The Friends of Holy Trinity, Sutton Montis

Chairman's Report 2026

It took some time, but charity No: 1209094, **The Friends of Holy Trinity Church, Sutton Montis** began operating on 10 January 2025.

Major milestones:

- Early in 2023 a village survey indicated that a significant number of residents, whilst not regular church attendees, recognised the importance of the church building and indicated that they were prepared to donate to a fund to be set up purely for the maintenance of the building.
- 8 May 2023: Alan Gillespie launched an initiative to form an organisation to manage the fund. To be called The Friends of Holy Trinity Church, Sutton Montis, the organisation was initially to take the form of a subcommittee of the Parochial Church Council (PCC)
- 10 June 2023: Bobby Vedral hosted a gathering to discuss the role of The Friends and to form a committee. The committee members were Bobby Vedral (Chairman), James Parr (Treasurer), Colette McParland (Secretary) Kate Jungius, James Tabor, Frank Bebbington.
- Work began to write a constitution for The Friends, but it proved to be more complex than initially thought. The Chairman therefore decided to take legal advice and commissioned the law firm Bates Wells to draw up a constitution and to submit it to the Charity Commission for registration. Legal advice indicated that the charity should take the form of a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO), completely independent from the Church.
- 11 July 2024: Charity 1209094 was registered with the Charity Commission. Trustees being Bobby Vedral (Chairman) James Parr (Treasurer) Kate Jungius and Frank Bebbington
- 2 December 2024: A Treasurer's Account (designed for charities with an annual income less than £50k) was opened with Lloyds Bank. (Note: it has since been changed to a Charity Account with an upper limit of £250k).
- 10 January 2025. The Friends charity was registered with HMRC for Gift Aid purposes. It was then ready to operate.
- 15 January 2025. A memorandum of understanding was agreed between the Church and The Friends describing the working relationship and setting out responsibilities. (See: copy of the MOU attached).
- 31 January-1 February 2025: Sutton Montis residents were invited to consider becoming members of The Friends and to make donations to the fund.

<u>Activities</u>

Because the PCC had disbanded early in 2025, James Parr took responsibility for commissioning Philip Hughes Associates to carry out the Quinquennial Survey of the church building. It was last done in 2015 and was therefore overdue. The survey was carried out on 17 March 2025, and the resulting report was delivered to Revd. Caroline Walker at the end of October 2025.

Since then, Peter Cook and Mark Seymour, as officials of the Church, have taken responsibility for developing a church building and grounds maintenance plan using survey recommendations as a start point. In due course Church officials will make requests to charities, including The Friends, for grants to meet the costs of planned work.

In the Spring, The Friends arranged for Di Morgan Garden Services to cut the grass in the church grounds after the contractor appointed by the PCC dropped out for personal reasons.

On 9 August 2025, The Friends sponsored a Summer Concert in the church attended by sixty-five people: residents and their guests from other villages.

After Joining the Friends as a trustee, Isobel Rorison kindly agreed to act as Secretary and was duly appointed at a trustees' meeting on 21 November 2025.

Financial

The response to the invitation for residents to consider joining The Friends was very encouraging. Thanks to the generosity of donors, and because the Holy Trinity Church fabric funds were transferred to The Friends soon after registration, the fund is in a healthy position. Currently The Friends has ….
Members and its bank balance is…..
(For details of the charity finances please see the Treasurer's Annual Report attached).

Costs incurred relate to:	Income to:
Garden maintenance/grass cutting.	Members donations
Quinquennial Survey fees.	Spring Concert donations
Repairs to church tower windows.	
Repair of one wooden grave memorial cross.	

Thanks are due to all those who worked to get The Friends established and to all those residents who have become members and generously donated to the fund.

For the future, it is hoped that The Friends charity will grow in strength, particularly since The Church of England is facing challenges in funding its Mission and the upkeep of church buildings.

Holy Trinity Church, Sutton Montis is a beautiful Grade I listed building in a lovely setting that has been enjoyed, for a variety of reasons, by people living here, probably for a thousand years or more.

It is a special place, a vital part of the fabric of our village and it now falls to us all in our community to look after it.

