

The Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Wilfrid, Brayton

Annual Report & Accounts of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the Year Ended 31st December 2025

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Administrative Information

The Parish Church of Brayton is St Wilfrid's and is situated on Doncaster Road, Brayton. It is part of the Diocese of York within the Church of England. Our sister church, St Francis, in Thorpe Willoughby, is an Anglican/Methodist Local Ecumenical Partnership (LEP). The current correspondence address for St Wilfrid's is C/O 12 Newcroft, Selby, North Yorkshire YO8 9AA. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) was registered with the Charity Commission in October 2016, and the registered charity number is 1169956.
The PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2025 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex Officio members	
Incumbent	Reverend Glyn Diggins (since April 2025)
Reader	Ms Jackie Jackman
Warden	None
Elected members	Mrs Ruth Breeze
	Mr Mike Bunn
	Mr Martin Pearson
	Miss Hilary Putman
	Mr John Boyer
	Mrs Sarah Drake (until April 2025)
	Mr Graham Murray
	Mrs Shirley Croft
	Mrs Rosemary Finlinson
	Mrs Susan Beevers (Co-opted Nov 2024, member since April 2025)
	Mrs Pat Griffiths (Co-opted Feb 2025, member since April 2025)
	Carol Sowden (Co-opted July 2025)
	Sheila Newsome (Co-opted July 2025)
Treasurer	Mrs Jill Clarke

The APCM was held on 26th April 2026.

Bankers	Virgin Bank, 46 Coney Street, York YO1 9NQ.
	CCLA Investment Management Ltd, One Angel Lane, London EC4R 3AB
Independent Examiner	Mrs H Ripley, 16 Westfield, Selby YO8 9DH

Aim and Purposes

St Wilfrid's PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to discover and learn about the love of God by reaching into the community through evangelism and Christian service, and by ensuring our church community is a welcoming place for all. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.
When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- **Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus.**
- **Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.**
- **Missionary and outreach work.**

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of St Wilfrid and the Parish Hall, and also the access lane, paths and the car park.

Achievements and Performance

On 31st March 2025 we welcomed Revd.Glyn Diggins and his wife Maureen to the Parish. Although we managed to keep the normal services and activities going during the interregnum, it's very good to now have a trusted leader again.

Worship and Prayer

St Wilfrid's offers a varied menu of worship opportunities throughout the week that enable people to connect with the church community whether they are regular or only occasional attendees.

Our regular Sunday worship has a monthly cycle.

Date	Time	Service
1st Sunday	10.30	Lay-led Morning Prayer
2nd Sunday	10.30	Holy Communion
3rd Sunday	10.30	Celtic Communion alternating between St Wilfrid's and St Francis' Thorpe Willoughby
4th Sunday	10.30	Holy Communion with prayer and anointing for healing
5th Sunday	10.30	Joint Parish Holy Communion alternating between St Wilfrid's and St Francis' Thorpe Willoughby
Every Wednesday	09.30	Holy Communion - traditional language

A variety of services are offered at key moments in the church year: Remembrance, Harvest, Christmas and Easter. Nine lessons and Carols, the Christmas Eve Crib service, Christmas midnight Communion and Family Communion on Christmas Day provide additional ways for both regular and occasional worshippers to celebrate this season. Likewise, there are a range of services during Holy Week and Easter for the community to engage with, including a number of midweek communion services, a Good Friday period of reflection, plus communion services on Easter Day.

As of April 2025 there were 91 names on the electoral roll at St Wilfrid's of whom 27 live outside the parish.

There are approximately 56 members regularly worshipping, broken down as follows: 8 in the 0-10 age group, 18 in 18-69 age group and 30 in the 70+ age group.

Regular attendance at Sunday services was in the area of 38-78, depending on the season. The average Sunday attendance was 48, with 78 at Easter and 120 across Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. 1015 adults and children attended the school carol services.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. During the year we celebrated 18 baptisms and 4 weddings. There were 32 funerals in our church this year, and one further at York Crematorium.

Pastoral Care

This is shared between the clergy and members of the congregation, particularly the Ministry Team.

Contact with the two residential homes for older people in the parish has been maintained; monthly Holy Communion services are held in both homes and weekly Knit and Natter sessions are held by Parish volunteers at Fernbank Court.

