REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1135449

Parochial Church Council of St Alban, Wickersley

Annual Report and Financial Statements

Year Ended 31 December 2025

Parochial Church Council of St Alban, Wickersley

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The Parochial Church Council of St. Alban, Wickersley

Annual Report 2025

The Parochial Church Council (the Trustees), are pleased to present the annual report, together with the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2025 examined under the requirements of Regulation 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993.

Administrative Information
St Alban's Church is situated in Wickersley, in the Deanery of Rotherham in the Diocese of Sheffield.

St Alban's PCC, Wickersley became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 12 April 2010 with the official title "The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Alban, Wickersley" and registered number 1135449.

Membership
Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2025 until the date this report was approved are;

Mr L Tomlinson
Mr M Jacques to 15/05/2025
Mr M Carver
Mr C Lovell
Mr S Tanner

Mrs K Waite
Mrs K Carver
Miss J. Gascoigne to 22/04/2025
Mrs S Rose
Mrs J Broxham to 15/05/2025
Mrs J Rose
Mrs C Warner

Gentlemen 5

Ladies 7

PCC Secretary - Mrs K Evans

Churchwardens

Mr A Rose

Mr D Crabb to 15/05/2025

Rector

Vacancy

Readers

Pastoral Workers

Deanery Synod Reps
Mr A Rose

Staff Team
The Church employed a maximum of 4 staff during the year. These part-time posts include the Musical Director Mr C Lovell, Parish Secretary Mrs K Evans, Verger Mrs S Rose, and Barn Cleaner Miss L Nightingale

Independent Examiner
Robert D Parkin FCA
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Structure, Governance and Management
Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The affairs of the Parish are managed by the Parochial Church Council, which meets on alternate months, six times a year, and, in emergencies, on other occasions, to deal with business between normal meetings of the Parochial Church Council. The minutes of these, and other PCC committees, were received by the PCC and discussed where necessary. The church has been in a state of Interregnum throughout 2025. To help with the day to day running of the church a Standing Committee of seven members of the PCC personnel was formed which met once each month. Disruption to our normal pattern of worship was kept to a minimum.

Mission Statement
St. Alban's Church Wickersley is part of the Church of England within the Diocese of Sheffield and the Deanery of Rotherham. It is a community of faith that seeks to base life on the love of God, revealed in Jesus Christ, to be open to the Spirit of God and to serve the Kingdom of God.

Objectives and Activities
When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we aim to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community by:
- Creating a strong centre for worship.
- Fostering a caring and open fellowship.
- Maintaining long-term service to the local community and the wider world.

We are committed to:
- Valuing every member of St. Alban's Church as part of the body of Christ and enabling each person to play their part in our shared mission.
- Helping people of all ages to discover and respond to the saving love of God, revealed in his Son, Jesus Christ, and to do this within the fellowship of Christ's Church.
- Supporting a priest for this parish and Mission Partnership and encouraging lay leadership which should find its focus within the Parochial Church Council to help this Church fulfil its mission.

The primary focus of our work is within the ecclesiastical parish of Wickersley, but we are also committed to working as closely as possible with other churches in evangelism and social concern.

The Parochial Church Council is required, as stated in the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 to co-operate with the rector in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Achievements and Performance

St Albans offers the community a variety of services, three on Sunday, at least one of which offers communion, and also a communion service on Thursdays.

For those wishing to increase their knowledge of our faith there are other Bible Study groups and occasional courses run at different times of the year. We also aim to hold a confirmation course once a year.

Church Attendance
There are 92 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. In the course of the year the average attendance on Sundays has been 60. Average attendance on Thursdays is now 12..

During the year there were 15 Baptisms, 1 Weddings and 7 Funerals in church. In addition, there were 5 Funerals at the Crematorium, and 22 Committal or Burial of Ashes only.

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Financial Results
The surplus on all activities of the Church for the year amounted to £30,165; (2024: (£741)).

The results of the year can be summarised as follows:

- Gross income £99,777 (2024: £95,957) increased by 3.98%
- Unrestricted income £80,860 (2024: £79,667), increased by 1.50% and unrestricted expenditure £61,376 (2024: £91,836) decreased by 33.17%.
- Restricted income £18,917 (2024: £16,290) increased by 16.13% and expenditure £6,667 (2024: £5,740) increased by 16.15%.
- Gift Aided Income £35,982 (2024: £36,723) decreased by 2.02%.
- Overall expenditure £68,043 (2024: £97,576) decreased by 30.27%.

Fabric Report
The plasterwork in the ceiling above the entrance door has recently been repaired and strengthened, and new hatches installed to the Nave roof space and Tower, to address problems of damage and water leakage in these areas.

The old gas boiler has been reactivated during this year, but owing to its age work is continuing towards a replacement for it. A system of air conditioning for heating has been proposed, and work is ongoing to find a suitable supplier. Fundraising towards this is also still in progress.

Reserves Policy
The PCC aims to maintain sufficient available unrestricted funds to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. However, the PCC reserves the right to re-designate funds to meet demand from the general fund if the need arises.

The balance on the restricted fabric fund is held to contribute towards future repairs.

