CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2025 **Period start date** **To** 31st December 2025 **Period end date**

Charity name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' Stock Harvard

Charity registration number: 1158160

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Regular public worship open to all. The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation. Pastoral work including the sick and bereaved. Teaching Christianity through sermons and small groups.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	As above. Holy Communion is celebrated every Sunday and Wednesday, with a monthly evening Taizé-style service. The church is also used for weddings, funerals, school services and community concerts.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	There has been no special notice taken of this guidance.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	

Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The charity continued with regular Sunday and Wednesday worship and monthly Taizé-style services. The electrical and heating project begun in 2024 was completed in mid-2025, giving the church new low-energy lighting, modern heating and improved safety. The church hosted the annual Flower Festival, concerts by local orchestras and choirs, services and events for Stock CofE Primary School, and joint events with the other Stock churches through the Unity Committee.

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity had an income of £77,169 in the year; expenses were £82,597, a shortfall of £5,428. £8,670 was spent on major repairs (heating in the bell tower, the final payment on the roof repair and the remaining electrical work). The Parish Share of £37,036 was paid in full.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves at 31st December 2025 were £104,775. Reserves are held for potential additional building repairs and for 'Mission & Outreach'.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£104,775
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Parochial Church Council of All Saints' Parish Church Stock Harvard
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Act of Parliament
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Church of England
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Elected by those on the electoral roll

Additional information (optional)
You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	Gerry Scott, a member of the PCC, received an organist salary of £5,975 in the year.
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of All Saints' Stock Harvard
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1158160
Charity's principal address	All Saints' Church, Stock Road, Stock, Essex CM4 9BN

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. Jacqui Pearson	Chair (Priest-in-charge)		
2	Rev. Miranda Seaman	Assistant Priest		
3	Jane Steel	Churchwarden / Vice Chair		
4	Rachel Hill	Churchwarden / Vice Chair		
5	Judith Sabine	Churchwarden	Stepped down during 2025	
6	David Sainsbury	Treasurer		
7	Gerry Scott	Secretary		
8	Pauline Collier	Deanery Synod Representative		
9	Anthony Barker			
10	Corrinne Duty			
11	Margaret King			
12	Martin King			
13	Michael McGeachie			
14	Alma Clements-Scott			
15	Peter Stas			
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20				

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

Exemptions from disclosure

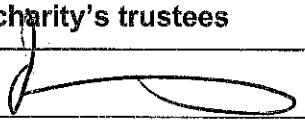
Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

Other optional information

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	David Sainsbury	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	26/10/26	

All Saints' Church, Stock Harvard.

Annual Parish Meeting
and
Annual Parochial Church Meeting







To be held in Church

On Monday 11 May 2026

at 7:30pm

Agenda for the
Annual Parish Meeting
Monday 11 May 2026 @ 7:30pm

Approval of the minutes of 12 May 2025

Election of Churchwarden(s)

Agenda for the
Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Monday 11 May 2026 @ 7:45pm

Approval of the minutes of 12 May 2025

Main Reports

1)	Electoral Roll Report	Jane Steel
2)	PCC Proceedings Report	Gerry Scott
3)	Financial Statement 2024	Richard Sainsbury
4)	Fabric Report	Martin King / Peter Stas
5)	Servers	Jane Steel / Rachel Hill
6)	Organist & Choir	Gerry Scott
7)	Priest-in-charge Report	Rev Jacqui Pearson

Miscellaneous Reports

A)	Deanery Synod Representative Report	Pauline Collier
B)	Unity Committee	Pauline Collier / Jane Steel
C)	Compass Churches Representative Report	Pauline Collier
D)	Church / School Links	Pauline Collier
E)	Safeguarding	Leigh Mayhook
F)	Pastoral Care	Rosemary Clark
G)	Sidespeople	Pauline Collier
H)	Readers	Pauline Collier

Election of 2 members to the Parochial Church Council
Election of 0 representative for the Deanery Synod
Election of 1 Representative for Compass Group
Appointment of Electoral Roll Officer
Appointment of Independent Financial Examiner
Appointment of Safeguarding Officer

Any other business, discussion or questions.