Clergy and members of the pastoral care team have continued their support visits to people's homes. Visits are made for a variety of reasons – ill health, to give Communion to housebound people plus preparation for baptisms and funerals. With 33 funerals in

2025 there were numerous contacts with bereaved families.
Three members of the congregation are on the Chaplaincy Rota and visit Selby Hospital one week in every month, going round the wards to have a chat with patients and offer communion if required. After the visits feedback is given to the Chaplain at York District Hospital.

Missionary and Outreach Work

There are a great variety of activities, groups and events which indicate the breadth of mission taking place at St Wilfrid's.

- **Monthly parish community lunches and coffee mornings**: The monthly community lunches (first Wednesday) and two coffee mornings (Craft Group coffee morning on 2nd Saturday and Coffeemates on last Wednesday) are well attended. As well as refreshments, the Craft Group sell the crafts that members have made, and all the proceeds go to the Fabric account for the upkeep of the church building. Over £1800 came from the Craft Group coffee mornings in 2025. Coffeemates is enjoyed particularly by those who can't get out much or live alone, and lifts can be organised for any who find it difficult to attend. Together with other social fundraising activities such as the spring and autumn fairs, these events provide significant opportunities for a variety of parishioners of all ages to engage with church and create community.
- **Events Group**: A variety of events were organised throughout the year. These included Tea@Two, Burns Night Supper, Fairburn Singers, a one-man production of Arthur Walker's Great War, Bingo Night, plus Mince Pies and Mulled Wine. These events are always popular and also raise funds for church.
- **Monthly communion services**: These take place at two residential homes in the parish, in addition to individual home communions. Both clergy and lay members visit and provide pastoral support to older people in the community.
- **Ministry in local schools**: Revd. Glyn is now a Governor at Brayton Primary School and visits on a monthly basis to share Bible stories with children in Nursery and Reception. He has introduced York Youth Trust (YOYO) to the school and full days of activities have been planned for Christian Festivals throughout the year. Martin continues to deepen and develop our partnership with Headstart Pre-School. Headstart began bringing a group of their children to a church service every first Monday of the month. A 'Jesus or God' story is presented with an associated activity and a couple of songs are sung, which the children have usually practised beforehand. In the summer St. Wilfrid's hosted a Graduation Service for those children moving onto Big School and the children and their parents also attended

church for their Christmas Service. A Baby and Toddler group, run by Headstart Preschool on a voluntary donation basis, began in November 2025. It took place on Monday mornings in the Parish Hall. Numbers of parents/carers attending varied, but we did start to see a few people returning each week. Sadly, due to strains on staffing and finances, Headstart have made the decision to end this initiative, and the final session will take place in February 2026. We are grateful for the enthusiastic working relationship with Headstart and look forward to its continuation.

Our Baptism policy is now that families attend church with their children for 6 months prior to the date of the Baptism, which now takes place in a Holy Communion service on the second Sunday of the month. This approach has resulted in a marked increase in the number of families with young children attending our Sunday acts of Worship.

The Open the Book team have continued their regular contributions to Collective Worship at both Barlow and Chapel Haddlesey C of E Primary Schools, and the children are always keen to both watch and take part in the dramatised bible stories. During 2025 bible stories have included Paul's Conversion, Imprisonment and Shipwreck, the Creation, Adam and Eve, and the Nativity.

- **The Parish Magazine.** The monthly "Connected" continues to be a very effective missional tool in the community and is very well received. Our editor has quarterly meetings to find out about, and publicise, forthcoming events. Although the majority of parishioners receive the parish magazine Connected online, 110 copies are printed each month, and these are taken to the residential homes plus members of the congregation without internet access.
- **The StWilfridsParish.com website** is frequently updated based on events or seasons. The Sunday Sheet and parish magazine can be accessed as well as our current policies. There is plenty of information about services and regular activities. The weekly pew sheet is sent out by email to regular members of the congregation. The Church Near You website is also updated on a regular basis.
- **Brayton Beer and Banter**: This men's group, launched in October 2018, continues to meet monthly at a local pub. There is an open invitation for men to come along and recently numbers have increased.
- **Noticeboards**: Internal boards include photos of key church personnel and pastoral care information. These enhance the personal nature of the welcome visitors experience and enable them to seek assistance more effectively. Our external board was replaced during 2025 allowing church services and event information to be advertised more prominently.

