

Report of the Trustees and
Unaudited Financial Statements
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024
for
Pedair Afon Ministry Area

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Pedair Afon Ministry Area

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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Report of the Trustees **for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. 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 promotion of the whole mission of the church in the parish.

The Pedair Afon Ministry Area serves ten Churches:

St David's Bettws
St John's Aberkenfig
St Bride's Llansantffraid
St David's Pontycymmer
St Ceinwyr's, Llangeinor
St David's Wyndham
St Tyfodwg's, Glynogwr
St Ilid & St Curig, Llanilid
St David's Pencoed
St Paul's @BethelNewydd, Heol y Cyw

Clergy:

MA Leader Geraint John
Team Vicar Rev Glenda Oglesbee
Team Vicar Rev Ceri John
Associate Priest Rev Chris Robinson
Reader Mark Brampton

Officers:

Lay Chair Simon Dring
MA Treasurer Melville Oglesbee
Secretary Holly Harris

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Achievements and performance **Clergy Reports** **Ministry Area Leader's Report**

Dear Friends,

Throughout the generations, parishioners from across our communities have gathered together for Vestry Meetings. Like us, they probably journeyed from vestry meeting to vestry meeting with a deep sense of concern for the future. This is where I find myself today... with a deep sense of concern for the future; yet filled with hope and confidence.

As you read this report, it is my hope that - as well as having concerns for the future - you are able to rejoice in the progress and growth that has been achieved in recent months.

The Church we have inherited today may be somewhat unrecognisable to some of our ancestors. Indeed, the Church I was baptised into looked different to the Church I now find myself serving. However, at its heart, the mission of our Church remains the same; to tell, teach, tend, transform, and treasure.

When I arrived in the Ministry Area, I encouraged our Ministry Area Council to consider everything we do through the lens of a series of questions:

What are we doing?
Why are we doing it?
Who are we doing it for?

I commend these questions to you now as we continue to build on the foundations which have already been laid down in the Pedair Afon Ministry Area. I also encourage you to consider the ways in which you might be able to contribute to the growth of the Church, and the building of God's Kingdom, through the giving of your time, means, gifts and talents, in addition to an increase in financial giving where this is possible.

Whilst the Church may look different, our mission remains the same and it is my hope that over the next year we can build upon, improve, and develop four distinct areas in the life of our Church: Worship, Outreach, Fellowship, and Stewardship - each of which must be given equal weight in the life of our churches.

To this end, as we continue our journey together, there is much to be done. More change is inevitable, but it is important to remember that, if we are to grow and flourish, we must allow ourselves to move with the Spirit and allow ourselves (and the Church!) to be shaped by the hand of God.

We are beginning to see glimmers of hope and significant areas of growth in some parts of our Ministry Area. It is my belief that this has been achieved where there is an increased aspiration for good worship, gentle outreach, loving fellowship, and a renewed awareness of our stewardship needs through financial giving, care of our church buildings, and concern for the environment.

As we each continue to play our part in building God's kingdom, we may find that there is a deep sense of hope for the future of the Pedair Afon Ministry Area as we move from despair to hope, from darkness to light, and from sorrow to joy. Let us then embrace the changes that, in time, will lead us to become healthy, sustainable, and God-centred churches of the Pedair Afon Ministry Area.

Therefore, I would like to ask you to adopt one of my favourite hymns as our "Anthem" for the year ahead. Maybe we can sing it together at each united service and commit to singing (and praying) the words in our churches from time to time?

