

CANFORD MAGNA CHURCHES, DORSET

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE
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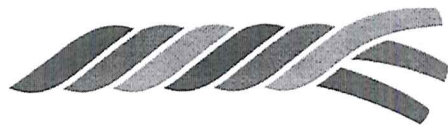
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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CANFORD
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**Parish of
Canford Magna**

Annual Report

for the year

2025

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Parish includes three churches: Canford Magna Parish Church; the Lantern Church and St. Barnabas Church Bearwood. It is part of the Diocese of Salisbury within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Barnabas Church Office, King John Avenue, Bearwood, Bournemouth, BH11 9TF.

The PCC is a registered Charity (Number 1137810), and is governed by the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended and Church Representation Rules.

PCC members who have served during the year are:

Chairman	Revd. Mike Tufnell
Team Vicars	Revd. Peter Myres (until January 2026) Revd. Matt Smith
LLM	Mr David Wells Mr Paul Eaton (from December 2025)

Churchwardens:

Parish Church	Mrs Nicola Smart Mr Iain Stevenson
St Barnabas	Mr Michael Raymond Mrs Lynn Rowe
The Lantern	Mrs Rebecca Huntingford Mr Peter Owen

Representative on General Synod: Mrs Fiona Norris

Representatives on the Deanery Synod:

Mrs Jane Hazell
Mr David Grant
Mr Chris Weall
Mrs Hanna Wallace
Mrs Tina Waterman
Mrs Rachel Yetton (from May 2025)

Elected members representing Canford Magna Parish Church

Mrs Sarah Emberley
Mrs Annette Scott
Mr Stephen Orman
Mr Peter Triplow

Elected members representing St. Barnabas

Mr Ron Fletcher
Mr Pete Wilson
Mr Graham Woollard

Mr James Tarring (from May 2025)

Elected members representing the Lantern Church

Mr Al Tyndall

Mrs Maria Kane

Yvonne Harlow (from May 2025)

Mr Steve Dean (from May 2025)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Standing Committee Members: Revd. Mike Tufnell (Chairman)
 Revd. Peter Myres
 Revd. Matt Smith
 Business Forum Chair Mr David Wells

Wardens: Mr Iain Stevenson, Mr Michael Raymond and Mr Peter Owen

To carry out its aims and objectives the PCC also has the following Sub-committees:

Parish Church PCC Sub-committee, St Barnabas PCC Sub-committee,
The Lantern PCC Sub-committee and the Business Forum PCC Sub-committee.

These meet at least four times a year, are accountable to the PCC and the three church sub-committees have the following responsibilities:

1. Accountability for income and expenditure relating to their own church
2. Maintenance of their own building (s)
3. Discussion of any matters appertaining to the life of their church which normally come under the remit of the PCC.

The purpose of the Business Forum sub-committee is to discuss the non-ministerial governance of the PCC to bring informed proposals to the PCC for discussion and approval, thereby allowing the PCC to focus on vision, mission and prayer.

OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES

Canford Magna PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Team Rector and Team Vicars in promoting the whole mission of the church in the ecclesiastical Parish: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC also owns the Canford Magna Centre and part of the detached churchyard and has maintenance responsibility for the Pulse (Canford Magna Village Hall); 2 Chichester Walk and the Lantern Hub.

The Diocese of Salisbury maintain the clergy residences.

Parish Numbers

There were 389 parishioners on the church Electoral Roll for 2025, 180 of whom are not resident within the Parish.

Review of the Year

The PCC met 6 times in 2025. (plus the meeting directly after the APCM).

The average level of attendance at the meetings was 81% which is higher than the last year.

The PCC has received regular reports from the Parish Treasurer, the three church Sub-Committees, Safeguarding, Youth and Children's work in the parish, the Mission Committee and the Business Forum, keeping up to date with what is happening across the parish. The appointment of officers for each Sub-Committee were approved.

The Standing Committee did not meet in 2025.

Statement of Parochial Church Council's Responsibilities

Charity law requires the Council to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of its financial activities for that period and adequately distinguish any material special trust or other restricted fund of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c) state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate SORP on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to assume that the charity will continue.

The Council is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charity, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud or other irregularities.

Public benefit, objectives and activities

The PCC have given due regard to public benefit when planning the church's activities, in accordance with section G2 and G3 of the Charity Commission's General guidance on Public Benefit (January 2008). The paragraphs above and below set out the PCCs activities, achievements and performance during the year, which are directly related to the objects and purposes for which the church exists.

The church achieves its principal objects and purposes through:

- high quality public worship, both traditional and contemporary

- pastoral care and support of those in need
- promotion of Christian aid, mission agencies and other charitable causes.

These benefits are directly related to the aims of the church and are fully compliant with Principles 1 and 2 of the Charity Commission Principles on Public Benefit.

The PCC participates in the Pension Builder Scheme section of CWPF for lay staff. CWPF is administered by the Church of England Pensions Board, which holds the CWPF assets separately from those of the Employer and other participating employers.

