

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

England & Wales · Charity number 1201953

Details

Other names KINGSLAND PCC, ST.MICHAEL PCC

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2023-02-15

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: The Charity is the Parochial Church Council of St.Michael and All Angels, Kingsland, Herefordshire. It is responsible for the Parish Church, the fabric and the use of the building as a centre for Christian worship in the village of Kingsland, and is part of the Church of England.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Herefordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-12-31	£115,333	£129,118	-	-
2024-12-31	£165,289	£145,969	-	-
2023-12-31	£165,289	£143,269	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Peter David King B.Sc.	Chair	2022-01-01
Abigail Davis		2025-06-01
Brian Roger Crump		2025-06-01
Christina Ada Harris		2022-01-01
Clare Emma Traynor B.A.		2022-01-01
David Ross Noon BSc		2022-01-01
FRANCES JEAN BARBOUR		2022-06-01
Jill Barbara Lovatt BA		2022-01-01
Karen Valerie Mary Ball		2025-06-01
RICHARD JOHN HARRIS		2022-10-01
Wendy Lilian Maddocks		2025-06-01
William John Lovatt		2022-01-01

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**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL AND
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**ANNUAL REPORT AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR
THE YEAR ENDED
31ST OF DECEMBER 2025**

CHARITY REGISTRATION No: 1201953

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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END OF FINANCIAL PERIOD	31 December 2025
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GOVERNING DOCUMENT	PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL POWERS MEASURE (1956) AS AMENDED AND CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES THAT CAME INTO FORCE ON 02 JAN 1956
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Reverend Nick Read
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Rev Canon Janet Russell
Revd Clarissa Cridland

Churchwardens:

Jean Barbour
Peter Kingp
Deputy Christina Harris

Deanery: Jilly Lovatt, John Lovatt

Synod: Jean Barbour

PCC Secretary: Wendy Maddocks

Elected Members:

2022 and before: David Noon, Christina Harris (deputy churchwarden), Richard Harris, Jilly Lovatt, John Lovatt

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The PCC is keen to offer a range of services over the course of the year that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. This includes occasional Services.

We have a sung Eucharist (average 25) normally every Sunday, with Holy Communion in one of the houses in the parish every Thursday. We have Messy Church (average 30), once a month. Services to mark the agricultural year (Rogation, Lammas, Plough Sunday, Harvest, etc.) are well attended, with up to 100 present.

During 2025, 11 funeral services were conducted by members of the ministry team and visiting clergy including 2 burials of ashes, and 3 weddings.

The Christmas and Easter Services were well attended by both regular and occasional worshippers.

GIVING AND COMMUNITY

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith.

£1,829 was sent to various charities.

This was in addition to a number of restricted donations for specific charities from funerals and events which were specified by the donors.

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SAFEGUARDING

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We will act promptly on any complaints made and work in close partnership with police and social care services where children or vulnerable adults have been harmed or are at risk of harm or mistreatment. We provide safe recruitment, training and support to our voluntary and paid workers with children and vulnerable adults. We care for those who have been abused in the past and minister appropriately to those who have abused.

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

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CHURCHWARDENS' MESSAGE AND REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, 2025

Our much loved Rector, Rev. Julie Read, retired in the summer of 2025, and since then the Parish of Kingsland and the Benefice as a whole has been in interregnum. As such we have had to rely on the help and support of many retired clergy, as well as our own licensed Readers to keep alive the ministry of the Word of God, but in particular, our Curate, Rev. Rosie Roberts. We are very happy to acknowledge the unstinting work of the Rev Preb Nick Read, Rev Michael Denny, Rev Canon Janet Russell, Rev. Clarissa Cridland, as well as Wendy Maddocks (Reader), and Rosie Capon (Reader). This allowed a pattern of services with at least one service every week to continue in each of the 3 parishes and four churches, and Family Work and Youth Work due to the dedication of Wendy, Rosie and many volunteers at Kingsland for Messy Church which is both loyal and inspirational. Messy Church, held on the first Sunday in each month, has been particularly successful, with up to 30 children and many parents, attending the activities, breakfast, and short service.

We continue to strengthen our relationship with our village Church of England Primary school, taking weekly assemblies and offering assistance to both children and staff alike. A member of our congregation, Helen Webb, is now Chair of the school governors. Major term time events, such as the welcome for new starters, services for Harvest Festival and Christmas as well as the leavers service each year are extremely well attended with 150 children and over 80 parents crammed into our church. Again we give thanks for the service of our curate, Rosie Roberts for all the work she has put into this mutual relationship.

