Parochial Church Council of
St Botolph's Church, Shepshed

End of Year Financial Statement
Year ending 31st December 2025

Charity Number: 1133049

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Trustees Annual Report

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Michael Torne (Reader)
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Churchwardens

Vacant

PCC Chair

Rev Andrew Race (to August 2025)
Keleigh Atkin (Vice Chair)
Sarah Parr (Vice Chair)

Representative on Deanery Synod

Simon Parr
John Dodson (to November 2025)
Charlotte Dodson (from May 2025)

PCC Members

Jane Payne (Treasurer)
Diane Melton (Ex-Officio) (to July 2025)
Tricia Breen (Safeguarding Officer)
David Whittington (Ex-Officio)
Sue Pullen
Sheridan Roberts
Sue Torne
Glennis Wilcox
Peter Soar
Jemma Atkin-Barrett (from May 2025)
Jade Atkin (from May 2025)
Chris Clark (from May 2025)
Kirsty Clark (from May 2025)
Isobel Goodliffe (from May 2025 to November 2025)

Structure and Governance

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 1 December 2009. The PCC is the executive committee of the parish, and consists of the Benefice ministry team, Deanery Synod representatives and churchwardens, together with elected representatives of the laity. The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules and new PCC members are briefed on their roles and responsibilities. The PCC meets every two months to discuss ongoing plans and concerns.

Everybody on the Electoral Roll is eligible to seek nomination for the PCC and elections are held at the Annual Parish Council Meeting, which all Church members are encouraged to attend.

Aim and Purposes

The primary aim of the PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC co-operates with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It is responsible for the financial affairs of the church and the care and maintenance of the church fabric and its contents.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our church and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that 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, the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific 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 the Church and the hall.

The Church was open most of the year on Saturday and Tuesday mornings for anyone to attend, but this did stop in November 2025 due to lack of Volunteers. The church services are transmitted online through YouTube with over 100 viewers. There are women's and men's fellowship groups which meet regularly. Several social and fundraising events were arranged by volunteers in 2025 raising over £6,500.

The PCC agreed to continue to support the Children's Society, Passion Youth Project and the Shepshed Food Bank. They also gave £250 each to Falcon Support Centre for the Homeless, LOROS, Rainbows, Women's Aid, World Vision and Tearfund Toilet Twinning. The Church has continued to raise funds for Christian Aid. This year the Christingle services raised £1,000 for the Children's Society. The activities of the Church have been possible because of the time given by many volunteers.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer - The PCC are keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. Regular services continued with visiting clergy and Lay Readers this year alongside online services for the Benefice through Youtube. There are approximately 150 people in our worshipping community, with around 80 attending on a "usual" Sunday.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. The Church supported

those recently bereaved through the Light Up a Life event in December when people were invited to remember a loved one by lighting a candle. In 2025,10 individuals were baptised, 2 Weddings and 18 funeral services took place held either in church or conducted by a member of the ministry team at the crematorium or cemetery.

We have been contributing to the Minister Churches process through meetings and discussions.

Deanery Synod - Two members of the PCC sit on the deanery synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

Community activities - the links with the local primary schools have continued to be developed with members of the church supporting the schools through assemblies and reading with pupils. Several of the Schools attended the Remembrance Exhibition in November, including the new Bowman Academy School.

The church was used for the Rotary Christmas Tree Festival again and this was very well attended with over 40 Christmas Trees on display. A £500 donation was received from the Rotary.

Financial Review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £149,368.40. Restricted donations of £9,673.51, Investment income £2,545 and £692.51 in Endowment funds were also received and are detailed in the Financial Statement. During 2025 we were grateful to receive £39,267 in legacies. Planned giving is up by 2%, although due to the decline the last few years we are still not back to pre-pandemic amounts. Church Hall Hire was £12,429.74 in 2025, an increase of 19% on last year. The parish giving scheme continues to be the best way for parishioners to make regulator monthly gifts and the numbers using the scheme continues to grow.

