

The Friends of Widford Church
y/e 31 March 2025
Financial report

The accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025 attached to this report show a year when we were able to put on two successful events and we received a very substantial legacy, which is very timely in view of the major works at the church known as TAP (Tower and Archive Project).

The two FoWC events were a very popular Burns Night supper with Scottish dancing and a professional caller and the well-attended annual 'Come in from the cold' in early February with a theme of 'Down at the pub'. At both events Kerry provided splendid fare which again covered all costs for Come in from the cold including new display boards which Helen can re-use.

We did not appeal for subs in 2024/25 and as always were grateful for those subs and donations we received regardless.

The main item in the accounts was already commented on at the 2024 AGM, being an astonishing legacy from Christopher Taylor-Young which we understand as intended to support a new home for the Archive. This is of course part of the aims of the TAP and FoWC has resolved since the end of 2024/25 to pay the majority of the legacy to the TAP as we believe Christopher would have wanted, along with a contribution from FoWC itself. Payment of £25,000 has now been made so the reserves are no longer the large number in the accounts but are back down to [some £8,000].

We thank all Friends for their support and especially Jo McGill who has stepped down from acting as independent reviewer of the accounts after many years and [lucky individual] who has kindly taken up this role.

The Friends of Widford Church Reg Charity No. 278965

Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025

RECEIPTS	Amount (£)
Event income	1,937
Calendars, postcards, notepads, etc	487
Subscriptions and donations	221
Legacy	25,000
Gift Aid on subs & donations	<u>0</u>
TOTAL:	£27,645

PAYMENTS	
Events expense	(883)
Calendars, postcards, notepads, etc	(0)
Website	(230)
£100 AGM Annual Draw	(100)
Expenses: misc	<u>(46)</u>
TOTAL:	<u>£(1,259)</u>

NET RECEIPT	£26,386
Distribution	<u>(0)</u>
NET RETAINED EXPENDITURE	<u>£26,386</u>

STATEMENT of AFFAIRS

• Bank Account opening at 1 April 2024:	6,280.56
Petty cash held at 1 April 2024:	65.85
Net retained expenditure:	<u>26,386</u>
	<u>£32,732</u>
• Bank Account closing at 31 March 2025:	32,666.48
Petty cash held at 31 March 2025:	<u>65.85</u>
	<u>£32,732.33</u>

This Statement of Affairs was prepared by Treasurer Jo Birkett

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2024/25 Independent Reviewer's report

As requested, I have completed a review of the Friends of Widford Church (FoWC) income and expenditure for the period 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025.

All income and expenditure has been accounted for and reconciles with the bank statements provided.

The income and expenditure statement for 2024/25 presented for review is a true reflection of FOWC activities.

Trust this is sufficient for your requirements.

Regards

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