

**St John's Episcopal Church Selkirk**

**Scottish Charity No SC002969**

**Annual Report & Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended 30 September 2025**

# **Trustees' Annual Report**

## **For the Year Ended 30 September 2025**

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statements and the independent examiner's report for the year ended 30 September 2024

### **Reference & Administrative Information**

#### **Charity Name**

St John's Episcopal Church, Selkirk

#### **Charity No**

SC002969

#### **Address**

Registered Address: St John's Church, Shawpark Road, Selkirk, TD7 4EE

#### **Trustees (2024/25)**

Our Vestry consists of our Priest (chairperson), Secretary, Treasurer (who is also our property convener), Lay Representative and 6 elected members from our congregation (one of whom acts as Assistant Lay Rep).

### **Structure Governance & Management**

#### **Constitution**

The Charity is an unincorporated association. It is governed by its constitution which was adopted on 4<sup>th</sup> July 1971 and last amended on 8th May 2016 and reviewed on a regular basis since then.

The Church was granted charitable status by OSCR in 2007.

#### **Appointment of Trustees**

The members of the management committee or Vestry, which normally meets regularly throughout the year, are the charity's trustees. Membership of the Vestry is open to all constituent members of the congregation.

Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting which is normally held in November. Under the constitution, there must be six elected trustees. The trustees may co-opt further trustees if they consider it would be in the interests of the Church to do so.

#### **Management**

The trustees are responsible for the temporal affairs of St John's Selkirk and met on six occasions as a Vestry committee.

The trustees are particularly aware of their responsibilities for Health and Safety, especially towards children and vulnerable adults.

Those Volunteers who are required to, have disclosures under the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) Scheme.

## **Objectives & Activities**

### **Charitable purposes**

The promotion of Christianity.

### **Activities**

Public Worship, Pastoral Ministry and Christian Education.

## **Achievements & Performance**

St. John's Church building underwent extensive re-ordering work a few years ago, reopening in the Spring of 2021. This re-ordering has enabled the space in the church to be used for a wide variety of community groups as well our own coffee mornings etc. and has widely expanded St John's church profile in the local community, with a number of groups now using our church space on a regular basis.

One of the biggest successes has been the creating of our 'Memory Café'. This was conceived out of an original idea, when planning for the re-ordering, to be a meeting place for people suffering from dementia and their carers. It started as a 'once a month' event but moved to twice a month last year due to its success. This success has continued. There is always tea and cakes (free of charge for our visitors) and there are games afternoons once a month alternating with a themed event every other meeting.. Attendance has steadily increased to there now being at least 30 regular attendees.

Communion services were held every week at 10.30 on a Sunday morning throughout the year as well as 2 mid-week communion services each month and additional services being held at Easter and Christmas.

On Christmas Eve we were able once again to hold our Christingle service which was attended by over one hundred people. A collection was taken for the Aberlour Trust.

Charge	St John's, Selkirk	Year Ending	Sept.2025	(Please state if accounting period not 12 months)	Prior Year
<b>A Calculation of Quota Assessable Income (Province)</b>			£		£
<b>A1</b>	<b>Total Income from all sources and funds</b>				
	Total receipts as reported to OSCR on Annual Return		57,954		
	Any non-cash receipts (see quota guide)				
			57,954	A1	-
<b>A2</b>	<b>Requested sums to be excluded from Quota Assessable Income</b>				
<b>2a</b>	<b>Grants received from Province / diocese</b>				
	1 Stipend support / "augmentation" / travel grant etc				
	2 Building grants				
<b>2b</b>	<b>Restoration / building project income (not routine repairs)</b>				
	1 Grants				
	2 Specific donations / appeals				
<b>2c</b>	<b>Insurance Claims</b>				
	Any amounts included in A1				
<b>2d</b>	<b>Contribution to shared costs received</b>				
	1 From other charges in Group (eg shared clergy / rectory expenses)				
	2 From clergy etc (eg rectory phone expenses etc)				
<b>2e</b>	<b>Receipts from disposal of property and investments (if included in A1)</b>				
	Property				
	Investments				
<b>2f</b>	<b>Legacies (total of legacies listed at C4)</b>				
<b>2g</b>	<b>Additional expenses associated with commercial letting or trading income</b>				
	<i>Please attach a schedule showing how you have calculated the extra costs (heat, light, cleaning etc) incurred in generating commercial letting or trading income. This sum should be less than any commercial letting / trading income earned.</i>				
<b>2h</b>	<b>Sums collected for and paid or payable to third parties</b>		809		
	<i>Only include specific collections for charities or other third parties which are included as income in A1.</i>				
<b>2i</b>	<b>Other requested exclusions</b>				
	<i>Please attach a schedule of other requested exclusions together with an explanation of the nature of the income, where it appears in the accounts, and why you consider that it should be excluded from Quota Assessable Income.</i>				
	<b>Total exclusions (sum of A2a to A2i)</b>		809	A2	-
<b>A3</b>	<b>Provincial Quota Assessable Income (A1-A2)</b>		57,145	A3	-

