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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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TRUSTEES' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019).

Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of our parish community at St Mary's and Church of the Ascension. The DCCs maintain 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.

Public benefit

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.

Safeguarding

The PCC is aware of its duty to have due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults.

The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to the house of Bishops' guidance on Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Since 2020 the PCC has used the "Safeguarding Toolkit" provided by the Diocese as a way of self-assessment to seek to ensure that it fulfils its duty. Safeguarding information is displayed in both churches and in their church halls.

All who have regular contact with children and/or vulnerable adults must submit to a DBS check for criminal convictions, where indicated. Everyone in contact with children and/or vulnerable adults has undertaken a diocesan safeguarding training or refresher course, as appropriate. Safer Recruiting has been used throughout the year to fill all voluntary and paid posts and is now working on collating all the information for the whole parish in one place. Since 2024 we have also taken on a new module of our parish dashboard which enables us to keep all the information on training and renewal dates safe and easy to see.

All forms have been redone to give the parish a uniform look, and this year, our hire agreements have all been updated to comply with our safeguarding responsibilities.

Safeguarding is a standing item on each PCC and DCC agenda.

There is now a single Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO).

All safeguarding policies are up to date, including additional policies relating to safeguarding, e.g., recruitment of ex-offenders. We are promoting and working in accordance with the Church of England Parish Safeguarding Handbook, Safer Environment and Activities, and Code of Safer Working Practice.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Employees
St Mary's continues to employ a Director of Music.

The Parish continues to employ a Children, Families and Young People's Minister, an Administrator and an Operations Manager. These final three posts are partly funded by a grant from the national Church of England.

Aims and purposes
The PCC of Kingswinford St Mary has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Each DCC has delegated maintenance responsibilities for their respective churches and centre complexes, which are each part of their church buildings.

St Mary's DCC also has maintenance responsibility for 4 The Village, Kingswinford.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Achievements and performance
Report of the Priest-in-Charge
St Mary's Church Kingswinford

This is the report presented to the ADCM in 2026 but looking back at 2025.

As I write this report I am conscious of what could be seen as the repetitive nature of my now five annual reports but this reminds me that much of what we do is the day in, day out work of God in the vineyard and that whilst some of this is repetitive this is no bad thing and much is covered in the other annual reports and I am grateful to those who coordinate so many areas of church and parish life.

Renewal Project
A key area of work during 2025 was the renewal project. For those unfamiliar with the term, we have been given a once in a lifetime opportunity of national funding to pay for a:

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During 2025 we appointed to our final vacant post when Mthr Sarah Roberts-Malpass joined us and it has been a joy to share in sacramental ministry with her.

As part of the national grant new toilets were paid for and these have made a big difference to the hospitality we are able to offer.

Our Operations Manager has also secured additional grants for us which has allowed us to progress with much needed work rather than having to tap into our savings.

Curates and placements
We also had the joy of seeing our Curate, Fr Chris Smith, ordained as Priest with many of us heading to Worcester Cathedral to be part of this before joining him as he celebrated his first Mass. We also received the news that a new Curate, Jonathan Pincher, would be joining us in 2026 after he had undertaken a placement with us this year. During the year Angela Hayden was also on placement with us and we look forward to continuing to hear how her ministry develops in the future.

Heaven
In 2025 we saw long-standing members of our church family depart from this world and meet our Lord face-to-face. I know how much their deaths have been felt by us all and we continue to pray for one another in grief, but we honour their commitment and dedication to our Church by building on what they started and standing on their shoulders to continue building the kingdom of God here in Kingswinford.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Morning Prayer
Morning prayer continues to be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week where a regular small band of pray-ers come together to listen to scripture and pray for the needs of the church and the world. It a wonderful way to start the day and meet gently with God in the quietness of St Mary's and anyone is welcome to come along and join in with this.

Services and Liturgy
The shape of our services and liturgy on a Sunday continues as it has done over recent years with a mix of Sung Eucharists and Morning Prayer in the mornings and a mix of Evensong, Taizé with Benediction and Memorial Services in the evening. With us having additional priests in the team we have extended the number of Eucharists taking place on a Sunday and it is hoped this will be sustainable in the future. The new service patter is for three Eucharists a month on a Sunday morning with an additional Eucharist on a Sunday afternoon where none was offered on the morning.

