. Arnold
J. Collins

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2022

2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	14,433	-	14,433	15,240
Income Tax Recoverable	4,600	-	4,600	4,781
Open collections	1,838	-	1,838	774
Sundry donations	728	854	1,582	4,773
Legacy received	-	8,000	8,000	305,000
Grants received	-	42,044	42,044	49,763
	<u>21,599</u>	<u>50,898</u>	<u>72,497</u>	<u>380,331</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	1,239	-	1,239	702
Church hall lettings	965	-	965	430
Newsletter income	-	-	-	0
	<u>2,204</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,204</u>	<u>1,132</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/Sale of Kneelers etc	1,276	100	1,376	1,282
	<u>1,276</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>1,376</u>	<u>1,282</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	12	24	36	2
2e Other - RHI scheme incentives	9,799	-	9,799	-
Total	<u>34,890</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>85,912</u>	<u>382,747</u>

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3a Raising funds	104	-	104	67
3b Mission Giving & Donations	911	854	1,765	560
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	10,682	-	10,682	10,500
Salaries, wages and honoraria	150	26,824	26,974	14,115
Clergy & staff expenses	702	-	702	169
Mission & evangelism costs		1,984	1,984	2,343
Church running expenses	9,433	12,497	21,930	22,135
Church utility bills	6,551	2,906	9,457	2,398
Costs of trading	-	-	-	205
Miscellaneous expenses	250	-	250	407
New Building work to church/hall		24,884	24,884	403,408
Loan interest	3,600	-	3,600	2,000
Independent Examiner's fee	550	-	550	550
	<u>31,918</u>	<u>69,095</u>	<u>101,012</u>	<u>458,230</u>
Total	<u>32,933</u>	<u>69,949</u>	<u>102,881</u>	<u>458,857</u>

4 Employee Costs

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	26,255	13,891
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	569	174
	<u>26,824</u>	<u>14,065</u>

The average number of staff employed during the year was
(1 x Admin/Comms & 2 x Children/Youth workers):

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No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
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5 DEBTORS	2022	2021
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	2,500	3,000
Other debtors	6,291	1,198
	<u>8,791</u>	<u>4,198</u>

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2022	2021
	£	£
Loan	8,712	5,000
Trade creditors	4,823	515
Accruals	3,400	2,550
	<u>16,935</u>	<u>8,065</u>

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2022	2021
	£	£
Loan	<u>86,288</u>	<u>95,000.00</u>

A loan was received in 2021 from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is being repaid over 20 years, with the first payment made in March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be the higher of £5,000 or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2022	2021
	£	£
Brought forward at 1st January 2022	(82,004)	15,867
Income	34,890	25,590
Expenditure	(32,933)	(23,043)
Transfers	-	(100,418)
Carried forward at 31st December 2021	<u>(80,047)</u>	<u>(82,004)</u>

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

2022:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	30,814	8,024	(4,912)		33,926
Grafting fund	30,544	100	(15,884)		14,760
Donations	-	854	(854)		-
DBF grant	4,000	-	(4,000)		-
National Lottery grant	10,000	-	-		10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust	5,000	-	(5,000)		-
DBF Energy Support grant	-	2,406	(2,406)		-
Stockton Warm Spaces	-	500	(500)		-
Strategic Development Funding	1,198	39,138	(36,393)		3,943
	<u>81,556</u>	<u>51,022</u>	<u>(69,949)</u>	-	<u>62,629</u>

A quarterly payment from an ongoing bequest is paid into the Restoration fund and this is used for ongoing maintenance. The Grafting fund, together with grants from the DBF and the Dickens Goshen Trust have been used for building works, with the balance on the fund and the National Lottery grant to be carried forward to meet future costs. Emergency exit paving has been paid from the Grafting account in 2022. Replacement baptistry windows are yet to be purchased but, due to increased costs, further grant(s) will have to be sourced to meet the full cost.

The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding (SDF) from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and covers staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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9 RESTRICTED FUNDS (continued)

2021:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	24,493	8,051	(1,050)	(680)	30,814
Grafting fund	35,302	298,650	(403,408)	100,000	30,544
Donations		693	(560)	(133)	-
DBF grant		4,000			4,000
National Lottery grant		10,000			10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust		5,000			5,000
Strategic Development Funding		30,763	(30,796)	1,231	1,198
	<u>59,795</u>	<u>357,157</u>	<u>(435,814)</u>	<u>100,418</u>	<u>81,556</u>

10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Current assets	10,471	75,334	85,805	102,617
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(16,935)	-	(16,935)	(8,065)
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(86,288)		(86,288)	(95,000)
	<u>(92,752)</u>	<u>75,334</u>	<u>(17,418)</u>	<u>(448)</u>

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2022.

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2022 Report and Accounts for the Parochial Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton

For the APCM 22 May 2022

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Aim and Purposes

St Paul's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Paul Arnold, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church building.

Paul Arnold

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to the vision of the church being the 'beating heart of God's love in Stockton.' It seeks to ensure that the values of the church are embedded in decisions that they make; these are:

- All Family – We see all people as part of God's family and seek to honour the image of God in everyone and help all to come to know God as Father;
- All Led – We are led by the Holy Spirit and seek to enable people to be led by the Holy Spirit in their personal lives through prayer, listening to God and taking steps of faith;
- All Jesus – We are all disciples of Jesus, seeking to follow his example of love and service in our everyday lives as we help others to follow him;
- All In – We are committed to the mission that God leads us on here in Stockton and as people who rely on God we take bold steps that require faith;
- All Real – We are honest about who we are and how we are, maintaining authenticity in our relationships and finding ways to support one another in times of difficulty;
- All Can Play – We are all able to participate in the life of the church and seek to find ways to allow and to value the contributions of all.

