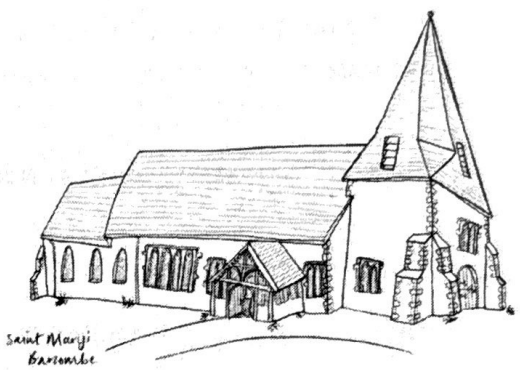
ST MARY'S AND ST FRANCIS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025

2025 ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

for the Parochial Church Council of

St Mary's and St Francis, Barcombe

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Registered Charity no:	1159084

ST MARY'S AND ST FRANCIS PCC ANNUAL REPORT 2025

Our aims and purposes as a charity

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev'd Samuel Carter, in furthering our aim of **growing in faith and making Jesus known.**

We understand this to include:

- the promotion of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England;
- promoting the evangelistic, pastoral, social and ecumenical mission of the church;
- providing practical support and care for people in the parish, regardless of background; and
- providing financial support to those in need and other organisations with similar objectives.

What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

We continue to work through our vision statement which we first articulated in March 2024. This takes account of the needs of the parish and the diocesan strategy.[1] The vision statement is as follows:

*At Barcombe Church **we are praying that we would grow in three areas** over the next five years: our worship, discipleship and outreach.*

Worship:

We want to cultivate a rich worshipping life that draws people deeper into the presence of the living God. We are praying to:

- *grow our church family 50% over five years, and double the number of under-18s;*
- *develop our worshipping life through nurturing new musicians and other leaders; and*
- *upgrade our audio-visual system.*

Discipleship

We want to be people increasingly transformed by Christ, reflected in:

- *increased prayerfulness and more opportunities for corporate prayer;*
- *revitalising and doubling the number of growth groups (including a new discipleship group for teenagers);*
- *greening our church buildings and making productive use of the church field; and*
- *regular church events (hikes, BBQs, harvest suppers etc.)*

[1] The diocesan strategy for 2020-2025 was to be 'more open, more converted to Jesus Christ, more generous and more engaged'. During 2025 the diocese adopted a new strategy for the period 2026-30, 'Living the mystery of faith'.

Outreach

We long to see the Holy Spirit bringing people to faith in Christ through:

- *reviewing the welcome we offer;*
- *the launch of a new service in the heart of the village;*
- *redevelopment of St Francis as a centre for outreach;*
- *annual Alpha and other courses;*
- *growing support of neighbouring parishes and world mission.*

And in diagram form:

Purpose	Growing in faith and making Jesus known		
Prayer	Prayer		
Programmes of work	**Worship** • Upgrade AV system • Overhaul/replace organ • Nurture new musicians • Develop new leaders	**Discipleship** • Establish growth groups co-Ordinator. • Establish youth discipleship group. • Pursue eco-church award. • Develop plans for Church Field. • Develop annual plan of church events.	**Outreach** • Review welcome • Annual Alpha courses • Launch new service in village • Scope plans to redevelop St Francis. • Consider options to grow work with elderly/dementia/debt counselling.

These activities comply with the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'. The PCC has also complied with the requirements of section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016.[2]

How we got on?

- Worship

One highlight of this year was the installation of a new digital Allen Organ, replacing a pipe organ that required extensive maintenance. We are grateful to everyone who helped to make this happen. The church continues to welcome a wide range of people (parishioners and those from further afield) to its services. Voluntary attendance to worship Jesus Christ in this way is a major demonstration of the public benefit of our activities. As well as those at the parish church, St Mary's, services are held at St Francis, and occasionally elsewhere (e.g. on the recreation ground), giving the church a presence in the heart of the village.

The average regular weekly attendance (October 2025) was 59 (6.5 young people and 52 adults), somewhat down compared with 2024. School Harvest attracted 135 young people and 130 adults. Our regular Sunday morning children's work is conducted in two groups split by age.

