

The Parish of Ewhurst and Ellens Green

Annual Report 2025

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1. Parochial Church Council

2025 has been a memorable year for our PCC. For the first six months, Ewhurst was part of the Benefice of Ewhurst, Okewood and Forest Green which had been formed several years earlier. It had not been a successful partnership, no meeting of ideas, and an on-going feeling of resentment that we had been forced together. It was not, therefore, a productive alignment which the Diocese eventually admitted, and to which they set about finding a solution. Throughout the time of the Benefice, the PCC had consisted of members from Ewhurst and Okewood churches but despite continuing efforts we never managed to do anything together other than PCC meetings. Forest Green refused to be included. It was, therefore, with relief all round that the separation took place and Ewhurst became a parish once more: the Parish Church of Ewhurst and Ellens Green. The transformation went painlessly and out new PCC was formed. The new teams necessary for running the establishment were voted in and immediately started work at our first PCC meeting on 24th September. The PCC members were sworn in for 3 years and required to take on small roles to assist with the smooth running of the church. Our new Administrative Officer, Martin Smith, was gradually introduced to his new tasks, the Office was cleared out for him to make it his own space and his working hours agreed. Our Parish Secretary, Liz Coleman, had been employed for 4 mornings each week as she was dealing with the benefice. Many people in the area were used to dropping in whenever they desired so had to learn to accept the new regime. The lock was changed to facilitate the necessary security. It was a hard lesson, but it was eventually accepted and has worked smoothly ever since.

Thanks to Rev Rosemary's continuing attention and hard work, our service pattern has continued with several extra services at various times of the year. These have included a pet service with the school held outside the Wison Room, an Easter egg hunt, Easter bonnet parade; and Rainbows also coming for several of their special events. As well as engaging a new Admin Officer, we have very recently engaged a new groundsman who is intent on making the area more beautiful and also, we will be looking for a new PCC Secretary, so the PCC is not standing still in making our presence obvious in the community. Apart from the smooth running of the church, the PCC has been trying to encourage more members of the community to join our events, particularly younger members. Parents join their children in the school events, but it is difficult for busy parents to bring them to a special service. But we continue to try.

Liz Tingley

PCC Chair

7th May 2026

2. Electoral Roll

After the splitting of the Parish in mid-2025, the total number of people on the Electoral Roll for Ewhurst and Ellens Green was 74. As such, our Electoral Roll numbers entitle the Parish to 3 representatives on Deanery Synod in 2026. This number of people on the Electoral Roll also mean the Parish can have 9 members on its PCC in 2026.

Martin Smith, Parish Administrator

27th April 2026

3. Minister's Report

At the start of 2025, Ewhurst church was still part of the larger parish of Ewhurst, Okewood and Forest Green. There was no licensed rector in the parish, but the local priest with Permission to Officiate, made sure that Ewhurst never missed a service. The Church's calendar was strictly adhered to. Special services were held on occasions such as the World Day of Prayer, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, the days of Holy Week, Maundy Thursday - when we celebrated the Holy Communion "in the round", which was very well received, and Good Friday, with great celebrations on Easter Day. Some of these, especially Palm Sunday and Good Friday, we shared with our fellow Christians from the Baptist church. A few people came to the Lent course, and we also held Lent soup lunches. June 29th saw a special service held in Forest Green church - the last service of the joint parish. From then on, Ewhurst stood alone as a church, and Okewood and Forest Green moved to Dorking Deanery. Ewhurst church continued apace. A new PCC was elected, a new parish administrator was appointed, and all the regular meetings and weekly services continued as normal. A service of Holy Communion was – and still is – held at the Old Rectory on the first Wednesday of each calendar month, and Rev R makes many other visits there too, for individuals asking for prayer, usually in their final days. This is a great privilege.

A joyful Songs of Praise evening was held there again this summer, and our grateful thanks go to Adarsh and all the staff, and especially to the Geoghegan family, for their warm welcome and generous hospitality. Thanks too to Val and the choir, for arranging and coordinating the event.

There have been 5 baptisms this year , but also, sadly, 5 funerals in church and one

at the crematorium. The ashes of 5 loved ones have also been laid to rest.

Harvest was another joyful occasion, as we gave thanks to God for all His goodness towards us. Many thanks to all those who helped to make the church look so beautiful. Christmas was, as usual, full of singing and praise. Val Henry and the choir sang carols in various places in the village, and were very well received, culminating in the annual service of Nine Lessons and Carols, when a church full of happy worshippers sang their hearts out, as we heard once again that wonderful story of the birth of Jesus Christ.

The Midnight service was well attended, as was the service on Christmas morning. The important link between the church and Ewhurst school continues to grow ever stronger, thanks in great part to the dedication of the Head Teacher, Mr. Tim Cheesman, and the rest of his hard-working staff. Rev R takes assembly in the school every Tuesday morning. Some services, such as Mothering Sunday and harvest, take place in the school, but a brilliant Pet service was held on the grass outside the Wilson Room, attended by many parents. The children come across to church at the end of each term – again, with the church being full of parents, which is great. So we judged Easter bonnets in April, waved farewell to the leavers in the summer, and at Christmas, there were 2 Christingle services, one in school and one in church, a brilliant Nativity play, the wonderful Crib service on Christmas Eve, and an amazing Nativity Trail around the church. Our very grateful thanks to Rob and Michelle Matthews for all their hard work with these services, and also for making the Easter garden outside the front of the church.

The children from the Rainbows Nursery have also been up to the church on several occasions. Again, we judged Easter bonnets, marvelled at the giant Christmas tree, listened to them singing, and on one occasion, counted how many crosses we could see. It is so good that these young children feel at home in our church. Thanks to their staff for helping them to walk all the way up the hill and for bringing them into the church. We have a dedicated and faithful team of vergers - Jane, Sally and Jackie. They set up the church and the altar before every service, clear away afterwards, look after the vestry, order the wafers, wine and candles, and are generally invaluable to the smooth running of the church. One or more of these gallant ladies is in attendance at every service, be it on a Sunday morning, or a baptism, a funeral, or an interment of ashes. Our sincere thanks to all of them.

Many thanks must also go to the Churchwardens, the PCC and all the officials; to

Martin Smith, our administrator; to Val Henry and the choir for unfailing service to the music - not forgetting our brilliant trumpeters, who do so much to raise our worship to the heavens whenever they appear. Thanks too to everyone who help in any way to keep the church going - the sidespeople, welcomers, readers, intercessors, servers, vergers, coffee makers, flower ladies, cleaners, bell ringers and of course, our faithful congregation. You are all so much appreciated. As 2026 starts, our parish profile is complete, and we will begin to advertise for a priest to take our church on into its next chapter. Please pray that God will nudge the right person into applying. May God bless all that we do and will continue to do in His name.

Revd. Rosemary Mason

9th May 2026

4. Churchwardens

As Churchwardens, Martin and I look after the all-encompassing areas of the church building, the people involved and visiting and the grounds, also our PTO Rev Rosemary, who caters for the spiritual needs of the parish. In this way, there is a line drawn between the two elements of church life. Tom Murpy has had responsibility for the Okewood and Forest Green churches. This report is essentially the same as my last year's as we are still in vacancy but now looking forward to advertising for a priest and a House for Duty.