NB After the meeting the members of the new PCC should meet to elect the Vice Chair, Treasurer, 'Sidespersons' (or Assistants to the Churchwardens), Secretary and officers for the coming year and to fix the date of the first meeting.

(The suggested maximum number of members is 15 (incl Priest-in-charge & C/W's). This is in accordance with the CofE guidelines and evaluated upon the number of those on the ER)

Chair (Priest in charge)	Rev. Jacqui Pearson
Vice Chair(s)	Jane Steel / Rachel Hill
Assistant Priest	Rev Miranda Seaman
Churchwarden(s)	Jane Steel / Rachel Hill
Deanery Synod	Pauline Collier [until 2027]
Elected	Margaret King [until 2026]
	Jane Steel [until 2026]
	Anthony Barker [until 2027]
	Martin King [until 2027]
	Michael McGeachie [until 2027]
	Alma Clements-Scott [until 2027]
	Gerry Scott (Secretary) [until 2027]
	Corrinne Duty [until 2028]
	Richard Sainsbury (Treasurer) [until 2028]
	Peter Stas [until 2028]
Safeguarding Officer	Leigh Mahook
Compass Churches Rep	Pauline Collier
Electoral Roll Officer	Jane Steel [until 2027]

1) Electoral Roll

As at 31.12.2025 there were 80 people on the electoral roll comprising 37 resident in the Parish and 43 non-resident.

As a point of interest, and subsequent to the annual revision in April 2026, the numbers were 78 on the roll (37 Non-resident and 41 Resident).

As required by the Church Representation Rules in 2025 a new Electoral roll has been prepared and put on display in church for inspection.

2) Review of the Year 2025 (Jan-Dec)

The PCC met on 8 occasions last Church year (viz. 07.01.25; 01.02.25; 10.03.25; 13.04.25; 12.05.25; 01.07.25; 01.09.25; 03.11.25) when the following main topics were discussed:

a) Finance

For full details please refer to financial reports later in this document.

b) Clergy

We are grateful for the time and ministry provided by both our Priest-in-charge (Rev.Jacqui Pearson) and our Associate Priest (Rev. Miranda Seaman).

c) Mass Booklets

These are awaiting final 'tweaks' and approval by Rev Jacqui.

d) Bollards in Car Park

We are in discussion with the Parish Council with a view to getting these re-sited / positioned

e) Fabric

Please see report(s) submitted by Martin King and Peter Stas

f) Wedding, Funeral and Organist Fees

The annual review of these fees took place and recommendations implemented.

g) Pastoral Care

Rosemary Clark has been appointed as Pastoral Care Assistant. She has completed exhaustive courses and is now fully qualified.

h) Safeguarding

Leigh Mayhook has been appointed as Safeguarding Officer taking over responsibilities from Judith Sabine. No major issues were identified during the year.

Secretary
Gerald Scott

3) Finance Report 2025

This was a quiet year after three years of significant activity including the sale of the Rectory Hall, the roof repair, and the completion of the electrical work.

Total income was £77,169 and total expenses £82,597. A shortfall of £5,428.

Unrestricted expenses of £82,124 include £8,670 spent on heating in the bell tower, the final payment on the roof repair and an element of the previous year's electrical repair work not fully accrued for in 2024. In terms of normal income and expenditure the unrestricted shortfall was £2,443.

The Flower Festival made a profit of £6,215. The £37,036 Parish Share was paid in full.

In the year The Friends' of All Saints' raised £6,385. The Overseas Mission Committee disbanded and their remaining funds were sent to USPG. One of their donations from the previous year was not taken up so there is still £500 to distribute before closing the bank account.