Lord, for the years your love has kept and guided,
urged and inspired us, cheered us on our way,
sought us and saved us, pardoned and provided:
Lord of the years, we bring our thanks today.
Lord, for that word, the word of life which fires us,
speaks to our hearts and sets our souls ablaze,
teaches and trains, rebukes us and inspires us:

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Lord of the word, receive Your people's praise.
Lord, for our land in this our generation,
spirits oppressed by pleasure, wealth and care:
for young and old, for commonwealth and nation,
Lord of our land, be pleased to hear our prayer.
Lord, for our world when we disown and doubt him,
loveless in strength, and comfortless in pain,
hungry and helpless, lost indeed without him:
Lord of the world, we pray that Christ may reign.
Lord for ourselves; in living power remake us -
self on the cross and Christ upon the throne,
past put behind us, for the future take us:
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

With hope for the future, gratitude for your support, and the assurance of my prayers,

Rev'd Geraint

Ministry Area Leader Designate

Rectors Warden's Report

Reports from the Churches

Annual Vestry Report 2024-25 St David's Wyndham.

Faculties and works.

Improvements to the interior building were carried out where the wall paint to the entire building was renewed. Separately the roof guttering was reaffixed in problem areas and debris removed. Installation of new electric heating on walls and under chancel pews. Faculties applied for exterior pointing to walls in damp areas.

Fund Raising.

There have been three events. Tabletop sale on vicarage lawn for church funds and two events in the vicarage for community funds.

Services held.

Holy communion Wednesdays and Sundays.
Lent courses held
Weddings, Baptisms Funerals.
Easter sunrise communion again this year.

Financial reports

As per accounts and reports by Mel at each M/A meeting.

Community Choir

This is ongoing with events over Christmas and future events to be planned.

Quinquennial Report.

This was carried out recently. No immediate action to be taken but a few issues need addressing in near future.

Linda Kinsey

Pedair Afon Ministry Area

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Achievements and performance **Members Report**

Reports from the Churches

St Tyfodwg's events/activities for 2024

Coffee and craft held fortnightly Community space and refreshments provided free of charge by the church/hub. The following activities have been going on in this group with regular donations to local community groups in need such as -

Twiddle muffs and blankets for Dementia Patients in
Anwen Care Home(60)
Blackmill and Pantyrawel (19)
Poppy displayed for Altar and Porch
Knitted and Crochet Christmas tree
Window flower displays/ seasonal crafts ...bags, coat hangers and Christmas decorations.
Knitted hats for the homeless Bridgend Community Outreach.
Donation to Nepal..... Welfare packs for young adults (through Mrs Bissett)
Donation of stamps to RNIB.
Bonding Squares for premature baby units at Singleton and Merthyr

Family History first Wednesday of each month (a strong group which has grown in size and attracted people from outside the village). Community space and refreshments provided free of charge by the church/hub

Book/jigsaw swap last Thursday of each month (run by the church/hub community space and refreshments provided free of charge)

Community space and refreshments provided free of charge for:

Wind Turbine meetings, committee meetings. MAC meetings, Glynogwr Show meeting

St John's Ambulance ...First Aid Training.....Jan '24

Pottery classes...Feb, March, April

Makaton sign language..March, April

Dementia Talk (Lorraine Suuringer)...March

Fashion Show..May '24 - Fund raiser for church

Relaxation classes..June, July, August, September

Folk evening - Shenanigans Concert fund raiser for church and charity....July
Tropic Skincare....August, September

Coffee Morning..September - church and charity fund raiser

Ogmore Vate Male Voice Choir ..fund raiser for church and charity October

Christmas Fete. fund raiser for church and charity .November

Hunt Carol Service ..December

Community Carol Service with Cambrian Choir ...all donations to charity ...December.

We have also built up the congregation over the last year and introduced a Family Service on the first Sunday afternoon of the month which is proving popular

Helen Dando

Pedair Afon Ministry Area

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Achievements and performance

St Ceinwyr's, Llangeinor

There was fun and laughter (along with lots of hard work) at our Churches Unlocked Festival, in June, as we welcomed visitors from near and far with a cuppa and cake.

We also held some evening events which were well attended. After nine days we were completely caked out! By the time we got to September we were ready for more visitors and even more cake, as we once again took part in CADW's Open Doors. Swansea Ramblers enjoyed their regular "cake walk" and there was a first for the Love 2 Walk group. Both groups have said they'll be back.