STATEMENT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL'S (TRUSTEES') RESPONSIBILITIES
The Council members are responsible for preparing the Report of the Council and the Annual Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Council members to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Council and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the Council for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the members are required to:
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Council will continue in operation.

The members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Council and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charities (Accounts and reports) regulations 2008, and the provisions of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 19 / 03 / 2026 and signed on their behalf by

L N Tomlinson

Independent Examiner's Report
to the Parochial Church Council of St Alban, Wickersley

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 5 to 13.

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 charity's accounts carried out undersection 145 of the 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
2. the accounts do not accord with those records
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulation 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: 19/06/2026

The Parochial Church Council of St. Alban, Wickersley

Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	See Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
Income and Endowments		£	£	£	£	£
Voluntary Income	2(a)	43,301	595	-	43,896	49,728
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	-	8,883	-	8,883	2,304
Income from investments	2(c)	2,458	4,774	-	7,232	8,074
Church activities	2(d)	25,661	4,665	-	30,326	34,622
Other activities	2(e)	2,181	-	-	2,181	1,229
Legacies	2(f)	7,259	-	-	7,259	-
Total Income		80,860	18,917	-	99,777	96,957
Expenditure						
Church activities	3(a)	60,401	6,566	-	66,967	96,727
Raising funds	3(b)	975	101	-	1,076	849
Total Expenditure		61,376	6,667	-	68,043	97,576
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE INVESTMENT GAINS		19,484	12,250	-	31,734	(1,619)
Net gain/(loss) on investments	6	-	-	(1,569)	(1,569)	878
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		19,484	12,250	(1,569)	30,165	(741)
Transfers between funds	14	(25)	25	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		19,459	12,275	(1,569)	30,165	(741)
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD 1 January 2025		133,279	113,647	39,262	286,188	
Net movement in funds		19,459	12,275	(1,569)	30,165	
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD 31 December 2025		152,738	125,922	37,693	316,353	

The Parochial Church Council of St. Alban, Wickersley

Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible fixed assets	5		-		-
Investments	6		37,693		39,262
			37,693		38,384
Current Assets					
Debtors	7	4,503		4,348	
Current Account	8	13,271		16,149	
Deposit Account	9	158,283		129,382	
CBF Account	10	105,366		99,750	
Cash in Hand	11	237		297	
		281,660		249,926	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within One year	12	3,000		3,000	
Net Current Assets			278,660		246,926
NET ASSETS			316,353		286,188
PARISH FUNDS	13 & 14				
Unrestricted			152,738		133,279
Restricted			125,922		113,647
Endowment			37,693		39,262
			316,353		286,188

Approved by the PCC on 12.03.2026 and signed on their behalf by

L N Tomlinson
Treasurer

Notes to Financial Statements
For the year ended 31 December 2025

1 Accounting Policies

Basis of the Accounts
The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, together with FRS 102 1A as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS 102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment assets, which are shown at fair value.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC has taken advantage of the exemption in the Financial Reporting Standards from the requirement to produce a cash flow statement on the grounds that it is a small charity.

Funds
Restricted funds represent income from trusts which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; income may only be spent on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust.

Incoming Resources
Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and ultimate receipt by the PCC is probable. Funds raised from events and trading activities (e.g. Fetes, sale of books or magazines) are accounted for gross (i.e. before any retail costs that may have been deducted from the gross proceeds). Rental income from letting Church premises is recognised when the rental is due. Interest is accounted for when receivable.

1 Accounting Policies (Cont.)

Resources Expended and Liabilities
Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation and settlement is probable and quantifiable.

The Common Fund donation to the Diocese is accounted for when payable.

Fixed Assets and Benefice Property

Consecrated and moveable church furnishings

In so far as consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the statutory definition of "charity" by Section 10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalised in the financial statements. No value is placed on moveable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal; since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable Church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement is written off in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within Church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items costing less than £1,000 are written off when the asset is acquired unless replacing an existing asset.

2 Income and Endowments

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
a) Voluntary income	43,301	595	-	43,896	49,728
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**43,301**	**595**	**-**	**43,896**	**49,728**
b)Activity from generating funds					
Social and Fund Raising Events	-	8,883	-	8,883	2,304
Total	-	8,883	-	8,883	2,304
c) Income from Investments					
Interest	2,458	4,774	-	7,232	8,074
Total	2,458	4,774	-	7,232	8,074
d) Church activities					
Barn Lettings	6,619	-	-	6,619	6,686
Fees for Weddings and Funerals	13,126	-	-	13,126	27,936
Churchyard Fund	240	4,665	-	4,905	-
Diocesan Fees	5,676	-	-	5,676	-
Total	25,661	4,665	-	30,326	34,622
e) Other activities	2,181	-	-	2,181	1,229
f) Legacies	7,259	-	-	7,259	-
Total Income and Endowments	**80,860**	**18,917**	**-**	**99,777**	**95,957**