[2] This duty requires the incumbent and PCC (among other relevant persons) to have due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

An average of three more attended via live-streaming on a Sunday and ten or so attended via live-streaming during the week.

Our Christmas services were well attended with 164 adults and 11 children attending the two Christmas Day Communion services as well as 140 young people and 150 adults for School Carols and 85 young people and 130 adults at the popular Christingle Service.

- Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers

This year we were glad to conduct three weddings. We were disappointed to have conducted only one baptism. In part this reflects a lack of births in the parish, alongside changes in society. The number of funerals, committals and interment of ashes was up again – nine funerals, three memorials, one committal and an interment of ashes, 14 in all. If this was the whole story, we might feel rather gloomy, but one of the joys of the past year has been to see new faces at church, and those on the fringes become more involved. We are confident that God is at work and that the church in Barcombe has a bright future.

During Lent we ran a discipleship course attended by some 15 people. Three growth groups for bible study, fellowship and prayer continue to meet. Around 30 people are linked to these groups which are a source of real joy to members.

In 2025, our teaching programme followed the lectionary during seasonal time (Advent, Epiphany, Lent, Easter). The rest of the year saw us continue a series in St Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. We hope to finish that during 2026. Our weekly prayer meeting by Zoom has continued uninterrupted, as has our monthly prayer meeting – First Priority – to pray for the church, community and nation, and the wider world. We consider prayer to be the lifeblood of all that we do.

- Pastoral care and other assistance

Representatives from the church visit the housebound, lonely and otherwise in need. The church also holds a relief fund for parishioners in crisis (see Financial Review below).

Our churches and churchyards continue to be appreciated by many as a place where life events are celebrated with joy and thanksgiving. We prioritise keeping St Mary's and St Francis open during the daytime, something that is becoming rare in Sussex. This involves a regular team from the local community in opening and locking up each day. A steady stream of entries in the visitor book testifies to the appreciation many visitors have of St Mary's and others visit St Francis for quiet reflection.

We publish the Barcombe News and distribute a monthly copy free to every household in the parish.

- Building links with the wider community and reaching out to the unchurched

Church members continue to support around six local families in the Barcombe Bunnies playgroup which meets at St Francis. At the other end of the age range, our monthly popular St Francis community lunches continue to provide for around 30 mostly elderly people.

"So peaceful and beautiful. Thank you for being open."

The monthly Community Café continues to be a valued village asset which the church runs in partnership with school PTA. Cake and refreshments are provided free of charge to 30-40 people of all ages.

In January and February, the Rector ran a successful group in the pub called *Beer and Big Questions* to provide a space for people to discuss matters of faith.

In the Autumn we ran an Alpha course for the first time in recent years, attended by around 18 people.

Barcombe Cross Youth continue to thrive, offering fun activities for local young people whilst also introducing them to the good news of Jesus Christ. We regularly have twenty 10-14s attending, of whom two thirds have no other connection to the church.

This year we started a youth bible study on Sunday afternoons called IGNITE which is attended by around six young people. Once a month we join with other churches in the Lewes and Seaford area in a joint youth service.

In December the Church organised a scratch Nativity attended by around 70 people, followed by carols in the pub joined by over 100 from the local community.

- Supporting staff and governors in promoting the Christian distinctiveness of Barcombe school

The Rector continues to take a weekly assembly at Barcombe school and teach a Religious Education lesson for each class once per term. He also serves as a foundation governor for the Skylark Federation (of which Barcombe is a member). In this capacity he has assisted at the school's OFSTED inspection, which resulted in a grade of GOOD with OUTSTANDING elements.

It has been a joy to welcome the school community to St Mary's for harvest, Christmas and Easter services.

- Giving grants to organisations with similar aims

We support a variety of charities and organisations in line with our aims through grants totalling just over £7,500. We also contribute to the diocese in excess of our direct costs to support other parishes in the diocese.

- Maintaining church property

Well-maintained buildings enable us to welcome a variety of village and outside groups to St Mary's, the Conker Room and St Francis. These include Barcombe Bunnies, The Diocese of Chichester, Barcombe Good Neighbours, nearby parishes and the Bevern Trust.

