LLANDAFF DIOCESAN MOTHERS' UNION

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 250224

Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st December 2025

The Trustee Board are pleased to submit their report and accounts for the year ending 31st December 2025.

Board of Trustees who served during the year ending 31st December 2025

Diocesan President:	**Jean Starr**
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General Trustees:	**Josie Bolton** **Pauline Redwood** **Shawn Lloyd** **Raye Saunders**
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The present Board was elected from 1st January 2024 until the 31st of December 2027. The Trustee Board now comprises of experienced and new members.

The Diocesan President, Vice-Presidents, General Trustees and Unit Co-ordinators are elected by Members of the Diocesan Council by a simple majority.

The Diocesan Secretary and Diocesan Treasurer (non-voting) remain unchanged and ratified annually by the Board. The Diocesan Chaplain is Revd Emma Rees-Kenny who was appointed by the Revd Bishop Mary Stallard.

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LLANDAFF DIOCESAN MOTHERS' UNION

Mothers' Union is a global Christian movement dedicated to empowering women and strengthening families through love, faith and fellowship. Our mission is to work with people of all faiths and none to develop communities and advocate for positive change.

Our movement seeks to bring about justice, challenge prejudice, and advocate change. We are driven by the desire to make a difference. We want a world where families are supported and communities are empowered, including in the hardest-to-reach areas. We believe that faith and compassion have the power to transform lives and strengthen families.

Our vision is a world where everyone thrives. We pursue this vision through prayer and action, helping to build confident people and resilient communities.

Membership is open to all who:

(i) Have been baptised in the name of the Holy Trinity.
(ii) Declare their support for the aim and objectives of the Organisation.

Responsibilities of the Trustees

They shall debate, consider, and determine all matters of policy and strategy on behalf of Llandaff Diocesan Mothers' Union.

They shall manage and supervise the finances of the Diocese and review and evaluate the work of the Diocese.

They shall receive, consider, and respond to all resolutions received from the Annual Gathering (Council meeting).

Risk Management

The Trustees confirm that the major risks to which the charity is exposed, as identified by the Trustees, have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate those risks. Relevant risk assessments have been undertaken

Organisation

Llandaff Diocesan Mothers' Union is autonomous and is one of the sixty-six federated Mothers' Union Charities in the British Isles in conjunction with the central charity of the Mothers' Union at Mary Sumner House, 24 Tufton Street, London, SW1P 3RB. The Charity has over 4 million members in 80 countries and lobbies local and national government on issues affecting family life and campaigns to change legislation, where necessary.

Llandaff Diocese Mothers' Union

Llandaff Diocese Mothers' Union is managed by the Board of Trustees which comprises of the Diocesan Secretary, Diocesan Treasurer, Diocesan Chaplain (non-elected) a Diocesan President, two Vice Presidents each representing an Archdeaconry, two elected Trustees one from each Archdeaconry and three elected Unit Coordinators who have responsibility for the following Units. Faith Development, Action and Outreach, and Finance and Administration. At the end of 2024, elections were held for this Trustee Board to serve for this Triennium 2025-2027, with all positions filled. The role of the Marketing Unit has been included in the Finance and Administration Unit. Within each Archdeaconry are Deaneries, led by a Deanery Leader whose role is to support the branches of the Deanery.

Following a new Mothers' Union (Central Charity) Constitution passed in 2018, the Llandaff Diocese Mothers' Union Constitution was updated and ratified, conforming to the amended Rules and Regulations therein, in 2019.

In 2025, there were 1091 members attached to a branch, as indoor or active members. Additionally, 31 members are registered to the diocese as diocesan/deanery members and not attached to a branch. This makes a total of 1122 members. During 2025 there was approximately 100 indoor members, who are unable to attend monthly branch meetings due to their disability or other circumstances. These members benefit from being kept in touch by way of letters from the Diocese, Province, and our In Touch magazine. They also receive Easter/Christmas cards from the Worldwide President each time.

The organisation, whether at Diocesan, Deanery or Branch levels aims to reach out to those in need of all ages and especially with families and married couples. Members raise funds for use at local, national, and international levels.

Prayer underpins all the work, and the membership participates in a range of Prayer and Worship events across the Diocese. This work is supported by the Mothers' Union Chaplain, Revd Emma Rees-Kenny. Some branches are linked with overseas on a local basis.

To enable all members to be well informed, a publication named 'In Touch' is produced three times a year. It includes all up-to-date news on projects and Branch Life. The website, namely **mothersunionllandaff.org.** is currently being reviewed for a refresh. There is also a Facebook account to keep members updated with news and events.