A very considerable amount of time and effort has been spent by the Church Wardens of all four churches in preparing the Benefice CV in order to attract a new Rector. Defined procedure as laid down by the Church of England has to be carefully followed and the Church Wardens committed themselves to dealing with this as quickly and efficiently as possible. Due to their efforts two excellent candidates presented themselves for selection, and a new Rector, Rev. Maggie Tate-Druiff has been appointed, and will be licensed on the 23rd March 2026. Her name will be added to our board of Rectors stretching back to 1250, that hangs in the church.

As we welcome our new Rector, we reluctantly say goodbye to our Curate Rosie Roberts, as she completes her three year training with our Benefice. Rosie has been inspirational in her time with us, and leaves a legacy of Christian love and worship amongst our four churches. Rosie has been appointed Rector of the Cragley Benefice in Malvern, and we wish both Rosie and her family a long and happy period of her life, tending to the needs of that Benefice and spreading the gospel amongst the parishioners. We will miss her.

The fabric of the church, fully restored two years ago, has stood the test of time despite some recent appalling weather with no repairs other than general maintenance have taken place. During the year, all of the old plastic aisle chairs have been replaced with new modern wooden ones thanks largely to the assistance of the village community, and to the Street Foundation Charity.

Jean Barbour
Peter King
Church Wardens
Kingsland Parish Church.

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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The accounts show a loss of £14,249, due partly to the completion in January of the Restoration Project, which reduced our funds by some £2,000, but mainly due to paying 5 Diocesan Parish Offer payments, each of £7,080, and subsidizing the new chairs appeal by £4,963. The Diocesan payments are due quarterly, and we paid the final quarter of 2024 in January 2025. We also had to have a major electrical repair to the church wiring, costing £2,500. Our budget for 2026 shows a loss of £1,200 even after four major fundraising events, so it may be advisable for us to review our parish share. We still had £17,607 left in our bank accounts at 31st December.

RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities:

The Charities Act requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are also responsible for the contents of the trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 December 2025 and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Signature: 

Print Name: WILLIAMJOHNLOVATT

Date: 31 March 2026

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, KINGSLAND, HEREFORDSHIRE

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of St. Michael and All Angels, Kingsland, Herefordshire

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of St. Michael and All Angels, Kingsland, Herefordshire (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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

Mrs Lisa Weaver FCCA

Thorne Widgery Accountancy Ltd
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Kings Acre
Hereford
Herefordshire
HR4 7BS

Date:

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, KINGSLAND, HEREFORDSHIRE

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025**

RECEIPTS	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total 2024
Donations and Legacies	28,697	19,441	48,138	37,113
Grants received		29,608	29,608	43,925
Other Trading Activities	16,687	5,408	22,095	15,475
Charitable Activities	13,178	180	13,358	9,523
Investments	500		500	497
Other Incoming Resources		1,634	1,634	
Total income and endowments	59,062	56,271	115,333	106,533
PAYMENTS				
Raising Funds	6,221	76	6,297	5,548
Charitable Activities	56,043	66,645	122,688	76,332
Other		133	133	1,856
Total expenditure	62,264	66,854	129,118	83,736
 Net movement before investment gains/(losses)	 (3,202)	 (10,583)	 (13,785)	 22,797
 Net gains/(losses) on investments	 (464)		 (464)	 259
 Net income/(expenditure)	 (3,666)	 (10,583)	 (14,249)	 23,056
 Transfers between funds	 7,359	 (7,359)		
 Net movement in funds	 3,693	 (17,942)	 (14,249)	 23,056
 Total Funds brough forward	 27,005	 16,601	 43,606	 20,550
 Total Funds carried forward	 30,698	 (1,341)	 29,357	 43,606

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, KINGSLAND, HEREFORDSHIRE

BALANCE SHEET

	31-Dec-25	31-Dec-24
<i>Fixed Assets</i>		
Tangible Assets	529	
Investments	11,144	11,608
<i>Current Assets</i>		
Debtors – other debtors	77	0
Cash At Bank And In Hand	17,607	31,998
Net Assets	<u>29,357</u>	<u>43,606</u>
<i>Funds & Reserves</i>		
Restricted Funds	(1,341)	16,601
Unrestricted General Funds	30,698	27,005
Funds Provided	<u>29,357</u>	<u>43,606</u>

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees:

Signature: 

Print Name: WILLIAMJOHNLOVATT

Date of approval: 31 March 2026

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There have been 4 Deanery Synod meetings since the last APCM.