This year we have focussed mainly on coming back together as church physically. Our goals have been to:

- establish St Paul's as a worshipping presence once more in the church building;
- make the place a warm and welcoming space throughout the week;
- successfully bring together the team from All Saints' with the congregation from St Paul's to create one new St Paul's congregation; and
- begin reaching out into the community with a particular focus on children and young people.

We have done some 'hard landscaping' to achieve this. We launched St Paul's Stockton, physically, at Pentecost last year and established a new PCC and staff team to lead on some of this work. I was licensed as your new Priest-in-Charge at the end of July and a new staff team were hired in August (Stuart McCormack Administration and Communications, Deb Hird and Lauren Goodrick Children

and Youth Workers). We also received a Youth for Christ serve team member in Brennan Wilson. I am really pleased to see the progress that the team and PCC have made in bringing us all back together as well as we have over this past year and I am really grateful to all of the congregation for making them feel a part of the St Paul's family.

Last year saw the beginning of the reordering work to replace the heating system and insulation in the building. We have certainly felt the benefit of this and visitors to the church building comment on how warm and friendly the building feels. There is more to be done to the building but this will form part of the later report.

At the beginning of 2022, we discussed the missional focus for our church. It was agreed that we feel God is calling us to focus on engaging children and young people. It had been clear through the summer and latter part of 2021 that there was a need to cater for the children and young people in the area. We have seen growth in our baptism ministry, youth drop-in and schools work, with further interest in a toddler group. It has been wonderful to see some local young families joining us as this work begins and we pray to see more as we reach out into our community.

Not everything has been easy: as we come together to form essentially a newly resurrected church we are bound to have moments of discomfort and frustration, and the reality of the pandemic means that – even without a revitalisation – the church would never 'go back' to where it had been. But the joy is that with the team we have and with this congregation, we have a fighting chance to follow Jesus' Great Commission to make disciples in our communities.

My prayer for us this year is that we continue to pursue God's presence and grow in maturity as the body of Christ together; each realising our individual gifts and putting them to use for God's Kingdom together in Stockton.

Paul Arnold

The PCC

The PCC meets once a month on the third Tuesday of the month, with Standing Committee meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. For PCC and Standing Committee membership between June 2021 and May 2022 see the list at the end of this annual report.

The routine items on the agenda have been regular reports on church finances, safeguarding, Covid-19 arrangements and fabric reports from the Churchwardens, together with updates on staff employment and from the Building Committee. It was decided that it would be a better use of PCC time to alternate a 'business' PCC including the regular reports, with a PCC meeting focused on a specific area of church ministry. The first such meeting was held in March 2022 with children's and youth work on the agenda. We will continue to prioritise this ministry in meetings during the year ahead.

Fiona Spratt

Achievements and Performance

- Relationships with schools: work happening in schools and at church on a regular basis with Oaktree Academy, St Mark's CE Primary School, Fairfield and Greengates Academy.
- Youth Drop-In on a Tuesday at 15:30 growing to 14 7-11 year olds so far.
- We have run the Alpha course twice now for baptism families (24 people have gone through the course now) and are part way through our third as a church.

We held our first holiday We can really celebrate the amount of things that this church has achieved since the June 2021 APCM:

- A new pattern of worship.
- club to serve children and young people in the area over Easter.
- Our Christmas crafting services – redeveloped at the last minute as a result of the Omicron restrictions.
- The establishment of our monthly coffee morning – initially to bring our congregation together but this is quickly developing into an 'open table' where people can feel comfortable coming to be a part of the community regardless of whether or not they are a regular church attender.
- The beginnings of small groups in our church with two groups led by Stu McCormack and Rachel Lawlor and John and Jean Eyles.

From this we are beginning to see an increase in Sunday attendance from young families and a growth in connections with children and young people as we reach out. Just last Sunday (4th April) we counted ten under 16s as part of our service. To think that only a year ago that number would have been three.

Paul Arnold

Worship and Prayer

Worship and prayer are at the very centre of our church and whilst developing and reacquainting ourselves with each other has been important, of even more importance is reawakening our relationship with God in worship and prayer.

Our services strive to allow for a diversity of space for different ways to connect with God with a newly established monthly pattern that always offers prayer ministry as part of the service:

- Sundays @ 10:30:
 - 1st Sunday – Communion with children's ministry – fairly traditional common worship service with a mix of band-led music;
 - 2nd Sunday – Café church – all-age interactive space for encounter over a cuppa, seeking to explore faith together and do church a bit differently;
 - 3rd Sunday – Worship and Word – A modern service with contemporary worship music and an emphasis on teaching the Word.
 - 4th Sunday – Service of the Word with Baptism – all-age lighter service with baptisms.
 - 5th Sunday – Re:Create – A chance to rest and be creative – using arts, crafts, poetry, music, games and anything else that will help us to connect with God in enjoying his Sabbath rest.

- Sunday Evenings @ 6pm on the 4th Sunday
 - Prayer and Praise – Time to pray together as a church and praise him in sung worship.

Our weekly pattern of prayer and worship has also begun to develop:

- Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 09:00 – Morning prayer – a mixture of Common Worship, Lectio 365, Book of Common Prayer and Sung Worship.
- Wednesday 09:30 – Midweek Communion – following Common Worship with refreshments afterwards.