- **Choir.** In 2025 the choir continued to meet for fortnightly practices and sing, as a choir, at the 10.30 service, under the direction of Kate. The number of choristers remains as last year, 4 sopranos, 2 altos and 2 basses. At Christmas we sang at the Nine Lessons and Carols Service.
- **The Book Club.** We have enjoyed some lively discussions at our monthly meetings and have read a variety of modern novels. A highlight of our Autumn programme was a well-attended lunch at "The Fox" in Thorpe Willoughby.
- **The Play Reading Group** continues to meet at 7.00 pm on the last Tuesday of the month in the Church Hall. For a small subscription to North Yorkshire Library we are able to borrow a new play every month. We usually go for something lighthearted and not too serious. As our title implies we read through the script, so nothing to learn by heart. Sometimes we are short of men and sometimes one person has to take more than one part (you can end up talking to yourself!) but it all adds to the fun.
- **Brayton Mothers' Union** continued with monthly meetings on the second Thursday of the month in the Parish Hall. There were a variety of speakers, on subjects ranging from Mary Ward, A Woman of Faith and Courage, to IDAS (the largest specialist charity in Yorkshire supporting people affected by domestic abuse and sexual violence). Throughout the year donations of toiletries, towels and bedding were made by MU members to this charity. Funds for MU projects were raised by a Cake Stall after the Mothering Sunday Service, a Cream Tea, and a Coffee Morning, and members enjoyed a Harvest Lunch, and a Christmas Tea. In June the branch took part in a Deanery Service in Escrick Church.
- **Churchyard Tidying.** The normal last Saturday of the month small working group continues. The bins were regularly emptied, borders were weeded, and leaves were swept.
- **Overseas Mission.** The Swaziland Schools Project helps provide better school facilities plus bursaries to children who are orphaned or whose parents cannot afford the school fees. St Wilfrid's has supported this charity since 1989. £129 was given in May 2025, collected from individual parishioners, and the PCC gave £2,500 to this project in December, approximately 10% of our planned giving receipts.

The Church Building

In 2025 all essential maintenance activities were completed successfully. The audio-visual system works well but until a reliable and secure internet connection solution is found we are unable to live stream services. During 2026, we aim to resolve the issue once and for all.

The most significant risk identified in the Quinquennial Report was the condition of the steeple, tower parapet wall and associated buttresses. To ensure any further deterioration was identified quickly, the PCC agreed to increase the existing inspection regime. Some further minor deterioration was reported in the December 2025 inspection report.

Funding of these and other repairs identified in the quinquennial inspection report are to be become part of a significant fund-raising project in 2026. After careful consideration, The Centre for the Study of Christianity and Culture have been engaged to produce a report in the first quarter of 2026, outlining the scope of the project works with the PCC & Stakeholders and provide an assessment of organisations who accept funding applications. Very quickly thereafter, the scope of works will be confirmed, costed and partner organisation recruited to write funding applications.

In 2025, some minor layout changes to the north aisle were completed to establish a small seating area for families, wheelchair users and a more comfortable area for informal meetings in Church.

Deanery Synod

The Selby Deanery Synod met three times in 2025. Representatives of the PCC attended these meetings and reported back to the PCC. Other PCC and Church members were encouraged to attend the Deanery Synod meetings, especially if the main speaker was talking about a subject of interest and/or benefit to them.

The meeting in February was held in St Wilfrid's Parish Hall, Brayton and was well attended by PCC and St Wilfrid's & St Francis Church members. The main speaker was the Diocesan Church Buildings Adviser. His excellent presentation about the effective use of church buildings was followed by a lively and useful discussion.

At the June meeting, the main speaker was the Racial Justice Education Advisor. He spoke about the Diocese's commitment to tackling racial injustice, primarily through transformative education. Again, discussion followed his presentation.

The main speaker in October was the Diocesan Director of Education, who has a key role in the support for Church schools and governance. Her presentation was followed by discussion on the topics covered and other matters relevant to education in Church schools.

A Selby Deanery Quiet Day was held in March 2025. The theme was Music and Prayer. A number of people from the Parish attended and enjoyed the day.

Ecumenical Relationships

Our closest ecumenical relationship is with our partnership sister church, St Francis

in Thorpe Willoughby. We share clergy, hold joint services and attend services in the partner church. Representatives from the two churches are members of the PCC and EEC at Brayton or Thorpe Willoughby respectively and we support each other's social and fundraising events and activities.

