



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

THE FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2026

Charity no
(if any)

279543

Set out on pages

5 including 3 pages of accounts

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/03/2026**.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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").

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.

Signed:

N D Pridmore

Date:

12 May 2026

Name:

Nigel Pridmore

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address:

4 Redbridge Road, Crossways

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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

General Comments

A significant bequest of £65,764.22 was received from the estate of Coral Dawn Hatton during the year, which has materially benefited the charity's financial position.

The reduction in the value of CBF investments of £8,252.41 is regrettable but reflects prevailing global economic conditions, which have adversely affected many local charities and investment portfolios. This unrealised loss is partially offset by investment income of £2,844.21, resulting in a net impact of £5,408.20.

This position should also be considered alongside interest income of £2,957.85 received during the year, which was higher than in previous periods, again reflecting broader economic conditions.

THE FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BRADPOLE

CHARITY NUMBER 279543

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH 2026

	2026		2025	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
<u>Voluntary</u>				
Income tax recovered on Gift Aid	87.25		159.73	
Subscriptions (Current Year)	254.00		336.00	
Subscriptions (Advance Payment)	6.00		6.00	
Bequest - Coral Dawn Hatton	65,764.22			
Donations - General	66.00		82.00	
Smartie Tubes	67.36		87.59	
100 Club	590.00		450.04	
		66,834.83		1,121.36
<u>Earned from Assets</u>				
COIF Charity Investment Fund	2,844.21		2,761.25	
CBF Deposit Fund Interest	2,957.85		2,463.62	
		5,802.06		5,224.87
<u>Social Events</u>	<u>Net Profit</u>	<u>Gross Income (See Note)</u>	<u>Net Profit</u>	<u>Gross Income (See Note)</u>
Coffee Mornings	0.00	0.00	285.00	285.00
Afternoon Tea	172.00	205.07	127.80	162.00
Fish Supper & Quiz	380.75	1,104.25	0.00	0.00
Skittles	50.00	370.00	0.00	0.00
Red Kyte Band	641.60	884.75	616.40	957.31
Castaway Choices	0.00	0.00	477.00	673.00
Big Band	662.75	1,220.08	0.00	0.00
Beetle Drive	60.00	60.00	0.00	0.00
Soup & Pud Lunch	0.00	0.00	299.86	310.00
Parnham Voices Concert	0.00	0.00	410.15	675.81
		3,844.15		3,063.12
GROSS RECEIPTS		76,481.04		9,409.35
<u>OTHER RECEIPTS</u>				
Decrease/increase in value of CBF investments		-8,252.41		-4,730.43
TOTAL RECEIPTS		68,228.63		4,678.92
PAYMENTS				
Donations to Holy Trinity Bradpole		162.72		12,623.00
Insurance		401.75		379.02
Postage & Stationery		110.34		178.50
AGM Expenses		16.21		30.40
Independent examiner of accounts - donation to charity		82.50		75.00
Purchase of 6 Gopak Tables for Events		590.40		0.00
<u>Social Events</u>				
Coffee Mornings	0.00		0.00	
Afternoon Tea	33.07		34.20	
Fish Supper & Quiz	723.50		0.00	
Skittles	320.00		0.00	
Red Kyte Band	243.15		340.91	
Castaway Choices	0.00		196.00	
Big Band	557.33		0.00	
Beetle Drive	0.00		0.00	
Soup & Pud Lunch	0.00		10.14	
Parnham Voices Concert	0.00		265.66	
		1,877.05		846.91
		3,240.97		14,132.83
SURPLUS OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		64,987.66		-9,453.91

Note:

It is a Charity Commission requirement to show Gross Income for fundraising.