As our church continues to develop and grow we will look to increase our offering on a Sunday so that we can cater for a wider range of worship. There are plans to incorporate an earlier morning communion and potentially something in the afternoon for families who can't always make a Sunday morning service. But at this stage we are focussing on serving one congregation.

Paul Arnold

The Band

What a year of sung worship! From online worship through the COVID lockdown, then singing in the church building with masks on, to singing with visible faces! So many changes!! BUT... one awesome constant throughout ... Jesus! Worship at St. Paul's continues to be all about Jesus! Praising him every Sunday for who He is, celebrating what He's done, inviting Him into our lives and situations ... trusting Him for what He is going to do and loving Him because He loves us! Whether we have keyboard, cajon, bass guitar or just one guitar and one voice, we worship the only One, worthy of our focus love and praise, Jesus. We come together as a Christian family to sing in awe of our amazing God and His amazing grace. Our worship team is growing with guitarists, bassists, pianists, cajon tappers and singers, all with a heart and passion to worship Jesus in 'Spirit and in Truth'. Our Worship Leaders are preparing their hearts every week, seeking our Heavenly Dad's face, to help lead our church family into the presence of Jesus. And this team of amazing people will continue keeping Jesus at the centre of all our worship!

Deb Hird

Welcome Team

The Welcome Team exists to welcome all who come to our church in the best possible way. We not only greet people when they enter the building, but talk to them after the service and make sure that they are introduced to others.

At the moment the team is small and we would like to have a couple of additional people join us. You don't have to be long standing members of the congregation; in fact people who have recently joined us can make the best team members. In particular we are looking for a couple of men to join the team and balance the numbers.

Richard Spratt

Deanery Synod

Deanery synod is the place where wider mission is discussed and planned across the Church of England in Stockton. We share good news stories, make more strategic plans about our deanery and see where we can co-operate in mission together. The focus this year has been mainly in relation to creating a new deanery plan that is beginning to think of new ideas of how we can be the Church of England together.

Paul Arnold

Building and Fabric [Warden's Report]

It's been a busy year in the building this year. Following the completion of the building works in May the Wardens have reviewed most of the church contents and decided whether they will be required in the future or are now unnecessary. It has taken a lot of effort to decide how to rationalise things, including a lot of sorting and finding homes for everything. The cupboard opposite the toilets is now a cupboard just for the Children & Youth team, plus spare toilet rolls and hand towels.

We have been working towards refurbishing the former Vicar's Vestry into a 21st century office space for our staff. At first we expected to require a faculty for the work, but instead it only requires an Archdeacon's permission which we hope to receive in the next week or so. We have also commissioned a design and drawing from our architect to allow us to replace the baptistry windows. Visually the design is almost the same, but the new windows will be double glazed. A faculty application is currently in progress.

In December we noticed water on the floor of the Lady Chapel. It transpired that the roof was listed in the 2017 quinquennial report as due for replacement soon! That too requires a faculty and in applying for one we have been required to insulate the roof by the DAC. We are currently waiting for Stockton Borough Council to tell us if we need planning permission as the roof will be 6" taller.

For both pieces of work to go ahead we need to seek grant monies and look at how we can raise the money via fundraising events, as we don't have sufficient funds currently in the church accounts. We will need £35,000 to replace the windows and £14,000 for the roof. We are seeking support from the church family and are looking for a volunteer who could review the list of grant providers to identify possible grants that we could apply for. This will involve reviewing each provider's website and see if we would meet their requirements to then apply for funding.

We would also welcome ideas and volunteers to help with planning and holding fundraising events throughout the year.

Faye Thompson & Richard Spratt

Faculty Status

- a. The DAC reviewed the combined application for the baptistry windows and Lady Chapel roof and will not oppose it when it is presented to the Chancellor. I am currently waiting to hear from Stockton BC to confirm that we will not require planning permission for this work. Once I have that then I will post the 30 days consultation notice.
- b. The office modifications have been confirmed to be List B items. We are waiting for Rick Simpson's secretary to complete the paperwork then we can start work.

Richard Spratt

Pastoral Care

As we have returned to church during this year, we have seen the growing together of St Paul's congregation and the All Saints' team to form a new church family and we are still spending time getting to know one another. We have also welcomed new people and families into our church, and it's been commented on how warm, friendly, and welcoming we are.

There has been the commencement of Life Groups and other church activities that see us forming new friendships and providing support to each other within those groups.

We have seen the commencement of regular coffee mornings (2nd Saturday of each month), which provides the opportunity to share time with each other over coffee and cake. A time to get to know one another and welcome our local community into the church building.

During the year, we have held baptisms and weddings and are delighted to share in these happy and joyful occasions. We have also conducted funerals, giving us the opportunity to provide support and comfort to those families in their time of need.

Rev Paul has been visiting the church family over the year, to get to know everyone and continues to provide visits to those unable to attend church.

Faye Thompson

Safeguarding

I have now been working in the role of Parish Safeguarding Officer since August 2021 having taken over from Diane Backhouse.

It has been interesting developing the role to meet the needs of St Paul's Parish. There has been a fair bit of training to get through as new team members take on different roles which have needed them to complete safeguarding training. With the development of children's work as a priority, keeping everyone up to date with training is an ongoing responsibility of the PSO. Alongside training it has been important to ensure DBS checks are up to date.