During 2025, the Trustee Board met frequently, either in person or on Zoom; Deanery Leaders and Officers meetings were held, to discuss and disseminate information to branches and members. In 2025. The individual Units of the Trustee Board met either on Zoom or in person on a regular basis to undertake the work of the Charity through its many initiatives and to ensure that communication is kept at its highest level. A report from each Unit is presented at the Trustee Board meeting.

All Trustees have signed the Trustee Code of Conduct produced by Mothers' Union.

The Trustees have considered the requirements of the Charity Commissioners regarding public benefit and are satisfied that the activities of the Llandaff Diocesan Mothers' Union meet these requirements.

Highlights

As this was a newly elected Trustee Board with a significant change to some posts, 2025 was a period of transition. In addition, 2026 is the year in which MU celebrate 150 years, and significant time was spent in planning events in addition to the routine events.

The Behind Closed Doors resource continued to be displayed across the Diocese. was also displayed in the Faith Tent at the Pride Festival in Cardiff.

The use of a Zoom account, with a subscription which is renewed annually, enables greater communication across the Diocese. The Zoom account enables Units, Deaneries and Branches to meet and communicate effectively throughout the year.

Annual Gathering: The Annual Council meeting was held in St Elvan's Church Aberdare, with Guest Speaker, Retired Bishop Richard Fenwick. The decision to move the event around the diocese and not based in Cardiff, has proved successful with an increase in membership attendance.

Ongoing Projects

(1) 'Away from it All'

This is our main project and members continue to focus their fundraising activities during the year to provide families who have met with adversity or in need to get a way for a week's holiday, free of charge. Members give their time freely and work tirelessly to raise funds, as this project relies entirely on the membership plus any 'sponsored' events that may arise. The season lasts for 32 weeks. It was occupied by 30 families. One week is kept available for members to visit, and one week was not taken up by neighbouring Diocese. Families receive a supermarket voucher for £25 to purchase basis essentials at the start of the holiday. Children are given a gift of a teddy for younger children and items for activity for them to do during the week. Breakdown of occupancy as follows: Total adults 64 (over 55 – 15) (55 and under 49). Children 13+ 11. Children 12 and under 46. Adults with physical or mental health problems 31. Children with physical or mental health problems 21. Single parent families 7. Led by female 6. Led by male 1. Purchased outside Llandaff Diocese 6 (Swansea & Brecon 4) Monmouth (2 one week not taken) Rhondda Rotary (1). Sponsored by Clergy/MU 18. Sponsored by Church Outreach worker (6) and sponsored by outside body (6).

The site chapel is also available for use, and impromptu services have been led by our Diocesan Chaplain, and other Clergy during their visits.

(2) Gender based Violence and Domestic Abuse Campaign

The Diocesan exhibition developed to raise awareness of Domestic Abuse in all its forms and signpost victims to sources of support is continually being used. Working in partnership with Welsh Women's Aid, Restored-UK and Llandaff Diocese the BehindClosed Doors mobile exhibition features 16 small acrylic doors, 16 life-sized silhouettes and a pop-up banner with the Live Fear Free contact details, so that if the exhibition triggers awareness of abuse and individuals need to seek help, they can do so. All materials are bilingual. Different types of Domestic Abuse are featured by means of 16 case studies, provided by Restored but

(3) Wedding Fairs

The Action and Outreach Unit have reached out to the community by promoting Christian Marriage at Wedding Fairs throughout the Diocese with attendance at three National Wedding Fairs held in the Cardiff City Stadium, Leckwith, Cardiff during the year.

(4) (Outreach work with Park Prison)

A branch in the Bridgend Deanery has taken responsibility to work with Invisible Walls, an organisation who help families stay connected through change

(5) Outreach Work

A range of projects exist across the Diocese (see appendix A) as members have been highly creative by various craft projects – knitting, sewing and supporting food banks. Supporting members, especially those who were isolated and lonely continues to be a priority.

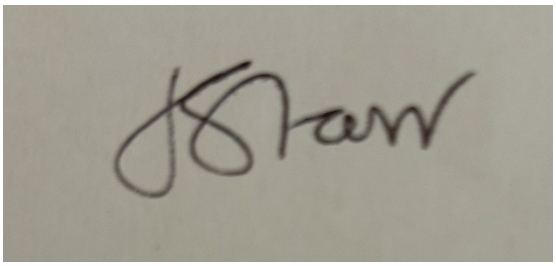
(6) Faith Development

The Faith Development Unit organised several faith events, such as a Quiet Day, Advent Praise and Advent Retreat. The Annual Wave of Prayer was provided for members to follow in their branches or follow online. The annual Diocesan Festivals were held in the month of May and were highly successful in allowing members to worship together and enjoy fellowship over lovely refreshments provided by the hosting branch of Mothers' Union. We are grateful for the commitment shown by clergy across the Deaneries in leading these services. The Diocese held a service to start the 16 Days of Activism Campaign in November, and individual branches also held this time for prayer during the 16 days. 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based-Violence is an annual international campaign running from 25 November (International Day. It urges global action to prevent and end violence against women and girls.