During this year, the overwhelming concern has been the state of the exterior walls of the building. Martin has overseen the intricate work of repairing the stone by Jamie Barnett, carried out in dreadful weather conditions throughout the year, with Jamie ending up in hospital. I felt very guilty as we are supposed to protect those working for us and the good of the church, but Jamie has a will of his own and a deep love of the building and a desire to rescue it from the previous bad workmanship which has led to the deterioration of the stone. The work is, of course, on- going and extremely costly which has led to broken nights for us all, but we feel very strongly that somehow, we must raise the necessary money to complete the restoration. Apart from trying to save the building, we keep the day to day running of the church going, with thanks to all those dear, dedicated helpers playing their part: Vergers, Sidespeople, Servers, bell ringers, cleaners, flower arrangers, our Admin Officer, our Secretary, the gardener, the PCC – they all play their part and pull together, which enables Rev Rosemary to look after our spiritual needs.

In addition, the basic running of a building has to be attended to, so insurances, security, fire awareness, even the lightning conductor, the organ, utility bills – and of course the Parish Share all take their turn. An important duty of a churchwarden is to assist the incumbent. Moreover, in a vacancy, it is required that a churchwarden attends all events in the church and at least one of the CWs has been in attendance at all of the services including Baptisms and Funerals. We have no incumbent so it is even more important to look after our PTO Rev Rosemary who works incessantly to keep us going in faith. Thanks to her, we have a great relationship with the Infant School and Rainbows Pre School and there is our Toddlers Group held in the Wilson Room every Friday. We would like to be able to have more activities in the Wilson Room and encourage activity for the young people in the parish, but it is difficult to advertise its availability when we cannot hire it out, it is donation only for an activity. We have been in vacancy since March 2023 and the Diocese has now allowed us to advertise for a Priest in Charge, which means a non-stipendiary priest and a house for duty, and we have a very good 4-bedroomed house to offer. Before advertising, we have to produce a Parish Profile to inform any interested priest of what we have to offer in Ewhurst and what we desire to have in our priest. Martin has worked very hard on producing this document and gathering plenty of photographs to include so this is now ready for advertising. We are looking forward with hope in our hearts!

Liz Tingley, Churchwarden

7th May 2026

5. Fabric Report

During the past very busy year we have accomplished much with the valuable contribution of Jamie Barnett whose excellent workmanship has been so appreciated by all. During January after a successful tendering process, we have employed our new Inspecting Architect / Chartered Surveyor Ryan Bunce, who comes with recommendations and support of the Diocese. He carried out a fully detailed survey of the church building walls and buttresses and has issued this for us to now implement a major restoration and preservation process. These works commenced in the autumn and will continue for possibly twelve months. In order to fund some of this we have with PCC approval set up a £50,000 loan from the church capital fund, to supplement the fund raising we are currently carrying out. In May we changed our premises insurances from Ecclesiastical to Trinitas, saving many hundreds of pounds, we ceased the intruder alarm system to parish office as not deemed needed by insurance company. We also cancelled the redundant fire alarm system in the church which had not been functional for many years. Recently upgraded the Vestry safes alarm system with Turner Security.

Within the church Jamie has repaired and re grouted the ceramic floor tiling and very skilfully repaired the damaged corner of the Font. We have obtained a number of Faculties for various works including, major repairs to the brick lined drainage channel, the replacement of the guttering and rainwater system, the extensive restoration project to save the eroded buttresses and stone walls, removal and replacement of tree in the memorial area. All utility services have been tested during the year and certificates issued, and we had a successful Fire Brigade Audit. The wifi and telephone systems have been upgraded in Wilson room and church. The Work Logbook records have been updated and copy available with the Terrier book at the APCM meeting.

Martin Lockwood, Churchwarden
7th May 2026

6. Church Restoration

6.1 The Stonework Project Progress Report

May I start by recording our thanks to Jamie Barnett for his excellent work being carried out with much pride and to the exacting standards required by our architect, all being undertaken in accordance with the specifications and schedule of repairs to conserve our building.

Repairs are still progressing on the buttresses with the re pointing in special mix coloured lime mortar. However, the winter weather conditions have prevented as much progress as planned. Work is continuing in repairing the eroded stone and re facing where needed the badly eroded surfaces. We have bought 1.5 tons of reclaimed matching stone from a reclamation yard for replacing the worst areas of erosion for the buttresses and areas of walling stone to repair them. These large stone blocks will later be cut and sliced up and reshaped to form new sizes for indenting (replacing) the badly eroded stone, as detailed on survey drawings so that when installed the replacement stone will match as near as possible the surrounding stonework. Photographs are being taken to record what has been achieved in preserving the stonework.

6.2 Financial Situation

Our initial budget estimate was based upon the architect's survey report and his specification and the work schedule, and by using Jamie Barnett as our heritage qualified craftsman was £95,000, compared with QS budget of £185,000. However, our budget will have to be updated to allow for the many unforeseen extra repairs where the damage was not initially visible as covered by moss, lichen etc, and only exposed by water cleaning, and where after removing the incorrect and hard cement pointing, we found many areas of deep gaps in the buttress joints that now require much refilling prior to the final re pointing. All this is taking much longer time and cost that could not have been anticipated, as unknown prior to the removal of the lichen etc covering the weathered surfaces.

6.3 Current Costs & Shortfall

Spend to date is approximately £35,000 and we have a PCC agreed loan of £50,000 from the church capital fund. The recent funding appeal has brought in over £7,500 but further fund raising will still be needed if we are to complete all the work as these funds will not be sufficient to complete all of the restoration work as scheduled and drawn on the architect's surveys. Conditions in some areas are much worse than initially could be seen or reported on survey.

Martin Lockwood, Churchwarden

7th May 2026

7. Deanery Synod

No report submitted.

8. Baby & Toddler Group

We have had a very successful year, with lots of new families, they have brought babies of different ages and young toddlers. They are a friendly group always keen to welcome new people and quickly making new friends. We have been able to offer a welcome with friendship, fresh filter coffee and tea. We then encourage free play with lots of different toys, great craft with Mary celebrating Christmas, Mothering Sunday, Red Nose Day, and Easter. This last Christmas we had a party, plus the Nativity story told kindly by Sarah followed up with Away in a Manger and Jingle Bells. We had our Easter egg hunt in the church with our yearly fire drill. Each week we have a fruit snack, and the toddlers are all encouraged to sit at the table. This is

followed up with a singalong with shakers; the children are again encouraged to sit in a little chair to be given a shaker. We celebrate any birthdays with the children, parents and grandparents. Mary, and Sarah have continued to be a great asset to the group. Graham has helped set up each week, plus helping in the kitchen with teas and coffee, with Pam offering cover when needed. We were sorry that Graham has decided to retire from setting up the equipment after many years of loyal service, and we have been very lucky that Sarah has offered to help. The numbers of families attending varies each week, they come from Ewhurst, Cranleigh and Horsham. I am happy to offer any parenting advice and support when requested. Mary and I ran a Parenting Course from my home which was very well supported by five of our parents. We used the Family Caring Trust video and books, and all the parents participating seemed to enjoy trying out new skills.

Rosie Smy

23rd April 2026

9. Listening Lounge

The Listening Lounge continues to be a popular Saturday morning activity (9.00 – 10.30 a.m.) in the Wilson Room on the 1st Saturday of the month (excluding Bank Holidays). It usually attracts between 10 and 20 members. Members listen to a classic album, chosen by a group member, while bacon sandwiches and croissants are served, accompanied by coffee and tea. It is a very convivial morning, with lots of friendly, happy chat. We have a broad spectrum of members from many walks of life, aged between approx 19 and early 80s – resulting in a wonderfully eclectic variety of music. We are very grateful for the use of the Wilson Room and the superb sound equipment. Donations are requested to cover the cost of the breakfast. Members are very generous and we donate the surplus to the Church funds. In 2025 we were able to donate £170 (£100 in June 2025 and £70 in January 2026, which reflected money raised in the 2nd half of 2025). New members are always welcome, just arrive between 9.0 – 9.30 on the 1st Saturday of the month (excluding Bank Holiday weekends).