We are also members of Churches Together in Selby (CTiS). Representatives from the PCC attend their meetings and report back to the PCC. CTiS plan and organise various events throughout the year. In 2025, these included the Joint Service for Christian Unity in January, the Lent course, Walk of Witness and Open Air Service on Good Friday, a fun quiz and Christmas Carol singing. CTiS support the Selby Foodbank and also Open Doors in 2025.

Staff

Clergy	Revd.Glyn Diggins – from April 2025
	Jackie Jackman, Reader
Active Retired Clergy	Revd. Roy Shaw
	Revd. Paul Finlinson
	Revd. George Greenhough
	Revd. Francis Loftus and others
PCC officers	During 2025 we had no Church Warden but the duties were shared between PCC members and others.
	Jill Clarke and Ruth Breeze continued as Treasurer and Secretary respectively.
Volunteers	Thanks to all volunteers, who contribute their time and energy, especially the solid core of the Church community, who gave so much in 2025.

Rector's Report

The Year in Brief

My first year as Rector of Brayton Benefice has been an absolute joy. Maureen and I have been deeply grateful for the warmth with which we have been welcomed into this Family of Faith. From the outset, I have been heartened not only by the name "Benefice," but by the genuine harmony with which it operates in practice.

Coming from outside the area, a few things have stood out particularly clearly.

First, both churches are truly welcoming. Many churches describe themselves in that way, but the lived experience of visitors can sometimes tell a different story. Here, the welcome is real. I have lost count of the number of Baptism families who have spoken to me about how accepted and at ease they felt when attending services for the first time.

Welcome matters and it is something both churches do exceptionally well.
Secondly, it is a joy to minister in churches where members are enthusiastically involved in both the practical and spiritual life of the parish. Many of my colleagues speak of feeling like a "one man" or "one woman show." From my earliest days here, I have instead felt part of a well-functioning and generous team. That spirit of shared ministry is a real strength.
Thirdly, the breadth of community-based provision across the Benefice is remarkable. The range of activities and opportunities on offer is breathtaking, and it is particularly encouraging to see how well those in their third age are cared for, entertained and, let's be honest, extremely well fed and watered. Month by month, both churches demonstrate their commitment to being community-focused, and they do so with faithfulness and imagination.
Finally, I would like to commend the excellent work of both Church Councils. As Chair of each, I have found our meetings to be productive, energetic, and marked by unity in our shared desire to build God's Kingdom in this place.
So, from Maureen and myself: a heartfelt thank you.

Worship & Spiritual Life

Whenever a new Rector arrives, there can be understandable concern about potential changes to cherished patterns of worship. My intention upon appointment was simple: to change nothing during the first six months, and only then prayerfully discern the way forward.
It quickly became clear that the existing patterns of worship are both appropriate and pastorally sensitive, meeting the needs of the present church family. As a result, very little has changed. The only alteration has been the discontinuation of the two-weekly 8am Communion service, not because I dislike early mornings (though I really don't!), but because attendance had become very small.
At the same time, worship must also respond to new opportunities. In light of the growing number of young families now worshipping with us, we will soon be introducing an additional children's service to support and nurture them in faith.
I would also like to thank Pam Middlebrook for lending me a book of writings by her mother. Through those reflections, I have gained a deeper appreciation of the importance of certain traditional services, particularly in enabling the active remembrance of lives well lived and loved ones dearly missed. When we modernise such services without good cause, we risk unintentionally diminishing something deeply precious to long-standing members of our congregation.
Modernisation is sometimes necessary, but it is not always essential. Where change is

needed, it should be approached with sensitivity and care. My intention is therefore to add acts of worship where pastorally appropriate, rather than to alter radically those that are cherished.

Pastoral & Community Life

The strength of our worship is matched by the strength of our pastoral care. It is a blessing to have a dedicated Pastoral Care Team, led by Sue Beevers, who serve the whole church community with compassion and faithfulness. Whether through visiting the sick and infirm, administering Home Communion, or providing chaplaincy support at our local hospital, their ministry embodies Christ's love in very tangible ways.

Alongside this, the social activities team continues to enrich our common life through concerts, performances, shared meals and celebrations across the year. These events do more than entertain, they build fellowship and joy. Nights such as Burns Night have certainly secured a permanent place in my social calendar!

Mission & Engagement

While caring for one another is vital, we must also continue to look outward. It is my desire that Mission and Evangelism remain high among our priorities, alongside deepening the discipleship of those who already call St Wilfrid's their spiritual home. Looking after our "own" is important but we must never lose sight of the Great Commission and the Church's calling to make new disciples.