(7) Future Plans

It is the Trustees wish to undertake their responsibility and work more closely to support leaders and members across the diocese and continue with its preparation for the 150th anniversary of MU.

The Trustees agreed the accounts on 6 October 2026



Jean Starr
Llandaff Diocesan President

Appendix A – List of Projects at Branch, Deanery and Diocesan Level 2025			
Branch, Deanery or Diocese		**Project**	
Llandaff	Diocese	Supporting family life	Weeklong caravan holiday

			at Treco Bay Porthcawl
Llandaff	Diocese	Praying	A range of prayer-based events that occur daily, weekly, monthly, or annually - Quiet Days, Advent Carol Service, Retreats, Deanery Festivals, Diocesan Prayer Diary, Prayer Chain
Llandaff	Diocese	Praying	Communication via What's App with linked Diocese Nebbi in Uganda exchanging news, photographs, and mutual prayers
Llandaff	Diocese	Campaign	Behind Closed Doors exhibition developed to raise awareness of Gender-based Violence and Domestic Abuse.
Llandaff	Diocese	Campaigning	To support 16 Days of Activism, Llandaff Diocese MU arranged a service at St Martin's Church, Caerphilly, on 25 November. Most branches in the Diocese were represented and showed commitment to the campaign, beginning the 16 Days together as a diocese. Each member took part in a candle lightning ceremony within the service, and the candle was then taken back to branches and used as part of the ongoing commitment to Rise Up.
Rhondda	Deanery	Gifts of love	Providing ingredients for healthy meals at a home for residents with mental and social health issues (Gwalia Housing)
Rhondda	Deanery	Nurturing faith	Carols and mince pies with residents (Gwalia Housing)
Rhondda	Deanery	Gifts of love	Providing Christmas gifts for families who are on the edge and struggling to survive (Valleys Kids)
Pontypridd	Deanery	Gifts of love	Supply ingredients for older clients who have had drug and alcohol addiction, to cook a meal together. This develops

			life skills (Castle House, Treforest)
Pontypridd	Deanery	Gifts of Love	Supply toiletries, Christmas gifts, Easter Eggs to young homeless adults 18-25 yra in emergency accommodation. Provide "Moving On" packs- bedding and household items when ready to move into a flat or other supported living unit, POBL Housing, The Grange, Pontypridd.
Pontypridd	Deanery	Supporting Family Life	Annual social event to fund raise for AFIA caravan
Penarth & Barry	Deanery	Campaigning	Social fundraising events for various MU projects e.g. Colour Fair, Garden party
Cynon Valley	Deanery	Gifts of love	Supplying ingredients for residents to cook a lunch monthly
Cynon Valley	Deanery	Gifts of love	Provide home set-up packs and toiletries for residents as they move into independent living accommodation
Cynon Valley	Deanery	Gifts of love	Supplying toiletries and gifts to Women's' Aid (mothers and children) at Christmas, Easter, and Summer
Merthyr & Caerphilly	Deanery	Campaigning	Social fundraising events for various MU projects e.g. Colour Fair, Skittles Evenings
Merthyr & Caerphilly	Deanery	Nurturing Faith	Pilgrimage of Cross of Nails, starting at Llandaff, and calling at all branches to the top of the valley, Pant
Neath	Deanery	Campaigning	Social and community fundraising events supporting various MU projects. E.g. afternoon teas, Colour fairs.
Cwm Ogwr	Branch	Nurturing faith	Open the Book project with local schools
Coychurch	Branch	Supporting Family Life	Fundraising for AFIA
Coychurch	Branch	Gifts of Love	Following a service for Mary Sumner Day, a Bring and Fundraising event