I have found it interesting to learn more about the safeguarding issues and the needs of the people we come into contact with as they arise in the Parish and in this area of Stockton. As children and young people's work has become more active it has become clear that this is an area where many issues can arise and the team need to be constantly aware and ready to adapt, with appropriate safeguarding strategies.

As the church grows and develops it is a learning curve for all of us and I am fully expecting new safeguarding challenges over the next year. There have been nine concerns across the year. As a church we can all help by completing training and DBSs as appropriate to our roles and by developing and following effective policies to keep people safe. As PSO I also try and be present and approachable so people know who I am and that I am available to discuss any issues arising.

Geraldine Donegan

Mission and Discipleship

This year we have chosen a focus for mission and evangelism – engaging with children, youth and young people aged 18-25. Whilst this is not our only area of work, it is our priority. It means that in every decision we take as a church we must ask the question: 'How does this engage our children and young people?' If the answer is that it doesn't, then we have to ask if we are OK with that, given our missional priority.

For example, there are elements of what we need to do pastorally that are specifically for our more elderly parishioners, and of course it is important that we continue and build on things that reach them. Or there may be things that we need to do to be good stewards of God's creation, or to challenge the injustice of poverty – in those areas there will be ways that we can engage children and young people.

As has already been stated, we are already seeing the fruit of our work with children and young people through our staff team and volunteers in schools and in our communities as well as on a Sunday. I am really looking forward to seeing how our new Toddler group grows and develops alongside the other work here.

We will be looking at things this year that will help to equip us as individual disciples of Jesus: courses and experiences that help us to be comfortable knowing our gifts, sharing our stories and being disciplers of our children and young people as well as their parents and carers.

Paul Arnold

Children and Youth

A lot has been going on these past 9 months since the team was formed. We have set up Kids Space; Tuesday Night Drop In; schools work with three (soon to be four) schools such as assemblies, prayer spaces, services for festivals, and school trips; 1-2-1 with one of our college students; Christmas events; and the Easter holiday club. We also played ball games in the car park in the Autumn as a way to get to know some of the children and young people who live locally and have undertaken some detached youth work training which has helped us to think about the area, where the young people are and how we can reach them.

We have seen God doing so much since we have started. The relationships we have built with schools are great and it is so encouraging seeing how much the children enjoy the time they spend with us and even say hi when they see us outside school. Some of the young people from Drop In have shared that coming here brings them joy. There's so much more I could share but the last one I'll write here is that our Easter Holiday Club was so encouraging. We had children from both our church, friends of people at church and the local community who found out through Facebook and school. The children loved their time here and we've heard from parents that they remembered what they learnt that day and that it had an impact on them.

Our hope for the future is for our team to grow to match how our children and youth work has grown so that we can keep doing what we're doing and do more.

Lauren Goodrick

Life Groups

Norton Life Group started meeting October 2021. We meet roughly every second Tuesday evening and have 11 people connected to it, but regular attendance is 5-8 people (8 very regular). We have a mixed age range (including members aged 15, 24, 27, 43, 47, mid 50s, 60). We are praying about mission opportunities to do as a group, including thinking about homelessness and food poverty. Meetings take place in Stuart's house and various pubs in the Norton area.

Stuart McCormack

We meet on Friday afternoons from 13:30 at our house; currently running at 6 members (7 at the end of May).

Good positive Jesus centred relationships are being formed. The group is steadily growing in numbers and confidence, scripture is a constant with testimonies easily shared and prayer readily entered into. Music has been a good part of our meetings but having no musicians in the group "Alexa" and You-Tube have been a blessing.

John & Jean Eyles

Ecumenical Relationships

In the first half of 2022 we became the venue for the ecumenical group Teesside Churches Senior Leader's prayer. Every Tuesday at 8am leaders of churches across Teesside gathered to pray here at St Paul's. It is a joy to pray with our brothers and sisters here and to be part of such a good and strong ecumenical movement in Teesside. We are hoping to see new plans for a big celebration together soon.

Paul Arnold

Missionary Giving

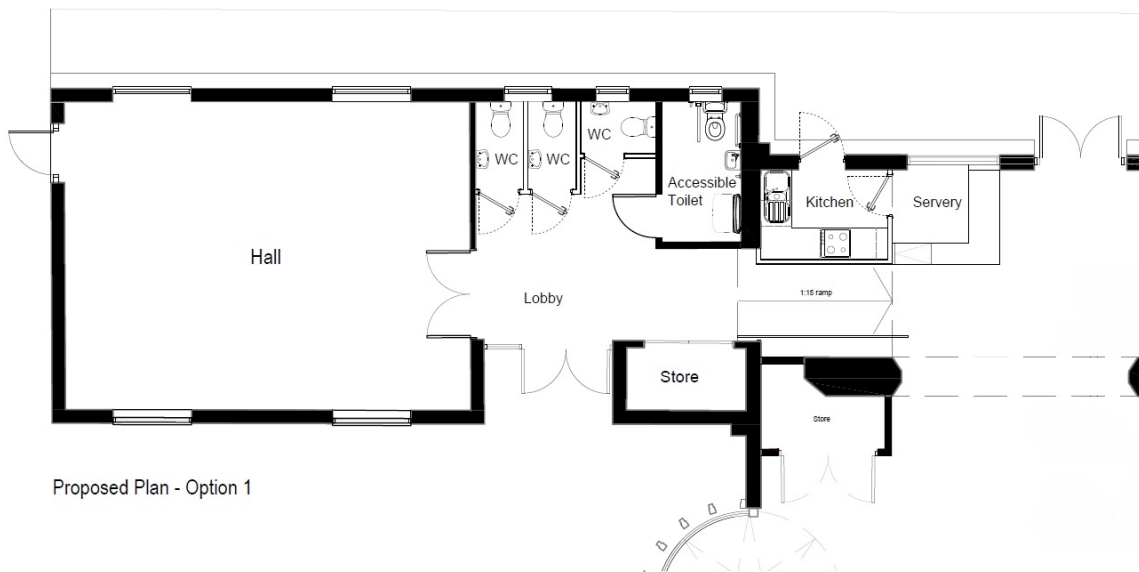
Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith and despite the delayed reopening of the church, due to building works, in 2021:

