

THE PARISH OF HOLY TRINITY, LAMORBEY
Registered charity number 1171897

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2025

Incumbent:
The Reverend Jim Horton
(from October 2025)

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

Diocese of Rochester

Bankers:
Barclays Bank plc

Independent Examiner:
Stephen England F.C.C.A.

Vicar's Report

You will be pleased to know that, as I was not the vicar for most of the period covered by this report, I shall keep this relatively brief.

As a naval chaplain, I was particularly delighted to be licensed by Bishop Jonathan on Trafalgar Day. It was a wonderful and welcoming service, with people from the church and the wider community present, and it marked a very encouraging beginning to my ministry here.

Arriving at the end of October meant that I was quickly immersed in the rhythm of the parish year: All Saints' and All Souls', Remembrance, and then into Advent. The Christmas services were well attended, and the work of the servers, choir, and everyone who contributed to them ensured that they were a joyful and fitting celebration of the Incarnation.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to everyone who has made us feel so welcome. I am particularly grateful for the dedication and hard work of the churchwardens, the PCC, our lay ministers, the choir, the servers, and the many others who contribute their time, gifts, and energy to the life of Holy Trinity. It is through the shared ministry of so many people that Holy Trinity continues to be such a special place.

In the year to come, I hope that together we can continue to grow in faith and in our life as a Christian community. In particular, I would like us to look at ways of encouraging more young people to join our worship, and to reflect on the gifts and skills present within the congregation so that we may continue to develop and strengthen the ministry shared by all members of the church.

I look forward to serving alongside you in the year ahead.

Love and prayers

Fr Jim

Holy Trinity Church, Hurst Road, Sidcup, DA15 9AE seeks to provide a pastoral, evangelistic, social/prophetic and ecumenical mission to the community. The Parish Office is based in the Church Hall. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is responsible for the maintenance of the church building, the church Hall and adjacent lands on Hurst Road, Sidcup.

The PCC complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 and formally adopted the House of Bishops' "Promoting a Safer Church; safeguarding policy statement". A copy is displayed in the church porch together with contact details of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Council Membership

The PCC comprises elected representatives of the laity serving for a period of three years, lay members of Deanery Synod; Licensed Reader appointed by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting under Church Representation Rules; and ex-officio members. At the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in 2014 a Resolution was passed that no representative of the laity being a member of the PCC may hold office for more than three years continuously. An interval of one year must pass before such an individual is eligible to stand again for election as a representative on the Council. At the APCM in 2023 a Resolution was passed that the term of office of a PCC member ends either after three years or if three meetings are missed during a year, unless there is good reason. During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Ex-Officio Members

The Reverend Jim Horton	Chair (from 21.10.25)
Sue Knight	Churchwarden
Doreen Pitcher	Churchwarden
Sarah Blew	Licensed Reader

Elected Representatives on the Deanery Synod of Sidcup (2023 – 2026)

Morwenna Semos	
Madeleine Waggett	Treasurer

Elected Members to serve until the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2026

William Burton, Bob King, Ruth Thomas, Irene Wild

Elected Members to serve until the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2027

Sue Griffin, Sandra Mackie

Elected Members to serve until the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2028

Luke Cashin, Barbara Giles, Sue Williamson

Standing Committee: The entire PCC are considered members of the Standing Committee.

The PCC met eight times during 2025 - seven regular meetings and a section 11 meeting.
Reports were received from representatives of Churches Together in Sidcup and the Deanery Synod.

Working Groups & Committees

Several working groups and committees convene between PCC meetings to engage in the work of the Church:

The Ministry Team

The Ministry Team usually meets monthly by invitation of the Vicar. In 2025 it comprised all those who held licensed or permission to officiate (PTO) ministries: our Licensed Reader, our PTO Reader, our Pastoral Assistants and our Churchwardens; with the Parish Administrator in attendance. We met to support each other in our work and identify ways of developing the pastoral and worshipping life of the congregation.