- Eco Church

We gained our first – bronze – Eco Church Award during 2024. We have started on the journey towards a Silver award, recognising that there is much to be done as we strive to preserve and protect God's rich kingdom. Conversion of the heating system in the Conker Room from an oil-fired boiler to an Air Source Heat Pump has been a significant step on the way towards Net Zero.

Financial Review

At the end of 2025 the church had net assets of £92,202 of which £28,612 was held as cash at bank. In the year net assets have reduced by £21,636 as overall expenditure has exceeded income.

Voluntary income has risen by 18% in the year from £113,524 to £134,003. The organ appeal raised some £39,784 whilst income from legacies and donations reduced in the year. Bearing in mind the underlying economic climate members must be thanked for their continued support through planned giving which increased by £544. Planned giving, £73,319 now amounts to 87% of the diocesan parish share.

On the expenditure side we spent £169,594 which was £28,699 more than last year. The main increases in expenditure being: replacement of church organ £31,302, parish contribution £2,448, major repairs and fabric costs £5,722 that included £6,733 for the supply and installation of an air source heat pump system at St. Mary's. These increases were offset by reductions in church running expenses. The excess funds held in the organ fund will be applied to other projects including audio-visual equipment and greening of heating

The PCC have set a challenging budget for 2026 which incorporates an above average increase in the parish contribution to £86,400. The budget shows a deficit and the PCC are considering how best to reduce this.

The net assets of £92,202 are allocated into three funds and as at the year-end these were unrestricted funds £52,336, restricted funds £28,243 and endowments £11,623.

The PCC would like to express its sincere thanks to Steve Brentnall and Andrew Lamont for their assistance and support with the church finances throughout 2025 and Ben Williams –Thomas for his assistance with gift aid.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to seek to maintain a balance of liquid assets on unrestricted funds calculated in two parts as follows:

1. Approximately three months' worth of unrestricted payments as a contingency against unforeseen situations (£32,500 in 2025) and
2. A provision for the maintenance of the fabric of the church to meet costs arising every five years following the Church Architects Quinquennial inspection of the building (estimated at £5,000 per annum - £25,000 in total)

The total amount of reserves required by this policy is therefore £57,500. The total of the unrestricted liquid assets held at the year-end was £52,336 and a deficit of £5,164 is carried forwards to 2026. The PCC is currently reviewing the reserves policy in line with the on-going funding requirements.

It is PCC policy to invest funds balances with the CBF Church of England Investment Fund , the CBF Church of England Fixed Interest Securities Fund and the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

The PCC will continue to distribute around 10% of budgeted voluntary income through the Missionary Committee.

Administrative information

- ## General

In all we do, we take account of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. The parish of St Mary's and St Francis, Barcombe has two church buildings: St Mary's, Church Road and St Francis in the High Street as well as the graveyard at St Bartholomew's, Spithurst. We are in the Diocese of Chichester within the Church of England.

- ## Structure, governance and management

Parochial Church Council. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) includes members with a balance of skills and experience. The PCC is registered with the Charity Commission (No. 1159084) under the Charities Act 2011. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956. Membership is determined under the Church Representation Rules. Membership consists of ex-officio members - the rector, the churchwardens, the members of the Deanery Synod, and up to nine members of the church who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). The PCC may co-opt up to two more members. The PCC is responsible for the overall wellbeing, practical as well as spiritual, of the church, the church members, and the church buildings. The PCC also has a duty to promote the mission of the church within the wider community.

Membership. During the year, the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex officio members

Incumbent: The Rev'd Sam Carter, Chair

Wardens: Mr Nicholas Lear (re-elected May 2025)
Mrs Rosemary Milmine (re-elected May 2025)

Deanery Synod representatives:
Mrs Angela Carter (due to retire 2026)
Mr Jonathan Leeson (due to retire 2026)

Elected and co-opted members

Mrs Mim Austin (due to retire 2028)
Mr Ebenezer Cottingham (due to retire 2026)
Mrs Bridget Cross (due to retire 2028)
Mr Andrew Lamont, Hon Treasurer (retired May 2025)
Mrs Wendy Lamont (due to retire 2026)
Mrs Charlotte Mitchell (due to retire 2026)
Mr Stephen Pigott (retired May 2025)
Mrs Heather Shepheard (retired May 2025)
Mrs Susanna Pounce (due to retire 2028)
Mrs Millie Sherman (due to retire 2026)
Mr Alasdair Smith (due to retire 2026)
Mr David Yair (due to retire 2026)