- £439.65 was raised for The Children's Society – a charity which St Paul's Church has supported for many years.
- We support Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child shoe box appeal every year, encouraging not only the congregation but also schools and individuals to take part. 98 gift filled shoe boxes were donated in 2021.
- Dried/tinned goods and fresh produce brought along to the Harvest Festival Service were donated to the local Trussell Trust foodbank and Bridge House Mission for the homeless.
- Toiletries, sweets etc were brought by the congregation to our annual Gift Service in December. These were then donated to local charities, Bridge House Mission and A Way Out, in time for Christmas.

Julie Collins

Building Committee

The PCC have given the Building Committee the remit of recommending the scope of Phase 2 work to develop the small hall, kitchen and toilets. We have met several times in the past year. The committee have decided not to make any alteration to the small hall so that the church has the maximum possible space for children's work on Sundays. We have had our architect draw up revised plans to convert the current kitchen into toilets and to utilise the space in the NW corner of the church nave for a larger kitchen and serving area where we currently serve tea & coffee on Sunday mornings.



Proposed Plan - Option 1

We are currently developing plans and costings for a couple of the kitchen equipment designs. Ian Bendall has been getting quotes for the patio on the north side of the church and the path around the small hall.

We are currently looking for grant funding for the future work, and would welcome anyone with time to give to this key role to contact Richard Spratt a.s.a.p.

Richard Spratt

Volunteers

A massive thank you to everyone who serves this church, on a rota or not, you epitomise what it means to be a part of this church family where all can play! The heart of church is the service that Jesus shows us and you are all demonstrating that in spades. If you would like to volunteer for something then do let Reverend Paul or one of the wardens know.

Electoral Roll

The electoral roll for last year was reported as 48, this was incorrect and should have been recorded as 47; one person was counted twice and one person was included on the roll that should not have been on it.

For this year's roll the person who should not have been on the roll has been removed, four people asked to be removed from the roll and eleven people were added to the roll.

The roll for this year is recorded as 53. The new electoral roll has been displayed on the notice board in the foyer for 14 days, since Saturday 7th May 2022.

Duncan Hird
Electoral Roll Officer

Administrative Information

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Paul Arnold – Chair
Fiona Spratt – PCC Secretary
Faye Thompson – Churchwarden
Richard Spratt – Churchwarden
Julie Collins – Treasurer
Dorothy Aithwaite – Assistant Treasurer
Geraldine Donegan – Safeguarding Officer
Duncan Hird
Scott Linnett – June to November 2021
Erica Cowell – June to July 2021
Diane Backhouse - Safeguarding Officer – June to August 2021
James Kane and Jenny Kane - Deanery Synod Representatives - June to July 2021

Standing Committee membership:

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The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at St Paul's Church.

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish;
- Missionary and outreach work.

Achievements and Performance

- * Became a registered charity.
- * Reordering of the church building to make it a warm and accessible space for all. This included installing ground source heating, new windows, removing pews, raising the level of the floor and moving the entrance.
- * Rev Paul Arnold was licenced as priest in charge and a new staff team of 3 people was hired for Admin/ Comms and Children/Youth work.
- * A team from All Saints Church was brought together with the congregation of St Paul's, creating a new St Paul's congregation.
- * A new pattern of services has been established and Alpha courses have started.
- * The Childrens/Youth staff have established relationships with local schools and are working with them on a regular basis. A weekly youth Drop In is growing and an Easter Holiday Club is planned.
- * A monthly Coffee Morning has been established for congregation and the local community alike.
- * There has been an increase in the number of young families and children attending on a Sunday.

Financial Review

Total incoming resources on unrestricted funds were £25,590 (2020: £13,072), of which £15,240 (2020: £8,459) were planned voluntary donations and £702 (2020: £1765) were fees from weddings and funerals. Restricted donations and grants of £356,006 (2020: £75,569) were received during the year. These, together with a loan of £100,000 advanced from the Diocese have been spent on building work at St Paul's. Our Diocesan Quota paid for 2021 was £10,500 (2020: £9,500).

Reserves policy

It is the intention of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds of at least £5000, in case of a sudden drop in giving, or other emergency situations which may arise from time to time. The balance held on unrestricted funds is in line with this policy.

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Reserves policy (continued)

The balance on the Restoration account (restricted funds) is to cover planned roof repairs as well as future regular payments for church cleaning, grounds maintenance, organ service, etc.

The balance on the Grafting account (restricted funds) is to pay for outstanding Phase I building works, i.e. emergency exit paving and replacement baptistry windows.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended and Church representation rules that came into force on 1st April 2013. The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission during the year.

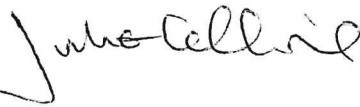
The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Appropriate induction and training procedures are in place, and PCC members are sent on relevant training courses when, and where necessary.

