Minutes- Annual Parochial Church Meeting

St Christopher's Church Allesley Park & Whoberley

19 April 2026

11.00 Start - Annual Meeting of Parishioners

Clerk approved by meeting as Jo Edwards

1. Last year's minutes approved by the meeting.

Proposed Heather Beasley Seconded Martin Ellis

2. Election of churchwardens approved:
   (i) Churchwardens Martin Ellis.

Proposed Katy Coupe Seconded Louise Hicks

Andy thanks Martin for this work over the year, and for his willingness to continue in this important role.

3. Andy expressed thanks on behalf of himself and the church congregation to Tom Borras for his service as Church Warden over the last year. Tom will continue to serve on the PCC.

The meeting closed with prayers.

11.10 Start – APCM

1. Apologies from Andy and Jenny Houston, Laura Greenway, James Man, Daniel Coupe.

2. 2024 minutes approved with Annual Report and Summary distributed by e-mail and on tables.

Proposed Katy Coupe Seconded Louise Hicks

3. Reports

(i) Electoral Roll (Louise Hicks) – there were 59 names in 2025, 2 members have died during the year. 6 new people have joined, so there are **63 on roll** in April 2026. Of this number 40 are in the parish and 23 are outside of the parish.

Andy thanked Louise for her work on electoral role.

(ii) Report on Church life – the church community remains steady. There are new people joining, especially those with children – 1 in 4 of the congregation is under 16 and the church remains a true multi-generational community. We welcomed our Children, Youth and Families Minister – Mark, and our Sunday morning groups of young people, along with additional events such as Messy Church are well attended and well received. In September Bishop Sophie attended our Confirmation Service, which saw 6 of our own young people affirm their faith

(iii) Safeguarding (Andy on behalf of Marie Ellis) – a huge thanks to Marie for her leadership in this area and to Heather Beasley for her support during Mare's first year in this role. This is an important role to keep the community safe. Using the Parish dashboard we have an action plan, and this is reviewed by the PCC. We have 21 volunteers who had DBS certificate. Mark provides oversight of all volunteers, and for external groups checks are in place to ensure DBS and safeguarding procedures are in place. Safeguarding training is available to all, please do report any concerns to Marie or Andy.

Pray for Marie Ellis as she continues in this important role.

(iv) Finance (Jo Harris) – the Treasurer presented the draft accounts for the year ending 31 December 2025. It was noted that the Independent Examination is currently in progress. The meeting reached a resolution to receive the accounts subject to the final report of the Independent Examiner.

It was proposed and agreed that ABS Accounting are appointed to continue through the next year.

Proposed Martin Ellis Seconded Cara Greenway

Andy thanked Jo for her work as Treasurer and gave thanks for the blessing of Jo in our church, who undertakes this role alongside her own job.

(v) Children, Youth and Families Worker Report (Mark Brown) – Mark reflected on his 7 months at St Christopher's Church and the focus on community as well as Sunday discipleship. The link between Sunday and community is seen through Christopher Robin, Messy Church, Church Café, the family disco that was held – and the blessings of these opportunities. Mark, along with Andy and Margaret work with the local schools, including running World Changers at St John's and regular assemblies at other local schools.
Andy gave thanks for Mark and his work both within Church and out in the wider community.

4. Election of PCC Members

Andy March went through the information contained within the Order of Service, with those who were standing down, being renewed, and co-opted onto PCC. He named the full list now on PCC adding Tom Borras as PCC member (previously Church Warden). Jo Edwards will serve as PCC Secretary.

Ex-Offico and Offficers:

- Vicar: Andy March
- Churchwarden: Martin Ellis
- PCC Secretary: Jo Edwards
- Treasurer: Jo Harris
- Safeguarding Officer: Marie Ellis
- Electoral Roll Officer and Deanery Synod: Louise Hicks
- Deanery Synod: Heather Beasley and Margaret Knipe

PCC Members: Mary Abamwa, Stan Aldridge, Barbara Bell, Tom Borras, Sylvia Cliff, Katy Coupe, Jo Edwards, Cara Greenway.

PCC names were approved by the meeting.

Proposed Heather Beasley Seconded Katy Coupe

5. Vicars Report

Andy summarised the information given within the Order of Service. Booklets were provided containing the full reports on the Life of the Church and the full Vicar's

Report. In this season of renewal we have appointed Mark as our Children, Youth and Families Minister

Andy spoke about the importance of looking back in celebration and of looking forward to the work, opportunities and challenges of the upcoming year. As we aim to become more self-sufficient Andy encouraged prayer – for growth numerically in those attending the church, growth of regular giving and success in our bids for our planned building project. We should be encouraged – God provides and hears our prayers.