CHURCHWARDENS' MESSAGE AND REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH, 2024

We seem to have had a very busy year with several new additions to our normal pattern of events. These have been made possible by seeds sown by our wonderful curate Rev. Rosie Roberts, to whom we owe a huge thank you, along with the rest of our excellent ministry team, so ably headed by Rev. Preb. Julie Read. Along with other events, we particularly enjoyed a series of 'My Life in Music' evenings.

An excellent job has been done during the year involving families from within the parish, with Messy Church, I Sing Pop and Forest Church. Both children and adults have also been involved weekly, during term time, throughout the year, with Steel Pans. Our ministry team has also taken Open the Book, designed for primary children, to Wigmore Primary School. We have also welcomed children, staff and parents from Kingsland school, to end of term services, plus a wonderful service to celebrate Harvest.

An excellent Twelfth Night Benefice concert was organised to raise funds for our Benefice Administrator, involving people from the benefice and beyond. Fundraising events have included two Craft Fairs, a Concert by Hereford Chamber Choir, a Birds of Prey event on the village green and H'Art.

We were also very privileged to be able to enjoy evensong, to celebrate St Michael & All Angels, very kindly provided by members from Hereford Cathedral Choir with Dean Sarah preaching.

As always our beautiful building was made to look even more magnificent with the wonderful Christmas arrangements and the impressive Christmas tree. Numbers for the various services were slightly down on the previous year but as per normal, a wonderful feeling of togetherness was very apparent. Thank you to all our amazing volunteers without which we would not be in such a strong position and also to the PCC who has met diligently and in light of a major restoration project has given generously of their time.

THE INTERIOR OF ST. MICHAEL'S

All the major restoration work had been completed by 2024 with the exception of the lowering of the pew floors in order to eliminate the trip hazard and to allow for the replacement of the pews with new wooden chairs. There had been a misunderstanding as to the completion of the Faculty allowing the Restoration work, and the Chancellor required the reopening of the original Faculty and for a new Faculty application to be made in respect of this work. Once the Chancellor was satisfied with the paperwork, the Faculties were granted and the final construction work completed by Treasures, just in time for the Christmas period. This was the end of nearly 5 years work in respect of the restoration and reordering of the church building. During 2024, no other work was carried out to the interior of the Church.

THE EXTERIOR OF ST MICHAEL'S.

As all the restoration work was completed before 2024, no further capital work was carried out to the exterior, other than the normal maintenance in respect of gutters, resealing the porch doors etc, the mowing of the grass undertaken by Mr Dave Robertson, thanks to the generous donation from the Street Foundation, and also the Burke and Hare Group who continue to meet on alternate Thursday Mornings despite the death of Mr Bryan Markham their inspirational leader.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES (Continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

PRIEST'S IN CHARGE REPORT

I am indebted to my wonderful ministry team who along with the Churchwardens meets every other month (on average) to pray, plan and prepare the rotas, projects and benefice business vital to the smooth running of these parishes. In 2024 the Benefice Leadership Team consisted of Rev Preb Julie Read, Rev Rosie Roberts (curate), Rev Preb Nick Read (secretary), Rev Michael Denny, Rev Canon Janet Russell, Wendy Maddocks (Reader), Rosie Capon (Reader), Jean Barbour, Peter King (Kingsland Churchwardens) Annette Blyth and Dian Cope (Eardisland Churchwarden and Deputy), Meg Thorpe and Stuart Hutchings (Aym and Leinthall Churchwardens). This allowed a pattern of services with at least one service every week in each of the 3 parishes and Family Work and Youth Work due to the dedication of Wendy, Rosie and Rosie and a team at Kingsland for Messy Church which is both loyal and inspirational.

Rosie and I continue to offer both chaplaincy work and weekly assemblies to Kingsland Primary School. Julie is Vice Chair of the Governing Body and went on the Ventures Weekend with a group of year 4 and 5 children. There is a close link between school and church which has taken many years to build up.

Pastoral Services are offered and the pastoral work of the church is very important in Kingsland. We visited Street Farm this year for Rogation, 10 years after we visited in my first year here. The community is at last beginning to open up again following the after effects of the Covid Lockdowns and the Covid Born children started school in September 2024.

A big thankyou to the churchwardens, PCC and many, many volunteers who have made Kingsland Church so special. A special mention goes to Hannah Vernon who has steered us through the Treasures Project and is just now finishing the final pieces to the Project. We look forward to unveiling the plaque in due course. Congratulations to Barbara Bengry-Ovenden for 50 years of service to Kingsland Choir.