Liz Foley

26th April 2026

10. Music & Choir

… And, can it be… that a further year has passed, in vacancy.
Well done to The Churchwardens, Martin, our Parish Administrator and Dear Revd Rosemary for your faithful, continued care and ministrations – no easy ask. Thank you for staying the course and providing a secure foundation for the work of St Peter and St Paul. And so, yet another year has been clocked up. The well-tuned programming of services maintained and even extended, at tad. The organ tuned and maintained under the excellent care of Messrs Boggis of Diss and The Choir has grown. It is a great delight to meet up each week to rehearse. Members are enthusiastic, friendly and open to new styles. A lot gets done in a short time and members are supportive, both to the Church and the wider community.

In an age where rural parishes find it difficult to maintain a choir and organist, we buck the trend. That is very heartening. Well done, Ewhurst!
The past year has been busy with the programmed services and additional add-ins. The monthly service schedule works in the current situation, and we are still able to maintain the once-a-month traditional Evensong. There may be few takers but The Choir enjoys the beauty and dignity of this prayer book led service and it provides the opportunity to keep well-honed the skills of church musicianship.
NEW MEMBERS WANTED. All voices, no audition, music reader or no, healthy vocal workouts and friendship. We meet each Friday in church, during term-time at 7 pm. You would be most welcome. We much enjoy the combined/shared services with our brothers and sisters from The Baptist Church - introduction to Christmas, Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Remembrance. The Outside events, Summer Songs of Praise, in the grounds of The Old Rectory Nursing Home, Christmas Carols under the Christmas tree outside the Bulls Head Inn on a chilly winters' night; not to mention the warming mulled wine, the Sunrise Service on Pitch Hill, Easter morning. Past members of The Junior Choir are doing exceedingly well in their teenage academic years and I wish them all the joy of their new encounters into music making.

For the future. I would hope to be able to re-engage with the local school, keep developing my own skills, both vocally, keyboard wise, and maintain useful

networking.

Thank you for your support AND, a huge thank you to the many occasional singers and musicians who add that special sparkle and razzmatazz to our services.

Val Henry, Director of Music

11th May 2026

11. Bell Ringers

I am very pleased to report that we have a band of nine village bellringers with a tenth ringer coming in from Wonersh once a month to help with Sunday service ringing. Two of our ringers are new. They were recruited at the Rectory fete/ Bell Tower Heritage Open day last year and have become valuable members of the St Peter and St Paul Bellringers, their first ring with us for the Easter service and the 10.30 am Sunday service. We are hopefully going to get to the number of ringers needed to be able to have a viable band able to ring still when members are away on holidays or sickness.

We have had a number of visiting ringers over this last year for ringing a peal or for a tower bellringing outing.
It is good that we have been able to work with FSPSP being able to help open up the ringing chamber to show there visiting school children “the ropes” and to tell them a brief history of the Church bells. The bell ringers have been asked and will be ringing for weddings this year. My hope is the Ewhurst ringers will be able to start again, ringing for Commemorative rings for people as we did when raising money for the bell restoration, this will be limited to a small number of rings so as not to disturb the locals. This is something we will discuss and talk to the PCC about.

We are having to be careful with the noises we make at Wednesday 7.30pm -9.00pm practice nights and when maintaining the bells as there have been one or two comments regarding this noise by nearby inhabitants with windows open on warmer evenings with baby’s sleep being disturbed or just being at home and becoming aware for the first time of the church’s bells. So usually other than normal bell practice any other ringing is announced on Facebook, for example for visiting ringers or any noise made by us working around the bells. It is great for us to be able to keep the tradition of Church bellringing alive and well here at St Peter and St Paul Ewhurst. Bellringing practice Wednesdays 7.30-9.00pm please come and visit us, as long as you are able to climb the stairs and are reasonably fit it maybe your new hobby.

Rob Matthews

28th April 2026

12. Flower Guild

I would like to extend my thanks and praise to The Flower Ladies for their skill full and wonderful floral tributes, provided throughout the church year with great artistry

and love. Of particular magnificence – Easter, Harvest Festival and Christmas 2025 displays. A BIG, Thank you.

Looking ahead - WANTED, flowers, fresh from the garden. If you or your friends have a surfeit of blooms at any time of the year, would you care to share them? Please get in touch. It would be wonderful to have access to locally grown, flowers/greenery. AND, if you enjoy flower arranging do join our group. We are always open to new input. You would be most welcome. I look forward to being trampled in the rush! Do please get in touch.

Val Henry

11th May 2026

13. Cleaning Team

The team of volunteers continued to clean the church throughout the year, each pair covering a two-week period up to four times. Sadly, we lost one of our volunteers during this time. In September 2025 the church nave and south transept were cleared of cobwebs and dirt, with all the walls wiped clean. This was carried out by Jamie Barnett and his son, Jesse.

Many thanks to all the volunteers for their support during 2025: Jan Allen, Janet Winser, Alison Morton, Debbie Gauvain, Sorrel Sadeghzadeh, Sally Thompson, Sarah Smith, Jackie Avery, Wendy Worby, the late Audrey Wilson, Rob Matthews, Amanda George and Kathryn Pyper. Additional helpers would always be appreciated.

Katy Vaughan

1st May 2026

14. Hospitality Group

The Hospitality Group have, over the past 12 months, provided catering in various ways for various church events. The Bring and Share lunch after the Harvest Festival at the end of September was a well-attended and much enjoyed event. People were very generous with their donations, all of which were delicious and all almost completely demolished. We held a small raffle and that, and the surplus from the donations given for the wine, meant that we were able to make a small gift of £120 to Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice. Tea and cakes after the All Souls Service at the beginning of November was a simple but well received affair. The cakes were all delicious and we were very grateful for people's generosity. We undertook two winter warmer lunches in November, on the 20th and 27th, held in the Wilson Room, at 12.30pm, with the usual soups, bread and cheese and fruit, tea and coffee. We are always given some lovely soups, which are thoroughly enjoyed, what would be perfect would be to have more attendees. We held a raffle on both occasions and raised a surplus from donations and the raffle of just over £100. We don't intend to repeat this soup lunch, which we used to do twice a year, for Lent and Advent, as the turnout is so poor. Those who attend very much appreciate the soup and the company, and it has been lovely to serve them, but it is not fair on the volunteers to work so hard for so light a return. There was mulled wine and mince pies after 9 Lessons and Carols, always welcome on a cold winter's evening and a lovely way to get together. The Hospitality Group were pleased to support the fund-raising quiz night at the Village Hall, in aid of Vaughan House and the Friends of St Peter and St Paul. We provided the usual format of bread, cheese and pate, and it seemed as popular as always. We supplied the hot cross buns for the Good Friday walk of Witness, and served them, with coffee, after the service. We provided a light supper for the Ascension Day service. We look forward to being of help elsewhere as the occasion arises.

Joanna Cadman

9th May 2026

15. Aid to Ukraine

The Spring Collection in 2025 was one of the largest we have received, with a wide range of goods from clothing to mobility aids, nappies to sweet & toys, garden & household equipment, plus medicines, bedding & toiletries. It did all go into the van,

but only just. Donations came not just from our church, but also from the wider community including the local schools, and from the congregations of Forest Green and Okewood. The Harvest Collection in September was a Ewhurst and Ellens Green parish initiative, advertised around Ewhurst village, the school and Pre-school. The collection received generous Christmas items and essentials for the children of Chernobyl in Ukraine. However, there was a problem in getting the items to Canterbury, to begin their journey to Ukraine, as the collection van was out of action. Luckily, all the goods fitted into a parishioner's car, so they all arrived safely at the charity's warehouse. From there, they travelled by lorry to Poland where they were transferred to Ukrainian lorries, to make a "Happy Christmas" for the children. Sadly, at the end of 2025, BHA informed us that the Charity would be closing down in August 2026, so the Spring Collection in 2026 will be the last.