CWPF has two sections:

1. the Defined Benefits Scheme
2. the Pension Builder Scheme, which has two subsections;
 - a. a deferred annuity section known as Pension Builder Classic, and,
 - b. a cash balance section known as Pension Builder 2014.

Reserves Policy:

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance of readily available unrestricted funds which equates to approximately three months unrestricted payments to cover emergency situations that may arise from time to time. The balance of £976,362 of unrestricted current assets at the year ended 31 December 2025 more than covers this target.

Pension Builder Scheme

Both sections of the Pension Builder Scheme are classed as defined benefit schemes.

Pension Builder Classic provides a pension, accumulated from contributions paid and converted into a deferred annuity during employment based on terms set and reviewed by the Church of England Pensions Board from time to time. Discretionary increases may also be added, depending on investment returns and other factors.

Pension Builder 2014 is a cash balance scheme that provides a lump sum which members use to provide benefits at retirement. Pension contributions are recorded in an account for each member. Discretionary bonuses may be added before retirement, depending on investment returns and other factors. The account, plus any bonuses declared is payable, unreduced, from age 65.

There is no sub-division of assets between employers in each section of the Pension Builder Scheme.

The scheme is considered to be a multi-employer scheme as described in Section 28 of FRS 102. This is because it is not possible to attribute the Pension Builder Scheme's assets and liabilities to specific employers and means that contributions are accounted for as if the Scheme were a defined contribution scheme. The pensions costs charged to the SoFA in the year are the contributions payable (2025: £13,649, 2024: £11,731).

A valuation of the Pension Builder Scheme is carried out once every three years. The most recent valuation was carried out as at 31 December 2022.

For the Pension Builder Classic section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £34.8m on the ongoing assumptions used. At the most recent annual review effective 1 January 2026, the Board chose to grant a discretionary bonus of 10% to both pensions not yet in payment and pensions in payment in respect of service prior to April 1997; and a bonus on pensions in payment in respect of post April 1997 service so that the pension increase was also 10% (where usually it would be calculated based on inflation up to an annual cap of 5% for pensions in payment in respect of service prior to April 2006 and 2.5% for pensions in payment in respect of service post April 2006). This followed improvements in the funding position over 2025. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

For the Pension Builder 2014 section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £8.5m on the ongoing assumptions used. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

The Church of England Pensions Board has agreed that some employers could use assets in the DBS of the CWPF in lieu of contributions to Pension Builder Classic and/or Pension Builder 2014. You will see this information on your DBS statement which will be sent separately.

The next valuation is being carried out as at 31 December 2025.

The legal structure of the scheme is such that if another employer fails, the PCC could become responsible for paying a share of the failed employer's pension liabilities.

SAFEGUARDING REPORT

Our parish safeguarding strategy continues to be aligned to the five Safeguarding Standards set by the National Safeguarding Team and adhered to by the diocese of Salisbury. For 2026 the diocese will be focusing on Standards 1 & 4 to explore in greater depth.

1. Culture and Leadership
2. Prevention
3. Responding to Risk
4. Victims and Survivors
5. Learning, Supervision and Support.

Once again, in November the parish took part in National Safeguarding Sunday which we believe helps to develop the culture that Safeguarding is Kingdom business & everyone's responsibility.

Alongside our pastoral safeguarding work directly with church family members, we continue to work on the necessary administrative tasks. We work closely with church officers and team leaders in support of safer recruitment & people management, offering face to face training and help with completion of DBS check requirements as needed.

The Safeguarding Dashboard continues to inform our compliance and action planning, and we are pleased to be able to report our piloting of the Safeguarding Hub and Dashboard has enabled us to trial and recommend some amendments to the system. However, since the minimum requirements for volunteer training and criminal record checking have been revised, there have been additional administrative demands on the PSO's time, hopefully in the short term. We are pleased to be able to report that the PCC has authorised some additional hours of administrative support to assist with this.

We are extremely thankful to the diocesan safeguarding team and everyone in the parish for their ongoing support in our endeavours to create environments that are both welcoming and safe. Their contributions play a vital role in ensuring that our parish stays a place where everyone feels secure and supported. We remain committed to developing a culture where any concerns can be raised and are responded to openly, promptly and consistently.

We are pleased to be able to report that the PCC has complied with the duty to have "due regard" to the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Good Practice Guidance.

Judi Hatchard, Jane Hazell & Barbara Jaggs
Parish Safeguarding Officers

BUSINESS FORUM REPORT

The Business Forum (BF) is the 4th Sub Committee (in addition to the three Church Sub Committees) that meets within the framework of the PCC. It meets to discuss non-ministerial governance of the PCC, to bring informed proposals and recommendations to the PCC for discussion and approval.

It comprises a PCC-approved chair and secretary, the individual church treasurers, along with Safeguarding and H&S representation, and a warden from each church. The parish clergy attend plus additional representation, as required.

The BF met throughout 2025 (5 meetings in total), generally a few weeks in advance of PCC meetings. The meetings continue to be conducted using TEAMS (except for the first meeting following the APCM) and have reviewed the ongoing and emerging business activities of the church.

