

2024 Annual Report of the Trustees of Blaby Parochial Church Council

Aim and Purposes

All Saints' Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Jane Mickelthwaite, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC has responsibility, with the Parish Centre Trustees, for the maintenance of the Parish Centre.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, that is, to have due regard to safeguarding guidance for children and vulnerable adults issued by the House of Bishops.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at All Saints. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve those who live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

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

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

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of All Saints' Church and the Parish Centre.

This year, the PCC have also taken part in the Minster Community formation process which has involved PCC representatives attending meetings about the process, producing a Storyboard to tell the story of the church, holding an open meeting for all church members to complete a 'Conversation Prompts' exercise and attending a Discernment Day to consider the potential Minster Community grouping. This process is on-going.

Achievements and Performance

There has been a busy programme of events and activities including:

- Open Church each Wednesday and alternate Mondays
- Café church, approximately every two months in the Parish Centre
- Regular Brunches and coffee mornings in support of various charities
- Holy Week Open Church with prayer stations.
- Opportunities to join Lent Groups at Blaby Congregational Church or St Andrew's, Aylestone.

Ex-officio:

The Revd Jane Micklethwaite	Rector and Chair of PCC
Mr Mike Lacey	Churchwarden
Mr Michael Larrad	Churchwarden and Deanery Synod Representative
Mr Richard Holdridge	Deanery Synod Representative and Treasurer

Elected members:

Mrs Judy Arnold	Electoral Roll Officer
Mr David Cook	Churchwarden Emeritus
Mr Nigel Courtney	<i>Resigned December 2024</i>
Mrs Edna Curtis	Churches Together Representative
Mrs Maureen Hebblewhite	Secretary
Mr Ron Johnson	Health & Safety Officer <i>Died January 2025</i>
Mr Douglas Johnstone	Churches Together Representative
Mrs Lorraine Johnstone	
Mrs Lian Smith	Safeguarding Co-ordinator

The Standing Committee was made up of Revd Jane, Micklethwaite, Mrs Judy Arnold, Mr Mike Lacey, Mr Michael Larrad, Mr Richard Holdridge and Mrs Maureen Hebblewhite

**Report adopted by the PCC on 27th January 2025 and signed on their behalf
by the Revd Jane Micklethwaite (Chair of PCC):**

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Blaby Parochial Church Council
Charity Number 1206872
Annual Accounts Year Ended 31st December 2024
General Fund Receipts & Payments Account

		2024	2023
	£	£	£
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>			
Planned giving	18,185	17,386	
Donations by cash and card	5,004	4,834	
Income Tax recovered	4,842	5,012	
		28,031	27,232
<i>Other voluntary receipts</i>			
Collections for mission and charity	1,690	2,078	
Legacies	0	39,322	
Donations	4,836	2,656	
		6,526	44,056
<i>Receipts from activities for generating funds</i>			
Car Park Surplus	9,137	8,386	
Fund raising events	1,070	3,552	
		10,207	11,938
<i>Receipts from Church activities</i>			
Fees for weddings and funerals	2,348	2,271	
		2,348	2,271
<i>Receipts from investments</i>			
Bank interest		1,648	897
Total Receipts		48,760	86,394
Payments			
<i>Church activities</i>			
<i>Payments to Overseas mission and relief agencies</i>			
Children's Society	170	430	
Christian Aid	205	346	
Local Food charities	92	545	
Diocesan Mission Funds	0	458	
RNLI	330	151	
Payments to other charities	893	148	
		1,690	2,078
Parish contribution	30,000	31,000	
Churches Together in Blaby	40	30	
Church running expenses			
Gas	2,414	3,166	
Electricity	889	1,065	
Water	128	104	
Insurance	3,578	3,480	
Clergy expenses	1,103	932	
Cost of services			
Wine, wafers and candles	174	206	
Sundry expenses	0	100	
Buildings maintenance and repair	1,006	629	
Renewal of lighting	0	4,332	
Sound System	0	2,848	
		39,332	47,892
Administration costs			
Bank charges	123	135	
Fund Raising Costs	283	145	
Printing and other expenses	365	280	
		771	560
Total Payments		41,793	50,530
Excess of Receipts over Payments		6,967	35,864
Bank current and deposit accounts at 1 January 2024		38,918	3,053
Bank current and deposit accounts at 31 December 2024		45,885	38,918

Parish Centre Receipts & Payments Account (Restricted Fund)**Receipts***Income from Investments*