The Parish Contribution of £40,000 was paid to the Diocese of Leicester in 2025. The net result for the year was a gain of receipts over payment of £38,451.87 on unrestricted funds, largely due to the legacies. Annual Gas and Electric costs for the church and hall were £11,224.41 this was down by 7% compared to 2024.

We continued to use the Sum Up machine to take contactless payments. We have also introduced a QR Code, used again at the Christingle service this year collected £329.92. The total collected at the Christingle services was £939.67.

Reserves policy

It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund and a Trust Investment Scheme with True Potential. During 2025 the interest/gains on CBF Investments and Deposit account was £3,928.20 and £940.73 on the True Potential investment. The Old School Fund can be used at the discretion of the vicar and churchwardens.

Plans for Future Periods

We had our planned Quinquennial inspection on 12th September 2025, this has highlighted further roof and tower repairs. We will be starting fund raising for Phase II of the Roof/Tower repairs in 2026. The Screen in the church will be replaced in January/February 2025 at a cost of £5,590.94.

Risk Management

The major financial risk to which the PCC is exposed is that the funds are insufficient to cover all of the recommendation on the Quinquennial, plus the possibility of having a new heating system. Other risks have been identified and a Health and Safety Policy and a Child Safeguarding Policy are being followed.

The Trustees declare they have approved the above report on ……. and it is signed on their behalf by:-

Sarah Parr and Keleigh Atkin (Joint Vice Chairs) …… ……

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A *Independent Examiner's Report*

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name St Botolph's Church, Shepshed Leics
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025 **Charity no (if any)**
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2025**

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

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.

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Signed:	C L Wood	**Date:**	19th March 2026
Name:	Colin Wood		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians		
Address:	16 Wordsworth Rd Loughborough Leicestershire LE11 4LQ		

Parochial Church Council of St Botolph's Church, Shepshed
Charity Number 1133049
For the Year ended 31st December 2025

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	18,676.95	-	-	-	18,676.95	18,874.32
0102 - Non Gift Aid - Bank	3,646.00	-	-	-	3,646.00	3,716.00
0103 - Parish Giving Scheme - GA	24,430.74	-	-	-	24,430.74	23,795.45
0104 - Parish Giving Scheme - No GA	1,165.13	-	-	-	1,165.13	869.35
0105 - Sumup account	35.99	-	-	-	35.99	-
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes (Blue)	2,610.00	-	-	-	2,610.00	1,955.00
0112 - Non Gift Aid - Envelopes (Blue)	1,400.14	-	-	-	1,400.14	1,509.50
0301 - Loose plate collections - Regular	2,075.64	-	-	-	2,075.64	1,759.34
0302 - Loose plate collections - Other se	-	-	-	-	-	128.87
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts (Yellow) - R	613.94	-	-	-	613.94	744.58
0502 - One-off Gift Aid gifts (Yellow) - ot	-	-	-	-	-	135.00
0550 - Donations appeals etc	3,292.99	-	-	-	3,292.99	3,542.84
0551 - Roof Phase 1	-	-	9,436.55	-	9,436.55	4,988.00
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	12,067.39	-	-	-	12,067.39	13,444.30
0701 - Legacies	39,267.09	-	-	-	39,267.09	1,437.85
0801 - Grants	3,000.00	-	-	-	3,000.00	-
0901 - Other funds generated	916.13	-	-	-	916.13	915.50
0905 - Coffee Income	791.29	-	-	-	791.29	1,023.03
	113,989.42	-	9,436.55	-	123,425.97	78,838.93
1101 - Fees for weddings and banns	2,218.00	-	-	-	2,218.00	2,350.00
1102 - Fees for funerals	6,427.75	-	-	-	6,427.75	4,163.00
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote object	-	-	-	-	-	4.50
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	2,465.50	-	-	-	2,465.50	1,842.00
1300 - Children's Church	50.00	-	-	-	50.00	25.00
	11,161.25	-	-	-	11,161.25	8,384.50
0202 - Loose plate Collection - Bapti	27.00	-	-	-	27.00	414.63
0902 - Christmas market	2,553.31	-	-	-	2,553.31	2,599.32
0906 - 100 club	1,911.00	-	-	-	1,911.00	2,117.00
0910 - Social and Fundraising events etc	4,025.89	-	-	-	4,025.89	1,911.82
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	1.80	-	-	-	1.80	29.74
1240 - Church hall lettings - fund raising	9,964.24	-	-	-	9,964.24	8,550.00
1250 - Magazine income - advertising	980.00	-	-	-	980.00	1,268.50
1260 - Parish magazine sales	927.85	-	-	-	927.85	552.35
1280 - Income from printing and station	68.20	-	-	-	68.20	79.17
	20,459.29	-	-	-	20,459.29	17,522.53
1020 - Bank and building society interest	453.44	2,545.38	236.87	692.51	3,928.20	3,861.46
	453.44	2,545.38	236.87	692.51	3,928.20	3,861.46
0303 - Loose Collections - Funerals	5.00	-	-	-	5.00	-
1270 - St James' contribution	3,300.00	-	-	-	3,300.00	3,550.00
	3,305.00	-	-	-	3,305.00	3,550.00
	149,368.40	**2,545.38**	**9,673.42**	**692.51**	**162,279.71**	**112,157.42**