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	£		Prior Year £
<b>B Calculation of Quota assessable income (Diocese)</b>			
<b>B1 Provincial Quota Assessable Income</b> brought forward from A3	57,145	B1	-
<b>B2 Mission-based support for UK Charities and overseas agencies</b>		B2	
<i>Further exemption is allowed in calculating QAI for Diocesan Quota for any Charge income that has been donated to other registered charities providing relevant mission or community services, or to overseas mission projects. Details of all such donations must be given on a separate sheet, or a reference provided to the relevant note in your accounts if the information is shown there. The Diocese may restrict this exemption to 10% of total congregational income if it would otherwise skew the allocation of quota significantly.</i>			
<b>B3 Diocesan Quota Assessable Income (B1-B2)</b>	57,145	B3	-
<b>C Congregational giving statistics</b>			
<i>Please provide analysis of congregational giving.  All income detailed here should also have been included in A1  Income to be included here may have been part of the quota exclusions at A2</i>			
<b>C1 Regular Congregational giving</b>			
<b>1a</b> Pledged (all pledged giving - but excluding tax reclaimed see 3 below)	19,443	C1a	
<b>1b</b> Open Offering	940	C1b	
		C1	
<b>C2 Other Congregational giving</b>			
Special Appeals / Donations / Fundraising for congregational funds (including Gift Days)	4,534	C2	
<b>C3 Tax reclaimed</b>			
Total tax reclaimed on all gifts / donations (in either 1 or 2 above)	6,345	C3	
<b>C4 Legacies</b> Please list all legacies received in year (use continuation sheet if required)			
	£		
1			
2			
3			
4			
Total must equal box A2f			
	-	C4	

**Notes**

The figure at A3 will be incorporated in total Diocesan income for the purpose of calculating the share of quota the Diocese will pay to the Province in 2028. The figure at B3 will be used in the allocation of total Diocesan Quota across congregations in the diocese in 2027. The data in section C is collected by the Province for statistical review purposes.

The Province receives about 25% of its total income from Quota paid by Dioceses. (The bulk of the rest of its income is investment income.) Provincial Income is used to make grants to the dioceses and charges of the SEC and to fund the Scottish Episcopal Institute which trains those entering authorised ministry with the SEC. For more information see <https://www.scotland.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/42nd-Annual-Report.pdf>

In 2024, 52% of Diocesan income came from Quota paid by Charges (the rest from Provincial grants and investment income). Over half of it (58%) was used to fund the Diocese's payment of Provincial Quota.

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St John's Episcopal Church, Selkirk**

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 30/9/2023 which are set out on pages 1 to 5

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

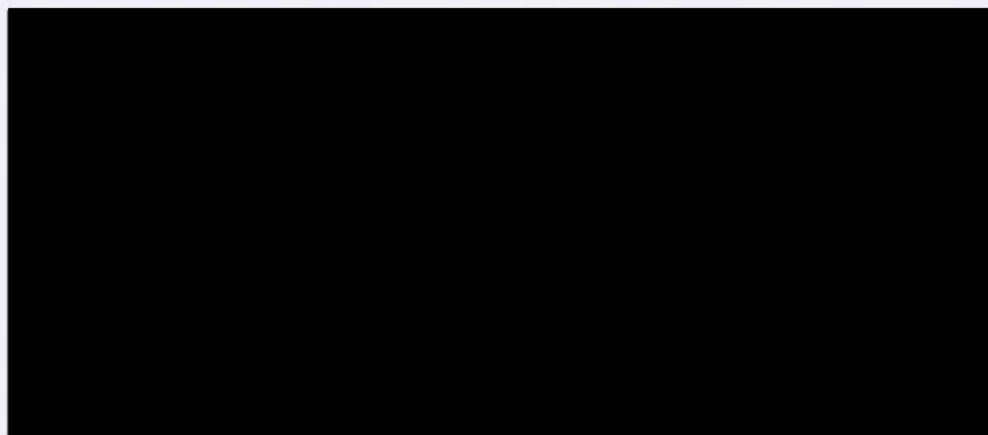
### **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. 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 any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### **Independent examiner's qualified statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention other than that disclosed below.

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements have not been met,  
or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Date: 04 Nov 2025