Additionally, the following were authorised by the Vicar to assist at the Holy Eucharist:
Lynne Buckley, Martin Carruthers, Rosemary Coleman, Terry Hales, Sue Knight, Callum Macdonald, Sandra Mackie, Anna Staple, Marissa Tribe, Madeleine Waggett and Irene Wild.

Safeguarding

The Parish Safeguarding Handbook requires the PCC, as the main decision maker of a parish, to have "a duty of care to ensure the protection of the vulnerable in their church community". This requires the PCC to adopt the House of Bishops' policy on "Promoting a Safer Church", which it did on 1 May 2025. The PCC continues to have regard to the House of Bishops' policy.

The PCC uses a Parish Dashboard tool to keep track of its safeguarding actions. During 2025, it reached level 3 out of the three levels on the dashboard. The PCC annually reviews an action plan to comply with the House of Bishops' policy. PCC members have completed obligatory training and are DBS checked.

Holy Trinity Lamorbey also maintains links with the Diocesan safeguarding team through regular meetings.

In 2025, the PCC adopted the following activities as church activities: Sunday school, choir, pastoral visits and serving. This means that it had oversight and supervision of these activities and any children or vulnerable adults who participated in them.

If anyone has a safeguarding concern, please email htlamorbeysafeguarding@gmail.com.
Penny Bull - Parish Safeguarding Officer/Lead Recruiter

The Ark

The Ark gives children a chance to discover the Bible through crafts and activities and takes place in the Vestry on most Sundays during the 10am Mass. We leave the Mass before the first reading and rejoin at the Peace enabling children to have a blessing - open to all children (and parents if they wish).

Please note that The Ark is currently on pause due to a lack of DBS cleared leaders (a minimum of two are needed for each session).
Kevin Burrows, Rosie Goode, Oliver Dean and Nicolette Gaskin

Fundraising and Social Committee Report

The main fundraising event of the year was our Summer Fair. This was very well attended although the weather was not so kind. Most stalls were still able to be outside under gazebos but the band, The Jolly Good Oldtimers, played inside the Church. This was well received as people could eat their rolls and have drinks inside watching and listening to the band. We had a Grand Raffle and our MP, Louie French, drew the winning tickets. There were quite a few stalls from the community who paid

for a stall. This also boosts numbers as they advertise on their own websites. Thank you to everyone who ran stalls on the day and to the Youth Organisations who brought over all the tables and chairs the night before and returned them after the Fair.

A Quiz Night, organized by Luke Cashin was an enjoyable evening. In September Neill Parrish, our organist, organized a Hymns and Pimms evening in Church where we sang people's favourite hymns.

A Raffle was held at Easter and at Christmas we held a Christmas Raffle, sold cakes, Christmas table decorations and had a few other stalls. Cakes and preserves were also sold during the year at coffee after Sunday services.
Doreen Pitcher

Social Club

The Social Club has continued to meet just once a month, as the number of members remains low. However, those who do come enjoy a friendly afternoon. New members are always made to feel very welcome.
Valerie Holdsworth

Churchwardens' Report

After the annual inspection of the Church lightning protection system it was brought to our attention that we needed to have a new stainless steel test point installed. This was carried out in April and returned the system to good working order and complying with the statutory requirements of the Electricity at Work regulations. A certificate has been issued.

At the end of February the Archdeacon the Venerable Allie Kerr approved the Parish Profile which allowed us to hold the Section 11 meeting on 2nd March. At the meeting we agreed to advertise the vacancy on Pathways, which is the online Church of England website, and in the Church Times. We had six applicants and four were offered an interview which took place on 24th June in the Church. Reverend Simon James Horton (Fr Jim) accepted the post and we were able to start making arrangements for his arrival.

Once we had a date for Fr Jim's installation, we were able to arrange for recommissioning of the Vicarage. A list of the work carried out by the Diocese is as follows.