This year I wanted to again show our figures for the last few years on major festivals. These are the times during the church year where we are more deeply shaped and formed as disciples and I would encourage you all to engage fully with what is offered:

Ash Wednesday	2017 = 28	2025 = 67
Palm Sunday	2017 = 71	2025 = 59
Maundy Thursday	2017 = 32	2025 = 36
Good Friday	2018 = 25	2025 = 58
Easter Vigil	2022 = 21	2025 = 31
Easter Day	2017 = 102	2025 = 126
Lessons and carols	2017 = 28	2025 = 89
Crib	2017 = 200	2025 = 271
Community carols	2017 = 202	2025 = 93
1st Mass of Christmas	2017 = 92	2025 = 107
Christmas Day	2017 = 66	2025 = 85

New Worshipping Communities - iSingPOP
In August we held an iSingPOP summer club which was funded by the Diocesan partnership and this ended with an amazing act of worship in church. 56 children attended this and this led to an iSingPOP nativity over Christmas and this was hugely popular with 55 people coming to take part in worship.

New Worshipping Communities – Soul Food
Soul Food continues to meet every other week at 8.45am in the church centre. It starts with breakfast and then leads into worship. This has gently seen an increase in new people attending during 2025.

New Worshipping Communities – Hearts on Fire
Mthr Sarah launched Hearts on Fire during 2025 which is a Charismatic Mass based on the activity of the national On Fire Mission group. With guest preachers this has been a welcome addition to our offering and I continue to ask for you to pray for this and it's growth.

New Worshipping Communities – Fr Mel's House Group
We are grateful for Fr Mel continuing to offer a house group which is a relaxed time of prayer, worship teaching and Eucharist.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Servers Guild
The Servers Guild at St Mary's continue to support me at the altar for the majority of our services and we have recruited new servers and continue to look out for more as well. We also welcomed the Guild of the Servers of the Sanctuary to St Mary's during the year for one of their regular Guild services.

Music
The musical offering at St Mary's is a critical part of our mission with the choir supporting the vast majority of services and being available to sing at weddings and funerals when asked for by families and it has been a joy to see new people join our choir during 2025.

Bell Ringers
Our bell ringers continue to ring for services and continue to offer an audible presence of our church far and wide. So many people comment on the bells and how important it is that they are there and being rung and so in the coming years we need to ensure that we recruit new ringers who can continue this important ministry within Kingswinford.

Royal British Legion, ATC and Remembrance Sunday
I continue to be the Chaplain to the Kingswinford Royal British Legion and our Remembrance Day service was attended by so many in the local community as well as a deputy Lord Lieutenant and local councillors. I have also led a D-Day memorial service at the Legion to mark the 80th year of the D-Day landings.

I am also Padre to the Kingswinford Air Training Corps whose band came and played for our Christmas Tree Festival as well as asking us to once again host ATC Sunday for a number of local squadrons and I was also invited to lead the service for the Battle of Britain Sunday at Dudley War Memorial. Being padre involves regular 'padre's hour' at one of their meetings and we have done some great work around citizenship and taken part in some interesting debates. I also have the privilege of enrolling new cadets a couple of times each year. This is amazing work in our community and I continue to develop links between St Mary's and the local ATC.

Flower Guild
The flower guild continues to present wonderful floral arrangements throughout the year and especially at key points during the liturgical year. Flowers always add to the welcome received by visitors and regulars to our church, and we are blessed by having them as part of our worship to God.

Wedding couples are also now able to order flower arrangements from St Mary's and this has proven popular with them.

Christmas Tree Festival
The Christmas Tree festival was its usual great success both in terms of the number of Christmas trees being provided and the number of people coming to visit. This is a great method of reaching out to the local community and continues to allow us all a chance to make some really excellent links.

Mothers Union
The MU continues to thrive in Kingswinford with two groups and are a key part of ensuring the Biblical mandate to help the vulnerable in our world is kept by our church. I know how much the organisations which the MU supports appreciate the help given and demonstrates loving service in the world, a key part of all our discipleship.

Churchyard
The dedicated group of churchyard volunteers continue to meet and work week by week, cutting lawns, dismantling ivy, tidying up bushes and generally keeping the churchyard looking great and serene for the many visitors who attend day in and day out.