Huge thanks to our church family who always give their time and effort (and cakes) so generously. In October we closed our door for the winter months and reopened in May.

Chris Evans

Treasurers Report-St Bride's, St David's Bettws, St John's

The year has had its financial challenges of the 3 churches - St Bride's Minor, Llansantffraid, St David's. Bettws, St John the Divine, Aberkenfig.

Some months the full diocesan share has not been met for any of the 3 churches as each church has required some maintenance and legal servicing contracts needed to be met. It was agreed at a Ministry Area Meeting that any church closing for the winter; which affected St John the Divine would not pay their diocesan share but only the insurance and clergy expenses which they have met.

As Ministry Area Councillor for St David's, Bettws we opened the church and held a Macmillan Coffee morning in September which was well supported by locals and parishioners and raised £250. There have been various other events during the year however some have been supported better than others. We will continue to open on some Saturdays over the next year in the hope that the community of Bettws will come and visit the church to see what we can offer.

Jane Phillips

Treasurer & Ministry Area Councillor

St Bride's Church Annual Report

2024/25 has been a fantastic year for St Brides Church. We have seen the congregation grow from 6 people when Rev Geraint held his first service, to an average of 20 people per week as of Sunday 11th May. This is an increase of over 300% and I feel this is a testament to the events and services we have put on which have been well advertised and supported. We also have regular Sunday and Wednesday services, which are always followed by Tea, Coffee and a chat to show how welcoming St Brides Church is in the community.

I believe that St Brides Church has returned to the heart of the community. People now know that we hold regular services but also open the church building on 'special days', such as Mother's and Father's days, which give people time and space to reflect on their faith and think about coming to church. They know that they do not have to be church members to come to these events because the welcome they receive is so warm and friendly. I believe that this is one reason why we have seen an increase in congregation numbers in St Brides.

We opened up the church again on Father's Day Saturday the 15th June and this was also a success and will definitely be repeated in June 2025.

In July 2024, we had our Afternoon Tea which was open to the whole community. It was a very successful afternoon in church and was well attended and helped to raise funds for the church.

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August saw Rev Geraint set up a box in the church porch stocked with cereals and long life milk. The intention was to help local families who were struggling financially in the school holidays. This was advertised to the community via Social Media and was initially only for the 6 week school holidays, however due to it being widely used it was kept going for the rest of 2024.

On the 14th September we held a very enjoyable and successful Race Night at Tondy Cricket Club. The event was a fundraiser not just for church but also Marie Curie Cancer Care. The Evening was run by Richard and David Rhys (Sandra's Husband and Son) and it was a great evening with lots of laughter. A Very big Thank you to both Richard and David for all the hard work they put in to such an enjoyable evening.

In October we set up a box in church to receive donations of toiletries and small cereals to help the Wallich through the winter months.

November was a busy month. Church was opened on Saturday 2nd November for All Souls Day between 10 and 12 for people to visit and spend quiet time in reflection.

We collected in over 66 shoeboxes for the Blythwood Shoe Box Appeal. Most of the boxes were destined for both children and Adults in Serbia and Ukraine and we also gave a large box of knitted toys and blankets as well as Cardigans and Jumpers.

The church magazine received an appeal from Hilary, the Hospital Chaplain, for battery operated candles and Hessian Bags for patients to receive on Christmas Day. St Brides Mothers union donated a 100 of each item.

The Mothers Union also knitted and crochet poppies for the church gate for Remembrance Sunday and we attached the names of the fallen which we copied from the memorial plaque in church.

On Saturday 30th November, we held in church for the very first time, Christmas Wreath Making Workshops. We held one session from 10 till 1 and a second session from 2 till 5 in aid of Marie Curie. The day was a great success and everybody enjoyed it immensely.

In December 2024, on the first Sunday in Advent, we held for the first time a Darkness to Light Service. It started the season of Advent and was well supported. Monday 2nd December St Brides held the Mother's Union Deanery Advent Service which was taken by Rev Geraint.