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
1701 - Fundraising costs	588.22	-	-	-	588.22	528.43
1702 - 100 Club	1,090.00	-	-	-	1,090.00	920.00
1703 - Library	7.00	-	-	-	7.00	-
1750 - Legacy spend	340.00	-	-	-	340.00	138.38
	2,025.22	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,025.22**	**1,586.81**
1850 - Mission giving - home	1,099.82	-	-	-	1,099.82	560.00
1851 - Mission giving - international	500.00	-	-	-	500.00	250.00
1910 - Parish gift	40,000.00	-	-	-	40,000.00	23,000.00
1911 - Assigned fees	481.80	-	-	-	481.80	-
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	12,328.65	-	-	-	12,328.65	10,809.17
2051 - Caretaker salary	7,774.60	-	-	-	7,774.60	7,514.60
2052 - Treasurer's Expenses/Wages	3,788.47	-	-	-	3,788.47	3,374.10
2053 - Gifts	120.00	-	-	-	120.00	250.76
2102 - Non-Stipendary minister's expenses	225.00	-	-	-	225.00	290.76
2104 - Pastoral assistant expenses	-	-	-	-	-	144.45
2106 - Visiting Clergy	238.06	-	-	-	238.06	337.50
2110 - Subscriptions	466.35	-	-	-	466.35	666.19
2164 - Children's Services	340.82	-	-	-	340.82	159.44
2165 - Messy Church	28.39	-	-	-	28.39	-
2201 - Training	180.90	-	-	-	180.90	246.73
2202 - Books & Resources	66.92	-	-	-	66.92	143.43
2310 - Church office - telephone/internet	622.21	-	-	-	622.21	1,130.01
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	371.21	-	-	-	371.21	-
2321 - Organists fees	2,122.00	-	-	-	2,122.00	2,224.00
2325 - Organ/Bell repairs	2,691.00	-	-	-	2,691.00	-
2331 - Cleaning	441.13	-	-	-	441.13	495.23
2340 - Upkeep of services	2,365.64	-	-	-	2,365.64	1,600.14
2341 - Wedding costs	1,254.45	-	-	-	1,254.45	1,146.95
2342 - Funeral Costs	3,239.24	-	-	-	3,239.24	2,065.83
2343 - Baptism costs	-	-	-	-	-	517.74
2345 - Hospitality	229.46	-	-	-	229.46	617.70
2361 - Printing and stationery	374.51	-	-	-	374.51	630.36
2362 - Office Costs	609.18	-	-	-	609.18	597.92
2363 - Photocopier Costs	1,779.44	-	-	-	1,779.44	1,671.95
2401 - Church running - electricity	1,905.98	-	-	-	1,905.98	1,732.92
2410 - Church running - gas	6,681.45	-	-	-	6,681.45	7,523.33
2420 - Church running - water	231.23	-	-	-	231.23	247.70
2450 - Church running - insurance	3,977.46	-	-	-	3,977.46	3,900.87
2460 - Church runing - maintenance	2,872.08	-	-	-	2,872.08	4,527.75
2501 - Magazine expenses	1,307.49	-	-	-	1,307.49	1,067.04
2530 - Hall running - electricity	1,547.01	-	-	-	1,547.01	1,812.64
2540 - Hall running - gas	989.72	-	-	-	989.72	1,013.97
2550 - Hall running - insurance	1,644.26	-	-	-	1,644.26	1,655.18
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	1,360.67	-	-	-	1,360.67	3,420.65