What is it for? The PCC is responsible for a wide range of matters affecting the Parish Church, including compliance with health and safety and disability legislation and child protection. In our capacity as trustees, members of the PCC are responsible for the stewardship of funds and for the appropriate accounting and reporting of the parish finances. The PCC works to ensure that each member is equipped to fulfil the role.

New members. New members of the PCC are quickly included and fully involved with their roles and responsibilities at the first PCC meeting after their election or co-option. The PCC secretary and Honorary Treasurer are elected at the first meeting after the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Education for members. The PCC secretary, the Treasurer and the Churchwardens all attend courses run by the diocese on their particular work and courses are also available to members generally. Regular mailings from the diocese keep the officers up to date with changes in church regulations and financial procedures and these are reported to the whole PCC as appropriate.

Safeguarding. Mrs Mim Austin served as Safeguarding Officer during the year. With the Rector, she was responsible for ensuring that Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks were carried out on all those who work with children and vulnerable adults in the church. The PCC has adopted the Diocesan Policy which is available from the church website, or a hard copy can be found in both St Francis and St Mary's, along with a policy statement on the protection of children and vulnerable adults. Members of the PCC have done online training (C0 or above). We have been certified under the diocesan *Simple Quality Protects* scheme.

Accountant. The PCC has appointed Mr Stephen Brentnall as its accountant. The PCC thanks Mr Andrew Lamont and Mr Ben Williams-Thomas for their assistance with the church finances during 2025.

Committees. Committees report to the PCC and are responsible for specific areas of the church's activities:

- ***The Standing Committee*** has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any direction given by the full PCC.
- ***The Buildings Committee*** deals with the fabric of St Mary's and St Francis.
- ***The Mission Action Committee*** oversees the giving of a tithe of the income to various charities and keeps the congregation informed of the activities of these charities through guest speakers, prayers and information.
- ***The Youth Committee*** oversees the youth work of the Church
- ***The St Bartholomew's committee*** looks after the churchyard at Spithurst.

Risk Assessment

The major risks to which the council has been exposed have been identified by a risk analysis exercise carried out by PCC members. The risks have been reviewed and systems and procedures have been established to manage the risks.

Approved by The Parochial Church Council on 18th March 2026 and signed on its behalf by Rev'd Sam Carter, Chairman.

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Date: 22 MARCH 2026

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

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 10 to 17.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and examiner

As the charity's Trustees of St Mary's and St Francis Parochial Church, Barcombe , you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of St Mary's and St Francis Parochial Church ,Barcombe are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of St Mary's and St Francis Parochial Church, Barcombe as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or

4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities.

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.

Signed 

Date 24.4.26

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BARCOMBE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the Year ended 31st December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2025 £	2024 £
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	2(a)	92,685	41,318	0	134,003	113,524
Charitable activities	2(b)	5,492	0	0	5,492	5,025
Other trading activities	2(c)	6,675	0	0	6,675	8,175
Investments	2(d)	2,700	0	347	3,047	3,807
TOTAL INCOME		107,552	41,318	347	149,217	130,531
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	3(a)	0	0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	3(b)	135,392	33,855	347	169,594	140,895
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		135,392	33,855	347	169,594	140,895
Net gains/(losses) on investments	5	(917)	0	(342)	(1,259)	1,409
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(28,757)	7,463	(342)	(21,636)	(8,955)
Transfers between funds		0	0	0	0	0
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(28,757)	7,463	(342)	(21,636)	(8,955)
Reconciliation of Funds						
Fund Balances brought forward at 1st January 2025		81,093	20,780	11,965	113,838	122,793
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31st DECEMBER 2025		52,336	28,243	11,623	92,202	113,838

BARCOMBE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Investment assets	5	56,648	57,907
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	12,152	3,183
Short term deposits		23,242	47,564
Cash at bank and in hand		5,370	10,705
		40,764	61,452
LIABILITIES : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	7	5,210	5,521
NET CURRENT ASSETS		35,554	55,931
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		92,202	113,838
NET ASSETS		92,202	113,838
FUNDS			
Unrestricted	8	52,336	81,093
Restricted	9	28,243	20,780
Endowment	10	11,623	11,965
		92,202	113,838

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 18th March 2026 and signed on its behalf by :-

Rev'd Sam Carter (Chairman)

Mr Alasdair Smith (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these accounts.