With many thanks and best wishes,

Bobby Vedral
Chairman

Account Type	Treasurers Account
Account Number	70211262

Jan-25

Date	Transaction Type

Feb-25

Date	Transaction Type
2/3/2025	Bank Transfer
2/3/2025	Bank Transfer
2/10/2025	Cheque
2/10/2025	Bank Transfer
2/11/2025	Bank Transfer
2/12/2025	Bank Transfer
2/13/2025	Bank Transfer
2/14/2025	Bank Transfer
2/17/2025	Standing Order
2/26/2025	Bank Transfer

Mar-25

Date	Transaction Type
3/3/2025	Standing Order
3/3/2025	Standing Order
3/5/2025	Bank Transfer
3/13/2025	Bank Transfer

Apr-25

Date	Transaction Type
4/1/2025	Standing Order
4/3/2025	Bank Transfer
4/3/2025	Standing Order
4/4/2025	Bank Transfer

May-25

Date	Transaction Type
5/1/2025	Standing Order
5/2/2025	Cheque
5/6/2025	Standing Order
5/7/2025	Bank Transfer

Jun-25

Date	Transaction Type
6/2/2025	Standing Order
6/3/2025	Standing Order
6/10/2025	Bank Transfer
6/25/2025	Bank Transfer

Jul-25

Date	Transaction Type
7/1/2025	Standing Order
7/3/2025	Standing Order
7/3/2025	Bank Transfer

Aug-25

Date	Transaction Type
8/1/2025	Standing Order
8/4/2025	Standing Order
8/4/2025	Bank Transfer
8/8/2025	Card Machine
8/11/2025	Card Machine
8/11/2025	Card Machine
8/18/2025	Bank Deposit

Sep-25

Date	Transaction Type
9/1/2025	Cheque
9/1/2025	Standing Order
9/3/2025	Standing Order

9/8/2025	Bank Transfer

Oct-25

Date	Transaction Type
9/1/2025	Standing Order
9/1/2025	Standing Order
9/3/2025	Standing Order
9/6/2025	Bank Transfer

Nov-25

Date	Transaction Type
11/3/2025	Standing Order
11/3/2025	Standing Order
11/3/2025	Standing Order
11/4/2025	Bank Transfer
11/24/2025	Bank Transfer
11/24/2025	Bank Transfer
11/24/2025	Bank Transfer

Dec-25

Date	Transaction Type
12/1/2025	Standing Order
12/1/2025	Standing Order
12/2/2025	Bank Transfer
12/3/2025	Standing Order

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable

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P.Scrancher	n/a
J.Tabor	n/a
G.Bebbington	n/a
Dominic Paes	n/a
Nick Robinson	Corton Hill Trust
F.Bebbington	n/a
PCC Fabric Fund	n/a
Sutton Montis PCC	n/a
W.Nott-Bower	n/a
Rupert Asquith	Richard Pollock CT

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
M.Symour	n/a
A. Gillespie	Gillespie Trust

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
N & K Robinson	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 001)	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
I.Conway	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 002)	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 003)	n/a
W.Newsom	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 004)	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 005)	n/a
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Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
A.Coombs	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a

Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 006)	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
S.Francis	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 007)	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
S.Francis	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 008)	n/a
Ellis & Co (Inv 9495)	n/a
Ellis & Co (Inv 9503)	n/a
Philip Hughes Associates (Inv 2427)	n/a

Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
F.Bebbington	n/a
S.Francis	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 009)	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance
One off donation		£50.00
Annual donation		£500.00
One off donation		£250.00
One off donation		£1,500.00
Annual donation		£500.00
One off donation		£300.00
One off transfer		£30,348.87
One off transfer		£1,600.55
Annual donation		£100.00
Annual donation		£500.00

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00
Monthly donation		£20.00
One off donation		£250.00
Annual donation		£400.00

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00
CAF25033177077CF		£200.00
Monthly donation		£20.00
Churchyard Maintenance	-£136.00	

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		Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00
One off donation		£100.00
Monthly donation		£20.00
Churchyard Maintenance	-£136.00	

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		Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00
Monthly donation		£20.00
Churchyard Maintenance	-£187.00	

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00
Monthly donation		£20.00
Churchyard Maintenance	-£119.00	
One off donation		£1.00
One off donation		£1.00
One off donation		£10.00
Event donations		£427.50

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance
One off donation		£100.00
Monthly donation		£25.00
Monthly donation		£20.00

Churchyard Maintenance	-£102.00	

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)	Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00	
Monthly donation		£20.00	
Monthly donation		£20.00	
Churchyard Maintenance	-£102.00		

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)	Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00	
Monthly donation		£20.00	
Monthly donation		£20.00	
Churchyard Maintenance	-£119.00		
Louvre Boards	-£1,356.00		
Timber Cross Reinstatement	-£228.00		
Quinquennial Inspection	-£960.00		

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)	Balance
Monthly donation		£25.00	
Monthly donation		£20.00	
Churchyard Maintenance	-£68.00		
Monthly donation		£20.00	