	£	2024 £	2023 £
Lettings	750	455	
Blaby Pre School	7,255	8,380	
Contribution from Fundraising events	600	0	
Interest Received	1,261	1,044	
		9,866	9,879

Payments*Centre Activities*

Gas	4,070	2,894	
Electricity	1,808	1,737	
Water	230	1,101	
Insurance	1,920	1,871	
Cleaning	760	800	
Maintenance and consumables	1,023	460	
		9,811	8,863

Excess of Receipts over Payments

55 1,216

Bank current and deposit accounts at 1 January 2024	30,240	29,024
Bank current and deposit accounts at 31 December 2024	30,295	30,240

Magazine Receipts & Payments Account (Designated Fund)**Receipts***Receipts from activities for generating funds*

Sales	253	253	
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Receipts from Investments

Interest Received	40	113	
		292	366

Payments*Magazine Management and Administration*

Paper, Ink and repairs	482	383	
		482	383

Excess of Payments over Receipts

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Bank current and deposit accounts at 1 January 2024	2,549	2,566
Bank current and deposit accounts at 31 December 2024	2,360	2,549

Church Fabric Receipts & Payments Fund (Restricted Fund)**Receipts**

Legacies received	0	21,000	
Donations	70	305	
Tax Efficient Donations	135	0	
Fund Raising events	0	0	
Tax Recovered on Donations	34	0	
Interest Received	647	299	
		886	21,604

Payments

Repairs to Plaster	1,018	1,631	
Chancel step handrail			
Fabric Fund raising events cost	0	0	
		1,018	1,631

Excess of Payments over Receipts

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Bank current and deposit accounts at 1 January 2024	24,176	4,203
Bank current and deposit accounts at 31 December 2024	24,044	24,176

Organ and Music Receipts & Payments Fund (Designated Fund)**Receipts**

Contribution from Weddings and Funerals	420	265	
Interest Received	64	189	
		484	454

Payments

Organ maintenance and music licenses	723	724	
		723	724

Excess of Payments over receipts

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Bank current and deposit accounts at 1 January 2024	4,080	4,320
Bank current and deposit accounts at 31 December 2024	3,841	4,080

Blaby Parochial Church Council
Annual Accounts
Year Ended 31st December 2024

Designated Funds	Receipts	Payments	Result	Bank 01-Jan-24	Bank 31-Dec-24
	£	£	£	£	£
Flowers	16	0	16	1,017	1,033
Bells	70	234	-164	658	494
Restricted Funds					
Garden of Rest	7	165	-157	469	312
Growth Fund	0	54	-54	1726	1,672

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	2023	2024	2023	2024
	£	£	£	£
55,900 HSBC Bank		58,476	38,918 Church General Fund	45,885
18,663 CBF Deposit Funds		21,263	Designated Funds:	
			2,549 Magazine Fund	2,360
			658 Bell Fund	495
			1,017 Flower Fund	1,033
-820 Fee Deposits paid		-100	4,080 Organ/Music Fund	3,841
-150 Fees due to Diocese		0	Restricted Funds	
			24,176 Fabric Fund	24,044
			469 Garden of Rest Fund	312
			1,726 Growth Fund	1,672
	73,593	79,639		79,639

Outside Funds	Receipts	Payments	Result	Bank 01-Jan-24	Bank 31-Dec-24
	£	£	£	£	£
Parish Centre		9,812	55	30,240	30,295
Drinkwater Trust	9,866	0	56	2,091	2,147
Dr Ruth Brittan (Fabric)	56	0	78	2,926	3,004

Signed
Rector

J. Micklethwaite

Rev J Micklethwaite

Signed

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PCC Treasurer

JR Holdridge

Notes to the financial statements

For the year ended 31 December 2024

1. Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005), issued in March 2005, UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

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

Unrestricted funds are general funds that can be used for PCC ordinary purposes

Designated funds are general funds for which the PCC has designated a purpose.

Incoming resources

All amounts are recognized when received.

Resources expended

Liabilities are accounted for when invoiced.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Expenditure on other fixed assets is written off as incurred.

**Independent Examiner's Certificate
For the PCC Accounts**

**Report to the trustees of Blaby Parochial Church Council
On accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024
Charity Number 1206872**

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145 (5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of the unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

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

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
- have not been met.

Signed 

Date 10/3/25

Name REBECCA HURFORD

Relevant professional qualifications CA (Chartered Accountant)

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