Llangarw	Branch	Crafting	Knitted items for Warm Baby project, Angel Pockets for Liverpool Hospitals
Llangarw	Branch	Developing Skills	Sponsor a child, Rashida, who lives in Kampala by paying for her schooling
Llangarw	Branch	Crafting	This cot sheets have been made for the Princess of Wales Hospital baby unit
Pencoed	Branch	Nurturing faith	Open the Book project with local schools
Pencoed	Branch	Supporting family life	Annual Easter Afternoon Tea to raise money for AFIA
Pencoed	Branch	Offering Service	Supporting Church Activities – Fairs, Refreshments
Pencoed	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Monthly Service at Care Home
Pencoed	Branch	Gifts of Love	Operation Christmas Child, Knitting hats and scarves
Pencoed	Branch	Offering service	Food Bank Helpers and donation to Food Bank
Pencoed	Branch	Gifts of Love	Christmas Collection of items for the Homeless
Pencoed	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Messy Church
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Supporting Family Life	Fundraising for AFIA through Lent and Advent lunches
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Gifts of Love	Crafting knitted items for local hospitals and care homes
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Supporting families at Baptisms.
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Gifts of Love	Donations to foodbanks for the local community
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Offering Service	Supplying support at monthly services in a local care home and helping at various craft making days in the home
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Gifts of Love	Work with “Invisible Walls” an organisation who support families of prisoners, by giving selection boxes at Christmas
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Crafting	Make toiletry bags for new mothers

Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	AFIA	Provide resources and make wet weather bags for caravan
Llangynwyd with Maesteg	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Involved in delivery Messy Church each month
Newcastle	Branch	Gifts of Love	Fairtrade supporting poor communities through sale of goods
Newcastle	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Supporting families at Weddings, Baptisms, Funerals. Baptism Visits and Children's Corner in Church
Newcastle	Branch	Supporting Family Life	Fundraising for AFIA
Newcastle	Branch	Gift of Love	Crafting baby items knitting items for residential care homes, twiddle muffs and blankets
Newcastle	Branch	Gifts of Love	Donations to Foodbank for the Homeless
St Brides Minor	Branch	AFIA	Afternoon Teas to raise money for the caravan
St Brides Minor	Branch	Gifts of Love	Collect donations for local Food Bank
St Brides Minor	Branch	Crafting	Make wet weather bags for AFIA caravan
St Brides Minor	Branch	Gifts of Love	Give the Princess of Wales 100 net bags containing candles for Christmas
St Brides Minor	Branch	Nurturing faith	Ensure the church is open on Mother's and Father's Day for visitors to come inside the church
St Brides Minor	Branch	Gifts of Love	Collect toiletries for Women's Refuge
St Brides Minor	Branch	Gifts of Love	For last 20 years collected 150+ shoe boxes for Overseas
Aberaman	Branch	Gifts of Love	Knitting Items such twiddle muffs for Care Homes and hospital wards
Aberaman	Branch	Gifts of love	Fundraising for AFIA Caravan
Aberaman	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes for five young people aged 16-19 years in supporting housing to prepare a meal together.

			Together with donations throughout the year of toiletries, cleaning products, food (Codi Housing)
Aberaman	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food. Toiletries, cleaning products to older clients in supported housing who have had drug, alcohol and mental health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support workers (Codi Housing)
Aberaman	Branch	Gifts of Love	Supporting the Foodbank
St Fagan's Aberdare	Branch	AFIA/Gifts of Love	Fundraising for caravan and filling wet weather bags
St Fagan's Aberdare	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes to five young people aged 16 to 19 years in supported housing to prepare a meal together. Together with donations throughout the year of toiletries, cleaning products, food (Codi Housing)
St Fagan's Aberdare	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food, toiletries, cleaning products to older clients in supported Housing who have had drug, alcohol and mental
			health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support worker (Codi Housing)
St Fagan's Aberdare	Branch	Offering Service	Provide weekly Tea and Toast mornings for the community
St John Baptist Aberdare	Branch	AFIA	Raise funds for caravan

St John Baptist Aberdare	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes for five young people aged 16 to 19 years in supported housing to prepare a meal together. Together with donations throughout the year of toiletries, cleaning products, food (Codi Housing)
St John Baptist Aberdare	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food, toiletries, cleaning products to older clients in supported housing who have had drug, alcohol related and mental health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support workers (Codi Housing)
St Lleurweg's Hirwaun	Branch	AFIA	Raise funds for caravan
St Lleurweg's Hirwaun	Branch	Gift of love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes to five young people aged 16 to 19 years in supported housing to prepare a meal together. Together with donations throughout the year of toiletries, cleaning products, food (Codi Housing) Supply the five young people, when moving on to independent living in flat with a "Home setup Pack" which included bedding, towels, toiletries, cleaning products and food
St Lleurweg's Aberdare	Branch	Gift of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food, toiletries, cleaning products to older clients in supported housing who have had drug, alcohol and mental health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support workers (Codi Housing).
St Lleurweg's Aberdare	Branch	Crafting	Knit sofa bed throws for the clients supported in our 2 projects with Codi Housing, also knitted