Wednesday 4th December the Ogmre Male Voice Choir held their annual Carol Concert in the church which was the first time they had returned to St Brides since before Covid. Over 75 people attended and enjoyed the carols as well as Mulled Wine and Mince Pies.

On the 19th December, St Bride's held its first Community Carol Concert by Candlelight. This event was held on a weeknight and was attended by 80 people and we believe this high number was achieved due to it being held on a week night and not a weekend where most people are very busy. Again we enjoyed Mulled Wine and Mince Pies and both these events will be regular nights on our church calendar.

31 people attended Midnight Mass which was the usual number for that service.

Moving into 2025 on the 1st February Church was opened between 10.30 and 12 to celebrate St Brides Day. Ceri held a short fellowship service followed by us making a cross of St Brides and lots of laughter and fun was had by all.

The next evening, 2nd February, we celebrated Holy Communion at a Candlemas service (presentation of Christ at the Temple) in the church.

On the 1st March church was opened for a Welsh Afternoon Tea to celebrate St David's Day. This was followed by the holding of our first Lent Lunch in Church on Saturday 8th March where we offered a good selection of home made soups and rolls. Whilst attended mostly by our congregation members, we are determined to try this again for more community engagement in 2026.

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Saturday 29th March we opened church for Mother's Day (Saturday). This was the second time of opening for Mother's Day Saturday and the opening was a great success with people being able to light a candle and take time to reflect followed by wonderful refreshments.

Finally, on Thursday 8th May we opened up church to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. We put on a display of memorabilia from Island Farm, hut 19, which included items such as gas masks, clothing, helmets, ration box plus much more. Tea, Coffee and Cake was available and the event was rounded off by both Rev Geraint and Ceri who held a lovely VE Day thanksgiving service followed by the tolling of the church bell at 6.30pm.

I would like to take this opportunity of saying a huge thank you to all those who have supported these events. They do not happen by themselves but by the hard work of all the congregation of St Brides working together.

Whilst in today's world everything seems to go on Social Media, the putting up of posters on our church gate has been a great way of us advertising our events in the community. The proof of this came from a conversation Rev Ceri had with a gentleman following a carol concert. He has attended several services and he told Rev Ceri that he passes our church gate every day since the passing away of his wife, and as long as he can see something going on in church he makes every effort to come along.

St Brides Mother's Union continues to be strong and we have enrolled 3 new members in 2024, Barbara, Julie and Margaret. We also celebrated 3 long service awards which were Maureen, Sandra and Margaret.

The Church has had many baptism's and funerals in the last year, as well as one wedding.

Lastly, I would like to thank all those who keep St Brides Church open and available for our community. I would be unable to do what I do without your support and help for which I am extremely grateful.

I feel we have had a wonderful year and look forward to the year ahead.

Kay

St John's Aberkenfig

As far as St. John's is concerned there is not a lot to report. The Church building is still in very good condition and Revd Geraint has reported to me that the broken window is to be rebuilt and then refitted. The culprit who broke in to St. John's and quite a few other churches has been apprehended and is I believe now living at one of his majesty's 'hotel's'. At the moment there are more spiders in church than parishioners. I asked if any wished to go to St. Brides or Bettws; there were no takers.

Eurof

Llanilid Church Report 24/25

Another year and what a busy one, All Special services were very well attended, Easter, Harvest, Christmas and Carols by candlelight, which we all look forward to.

Sadly we held 2 funerals and an interment service this year.

We had 2 Christenings and 2 weddings which all were wonderful days and the weather was very kind to us.

We also had a planned visit from our American friends, there was 31 people from all different places in America and Rev. Geraint held a service for them which was wonderful, and they were delighted, they are planning to come over again when we will look forward to opening the church for them.

During the run up to Remembrance Sunday we had poppies for people to give donations for, it was very successful, and helped Donna with her collection for this special day.

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Achievements and performance

We were very lucky to have different rectors taking some of our Sunday morning services, so we would all like to thank Rev. Chris, Rev. Geriant, Rev. Glenda and Rev. Stephen Pare, we all enjoyed your service,s and look forward to welcoming you back soon.