- Recommission the heating system.
- Replace the broken handle of the gate leading into the Church and Vicarage.
- Kitchen – alter to accommodate larger fridge freezer, internal door re-hung to open outwards into the hall against the wall.
- Bathroom – shower screen to be replaced.
- Bathroom and adjacent W.C. – install wall cabinets.
- Rear garden – provide continuous access path in line with existing steppingstones and erect new fence along rear boundary.

The work organized and paid for by the PCC was as follows.

- Internal decorations- complete redecoration of the lounge.
- Rear garden – cutting back/removal of shrubs and brambles.
- Removal of rubbish – skip hired to dispose of garden waste and small amount of unwanted furniture from the Vicarage.

Fr Jim's service of induction and installation was arranged for 21st October. We received very clear instructions from the Bishop's Office on how the service would run and what needed to be included in the order of service. Reverend Ian Smith our Area Dean organized the formal invitations and we sent out invitations to people from the Parish.

The service went very well, and it was lovely that Helen Malcolm our Patron was able to join us for the service. The refreshments after were well received and we hope Fr Jim, his family and friends felt very welcomed.

Advent and Christmas were once again very busy and it was lovely to welcome the local schools along with their families for their Christmas celebrations.
Sue Knight and Doreen Pitcher

Hall Management Group Report

At the start of the year we reviewed the projects that we carried over from 2024 namely

- Soundproofing
- Heating system
- The lobby outside the toilets
- A couple of replacement doors
- The kitchen

We decided to leave these significant works until the new vicar arrived and that it would be better to transfer more money to the main Church Account whilst at the same time restoring our building fund to the agreed £15,000. Happily, we achieved both objectives, the principal one being an increase to the main Church Account of £5,000 bringing the total transfer up to £18,000.

Now that Fr Jim is with us and has taken over as chairman of the Hall Committee we will be revisiting our proposed projects.

Sadly, we lost one of our regular hirers, Slimming World left us in November after 20 years; this was simply because their leader had moved out of the area. Happily, Pat very quickly found a replacement in a Pilates group.

We have increased our Hire Charges which means when we work on our 2026 budget we will be able to increase our contribution to the main Church Account beyond the 2024 level of £18,000.

In July we changed our cleaner and we are very pleased with his work, but if anyone has any comments please speak to Pat.

We have also changed our photocopier, and Pat will now be able to provide even more detailed booklets. Next year (2026) we are going to cancel our BT landline and replace it with a mobile phone which will make Pat even more accessible….

Not strictly Hall business but Pat has also managed to once again hire the church to Rose Bruford for the annual ceremony in September.

We lost one of our occasional hirers when the leader of the Pauline Quirke Academy moved out of the area.

We had noticed that some hirers were not leaving the premises as they found them and we introduced a check list for when they leave the building and this has greatly improved matters.

Keith continues to carry out routine maintenance, which has resulted in a tremendous saving in costs to outside companies. Although blocked drains are becoming a problem and some major work may be necessary next year.

We carried out our five yearly electrical inspection and some minor works will be necessary next year.

We repaired most of our car park potholes, but this is only a temporary solution as to do a complete job would cost in the region of £100,000.

We carried out no Fund Raising in 2025 but watch this space.
Bob King

Relationships Externally Directed

We supported several external charities this year: Cancer Research (the Social Club's charity of the year), The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, the Bexley Foodbank and our Ukraine appeal. The Foodbank and Ukraine appeal have both been supported generously each week with donations of food and medical supplies. Thank you for your continued generosity.

1A Hurst Road

The PCC continues to offer a commercial lease on the office above the Church Hall.

Church Attendance

Our data collected for Central Church Statistics show the following:

Easter	153 people	148 communicants
Christmas	392 people	167 communicants

Usual Sunday attendance 79 people, 70 communicants.

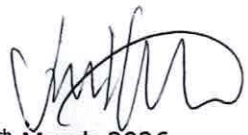
There were increases to these figures for Harvest Thanksgiving, Remembrance Sunday and Memorial Services.