We need to think hard about future recruitment to this merry band of helpers of 'Bob's boys', as I like to call them.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Links with St Mary's Primary School
During this year Liz Green retired as Chair of Governors for which we give great thanks for so many years of dedicated service. We were very blessed to then have two new school governors from our Church community appointed and I ask that you continue to pray for them and their work. Mthr Sarah also took on the ex officio role on the governing body has started a new worshipping community there – Choir Church as well as leading a termly school Mass.

We also held our annual 'Blessing of the bags' service before the start of the school year.

Sian also engages with our church school directly through a full suite of 'experience' events, by taking Mainly Music into Reception and supporting year 5 and year 6 in the Walk Through the Bible experience. The experience events are fantastic but do need volunteers and so if you're interested in joining in with this please speak to one of the ministry team.

School Christmas and Easter services also take place in church and it was a joy to be able to welcome pupils, their parents and staff into St Mary's.

Links with other schools
As well as our obvious link with St Mary's we also link up with Blanford Mere Primary School, Dawley Brook Primary School, the Kingswinford School and the Brier School with Blanford Mere, Dawley Brook and the Kingswinford holding Christmas services in St Mary's.

Open the Book operates across most schools in the parish and is resourced by Church of the Ascension. If anyone is interested in joining this group please speak to me as it is an important part of our ministry to schools.

Occasional offices
Across the parish there are a good number of occasional offices.

Care Homes and home Communion
All of the care homes in the parish are now visited monthly and if this is a ministry you would like to get involved with please do let me know. We also have a dedicated band of people who visit the sick and housebound and do a sterling job keeping in touch and taking them the sacrament.

Governance
Our DCC continues to meet regularly and plan for the future. We do, however, need people to think about picking up different roles across our church and so please think and pray about whether this is something you could do or whether there is someone you could ask.

Finance
In 2024 we paid our full ministry share across the parish with St Mary's giving £34,145.40. This is an amazing achievement and one we should all be very proud of.

We have also been in the privileged position of receiving a significant bequest in 2025 from Brenda Kent of £639,178.60. The DCC invested this money and agreed that £250,000 of it would fund the Children, Young People and Families Minister for the foreseeable future.

Legacies are such an important opportunity for parishes, and we give thanks for them.

A stewardship campaign was run this year and the results from this were minimal which is reflected in a drop of planned giving compared to 2024 as well as a drop in other donations and we need to think how we, as a church community, encourage good financial stewardship especially as energy prices continue to rise.

During 2025 we continued to face the situation of not having a Treasurer and currently the wardens and priest in charge manage this between them. This is unsustainable long term and a solution is needed.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Communication
Communication has continued through our regular news sheet, the Contact Magazine, our website and on social media. This year we have also produced a number of posters for key events.

As we look to the future we are almost there in having an additional notice board put up outside the church centre.

The future
We continue to see growth and new people joining us. For this we give great thanks to God!

In the coming year we will hopefully see our new notice board put up, some of our stained glass repaired (through grant funding) and the roof and render sorted.

In a world which needs hope more than ever we are called to be God's people here in this time, in this context, in this bit of the vineyard. It may not always be an easy path but through faith and thanksgiving we walk it. Please continue to pray that St Mary's continues to grow and flourish in 2026 and we continue to embed deep foundations for many years to come.

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As part of the national church grant a new kitchen was funded and from the work of our Operations Manager we received a separate grant for new toilets and these have made a big difference to the hospitality we are able to offer.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Evening Prayer
Evening prayer continues to be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week where a regular small band of pray-ers come together to listen to scripture and pray for the needs of the church and the world. It a wonderful way to take stock of the day and meet gently with God in the quietness of Church of the Ascension and anyone is welcome to come along and join in with this. If you've not been along before then please drop by one evening as we listen to the hustle and bustle of the traffic outside and hold them all before God.

Services and Liturgy
The shape of our services and liturgy on a Sunday continues as it has done over recent years with a mix of Eucharists and Morning Prayer. With us having additional priests in the team we have extended the number of Eucharists taking place on a Sunday and it is hoped this will be sustainable in the future. The new service patter is for three Eucharists a month on a Sunday morning with an additional Eucharist on a Sunday afternoon at St Mary's.

