ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSCOMBE

PCC MEMBERS REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 DECEMBER 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHURCH, ITS PCC MEMBERS AND ADVISERS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

PCC members	Rev'd Roy Khakhria (incumbent), Chairman
	Dr Robert James Whitmey, Church Warden (Appointed 25/05/2025)
	Mrs Susan Marshall, Warden and Vice-chairman
	Miss Rosemary Atkinson, Deputy Warden and Treasurer
	Mrs Mary Garde, Deputy Warden
	Dr Waribo Urum, Deanery Synod Representative
	Mrs Lucy Khakhria, Secretary

Charity registered number: 1136723

Principal Office	The Parish Office
	Selwyn Hall
	Christchurch Road
	Bournemouth
	BH1 4AD

Accountants	Griffin, Stone Moscrop & Co
	Chartered Accountants
	21-27 Lamb's Conduit Street
	London
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Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc
	45 Old Christchurch Road
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ST JOHN'S CHURCH, BOSCOMBE

PCC MEMBERS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The PCC members present their annual report together with the financial statements of St John's Church, Boscombe (the church) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Objectives and activities

a. Objectives and activities

The primary object of the PCC is the proclamation and promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

St John's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev'd Roy Khakhria, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It is also responsible for the maintenance of the church building, the Selwyn Hall on the church site in Christchurch Road, the St John's Centre at 26 Shelley Road and the house at 167 Southcote Road.

The PCC has provided facilities for the local elections and for hosting summer missions and other outreach events.

The church is heavily dependent on volunteers to achieve its aims. During 2025 there were no members of staff employed by the PCC. Some work, such as gardening and repairs, was contracted out.

b. Public benefit statement

In producing their assessment of the benefit to the public provided by the charity, the PCC confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. These include our Sunday services and lunches, our Christianity Explored course, all our mid-week activities such as our Bible studies and occasional services.

Achievements and performance

a. Review of activities

During 2025 St John's continued its ministry of Biblical teaching and living out the Gospel. The aim of the PCC is for St John's to be shaped by the word of God and 'rooted and built up in Christ'. Our vicar has continued to expound and teach the Bible, occasionally aided by visiting speakers.

We continue to distribute recordings of our readings and sermons to those who cannot attend and to friends of St John's in the UK and abroad. The midweek Bible Study groups and midweek services have been appreciated. There have also been some one-to-one Bible studies. Members of the wardens' team meet fortnightly to pray. A Christianity Explored course held at the church was well attended. The congregation have enjoyed Sunday fellowship lunches and these have been especially appreciated by newcomers attending the morning service. Members of the buildings team have continued to help maintain and care for our buildings as well as applying for and receiving a grant to reduce our carbon footprint. We are also grateful to the wardens and finance teams, who diligently and carefully manage the church's finances.

A weekly games night for young people was held in the Selwyn Hall, with each night including some Bible teaching and prayer.

The church is heavily dependent on volunteers to carry out its activities – and rightly so. For the church to flourish it is essential that the work of the church is pursued by the whole congregation of believers.

There were 34 (2024 - 45) members on the Church Electoral Roll, following the 6-year revision. Although all those who regularly attend our services are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll, not everyone does.

Financial review

a. Review

The PCC's funds are divided into restricted and unrestricted funds. Restricted funds can only be used for the purpose for which they are setup. Unrestricted funds can be used for any of the purposes of the PCC.

Restricted funds

Selwyn Hall Fund

This fund was set up to pay for the rebuilding of the Selwyn Hall in 1999. The outstanding balance is used to fund any renovation work required on the Selwyn Hall.

Doris Sherrington Memorial Fund

This fund arose from a bequest to pay for external repairs to the church buildings.

Parish Nursing Fund

This fund was set up to receive donations and grants and pay for the equipment and expenses for the Parish Nurse.

Organ Fund

This fund was set up in 2007 to hold money collected for repairs to the organ. it also holds a sum of money for a new Lectern from the legacy of David Dorey.

Unrestricted funds

General Fund

This is the main fund into which income is paid and which pays the costs of running the church, Income is from freewill offerings of the congregation, including tax recovered on gift aided giving and the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme, and rental income from the church, Selwyn Hall and St John's Centre. This year we received a generous legacy of £38,564.79. Of this, £3,564.79 was reserved for the General Fund and a transfer to a designated fund will be made in 2026.

Total unrestricted income for 2025 was £96,872 as shown in the financial statements. Total income across all funds was £97,835.

£55,052 of expenditure was charged to the General Fund to provide for the ministry of St John's. Total 2025 expenditure across all funds was £67,198 so a net income of circa £30,637 was generated in the year.

The General Fund has struggled due to a loss of income from the hire of the Selwyn Hall and still no income from the St John's Centre. We have, however, managed to transfer £6,000 from the unrestricted but designated 167 Fund.