BARCOMBE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year ended 31st December 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1(a) **Basis of Preparation**

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current (2019) Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities, (SORP (FRS 102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value. The financial statements include 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 affiliation to another body, nor those which are informal gatherings of church members.

1(b) **Funds**

Funds held by the PCC are :-

Unrestricted funds - general funds that can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Designated funds - monies set aside by the PCC out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds - (a) income from trusts or endowments that may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) 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. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund.

Endowment funds - funds, the initial capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of t endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established. The PCC may have the power to convert certain endowment funds into expendable income; such funds are known as expendable endowments.

1(c) **Income and Endowments**

All income and endowments, accounted for without deduction for any costs of receivability, are recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured reliably.

1(d) **Donations and Legacies**

Collections are recognised when received.

Planned giving receivable is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable, and the amount accords with the Gift Aid declaration or other record of intention to donate.

Gift aid recovered is recognised when the income to which it is attached is recognised.

Grants and legacies are recognised when the formal offer in writing of the funding, is received by the PCC.

1(e) **Charitable Activities, Trading Activities and all Other Income**

Statutory fees for weddings and funerals are recognised when the office occurs.

Trading activities are where income is receivable in return for selling goods or providing services and is recognised when received.

1(f) **Investment Income**

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

1(g) **Gains and Losses on Investments**

Realised gains are recognised when the investments are sold.

Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation at 31st December every year.

1(h) **Expenditure**

Expenditure is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, payment is probable, and the amount can be measured reliably.

1(i) **Grants**

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

1(j) **Charitable Activities**

The diocesan parish contribution is accounted for on an annual basis, reflecting the allocation set by our Deanery. Any parish contribution unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance sheet.

1(k) **Fixed Assets**

Tangible fixed assets.

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected but are not included in the financial statements.
For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000, there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Individual items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalised in the financial statements and depreciated over their useful economic life.
All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, individual items costing under £5,000 or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before 1st January 2000 is written off.

Investments :

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December.

2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2025 £	FUNDS 2024 £
2(a)	Donations and legacies					
	Planned giving	73,319	0	0	73,319	72,775
	Collections (open plate)	3,842	127	0	3,969	3,457
	Donations	1,368	33,886	0	35,254	5,341
	Gift aid tax claimed	13,480	7,305	0	20,785	13,951
	Grants received	676	0	0	676	0
	Bequests and legacies	0	0	0	0	18,000
		92,685	41,318	0	134,003	113,524
2(b)	Charitable activities					
	Parochial Fees income	5,492	0	0	5,492	5,025
		5,492	0	0	5,492	5,025
2(c)	Other trading activities					
	Fundraising income	483	0	0	483	751
	Hall income	1,196	0	0	1,196	2,387
	Parish magazine	4,996	0	0	4,996	5,037
	Sundry income	0	0	0	0	0
		6,675	0	0	6,675	8,175

2 INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS (continued)

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2025 £	2024 £
2(d)	Investments					
	Dividends and interest received	2,700	0	347	3,047	3,807
		2,700	0	347	3,047	3,807
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	107,552	41,318	347	149,217	130,531