Jane Harry

8th May 2026

15. Friends Report

During 2025, our trustees have remained the same, apart from the resignation in August, by Ex-officio Churchwarden Trustee, Tony Gauvain. His post was replaced by Church Warden, Liz Tingley. The continuing Trustees were Jan Allen, Jackie Avery, Janet Balchin, Jane Harry and Clive Ward. 2025 was another successful fundraising year for The Friends, with some exciting and profitable events. The year's events started with two talks by Janet Balchin on the history of Ewhurst Church. These were excellent, most interesting and well supported. Geoff Harry's annual Quiz, was held on 28th February, well attended as usual, with the food organised by the Church Hospitality Group and an excellent raffle. The money raised was split equally between the Friends and Vaughan House in Guildford. The Bulls Head kindly sponsored a Quiz Night for the Friends on 24th March. Tables sold out quickly and there was a generous raffle as usual.

Our Easter Market was held on 8th April, in the school holidays. Unfortunately, the vintage bus was no longer available but that did not seem to deter our visitors. With the extra space agreed the previous year, we had 19 stalls, including Sweet C's wonderful chocolates and Mamma's delicious fudge. We estimated that about 200 people attended, with many staying for lunch. The first EwFest Event was held on 2nd. August. The Friends had a stall which gave people the chance to guess the weight of a Horsham slab, similar to those on the Church roof. The slab was not easy to lift but our winner came within a few grams of the correct weight.

The Church Fete was held on 13th September and Geoff Harry made two “Lift the Flap” games using large pictures of the church, one of the inside, the other the outside. If the was a number under the flap, there was a small prize. We also had our logo items and pictures on sale. The takings from the “Lift the Slab” were donated to Church funds. The History banners and associated activity packs were displayed in the church, as it was also Heritage Weekend.

Our major fundraiser last year was our South African Wine evening, held on 29 th November in the Village Hall. Graham Pursey from the U3A Wine appreciation group kindly advised us on the wines which he had sourced from Majestic Wines. All the tickets were sold and many guests dressed in colourful African clothes for the evening. Mr and Mrs Goeghegan provided the starter platters. The South African sausages for the main course were purchased from Rawlings and there was also a South African dessert. As well as telling us about the wines, Graham arranged a wine quiz and a tasting game. Johnny Robbins provided the entertainment with songs with everyone joining in with “Wimohweh”. A great night was had by all. We had two school visits this year, one from St Mary's CofE Primary School, Putney and the other from Rainbows End Pre-School, Ewhurst. Our trustees showed the children around the church, and the older ones completed our activity sheets. These tours are an important part of Outreach for the church.

Our two Christmas card designs for 2025 were an original painting from George Yates and a snow scene photo of the church from the recreational ground. The cards were sold after church services, at the Christmas Event at the village shop and at the village school Christmas Market, where we had a shared stall with the Ewhurst History Society. Just before Christmas, the Bulls Head welcomed the Friends, with the church choir, to sing carols both outside and inside the pub. This was very well received and it made a good night for the Friends and the pub.

For more details and pictures of our events, please visit “News” on our website,

www.friendsofewhurstchurch.com

Jane Harry

7th May 2026

16. Schools & Children

The connection between the Church and the school continues to grow in strength,

and the various events over this past year bears this out. Rev Rosemary takes an assembly in the school every Tuesday morning in term times, following the Church calendar and the life of our Lord. These are always very well received. The children come over to the church at the end of every term for a service, and it is always pleasing to see how many parents attend these as well. Many parents came too for the really happy Pet service last summer, held on the grass outside the Wilson Room. All the animals behaved really well! This is becoming an annual event, so watch this space for details! A very meaningful Mothering Sunday service was held in the school, again with parents attending, as was the school's Harvest service.

On Remembrance Day, there was a service as usual at the War Memorial, and it was wonderful to see the children lined up across the road, watching, and joining in with the refrain "We will remember them". Christmas was as busy and enjoyable as ever. The children performed a brilliant Nativity Play, then there was also an amazing Nativity Trail in the church, and also the annual Christingle and crib services, all of which were very well attended. Our sincere thanks to Michelle and Rob Matthews for their invaluable help with these. Easter is the time for showing off the wonderful Easter bonnets in church – the parents must be up half the night making them! This too is always a brilliant service, followed by an Easter egg hunt back in the school grounds. There is a service in church at the end of every term, when we give thanks for all that has happened during that term.

Our grateful thanks must go to the Head Teacher, Mr. Tim Cheesman, and all the staff, for all the help, encouragement and fostering and nurturing of the Christian ethos in the school. We are very fortunate and blessed – and delighted that from next September, it will become once again a full Primary school. The Rainbows also keep close connections with the church. The children come up several times a year, and we go to them for wonderful things like judging their Easter bonnets too!

Many thanks to everyone who plays any part in welcoming any of the children to our Church, "For of such is the kingdom of heaven".

Revd. Rosemary Mason

28th April 2026

17. Safeguarding

The profile of safeguarding in churches is higher than ever before—and for good reason. Whilst, thankfully, those who seek to abuse children and vulnerable adults

are in the minority, they do exist, and they seek out churches and other organisations where safeguarding practice is weak. Their activities go on in secret and they are generally very skilful at gaining trust. We also tend to associate safeguarding with children, and this is where safeguarding practice is most developed. However, nationally in the Church of England and in our diocese, there are now considerably more safeguarding referrals involving vulnerable adults than children. We must also remember that we are safeguarding ourselves as staff and volunteers. As we hope to grow our church, we want to welcome those who are vulnerable, but this comes with safeguarding challenges. Safe recruitment practice is crucial and means much more than DBS checks: it includes ongoing training, self-checks, and reviews by ministry leads. The National church of England safeguarding report.

www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-news-releases/national-safeguarding-panel-publishes-its-2025-annual-report

Our plans for 2026:

1. Safeguarding officer appointed – Michelle Matthews
2. Safeguarding posters and information up in church and Wilson room
3. DBS and training currently being reviewed for all volunteers and updated
4. Safeguarding officer training

Annual Safeguarding Statement I can confirm that the PCC has complied with its duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). Copy enclosed.