At the end of the year the general unrestricted fund held £49.981; the unrestricted Special Fund (relating the Rectory Hall monies) £20,270; The Friends of All Saints' Church £30,114; The Overseas Mission Committee £500; and the Special Objects Fund £3,380. The Holy Child Program was due to receive £530 just after the year end. Total funds therefore stood at £104,775 on 31st December 2025.

Treasurer
Richard Sainsbury

Independent Examiner's Report
to the PCC of All Saints' Parish Church, Stock Harvard

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- to follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiners Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with s. 130 of the Charities 2011 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Peter John Bentley
10 Myln Meadow Stock
May 2026

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Incoming resources from donors	2(a)	**40,008**	**6,113**	**-**	**46,121**	49,399
Other voluntary incoming resources	2(b)	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	39,088
Incoming resources from operating activities						
- to further the Council's objects	2(c)	**9,628**		**-**	**9,628**	7,031
- to generate funds	2(d)	**20,780**	**-**	**-**	**20,780**	19,928
Income from investments	2(e)	**595**	**45**	**-**	**640**	4,949
Total Incoming Resources		**71,011**	**6,158**	**-**	**77,169**	120,395
Cost of generating funds	3(d)	**14,120**	**-**	**-**	**14,120**	13,658
Grants	3(a)	**-**	**268**	**-**	**268**	1,480
Activities directly relating to the work of the church	3(b)					
- *normal running costs*		**59,271**	**205**	**-**	**59,476**	61,811
- *major repairs*		**8,670**	**-**	**-**	**8,670**	240,077
Church management and administration		**63**	**-**	**-**	**63**	50
Total resources Used		**82,124**	**473**	**-**	**82,597**	317,076
		-	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Net Movement In Funds		**(11,113)**	**5,685**	**-**	**(5,428)**	(196,681)
Balances Brought Forward at 1st January		81,364	28,839	-	110,203	306,884
Balances Carried Forward at 31st December		**70,251**	**34,524**	**-**	**104,775**	110,203

Parochial Church Council of All Saints' Parish Church, Stock Harvard

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025	2024
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	5	**0**	0
		0	0
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	7	**9,004**	31,094
Short term deposits		**15,617**	15,565
Cash at bank and in hand		**82,654**	84,359
		107,275	131,018
LIABILITIES:			
AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR			
Creditors		**2,500**	20,815
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**104,775**	110,203
NET ASSETS		**104,775**	110,203
FUNDS	6		
Unrestricted – general fund		**49,981**	52,424
Restricted		**34,524**	28,839
Unrestricted – special fund		**20,270**	28,940
		104,775	110,203

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 20th April 2026 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev. Jacqui Pearson *(Chair)* **Jane Steel** *(Churchwarden)* **Rachel Hill** (Churchwarden)

JS Pearson. JM Steel.

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these accounts

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of freehold land and buildings, which are shown at the 2001 valuation.

Since Total Incoming Resources have exceeded £100,000 the PCC are obliged to prepare "Accrual Accounts". This means that the Accounts include a full Balance Sheet and that the income and expenses of the various funds for which the PCC is responsible are consolidated into one Statement of Financial Activities. (SOFA).

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

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

Incoming Resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on covenants or 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 undisputed legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised by the Flower Festival and similar events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable, if any, on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Resources used

Grants

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

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan quota or Parish Share is accounted for when payable.