We have had some emergency work done on the church, which has all been completed.

So we start a new 2025 MAC year hopefully a successful one.

Diane Morris

Secretary / Treasurer/MA Representative

Report for St David's Church, Pencoeed (2024-2025) Annual Vestry meeting June 2025

This report outlines the key activities and developments within St David's Church, Pencoeed, over the past year, (2024-2025) highlighting a period of transition, growth, and strong community spirit.

The year brought about the significant departure of our Rector and Ministry Area Lead, Reverend Ian Hodges, upon his appointment as the Diocesan Director of Ordinands. It was a heart-warming experience for some members of our congregation to attend his welcome service at Llandaff Cathedral, demonstrating our continued support and prayers for his important new ministry.

In February, we held a truly memorable goodbye service for Ian at St David's. This brought together the wider Ministry Area in a spirit of gratitude and affection. The service was filled with uplifting hymns, and we enjoyed a time of fellowship and shared memories over lunch in the church hall afterwards.

Following Ian's move, Samantha Minnett, the ordinand who had been training with us, has also moved on to the next stage of her journey. We extend our best wishes to her.

In light of these changes, the congregation of St David's has demonstrated remarkable unity and initiative. Our Easter Sunday service was a powerful example of this. Led entirely by lay members, with individuals taking on various responsibilities, including delivering the sermon, setting up the church, leading the service, leading prayers, and readings, ensuring a meaningful worship experience for all. The service was filled with joyful singing, and it was wonderful to welcome over 30 people to celebrate Easter together, followed by fellowship and hot cross buns. We are now keen to explore the possibility of further lay-led services in the future, recognising the gifts and talents within our congregation.

Our monthly, "The Chosen" gatherings on the first Saturday of each month continue to be a cherished part of our community life. We thoroughly enjoy watching this insightful series on the life of Jesus, accompanied by pastries, tea, and coffee. It's particularly encouraging that we have a regular visitor joining us from Penarth, further broadening our fellowship.

Messy Church remains a vibrant and engaging outreach, with sessions held at Christmas and Easter. We were especially blessed to have Rev. Geraint and Rev. Ceri lead a very special Easter Saturday service in the church, which even included the delightful addition of magic tricks!

The Craft Group continues to thrive in the Church Hall, providing a wonderful space for fellowship and creativity across three generations of families.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all those unsung heroes within our congregation who diligently clean the church, arrange the flowers, set up for services, and dedicate their time and effort to producing our church magazine. Their hard work is invaluable and deeply appreciated.

There is a real sense that God is at work within St David's, Pencoeed. Spurred on by the encouragement of Rev. Chris Robinson, we are seeing more church members regularly stepping forward to lead prayers and open services. We are actively praying for one another and are filled with anticipation to see where God will lead us next on our journey of faith.

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Sara Davies

Ministry Area Representative St David's Church, Pencoed

St Paul's@Bethel, Heol y Cyw

Fortnightly services are enthusiastically attended by 8-12 people. Services are Eucharistic services primarily led by Rev Chris. £80-£120 is collected on the plate and is processed by Jo together with St David's Pencoed banking. Feedback on services is consistent praise for the warm, welcoming atmosphere and more relaxed approach.

Anna Henderson

St Paul's@Bethel MA representative

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Achievements and performance

Meetings

Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting of the Pedair Afon Ministry Area

St David's Church, Pencoed-Thursdays, June 26th 2024

Lay Chair's Update

2024/25 has been another challenging year for the Ministry Area both financially and with changes to our Clergy. I am sure many will agree that Rev Ian moving onto other opportunities has left a gap within but I wish him well in his new role.

Finances continue to be challenging whilst we have seen some growth we are still a long way from meeting our commitments to the diocese. I would like to thank Mel for his hard work making the books balance and constant liaison with the diocese.