Schools who come to church for their Christmas services: Holy Trinity, Burnt Oak Primary, Chislehurst & Sidcup Grammar School, Hurstmere Foundation Boys' School and Marlborough School (Special) who were joined by members of the Bexley Grammar School Band.

Church Electoral Roll

Following the completion of a new Electoral Roll, the Church Electoral Roll figure now stands at 97. The figure at the last APCM was 91.

Approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by
Reverend Jim Horton



Dated 11th March 2026

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, LAMORBEY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FOR THE 12 MONTHS TO 31st DECEMBER 2025

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Funds

General funds represents the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any special restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the PCC. These include funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC.

The accounts include monetary transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC can be held responsible. They do not include the accounts of other Church groups that owe an affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Subject to the above, receipts and payments include income as received and expenditure when irrevocably paid.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

The following assets are recognised but not necessarily valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities:

- Moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust and which require a faculty for disposal;
- Land and buildings held on behalf of the PCC;
- Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment where the PCC is free to dispose of such assets without faculty and where the original cost exceeded £1,000; and
- Investments held beneficially by the PCC.

The following assets are recognised and a monetary value given as part of the description in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities:

- Amounts owing from the Inland Revenue where a formal claim has been made;
- Any other amounts owing to the PCC including church hall lettings and insurance claims;
- Cash in hand and at bank; and
- Legacies where formal notification of entitlement and amount has been received at the year end by the PCC.

The following liabilities are recognised in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities:

- Any loans or overdrafts advanced to the PCC; and
- Creditors for goods or services where the supply has been received and invoiced by the year end.

Financial review

The accounts reflect another challenging year , which saw us in an interregnum until October. As always, the over whelming generosity of Parishioners donating to restricted funds has been extremely helpful to underpin the finance of the PCC.

As detailed in the financial statements:
Total receipts were £125,597. This figure includes:

£55,120 Parishioners giving generously to support our mission (including two Flower Funds, see below)

£7,173 Being income tax recovered from HM Revenue & Customs on all money given to the PCC under Gift Aid during the period.
£4,972 Income generated from fundraising events, before costs.
£10,215 Rental income from 1A Hurst Road - a short term commercial lease.
£39,395 Income from hiring out the Church Hall, before Hall costs of £34,828

The Yellow Iris Fund was set up during the Coronavirus Pandemic when the doors of Holy Trinity Lamorbey were shut for worship. The fund is a way Parishioners helped Holy Trinity through financial support. The Yellow Iris flower is a symbol of Hope and Cherished Friendships. Hope is what we have for the future and our cherished friendships are what sustain us, with the love we have for one another.

£118,622 was spent to provide the Christian ministry from Holy Trinity. Our key expenditure is the cost of stipendiary ministry and maintaining our beautiful parish church and church hall.

The net surplus is £6,974 of which net £219 (deficit) related to restricted or designated funds. There are no transfers to or from the Church Repair Fund in either year.

£57 is available within a Repair Fund that the may be used towards maintenance work including that identified by architects appointed by the Diocese of Rochester, during their quinquennial inspection. The Diocesan Repair Fund is a designated fund established to meet major repairs on both the Church and Hall.

Reserves policy

It is the PCC's policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible), which equates to approximately three months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. At the year-end there is a balance of £10,510 of unrestricted funds estimated to cover over one months of unrestricted expenditure in a normal year. The PCC has over £123,252 of designated funds available to use if necessary.

Funds to the value of £80,954 are restricted - please refer to Note 2 to the accounts.