Fixed assets

Rectory Hall. Until 1st December 2022 the PCC insured the Rectory Hall at a replacement value of £320,000 as they were acting as custodian for the Diocese. On 1st December 2022 the Diocesan Board of Finance paid the PCC £210,000 to purchase the asset.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment historically used by the PCC is held at a residual value of £0. It and other purchases will be depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £ 1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees and other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

2	*INCOMING RESOURCES*	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	2024 £
2(a)	*Incoming resources from donors*					
	Planned giving					
	- Gift Aid Donations	**23,446**	**1,600**	**-**	**25,046**	30,948
30,948	- Income tax recoverable	**7,921**	**603**	**-**	**8,524**	8,815
8,815	- Other Planned Giving	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
-	Collections (open plate) at all services	**6,997**	**-**	**-**	**6,997**	5,826
5,826	Gift Day	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
-	Sundry donations	**1,644**	**3,910**	**-**	**5,554**	3,810
3,810		**40,008**	**6,113**	**-**	**46,121**	49,399
2(b)	*Other voluntary incoming resources*					
	Grant:	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	Grant: Listed Places of Worship reclaimed VAT	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	39,088
	Legacy	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
		-	**-**	**-**	**-**	39,088
2(c)	*Incoming resources from operating activities* - to further the Council's objects					
		-	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	Bookstall and sundry sales	**178**	**-**	**-**	**178**	79
	Patronal Supper	**635**	**-**	**-**	**635**	-
	Fees (weddings and funerals)	**8,815**	**-**	**-**	**8,815**	6,952
		9,628	**-**	**-**	**9,628**	**7,031**
2(d)	*Incoming resources from operating activities* - to generate funds					
	Proceeds from the sale of The Rectory Hall	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	Flower Festival	**20,335**	**-**	**-**	**20,335**	19,212
	Fund raising events	**445**	**-**	**-**	**445**	716
	Shopping evening	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
		-	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
		20,780	**-**	**-**	**20,780**	19,928
2(e)	*Income from investments*					
	Interest received	**595**	**45**	**-**	**640**	4,949
2(f)	*Income from insurance claims*					
	Insurance receipts	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**71,011**	**6,158**	**-**	**77,169**	120,395

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 December 2025 (continued)

3 RESOURCES USED

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2025	2024
		£	£	£	£	£
3(a)	*Grants* - Missionary and charitable giving:					
	Church overseas:					
	- Missionary societies	-	**768**	-	**768**	1,100
	- Relief and development agencies	-	**(500)**	-	**(500)**	380
	Home missions and other Church Societies	-	-	-	-	-
		-	**268**	-	**268**	1,480

The Overseas Mission Committee donated £767.83 to USPG; [last year's cheque for £500 UNHCR was not cashed].

3(b) *Activities directly relating to the work of the church.*

Ministry: - Parish Share	**37,036**	-	-	**37,036**	37,410
- Ministry expenses	-	-	-	-	-
- Cost of services	**2,274**	-	-	**2,274**	2,714
Church - running expenses	**6,778**	-	-	**6,778**	5,284
Church maintenance	**2,235**	-	-	**2,235**	3,398
Church roof repairs	**2,691**	-	-	**2,691**	112,189
Church electrical & heating repairs	**5,979**	-	-	**5.979**	127,888
Other Parish expenses	**514**	**205**	-	**719**	654
Salary of the organist(s)	**6,235**	-	-	**6,235**	6,260
Fees paid to the Diocese	**1,741**	-	-	**1,741**	2,107
Costs of Patronal Supper	-	-	-	-	-
Upkeep of churchyard and glebe	**2,458**	-	-	**2,458**	3,984
Rectory Hall costs	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
Outgoings from Special Objects Fund	-	-	-	-	-
	67,941	**205**	-	**68,146**	301,888

3(c) *Church management and administration*

Church office & administration	**63**	-	-	**63**	50
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-
	63	-	-	**63**	50

Cost of generating funds

3(d)	Costs of Flower Festival	**14,120**	**-**	**-**	**14,120**	13,208
	Costs of fund raising events	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	Costs of Pancake Supper	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	450
	Costs of fund raising events	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	Costs of Spring Lunch	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
	Other costs including envelope schemes.	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
		14,120	**-**	**-**	**14,120**	13,658
	TOTAL RESOURCES USED	**82,124**	**473**	**-**	**82,597**	317,076