The major risks to which the PCC is exposed, as identified by the PCC members, have been reviewed and systems or procedures have been established to manage those risks.

Approved by the PCC on ^{10/05/2022} and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs. J. Collins - Treasurer



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I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

Name: Lynne Dickson FCA

Firm: JBC Accountants Limited

Address: 3B Lockheed Court
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Date: 11/5/2022

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Statement of Financial Activities
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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	24,325	356,006	380,331	88,296
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	1,132	-	1,132	2,879
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	132	1,150	1,282	3,600
<i>Investments</i>	2d	1	1	2	14
<i>Other</i>	2e	-	-	-	1,150
Total		25,590	357,157	382,747	95,939
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds</i>	3a	67	-	67	65
<i>Mission giving & donations</i>	3b	-	560	560	811
<i>Church activities</i>	3c	22,976	435,254	458,230	56,381
Total		23,043	435,814	458,857	57,257
Net income/(expenditure)		2,547	(78,657)	(76,110)	38,682
Transfer between funds		(100,418)	100,418	-	-
Net movement in funds		(97,871)	21,761	(76,110)	38,682
Total funds brought forward	8 & 9	15,867	59,795	75,662	36,980
Total funds carried forward	8 & 9	(82,004)	81,556	(448)	75,662


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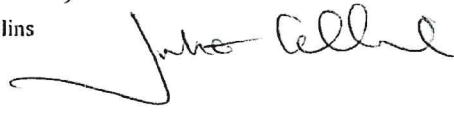
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		2021	2020
	Note	£	£
Current Assets:			
Debtors	5	4,198	-
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>98,419</u>	<u>75,662</u>
		102,617	75,662
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	8,065	-
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>94,552</u>	<u>75,662</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	95,000	-
Total net assets		<u>(448)</u>	<u>75,662</u>
Parish funds:			
Unrestricted funds	8	(82,004)	15,867
Restricted funds	9	81,556	59,795
	10	<u>(448)</u>	<u>75,662</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 10/05/2022

Approved by: Rev. P. Arnold 

Mrs. J. Collins 

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1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

This is the first year that the accounts have been prepared using the accruals accounting method.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	15,240	-	15,240	8,459
Income Tax Recoverable	4,781	-	4,781	2,881
Open collections	774	-	774	561
Sundry donations	3,530	1,243	4,773	436
Legacy received	-	305,000	305,000	60,959
Grants received	-	49,763	49,763	15,000
	<u>24,325</u>	<u>356,006</u>	<u>380,331</u>	<u>88,296</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	702	-	702	1,765
Church hall lettings	430	-	430	1,105
Newsletter income	-	-	-	9
	<u>1,132</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,132</u>	<u>2,879</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/Sale of pews, radiators	132	1,150	1,282	3,600
	<u>132</u>	<u>1,150</u>	<u>1,282</u>	<u>3,600</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	1	1	2	14
2e Other	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>25,590</u>	<u>357,157</u>	<u>382,747</u>	<u>94,789</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
3a Raising funds	67	-	67	65
3b Mission Giving & Donations	-	560	560	811
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	10,500	-	10,500	9,500
Salaries, wages and honoraria	50	14,065	14,115	789
Clergy & staff expenses	169		169	513
Mission & evangelism costs		2,343	2,343	-
Church running expenses	6,697	15,438	22,135	9,592
Church utility bills	2,398		2,398	2,561
Costs of trading	205		205	14
Miscellaneous expenses	407		407	114
New Building work to church/hall		403,408	403,408	33,298
Loan interest (accrued)	2,000		2,000	-
Independent Examiner's fee	550		550	-
	<u>22,976</u>	<u>435,254</u>	<u>458,230</u>	<u>56,381</u>
Total	<u>23,043</u>	<u>435,814</u>	<u>458,857</u>	<u>57,257</u>

4 Employee Costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	13,891	-
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	174	-
	<u>14,065</u>	<u>-</u>

The average number of staff employed from August 2021 was 3.

1 x Admin/Comms & 2 x Children/Youth workers all part time.

The FTE is 1.67%.

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2021	2020
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	3,000	-
Other debtors	1,198	-
	<u>4,198</u>	<u>-</u>

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2021	2020
	£	£
Loan	5,000	-
Trade creditors	515	-
Accruals	2,550	-
	<u>8,065</u>	<u>-</u>

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2020	2020
	£	£
Loan	95,000	-

A loan of £100,000 was received from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is to be repaid over 20 years with the first payment due by the end of March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme, whichever is the higher. The RHI application was still pending at the end of December 2021 but it is anticipated that a significant payment will be received in 2022.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2021
	£
Brought forward at 1st January 2021	15,867
Income	25,590
Expenditure	(23,043)
Transfers	(100,418)
Carried forward at 31st December 2021	<u>(82,004)</u>

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

2021:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	24,493	8,051	(1,050)	(680)	30,814
Grafting fund	35,302	298,650	(403,408)	100,000	30,544
Donations		693	(560)	(133)	-
DBF grant		4,000			4,000
National Lottery grant		10,000			10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust		5,000			5,000
Strategic Development Funding		30,763	(30,796)	1,231	1,198
	<u>59,795</u>	<u>357,157</u>	<u>(435,814)</u>	<u>100,418</u>	<u>81,556</u>

A quarterly payment from an ongoing bequest is paid into the Restoration fund and this is used for ongoing maintenance. Income from a bequest plus sundry income has been included in the grafting fund and this is used for building works. Grants from the DBF, National Lottery and the Dickens Goshen Trust will also be used for building works, including ground source heating which has been also been funded by a loan from Durham Diocese (see above). There are still some smaller outstanding works, i.e. emergency exit paving and replace baptistry windows, which will be paid from the grafting fund. The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and will cover staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Current assests	21,061	81,556	102,617	75,662
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(8,065)	-	(8,065)	-
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(95,000)		(95,000)	-
	<u>(82,004)</u>	<u>81,556</u>	<u>(448)</u>	<u>75,662</u>

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2021.