			items for the Baby Bank
St Lleurweg's Aberdare	Branch	Offering Service	Provide weekly "Come & Chat with Tea & Toast for
St Mary Madgalene's Cwmbach	Branch	AFIA	Fundraise for caravan
St Mary Madgalene's Cwmbach	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes for five young people aged 16 to 19 years in supported housing to prepare a meal together. Together, with donations throughout the year of toiletries, cleaning products, food (Codi Housing)
St Mary Madgalene's Cwmbach	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food, toiletries, cleaning products to older clients in supported housing who have drug, alcohol and mental health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support workers (Codi Housing)
St Margaret's Mountain Ash	Branch	AFIA	Raise funds for caravan
St Margaret's Mountain Ash	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food, toiletries, cleaning products to older clients in supported housing who have had drug alcohol and mental health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support workers (Codi Housing)
St Margaret's Mountain Ash	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes for five young people aged 16 to 19 years in supported housing to prepare a meal together. Together with donations throughout the year of toiletries, cleaning products, food (Codi Housing)

St Winnifred's Penrhiwceiber	Branch	AFIA	Raise funds for caravan
St Winifred's Penrhiwceiber	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide monthly fresh food boxes for five young people aged 16 to 19 years in supported housing to prepare a meal together. Together with donations throughout the year of toiletries cleaning products, food (Codi Housing)
St Winifred's Penrhiwceiber	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide throughout the year parcels of food, toiletries and cleaning products to older clients in supported housing who have had dug, alcohol and mental health issues. Also, with fresh food to enable them to cook a meal with support workers (Codi Housing)
Bargoed	Branch	AFIA	Financial support for the AFIA caravan, latterly through a Prize Draw, sponsoring local families
Bargoed	Branch	Gifts of love	Facilitating transfer of fishnchip jumpers to Uganda
Bargoed	Branch	Nurturing Faith	At Easter creating an Easter Tree for prayer requests at Church Some members help at funerals
Bargoed	Branch	Gifts of love	Provide toiletries for the homeless
Caerphilly	Branch	Gifts of love	Collecting toiletries for dignity packs for Llamau Women's Refuge and Tyfu Charity supporting homeless in the town Contributions to Foodbanks
Caerphilly	Branch	Crafting	Knit baby blankets, shawls and cardigans for Cwtch Babh Bank for Wales
Caerphilly	Branch	Nurturing faith	Providing Baptism cards and Anniversary of Baptism cards
Caerphilly	Branch	Crafting	Christmas knitted tree project - leaves made into blankets and given to Care Homes, locally.

Caerphilly	Branch	AFIA	Financial support for AFIA caravan by way of fundraising lunches etc
Caerphilly	Branch	Gifts of love	Providing resources for wet weather bags for children holidaying in AFIA caravan
Caerphilly	Branch	Developing Skills	Help members use technology – Zoom, emails and use of devices
Caerphilly	Branch	Nurturing faith	Providing spiritual support to members through Devotions, Reflections and Wave of Prayer. Daily prayers are held in St Martin's Lady Chapel for members to attend during 16 Days of Activism
Caerphilly	Branch	Campaigning	Achieved Domestic Abuse Bronze, Silver and Gold Rise Up award
Caerphilly	Branch	Campaigning	Support St Martin's Church by taking part in the Caerphilly Flower Festival, by providing a display to promote Mothers' Union]
Caerphilly	Branch	Offering service	Offer weekly support by visiting indoor members. Birthday cards, get well cards and prayers are frequently sent
Caerphilly	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Part of the Church team in providing help and support to married couples before and after weddings. Part of the Church Funeral team
Caerphilly	Branch	Gifts of Love	Mothers' Union Knit and Natter Group use the local library as a safe warm space, without cost. Therefore, money is collected each week and given to local charities
Caerphilly	Branch	Gifts of Love	Knitted blanket and cardigans sent to the Ukraine
Caerphilly	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Crochet crosses (made with wool, so there are no hard edges) so that residents cannot injure themselves. are given to the Clergy to take to Care Homes as part of their