4.	*STAFF COSTS*	**2025**	2024
		£	£
	Wages and salaries	**5,975**	6,005

Gerry Scott received an organist salary of £5,975 in the year; Gerry Scott is a member of the PCC. No individual earned £40,000 p.a. or more.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 December 2025 (continued)

5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC - *Tangible fixed assets*

		Freehold land & buildings £	Church Equipment £	Total £
GROSS BOOK VALUE	At 1 January 2025	-	2,356	2,356
	Disposal	-	-	-
	At 31 December 2025	-	2,356	2,356
DEPRECIATION	At 1 January 2025	-	2,356	2,356
	Depreciation written back	-	-	-
	At 31 December 2025	-	2,356	2,356
NET BOOK VALUE	At 31 December 2025	-	-	-
	At 31 December 2024	-	-	-

The freehold land and buildings comprising the Rectory Hall were sold to the Diocese on 1st December 2023.

6 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

6(a) *by asset class*

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Fixed Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Current Assets	**72,751**	**34,524**	-	**107,275**	131,017
Current Liabilities	**(2,500)**	-	-	**(2,500)**	(20,185)
Fund balance	**70,251**	**34,524**	-	**104,775**	110,203

6(b) *by fund*

General fund	**63,251**	**3,380***	-	**66,631**	78,948
Holy Child Program	-	**530**	-	**530**	-
Friends of All Saints'	-	**30,114**	-	**30,114**	24,487
Upkeep of the Churchyard (Legacy)	-	-	-	-	-
Overseas Mission	-	**500**	-	**500**	768
Organ Fund (Designated)	**7,000**	-	-	**7,000**	6,000
Fund balance	**70,251**	**34,524**	-	**104,775**	110,203

* This represents the Special Objects Fund under the direction of the Rector.

7. DEBTORS

	2025 £	2024 £
Income tax recoverable (Gift Aid)	**8,525**	8.814
Other debtors	**479**	22,280
	9,004	31,094

4) Fabric report for the year 2025 (Report by Martin King and Peter Stas)

The electricity project started in 2024 was completed around mid-2025.

The main work completed:

- Removing old cabling and controls wherever possible.
- New computer-controlled low-wattage lighting with variable zonal controls operable from within the Nave, with much lower running costs.
- New heaters for the Nave, North Aisle and tower with modern zone controls. The infrared appliances operate without the red glare of the predecessors and provide a more comfortable warmth.
- A new major switchboard in the north-west tower cupboard with much improved safety controls.
- An additional switchboard to improve safety and controls for the organ.
- Additional safety lighting in the Nave, Porch and Tower - with new lights for the Tower stairs.

  Initial discussions began in 2025 for options looking forward to bring the Nave controls up to a matching range of standards, alongside possible updates to the heating.

In addition, discussions began in 2025 in preparation for possibilities and priorities of key projects:

- Combining two aerial projects: external redecoration of the tower whiteworks while replacing shingles damaged by woodpeckers.
- Reviewing any woodworm damage inside the Tower.
- Removing any remaining internal mould ahead of full internal "making good" and repainting in the Nave, Cancel and Chapel.
- Discussing these and any other projects with The Friends, and exploring what grants may be available. Every effort will be made to schedule works in the coming months and years.

5) Servers (Report by Jane Steel)

Last year our regular serving team consisted of myself, Rachel Hill and Daniel McGuinness. With only three, and occasionally just two, servers available, it was often challenging to maintain consistent coverage across all services, especially during periods when Rachel or I were on holiday. We sincerely appreciate Joyce Bull's assistance, as she provided valuable support on numerous occasions.
We really do need more people to help us, so if anyone would like to consider becoming a server then please come and speak to Rachel or myself. We will provide all necessary training and ease you in gently!

6) Organist & Choirmaster Report

Regular Sunday Masses, Weddings and Funerals have been well attended by our robed Choir and simple anthems are performed when possible. More members are required and always welcomed.