The MAC have yet again worked hard for the benefit of everyone across all our churches, my thanks for all their hard work and may it continue.

My first tenure as Lay Chair comes to a close in October, when we will see if the Bishop chooses to offer me another 3 years in post or if there is someone else standing in the wings who wishes to take the MAC forwards.

Wardens' Report

Once again a big thank you to all those keeping an eye on their churches. It would be impossible for us to be everywhere with the amount of churches we have.

The topple test has been done in Llanilid and St David's Pencoed. This is a summer duty so it will be due again in a few months.

With the departure of Ian the clergy team are short handed. There is a plan to adjust timings and frequency of services, but please remember that we have a geographically challenging Ministry Area. Transport links can crumble quickly. So we would ask for your patience, and your input at this time.

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Achievements and performance

The closure of St Paul's Heol y Cyw is ongoing. There is a pile of paperwork to do. However, have a look around your churches, there may be an item St Paul's has that you need.

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Achievements and performance **The Magazine**

Let me begin by thanking our regular contributors for their input - where would we be without you? Also to the lovely folks who distribute and deliver the printed copies - thank you!

We are reaching far beyond our church congregations, as the magazine is appearing in waiting rooms, hairdressers and libraries across the Ministry Area, and, thanks to Chris Ellis, is being delivered by email to dozens of people as well!

And, of course, people are finding it on the website. We have a gentleman from Penarth join us for the monthly viewing of The Chosen because he read of it in the online magazine.

However, not quite everything in the garden is rosy. Please observe the deadline, as it appears every month on the inside back cover. Also, it makes the editor's life easier if articles are sent electronically, or if in hard copy then at least two weeks before publication date. Articles sent in PDF format may need to be typed in to the magazine, and photos or other jpeg submissions must be of good quality, or sadly, they may not be included.

Finally, I want to thank my amazing husband, who does most of the printing, collects the printing supplies and does a lot of the distribution. I'd be lost without him!

Crafts at St David's, Pencoeed

We now have two craft groups meeting monthly in the church hall - Coffee, Chat and Craft is on the second Tuesday of each month, from 2 to 4pm, and the evening group (yet to be named!) meets monthly on a Friday - dates vary, as decided by the group.

We have enjoyed a variety of crafts, such as card making, book binding, fabric stenciling and mixed media pictures, to name but a few. The evening group regularly has three generations of crafters in attendance!

There is no charge, and all materials and equipment are provided, but please contact me to reserve a place, (unless a regular attender) so I can make sure we have enough materials on hand. We cater for absolute beginners, as well as experienced crafters. Why not give it a try? Everyone is welcome - however, under 16s must bring an adult.

Judy

Treasurer's financial report for Pedair Afon Ministry Area From 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

Overall, financially we had a turbulent time. Having to close 3 of our churches for the winter cold period in itself led to a shortfall of income and we ended the year with a deficit of £135,180. This came about partially due to work being done on our churches without grants to cover the cost. £52,000 was spent at St David's

Wyndham on heating lighting and decorating St Tyfodwg's also had work finished but part of this was covered by the retention money from the previous year. The cost of general maintenance and repairs was up.

We did not have many legacies left to us, so this affected our income. Fund raising was down but the hall at Pencoeed income increased also the number of weddings was up on last year, our income from dividends were down as we sold some at St John's.

In general, our income was half of last year's where our outgoings were about the same leaving us with this overspend of £135,187. Part of this shortfall was due to no grant money coming in.

This coming year (2025) is not looking good so we are continuing to monitor all our outgoings, and some major decisions may have to be made accordingly.

M E Oglesbee

Pedair Afon Ministry Area Treasurer

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for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Reference and administrative details

Registered Charity number

1204628

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Independent Examiner

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Commencement of activities

The charity commenced 1st January 2022.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 20 May 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

M E Oglesbee - Trustee

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Pedair Afon Ministry Area**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Pedair Afon Ministry Area

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Pedair Afon Ministry Area (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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.