During 2025, consideration has been given to the role of Team Treasurer and whether that should continue in its traditional form. Following initial exploration of several options, the model that is being developed is based on the three church treasurers comprising the Treasurers Team, within which many of the Team Treasurer activities are implemented. The Team Treasurer role outline has been deconstructed, and each activity has been systematically tested by shared load within Treasurers Team. New role outlines for the church treasurers and the chair of the Treasurers Team (selected from one of the church treasurers) will be completed, following the 2026 APCM (after a full year cycle).

Parish finances are presented to the BF and reviewed in advance of being reported to the PCC. The treasurers, along with the sub-committees, met the deadlines set out in a schedule to deliver the 2026 budget to the PCC for approval before 2025 year-end. In an increasingly volatile financial environment, great care and much prayer was invested in 2026 budget preparation.

Health and Safety is a regular agenda item for the BF and has provided a platform for parish-wide and individual church issues to be raised. Lessons from experience can be reviewed and the outcomes cascaded appropriately to the individual church H&S reps.

Safeguarding is also a regular agenda item, with the safeguarding input to PCC being presented, in advance, to the BF. Safeguarding is reported in greater detail elsewhere in this report.

David Wells

Business Forum Chair

PARISH CHURCH REPORT

I'd like to begin by introducing our new 'Welcome Statement' This statement has arose out of a sense of 'Who we are' and 'Where God is leading us', where we are seeing God at work within us and within this community. I'll use some of the main points as our headings for this year's report

Welcome to Canford Magna Parish Church

Whether you're here for the first time or returning home, we're so glad you've found your way to our community. Our church is more than just stone and stained glass - it's a living space of worship, renewal and friendship.

Here, ancient rhythms of prayer meet the vibrant pulse of today. We gather to worship, to serve and to grow in the way of Jesus through Bible-centred teaching and the transformative power of the Holy Spirit. From quiet contemplation to joyful song, from deep tradition to fresh expressions of faith, there's room here for your story, as together we explore and join in with God's story. So **'come as you are'**. Bring your dreams, your doubts, your voice. Let's journey together in grace, love, justice and hope.

You are welcome. You are wanted. You belong.

Radical Welcome and Belonging

So this past year has been a busy one but a wonderfully enjoyable one, welcoming all sorts of folk into the church, whether that be for a fleeting visit at a baptism, a funeral or a wedding or to a fun filled summer garden party, or a packed out Carol service, whatever we have done, whoever has arrived at our threshold, we have welcomed all with the sense that this beautiful old building is here for all and has been for many centuries. Some have returned and begun to sense the warmth of our welcome more regularly and are building that sense of belonging. We have seen some older couples joining us who find the Parish Church service fits them well at this stage in their lives and we've helped to make them feel loved and valued. Friends from the Canford Wine Circle have joined us on Sundays and have benefited from the Alpha Course. Funerals ministry has helped many folk this year say goodbye to their loved ones in a warm and sensitive way that has brought with it a great sense of the Christian hope through the resurrection of Christ. 23 funeral services in the past 12mths at the Parish church.

We are of course not confined to just the church building, the CMC has also welcomed in many, Breakfast@9 has had a great year of being a church that is open to all who might find regular church a step too much and feedback has suggested

that we provide a space that is great for families with children who have SEND. More leaders stepping up this year from our families including our youngsters, many of whom attend the wonderful Refuge Youth Group on a Wednesday evening. A huge thanks to the team who have helped hold all this together over these past 18 months.

Growth in Faith through Worship and Shared Journey

We looked at whole life worship over Lent last year and it was a great time of togetherness as we all met on Tuesday Evenings and Thursday Mornings to do our study. We studied Journey/Pilgrimage over the summer with some fantastic film evenings enjoyed by many, looking together at life as a journey on Sundays, recognising that we all face the hills and the valleys, the joys and the suffering and that together we can help carry one another. We've made space for quiet contemplation, understanding 'worship' in its broadest sense, embracing a variety of ways to seek, encounter and serve God together. It's been such a joy to see so many new folk, young and old, getting involved in leading our sung worship.

We continue to journey with our many mission partners and this year we were made aware that the Dufatanye mission in Rwanda were in need of a larger school building. Andrew Corke pulled on his Skis and raised over £11,000 pounds by skiing the height of Everest and the length of a marathon in one day. Wonderful! Thankyou Lord for those generous gifts!

Living Out Love, Grace, Justice and Hope

Everything we do is rooted in the teachings and incarnational ministry of Jesus. We seek to embody love, grace, justice, and hope in our actions and relationships, allowing these values to guide us as we serve one another, our communities and the wider world. Our visits to Magna Care have produced so much fruit this year, some wonderful relationships being built among a wonderful group of people who are living out their later years together. Our Holy communion services have brought so much comfort to their lives, with faith renewed in many of them. Stories of hope shared to help lift them above their present circumstances, encouragements given to help them to pray for each other regularly.

We said our farewells to dear 'Raffle Roy' recently, his last few years bought alive by finding the hope of Jesus.