Julie Read (Priest in Charge of the parishes of Kingsland, Eardisland, Aymestrey and Leinthall Earles)

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Unrestricted year end balance was £15,180, £6,844 more than last year, mainly due to the reallocation of investment funds to unrestricted funds. The Charity aims to have one quarter Parish Offer reserve in the value of £7,080.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities:

The Charities Act requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to :-

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

The trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the regulations made under the Charities Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are also responsible for the contents of the trustees' report, and the responsibility of the independent examiner in relation to the trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

I approve the attached statement of financial activities and balance sheet for the year ended 31 December 2024, and confirm that I have made available all information necessary for its preparation.

Date 27.5.2025

Signature



PRINT NAME: WILLIAM JOHN LOVATT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of St. Michael ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024 found on pages 9 to 17.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Zita Derbak MAAT AATQB
Independent Examiners Ltd
Unit 2, The Broadbridge Business Centre
Delling Lane
Bosham
PO18 8NF

Sign: 

Date: 29.05.2025

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

Incorporating income and expenditure account	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Income and Endowments from:						
Donations and Legacies	2a	43,448	0	48,075	91,523	144,533
Charitable Activities	2b	0	0	0	0	0
Other Trading Activities	2c	15,475	0	0	15,475	20347
Investments	2d	497	0	0	497	409
TOTAL		59,420	0	48,075	107,495	165,289
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Expenditure on:						
Raising Funds	4a	5,548	0	0	5,548	5,422
Charitable Activities	4b	53,368	130	35,005	88,503	137,847
Other	4c	3,356	0	0	3,356	2,700
TOTAL		62,272	130	35,005	97,407	145,969
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS/(LOSSES)		-2,852	-130	13,070	10,088	19,320
Net gains/(losses) on investments		0	0	259	259	-1,470
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		-2,852	-130	13,329	10,347	17,850
Transfers between funds	12, 13	9,696	-223	-9,473	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		6,844	-353	3,856	10,347	17,850
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
Total Funds Brought Forward		8,336	353	11,861	20,550	0
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		15,180	0	15,717	30,897	20,550

Movements on all reserves and all recognised gains and losses are shown above. All of the organisation's operations are classed as continuing.


The notes on pages 11 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31-Dec-24 Total £	31-Dec-23 Total £
Fixed Assets						
Tangible assets	7	0	0	0	0	0
Current Assets						
Stocks - Investments	9	11,608	0	0	11,608	11,348
Debtors	8	817	0	145	962	4,938
Cash at bank and in hand	9	15,397	0	16,601	31,998	30,537
Total Current Assets		27,822	0	16,746	44,568	46,823
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	10	-12,642	0	-1,029	-13,671	-6,273
NET CURRENT ASSETS		15,180	0	15,717	30,897	40,550
TOTAL ASSETS less current liabilities		15,180	0	15,717	30,897	40,550
Creditors: amounts falling due in more than one year	11	0	0	0	0	-20,000
NET ASSETS		15,180	0	15,717	30,897	20,550
Funds of the Charity						
General Funds		15,180	0	0	15,180	8,336
Restricted Funds	12	0	0	15,717	15,717	11,861
Designated Funds	13	0	0	0	0	353
Total Funds		15,180	0	15,717	30,897	20,550

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees:

Signature: 

Print Name: WILLIAM JOHN LOVATT

Date of approval: 27.5.2025

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Basis of preparation:

These accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with: the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and with the Charities Act 2011.

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

Changes to accounting estimates

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period

Material prior period errors

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The particular accounting policies adopted are set out below.

INCOME

Recognition of Income

These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- the charity becomes entitled to the income;
- it is more likely than not that the trustees will receive the resources; and
- the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Offsetting

There has been no offsetting of assets and liabilities, or income and expenses, unless required or permitted by the FRS 102 SORP or FRS 102.

Grants and Donations

Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP).

Tax Reclaims on Donations and Gifts

Gift Aid receivable is included in income when there is a valid declaration from the donor. Any Gift Aid amount recovered on a donation is considered to be part of that gift and is treated as an addition to the same fund as the initial donation unless the donor or the terms of the appeal have specified otherwise.

Gifts in Kind

Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as income from donations when receivable.

Legacies

Legacies are included in the SOFA when receipt is probable, that is, when there has been grant of probate, the executors have established that there are sufficient assets in the estate and any conditions attached to the legacy are either within the control of the charity or have been met.

Government Grants

The charity has received no government grants in the reporting period.

Donated Services and Facilities

Donated services and facilities are included in the SOFA when received at the value of the gift to the charity provided the value of the gift can be measured reliably.

Donated services and facilities that are consumed immediately are recognised as income with an equivalent amount recognised as an expense under the appropriate heading in the SOFA.

Volunteer Help

The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the Directors' annual report.