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Christingle	2017 = 29	2025 = 48
Outdoor carols	2022 = 102	2025 = 151
Crib	2018 = 48	2025 = 99
Midnight Mass	2017 = 31	2025 = 33

New Worshipping Communities - iSingPOP
In August we held an iSingPOP summer club at St Mary's which was funded by the Diocesan partnership and this ended with an amazing act of worship in church. 56 children attended this and this led to iSingPOP pop up services which have been really popular and Sian has taken iSingPOP songs into Church of the Ascension School for them to learn.

New Worshipping Communities – Soul Food
Soul Food continues to meet every other Tuesday at 5pm in church. It starts with a meal and then leads into worship. Please pray that this can reach out to more and more people.

New Worshipping Communities – Hearts on Fire
Mthr Sarah launched Hearts on Fire during 2025 which is a Charismatic Mass based on the activity of the national On Fire Mission group and takes place at St Mary's although with a loyal band of worshippers from Wall Heath joining in. With guest preachers this has been a welcome addition to our offering and I continue to ask for you to pray for this and its growth.

New Worshipping Communities – Fr Mel's House Group
We are grateful for Fr Mel continuing to offer a house group which is a relaxed time of prayer, worship teaching and Eucharist.

New Worshipping Communities – School Worship Leaders
Sian has been working with an amazing group of children in our Church School for them to develop as worship leaders who then lead others in worship. It has been a privilege to see them lead worship in church during the year and a number of them also achieved their national Archbishops Award.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Music
Church of the Ascension continues to be a place that loves to sing, dance and clap its way through worship and this brings a great sense of joy to everyone who comes. We have learnt some new songs this year and I hope this continues in 2026. With thanks for Debbie for all that she gives to the musical life of Church of the Ascension and it's been a joy to welcome Maggie and Anne into the musical mix as well. We are truly blessed!

Remembrance Sunday
Remembrance Sunday continues to be one of the biggest services of the year and I'm always grateful to Debbie and David for leading that so that I'm able to fulfil my Padre to the Royal British Legion duties at St Mary's.

Flowers in church
We continue to have wonderful floral arrangements throughout the year and especially at key points during the liturgical year. Flowers always add to the welcome received by visitors and regulars to our church, and we are blessed by having them as part of our worship to God.

Light Festival
Over the last few years Chris Knight has led on different events to bring people into church during December. We've had an Angel Festival, a Nativity Festival and this year was a Light Festival. Once again it was a great chance to open our church and bring people together.

Inclusive Church
We continue to be members of the Inclusive Church Network which has opened up some excellent conversations with people about what this means as well as offering us challenges to ensure our inclusivity is as full as it should be.

Mothers Union
We are blessed to have a MU group in Wall Heath and its members are a key part of ensuring the Biblical mandate to help the vulnerable in our world is kept by our church. I know how much the organisations which the MU supports appreciate the help given and demonstrates loving service in the world, a key part of all our discipleship. This was also a special year where the Church of the Ascension MU celebrated its 60th anniversary.

Churchyard
In the last year we have been richly blessed by the work of Wall Heath in Bloom who have helped transform our wonderful churchyard and we are extremely grateful to them and we also thank Simon for his quiet and dedicated work at keeping our lawns mowed.

Links with Church of the Ascension Primary School
We are very blessed to have three dedicated school governors from our Church community and I ask that you continue to pray for them and their work. Fr Chris now leads a whole school assembly once each half term as well as going into reception once each month to read them a Bible story. A number of classes have also been over to church for a tour.

Church Club runs every two weeks approximately 20 children attending each time to hear a Bible story, do a craft activity and pray. It's so wonderful to see this level of engagement and again, our prayers and thanks need to be with those who lead this.

Sian also engages with our church school directly through a full suite of 'experience' events and by taking Mainly Music into Reception as well as supporting Year 5 and Year 6 in their Walk Through the Bible experience. The experience events are fantastic but do need volunteers and so if you're interested in joining in with this please speak to Sian.

As a result of our close links with our church school we have applied for the Gold Church/School Partnership Award and we look forward to receiving the outcome of this application in 2026.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Links with other schools
Open the Book operates from Church of the Ascension across most schools in the parish. If anyone is interested in joining this group please speak to Sheila Freeman as it is an important part of our ministry to schools.