Michelle Matthews

Safeguarding Officer

8th May 2026

18. Treasurer's Summary Report

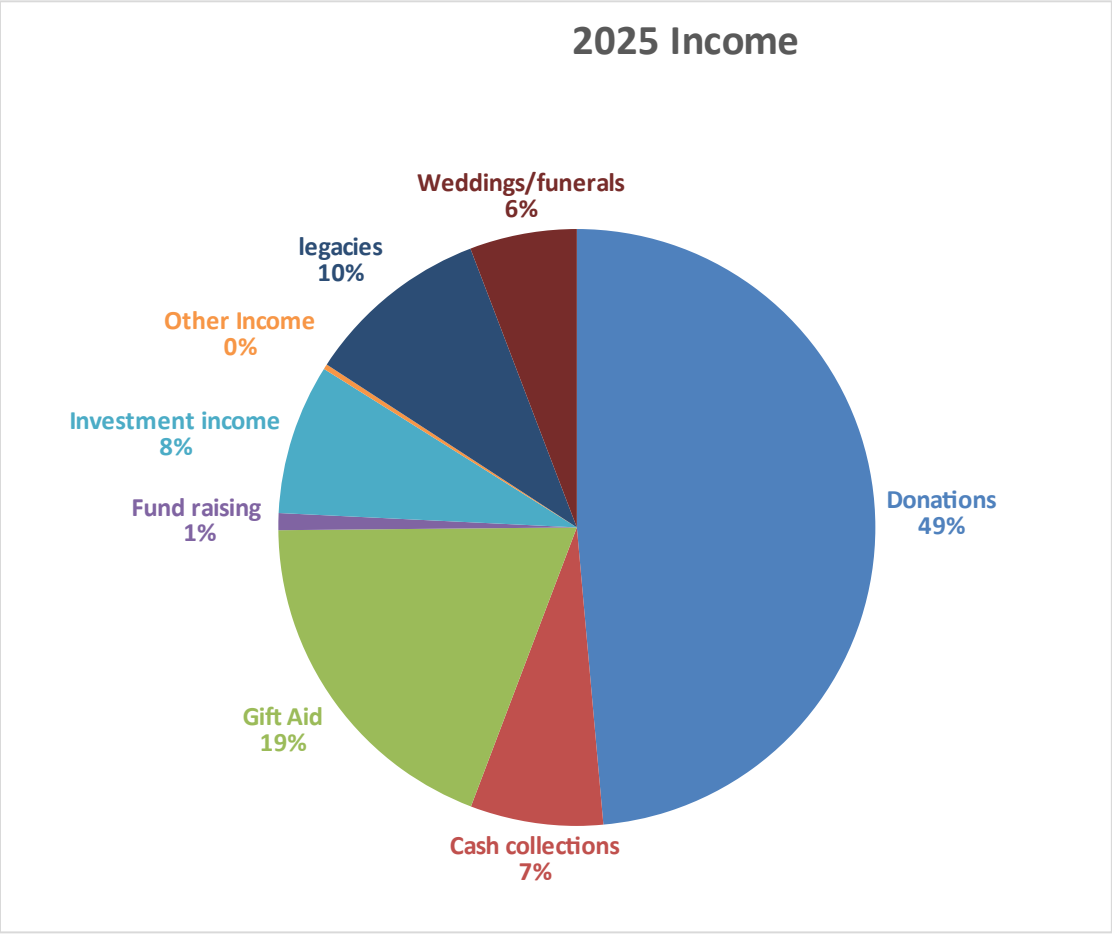
2025 brought change to the parish. It was decided that the charity would be split back to Okewood and Forest Green setting up their own parish from the 1st July 2025. These accounts were drawn up on the whole year for the charity number 1134020. 2 Corinthians 9:7: "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

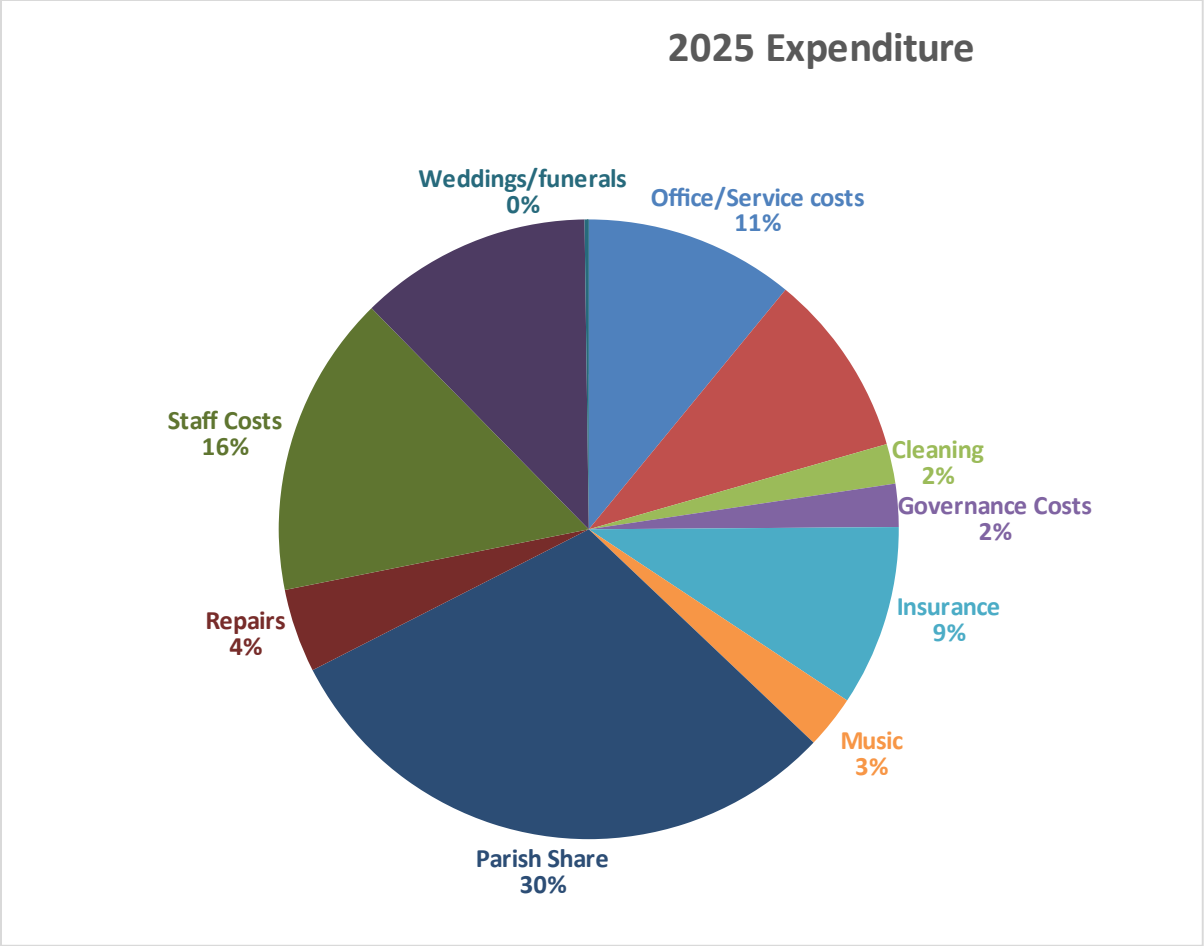
18.1 Restricted Funds

The PCC has in addition restricted funds totalling £344,479.

From 01-01-25 to 30-06-25 we made a surplus of £586.25 which was split based on the parish share contribution of 64.6%/35.4% (EW/OKFG). Okewood and Forest Green left with their restricted reserves plus 50% of the joint ministry fund. The second half of the year brought in a surplus of £12,062 due to a legacy. Our reserves policy stays the same as 3 months expenditure, in the bank for 2025 the closing bank balance £26,354 unrestricted funds three months average expenditure was £24,532.

In summary:





18.2 Financial Report Background & Policies

The Parish of Ewhurst with Okewood and Forest Green PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. It has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, and in a vacancy the Church Wardens and PCC in promoting to the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities for the Church and the Church grounds. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in notes to the accounts 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 FRS102."

18.3 Reserve Policy

The Finance Committee of the PCC conducts and annual review of the level of reserves by considering risks associated with the various income streams, expenditure plans and balance sheet items. This enables an estimate to be made of the level of reserves that are sufficient to continue to meet its objectives.

Risks and issues considered in making this judgement included:

- The over dependence on any single source of income or likelihood of downturn in income.
- The period of time required to re-establish income streams or downsize activities.
- The adequacy of control over budgets.
- The requirement for a reasonable level of working capital.
- The PCC has agreed that we should hold unrestricted funds equal to at least a minimum of three months budgeted unrestricted expenditure.

Appendix A: Financial Reports and Accounts

The year end accounts for 2025 accompany this Annual Report as a separate stand alone document.