			missionary
Llanfabon	Branch	Gifts of love	Easter Eggs, Advent Calendars & Selection Boxes to the Foodbank attached to St John's Church. Toiletry bags to Refuge. Tea Lights in gift bags to patients in hospital on Christmas Eve, this was done through the Chaplain, Rev Avril Padfield
Llanfabon	Branch	AFIA	Practical and financial support for AFIA caravan in the form of a Dutch Auction
Llanfabon	Branch	Campaigning	Have applied for Bronze Award Rise Up. Currently working towards the silver award
Llanfabon	Branch	Crafting	One of our members has been making small gift bags for general use, and more specifically, bags to hold the toiletries donated to the local Women's Refuge.
Llanfabon	Branch	Offering Service	Volunteering for coffee members, warm spaces and foodbank, providing children's lunch boxes during the school summer holidays. Work closely with Llamau in support of local Refuge
Llanfabon	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Provide spiritual support through prayers in our church and at Mothers' Union meetings. Special MU meetings include Pilgrimage of the Cross of Nails, Wave of Prayer and Stations of the Cross at Easter
Pant Dowlais	Branch	Gifts of Love	Contributing to foodbanks
Treharris	Branch	Gifts of love	Providing warm clothing and Christmas gifts to Merthyr Tydfil Homeless Outreach Project
Treharris	Branch	Campaigning	Raising awareness of Domestic Abuse. Achieved Bronze award
Treharris	Branch	AFIA	Fundraising – Make Easter Simnel cake "Guess the

			weight”
Treharris	Branch	AFIA	Fundraising – making shopping bags, toilet bags, glasses cases
Treharris	Branch	AFIA/Crafting	Making teddies for the caravan
Treharris	Branch	AFIA	Collecting wet weather bags for caravan
Treharris	Branch	Gifts of Love	Donations of knitted and non-knitted baby clothes to the Baby Bank at St David’s Church, Merthyr
Treharris	Branch	Gifts of Love	Donation of Food Parcels to Taff Bargoed Foodbank
Treharris	Branch	Offering Services	Volunteering at Taff Bargoed Foodbank
Treharris	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Supporting and helping Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals
Treharris	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Provide Baptism cards
Ystrad Mynach	Branch	Campaigning	Provide physical support and donations for events for global, diocesan and local fundraising events
Baglan	Branch	Gifts of Love	Shoebox appeal – make knitted items
Baglan	Branch	Gifts of Love	Thrive Women’s Aid – Give sanitary products to support women in need
Pyle & Kenfig Hill	Branch	Offering Service	Provide community coffee mornings
Pyle & Kenfig Hill	Branch	Supporting family life	Fundraising for AFIA and making wet weather bags
Pyle & Kenfig Hill	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Bibles for Baptism
Margam	Branch	Supporting family life	Fundraising e.g. Bring and Buy for MU projects local and worldwide
Newton Nottage	Branch	Offering Service	Monthly tea for the lonely
St Theodores Port Talbot	Branch	Gifts of Love	Supporting Prisoner settle on release – one off
St Theodores Port Talbot	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide resources for local Women’s Aid
St Theodores Port Talbot	Branch	AFIA	Fundraise for the AFIA caravan
Canton Benefice	Branch	Crafting	Knitting for various MU projects
Canton Benefice	Branch	Gifts of love	Providing resources for the Homeless in Cardiff
Canton Benefice	Branch	Gifts of love	Fundraising for AFIA

Canton Benefice	Branch	Gifts of love	Providing resources for Ty Bronna Church Army Hostel (Homelessness)
Canton Benefice	Branch	Campaigning	Various fund-raising events for MU projects worldwide
Fairwater	Branch	Offering service	Provide lunch every Monday for Senior Citizens
Fairwater	Branch	Gifts of Love	Supporting Foodbanks
Fairwater	Branch	Supporting family life	Coffee Mornings every Wednesday for special need
Llandaff	Branch	Crafting	Knitting teddies for children holidaying in AFIA caravan
Llandaff	Branch	Supporting family life	Practical resources and financial support for AFIA caravan.
Llandaff	Branch	Gifts of Love	Donations to the Food Bank / Trussell Trust
Llandaff	Branch	Offering Service	Stewarding and helping in Cathedral Shop
Radyr	Branch	Gifts of love	Providing Christmas gifts for children and single mothers at Hafan Flats
Radyr	Branch	Gifts of love	Making bags, collecting resources for wet-weather bags for AFIA caravan
Radyr	Branch	Gifts of Love	Fundraising for AFIA caravan
Radyr	Branch	Campaigning	Various fund-raising events for MU projects worldwide
St Fagan's	Branch	Offering service	Regular visits to local Nursing Homes providing prayer services every three months.
St Fagan's	Branch	Gifts of love	Financial support for AFIA
St Fagan's	Branch	Campaigning	Various fund-raising events for MU projects worldwide
Whitchurch	Branch	Crafting	Knitting suitable items for Dementia Sufferers e.g. Twiddlemuffs. Items for Baby Unit in UHW
Whitchurch	Branch	Gifts of Love	Fundraising for AFIA
Whitchurch	Branch	Gifts of love	Donations to foodbanks, items for COVID patients in hospitals
Gabalfa	Branch	Offering service	Members help to collect