My report last year spoke of us becoming closer and being able to discuss some of the things that could easily divide us. This year, that was put to the test. I felt strongly about not remaining a silent voice around what was happening in Israel and Gaza and the concerns that I and others shared about the displacement of Palestinians in the occupied territories. We were blessed to be able to welcome

Nick Papadopoulos the Dean of Salisbury Cathedral to come along and to share what he himself had witnessed whilst working with the UN during his sabbatical. Nick spoke well and avoided anything controversial or theologically divisive and on the whole many people were very thankful for his visit, although some did find the evening very difficult and made their feelings known. I had a couple of very hard conversations with some in the following weeks, but we have managed to chat things through in a civil manner.

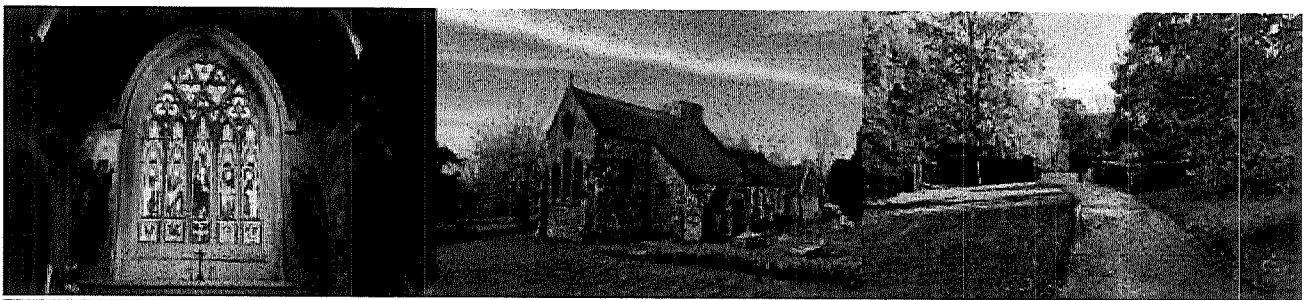
Embracing Tradition and Fresh Expression

This site has been a place of prayer for over 1000 years. We honour the rich history and enduring traditions of the Church while also exploring new expressions of faith. By blending ancient practices with contemporary relevance, we aspire to make our worship and community life speak meaningfully to people wherever they are on their faith journey and into the culture of today.

At Lent and at Advent we held one off quiet contemplative services with some contemporary music, these services helped to create a space for folk to listen carefully to God, to allow the spirit to speak to us, a valuable and precious time was enjoyed, with a wonderful time of fellowship in the Rectory following the Advent service. Wild church created a wonderful space for creativity at Christmas, with a beautiful reflective moment together around the fire as we heard a story about an angel that gave the good news to the shepherds. Beautiful woodland angels were created from, logs their wings woven from reed. Pastor Carbonara, has paid a few visits this year, bringing his unique sense of Italian love and flair to both our congregations, helping our younger folk to understand some of our well-known bible stories. Bellissimo!

Rev Matt Smith

Parish Church



St BARNABAS CHURCH REPORT

'Not to us Lord, not to us, but to your name be the Glory' - Psalm 115

Overview

During the last year St Barnabas has continued to 'build bridges' into the community developing relationships and trust, which is bearing fruit in the favour and visibility St Barnabas is gaining within Bearwood. There have been a number of staff changes, including the stepping down of the Team Vicar, for personal reasons, resulting in the church entering an Interregnum (further details below). In everything, St Barnabas trusts the Lord, and we have seen his hand in the ministry and mission of St Barnabas this year, bringing much encouragement, and so we declare the verse above from Psalm 115.

Teaching

Our teaching series over the year have included: St John's Gospel, 'From Fisherman to Fisher of Men' (Following the discipleship of the Apostle Peter). A study of the Letter of James and during the autumn we followed the Lectionary readings. St Barnabas hosted an advent course 'Reviving Advent, Reclaiming Christmas' during which we reflected on, and compared, the Nativity and our hope in Jesus' Second Coming. St Barnabas is forever grateful to the retired clergy within the parish who regularly visit to teach and support our Sunday worship. 'Thank you' to them.

Mission and Ministry

Over the last few years St Barnabas has focused ministry and mission locally on engaging with Bearwood, building friendship and trust with our community. Outreach has included a monthly Craft Group, Ladies Lunch, Golden Classics Film Club, a Hope Explored Course, Youth Club, Community Christmas Lunch and the Children and Families ministry. In addition, Café Church a monthly Sunday service provides an informal, accessible and crafty creative approach to worship. Several new families who attended Café Church now attend church on a 'regular' Sunday. Encounter is a monthly evening service which began 18 months ago. A quiet open space with no agenda or formal liturgy but a moment within which to dwell with God. This has become a precious time for a small number of church members, and it is hoped this will continue through the interregnum. Bearwood Village Fete is going from strength to strength each year. The fete is hosted by St Barnabas in partnership with the Bearwood Community Centre and aims to bring the community together giving it a sense of identity and belonging as well as enabling St Barnabas to build relationships and share the good news of Jesus. This year, amongst craft stalls, Bake Off Competitions, music, raffles, a visit by the Local Fire Brigade, Splat the Rat and

Sumo Wrestling there was a wonderful sense of joy, fun and increased attendance. The vision is to continue to grow the event, aiming to stage it on Lionheart Fields, and develop a community group who will organize and fund it in the future.