Income from interest, royalties and dividends

This is included in the accounts when receipt is probable and the amount receivable can be measured reliably.

Investment Gains and Losses

This included any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Insurance claims

Insurance claims are only included in the SoFA when the general income recognition criteria are met (5.10 to 5.12 FRS 102 SORP) and are included as an item of other income in the SoFA.

Income from membership subscriptions

Membership subscriptions received in the nature of a gift are recognised in Donations and Legacies.

Membership subscriptions which give a member the right to buy services or other benefits are recognised as income earned from the provision of goods and services as income from charitable activities.

Expenditure and liabilities

The charity has opted to prepare its accounts using natural categories.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance and Support Costs

Support costs represent the cost of central functions, for example governance costs, payroll administration, information technology. Governance costs are those support costs which relate to public accountability of the charity and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Employee benefits

Short term benefits including holiday pay are recognised as an expense in the period in which the service is received.

Redundancy cost

The charity made no redundancy payments during the reporting period.

Deferred income

No material item of deferred income has been included in the accounts.

Creditors

The charity has creditors which are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts.

Provisions for liabilities

A liability is measured on recognition at its historical cost and then subsequently measured at the best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date

Fixed Assets

The Charity has no fixed assets.

Investments

Fixed asset investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at fair value (their market value) at the year end. The same treatment is applied to unlisted investments unless fair value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment.

Stocks and work in progress

Stocks held for sale as part of non-charitable trade are measured at the lower or cost or net realisable value.

Debtors

Debtors (including trade debtors and loans receivable) are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount after any trade discounts or amount advanced by the charity. Subsequently, they are measured at the cash or other consideration expected to be received.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

2. ANALYSIS OF INCOME	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	TOTAL	TOTAL
	Funds	Funds	Funds	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
a) Donations and Legacies					
Gifts	17,394	0	1,580	18,974	16,363
Gift Aid	3,263	0	0	3,263	3,347
Donations	1,710	0	1,555	3,265	9,585
PCC Fees	8,508	0	1,015	9,523	13,004
Grants Received	0	0	43,925	43,925	62,534
Donated services and facilities	10,604	0	0	10,604	39,665
Other Income	1,969	0	0	1,969	35
	43,448	0	48,075	91,523	144,533
b) Charitable Activities					
	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0
c) Other Trading Activities					
Fundraising Events	11,805	0	0	11,805	15,966
Book Stall	3,670	0	0	3,670	4,381
	15,475	0	0	15,475	20,347
d) Investments					
Dividends	315	0	0	315	0
Deposit Account Interest	182	0	0	182	409
	497	0	0	497	409

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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4. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 0 £	TOTAL 0 £
a) Other Trading Activities					
Book stall	5,548	0	0	5,548	5,422
				0	0
	5,548	0	0	5,548	5,422
b) Charitable Activities					
Wages/Honorarium	4,514	0	1,107	5,621	3,029
Utilities	5,522	0	0	5,522	4,019
Insurance	2,416	0	0	2,416	2,304
Parish Offer	28,321	0	0	28,321	28,321
Other Costs	341	0	0	341	1,971
Vicar's and other expenses	1,896	0	0	1,896	5,193
Service related costs & Liturgical items	1,640	130	1,251	3,021	287
Annual Memberships	895	0	0	895	801
Fundraising Expenses	7,150	0	0	7,150	3,892
Minor Property repairs	0	0	3,233	3,233	1,816
Church Yard Maintenance	0	0	2,323	2,323	1,776
Charity Giving	100	0	1,812	1,912	3,301
Grants Expenditure	0	0	25,279	25,279	78,437
Miscellaneous	573	0	0	573	573
	53,368	130	35,005	88,503	135,720
c) Support Costs					
Accountancy and Legal fees	656	0	0	656	2,700
Independent examiner's fee	2,700	0	0	2,700	2,700
	3,356	0	0	3,356	5,400

5. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	2024 £	2023 £
Gross Wages and Salaries	1,967	1,916
Employer's National Insurance Costs	0	0
Pension Contributions	0	0
	1,967	1,916

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000. Staff are paid through the PAYE system.

Employees who were engaged in each of the following activities:	2024 TOTAL	2023 TOTAL
Administration and Treasury	1	1

6. TRUSTEES AND OTHER RELATED PARTIES

7 trustees and 3 spouses made unconditional donation to the charity in the value of £5,378. (2023: Nil)

In the period the charity has paid Trustees expenses as follows:

	2024
Number of Trustees who were paid expenses	5
Total amount paid	£3,498

Expenses payments were made in relation to cleaning products, catering costs, travel costs and other costs with legitimate clergy expenses.