Payments included our contribution to the Common Mission Fund, to which we paid the full amount requested of £13,325.97. The Common Mission Fund is paid to Winchester Diocese as a contribution towards clergy stipends and housing, the training of ordinands and diocesan running costs.

Parent and Toddler Group Fund

The Parent and Toddler Group did not operate in 2025.

Bookstall Fund

The bookstall did not operate during 2025 other than giving away gospels and other Bible reading aids for free.

167 Southcote Road Fund

Income and expenditure related to the house managed by the PCC. The house continues to provide a steady income.

Legacy Fund

Set up in 2017 to receive legacies left by past members of the church.

We thank the Lord for all His provision for our church and pray that He will multiply the resources available to enable our gospel ministry to continue.

b. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the church has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

c. Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds, which equates to approximately three months of unrestricted payments, to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £71,586 (2024 - £44,823) on the aggregated unrestricted funds (excluding the Legacy Fund) at the year-end represents approximately 55 weeks expenditure so the policy is being complied with.

d. Material investments policy

It is the PCC's policy to invest funds not immediately required in the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund or Lloyds Bank Fixed Rate Accounts which pay a reasonable rate of interest in the current financial climate.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission, (Charity Number 1136723).

b. Method of appointment of church wardens and PCC members

The method of appointment of church wardens and PCC members is according to the Church Representation rules, encouraging members who have shown spiritual maturity and a servant heart to stand for election.

c. Organisational structure and decision making

The PCC conducted the business of the church mostly by means of in-person meetings and email correspondence. We met 6 times during the year.

The PCC has a few subcommittees that deal with various areas of church administration.

The Standing Committee has the power to transact the business of the council between meetings.

The Finance Committee administers the finances of the council. it ensures that proper financial controls are in place, sets budgets and monitors the day-to-day income and expenditure. it has power to agree expenditure up to an agreed limit. Major financial decisions are made by the full council, and the annual budget is approved by the full council.

The Buildings Committee undertakes and helps to oversee the maintenance and repair of the buildings for which the council is responsible. Work that requires major expenditure is discussed with the finance committee and a decision made by the full council.

Day-to-day management is carried out by the vicar supported by the wardens and volunteers.

d. Risk management

The PCC members have assessed the major risks to which the church is exposed, in particular those related to the operations and finances of the church and are satisfied that systems and procedures are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

All buildings are fully insured. Important documents and valuables are kept in a fireproof safe. Minimal cash is held on the premises and Sunday collections are banked as soon as possible. Computer data is backed regularly, and copies of important records are held elsewhere. Child protection and vulnerable adult policies are in place, overseen by a safeguarding committee.

Plans for future periods

The church plans to grow our gospel ministry over the coming year. We wish to grow our outreach and discipleship ministry alongside increasing the opportunities to meet for prayer. We are also seeking to hold further Exploring Christianity courses and Basic Christianity foundations groups. To invest further in our ministry, we need to grow our income streams from both the Selwyn Hall and the Centre.

As we face these challenges, we are confident that God will prove to be faithful to His church, as we continue to serve Him.

PCC members' responsibilities statement

The PCC members are responsible for preparing the PCC members' report and the 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 PCC members to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the church and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the church for that period.

The PCC members are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the church's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. 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.

This report was approved on-line by the PCC members via electronic mail and is signed on their behalf by:

Rev'd Roy Khakhria (incumbent), Chairman Date: 29 April 2026

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025	2024
		£	£
Deposit and bank accounts			
Current account & petty cash		72,553	42,085
Deposit account		37,992	41,500
CBF accounts		84,913	81,236
Assets at 31 December		**195,458**	**164,821**
Analysis of cash funds at 31 December			
Restricted fund	**2**	57,747	56,736
Unrestricted funds	**3**	137,711	108,085
Balance of cash funds at 31 December		**195,458**	**164,821**
Reconciliation to net assets on unrestricted funds			
Unrestricted funds bank balance at 31 December		137,711	108,085
Debtors owed to general fund at 31 December			
Gift Aid Tax		2,657	-
Overpayment of Bills		-	228
Liabilities owed on general fund at 31 December			
Bills outstanding		(641)	(399)
Expenses owed to the vicar	**4**	-	(3,000)
Net assets for unrestricted funds at 31 December		**139,727**	**104,914**