			supplies and serve at the weekly Church Food Market
Gabalfa	Branch	Gifts of Love	Financial support for AFIA and collecting resources for wet weather bags
Clydach Vale	Branch	Nurturing faith	Providing Bibles at Baptism
Clydach Vale	Branch	Crafting	Knitting blankets for elderly and homeless
Clydach Vale	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide toys at Christmas Valley Kids, a community development organisation, operating primarily with Rhondda Cynon Taff and in South Wales Valleys.
Clydach Vale	Branch	Gifts of Love/Crafting	Provide/knit blankets for Invisible Walls
Clydach Vale	Branch	Gifts of Love	Give toiletries and Easter Egg for Rhondda Domestic Abuse Services
Clydach Vale	Branch	Offering service	Support Taliesin Residential Care Home/Services
Clydach Vale	Branch	AFIA	Provide activity packs for caravan
Clydach Vale	Branch	Gifts of Love	Provide food and toiletries for Pantri@Cwm a community food pantry initiative located in Clydach Vale
Ystrad Rhondda	Branch	Nurturing faith	Providing Bibles and cards at Baptism
Llantrisant	Branch	Offering service	Providing support for Dementia Support Group
Llantrisant	Branch	Offering service	Catering for Lenten lunches for the community
Llantrisant	Branch	Gifts of love	Practical support for Parish Food Bank
Llantrisant	Branch	Offering service	One member is a Street Pastor
Llantwit Fardre	Branch	Gifts of love	Regular collections for Pontypridd Deanery projects at the Grange
Llantwit Fardre	Branch	Offering service	Visit residents in local residential home
Llantwit Fardre	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Participation in craft activities and food provision for Messy Church
Llantwit Fardre	Branch	Gifts of love	Collect donations for Taff Ely Food Bank
Llantwit Fardre	Branch	Crafting	Sale of cards, homeless

			marmalade, jams and chutneys for AFIA funds
Pontypridd	Branch	Offering service	Visit local residential homes
Pontypridd	Branch	Gifts of love	Contributing to the education and rehabilitation of previously homeless adults by supplying ingredients for a meal to be cooked
Pontypridd	Branch	Gifts of love	Collect for Pontypridd Food Bank
Pontypridd	Branch	Gifts of love	Collect Easter Eggs for Romania Charity
Rhydyfelin	Branch	Nurturing faith	Alternating Evensong and Communion twice monthly at local residential homes
Rhydyfelin	Branch	Gifts of love	Collect for Pontypridd Food Bank
Rhydyfelin	Branch	Supporting family life	Organising Children's Clubs during term time
Rhydyfelin	Branch	Nurturing faith	Organising Messy Church
Neath	Branch	AFIA	Afternoon Tea for the community to raise funds for the AFIA caravan. Several community groups attended the event which has led to subsequent referrals
Neath	Branch	Nurturing Faith	Confirmation candidates 16 children and 8 adults, received a gift bag from MU which included a woven bracelet with a cross and a prayer card. The adults also received a leaflet about the work of MU. MU members prepared and served refreshments to the congregation, following the service. A display board with photos of MU projects and membership information was accessible to all who attended
Neath	Branch	Supporting Church with Clergy	The membership provides refreshments for Diocesan Clergy Training Day, which was held in St David's Church, Neath. A display

			outlining its aims and objectives is provided and has led to a few discussions with clergy who may not have a branch in their parish
Neath	Branch	Community Support	Handmade poppies made for display in a cascade outside St David's Church, Neath, in the weeks leading up to Remembrance Sunday. In addition, poppy garlands made for the local air cadets HQ on behalf of MU Leader/Squadron Chaplain. The longest serving member in the branch 65 years and also a WW2 veteran. The link with Mothers Union' forms part of the display and recognised by the local community.
Neath	Branch	Community Support	Making baby clothes, blankets, knitted hearts, hand crafted gift cards, donations of baby requisites etc for Village Cwtch. This is a community resource for parents and new mums where items are …….
Neath	Branch	Community Support	Supporting 2 local primary schools. On St David's Day, supporting class teachers with craft and cooking activities. Also provided hand size knitted hedgehogs (Hedge Hugs) for a reception class who had to face the sudden and sad loss of a classmate. Providing hedgehogs to children moving from nursery to reception to hold if they feel sad/overwhelmed etc. Provided handmade doves and gifts to Y6 children who are being confirmed
-Neath	Branch	Community Support	Making baby clothes, blankets, knitted hearts, hand crafted gift cards,