Our local schools also give out material informing people of our services at Christmas and Easter.

Occasional offices
Across the parish there are a good number of occasional offices and we had a bumper crop of baptisms during 2025!

Care Homes and home Communion
All of the care homes in the parish are now visited monthly and if this is a ministry you would like to get involved with please do let me know. We also have a dedicated band of people who visit the sick and housebound and do a sterling job keeping in touch and taking them the sacrament.

Governance
Our DCC continues to meet regularly and plan for the future. We do, however, need people to think about picking up different roles across our church and so please think and pray about whether this is something you could do or whether there is someone you could ask.

Finance
In 2024 we paid our full ministry share across the parish with Church of the Ascension giving £22,763.60. This is an amazing achievement and one we should all be very proud of. However, our stewardship campaign was not as successful as we'd hoped and this is a cause for concern with all of us needing to promote regular giving whenever we can.

Communication
Communication has continued through our regular news sheet, the Contact Magazine, our website and on social media.

We continue to benefit from a great number of colourful posters on the church gates throughout the year advertising what we do and we have started to seek planning permission for an additional notice board by the bus stop!

The future
We continue to see growth and new people joining us. For this we give great thanks to God!

In the coming year we will hopefully see the final roof repair undertaken – please pray we can find grant funding for this.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Financial review

Reserves Policy – Parish of Kingswinford St Mary

The reserves policy of the parish is based on the following:

- three months regular unrestricted expenditure
- the ongoing maintenance of No. 4 The Village and the duty to be a responsible landlord
- three months salary costs
- redundancy costs
- maintenance of the building

The information contained in the Church of England's 'Guide to Parish Reserves' has been acted upon especially around the definition of reserves normally excluding the following funds:

- Permanent endowment
- Expendable endowment
- Restricted
- Designated and
- Income funds, which could only be realised by disposing of fixed assets held by the PCC.

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No. 4 The Village

In order to be a responsible landlord £20,000 is reserved for any work needed on maintaining the property or if there are no general or designated funds to cover day-to-day expenses. This is invested in a CCLA Deposit Account (No 4 The Village Reserve Account).

Three months expenditure

Based on the regular outgoings for 2023 and 2024 and the indication that day-to-day costs will continue to rise during 2025 £15,000 will be invested in a CCLA deposit account (St Mary's Kingswinford Reserve Account) as a reserve for three month expenditure.

Three months salary costs

Currently, the majority of employee funding is paid for by a national Church of England grant and so there is only a need to hold £2,000 in reserves to cover the church responsibility for employee costs. This will need to be reviewed once decisions are made regarding employees once the national funding comes to a conclusion. This will be held in in a CCLA deposit account (St Mary's Kingswinford Reserve Account).

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

Redundancy costs

Currently, the majority of employee funding is paid for by a national Church of England grant and so there is only a need to hold £1000 in reserves to cover the church responsibility for redundancy costs. This will be held in a CCLA deposit account (St Mary's Kingswinford Reserve Account). This will need to be reviewed once decisions are made regarding employees once the national funding comes to a conclusion.

Maintenance of the building

St Mary's is a large, medieval building with significant ongoing maintenance. Based on maintenance costs for 2023 and 2024 £12,000 will be allocated for this purpose. This will represent three months reserves for building maintenance. This will be held in in a CCLA deposit account (St Mary's Kingswinford Reserve Account).

Conclusion – St Mary's Church, Kingswinford

Give the amounts indicated above £30,000 will be invested as reserves into a CCLA Deposit account (St Mary's Kingswinford Reserve Account).

At Church of the Ascension, Wall Heath:

Three months expenditure

Based on the regular outgoings for 2023 and 2024 and the indication that day-to-day costs will continue to rise during 2025 £9,000 will be kept in a CCLA deposit account as a reserve for three month expenditure.

Three months salary costs

Currently, the majority of employee funding is paid for by a national Church of England grant and so there is only a need to hold £1,250 in reserves to cover the church responsibility for employee costs. This will need to be reviewed once decisions are made regarding employees once the national funding comes to a conclusion.

Redundancy costs

Currently, the majority of employee funding is paid for by a national Church of England grant and so there is only a need to hold £500 in reserves to cover the church responsibility for employee costs. This will need to be reviewed once decisions are made regarding employees once the national funding comes to a conclusion.