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	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Total Last year
2580 - Hall running - water	338.86	-	-	-	338.86	252.22
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit	182.90	-	-	-	182.90	173.94
2603 - Bank Charges	154.93	-	-	-	154.93	221.09
2610 - Advertising	-	-	-	-	-	48.00
2620 - PAYE/NI	888.02	-	-	-	888.02	787.24
2701 - Church major repairs - structure	-	-	540	-	540.00	27,253.00
2710 - Church major repairs - installation	626	-	-	-	626.00	736.00
2820 - Hall + major repairs - installation	444	-	-	-	444.00	268.00
	108,891.31	-	540	-	109,431.31	117,086.50
Expenditure Grand totals	**110,916.53**	**-**	**540**	**-**	**111,456.53**	**118,673.31**

Fund movement summary

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
Bells						
Restricted	5,234.04	236.87	-	-	-	5,470.91
Sub-totals	5,234.04	236.87	-	-	-	5,470.91
CBFCurate						
Endowment	8,884.93	406.85	-	105.15	-	9,396.93
Sub-totals	8,884.93	406.85	-	105.15	-	9,396.93
Fabric						
Endowment	6,231.41	285.66	-	80.66	-	6,597.73
Sub-totals	6,231.41	285.66	-	80.66	-	6,597.73
OldSchool						
Designated	55,545.76	2,545.38	-	698.71	-	58,789.85
Sub-totals	55,545.76	2,545.38	-	698.71	-	58,789.85
Roof1						
Restricted	0.26	9,436.55	540	17,862.00	-	26,758.81
Sub-totals	0.26	9,436.55	540	17,862.00	-	26,758.81
General						
Unrestricted	111,963.57	149,368.40	110,916.53	-18,745.63	940.75	132,610.56
Sub-totals	111,963.57	149,368.40	110,916.53	-18,745.63	940.75	132,610.56
ZReval						
Restricted	584.02	-	-	-	-	584.02
Sub-totals	584.02	-	-	-	-	584.02
Totals	**188,443.99**	**162,279.71**	**111,456.53**	**0.89**	**940.75**	**240,208.81**

Balance Sheet detailed

		As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
Fixed assets			
	6440: Church Hall	68,000.00	68,000.00
	6445: Church Equipment	6,058.40	7,128.40
	6450: Trust Fund	12,381.61	11,440.86
	Total Fixed assets	86,440.01	86,569.26
Current assets			
	6501: Bank current account	15,576.47	26,884.65
	6502: Bell Fund	5,470.91	5,234.04
	6503: Special Project Fund	9,396.93	8,990.08
	6504: Bradley Fabric Fund	6,597.73	6,312.07
	6505: Bank deposit account	59,964.19	-
	6506: Old School Account	58,789.85	56,244.47
	6590: Cash in hand	200	200
	Total Current assets	155,996.08	103,865.31
Liabilities			
	6699: Agency collections	2,227.28	1,989.69
	Z04: Accounts Payable	-	-
	Total Liabilities	2,227.28	1,989.69
	Net Asset surplus (deficit)	240,208.81	188,444.88
Reserves			
	Excess/(deficit) to date	50,823.18	-20,398.04
	Z01: Starting balances	188,444.88	207,986.08
	Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment ass	940.75	856.84
	Total Reserves	**240,208.81**	**188,444.88**

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	132,610.56	111,963.57
Designated	58,789.85	55,545.76
Restricted	32,813.74	5,819.21
Endowment	15,994.66	15,116.34
Total	**240,208.81**	**188,444.88**