We are blessed by those who lead us in this work. Martin Pearson has nurtured a strong and fruitful relationship with the staff and pupils of Headstart Pre-School. Alongside this, the Open the Book team faithfully serve in our local schools, bringing the story of Scripture to life for many children.

With these ministries continuing, together with the establishment of Rise&Shine@9 and the presence of Baptism families worshipping on Sundays, I am hopeful and expectant. As we offer our "loaves and fishes", we trust that God, by His Holy Spirit, will bring growth and produce an abundant harvest in the years ahead.

Thanks

So many people contribute to the vibrant life of our church that I hesitate to name individuals for fear of omission. If you volunteer in any way, visible or unseen, please know that I am deeply grateful for our shared ministry. Your work does not go unnoticed, either by me or by God.

Looking Ahead

As we look to the year ahead, I sense that the Lord is inviting us to embrace a simple but vital theme: Deepening before Expanding.

For many years, the natural instinct of the Church has been to do more; more activity, more initiatives, more growth. Often, that instinct springs from generosity and faithfulness. Yet busyness alone does not form disciples.

In this coming year, we will give deliberate attention to strengthening our roots: deepening prayer and spiritual formation, nurturing the people God has already gathered here, and valuing faithfulness and presence over constant activity. As Scripture reminds us, healthy growth begins below the surface.

This will mean being thoughtful about what we take on, sustaining those who serve, and allowing some good ideas to wait, so that what we do remains rooted and life-giving.

Above all, this direction reflects trust, trust that God is already at work among us, and that tending the soil of our common life is itself holy work.

My prayer is that the year ahead will feel less pressured and more purposeful, as we continue to walk together attentively, prayerfully, and with hope.

Financial Review

There was a slight fall in total income in 2025, £91,862 compared to £94,609 in 2024. Much of the fall was due to legacies; £8,038 was received in 2024 compared to £80 in 2025. Total expenditure also reduced in 2025, £94,712 compared to £108,942 in 2024, principally due to purchase of the £18,277 sound system in 2024.

Planned giving (primarily standing orders and weekly envelopes) fell slightly over the full year but following the Generosity Sunday held on 30th November at least 12 households have signed up to the Parish Giving Scheme, and most have increased their monthly giving. Also, almost all households previously giving by the weekly envelopes have now opted to give by the Parish Giving Scheme or by monthly standing order.

St Francis EEC increased their donation for the Freewill Offering from June, from £600 to £660 per month.

With a slight increase in weddings and funerals in 2025 the income from PCC fees increased and there was a comparative increase in donations for weddings and funerals.

Fundraising events continued to bring much needed income with £7,686 coming from our Spring and Autumn Fairs, plus the activities organised by our Events Group, Coffeemates and the Craft Group Coffee Mornings.

In 2025 we were able to increase our Freewill Offering to £50,000. (The Freewill Offering is paid to the Diocese to help fund clergy, and other services such as training

and safeguarding provided by the Diocese. Ideally parishes with a full-time clergy member should be paying at least £58,000 per annum by 2026).
Other expenditure categories were all less than £10,000 – donations to charities consisted of £7,076 passed on from funeral services and £2,630 for the Swaziland Schools Project we support. Fees paid to retired clergy and our organist increased to £7,589, and energy and water costs reduced to £6,363. However, energy costs were mainly down due to new contracts starting on 1st October and invoices for October, November and December being delayed.
The Fabric Account started the year with a balance of £87,615 and finished with £92,985. By the end of 2025 there was £12,951 specifically for the Tower Fund.

Reserves policy

General advice is that levels of reserve should cover 4-6 months of operational expenditure, excluding the Freewill Offering, plus any known major expenditure in the near future. 4 months' expenditure equates to about £15,000.
At the end of 2025 we had £9,871 in No 1 Account and £25,326 in No 2 Account. We may need to use some of the No 2 Account in 2026 to fund our increased Freewill Offering of £56,000 and help pay for maintenance work highlighted in the Quinquennial Report completed in December 2024.