Maintenance of the building
Based on maintenance costs for 2023 and 2024 £1250 will be allocated for this purpose. This will represent three months reserves for building maintenance.

Conclusion – Church of the Ascension, Wall Heath
Give the amounts indicated above £12,000 will be designated as reserves in the CCLA Deposit Account (General Fund).

Reserves policy review
This policy will next be reviewed in April 2026.

Structure, governance and management
The Kingswinford Ecclesiastical Parish comprises of two districts, each with their own church council, corresponding to St Mary's Parish Church, Kingswinford and Church of the Ascension, Wall Heath, respectively. The parish is located within the Metropolitan Borough of Dudley. The correspondence address is The Eco Vicarage, 15 Penzer St, Kingswinford, West Midlands DY6 7AA.

The Kingswinford Parish is administered by the Parochial Church Council (PCC) which is a registered charity number 1133868.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Revd A Hadley	
Revd S Malpass-Roberts	(Appointed 6 February 2025)
Revd C Smith	
Mrs J Nicholls	(Deceased 6 September 2025)
Miss C Knight	
Mrs D Filgate	
Mr R Green	
Mrs J Blakemore	
Mrs K Whitehouse	
Mr N Whitehouse	
Mr G Nicholls	
Mrs H Moren	
Mr N Oliver	
Mrs M Knott	(Resigned 28 May 2025)
Mrs J Stewart	
Mrs J Westwood	
Mrs M Green	
Mrs S Freeman	(Appointed 28 May 2025)
Mrs J Price	(Appointed 28 May 2025)

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules and in the CRR 18 Scheme, dated 1st October 2016. In 2025 there were three full stipendiary posts allocated to the parish. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the electoral roll of their respective church and stand for election to a District Church Councils (DCCs) and to the PCC.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

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Revd A Hadley

Trustee

14/10/2026

Date: .....

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Parochial Church Council and Ecclesiastical Parish of Kingswinford, St Mary (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, the independent examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ACCA, which is one of the listed bodies.

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared the financial statements in accordance with the relevant version of the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn. I understand that this has been done in order for the financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.

2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or

3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of financial statements set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

Robert Chance

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from:									
Donations and legacies	**2**	816,133	-	-	816,133	84,274	856	-	85,130
Other trading activities	**3**	220,810	-	-	220,810	176,723	1,098	-	177,821
Investments	**4**	19,790	216	2,293	22,299	5,028	3,425	856	9,309
Total income and endowments		1,056,733	216	2,293	1,059,242	266,025	5,379	856	272,260
Expenditure on:									
Charitable expenditure	**5**	445,433	1,178	-	446,611	263,879	26,419	-	290,298
Net gains/(losses) on investments	**10**	(1,319)	(1,521)	(4,559)	(7,399)	1,812	(212)	2,552	4,152
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		609,981	(2,483)	(2,266)	605,232	3,958	(21,252)	3,408	(13,886)
Gross transfers between funds		16,409	(14,116)	(2,293)	-	856	(80,660)	79,804	-
Net movement in funds		626,390	(16,599)	(4,559)	605,232	4,814	(101,912)	83,212	(13,886)
Fund balances at 1 January 2025		208,937	198,114	114,045	521,096	204,123	300,026	30,833	534,982
Fund balances at 31 December 2025		835,327	181,515	109,486	1,126,328	208,937	198,114	114,045	521,096

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £	2024 £	2024 £
Fixed assets					
Property, plant and equipment	**12**		97,371		90,000
Current assets					
Trade and other receivables	**13**	764		5,344	
Investments	**14**	890,632		189,824	
Cash at bank and in hand		146,878		244,581	
		1,038,274		439,749	
Current liabilities	**15**	(9,317)		(8,653)	
Net current assets			1,028,957		431,096
Total assets less current liabilities			1,126,328		521,096
The funds of the charity					
Endowment funds	**16**		109,486		114,045
Restricted income funds	**17**		181,515		198,114
Unrestricted funds	**18**		835,327		208,937
			1,126,328		521,096

The financial statements were approved by the trustees on 14/10/2026

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Revd A Hadley
Trustee

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

The Parochial Church Council and Ecclesiastical Parish of Kingswinford, St Mary is a public benefit and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principle office is The Eco Vicarage, 15 Penzer Street, Kingswinford, West Midlands, DY6 7AA..

