Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	01	2025		31	12	2025

Section A Reference 2025and administration details

Charity name	ISLWYN MINISTRY AREA
Other names charity is known by	Rectoral Benefice of Upper Islwyn
Registered charity number (if any)	1135366
Charity's principal address	The Vicarage Commercial Street Pengam Blackwood **Postcode** NP12 3TX

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	REV CANNON MARK OWEN	MINISTRY AREA LEADER		
2	Rev Lisa Taylor			
3	Janet Jones			
4	Mandy Tyler			
5	Fr Nicholas Gill			
6	Rev Heulwen Rees			
7	Rev Andrew Nelmes			
8	Rev Ruth Rowan			
9	Ray Bevan	Co-Chair		
10	MARIAN CURTIS	SECRETARY		
11	NIGEL KASZUBOWSKI	TREASURER		
12	Chris Browning			
13	Ruth Lawler-Davies			
14	Elizabeth Tomlin			
15	Joan Jelley			
16	Marian Dew			
17	Edwina Samuels			
18	Sue Gladwyn			

19	Pam Matthews			
20	Christine Campbell			
	Rhys Hankins			
	Dorothy Small			
	Phillip Evans			
	Sandra Ward			
	Angela Perkins			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 01 January 2000
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	The constitution provides election to be: The Incumbent Vicars and Assistant Curates, 2 Wardens and up to 3 co-opted members per church, co-opted Secretary and Treasurer.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

THE PROMOTION OF THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH PASTORAL, EVANGELISTIC, SOCIAL AND ECUMENICAL, IN THE PARISH.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

THE PROVISION OF 11 CHURCHES FOR PRAYER AND WORSHIP. PROVIDING REGILAR SERVICES OF PUBLIC WORSHIP. TEACHING CHRISTIANITY THROUGH SERMONS, SCHOOLS, BREAVED OR ANYONE IN DIFFICULTY. SUPPORTING OTHER CHARITIES IN THE UK AND OVERSEAS. PROVIDING ACTIVITIES FOR VARIOUS GROUPS TO PROMOTE THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH AND ITS CHRISTIAN VALUES. PROVISION OF A FOODBANK THAT DISTRIBUTES FOOD TO THOSE WHO HAVE DIFFICULTY PURCHASING ENOUGH TO AVOID HUNGER.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Ministry through its churches provided resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care, spiritual, moral and intellectual development both for its members and for anyone who wished to benefit from what the church offered.
Charitable activities, Children school clubs. Fund raising events were held throughout the year.
The Home/World expenditure amounted to £15278. These donations included The Archbishop of Wales Children Fund. Various local needs of people and children in the community. Foodbank support.
The foodbank distributed 6450 emergency food parcels.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The Ministry's policy on reserves is to retain at least six months expenditure as free reserves to meet future shortfalls in income or unexpected expense. Funds are held in Churches, Foodbank and the Ministry bank accounts. The balance at 31/12/2025 met this target.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	NIGEL KASZUBOWSKI	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	

Date	30/09/2026

ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURN

2025

Diocese	Parish	Church
Monmouth	Islwyn Ministry Area	

Number of Legacies received 0

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
donations	43211.65	6268.51	49480.16
fees	22125.00	0	22125.00
for mission	821.66	0	821.66
grants	101481.43	169586.90	271068.33
investment income	17060.27	263.26	17323.53
legacy gifts received	0	0	0
loose collections	24077.57	0	24077.57
money raising	109457.82	0	109457.82
other incoming resources	109.00	0	109.00
planned giving	69577.52	3775.00	73352.52
tax refunds - gasds	2596.96	0	2596.96
tax refunds - gift aid	25120.76	0	25120.76
Total for Income	**415639.64**	**179893.67**	**595533.31**
capital payments	43949.00	0	43949.00
cost of money raising	7606.33	99.11	7705.44
exceptional expenditure	124313.11	0	124313.11
general parish expenses	39748.59	142382.49	182131.08
maintenance of churches	96562.09	3592.94	100155.03
maintenance of other property	43219.49	474.99	43694.48
maintenance of services	21207.04	333.97	21541.01
mission:home/world	15278.02	93538.30	108816.32
mission:parish	2463.30	718.92	3182.22
other ministry support	394.00	0	394.00
parish share	141403.51	0	141403.51
parochial expenses of clerics	13429.30	0	13429.30
Total for Expenditure	**549573.78**	**241140.72**	**790714.50**
Net Income/Expenditure	**-133934.14**	**-61247.05**	**-195181.19**
Balance as at 1st Jan	1675088.74	1010702.52	2685791.26
Any transfers made between UF and RF	8370.98	-8370.98	0.00
Any other recognised gains or losses	88310.80	52365.18	140675.98
Net movement in funds	-133934.14	-61247.05	-195181.19
Balance as at 31 Dec	1637836.38	993449.67	2631286.05

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name: ISLWYN MINISTRY AREA

On accounts for the year ended: 31 DECEMBER 2025

Charity no (if any): 1135366

Set out on pages: 1 – 10 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended [illegible].

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. *Delete* [ ] *if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: J Phillips **Date:** 6/5/26

Name: JANET PHILLIPS

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body: FCCA

(if any):	
Address:	85 COMMERCIAL STREET
	RISCA
	NEWPORT NP11 6AW

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

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