Plans for Future Periods

2026 will see the launch of a monthly service titled Rise&Shine@9. It will be a Cafe Church style event, taking place once per month at St. Francis Church in Thorpe Willoughby. A team is currently being recruited, and it will involve high energy, child focussed worship, suitable for all families with young children. While St. Francis is the most appropriate venue, this is seen very much as a Benefice wide initiative.
It is very much hoped that the new Baptism policy along with the new service will help drive a broadening of the age profile in church. While it will take some time to bear fruit, it is envisaged that the church family will grow and by implication increase the talent base to engage in the Ministry and Mission of our church.
The closing months of 2025 witnessed a Generosity Sunday where Revd. Glyn preached on Biblical Generosity and encouraged people to prayerfully reflect on their response to Giving, along with how they gave. As a result many people increased their monthly giving and transferred their method onto the Parish Giving Scheme, which enables us to recoup Gift Aid on a monthly basis.
2026 will also see the start of a significant project to raise funds for restoration of the tower, Norman arch and the D'Arcy tomb. Rough estimates are in the region of

£500,000 for total project cost and grants will be sought from a variety of awarding bodies, including The National Lottery Heritage Fund.

Safeguarding and Risk management

Linda Bunn was appointed as the Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) at the APCM in April 2024. Although the last 12 months has been a 'quiet time' regarding Safeguarding it has not let us rest on our laurels. As is said every year Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. Linda may be named as the Parish Safeguarding Officer, Revd. Glyn as our Rector but anyone who has any concerns should raise and report those concerns to either Linda or Glyn. Please do remember it is better to be safe than sorry. We must remember our own actions and practices must be thought about and to keep ourselves and others safe.

But remember safeguarding is nothing to be scared off – it is a way of looking after us all.

The following Parish Safeguarding Policies were reviewed and approved by the PCC in March 2026 and they will once again be reviewed in March 2027. We should all take responsibility of these Policies and agree to them therefore ensuring St Wilfrid's is a safe environment for all that visit here in whatever guise.

- Safeguarding Policy – Promoting a Safer Church
- Policy for the use of photographs and video recordings of children, young people and vulnerable adults
- Parish Domestic Abuse Policy
- Parish Policy for the Fair Treatment of all applicants and the handling nd safe keeping of information
- Policy Statement on the Recruitment of Ex Offenders
- Lone Working Policy
- Social Media Policy

We hear so much in the media regarding Safeguarding and we need to keep 'our wits' around us by not putting ourselves in 'unhealthy' situations. As you are probably aware many members of the congregation visit schools for Open The Book, take communion to those unable to get to church, hospital visits and the list goes on. If you are thinking about joining any of these groups please do discuss completing a DBS check first.

If you have any questions or issues you would like to raise re Safeguarding please do speak to Linda.

Policies for conflict of interest, complaints and grievances, legacy, and risk were discussed and updated where necessary at the PCC meeting on 23rd September.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a Registered Charity. The method of appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Wilfrid's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our rector), churchwardens, the reader and members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The full PCC met 7 times during 2025, with a very short meeting being held after the APCM on 27th May. The meetings held on 15th January, 12th February and 20th March (during the Interregnum) were chaired by Hilary Putman, with Revd.Glyn Diggins chairing the meetings on 20th May, 15th July, 23rd September and 18th November.

The meeting on 15th January focussed on preparing the draft Trustees Annual Report (TAR), the new & old Rectory, the preparation of the new electoral roll and the recruitment of the new incumbent.

The 12th February meeting concentrated on finalising the TAR, the appointment of the new incumbent and plans for his collation service on 31st March. PCC & Deanery Synod membership was discussed along with the departure of Archdeacon Sam Rushton and her last service at St Wilfrid's.

At the meeting on 20th March the finalised version of the TAR was approved, and final arrangements were discussed for the collation service.

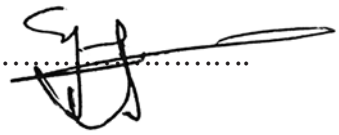
At Revd. Glyn's first PCC meeting on 20th May the format of future agenda items was agreed. There was discussion on the purchase of a new church noticeboard and altar cloth from a donation, changes to baptism preparation and services, and making the north aisle a more family friendly area.

The meeting on 15th July focussed on Brayton Bonanza, Churches Together in Selby (CTiS) and working together with schools in the area. Discussion of the Freewill Offering for 2026 highlighted that the cost of a full time, housed, stipendiary clergy for 2026 was £58k.

The meeting on 23rd September reviewed the conflict-of-interest policy, legacy policy, risk policy, complaints and grievance policy and St. Wilfrid's risk assessment document. Members were made aware of a first aid course and how we go about seeking support from those with experience in bid funding in relation to our church building refurbishment project. Discussion also took place around the generous giving service planned for 30th November.