Robert Lloyd FCCA

Curtis Bowden & Thomas Limited
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20 May 2025

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Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

		Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
	Notes				
Income and endowments from					
Donations and legacies	2	88,518	-	88,518	100,141
Charitable activities	5				
General		5,382	-	5,382	90,461
Other trading activities	3	31,126	-	31,126	36,688
Investment income	4	1,207	-	1,207	2,345
Other income	6	5,760	-	5,760	8,016
Total		<u>131,993</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>131,993</u>	<u>237,651</u>
Expenditure on					
Charitable activities	7				
General		266,790	-	266,790	131,068
RESTRICTED		-	-	-	129,248
Other	9	390	-	390	416
Total		<u>267,180</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>267,180</u>	<u>260,732</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(135,187)	-	(135,187)	(23,081)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		290,222	121,592	411,814	434,895
Total funds carried forward		<u>155,035</u>	<u>121,592</u>	<u>276,627</u>	<u>411,814</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
31 December 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	31.12.24 Total funds £	31.12.23 Total funds £
Fixed assets					
Social investments	12	-	121,592	121,592	121,592
Current assets					
Cash at bank		159,684	-	159,684	294,121
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(4,649)	-	(4,649)	(3,899)
Net current assets		<u>155,035</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>155,035</u>	<u>290,222</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		155,035	121,592	276,627	411,814
NET ASSETS		<u>155,035</u>	<u>121,592</u>	<u>276,627</u>	<u>411,814</u>
Funds	14				
Unrestricted funds				155,035	290,222
Restricted funds				121,592	121,592
Total funds				<u>276,627</u>	<u>411,814</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 20 May 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

M E Oglesbee - Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements **for the Year Ended 31 December 2024**

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.

The financial statements consolidate the results of:-

St Bride's Minor
St David, Pencoed
St David, Wyndham
St Tyfodwg, Glynogwr
St Ceinwyr, Llangeinor
St David, Pontycymmer
St Llid and Curig
St Paul, Heol-y-Cyw
St David, Bettws
St John the Devine, Aberkenfig

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.

Freehold property

The church buildings are vested in the Representative Body of the Church of Wales. Consequently the churches are not included in these account.

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2. Donations and legacies		31.12.24	31.12.23
		£	£
Gifts		12,368	13,070
Donations		68,043	64,715
Gift aid		4,335	9,683
Legacies		2,730	12,176
Donated services and facilities		1,042	497
		<u>88,518</u>	<u>100,141</u>
3. Other trading activities		31.12.24	31.12.23
		£	£
Fundraising events		19,164	26,631
Hall Rental Income		4,890	3,360
Wedding fee		4,035	2,265
Other trading income		3,037	4,432
		<u>31,126</u>	<u>36,688</u>
4. Investment income		31.12.24	31.12.23
		£	£
Dividends/investment income		<u>1,207</u>	<u>2,345</u>
5. Income from charitable activities		31.12.24	31.12.23
	Activity	£	£
Grants	General	<u>5,382</u>	<u>90,461</u>
6. Other income		31.12.24	31.12.23
		£	£
Sundry Income		<u>5,760</u>	<u>8,016</u>
7. Charitable activities costs			
	Direct	Support	Totals
	Costs (see	costs	
	note 8)		
	£	£	£
General	<u>261,660</u>	<u>5,130</u>	<u>266,790</u>

The building Renovation costs relate mainly to St Tyfodwg Church Development Project. This has been funded from grants received, mainly from The Representative Body of The Church In Wales.