No remuneration were paid to trustees or any persons connected with them during this financial period. No material transaction took place between the organisation and a trustee or any person connected with them other than the expenses mentioned above.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

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7. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The charity holds no Fixed Assets.

8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Dec-24 £	Total 31-Dec-23 £
Trade Debtors	0	0	0	2,382
Gift Aid owed	680	0	680	2,556
Prepayments	137	145	282	0
	<u>817</u>	<u>145</u>	<u>962</u>	<u>4,938</u>

9. CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Dec-24 £	Total 31-Dec-23 £
Investments	0	11,608	11,608	11,348
Short term deposits	3,862	0	3,862	3,365
Cash at bank and on hand	11,535	16,601	28,136	27,173
	<u>15,397</u>	<u>28,209</u>	<u>43,606</u>	<u>41,886</u>

**10. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS
FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Dec-24 £	Total 31-Dec-23 £
Other Creditors	11,142	1,029	12,171	3,573
Independent Examiners Fees	1,500	0	1,500	2,700
	<u>12,642</u>	<u>1,029</u>	<u>13,671</u>	<u>6,273</u>

**11. CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS: AMOUNTS
FALLING DUE IN MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	Unrestricted Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Total 31-Dec-24 £	Total 31-Dec-23 £
Loan	0	0	0	20,000
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>20,000</u>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024**

12. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 31-Dec-24 £
	Balance 01-Jan-24 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gain/Losses £	
	Charity Collections	221	1,555	-1,812	36	
Benefice	185	1,015	-1,107	-163	0	-70
Maintenance	971	0	-3,233	2,262	0	0
Churchyard	1,173	1,580	-2,323	0	0	430
My Life in Music	1,418	0	-1,251	0	0	167
Other Restricted fund	13,018	0	0	-10,371	0	2,647
Restoration Fund	-16,473	43,925	-25,279	10,371	0	12,544
Investment Fund	11,348	0	0	-11,608	259	0
	<u>11,861</u>	<u>48,075</u>	<u>-35,005</u>	<u>-9,473</u>	<u>259</u>	<u>15,717</u>

The restricted funds are wholly represented by cash reserves of the charity

Charity Collections: collections at funeral and regular services where the charity is designated

Benefice: Eardisland, Aymestrey & Leinthall Earls contribution to Admin and Office expenses

Maintenance: maintenance and servicing - church building, church organ, church clock, boiler, fire extinguishers, etc.

Churchyard: mowing of the churchyard

My Life in Music: mission events - people telling their life story

Other Restricted fund: church linens fund and chairs fund

Restoration Fund: restoration of the church building. The opening balance was negative due to a conditional loan of £20,000, the condition was the completion of the project. This loan was then gifted to the charity in September 2024, this change is included in the £43,925 Restoration fund income for the year. Transfer of £10,371 in the restricted funds are to reverse prior year reallocation incorrectly stated.

Investment Fund: legacy received 5 years ago without any restriction was mentioned as restricted fund in error. Transfer of £11,608 is correcting this to be included in general fund moving forward.

	PREVIOUS REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 31-Dec-23 £
	Balance 01-Jan-23 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gain/Losses £	
	Other Restricted Funds	0	25,195	-8,209	0	
Restoration Fund	0	61,964	-78,437	0	0	-16,473
Investment Fund	0	12,818	0	0	-1470	11,348
	<u>0</u>	<u>99,977</u>	<u>-86,646</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-1,470</u>	<u>11,861</u>

13. DESIGNATED FUNDS

	CURRENT REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 31-Dec-24 £
	Balance 01-Jan-24 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gain/Losses £	
	Youth Ministry	353	0	-130	-223	
	<u>353</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-130</u>	<u>-223</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>

	PREVIOUS REPORTING PERIOD					Balance 31-Dec-23 £
	Balance 01-Jan-23 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gain/Losses £	
	Youth Ministry	0	1,181	-828	0	
	<u>0</u>	<u>1,181</u>	<u>-828</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>353</u>	<u>353</u>

Youth Ministry: legacy from Edna Pugh and Jean Scott

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL
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14. RISK ASSESSMENT

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and believe that maintaining the free reserves stated, combined with the annual review of the controls over key financial systems carried out on an annual basis will provide sufficient resources in the event of adverse conditions. The trustees have also examined other operational and business risks which they face and confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

15. RESERVES POLICY

The trustees have considered the level of reserves they wish to retain, appropriate to the charity's needs. This is based on the charity's size and the level of financial commitments held. The trustees aim to ensure the charity will be able to continue to fulfil its charitable objectives even if there is a temporary shortfall in income or unexpected expenditure. The trustees will endeavour not to set aside funds unnecessarily.