3 EXPENDITURE

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2025 £	2024 £
3(a)	Raising funds					
	Fundraising costs	0	0	0	0	0
		0	0	0	0	0
3(b)	Charitable activities					
	Missionary and charitable giving	7,560	881	0	8,441	10,807
	Ministry costs :					
	Diocesan Parish Share	83,892	0	0	83,892	81,444
	Other ministry costs	5,976	0	0	5,976	6,296
	Church running expenses	12,061	0	347	12,408	22,403
	Church - Major repairs & fabric costs	7,481	392	0	7,873	2,151
	Upkeep of services	2,883	30,185	0	33,068	2,048
	Youth work, training and mission	2,870	1,671	0	4,541	3,036
	Parish magazine	4,107	0	0	4,107	4,040
	Support costs	3,431	383	0	3,814	3,897
	Independent Examiner's fees	977	0	0	977	937
	Administrative costs	4,154	343	0	4,497	3,836
		135,392	33,855	347	169,594	140,895
	TOTAL	135,392	33,855	347	169,594	140,895

4 STAFF COSTS

The cost of the PCC's part-time cleaner are included in 'Church running expenses' in note 3(b) above.

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	820	1,872
Social security costs	0	0
Employer's contribution to defined pension scheme	0	0
	820	1,872
Average number of employees during the year	1	1

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000.

5 INVESTMENT ASSETS

	£
Quoted Investments	
Market value at 1st January 2025	57,907
Disposals during the year	0
Revaluation gain/(loss)	(1,259)
Market value at 31st December 2025	56,648

At 31st December 2025, the market values of individual holdings were as follows :-

		£
CBF Investment Fund	1,796 units	39,859
CBF Fixed Interest Securities Fund	10,990 units	16,789
		56,648

6 DEBTORS

	2025	2024
	£	£
Recoverable Gift Aid	10,704	2,841
Other sundry debtors	1,448	342
	12,152	3,183

7 LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors for goods and services	2,880	3,131
Accruals of utility and other costs	950	890
Deferred income	1,380	1,500
	5,210	5,521

8 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1st. January 2025	Movements in Resources			Gains / (Losses)	Balance at 31st December 2025
	£	Incoming £	Outgoing £	Transfers £	£	£
General Fund	70,964	107,006	126,151	(5,000)	(917)	45,902
Designated Fabric Fund (i)	8,367	546	7,481	5,000	0	6,432
Mission Action Plan Fund (ii)	1,762	0	1,760	0	0	2
	81,093	107,552	135,392	0	(917)	52,336

(i) The fund has been designated by the PCC to finance the cost of maintenance to the fabric of the church.

(ii) The fund has been designated by the PCC to finance expenditure in connection with the PCC's MAP.

9 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance at 1st. January 2025	Movements in Resources				Balance at 31st December 2025
		Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Youth Work Fund	13,410	1,091	1,672	0	0	12,829
Charity Fund	0	127	381	0	0	(254)
Restricted Gift Fund	4,836	0	500	0	0	4,336
Organ Fund	2,176	39,784	31,302	0	0	10,658
Tower Fund	358	316	0	0	0	674
	20,780	41,318	33,855	0	0	28,243

10 ENDOWMENT FUNDS

	Balance at 1st. January 2025	Movements in Resources			Gains/ (Losses)	Balance at 31st December 2025
		Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers		
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Churchyard Trusts (5 in total)	11,965	347	347	0	(342)	11,623
	11,965	347	347	0	(342)	11,623

There are 5 permanent endowments that provide income towards the upkeep of graves and the churchyards.

11 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	45,038	0	11,610	56,648
Current assets	12,033	28,718	13	40,764
Current liabilities	(4,735)	(475)	0	(5,210)
Fund Balances	52,336	28,243	11,623	92,202

12 PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

	2025	2024
	£	£
The PCC supported the clergy by paying:-		
The cost of vicarage utilities	5,096	4,765
Clergy working expenses	881	1,307
	5,977	6,072

	2025	2024
	£	£
Verger's fees paid to PCC members	135	0
No expenses were reimbursed to PCC members	0	0

There were no payments to other trustees or persons related to or connected to them other than the normal reimbursements of payments made to third parties on behalf of the church and payments described in Note 13 below.

13 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, the following charitable grant was made that requires disclosure as a related party transaction:-

£945 to Interserve for The Vaughan Family (2024 = £826)
Matt Vaughan is working in a self-supporting role for Interserve and the Diocese of Brimingham.
Mrs H Shepheard, a trustee until May 2025, is the aunt of Matt Vaughan.

The total amount of donations funded by PCC members and related parties was £57,246 (2024 = £30,817).