Christmas Events

Of particular note is the encouraging engagement by local families with our Community Carol Service, supported by the growing Primary School Choir, and the Christingle Service hosted on Christmas Eve for the first time which was attended by ninety adults and children; churched and unchurched families double the number of people the previous year.

New Housing Development

The new houses in Canford Vale, on the other side of the Magna Road, are being built at a rapid pace. To date St Barnabas has not proactively engaged with this opportunity for good reasons such as the lack of available hands and feet. However, there is a wonderful Kingdom opportunity to pick up in the future.

Mission Partners

This year has witnessed a significant shift in our engagement with our Mission Partners, increasing their visibility within the church. A new Church Mission Team has been established to nurture our relationships and to promote the work of mission partners within the church. We hosted our first 'Mission Sunday' attended by several of our partners who were able to share testimonies. We also welcomed a new partner 'LunchBowl' (The Lunchbowl Network - Donate) which supports young children in the Kibera Slums of Nairobi in Kenya. We also now set aside one Sunday a month to specifically pray for our mission partners.

Children and Families

Seedlings Baby & Toddler group is thriving and welcomes over forty children each week. Due to high demand, Seedlings now runs two sessions each week (during term-time). Many parents and carers who have met via Seedlings have fed back that they have made lasting relationships and that the group has made a positive impact on their early experiences of parenthood and beyond. Roots & Shoots baby group launched in February for parents and carers with St non-walking babies. This group was created to support parents who found Seedlings overwhelming and needed a smaller group for gentle play, and to meet other new mothers. Maternity leave and life with a newborn or young baby can be lonely and isolating, and we have witnessed the positive impact of Roots & Shoots over the past year. Bearwood Primary & Nursery School: Our work in school continues, with Open the Book Assembly and supporting assemblies led by PACE. The Children's Worker also spends time in school each week to hear children read. Bearwood School

enjoyed coming to church for two days before Easter for 'Experience Easter', where they explored the Easter Story through different 'Experience Stations'. They also visited for Harvest Festival Assembly. Drop Ins / Seasonal Festivals: We host morning 'drop-ins' during the school holidays and festival times (Hot Chocolate Drop In, Craft Drop In, and Easter Gardens). Over seasonal festivals we have provided other events to engage families including 'Where's Jesus', a play on 'Where's Wally' for which small figures of Jesus were hidden around Bearwood. Children and families searched for Jesus and could bring their 'treasure' to the church to claim an Easter egg. Wonderful to have children coming into church to claim an easter egg declaring 'I've found Jesus!'. Other events this year have included a Light Party and film afternoons. All these events are building new relationship with local families, but it takes time.

St. Barnabas Church Youth Project

In 2025 the project has continued to host the Friday Night Youth Club 'Xtreme', at the Community Youth Centre. We have 2 sessions running: Juniors, for school years 7 & 8 and Seniors, for yr 9+. With 11 leaders and helpers for the first session and 5 for the senior session – all have DBS training where appropriate. In the past year new things have been tried like sushi making and henna tattoos for our 'Indian night'. We are looking forward to inviting school year 6 to join the junior session from February 2026. U2N2 meet alternate Sundays in the church for discussion, games and activities with a Christian theme/message. This term we will be looking at 'Vox' the youth version of 'Christianity Explored'. In August 2025, 13 leaders and young people went to the 'Satellites' youth camp, a fabulous time had by all.

Staffing

We had a change in administration staff at the end of 2025, as Rachael Jouan stepped down and Abbie Shoosmith joined us in January 2026.

Finances

Once again, we thank God for his provision in all its many ways, but particularly with regards to finance. Thanks must go to the generosity of members of the church who once again have displayed great faith in this area. This year the church had a year-end deficit, though smaller than expected, and a deficit is budgeted again for 2026. General operating costs for the church have remained generally level over recent years, but the increase in Fairer Share is particularly putting pressure on church finances. St Barnabas recognises that this needs to change over the next year or so with the available reserves being reduced to around £34,000 at the year end of 2025. What is more vulnerable is the funding of the Children and Families Staff role for which known grant funding ends at the end of 2026. The Joseph Rank Trust and the Aldhelms Mission Fund have generously given a combination of £17,500 a year

for 3 years towards this role, with the remainder raised by St Barnabas. For this role to continue, St Barnabas will need to raise over £30,000 a year as of 2027.

This ministry role is seen as vital to the ongoing fruitful mission and ministry in St Bearwood. The subcommittee have allocated the work to apply for grants to a team.