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3 Expenditure

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
a) Church Activities					
Ministry -Common Fund Donation	12,000	-	-	12,000	31,742
Ministry-Diocesan Parish Fees	4,182	-	-	4,182	7,479
Ministry-Other Costs	979	-	-	979	-
Organist,Choir and Verger	4,412	952	-	5,364	7,415
Church Running Expense	20,610	-	-	20,610	33,622
Upkeep of Services	2,561	-	-	2,561	1,938
Purchase of Bibles / Hymn Books	-	-	-	-	-
Upkeep of Churchyard	4,640	5,614	-	10,254	4,540
Barn Running Costs	7,642	-	-	7,642	4,879
Prnting and Stationery	375	-	-	375	912
Professional Fees	-	-	-	-	1,200
Independent Examination Fee	3,000	-	-	3,000	3,000
Total	60,401	6,566	-	66,987	96,727
b) Raising Funds					
Social and Fundraising Events	975	101	-	1,076	849
Total	975	101	-	1,076	849
Total	61,376	6,667	-	68,043	97,576

4 Staff Costs

During the year the PCC employed four part time members of staff: a Director of Music,a secretary,a verger and a cleaner
Two of the employees are also members of the PCC.
Cory Lovell is the Music Director and received remuneration of £3,840 (2024 £4,630)
Stella Rose was the Verger and received remuneration of £450 (2024 £1,750)
There was no rector in post during 2025 ,although the Rector's salary,social security and pension costs would have been met by the Sheffield Diocesan Board of Finance.
The average head count of staff employed was 4 (2024 :4)
No employees received benefits totalling more than £60,000
The key management personnel of the PCC comprise the trustees (as listed on page 1)
The amount of employee benefits received by management personnel for their services was £4,290 (2024 £6,380)

5 Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

All tangible fixed assets have been fully depreciated and therefore the assessed value of fixed assets is now nil.

6 Fixed Assets: Investments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fair Value at 1 January	39,262	38,384
Revaluation Gain	- 1,569	878
Fair Value at 31 December	37,693	39,262

7 Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gift aid receivable	3,371	3,348
Small donations scheme	-	1,000
2025 income banked in 2026	1,132	-
Total	4,503	4,348

8 Current Account

	2025	2024
	£	£
RBS Current	321	236
RBS Current Account-Churchyard	1,042	3,893
RBS Current Account-Barn	11,908	12,020
Total	13,271	16,149

9 Deposit Account

	2025	2024
	£	£
RBS Deposit Account-Refurbishment	13,117	12,972
RBS Business Reserve	145,166	116,410
Total	158,283	129,382

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10 Central Board of Finance Accounts

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deposit Fund -Fabric	30,880	29,543
Deposit Fund-Churchyard	11,011	10,534
Deposit Fund-Barn	4,624	4,423
Deposit Fund -General	3,771	3,607
Deposit Fund -Heath Trust	55,080	51,643
Total	105,366	99,750

11 Cash in Hand

	2025	2024
	£	£
Churchwardens Fund	237	297

12 Creditors-Amounts Falling Due Within 12 Months

	2025	2024
	£	£
Accruals of Utility and other costs	-	-
Other Creditors	3,000	3,000
Total	3,000	3,000

13 Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£	£
Investments	-	-	37,693	37,693	39,262
Current Assets	155,738	125,922	-	281,660	249,926
Current Liabilities	- 3,000	-	-	- 3,000	- 3,000
Total	152,738	125,922	37,693	316,353	286,188

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14 Reconciliation of Funds

	Balance at 01-01-25	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Fund Transfers	Balance at 31-12-25
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds					
Special Collections and Donations	1,263	361	-	-	1,624
Heath Trust Income	52,624	3,437	-	-	56,061
Fabric Fund	45,274	1,637	-	-	46,911
Bell Fund	3,761	37	-	25	3,823
Organ Fund	1,721	-	-	-	1,721
Restoration Fund	- 92	-	-	-	- 92
SAM Mission Fund	46	-	-	-	46
Pew Bibles	465	-	-	-	465
Churchyard Fund	161	4,665	5,614	-	- 788
Hymn Books	- 167	-	-	-	- 167
JM Memorial	114	-	-	-	114
Children and Youth Work	646	-	-	-	646
Music Fund	2,704	430	606	-	2,528
Boiler Fund	4,846	8,213	101	-	12,958
Barn Fund	79	-	-	-	79
Sound System	50	-	-	-	50
Flower Festival Fund	152	137	346	-	- 57
Total	113,647	18,917	6,667	25	125,922
Unrestricted Funds					
Churchyard Funds-Designated	19,647	-	-	-	19,647
Barn Fund-Designated	14,997	-	-	-	14,997
Organ Fund-Designated	6,029	-	-	-	6,029
Fabric Fund-Designated	6,206	-	-	-	6,206
Restoration Fund -Designated	11,068	-	-	-	11,068
General Fund	75,332	80,860	61,376 -	25	94,791
Total	133,279	80,860	61,376 -	25	152,738
Endowment Funds					
Heath Trust Fund	39,262 -	1,569	-	-	37,693
Total	**286,188**	**98,208**	**68,043**	**-**	**316,353**

15 Related Party Transactions

Other than through employment contracts,no member of the PCC received remuneration or other benefits from the funds of the PCC during the year