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£0.00**
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Month End Balance	**£0.00**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£0.00**
-	£50.00
-	£500.00
-	£250.00
-	£1,500.00
-	£500.00
-	£300.00
-	£30,348.87
-	£1,600.55
-	£100.00
-	£500.00
Month End Balance	**£35,649.42**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£35,649.42**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
-	£250.00
-	£400.00
Month End Balance	**£36,344.42**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,344.42**
-	£25.00
-	£200.00
-	£20.00
-	-£136.00
Month End Balance	**£36,453.42**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,453.42**
-	£25.00
-	£100.00
-	£20.00
-	-£136.00
Month End Balance	**£36,462.42**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,462.42**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
-	-£136.00
-	£100.00
Month End Balance	**£36,471.42**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,471.42**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
-	-£187.00
Month End Balance	**£36,329.42**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,329.42**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
-	-£119.00
-	£1.00
-	£1.00
-	£10.00
-	£427.50
Month End Balance	**£36,694.92**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,694.92**
-	£100.00
-	£25.00
-	£20.00

-	-£102.00
Month End Balance	**£36,737.92**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,737.92**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
-	£20.00
-	-£102.00
Month End Balance	**£36,700.92**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£36,700.92**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
-	£20.00
-	-£119.00
Yes	-£1,356.00
Yes	-£228.00
Yes	-£960.00
Month End Balance	**£34,102.92**

VAT Qualified	Balance
Carried Forward >>>	**£34,102.92**
-	£25.00
-	£20.00
No	-£68.00
-	£20.00
Month End Balance	**£34,099.92**

Account Type	Treasurers Account
Account Number	70211262
From	1/1/2025
To	12/31/2025

2025

Date	Transaction Type
2/3/2025	Bank Transfer
2/3/2025	Bank Transfer
2/10/2025	Cheque
2/10/2025	Bank Transfer
2/11/2025	Bank Transfer
2/12/2025	Bank Transfer
2/13/2025	Bank Transfer
2/14/2025	Bank Transfer
2/17/2025	Standing Order
2/26/2025	Bank Transfer
3/3/2025	Standing Order
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3/5/2025	Bank Transfer
3/13/2025	Bank Transfer
4/1/2025	Standing Order
4/3/2025	Bank Transfer
4/3/2025	Standing Order
4/4/2025	Bank Transfer
5/1/2025	Standing Order
5/2/2025	Cheque
5/6/2025	Standing Order
5/7/2025	Bank Transfer
6/2/2025	Standing Order
6/3/2025	Standing Order
6/10/2025	Bank Transfer
6/25/2025	Bank Transfer
7/1/2025	Standing Order
7/3/2025	Standing Order
7/3/2025	Bank Transfer
8/1/2025	Standing Order
8/4/2025	Standing Order
8/4/2025	Bank Transfer
8/8/2025	Card Machine
8/11/2025	Card Machine
8/11/2025	Card Machine
8/18/2025	Bank Deposit
9/1/2025	Cheque
9/1/2025	Standing Order

9/3/2025	Standing Order
9/8/2025	Bank Transfer
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Transaction Ref	Charity if applicable
P.Scrancher	n/a
J.Tabor	n/a
G.Bebbington	n/a
Dominic Paes	n/a
CMA Client Funds	Corton Hill Trust
F.Bebbington	n/a
PCC Fabric Fund	n/a
Sutton Montis PCC	n/a
W.Nott-Bower	n/a
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K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 003)	n/a
W.Newsom	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 004)	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Inv 005 Di's Per & Garden Services	n/a
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A.Coombs	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a

K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 005)	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a
S.Francis	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 006)	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a
S.Francis	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 007)	n/a
Ellis & Co (Inv 9495)	n/a
Ellis & Co (Inv 9503)	n/a
Philip Hughes Associates (Inv 2427)	n/a
F.Bebbington	n/a
S.Francis	n/a
Di's Per & Garden Services (Inv 009)	n/a
K. Jungius	n/a

FY '25 - '26	Opening Balance	£0.00
	Deductions	-£3,649.00
	Deposits	£37,748.92
	Current Balance	**£34,099.92**

Description	Withdrawls (-)	Deposits (+)
		Balance Carried Forward >>>
One off donation		£50.00
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Event donations		£427.50
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Monthly donation		£25.00

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		Year End Balance

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The Friends of Holy Trinity Church, Sutton Montis

Charity number: 1209094

Draft Receipts & Payments Accounts for year ended 31 December 2025

Receipts & Payments Summary

Receipt Category	£
Card machine donations	12.00
Event donations	427.50
Grants & transfers from PCCs/Trusts	31949.42
One-off donations	4550.00
Other receipts	200.00
Regular donations (standing orders)	610.00
Total receipts	37748.92

Payment Category	£
Churchyard maintenance	1105.00
Professional fees (quinquennial inspection)	960.00
Repairs & materials	1584.00
Total payments	3649.00

Independent Examiner's Report

I have examined the accounting records of The Friends of Holy Trinity Church, Sutton Montis, charity no. 1209094, and certify that based on the information supplied, the Receipts & Payments Statement agrees with the bank records provided.

Name: Sally J

Date: 24th Aug 2026

J. Ballinger fcca.