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The primary object of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

The PCC of St Paul's has the responsibility of co-operating with the clergy team in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at St Paul's Church.

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus;
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish;
- Missionary and outreach work.

Achievements and Performance

- * Became a registered charity.
- * Reordering of the church building to make it a warm and accessible space for all. This included installing ground source heating, new windows, removing pews, raising the level of the floor and moving the entrance.
- * Rev Paul Arnold was licenced as priest in charge and a new staff team of 3 people was hired for Admin/ Comms and Children/Youth work.
- * A team from All Saints Church was brought together with the congregation of St Paul's, creating a new St Paul's congregation.
- * A new pattern of services has been established and Alpha courses have started.
- * The Childrens/Youth staff have established relationships with local schools and are working with them on a regular basis. A weekly youth Drop In is growing and an Easter Holiday Club is planned.
- * A monthly Coffee Morning has been established for congregation and the local community alike.
- * There has been an increase in the number of young families and children attending on a Sunday.

Financial Review

Total incoming resources on unrestricted funds were £25,590 (2020: £13,072), of which £15,240 (2020: £8,459) were planned voluntary donations and £702 (2020: £1765) were fees from weddings and funerals. Restricted donations and grants of £356,006 (2020: £75,569) were received during the year. These, together with a loan of £100,000 advanced from the Diocese have been spent on building work at St Paul's. Our Diocesan Quota paid for 2021 was £10,500 (2020: £9,500).

Reserves policy

It is the intention of the PCC to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds of at least £5000, in case of a sudden drop in giving, or other emergency situations which may arise from time to time. The balance held on unrestricted funds is in line with this policy.

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Reserves policy (continued)

The balance on the Restoration account (restricted funds) is to cover planned roof repairs as well as future regular payments for church cleaning, grounds maintenance, organ service, etc.

The balance on the Grafting account (restricted funds) is to pay for outstanding Phase I building works, i.e. emergency exit paving and replacement baptistry windows.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended and Church representation rules that came into force on 1st April 2013. The PCC is registered with the Charities Commission during the year.

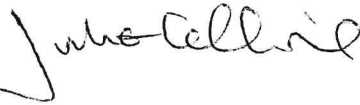
The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Appropriate induction and training procedures are in place, and PCC members are sent on relevant training courses when, and where necessary.

The major risks to which the PCC is exposed, as identified by the PCC members, have been reviewed and systems or procedures have been established to manage those risks.

Approved by the PCC on ^{10/05/2022} and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs. J. Collins - Treasurer



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Independent Examiners Report
For the Year Ended 31 December 2021

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: 

Name: Lynne Dickson FCA

Firm: JBC Accountants Limited

Address: 3B Lockheed Court
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Date: 11/5/2022

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Statement of Financial Activities
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	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and endowments from:					
<i>Donations and legacies</i>	2a	24,325	356,006	380,331	88,296
<i>Church activities</i>	2b	1,132	-	1,132	2,879
<i>Other trading activities</i>	2c	132	1,150	1,282	3,600
<i>Investments</i>	2d	1	1	2	14
<i>Other</i>	2e	-	-	-	1,150
Total		25,590	357,157	382,747	95,939
Expenditure on:					
<i>Raising funds</i>	3a	67	-	67	65
<i>Mission giving & donations</i>	3b	-	560	560	811
<i>Church activities</i>	3c	22,976	435,254	458,230	56,381
Total		23,043	435,814	458,857	57,257
Net income/(expenditure)		2,547	(78,657)	(76,110)	38,682
Transfer between funds		(100,418)	100,418	-	-
Net movement in funds		(97,871)	21,761	(76,110)	38,682
Total funds brought forward	8 & 9	15,867	59,795	75,662	36,980
Total funds carried forward	8 & 9	(82,004)	81,556	(448)	75,662


The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

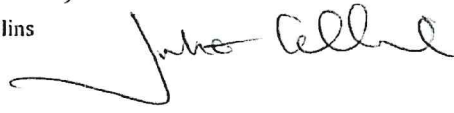
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Statement of Financial Activities
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		2021	2020
	Note	£	£
Current Assets:			
Debtors	5	4,198	-
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>98,419</u>	<u>75,662</u>
		102,617	75,662
Liabilities:			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	8,065	-
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>94,552</u>	<u>75,662</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	95,000	-
Total net assets		<u>(448)</u>	<u>75,662</u>
Parish funds:			
Unrestricted funds	8	(82,004)	15,867
Restricted funds	9	81,556	59,795
	10	<u>(448)</u>	<u>75,662</u>

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 10/05/2022

Approved by: Rev. P. Arnold 

Mrs. J. Collins 

The Parochial Church Council of St Paul's Church, Stockton-on-Tees
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The PCC constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for Investment Assets, which are shown at market 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 main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102: - the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

This is the first year that the accounts have been prepared using the accruals accounting method.

Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future.

Restricted funds comprise (a) income from endowments that's is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor.

Income and endowments

Donations and legacies

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered probable and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable.

Other trading activities

All incoming resources including fundraising are accounted for gross.

Church activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Investments

Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

Expenditure

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 expected to be paid over is accounted for when due.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings:

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S.10(2)(a) and (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 have not been valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment:

Equipment used within the church premises is capitalised and depreciated on a straight line basis over four years.

Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

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

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2 Income and endowments from:	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2a Donations and legacies				
Planned: Standing Orders	15,240	-	15,240	8,459
Income Tax Recoverable	4,781	-	4,781	2,881
Open collections	774	-	774	561
Sundry donations	3,530	1,243	4,773	436
Legacy received	-	305,000	305,000	60,959
Grants received	-	49,763	49,763	15,000
	<u>24,325</u>	<u>356,006</u>	<u>380,331</u>	<u>88,296</u>
2b Church activities				
Fees for weddings and funerals	702	-	702	1,765
Church hall lettings	430	-	430	1,105
Newsletter income	-	-	-	9
	<u>1,132</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,132</u>	<u>2,879</u>
2c Other trading activities				
Coffee mornings/Sale of pews, radiators	132	1,150	1,282	3,600
	<u>132</u>	<u>1,150</u>	<u>1,282</u>	<u>3,600</u>
2d Investments				
Bank interest received	1	1	2	14
2e Other	-	-	-	-
Total	<u>25,590</u>	<u>357,157</u>	<u>382,747</u>	<u>94,789</u>

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3 Analysis of expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
3a Raising funds	67	-	67	65
3b Mission Giving & Donations	-	560	560	811
3c Church activities				
Parish Share	10,500	-	10,500	9,500
Salaries, wages and honoraria	50	14,065	14,115	789
Clergy & staff expenses	169		169	513
Mission & evangelism costs		2,343	2,343	-
Church running expenses	6,697	15,438	22,135	9,592
Church utility bills	2,398		2,398	2,561
Costs of trading	205		205	14
Miscellaneous expenses	407		407	114
New Building work to church/hall		403,408	403,408	33,298
Loan interest (accrued)	2,000		2,000	-
Independent Examiner's fee	550		550	-
	<u>22,976</u>	<u>435,254</u>	<u>458,230</u>	<u>56,381</u>
Total	<u>23,043</u>	<u>435,814</u>	<u>458,857</u>	<u>57,257</u>

4 Employee Costs	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	13,891	-
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	174	-
	<u>14,065</u>	<u>-</u>

The average number of staff employed from August 2021 was 3.

1 x Admin/Comms & 2 x Children/Youth workers all part time.

The FTE is 1.67%.

No employee earned more than £60,000 during the year.

The vicar's and curate's expenses are included within the detail of Note 3c.

No other members have had expenses reimbursed.

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5 DEBTORS	2021	2020
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	3,000	-
Other debtors	1,198	-
	<u>4,198</u>	<u>-</u>

6 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	2021	2020
	£	£
Loan	5,000	-
Trade creditors	515	-
Accruals	2,550	-
	<u>8,065</u>	<u>-</u>

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER ONE YEAR	2020	2020
	£	£
Loan	95,000	-

A loan of £100,000 was received from Durham Diocese to purchase ground source heating. This is to be repaid over 20 years with the first payment due by the end of March 2022. The conditions of the loan are that the amount of capital to be repaid would be £5,000 plus interest (3%) or the amount received in the previous year from the RHI scheme, whichever is the higher. The RHI application was still pending at the end of December 2021 but it is anticipated that a significant payment will be received in 2022.

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	2021
	£
Brought forward at 1st January 2021	15,867
Income	25,590
Expenditure	(23,043)
Transfers	(100,418)
Carried forward at 31st December 2021	<u>(82,004)</u>

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

2021:	At 1 January	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	At 31 December
	£	£	£	£	£
Restoration fund	24,493	8,051	(1,050)	(680)	30,814
Grafting fund	35,302	298,650	(403,408)	100,000	30,544
Donations		693	(560)	(133)	-
DBF grant		4,000			4,000
National Lottery grant		10,000			10,000
Dickens Goshen Trust		5,000			5,000
Strategic Development Funding		30,763	(30,796)	1,231	1,198
	<u>59,795</u>	<u>357,157</u>	<u>(435,814)</u>	<u>100,418</u>	<u>81,556</u>

A quarterly payment from an ongoing bequest is paid into the Restoration fund and this is used for ongoing maintenance. Income from a bequest plus sundry income has been included in the grafting fund and this is used for building works. Grants from the DBF, National Lottery and the Dickens Goshen Trust will also be used for building works, including ground source heating which has been also been funded by a loan from Durham Diocese (see above). There are still some smaller outstanding works, i.e. emergency exit paving and replace baptistry windows, which will be paid from the grafting fund. The PCC qualified for Strategic Development Funding from Durham Diocese during 2021. This funding is for 4 years and will cover staff salaries, mission objectives and resources. These are paid for upfront and reimbursement is requested the following month.

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10 ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Current assests	21,061	81,556	102,617	75,662
Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year	(8,065)	-	(8,065)	-
Liabilities: amounts falling due after one year	(95,000)		(95,000)	-
	<u>(82,004)</u>	<u>81,556</u>	<u>(448)</u>	<u>75,662</u>

11 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There have been no transactions involving related parties in 2021.