Andy spoke about the building project and the plans and encouraged all to contribute in any way they are able – through prayer, giving, supporting sponsored events and by giving their views on the plans (a QR code was available as well as an online link).

Andy reminded us that we all make the Church what it is – we all have different roles and parts to play, and all are important.

6. Any Questions

There were no questions at this time.

Marting expressed his thanks to Andy, Liz and their family for leading us through this year – we are all grateful.

7. Prayers, Final Song, Blessing and Dismissal

Meeting ended.

Notes:

Appendix A – Order of Service – AGM Celebration – 10am – 19 April 2026

Appendix B – 2025 Reports and Accounts (Full document) "A Year in the Life of St. Christopher's Church (2025)"

Signed as a true record



11/10/2026

Rev. Andy March (Vicar) Date

Parochial Church Council of St Christopher

Allesley Park and Whoberley

Balance Sheet at 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total 2025 £**	Total 2024 £
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible	-	-	**-**	-
Investment	-	-	**-**	-
Total fixed assets	-	-	**-**	-
CURRENT ASSETS				
Stock	-	-	**-**	-
Cash at bank and in hand	26,436	22,559	**48,995**	28,897
Total current assets	26,436	22,559	**48,995**	28,897
DEBTORS				
Due within one year	480	2,255	**2,735**	1,158
LIABILITIES				
Due within one year	(752)	(1,168)	**(1,920)**	(3,567)
TOTAL NET ASSETS	26,164	23,646	**49,810**	26,488
CHURCH FUNDS				
Reserves (General Fund)	10,998	-	**10,998**	9,537
Designated Funds				
- Building Development Fund	-	-	**-**	-
- Charitable Giving Fund	900	-	**900**	900
- Family Worker Fund	12,096	-	**12,096**	3,500
- Maintenance Fund	1,490	-	**1,490**	4,000
- Mission & Ministry Fund	680	-	**680**	1,000
- Parish Share (future years)	-	-	**-**	2,000
Total Designated Funds	15,166	-	**15,166**	11,400
Restricted Funds				
- Building Fund	-	6,476	**6,476**	140
- Christopher Robin Fund	-	-	**-**	134
- Church Weekend Fund	-	-	**-**	-
- Education Fund	-	3,165	**3,165**	2,187
- Special Projects Fund	-	361	**361**	356
- Welfare Fund	-	2,644	**2,644**	2,734
- Family Worker Fund	-	11,000	**11,000**	-
Total Restricted Funds	-	23,646	**23,646**	5,551
	26,164	23,646	**49,810**	26,488

Two pages of Notes form part of these accounts.

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by Rev'd A March (PCC Chair).

Signed: _____ **Date:** 11/10/2026

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Statement Of Financial Activities

for the year ending 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total 2025 £**	Total 2024 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Voluntary income	38,029	42,418	**80,447**	56,760
Activities for generating funds	3,472	-	**3,472**	4,016
Income from investments	12	-	**12**	119
Income from church activities	24,793	-	**24,793**	20,842
Total incoming resources	66,306	42,418	**108,724**	81,737
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Cost of generating voluntary income	100	-	**100**	100
Fund-raising costs	888	-	**888**	212
Church activities	59,891	24,323	**84,214**	67,268
Governance costs	200	-	**200**	200
Total resources expended	61,079	24,323	**85,402**	67,780
NET MOVEMENT OF FUNDS	5,227	18,095	**23,322**	13,957
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY 2025	20,937	5,551	**26,488**	
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER 2025	26,164	23,646	**49,810**	

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Parochial Church Council of St Christopher
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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ending 31 December 2025