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8. Direct costs of charitable activities

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Rates and water	2,732	3,088
Insurance	8,134	8,990
Light and heat	21,413	25,993
Telephone	1,501	1,211
Postage and stationery	2,413	2,392
Sundries	40	545
Diocesan Share	82,229	87,647
Clergy expenses	5,939	9,286
Maintenance of services	1,648	1,169
Other churches costs	3,347	3,569
Leasing & HP Charges	1,546	971
General Repairs & maintenance	26,332	22,384
Major building repairs & renov	99,059	78,880
Support costs	2,258	3,419
Professional fees	3,069	6,564
Loss on sale of assets	-	308
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	<u>261,660</u>	<u>256,416</u>

9. Other

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Interest payable and similar charges	390	416
Support costs	5,130	3,900
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	<u>5,520</u>	<u>4,316</u>

10. Trustees' remuneration and benefits

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

11. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
Income and endowments from			
Donations and legacies	100,141	-	100,141
Charitable activities			
General	-	90,461	90,461
Other trading activities	36,688	-	36,688
Investment income	2,345	-	2,345
Other income	8,016	-	8,016
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Total	<u>147,190</u>	<u>90,461</u>	<u>237,651</u>

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11. Comparatives for the statement of financial activities - continued

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £
Expenditure on			
Charitable activities			
General	131,068	-	131,068
RESTRICTED	-	129,248	129,248
Other	416	-	416
Total	<u>131,484</u>	<u>129,248</u>	<u>260,732</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	15,706	(38,787)	(23,081)
Transfers between funds	<u>16,388</u>	<u>(16,388)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	32,094	(55,175)	(23,081)
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward	258,128	176,767	434,895
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>290,222</u></u>	<u><u>121,592</u></u>	<u><u>411,814</u></u>

12. Social investments

	Other investments £
Market value	
At 1 January 2024 and 31 December 2024	<u>121,592</u>
Net book value	
At 31 December 2024	<u><u>121,592</u></u>
At 31 December 2023	<u><u>121,592</u></u>

This consists of monies invested in the Representative Body of Church in Wales Common Investment Fund.

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13. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	31.12.24	31.12.23
	£	£
Trade creditors	(1)	(1)
Other creditors	4,650	3,900
	<u>4,649</u>	<u>3,899</u>

14. Movement in funds

	At 1.1.24	Net movement in funds	At
	£	£	31.12.24
			£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	290,222	(135,187)	155,035
Restricted funds			
Restricted Fund	121,592	-	121,592
	<u>411,814</u>	<u>(135,187)</u>	<u>276,627</u>

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

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	131,993	(267,180)	(135,187)
	<u>131,993</u>	<u>(267,180)</u>	<u>(135,187)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.23	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At
	£	£	£	31.12.23
				£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	258,128	15,706	16,388	290,222
Restricted funds				
Restricted Fund	176,767	(38,787)	(16,388)	121,592
	<u>434,895</u>	<u>(23,081)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>411,814</u>

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14. Movement in funds - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	147,190	(131,484)	15,706
Restricted funds			
Restricted Fund	90,461	(129,248)	(38,787)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>237,651</u>	<u>(260,732)</u>	<u>(23,081)</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.24 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	258,128	(119,481)	16,388	155,035
Restricted funds				
Restricted Fund	176,767	(38,787)	(16,388)	121,592
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>434,895</u>	<u>(158,268)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>276,627</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	279,183	(398,664)	(119,481)
Restricted funds			
Restricted Fund	90,461	(129,248)	(38,787)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>369,644</u>	<u>(527,912)</u>	<u>(158,268)</u>

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15. Related party disclosures

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

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	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Income and endowments		
Donations and legacies		
Gifts	12,368	13,070
Donations	68,043	64,715
Gift aid	4,335	9,683
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Investment income		
Dividends/investment income	1,207	2,345
Charitable activities		
Grants	5,382	90,461
Other income		
Sundry Income	5,760	8,016
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Total incoming resources	131,993	237,651
Expenditure		
Charitable activities		
Rates and water	2,732	3,088
Insurance	8,134	8,990
Light and heat	21,413	25,993
Telephone	1,501	1,211
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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities
for the Year Ended 31 December 2024

	31.12.24 £	31.12.23 £
Charitable activities		
Other		
Finance charges	390	416
Support costs		
Governance costs		
Accountancy and legal fees	5,130	3,900
Total resources expended	267,180	260,732
Net expenditure	(135,187)	(23,081)