16. PUBLIC BENEFIT

The charity acknowledges its requirement to demonstrate clearly that it must have charitable purposes or 'aims' that are for the public benefit. Details of how the charity has achieved this are provided in the Trustees report. The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit before deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MICHAEL

England & Wales - Charity number 1201953

Accounts

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023
for
The Parochial Church Council of
St. Michael

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The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The charity is the legal body constituted to take responsibility for the overall life of the church in the parish and in this regard it has been important that the charity has been fully engaged in current and future plans in the community.

The objects of the charity are the upkeep, restoration, repair and running of the Parish Church of England known as St. Michael and All Angels, Kingsland, together with the church yard, and other consecrated or unconsecrated grounds for the benefit of the local community and the general public.

Significant activities

During the year, the assets and liabilities of the Kingsland PCC were transferred into this organisation. The final financial statements for the Kingsland PCC were prepared up to 31 December 2022 and the organisation ceased at this time.

These financial statements cover the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023.

Public benefit

In drafting this report the trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Charitable activities

Church attendance

The number on the electoral roll in 2023 was 116 in comparison to 118 in 2022

Review of the year

2023 has been a year of community engagement with the Treasure's Project (the Lottery Project) - a good neighbourhood scheme has been set up, an embryonic history group has formalised, there is now new Interpretation Material in Church, plus an Info Point (an intranet with information about the church)

There have been weekly services, 16 funerals, 5 baptisms, 2 weddings and school services. Our ministry team has developed. Rev Katie Smith finished her curacy and moved to a posting in Eardisley Group of Parishes. Rev Rosie Roberts joined us as a new curate and Wendy Maddocks was licenced as a reader. Rev Julie Read (priest in charge) has become a Prebendary of the Cathedral.

Fundraising and social events continued with a very successful Flower Festival, steel pan concert, church lunches, ice cream social, Christmas coffee Morning, Spirit of Fire Art Exhibition.

The church has offered a pattern of outreach and pastoral care including Messy Church, Craft and Chat, Steel pans and Pizza, Monthly lunches for the elderly and those who live alone, Lent Lectures. Cliff Davis was awarded the Ethlebert Award for 79 years in the choir.

"The approved accounts are difficult to interpret and suggest, at first glance, that the PCC had a balance of £20,550 at the end of December 2023. It is important to understand that the accounts include the grant money that is still being received, and paid out, in respect of the National Lottery funded restoration work.

In fact, the PCC works on a break-even budget, with falling income requiring us to agree a small budget deficit for the current year. The actual running costs for the church during the 2023 financial year reflect a net surplus of £8k, all of which is free reserves at the year end.

It is also important to recognise that the Parish Share (the sum contributed to the Diocese of Hereford to cover clergy costs etc.) has remained static for the past 3 years at just over £28,000.00. We have had repeated reminders from the Diocese to the effect that our contribution has gone down in real terms, but we have not been in a position to contribute more due to the falling income from Parish Giving, collections and fundraising.

Parishioners should be aware that this real terms reduction in Parish share may have implications for the provision of clergy and organisation of parishes going into the future."

PCC Activities

The PCC met quarterly and all its meetings were quorate.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

During the year ended 31 December 2023, the charity reported income of £165,289 and expenditure of £143,269 resulting in net income of £20,550.

Net assets totalled £20,550.

Reserves policy

The charity aims to hold free reserves of two months of expenditure.

At the year end the charity had total funds of £20,550, split between unrestricted funds of £8,689 and restricted funds of £11,861.

FUTURE PLANS

The charity will continue to fulfil its objects in the coming year.

The Parochial Church Council of
St. Michael

Report of the Trustees
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended and Church Representation Rules that came into force on 2 January 1956.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The minimum and maximum number of Trustees and the process of appointment is in accordance with the governing document.