The meeting on 18th November looked at updating the various safeguarding policies. A

prayer course and prayer ministry training were also discussed along with donations for overseas mission, plus the church building refurbishment project and the budget for 2026. Report Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 3rd March 2026 and signed on their behalf by Revd. Glyn Diggins.

Signed …………..

Notes to Accompany Annual Accounts

Note 1 General Account Number 1

The Number 1 Account is used for all day to day transactions. Legacies, donations and grants specifically for the structure of St Wilfrid's Parish Church are transferred to the Fabric Fund.

Note 2 Parish Hall Account

A summary of the Parish Hall Accounts has been added to this report but as the hall is managed by a separate management committee, made up of church and community members, these accounts remain separate and are therefore not included in the Current Assets.

Note 3 General Account Number 2

The purpose of the Number 2 Account is to earn interest from surplus Number 1 Account funds. £20,000 was added in 2023 to cover the cost of the new sound system due to be installed in 2024. There were sufficient funds in the Number 1 account to pay for the sound system and therefore by the end of December 2025 there was £25,327 in the Number 2 Account.

Note 4 Community Account

This was set up during the Coronavirus Pandemic in 2020 to enable volunteers to fund essentials for those in the parish (and beyond) who were unable to carry out normal day to day activities. A Volunteer Team was set up by the Rector, Revd. Pete Watson, to keep in phone contact with those self-isolating in the parish and provide a means of getting medicines and shopping. Those shopping and handling money were DBS checked. At the PCC meeting in November 2025 it was proposed and agreed that the £340 in the Community Account should be transferred to the General Account. The Community Account will therefore be closed.

Note 5 Fabric Fund

This fund consists of restricted donations and legacies which have been given for the specific purpose of maintaining the structure of St. Wilfrid's Parish Church. The restricted part of the fund cannot be used for day to day parish expenses. Subscriptions to the "Friends of St. Wilfrid's" and other appropriate donations are added to the fund.

Annual Accounts of St Wilfrid's

2024	General Account Number 1 Receipts			2025
	See Note 1	Unrestricted	Restricted	
£	**Incoming resources**	£	£	£
24,054	Planned Giving	23,662		23,662
1,810	Other Giving	1,480		1,480
6,800	St. Francis Freewill Offering Contribution	7,620		7,620
207	One-Off Gift Aid	351		351
4,951	Baptism, Wedding, Funeral	5,350		5,350
3,334	Open Plate	3,753		3,753
4,361	Charities & 50% Funeral		6,563	6,563
550	Friends of St Wilfrid's		500	500
541	M'Babane, Christian Aid		130	130
2,144	Donations - General, Gift Day, Floodlights etc	2,609		2,609
1,243	Miscellaneous Income - Hall Fuel & Repairs	1,176		1,176
0	Donations - Fabric		273	273
1,515	Special Appeals - Tower Fund		0	0
0	Evangelism and Outreach		750	750
8,645	Tax Recovered	9,153	1,193	10,346
8,038	Legacies	0	80	80
1,610	Grants and loans	1,071		1,071
69,931	**Total Voluntary Income**	56,224	9,488	65,712
	Activities for generating funds			
7,387	Fund Raising Gross	6,456	1,230	7,686
	Income from investments			
0	Bank Interest	0	0	0
	Church Activities			
16,322	PCC Fees	17,666		17,666
120	Bookstall Sales		251	251
850	Parish Magazine, Guides, Diaries	547		547
	Other incoming resources			
0	Insurance Claims		0	0
94,609	**Total Incoming Resources**	80,893	10,969	91,862