Interregnum

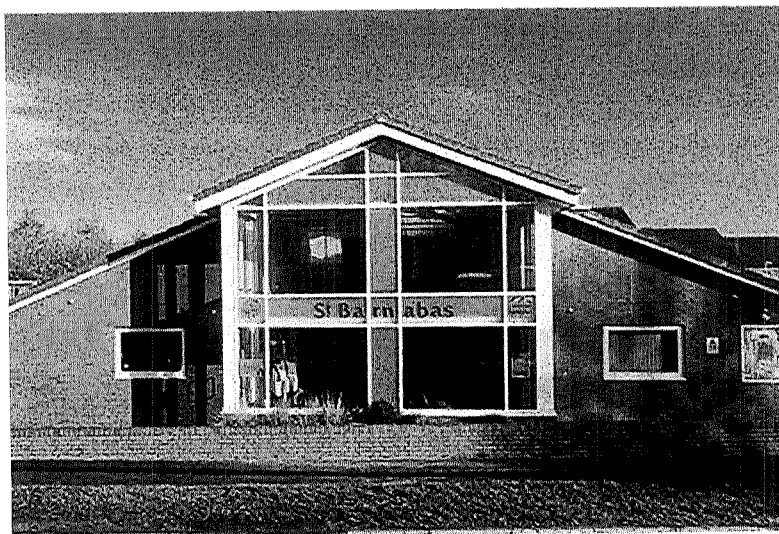
Due to personal reasons Revd. Peter Myres reluctantly made the decision to step away from Parish Ministry. With support from Revd. Mike Tufnell and Bishop of Sherbourne it was agreed that Peter would finish at the end of January 2026.

Resultantly as the reporting year ends, St Barnabas has entered an Interregnum and is in the process of preparing a Parish Profile before recruiting a new team vicar. The Subcommittee and the Core Leadership Team are leading the weekly ministry during this time supported by the parish more widely.

At Peter's final Sunday, where he expressed his sincere gratitude and thanks to St Barnabas and the parish more widely for their love, support and encouragement during his time in post, he reminded St Barnabas to continue to pursue a 'Caleb Spirit' – Being confident in God, Confident in who we are in Christ, and to have a sense of adventure. He also challenged the church to maintain the momentum St Barnabas has gathered over recent years in being outward looking and community focussed and to maintain their core value of offering an 'unconditional welcome' to all who come seeking Jesus, a golden thread within the DNA of St Barnabas.

Revd Peter Myres

St Barnabas Church



THE LANTERN CHURCH

Vision: A family of God sharing his heart to reach the lost, grow the found and transform our communities.

*“Teach me your way, Lord, that I may rely on your faithfulness;
give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.” Psalm 86:11, NIV*

What a year to give thanks for! 2025 has been one of the most encouraging and faith-filled years I can remember in ministry here at the Lantern. As we reflect on all God’s goodness, we should be overwhelmed with gratitude — and equally aware that the best is yet to come. The momentum of new people arriving at church and coming to faith has not let up. We now have two midweek groups from the last couple of years, full of Alpha course ‘graduates’, and followers of Jesus. We are encouraged by frequent signs of people far from faith wanting to explore Jesus and the Bible as they search for hope and purpose in our world. Testimonies are being shared regularly in our Sunday services, friends are inviting friends, teenagers bringing their parents along, with other members of the family following. It would only be honest to also reflect that some have had a tough time personally in the last year, and so reflecting on gospel hope has been a theme, and I’m always moved by examples of the love and care shown to one another in the church community, and the support of our Pastoral Care Team. So, we have seen battles and blessings – we worship Jesus in all circumstances and must remain spiritually hungry, prayerful and put on the full armour of Christ.

Midweek groups and prayer: ‘Engines Out, Sails Up’

Listening to feedback on the last three years, we reset our midweek groups with a model to incorporate Growth Groups, Community Groups and Equip Groups. We hope these will encourage all of us to connect more deeply, grow in our apprenticeship of Jesus and reach out to our community.

Throughout the year we have felt a deepening sense of calling to prayer and dependence on the Holy Spirit. The phrase *‘engines out, sails up’* has become something of a watchword for us. Rather than relying on our own programmes and energy to direct us, we are seeking to be more fully led and empowered by God. This has shaped our Sunday morning times of gathered prayer, our midweek rhythms of prayer, worship and fasting. At the start of 2026 we will be exploring our church values and how they form the culture for our vision to become reality – including that emphasis on being increasingly a people of prayer, dependent on the Holy Spirit.

Raising Generations: Kids, Youth and Families

Our kids and youth ministries continue to be a fruitful area of church life. Paula and her incredible youth team — now strengthened by Jack Shannon, who joined as Assistant Youth Pastor in August — are doing a remarkable job. Jack brings energy, a passion for teaching the Bible and a wonderful heart for young people, and we are so grateful for his appointment after a competitive process.