HTB Donation given to help with utility expenses at Events - 20% of net profit of Afternoon Tea (£34.40) and Red Kyte Band (£128.32)

THE FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH BRADPOLE**CHARITY NUMBER 279543****BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2026**

		2026		2025
	£	£	£	£
<u>CASH FUNDS</u>				
TSB Current Account	36,917.40		16,635.18	
C.B.F Deposit Fund	<u>107,737.82</u>		<u>54,779.97</u>	
		144,655.22		71,415.15
<u>INVESTED ASSETS</u>				
COIF Charity Inv Fund (4968.94 units) - yield 3.26% (2025 - 2.87%)		<u>88,545.52</u>		<u>96,797.93</u>
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>		<u><u>233,200.74</u></u>		<u><u>168,213.08</u></u>
<u>FINANCED BY</u>				
Balance as at 1st April 2025		168,213.08		177,666.99
Surplus/deficit for the year		<u>64,987.66</u>		<u>-9,453.91</u>
		<u><u>233,200.74</u></u>		<u><u>168,213.08</u></u>

Signed:

Date:

Mrs S Tomkins
Honorary Treasurer

FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BRADPOLE - 100 CLUB
ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st March 2026

		as at 31.03.26		as at 31.03.25
	£	£	£	£
Balance Available as at 01.04.2025		284.82		189.08
Add:				
Subscriptions	780.00		900.08	
Prizes not claimed	32.52		115.76	
		<u>812.52</u>		<u>1,015.84</u>
		1,097.34		1,204.92
Less:				
50% donation to the Friends	-390.00		-450.04	
Prizes paid year to date	-390.02		-450.06	
Donation of surplus funds to the Friends	-200.00		0.00	
Licence Fee	-20.00		-20.00	
		<u>-1,000.02</u>		<u>-920.10</u>
Balance Available as at 31.03.2026		<u>97.32</u>		<u>284.82</u>
Uncleared Cheques		45.67		31.66
Bank Balance as at 31.03.2026		<u>142.99</u>		<u>316.48</u>

There were 65 (2024/25 75 including 3 one year only subscribers) numbers subscribed for during the year.

Sheena Tomkins
Promoter & Treasurer
31st March 2026

FRIENDS OF HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, BRADPOLE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 18th June 2026

Treasurer's Report

The accounts for the year ending 31st March 2026 have again been independently examined by Nigel Pridmore, and again I express my sincere thanks to him for his hard work.

In his comments, Nigel emphasises the huge significance of the bequest received from the estate of Coral Hatton. The letter received from her solicitor following Coral's sad death came as a complete surprise as Coral was never a member of the Friends, but I like to feel she was placing her trust in the Friends to spend the bequest wisely in caring for the building and grounds which she loved so much. May she rest in peace.

There were 64 members (2024/25 same) of the Friends during 2025/26, of whom 23 (2024/25 same) were Life Members. There were 2 new applications for membership during the year, while 1 past member moved away from the area and cancelled their subscription and 1 did not renew their subscription.

RECEIPTS

Income earned from assets was slightly higher than that earned in 2024/25 as a result of transferring a significant portion of Coral's bequest to the CBF Deposit Fund.

As always, the social events held during the year were varied and well supported while also raising considerable sums of money towards maintaining the fabric of the building. The value of the outreach work from these events which are open to churchgoers and non-churchgoers alike is incalculable.

PAYMENTS

During 2025/26 the Friends' Committee agreed that 20% of the net profit made on events held in the church building would be paid to HTB as a contribution towards the costs of electricity and heating used in holding those events.

Sadly, no other donations were made to HTB in spite of the Friends' expressed willingness to contribute towards the costs of several projects. It is frustrating that it takes so long to get the necessary approvals before desperately needed maintenance work can be carried out and while the fabric of the building continues to deteriorate. Meanwhile, the Friends has been holding funds in the current account all year in anticipation of them being required and it is hoped that maybe there will be a deluge of approvals from the various authorities during 2026/27.

Running costs incurred were again principally in respect of the annual payment for Public Liability Insurance, printing and stationery costs and a donation to the Independent Examiner's chosen charity. The Friends also purchased 6 further Gopak tables for use at events to avoid the need to continue to borrow from external sources.

BALANCE SHEET

The Friend's Balance Sheet remains in a healthy position.

100 CLUB

The 100 Club has continued to operate throughout the year with the winning numbers being drawn by the Random Number Generator each month. There were 65 subscribers (2024/25 75 including 3 one year only subscribers) during the year which resulted in the Friends receiving the sum of £390, being 50% of the proceeds. It was also decided to transfer funds accumulated over several years as a result of prize cheques not being banked in the sum of £200 to the Friends.

Sheena Tomkins

Treasurer

18th June 2026