Cash funds are maintained with Banks: Barclays, HSBC & Lloyds as well as the Rochester Diocesan Society Board of Finance.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2025

Note		2025 General Fund	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Total	2024 Total
		£	£	£	£	£
	Monetary Assets					
	Bank Current Accounts	(6,406)	14,963	16,617	25,174	26,013
	Bank Deposit Account	8,261	64,939	106,578	179,778	172,287
	Rochester Diocese Deposit Funds	8,655	1,052	57	9,764	9,442
	Total cash	10,510	80,954	123,252	214,716	207,742
1	Other assets Church Hall at Cost	14,500			14,500	14,500
	TOTAL ASSETS	25,010	80,954	123,252	229,216	222,242
2	*Less Liabilities*					
	Organ Repair Fund		(9,706)		(9,706)	(9,387)
	Church Flower Fund		(2,721)		(2,721)	(2,715)
	Choir/ Music Fund		(270)		(270)	(270)
	Memorials		(5,665)		(5,665)	(5,665)
	Pilgrimages & Outings		(142)		(142)	(142)
	Church Repairs		(2,980)		(2,980)	(2,980)
	Charitable Grants		0		0	(272)
	Social Club		(4,593)		(4,593)	(5,034)
	Yellow Iris Fund		(27,838)		(27,838)	(24,928)
	Purple Gladiolus Fund		(23,789)		(23,789)	(23,789)
	Ukraine Fund		(2,281)		(2,281)	(2,281)
	Fund Raising		(909)		(909)	(500)
	Hall Fund		(60)		(60)	-
	Sequestration Fund		-		-	180
	Hall Building Fund			(15,000)	(15,000)	-
	Garden Fund			(3,003)	(3,003)	(4,369)
	Investment Fund			(105,191)	(105,191)	(105,191)
	RBDF Repair Fund			(57)	(57)	(52)
	TOTAL LIABILITIES		(80,954)	(123,252)	(204,206)	(187,396)
	TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES	**£25,010**	-	-	**£25,010**	£34,846

There are many parishioners who donate their time and talents in furtherance of the Holy Trinity Church Lamorbey mission.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 11.03.2026 and signed on its behalf by:

The Notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

INCOMING RESOURCES (RECEIPTS)

Note		Unrestricted Income £	Restricted Income* £	2025 Total £	2024 Total £
	Voluntary Income				
3	Gift Aid donations	33,494	100	33,594	53,005
4	Income Tax recoverable	7,107	65	7,173	10,445
	All other giving	7,604	5,983	13,587	2,823
5	Collections at services	7,939	-	7,939	8,488
	Charity Fund Raising				
14	Charitable Collections	-	503	503	76
	Activities for Generating Funds				
6	Fund Raising Events	4,972	-	4,972	5,047
	Income from Investments				
8	Interest	2,268	321	2,589	2,952
9	Rental Income from 1A Hurst Rd	10,215	-	10,215	9,848
	Income from Church Activities				
10	Fees (Clergy & PCC)	3,247	2,140	5,387	4,534
7	Church Hall	39,395	-	39,395	32,898
	Social Club	-	243	243	1,583
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	**116,242**	**9,355**	**125,597**	**131,699**

* Includes designated funds - refer to Notes

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RESOURCES EXPENDED (PAYMENTS)

Note		Unrestricted Expenditure	Restricted Expenditure*	2025 Total	2024 Total
		£	£	£	£
	Church Activities				
	Parish Pledge (payment to Diocese of Rochester)	40,000	-	40,000	40,000
	Organist	8,401	-	8,401	8,115
	Administrator	7,492	-	7,492	6,931
11	Clergy expenses	1,352	3,760	5,113	3,816
12	Church running expenses	7,016	4,354	11,369	14,246
	Church utility bills	7,648	-	7,648	11,641
	Other Resources Expended				
7	Church Hall Expenses	33,828	-	33,828	46,557
6	Fundraising Events	79	-	79	35
13	Management & Administration	3,234	-	3,234	2,689
	Social Club	-	685	685	1,327
10	Fees (Clergy & PCC)	-	-	-	3,936
	Charity Donations & Grants				
14	Donations/Grants to Charities	-	775	775	-
	TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	**£109,049**	**£9,574**	**£118,622**	**£139,293**
	Excess of INCOME /(EXPENDITURE)			6,974	(7,594)
	Cash accounts at beginning of the Year			207,742	215,336
	Cash Accounts at the end of the Year			**£214,716**	**£207,742**

* Includes designated funds - refer to Notes

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	2025	2024

NOTE 1 CHURCH HALL

The original cost of the Church Hall was £14,500. The PCC does not hold a current market value for the Hall.