1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)". The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a statement of cash flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors or grantors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1 Accounting policies **(Continued)**

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

1.6 Property, plant and equipment

Property, plant and equipment are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	NIL
Fixtures and fittings	25% reducing balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and gifts	65,295	-	65,295	61,235	-	61,235
Legacies	641,129	-	641,129	1,012	-	1,012
Grants	87,180	-	87,180	-	-	-
Donated goods and services	22,529	-	22,529	22,027	856	22,883
	816,133	-	816,133	84,274	856	85,130

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

2 Income from donations and legacies **(Continued)**

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Donations and gifts						
Planned Giving	51,330	-	51,330	50,125	-	50,125
Gift Aid	13,965	-	13,965	11,110	-	11,110
	65,295	-	65,295	61,235	-	61,235

3 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Fundraising events	42,098	-	42,098	59,290	-	59,290
Shop income	8,400	-	8,400	8,400	-	8,400
Letting and licensing arrangements	10,444	-	10,444	9,550	-	9,550
Sponsorships and social lotteries	-	-	-	-	1,098	1,098
Other income	159,868	-	159,868	99,483	-	99,483
Other trading activities	220,810	-	220,810	176,723	1,098	177,821

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Endowment funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Endowment funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income from listed investments	876	-	2,293	3,169	896	3,425	856	5,177
Interest receivable	18,914	216	-	19,130	4,132	-	-	4,132
	19,790	216	2,293	22,299	5,028	3,425	856	9,309

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

5 Expenditure on charitable activities

	St Marys Church 2025 £	Church of the Ascension 2025 £	Total 2025 £	St Marys Church 2024 £	Church of the Ascension 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Direct costs						
Staff costs	77,016	-	77,016	52,774	-	52,774
Depreciation and impairment	2,457	-	2,457	-	-	-
Utilities	13,396	5,762	19,158	7,366	3,922	11,288
Repairs and renewals	68,942	75,595	144,537	28,890	6,567	35,457
Insurance	6,429	1,754	8,183	6,019	1,717	7,736
Church centre expenses	12,915	4,258	17,173	17,494	2,137	19,631
Donations	1,150	445	1,595	569	772	1,341
Legal and professional fees	-	172	172	-	2,228	2,228
Churchyard expenses	9,680	-	9,680	4,198	-	4,198
Printing and stationery	3,194	700	3,894	5,885	904	6,789
Fees to diocesan board	8,556	-	8,556	10,640	-	10,640
Church service and altar expenses	7,390	4,971	12,361	4,871	1,325	6,196
Ministry share	52,217	-	52,217	56,339	-	56,339
Clergy expenses	6,444	-	6,444	2,207	-	2,207
Amounts paid to other church	9,630	38,114	47,744	4,975	28,599	33,574
Wedding and funeral expenses	15,688	-	15,688	25,947	-	25,947
Mainly music expenses	241	354	595	582	521	1,103
Other charitable expenditure	11,783	400	12,183	4,194	520	4,714
	307,128	132,525	439,653	232,950	49,212	282,162
Share of support and governance costs (see note 6)						
Governance	6,958	-	6,958	8,136	-	8,136
	314,086	132,525	446,611	241,086	49,212	290,298
Analysis by fund						
Unrestricted funds	313,486	131,947	445,433	215,607	48,272	263,879
Restricted funds	600	578	1,178	25,479	940	26,419
	314,086	132,525	446,611	241,086	49,212	290,298

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

6 Support costs allocated to activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Governance costs	6,958	8,136
Analysed between:		
St Marys Church	6,958	8,136

7 Net movement in funds

	2025	2024
	£	£
The net movement in funds is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Fees payable for the independent examination of the charity's financial statements	6,958	8,136
Depreciation of owned property, plant and equipment	2,457	-

8 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025	2024
	Number	Number
	4	4

Employment costs	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	74,321	50,844
Social security costs	2,695	1,930
	77,016	52,774

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF KINGSWINFORD, ST MARY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

10 Gains and losses on investments

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Endowment funds 2025	Total 2025	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Endowment funds 2024	Total 2024
Gains/(losses) arising on:	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Revaluation of investments	(1,319)	(1,521)	(4,559)	(7,399)	1,812	(212)	2,552	4,152