Approved on behalf of the PCC

Signed: Date: 29 April 2026

Rev'd Roy Khakhria (incumbent)
Chairman

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RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Unrestricted £	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £	2024
Receipts						
Donations		29,766	-	-	29,766	28,928
Legacies		38,562	-	-	38,562	-
Donations for roof repairs		-	-	-	-	10,213
Grants		1,000	-	-	1,000	1,825
Gift Aid Claim		5,763	-	30	5,793	9,830
Parish Nurse Fund		-	-	120	120	150
Fees		113	-	-	113	814
			75,204	150	75,354	51,760
Rent		17,100	-	-	17,100	17,675
Interest		4,548	-	813	5,361	6,260
Cash back credit		20	-	-	20	-
			21,668		22,481	23,935
Total		**96,872**	**96,872**	**963**	**97,835**	**75,694**
Payments						
Direct ministry costs						
Diocesan fees and CMF		13,725	-	-	13,725	12,073
Ministry Expenses		25	-	-	25	415
Ministry expenses - Mileage and Travel	4	1,753	-	-	1,753	2,074
Ministry expenses - training & conferences	4	1,342	-	-	1,342	595
Ministry expenses - telephone, broadband, and office/Media expenses	4	4,675	-	-	4,675	4,181
Ministry expenses - hospitality and supplies	4	3,120	-	-	3,120	4,349
			24,640	-	24,640	23,687
Property, management and administration						
Utilities		8,937	-	-	8,937	11,344
Maintenance		5,467	-	-	5,467	25,124
IT and media		2,244	-	-	2,244	1,744
Insurance		16,720	-	-	16,720	15,459
Independent examination fee		2,435	-	-	2,435	2,490
Office and admin		1,195	-	-	1,195	619
Bank Charges		96	-	-	96	96
			37,094	-	37,094	56,876
Rental property costs						
Rental property management fees		5,464	-	-	5,464	5,321
			5,464	-	5,464	3,832
Total		**67,198**	**67,198**	**-**	**67,198**	**85,884**
Net receipts/(expenditure)			**29,674**	**963**	**30,637**	**(10,191)**
Transfers	3		**(48)**	**48**	-	-
Net movement on funds for the year			**29,626**	**1,011**	**30,637**	**(10,191)**
Current account & cash account bal b/f		6,831	6,831	35,254	42,085	47,869
Deposit account bal b/f		37,992	37,992	3,508	41,500	50,000
CBF accounts bal b/f		63,262	63,262	17,974	81,236	77,142
Balance c/fwd at 31/12/2025			**137,711**	**57,747**	**195,458**	**164,821**

Approved on behalf of the PCC

Signed: Date: 29 April 2026

Rev'd Roy Khakhria (incumbent)
Chairman

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

1. Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

Financial statements are prepared on a receipts and payment basis, under the historical cost convention. This is consistent with Charity Commission Guidelines whereby unincorporated charities, including Churches and CIOs with income less than £250,000 can prepare receipts and payments accounts.

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of the general objectives of the Charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes. The aim and use of each material restricted fund is set out in the notes to the accounts.

If any money received has been provided for a restricted purpose, the balance remaining is carried forward within restricted funds.

Income Recognition
Rental income is recognised upon receipt, provided that any conditions for receipt have been met.

2. Restricted fund - movements on cash funds

Fund name		Bal b/fwd	Income	Expenditure	Transfer	Bal. c/fwd
		£	£	£	£	£
Ministry Trust	**a**	9,060	-	-	-	9,060
Selwyn Hall	**b**	1,557	114	-		1,671
Doris Sherrington	**c**	43,678	631	-	-	44,309
Parish Nurse		978	150	-	-	1,128
Organ		1,243	68	-	268	1,579
Roof repairs	**d**	220	-	-	(220)	-
		56,736	963	-	48	57,747

The restricted funds represent:

a. A transfer of funds from Ministry Trust to St John's Church for the purpose of funding church workers.
b. Funds for rebuilding of Selwyn Hall in 1999. Outstanding balance used to fund any renovation work.
c. A bequest to pay for external repairs to the church building.
d. Income raised and spent on roof repairs in 2025, the balance unspent has been transferred into the general fund from which regular church maintenance is funded.

3. Unrestricted funds (including designated funds) - movements on cash funds

Fund name	Bal b/fwd	Income	Expenditure		Transfer	Bal. c/fwd
	£	£	£		£	£
General fund (inc bookstall)	1,986	76,909	55,052		5,952	29,795
Parent & toddler group	314	-	-		-	314
167 Southcote road	4,554	17,100	5,464		(6,000)	10,190
Legacy	63,262	2,863	-		-	66,125
Centre fund	37,969	-	6,682		-	31,287
	108,085	96,872	67,198	-	48	137,711

Transfers have been reflected between unrestricted funds as detailed above, reflecting the reality that the general fund has used money from the designated funds to help meet the costs charged to the general fund during the year.
Part of the legacy received during the 2025 financial year is to be transferred to the legacy fund in 2026.

4. Expenses reimbursed to the vicar

The totals for various ministry expenses includes expenses totalling £9,051 paid to the vicar, including expenses that had been showed as a liability at 31 December 2024. As at 31 December 2025 there are no amounts owed for vicar's expenses.

Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC members of St John's Church, Boscombe

I report on the financial statements of the church for the year ended 31 December 2025.

This report is made solely to the church's PCC members, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the PCC members those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the church and the PCC members as a body, for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the PCC members 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 church's accounts carried out under section 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.

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.

Richard Hill, FCA
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