NOTE 2 RESTRICTED & DESIGNATED FUNDS

Fund Type		Opening	Income	Expenditure	Closing	
		£	£	£	£	
Restricted	Organ Repair Fund	9,387	320	-	9,706	
Restricted	Church Flower Fund	2,715	495	(489)	2,721	
Restricted	Choir/ Music Fund	270	-	-	270	
Restricted	Memorials	5,665	-	-	5,665	
Restricted	Pilgrimages & Outings	142	-	-	142	
Restricted	Church Repairs	2,980	-	-	2,980	
Restricted	Charitable Grants	272	503	(775)	0	
Restricted	Social Club	5,034	243	(685)	4,593	
Restricted	Yellow Iris Fund	24,928	4,184	(1,274)	27,838	
Restricted	Purple Gladiolus Fund	23,789	-	-	23,789	
Restricted	Ukraine Fund	2,281	-	-	2,281	
Restricted	Fund Raising	500	409	-	909	
Restricted	Hall Fund	-	1,060	(1,000)	60	
Restricted	Sequestration	(180)	2,140	(1,960)	-	
		77,783	9,353	(6,183)	80,954	
Designated	Hall Building Fund	-	15,000	-	15,000	
Designated	Garden Fund	4,369	-	(1,365.0)	3,003	
Designated	Investment Fund	105,191	-	-	105,191	
Designated	RBDF Repair Fund	56	2	-	57	
		£187,400	**£24,355**	**£(7,548)**	**£204,206**	£187,396

Organ Repair Fund	Legacy of the Miss Anne Elisabeth Thomas Deceased
Church Flower Fund	Specific donations to items such as Church flowers
Choir Music Fund	Specific donations to cover expenditure on choir music
Memorials	Memorial Funds for Tim Room, Bob Semos and Mavis Forder
Pilgrimages & Outings	Specific donations to cover expenditure on congregational pilgrimages and outings
Church Repairs	Supports repairs to fabric of the church
Charitable Grants	Donations received specifically for onward donation to named charities
Social Club	Subscriptions and donations used for social club events
Yellow Iris Fund	For use of projects at at HTL as directed by the Vicar and PCC
Purple Gladiolus Fund	To cover expenditure on future Church repairs and maintenance
Ukraine Fund	To support Ukrainian individuals within the community (closed to new donations)

NOTE 2 RESTRICTED & DESIGNATED FUNDS (continued)

Fund Raising	To purchase equipment in aid of fund raising
Hall Fund	General Fund to cover Hall expenses & maintenance
Sequestration Fund	Specific Fund required when Church is in Interrugnum period (closed in 2025)
Garden Fund	Specific donations to cover expenditure on Church Garden
Hall Building Fund	Donations to cover major investments in or repairs to the Hall
Investment Fund	Refer to Page 2 Financial Review, Legacy income. The Fund aims to create a sustainable future income stream
RDBF Repair Fund	Specific Fund established to support Quinquenial Repairs to Church (not Hall)

Quinquennial Obligations

In accordance with the Diocesan Scheme under the Inspection of Churches Measure 1955, as amended by the Care of Churches and Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure 1991, the Church is inspected by architects appointed by the Diocese of Rochester on a quinquennial basis. The latest Quinquennial report was received in 2021.

The Church Hall does not have similar inspections and the Church Council responds to repairs and maintenance needs as they arise and as funds become available.