THE PARISH OF EWHURST WITH ELLENS GREEN

Reports & Accounts

Financial Year Ending 31/12/2025

Charity no. 1134020

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name:	THE PARISH OF EWHURST WITH ELLENS GREEN
Charity Number:	1134020
Charity Address:	THE RECTORY THE STREET EWHURST SURREY GU6 7PX
Trustees:	ANGIE THOMAS (Resigned 30/06/25) CHRIS OWEN CLARE HARDING (Resigned 30/06/25) Clive Ward (Resigned 30/04/25) GRAHAM CHILDS JAN JESSON JAN MOIR (Resigned 30/06/25) JANET TEMPLEMAN LIZ TINGLEY MARTIN LOCKWOOD MICHELLE MATTHEWS SHIRLEY DIGHTON (Resigned 30/06/25) TOM MURPHY (Resigned 30/06/25) Tony Gauvain (Resigned 30/06/25) VAL HENRY Emily Grady (Appointed 01/07/25) Shelia Brown (Appointed 01/07/25) Jane Wilby (Appointed 01/07/25) Sally Thompson (Appointed 01/07/25) Jacqueline Avery (Appointed 01/07/25)

Key Management Personnel:	STANDING COMMITTEE TOM MURPHY - CHURCHWARDEN - resigned 30/06/25 TONY GAUVAIN - CHURCHWARDEN - resigned 30/06/25 Martin Lockwood - Churchwarden 01/07/25 LIZ TINGLEY - CHURCHWARDEN JACKIE AVERY - PCC SECRETARY Jane Wilby - PCC MEMBER 01/07/25 MICHELLE MATTHEWS - TREASURER LIZ COLEMAN - PCC MEMBER - resigned 30/06/25 CLIVE WARD - PCC MEMBER - resigned 30/06/25
Name & Address of Primary Banker:	SANTANDER BRIDLE ROAD BOOTLE MERSEYSIDE GIR OAA
Independent Examiner:	John Caladine FCCA CTA FCIE Caladine Limited Chantry House 22 Upperton Road Eastbourne East Sussex BN21 1BF

Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

The purpose of the charity as set out in its governing document PUBLIC WORSHIP FOR ALL. THE PROVISIONOF SACRED SPACE FOR PERSONAL PRAYER AND CONTEMPLATION PASTORAL WORK, INCLUDING VISITINGTHE SICK AND THE BEREAVED. TEACHING OF RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLIES IN SCHOOLS. PROMOTION OFCHRISTIANITY THROUGH SERMONS AND SMALL GROUPS. RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLIES IN SCHOOLS. PROVISIONACTIVITIES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS,PARENTS,TODDLERS. SUPPORTING OTHER CHARITIES IN THE UK &OVERSEAS. The Parish of Ewhurst with Ellens Green PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers, Measure. It has the responsibility of co-operating with a incumbent, when there is a vacancy we co-operate with the area-dean Rev Roy Woodhams, in promoting to the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the maintenance responsibilities for the Church and the Church grounds. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Written reports on the fabric of the churches, the proceedings of Deanery Synod and many of the groups within our churches are given in a separate document for the year ending 31 December 2025.

We are still in a Vacancy; we are grateful to the huge team who keep this parish running. All normal services have continued, and all those who volunteer their services it is very much appreciated. Thank you.

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance and Management

Recognised by HMRC for gift aid and exemption from corporation tax Policies: Complaints handling Conflicting interest Paying staff Risk management Safeguarding vulnerable beneficiaries Volunteer management. During 2025, a demerger of the two Charities was undertaken, separately recognising The Parish of Ewhurst and Ellens Green from Okewood and Forest Green. This de-merger took place on 30 June 2025.

The church is governed by the PCC whose members all act as Trustees with ultimate oversight of the Church's affairs. The PCC is made up of those elected by members of the congregation on the electoral roll at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Financial Review

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 £.

Total income in 2025 was £157,206 (2024: £127,309) and total expenditure was £157,155 (2024: £165,952), which has resulted in a deficit of £9,643 (2024: £31,591 deficit).

The bank balance held at the year end was £24,689 (2024: £25,529) which has remained steady since the prior year.

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and provisions of the Trust deed. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Reserves Policy

Reserves Policy The charity aims to hold a minimum of 3 months of expenditure as unrestricted cash (£8,120 based on 2025 figures), so that the charity could continue to operate should income and / or expenditure vary adversely. At the year end, the charity held unrestricted cash of £19,687 (2025 £8,616).

Responsibilities of Trustees under charity law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice). Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation. The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Name MARGARET BRADLEY

Signature 

Date 27th October 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Parish of Ewhurst with Ellens Green

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Parish of Ewhurst with Ellens Green 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 accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 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 Act; or

the accounts do not accord with those records.

(2) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of

(3) 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.

J R Caladine FCCA ACA FCIE
Caladine Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
Chantry House
22 Upperton Road
Eastbourne
BN21 1BF

Date: 29 October 2026

The Parish of Ewhurst and Ellens Green

Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies	89,455	47,291	136,745	97,152
Charitable Activities	9,384	0	9,384	8,958
Investments	8,885	419	9,304	9,054
Trading Activities	1,403	0	1,403	5,840
Other	370	0	370	6,305
Total incoming resources	109,497	47,710	157,206	127,309
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities	95,001	48,843	143,844	161,992
Raising Funds	0	0	0	0
Governance Costs	2,400	0	2,400	3,960
Support	0	0	0	0
Other	34	10,878	10,911	0
Total resources used	97,435	59,721	157,155	165,952
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before transfers)	12,062	-12,011	51	-38,643
Fund Transfers In	0	1,029	1,029	9,277
Fund Transfers Out	0	1,029	1,029	9,277
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before gains/losses)	12,062	-12,011	51	-38,643
Investment Gains (or Losses)	0	-9,694	-9,694	7,052
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before Asset Revaluation)	12,062	-21,705	-9,643	-31,591
Asset Revaluation	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Funds	12,062	-21,705	-9,643	-31,590
Total Funds Brought Forward	17,251	336,871	354,122	396,566
Total Funds Carried Forward	29,313	315,166	344,479	354,123
Represented By				
General - Santander (Unrestricted)	26,474	0	26,354	11,333
Ewhurst Restoration PCC - 617131001D - CB3026796-0 (Restricted)	0	4,225	4,225	3,197
Embroidery 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	890	890	995
Jim Jennings Bells 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	650	650	650
Ewhurst Roof 617131001D Bank - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	13,675	13,675	13,675
Graves 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	939	939	939
Choir fund 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	574	574	574
Youth 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	920	920	656
Fixed Interest Securities Fund 116.14 617131001F - (Restricted)	0	429	429	425
Property Inv Fund 617131001P(17216.15 Shares) CB30 (Restricted)	0	22,360	22,360	21,911
Capital Fund 617131001S - CB3026799-001 (Restricted)	0	254,491	254,491	264,918
Capital Fund Restoration Fund (Restricted)	0	-537	-537	1,279
CBFCOE 1002D Restoration 617131002D - CB30026800-0 (Restricted)	0	49	49	29
Restoration CofE Investment Fund 617131002S-CB3026 (Restricted)	0	14,121	14,121	14,786
CBFOE, 1005D Buildings Fund617131005D- CB3026802-0 (Restricted)	0	1	1	1
Okewood Village Hall (Restricted)	0	0	0	2,689
The Trust Fund617131006D-CB3026803-001 (Restricted)	0	639	639	639
Okewood Pastrol Care (Restricted)	0	0	0	2,486
Parish Ministry Bank (Designated)	2,959	0	2,959	5,918
Ewhurst Fabric 617131001D- CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	0	1,740	1,740	1,740
WIFI Bank (Restricted)	0	0	0	0
Okewood Restricted (Restricted)	0	0	0	5,284