Induction and training of new trustees

Upon appointment, new Trustees are given a briefing about the charity and its purpose. They meet with the Board of Trustees (Kingsland PCC) as soon as is practicable and are signposted to the Charity Commission guidance relevant to their role.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1201953

Principal address

Trustees

P D W King
R Harris
Mrs J Barbour
Rev J Read
Ms C Traynor
Mrs E H Webb
Mrs R Fear
C Fear
J Lovatt
Mrs G Lovatt
D Noon
Mrs C Harris

Independent Examiner

Mrs Lisa Weaver FCCA
Thorne Widgery Accountancy Ltd
Chartered Accountants
2 Wyevale Business Park
Kings Acre
Hereford
Herefordshire
HR4 7BS

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 12 May 2024 and signed on its behalf by:


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Rev J Read - Trustee

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of
St. Michael

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of St. Michael

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of St. Michael (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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



Mrs Lisa Weaver FCCA

Thorne Widgery Accountancy Ltd
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Date: 12/5/24

The Parochial Church Council of
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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	2	44,556	99,977	144,533
Other trading activities	3	20,347	-	20,347
Investment income	4	409	-	409
Total		<u>65,312</u>	<u>99,977</u>	<u>165,289</u>
EXPENDITURE ON				
Raising funds		5,422	-	5,422
Charitable activities				
Upkeep, restoration, repair and running costs		51,201	86,646	137,847
Total		<u>56,623</u>	<u>86,646</u>	<u>143,269</u>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		-	(1,470)	(1,470)
NET INCOME		<u>8,689</u>	<u>11,861</u>	<u>20,550</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>8,689</u></u>	<u><u>11,861</u></u>	<u><u>20,550</u></u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

The Parochial Church Council of
St. Michael

Balance Sheet
31 December 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	7	4,853	85	4,938
Investments	8	-	11,348	11,348
Cash at bank and in hand		9,704	20,833	30,537
		<u>14,557</u>	<u>32,266</u>	<u>46,823</u>
CREDITORS				
Amounts falling due within one year	9	(5,868)	(20,405)	(26,273)
		<u>8,689</u>	<u>11,861</u>	<u>20,550</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS				
		<u>8,689</u>	<u>11,861</u>	<u>20,550</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES				
		<u>8,689</u>	<u>11,861</u>	<u>20,550</u>
NET ASSETS				
		<u>8,689</u>	<u>11,861</u>	<u>20,550</u>
FUNDS				
	10			8,689
Unrestricted funds				11,861
Restricted funds				<u>20,550</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				
				<u>20,550</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 12 May 2024 and were signed on its behalf by:


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J Read - Trustee

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Going Concern

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the company has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

The charity has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors and provisions

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	£
Gifts	16,363
Donations	9,585
Gift aid	3,347
PCC fees	13,004
Donated services and facilities	39,665
Grants received	62,534
Other Income	35
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	144,533
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Included in donated services and facilities are the amounts transferred from the Kingsland PCC entity early in 2023.

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	£
Fundraising events	15,966
Book stall	4,381
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	20,347
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4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	£
Deposit account interest	409
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5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2023.

6. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

Admin	1
Organist	1
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	2
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Notes to the Financial Statements - continued
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

7. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
Trade debtors			£ 4,938 <u> </u>
8. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS			
Unlisted investments			£ 11,348 <u> </u>
9. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
Other creditors			£ 26,273 <u> </u>
10. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS			
		Net movement in funds	At 31.12.23
		£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund		8,336	8,336
Designated Funds		353	353
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		8,689	8,689
Restricted funds			
Restoration Fund		(16,473)	(16,473)
Other Restricted Funds		28,334	28,334
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
		11,861	11,861
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>20,550</u>	<u>20,550</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	64,131	(55,795)	-	8,336
Designated Funds	1,181	(828)	-	353
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	65,312	(56,623)	-	8,689
Restricted funds				
Restoration Fund	61,964	(78,437)	-	(16,473)
Other Restricted Funds	38,013	(8,209)	(1,470)	28,334
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	99,977	(86,646)	(1,470)	11,861
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>165,289</u>	<u>(143,269)</u>	<u>(1,470)</u>	<u>20,550</u>

11. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2023.

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS	
Donations and legacies	
Gifts	16,363
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Donated services and facilities	39,665
Grants received	62,534
Other Income	35
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	144,533
Other trading activities	
Fundraising events	15,966
Book stall	4,381
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	20,347
Investment income	
Deposit account interest	409
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Total incoming resources	165,289
EXPENDITURE	
Other trading activities	
Book stall	5,422
Charitable activities	
Wages/ Honorarium	3,029
Utilities and insurance	6,323
Parish Offer	28,321
Other Costs	1,971
Vicars and other expenses	5,193
Liturgical items	287
Annual Memberships	801
Fund raising expenses	3,892
Minor property repairs	1,816
Church yard maintenance	1,776
Charity giving	3,301
Grants expenditure	78,437
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	135,147
Support costs	
Governance costs	
Accountancy and legal fees	2,700
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Total resources expended	143,269
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Net income before gains and losses	22,020

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The Parochial Church Council of
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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2023

	£
Realised recognised gains and losses	
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	(1,470)
Net income	<u>20,550</u>