A service of Nine Lessons and Carols in December 2025 was extremely well supported at which we were fortunate to have some additional help from a few members of the Writtle Singers.

Vestry and Church piano's receive regular tuning albeit that the one in the Church is subject to huge fluctuations in temperature and humidity.

7) Report from the Priest-in-charge - Rev Jacqui Pearson

Our APCM takes place in spring and, as I write this report, the air is full of bird song and the sun is pleasantly warm. Spring is a beautiful time of year with new life, new growth, and new flowers everywhere (plus a few new weeds!).

At All Saints' Church we are blessed to have a beautiful churchyard, as well as a beautiful church. It is fascinating to watch the changes that occur in the churchyard as we move through the seasons.

As I reflect on life at All Saints' Church in 2025, I observed that there have been a number of changes. After many years of service, Judith Sabine stepped down from the role of Churchwarden and moved to pastures new (well, to the seaside).

Whilst Judith is greatly missed, we are very blessed that, on top of their existing responsibilities, Jane and Rachel have stepped into her shoes with Jane now the Electoral Roll Officer as well. Leigh Mayhook took over the vital role of Parish Safeguarding Officer and Rosemary Clark embarked on a course to become a Pastoral Assistant, which is a real blessing to our congregation.

Towards the end of the year we sadly lost Bishop Thomas and Adrian Rilstone. Both leave significant holes in our church and village community. We said goodbye to Alina Clay as she retired from her post as Head Teacher of Stock CofE Primary School and welcomed Gareth Roberts into that role.

We also saw an increase in the number of musical events we have hosted, with concerts by Springfield Orchestra, the Allegro choir and Sing! Choir, and are continuing to discern how we can welcome more groups and events in to make use of our building.

Yet in nature, as things change throughout the seasons, many things stay the same, and so it is at All Saints'. We held another successful Flower Festival, and continued to run events and services with our brothers and sisters at Christchurch and Our Lady & St. Joseph through the Unity Committee. This included welcoming the Bishop of Chelmsford, +Guli, to Stock for the May Lecture.

We continued with the care and maintenance of both the church and the churchyard. This has included a new partnership with the Community Payback Team, as well as the continued hard work of Martin, Peter, Graham, and others. The flower ladies have continued to provide the church with beautiful arrangements throughout the year, and it is always the work of many unseen hands that do the small but important tasks week in and week out.

Of course at the heart of all that we do is worship. We worship our Lord Jesus Christ, the cornerstone of our faith, the Alpha and the Omega. We come together every week, on Sundays and Wednesdays, to worship and to receive Holy Communion. Once a month we have our evening Taizé-style services. I would like to thank all involved in our weekly worship; to Rev Miranda for her vital support in leading and presiding at regular services and occasional offices, to Jane, Rachel and Daniel on the serving team, Gerry and the choir, and Pauline for making the weekly sheet, organising the rotas, and much else besides, to Annette and her team for the refreshments and to all the welcomers, sides-people, readers, and everyone involved in our regular services.

In his second letter, Timothy urges us to "Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season" (2 Tim 4:2a NIV). In all seasons, in old ways and in new, we preach the Good News of Jesus: the forgiveness of sins and the assurance of everlasting life. We care for this building, this place of prayer and worship, we join in mission with our brothers and sisters in other churches, we serve our community, and we come together to worship our Lord and celebrate Holy Communion. This is what we have done in 2025 and what I pray we will continue to do.

Parochial Church Council of All Saints' Parish Church, Stock Harvard

A) Chelmsford Deanery Report (Report by Pauline Collier)

The Deanery has met 3 times during 2025 and received presentations from:-

- Michaela Southworth – CEO of Chelmsford Diocesan Board of Finance.
- Revd. Canon Ivor Moody on 'Holding and Being: Balancing Mental Health and Ministry'.
- Bishop Guli on 'How lay people can be more supportive'.

We also receive updates of the financial situation and learned that our deanery paid 67% more Parish Share this year than any other deanery in the Diocese and what is taking place in churches around the Deanery.