The Parish of Ewhurst and Ellens Green
Statement of Financial Position
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets				
Cash	19,687	5,002	24,689	25,529
Accounts Receivable	12,771	108	12,879	12,655
Prepayments	0	0	0	0
Total Current Assets	32,459	5,110	37,569	38,184
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0
Investments	0	310,264	310,264	319,958
Total Non-Current Assets	0	310,264	310,264	319,958
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	3,146	208	3,354	4,020
Deferred Income	0	0	0	0
Total Current Liabilities	3,146	208	3,354	4,020
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term Loan / Mortgage	0	0	0	0
Total Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Net Current Assets	29,313	4,902	34,214	34,164
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	29,313	315,166	344,479	354,124
Represented By				
General - Santander (Unrestricted)	26,354		26,354	11,333
Ewhurst Restoration PCC - 617131001D - CB3026796-0 (Restricted)		4,225	4,225	3,197
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WIFI Bank (Restricted)		0	0	0
Okewood Restricted (Restricted)		0	0	5,284

Signature

These accounts have been approved by the trustees, and are signed on their behalf by:

Name MARGARET BRADLEY

Signature M C Bradley

Date 27TH OCTOBER 2026

Notes - Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP 2019"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102. The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (the '2008 Regulations') requires charities to prepare their accounts in accordance with 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005' but this accounting standard has since been withdrawn and has been replaced by the Charities SORP 2019 mentioned in the preceding paragraph. The charity has prepared these financial statements in accordance with the new Charities SORP 2019; this departure from the 2008 Regulations is believed to be necessary for these financial statements to give a 'true and fair view'. The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out in the accounting policies below. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Charity is an unincorporated charity, limited by guarantee and registered with the Charity Commission in England & Wales, registered charity number 1134020. The charity is registered in England & Wales governed by the Parochial Church Councils Powers Measure (1956) as Amended and Church Representation Rules.

Going Concern

The Trustees consider The Parish of Ewhurst with Ellens Green a going concern at the date for approving the accounts. There are no material uncertainties that the charity can continue as a going concern for the next year.

Key Risks & Uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks, including operational, financial and reputational risks. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. • All voluntary income from members of the charity are recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated Gift Aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities. • Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant. • Income resources from charitable trading activities such as the letting of the building are accounted for when invoices are drawn up (as at the point of entitlement). • Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified. • Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. • Volunteer time, the value of voluntary support for the work of the charity, is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees Annual Report. • Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Governance costs include costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are shown within 'Analysis of Expenditure' note.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

The Charity does not hold any fixed Assets

Operating Leases

The Charity does not hold any Leases

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period. In preparing financial statements certain judgements, estimates and assumptions have to be made that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The trustees consider the following to be significant: • The annual depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is sensitive to changes in the estimates for useful economic life and residual value. These estimates are reassessed annually and, when necessary, adjusted to reflect current circumstances. • The constructive obligation for grants payable is based on an assessment of the likely duration of the supported activity. This estimate is re-assessed annually and the obligation is adjusted to reflect current expectations.

Concessionary Loans

The charity initially recognises and measures concessionary loans at the amount received or receivable. The carrying amount is adjusted in subsequent years to reflect repayments and any accrued interest.

Notes - Analysis of Income & Expenditure

Analysis of Income

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Incoming Resources			
Donations & Legacies			
Donations	63,111	47,291	110,401
Gift Aid	26,344	0	26,344
Grants	0	0	0
Charitable Activities			
Event Income	9,384	0	9,384
Investments			
Bank Interest	8,885	419	9,304
Trading Activities			
Rental Income	510	0	510
Sales	893	0	893
Other			
Other Income	370	0	370
Total incoming resources	109,497	47,710	157,206

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Incoming Resources			
Donations & Legacies			
Donations	72,923	0	72,923
Gift Aid	24,230	0	24,230
Grants	0	0	0
Charitable Activities			
Event Income	8,958	0	8,958
Investments			
Bank Interest	8,703	351	9,054
Trading Activities			
Rental Income	840	0	840
Sales	5,000	0	5,000
Other			
Other Income	1,022	5,284	6,305
Total incoming resources	121,675	5,635	127,310

Analysis of Expenditure

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Resources Used			
Charitable Activities			
Activities	33,028	36	33,064
Admin	16,257	0	16,257
Advertising	1,231	0	1,231
Bank Charges	0	0	0
Depreciation	0	0	0
Event Costs	0	0	0
Gifts Given	0	0	0
Other Expenditure	34	10,878	7,770
Premises	28,251	48,807	77,058
Staff Costs	16,234	0	16,234
Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	2,400	0	2,400
Total resources used	97.435	59,721	157,155

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Resources Used			
Charitable Activities			
Activities	46,666	371	47,036
Admin	16,614	0	16,614
Advertising	5,836	0	5,836
Bank Charges	0	0	0
Depreciation	0	0	0
Event Costs	0	0	0
Gifts Given	0	0	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0
Premises	32,846	41,876	74,722
Staff Costs	17,785	0	17,785
Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	3,960	0	3,960
Total resources used	123,707	42,246	165,953

Notes - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current Assets	32,459	5,110	37,569
Non-Current Assets	0	310,264	310,264
Current Liabilities	3,146	208	3,354
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	29,313	315,166	344,479

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current Assets	21,271	16,913	38,184
Non-Current Assets	0	319,958	319,958
Current Liabilities	4,020	0	4,020
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	17,251	336,871	354,122

Notes - Other

Volunteers

The charity benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money. Please refer to the trustees' APCM report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation.

Independent Examination Fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for independent examination were: £2,400 (fee payable in the prior year: £2,160).

Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows: Gross wages and salaries: £15,845, (prior year Gross wages and salaries: £17,957, No employees received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year or prior year.

	2025	2024
Average number of employees working in the year	1	1

	2025	2024
Wages & Salaries:	£15,611	£16,778
Social security costs:	£0	£898
Pension contributions:	£232	£281
	£15,845	£17,957

Staff pensions

Charge to the statement of financial activities in respect of defined contribution schemes in 2025: £232, 2024: £281. The charity contributes to a defined contribution pension scheme for all qualifying employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the charity in an independently administrated fund.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be the PCC. The total employee benefits received by the key management personnel (including employer national insurance and pension contributions) was £0.00 (total employee benefits for the prior year were: £0.00).

Trustee Remuneration

During the year no trustee received remuneration.

Trustee Expenses

During the year the No 2 of trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £2485.00 All expenses were incurred for the day-to-day running of the charity's activities.

Trustee Donations

During the year the total aggregated donations made to the charity by the trustees was £4,608.00 (2024 was £13,215). There were no conditions attached to the donations.

Transactions to Related Parties

No transactions have taken place outside the normal course of Charitable Activities, which would require disclosure for not being at arm's length with any individuals considered to be related parties.