2024	General Account Number 1 Payments			2025
	See Note 1	Unrestricted	Restricted	
£	**Resources Expended**	£	£	£
222	Fundraising Activities	106		106
	Church Activities			
7,536	Overseas Mission /donations to charities	2,630	7,076	9,706
45,000	Freewill Offering (formerly Parish Shares)	50,000		50,000
4,933	Salaries, Wages, Honoraria	7,589		7,589
	Clergy and Staff Expenses			
4,804	Statutory Diocesan Fees	4,870		4,870
382	Clergy Expenses - Rector	775		775
1,918	Clergy Expenses - NSM / Visitors	376		376
630	Clergy Housing	436		436
	Church Expenses			
64	Mission Costs - Lay Training, Junior Church	639		639
4,482	Church & Churchyard Maintenance	3,463		3,463
5,576	Church Insurance	5,649		5,649
24	Settlement Fees-online donations	21		21
698	Administration Costs	974		974
522	Upkeep of Services	810		810
7,395	Church heat, light & water	6,363		6,363
180	Cost of Trading Bookstall	189		189
0	Upkeep of Parish Hall	0		0
906	Paper for Parish magazine, Weekly Sheet	968		968
	Major Expenditure			
5,393	Major Repairs to Church		1,776	1,776
18,277	Sound System		0	0
0	New Buildings Church, Hall, Clergy Housing	0	0	0
108,942	**Sub Total - Church Activities and Expenses**	85,859	8,852	94,712
0	PCC Governance costs	0		
(nil)	Any other payments	(nil)		(nil)
	Total Resources Expended	85,859	8,852	94,712
94,609	Total Receipts			91,862
108,942	Total Payments			94,712
-14,332	Surplus / Deficit			-2,850
	Add			
0	Transfer from General Account Number 2	0		0
0	Transfer from Fabric Account	0	0	0
	Deduct			
3,750	Transfer to Fabric Account		1,414	1,414
0	Transfer to General Account Number 2	0		0
	Add			
32,218	Balance brought forward 1st. January			14,135
14,135	**Balance carried forward 31st. December**			9,871

2024	Parish Hall Accounts			2025
	See Note 2			
These Accounts are managed by the Parish Hall Management Committee and only a summary is included here, details, if required, can be obtained from the Parish Hall Committee Treasurer.				
£	General Account	Unrestricted	Restricted	£
3,939	Total Receipts			3,787
3,870	Total Payments			3,038
69	Surplus / Deficit			749
3,808	Balance brought forward 1st. January			3,877
3,877	**Balance carried forward 31st. December**			4,626

2024	General Account Number 2 Receipts			2025
£	See Note 3	Unrestricted	Restricted	£
1,221	Bank Interest	1,097		1,097
1,221	**Total Receipts**	1,097		1,097
	General Account Number 2 Payments			
0	Payments	0		0
0	**Total Payments**	0		0
1,221	Total Receipts			1,097
0	Total Payments			0
1,221	Surplus / Deficit			1,097
	Add			
0	Transfer from General Account Number 1			0
	Deduct			
0	Transfer to General Account Number 1			0
23,009	Balance brought forward 1st. January			24,230
24,230	**Balance carried forward 31st. December**			25,327

2024	Community Account			2025
£	See Note 4	£		£
10	Total Receipts	10		10
0	Total Payments	340		340
320	Balance brought forward 1st January			330
330	**Balance carried forward 31st December**			0

2024	**Fabric Account Receipts (Restricted Funds)**			2025
	See Note 5	Unrestricted	Restricted	
£		£	£	£
0	Donations	0		0
0	Grants		0	0
4,217	Income from investments		3,923	3,923
0	Legacies	0		0
4,217	**Total Receipts**			
0	Repairs / Architect's Fees			0
0	**Total Payments**			0
4,217	Total Receipts			3,923
0	Total Payments			0
4,217	Surplus / Deficit			3,923
	Add			
3,750	Transfer from General Account Number 1		1,414	1,414
	Deduct			
0	Transfer to General Account Number 1		0	0
79,648	Balance brought forward 1st. January			87,615
87,615	**Balance carried forward 31st December**			92,953
2024	**Current Assets Excluding Parish Hall Accounts**	Unrestricted	Restricted	**2025**
14,135	General Account Number 1	9,871		9,871
24,230	General Account Number 2	25,326		25,326
87,615	Fabric Account		92,953	92,953
330	Community Account	0		0
126,310	**Total Current Assets**			128,151
	Church Furnishings are included in the inventory and vested in the churchwardens on special trust.			
2024	**Permanent Assets**			**2025**
245,200	The St. Wilfrid's Brayton Parish Hall (Church and Community Building)			245,200
245,200				245,200
	Current Liabilities			
0	Nil			

Independent Examiner's Report

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A **Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/ members of Charity Name: BRAYTON PCC

On accounts for the year ended 31st DECEMBER 2025 **Charity no (if any)** 1169956

Set out on pages 1-22 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2025

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and 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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Helen Ripley **Date:** 24/2/26

Name: HELEN RIPLEY

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): A.C.A.

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Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	