Our Tuesday night youth group and monthly Friday youth clubs continue to provide safe, welcoming spaces for community young people to belong, to have fun, and to find faith in Jesus, and deepen their Christian walk. Ruth, our beloved Kids and Families Pastor, stepped down from her role in July 2025 after fifteen wonderful years of faithful, fruitful service. We celebrated her at a special Sunday service and are deeply grateful for everything she has poured into the children and families of this church and wider community — she leaves an immeasurable and eternal legacy. Alex Morris, Ruth's trusted (p/t) assistant has provided invaluable continuity, and after an extended period of reflection and prayer — supported by amazing volunteers again - we are delighted she has agreed to step up to a (nearly) full time role as our new Kids and Families Pastor.

Serving All Ages: Seniors and Community Outreach

It is one of the great joys of this church that we seek to serve people at every stage of life. Mixed Blessings continues to bring friendship, warmth and the love of Jesus to many of the seniors in our parish week by week. Midweek communion also. And the Shine Network — led so faithfully by Tony and Roz Hanson — has continued its innovative Famous Lives outreach, drawing many non-churchgoers into conversations about faith through the stories of Christians like William Wilberforce, Gladys Aylward and Eric Liddell. And we've seen people in those latter years come to new faith in Jesus through that and our latest Alpha course.

Schools Ministry

We continue to be so grateful for Skittles, our detached schools chaplain, whose work in five local schools goes from strength to strength. Through chaplaincy, assemblies, Christian Unions, youth clubs, skateboarding and Bible Studies, he gets alongside young people who are often struggling and offers the presence and love of Jesus in a very practical way — and gives away a Bible to them whenever he can too! He is also a huge support to local teachers. What a gift he is to this community.

New Wine and other mission partners

We continue to be blessed, and a blessing to others in the New Wine network, supporting local church leaders through Hub gatherings and Team days, as well as partnering with other local churches for New Wine Celebration evenings, seeking to

keep the spiritual temperature up and connect local believers. The summer NW Festival at Shepton Mallet was a joy for those able to attend and the Leadership Network, including annual conference continues to enrich our church family and staff team. We support mission partners across the world — from Japan and India to Kenya, Serbia and Romania. It is a joy to see how the generosity of this church family is helping to share the gospel: reaching people in Japan, marginalised communities in India, Roma communities in Eastern Europe, couples through Marriage Week International, the Maasai in Kenya, and those experiencing homelessness in Poole. Because we partner in this work, each of these lives has encountered something of the gospel of Christ over the past year

New Associate Minister for The Lantern Church

After many months of hopes, prayers and planning the Lantern Sub Committee decided, with the encouragement of the Diocese, to pursue the employment of an ordained Associate Minister to support the growing work here at The Lantern. We were overwhelmed by the support of the church family and the Lord's generosity, shown through a significant rise in regular giving that will fund the role and, with further generosity, help us purchase a long-term ministry house for the Associate. Following a successful application process, Rev'd Will Burditt has been appointed to the role and has now joined the staff team (as of Feb 2026) following his curacy at nearby Blandford Parish Church. We are excited to see what God has in store for Will and his family here and hope to be a blessing to them as they undoubtedly will be to us and our community.

Looking Ahead: 50 Years of the Lantern

2026 marks a truly significant milestone — the 50th anniversary of the Lantern opening its doors. We plan to celebrate in style: a special birthday service on Sunday 17th May, followed by a community outreach weekend from 23rd–25th May, where we plan to bless the neighbourhood with a community lunch, car washing and more, in collaboration with our local community. We are also planning a church weekend away at Castle Court from 17th–19th July, with John McGinley as our guest speaker, helping us to envision the next fifty years together. What an opportunity to give thanks, celebrate stories and seek God for what lies ahead.

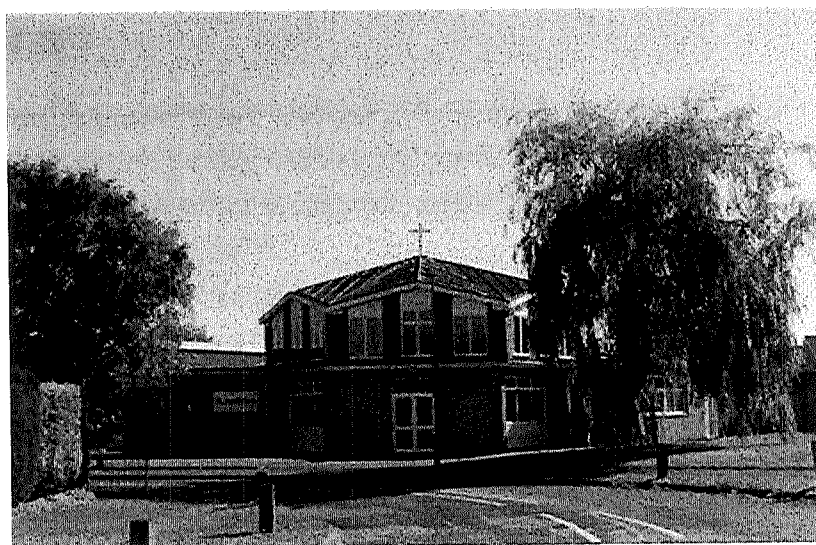
With Gratitude

I rejoice in being part of this church family and our exceptional staff team. Special thanks to my wardens Bex Huntingford and Peter Owen, and perhaps a shout out for our treasurer Steve Dean as well, who has had a LOT (extra) to do this year and done it all so cheerfully and faithfully. I am so grateful for *the whole church*,

everyone is a beloved part of this family of God, playing their part in our shared life together. To God be the glory.