INCOMING RESOURCES	Fund	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total 2025 £**	Total 2024 £
Voluntary income					
Church collections (open plate)	General	2,667	-	**2,667**	2,317
Donations for general use	General	1,004	-	**1,004**	2,177
Gift Aid	General	3,023	-	**3,023**	9,035
Planned Giving	General	31,335	-	**31,335**	34,146
Running costs (energy support)	General	-	-	**-**	-
Income - Restricted Funds:					
Building Fund	Restricted	-	16,343	**16,343**	-
Christopher Robin Fund	Restricted	-	-	**-**	-
Church Weekend Fund	Restricted	-	-	**-**	7,135
Education Fund	Restricted	-	-	**-**	-
Special Projects - Audio/Visual Improvements	Restricted	-	-	**-**	-
Welfare Funds	Restricted	-	-	**-**	-
Grants - Restricted Funds:					
Children, Youth & Families Worker	Restricted	-	21,000	**21,000**	-
Education Fund	Restricted	-	2,050	**2,050**	1,500
Building Maintenance	Restricted	-	1,755	**1,755**	-
Special Projects - Parent Drop In etc	Restricted	-	840	**840**	-
Welfare Funds	Restricted	-	430	**430**	450
		38,029	42,418	**80,447**	56,760
Activities for generating funds					
Fundraising for general use	General	3,472	-	**3,472**	4,016
		3,472	-	**3,472**	4,016
Income from investments					
Interest from Savings Account (Skipton)	General	12	-	**12**	119
		12	-	**12**	119
Income from church activities					
Administration	General	-	-	**-**	-
Clergy expenses (vicar and curate)	General	-	-	**-**	-
Church Fees (weddings and funerals)	General	385	-	**385**	440
Hall Rents	General	24,268	-	**24,268**	20,402
Wages (admin, cleaner, organist and youth worker)	General	-	-	**-**	-
Family Worker	Designated	-	-	**-**	-
Maintenance Fund	Designated	-	-	**-**	-
Mission & Ministry Fund	Designated	-	-	**-**	-
Collections for good causes (In and Out)	Designated	140	-	**140**	-
Diocese Energy Support	Restricted	-	-	**-**	-
Fees (In and Out)	Restricted	-	-	**-**	-
		24,793	-	**24,793**	20,842
Total incoming resources		66,306	42,418	**108,724**	81,737

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RESOURCES EXPENDED	Fund	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	**Total 2025 £**	Total 2024 £
Cost of generating voluntary income					
Administration	General	50	-	**50**	50
Wages of administrator	General	50	-	**50**	50
		100	-	**100**	100
Fund-raising costs					
Fundraising for general use	General	888	-	**888**	212
		888	-	**888**	212
Church activities					
Administration	General	1,153	-	**1,153**	277
Clergy expenses (vicar,curate and ordinand)	General	934	-	**934**	763
Fees (bank, card and service charges)	General	281	-	**281**	412
House Keeping (church, hall and grounds)	General	816	-	**816**	148
Items used in church services	General	1,180	-	**1,180**	719
Parish Share - Cost of Minister	General	30,000	-	**30,000**	32,000
Running costs (utility bills, rent etc.)	General	7,221	-	**7,221**	8,097
Wages (admin, cleaner, organist and youth worker)	General	13,932	10,000	**23,932**	14,283
Expenditure from designated funds:					
Charitable Giving	Designated	-	-	**-**	100
Family Worker Fund	Designated	1,404	-	**1,404**	-
Maintenance Fund	Designated	2,510	1,755	**4,265**	-
Mission & Ministry Fund	Designated	320	-	**320**	1,111
Expenditure from restricted funds:					
Building Fund	Restricted	-	10,007	**10,007**	-
Christopher Robin Fund	Restricted	-	183	**183**	-
Church Weekend	Restricted	-	-	**-**	7,199
Education Fund	Restricted	-	1,072	**1,072**	1,639
Welfare Fund	Restricted	-	520	**520**	520
Special Projects - Parent Drop In	Restricted	-	786	**786**	-
Collections for good causes (In and Out)	Designated	140	-	**140**	-
		59,891	24,323	**84,214**	67,268
Governance costs					
Administration for Annual Meeting and PCC	General	100	-	**100**	100
Wages of administrator	General	100	-	**100**	100
		200	-	**200**	200
Total resources expended		61,079	24,323	**85,402**	67,780
Net Movement		**5,227**	**18,095**	**23,322**	**13,957**

A P S Accountants

1st MAY 2026

RE: Parochial Church Council of St. Christopher- Allesley Park and Whoberley

We have checked the attached accounts for the year ending 31st December 2025.

We have carried out checks in accordance with the General Directions given by the charity Commission. Checks include a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison.
Of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning any such matters.

These checks were carried out without an audit that would be required in a full audit, therefore. The attached accounts are unaudited accounts.

Independent Examiners Statements

In connection with our checks no matters have come to our attention that may have needed special explanation.

Therefore, I can state that according to records provided to us we have checked that the attached accounts prepared from the accounting records give fair and true understanding of the figures for The year ending 31st December 2025

These are unaudited Accounts.

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