Before each meeting representatives are asked to submit items regarding their church/congregation, for the 'Pray Time'. All those attending meet in groups at the end of the meeting and pray for the various items submitted.

B) Unity Committee (The Three Churches in Stock). Report by Pauline Collier

Once again the Three Churches have work together extremely well during 2025. We were very saddened at the death of Bishop Thomas McMahon on the 24th November 2025. He was a much respected member of our parish as well as the Catholic Diocese of Brentwood. He was also a co-founder of Unity in Stock.

We have held our usual events throughout the year:-

- Walk of Witness
- Harvest Supper
- Carol Singing. This year the Carol Singing event was held at The Bakers Arms and included the school choir. It was well attended and the management of The Bakers Arms were delighted.
- Visit by Bishop Guli of Chelmsford. This was a very successful evening, held at Christ Church. She gave a most interesting talk 'Why I Believe' and her presentation was well received by the many people who attended.

C) Compass Group of Churches (Report by Pauline Collier)

The Compass group met 3 times during 2025 at St. Andrew's Church, Bicknacre, St. John's Church, Danbury and St. Margaret's Church, Downham. Reports are received from each of the churches re their activities, a report from the Treasurer and how the various churches are coping and also how the clergy are coping with their work load. It is always good to hear what is happening in our local churches, how we can expand our work and how we can help each other.

D) Stock Church of England School – Links (Report by Pauline Collier)

At the end of the Summer Term we said Farewell to the Head Teacher Alina Clay, due to retirement. Alina had been a most excellent and faithful Head Teacher of the school since 2013.

In September, at the Flower Festival Service, we welcomed Mr Gareth Roberts as the new Head Teacher. He is proving very popular and his vision for the school is wide with great concentration on Church/School Links and the Gospel.

Our Links during 2025 were:

- Welcome to the Reception Class of 2024 and the presentation of a bible to each pupil. This event should have taken place in October 2024 but due to the work being carried out in the church, had to be delayed and took place in March 2025.
- Awe & Wonder Craft Activity in Church for the whole school. An arrangement of their work was displayed on a board in church
- Year 6 Farewell Service in church and every pupil was presented with a lapel badge in the shape of a Cross. As this was the Head Teacher's last day, she was also presented with a lapel badge.
- School attendance at the Harvest Festival Church Service and the pupils sold food, which they had prepared, in aid of the school charity.
- Welcome and the Presentation of a Bible to each pupil in the Reception Class. As Mr. Roberts was new to the school, he was also presented with a bible.
- Three designs from paintings created by Yr 6 Pupils were printed on a poster advertising the events being held by the Unity Churches during Christmas. The prizes, for the winning pupils, were presented during the Carols at The Bakers Arms.
- KS2 Christmas Presentation to parents. This took place in church.
- The school choir took part in the Unity 'Carols at The Bakers Arms'.
- The Christingle Service, held in the church, was attended by the whole school.

E) Safeguarding (Report by Leigh Mayhook)

Leigh reports that there had been no Safeguarding issues during this Calendar year.

F) Pastoral Care (Report by Rosemary Clark)

Rosemary reports that her training is now complete and will receive her licence at a special presentation service at Chelmsford Cathedral on 5th July 2026. She will then be liaising with Rev Jacqui to see where her new skills can be directed.

G) Sidespeople - 2025 (Report by Pauline Collier)

Our grateful thanks go to the following people for all their support as sidespeople during 2025:

Joyce Bull
Rosemary Clark
Pauline Collier
Leigh Mayhook
Ann Tully
Maisie Tully
Christine Walls
Peter Walls

H) Readers – 2025 (Report by Pauline Collier)

The following people have been readers at our Sunday Morning Service for the last year:

Felicity Duty
David Gibson
Rachel Hill
Daniel McGuinness
Annie Pyle
Richard Sainsbury
Jane Steel