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

11 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

12 Property, plant and equipment

	Freehold land and buildings	Fixtures and fittings	Total
	£	£	£
Cost			
At 1 January 2025	90,000	-	90,000
Additions	-	9,828	9,828
At 31 December 2025	90,000	9,828	99,828
Depreciation and impairment			
Depreciation charged in the year	-	2,457	2,457
At 31 December 2025	-	2,457	2,457
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2025	90,000	7,371	97,371
At 31 December 2024	90,000	-	90,000

13 Trade and other receivables

	2025	2024
Amounts falling due within one year:	£	£
Trade receivables	2	(2)
Prepayments and accrued income	762	5,346
	764	5,344

14 Current asset investments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Investment in CCLA Investment Management Limited	890,632	189,824

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

15 Current liabilities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	1,157	-
Other payables	455	436
Accruals and deferred income	7,705	8,217
	9,317	8,653

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

16 Endowment funds

Endowment funds represent assets which must be held permanently by the charity. Income arising on the endowment funds can be used in accordance with the objects of the charity and is included as unrestricted income. Any capital gains or losses arising on the assets form part of the fund.

		Movement in funds						
	Balance at 1 January 2024	Transfers	Gains and losses	Balance at 1 January 2025	Incoming resources	Transfers	Gains and losses	Balance at 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Permanent endowments								
Permanent Endowment Fund	30,833	(856)	706	31,539	-	-	(1,261)	30,278
Elisabeth Corfield Gravestone Fund	-	80,660	1,845	82,505	2,293	(2,293)	(3,298)	79,207
	30,833	79,804	2,552	114,045	2,293	(2,293)	(4,559)	109,486

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

17 Restricted funds

The restricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

		Movement in funds					Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	Balance at 1 January 2025	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	Balance at 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Churchyard Upkeep Fund	173	-	-	-	-	173	-	-	-	-	173
Elisabeth Corfield Gravestone Fund	82,890	2,381	(300)	(80,660)	-	4,312	216	(600)	(2,707)	-	1,220
Elisabeth Corfield Padded Seating and Church Fabric Fund	47,726	-	-	-	-	47,726	-	-	(9,828)	-	37,898
Marian Bennett Frontals and Vestments Fund	20,000	-	(19,463)	-	-	537	-	-	(537)	-	-
Property Fund No 4	90,000	-	-	-	-	90,000	-	-	-	-	90,000
Youth and Education Fund	20,559	-	(5,716)	-	-	14,843	-	-	-	-	14,843
Church Clock Maintenance & Repair	-	1,854	(940)	-	-	914	-	-	-	-	914
Education Fund	38,678	1,044	-	-	(212)	39,509	-	(578)	(1,044)	(1,521)	36,366
Mainly Music	-	100	-	-	-	100	-	-	-	-	100
	300,026	5,379	(26,419)	(80,660)	(212)	198,114	216	(1,178)	(14,117)	(1,521)	181,515

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

18 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 January 2025	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 December 2025
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	208,937	1,056,733	(445,433)	16,409	(1,319)	835,327

Previous year:	At 1 January 2024	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Transfers	Gains and losses	At 31 December 2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
General funds	204,123	266,025	(263,879)	856	1,812	208,937

19 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2025	Restricted funds 2025	Endowment funds 2025	Total 2025
	£	£	£	£
At 31 December 2025:				
Property, plant and equipment	7,371	90,000	-	97,371
Current assets/(liabilities)	827,956	91,515	109,486	1,028,957
	835,327	181,515	109,486	1,126,328

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Endowment funds 2024	Total 2024
	£	£	£	£
At 31 December 2024:				
Property, plant and equipment	-	90,000	-	90,000
Current assets/(liabilities)	208,937	108,114	114,045	431,096
	208,937	198,114	114,045	521,096
Per balance sheet	208,937	198,114	114,045	521,096
Balance to allocate	-	-	-	-

20 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.

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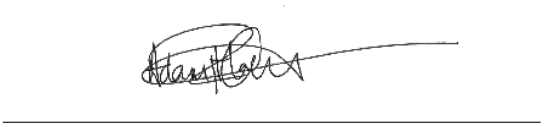
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