NOTE 3 GIFT AID DONATIONS

Money either in envelopes, through a bankers' order, or by cheque, which is given on a regular and committed basis under Gift Aid. Envelope printing costs are set off against this income.

NOTE 4 INCOME TAX RECOVERABLE

The amount of tax recovered from HMRC on all money given to the PCC under Gift Aid (see Note 3).

NOTE 5 COLLECTIONS AT SERVICES

Open plate collections, Sundays, Weddings, Funerals, Special Services.

NOTE 6 FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Money raised from Fundraising activities for non specific use.

NOTE 7 CHURCH HALL ACCOUNT

		£	£		£
Income	Donations	720			385
	Wellington Boots	9,900			9,220
	Slimming World	2,000			3,438
	Karate	1,550			2,340
	Baby Ballet	3,900			4,000
	First Class Learning	5,500			5,000
	Bulgarian Dance	2,130			1,195
	Wisdom Sanctuary	3,895			
	Occasional hires	1,975			2,520
	Car Park	7,825			4,801
			39,395		£32,898
Related Expenditure	Caretaker	(3,746)			(3,465)
	Contract cleaners	(11,482)			(14,747)
	Utility bills	(9,143)			(8,641)
	Insurance (note 15)	(2,735)			(2,624)
	Maintenance	(6,722)			(17,080)
			(33,828)		£(46,557)
	Net Income / (Expenditure)			**£5,567**	**£(13,659)**

NOTE 8 INTEREST

Interest earned on funds held at Rochester Diocese & Barclays Bank.

NOTE 9 RENTAL INCOME FROM 1A HURST ROAD

Though part of the Hall structure this income is carved out from the Hall. Lease was last renewed in 2020.

NOTE 10 FEES (CLERGY & PCC)

Fees paid to PCC for weddings, funerals, cremations and Burial of Ashes

	£		£
DBF Fees towards Clergy's stipend (of which: sequestration £544	5,387		4,534
PCC Fees (of which: 2024 - sequestration £100)	-		(3,936)
		£5,387	£598

NOTE 11 CLERGY EXPENSES

	£		£
Vicarage rates (2025 rebate due to interregnum)	373		3,142
Vicarage utilities (sequestration)	98		
Priest Cover (sequestration)	1,932		624
Vicarage ground maintenance (£1,104 sequestration)	2,710		
Honorarium (restricted)	-		50
		£5,113	£3,816

NOTE 12 CHURCH RUNNING EXPENSES

		Restricted element	£	2025	2024
Insurance	(note 15)		2,735		2,624
Subscriptions			90		619
Church flowers		489	489		486
Church Garden		1,366	1,366		693
Repairs & Maintenance †		1,000	2,642		3,950
Upkeep of Church services			1,132		1,331
Other Parish & Support costs		1,499	2,916		4,543
				£11,369	£14,246

NOTE 13 CHURCH MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

Printer/ Copier, website, stationery, telephone, postage, bank charges.

NOTE 14 CHARITY DONATIONS AND GRANTS (RESTRICTED)

Money raised by the Church congregation for specific charitable causes (all restricted)

	Income	Grants	
	£	£	
Royal British Legion		(272)	
Rochester Diocese Bishops Fund	503	(503)	
			£(775)

NOTE 15 INSURANCE

Church Insurance is provided by the Ecclesiastical Insurance Group.

NOTE 16 PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may relate to his services as chairman of the PCC.
The only payments to other PCC members were the reimbursement of receipted expenses incurred on behalf of the PCC.

No payments or expenses were paid to any persons closely connected or related to PCC members.

Independent Examiner's report to the PCC of Holy Trinity Lamorbey, Sidcup

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 9, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the accounts comply with part 8 of the Charities Act 2011. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011.

That 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 financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
to keep accounting records in accordance with section 8 of the Charities Act 2011; and

to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations; have not been met, or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Stephen England 04.03.26

Stephen England, FCCA