			donations of baby requisites etc for the Village Cwtch. This is a community resource for parents and new mums where items are provided free of charge. It is a safe welcoming environment where MU members take the donated items and interact with families, chatting over coffees etc, donated items are all taken to families on an outreach basis. Visiting school fetes etc
Neath	Branch	AFIA	5 families have been referred by the LA Family Engagement Officer who works with children and families in need in local schools. Each family has, and will benefit through the session
Colwinston Llandow and Llysworney	Branch	Crafting	Knitting colourful teddy bears for children visiting the AFIA caravan
Colwinston Llandow and Llysworney	Branch	Fellowship	Annual Skittles match between Llantwit Major and St Brides Major to have fun and keep members active
Colwinston Llandow and Llysworney	Branch	Fellowship	Summer outings to encourage members to visit interesting places
Colwinston Llandow and Llysworney	Branch	Gifts of Love	Joining Llantwit Major and St Brides for special services during the year when collections are given to MU projects in the UK and abroad
Llantwit Major	Branch	Supporting family life	Work with babies and toddlers (Tiny Treasure Seekers) is almost entirely supported by MU and runs during the school time every week
Llantwit Major	Branch	AFIA	Fundraise for the AFIA caravan and for MU projects at home and overseas
Llantwit Major	Branch	Gifts of Love	Fundraise for additional appeals such as the Summer Appeal
St Brides Major	Branch	Gifts of Love	Support Llamau refuge with toiletries and

			household items for moving on bags
St Brides Major	Branch	AFIA	Knit teddies and make bags for raining days in the caravan
St Brides Major	Branch	Gifts of Love	Regularly take supplies to the Foodbank in Bridgend and Llantrisant
St Brides Major	Branch	Nurturing Love	Ensure Behind Closed Doors Exhibition in St Bridget's Church and Ewenny Priory display Bronze Rise Up Award for Domestic Abuse

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees

Charity Name: LLANDAFF DIOCESAN MOTHERS UNION

Registered Charity Number: 250224

Financial Year Ended: 31st December 2025

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity for the year ended as stated above.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes 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. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matter has come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: [signature]

Name: SUSAN DARLACOTT

Relevant Professional Body / Qualification (if any):

Address: 18 THORNBURY CLOSE, RHIWBINA, CARDIFF CF14 1UT

Date: 19.09.2026

	2025				2024				2023		
	Diocese (£)	Branches and Deaneries (£)	Consolidated (£)		Diocese (£)	Branches and Deaneries (£)	Consolidated (£)		Diocese (£)	Branches and Deaneries (£)	Consolidated (£)
Fixed Assets											
Tangible asset - caravan	31,685.00		31,685.00		36,965.00		36,965.00		42,245.00		42,245.00
Investment - National Savings Bonds	40,000.00		40,000.00		40,000.00		40,000.00		40,000.00		40,000.00
Current assets											
COIF account	15,295.51		15,295.51		14,669.00		14,669.00		13,954.00		13,954.00
Current account	33,386.56		33,386.56		29,841.98		29,841.98		17,005.00		17,005.00
Branch & deanery accounts		27,920.21	27,920.21			29,633.12	29,633.12			35,303.00	35,303.00
Cash in hand		2,567.82	2,567.82			1,201.46	1,201.46				0.00
Deposit accounts		1,658.22	1,658.22			218.30	218.30				0.00
Total	**120,367.07**	**32,146.25**	**152,513.32**		**121,475.98**	**31,052.88**	**152,528.86**		**113,204.00**	**35,303.00**	**148,507.00**
Accumulated Fund											
Brought forward	121,475.98	31,052.88	152,528.86		113,204.00	35,303.00	148,507.00		130,974.00	30,148.00	161,122.00
Adjustment to closing balances			0.00			(5,753.08)	(5,753.08)				0.00
Net receipts	3,544.58	1,093.37	4,637.95		12,836.98	1,502.96	14,339.94		(13,482.00)	5,155.00	(8,327.00)
Caravan investment (Note 1)	-5,280.00		(5,280.00)		(5,280.00)		(5,280.00)		(5,280.00)		(5,280.00)
Interest on COIF account	626.51		626.51		715.00		715.00		992.00		992.00
Total	**120,367.07**	**32,146.25**	**152,513.32**		**121,475.98**	**31,052.88**	**152,528.86**		**113,204.00**	**35,303.00**	**148,507.00**
Difference	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00				
Note 1											
Caravan investment 10% depreciation		32,146.25									
£5,280 annually											