Tangible Fixed Assets

	Total
Cost	
Prior to 1st January 2025	0
Additions in financial year	0
Total as at 31st December 2025	0
Depreciation	
Prior to 1st January 2025	0
Additions in financial year	0
Total as at 31st December 2025	0
Net Book Value	
As at 31st December 2025	0
As at 31st December 2024	0

Investments

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Market Value Brought Forward	0	319,958	319,958	312,906
Additions	0	1,838	1,838	7,381
Disposals	0	11,532	11,532	329
Gains (losses)	0	-9,694	-9,694	7,052
Market Value Carried Forward	0	310,264	310,264	319,958

Debtors

Accounts Receivable

Description	Amount
Gift Aid	12,879
Total	12,879

Prepayments

Description	Amount
Prepayments	0
Total	0

Creditors

Accounts Payable

Description	Amount
Accruals	2,400
Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Tax & Social Security	0
Trade Creditors	954
Total	3,354

Deferred Income

Description	Amount
Deferred Income	0
Total	0

Analysis of Charitable Funds

Current Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Investment Gains (or Losses)	Closing Balance
Unrestricted						
General - Santander (Unrestricted)	11,333	109,497	94,476	0	0	26,354
TOTAL	11,333	109,497	94,476	0	0	26,354
Designated						
Parish Ministry Bank (Designated)	5,918	0	2,959	0	0	2,959
TOTAL	5,918	0	2,959	0	0	2,959
Unrestricted Total	17,251	109,497	97,435	0	0	29,313
Restricted						
Ewhurst Restoration PCC - 617131001D - CB3026796-0 (Restricted)	3,197	0	0	+1,029	0	4,225
Embroidery 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	995	0	0	-1,029	+924	890
Jim Jennings Bells 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	650	0	0	0	0	650
Ewhurst Roof 617131001D Bank - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	13,675	0	0	0	0	13,675
Graves 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	939	0	0	0	0	939
Choir fund 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	574	0	0	0	0	574
Youth 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	656	300	36	0	0	920
Fixed Interest Securities Fund 116.14 617131001F - (Restricted)	425	0	0	0	+4	429
Property Inv Fund 617131001P(17216.15 Shares) CB30 (Restricted)	21,911	0	0	0	+449	22,360
Capital Fund 617131001S - CB3026799-001 (Restricted)	264,918	0	0	0	-10,427	254,491
Capital Fund Restoration Fund (Restricted)	1,279	46,991	48,807	0	0	-537
CBFCOE 1002D Restoration 617131002D - CB30026800-0 (Restricted)	29	0	0	0	+20	49
Restoration CofE Investment Fund 617131002S-CB3026 (Restricted)	14,786	0	0	0	-664	14,121

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Investment Gains (or Losses)	Closing Balance
CBFOE, 1005D Buildings Fund617131005D- CB3026802-0 (Restricted)	1	0	0	0	0	1
Okewood Village Hall (Restricted)	2,689	419	3,108	0	0	0
The Trust Fund617131006D-CB3026803-001 (Restricted)	639	0	0	0	0	639
Okewood Pastrol Care (Restricted)	2,486	-2,486	0	0	0	0
Ewhurst Fabric 617131001D-CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	1,740	0	0	0	0	1,740
WIFI Bank (Restricted)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okewood Restricted (Restricted)	5,284	0	5,284	0	0	0
TOTAL	336,873	47,710	59,721	0	-9,694	315,168
Restricted Total	336,873	47,710	59,721	0	-9,694	315,168
TOTAL	354,124	157,206	157,155	0	-9,694	344,481

Prior Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Investment Gains (or Losses)	Closing Balance
Unrestricted						
General - Santander (Unrestricted)	2,567	121,675	121,158	+8,249	0	11,333
TOTAL	2,567	121,675	121,158	+8,249	0	11,333
Designated						
Parish Ministry Bank (Designated)	16,715	0	2,548	-8,249	0	5,918
TOTAL	16,715	0	2,548	-8,249	0	5,918
Unrestricted Total	19,282	121,675	123,706	0	0	17,251
Restricted						
Ewhurst Restoration PCC - 617131001D - CB3026796-0 (Restricted)	2,168	0	0	+1,029	0	3,197
Embroidery 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	995	0	0	-1,029	+1,029	995
Jim Jennings Bells 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	650	0	0	0	0	650
Ewhurst Roof 617131001D Bank - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	13,675	0	0	0	0	13,675
Graves 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	939	0	0	0	0	939
Choir fund 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	574	0	0	0	0	574
Youth 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	1,027	0	371	0	0	656
Fixed Interest Securities Fund 116.14 617131001F - (Restricted)	420	0	0	0	+5	425
Property Inv Fund 617131001P(17216.15 Shares) CB30 (Restricted)	22,123	0	0	0	-212	21,911
Capital Fund 6171310015 - CB3026799-001 (Restricted)	259,082	0	0	0	+5,836	264,918
Capital Fund Restoration Fund (Restricted)	43,155	0	41,876	0	0	1,279
CBFCOE 1002D Restoration 617131002D - CB30026800-0 (Restricted)	6	0	0	0	+23	29
Restoration CofE Investment Fund 6171310025-CB3026 (Restricted)	14,414	0	0	0	+372	14,786
CBFOE, 1005D Buildings Fund617131005D- CB3026802-0 (Restricted)	1	0	0	0	+0	1
Okewood Village Hall (Restricted)	2,338	351	0	0	0	2,689
The Trust Fund617131006D-CB3026803-001 (Restricted)	639	0	0	0	0	639
Okewood Pastrol Care (Restricted)	2,486	0	0	0	0	2,486
Ewhurst Fabric 617131001D-CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	1,740	0	0	0	0	1,740
WIFI Bank (Restricted)	0	0	0	0	0	0
Okewood Restricted (Restricted)	0	5,284	0	0	0	5,284
TOTAL	366,430	5,635	42,246	0	+7,052	336,873
Restricted Total	366,430	5,635	42,246	0	+7,052	336,873
TOTAL	383,912	127,305	165,952	0	+7,057	354,124

Fund Transfers

Description	From	To	Amount
THE INVESTMENT SHOULD OF BEEN POSTED TO RESTORATION PCC	Embroidery 617131001D - CB3026796-001	Ewhurst Restoration PCC - 617131001D - CB3026796-0	1,029

Fund Descriptions

Fund Name	Description
General - Santander (Unrestricted)	General running of the Parish
Ewhurst Restoration PCC - 617131001D - CB3026796-0 (Restricted)	to cover emergency capital
Embroidery 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	to replace Ewhurst tapestry only
Jim Jennings Bells 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	Ewhurst Bells
Ewhurst Roof 617131001D Bank - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	To replace Part of the Roof to keep for Ewhurst Roof repairs
Graves 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	for 3 graves to replace their stone work only
Choir fund 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	to replace ewhursts robes only
Youth 617131001D - CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	Youth
Fixed Interest Securities Fund 116.14 617131001F - (Restricted)	Toilet rebuild in Ewhurst - CB3026797-001
Property Inv Fund 617131001P(17216.15 Shares) CB30 (Restricted)	Capital only in Ewhurst - CB3026798-001
Capital Fund 617131001S - CB3026799-001 (Restricted)	Capital only in Ewhurst
Capital Fund Restoration Fund (Restricted)	Church building restoration
CBFCOE 1002D Restoration 617131002D - CB30026800-0 (Restricted)	Restoration in Ewhurst
Restoration CofE Investment Fund 617131002S-CB3026 (Restricted)	Beam in Ewhurst -CB3026801-001
CBFOE, 1005D Buildings Fund617131005D- CB3026802-0 (Restricted)	Wilson room
Okewood Village Hall (Restricted)	Looked after by separate Team
The Trust Fund617131006D-CB3026803-001 (Restricted)	Wilson room
Okewood Pastrol Care (Restricted)	Okewood Pastrol care only
Parish Ministry Bank (Designated)	Ministry split per church based on parish share split
Ewhurst Fabric 617131001D- CB3026796-001 (Restricted)	Ewhurst Fabric
WIFI Bank (Restricted)	To put WIFI into the three churches
Okewood Restricted (Restricted)	Mrs Morrison's Legacy

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Parish of Ewhurst with Ellens Green

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Parish of Ewhurst with Ellens Green 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 accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity'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 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 Act; or

the accounts do not accord with those records.

(2) the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of

(3) 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.

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Date: 29 October 2026