As we look to the year ahead — 50 years of the Lantern, a new Associate Minister, a weekend away to look forward to and much more besides — let us do so with faith, perseverance, joy, and above all, deep love for Jesus and for one another.

Rev Mike Tufnell
The Lantern Church



MISSION REPORT

Our three churches continue to tithe their income and give additional offerings to support mission work locally, nationally, and internationally. In the past year, a total of £108,412 was distributed to mission organisations and individuals — an increase of £22,000 compared to 2024.

In July, the main Mission Account was closed, and the remaining funds were divided among the three churches to share amongst mission partners. Each church is now responsible for transferring its own tithes to the relevant partners.

We have added a couple of new charities to our Category A giving: New Wine and Skittles Shanks, a detached youth worker based at the Lantern Church; while sadly losing Poole Missionary Communities, which has now closed.

Although working as three separate churches has presented some challenges, the arrangement is now running smoothly and effectively with three individual mission groups, but who meet termly.

Sharon Ramond
Mission Treasurer

TEAM RECTOR'S REPORT

Once again, I find myself deeply encouraged by what God is doing across Canford Magna parish. No words can do justice to the faithful, often unseen service of so many — but I've tried to highlight some of the significant moments here, with the individual church reports filling in further detail.

St Barnabas

It would be impossible to begin anywhere other than with a heartfelt tribute to Peter Myres, who has now stepped down from his role as vicar at St Barnabas after nearly four years of faithful ministry. Peter has been a great friend and a faithful colleague. He is great fun, has brought enormous gifts of pastoral warmth, missional creativity and theological depth. He and his ministry there will not be forgotten, and he leaves the church healthy and hopeful for the future. He has forged deeper relationship with Bearwood primary and other community connections through creative outreach - who'll forget the hundreds of mini-Jesus figures they distributed around the community at Easter – bringing new people to St Barnabas as they returned them for a prize!?

And of course, through the pioneering and courageous appointment of Hannah as their Children & Families Worker, St Barnabas is growing younger and more diverse. We pray for the Myres family with deep gratitude and real affection as they move into their next chapter, and we hold St Barnabas in prayer as we navigate this season of interregnum together.

I also want to particularly encourage Hannah Tarring and Lol Scott-Farnell, whose work to grow the seeds of the gospel in the children, young people and families of Bearwood is inspiring. Every time I visit, I rejoice at the growth I see amongst the younger generations within the life of the church.

Canford Magna Parish Church

At the Parish Church, Matt and Lisa continue to lead with extraordinary creativity, pastoral care and evangelistic energy. The church has seen quite a number of their members 'promoted to glory' in the last year, but they also continue to see new members amongst all ages and in their services offer something unique and complimentary to what is offered in the wider parish. I want to pay tribute to all those who have stepped up to ensure that Breakfast@9, the toddler group and new youth are flourishing, despite the absence of the loved and greatly missed Sharon

Cooksley. We pray for them as they seek a part-time Children and Families Missioner in the year ahead. There is great gospel opportunity ahead for the Parish Church, with new housing on the Parish Church's doorstep and I know Matt and Lisa have been encouraged in their early efforts to reach out to that developing community. The church have recently applied for some CIL funding to develop their facilities to enable them to be even more effective in their hospitality and mission. Last but not least, we should all be hugely grateful for Carrie, faithful, diligent and so capable as their administrator and helping with wider parish Diocesan reporting.

The Lantern

I encourage you to read The Lantern's own annual report for the full picture of all God has been doing there, but I want to highlight a few things here with relation to the staff team. The licensing of Will Burditt as Associate Minister in February 2026 is an answer to years of prayer and planning, and his appointment at the end of 2025 marks an exciting new chapter for the church. In our Kids and Families ministry, we gave thanks in 2025 for Ruth Grist's fifteen years of wonderful, fruitful service in leading that ministry. And give thanks for Alex Morris, Ruth's assistant for a couple of years, stepping up in responsibility and providing continuity, but bringing her own personality to the role. And we are delighted that Jack Shannon has joined Paula's team as Assistant Youth Pastor — his appointment feels timely and Spirit-led, and we look forward to seeing the youth ministry go from strength to strength under their joint leadership.

In closing...

Financially, 2025 has been a year of encouragement and faith rewarded, but we must remain prayerful as we look forward. The parish (as a whole) closed the year with a surplus of around £68,000, but faith is required with resources to be stretched even further in 2026. We pray we can sustainably resource what God is calling us to within the parish and continuing to pay our growing Diocesan share request.

The forthcoming year also marks a very special milestone: the 50th anniversary of the Lantern opening its doors in 1976. As a parish family, we will celebrate this - giving thanks for fifty years of God's faithfulness and asking God to envision us afresh for the next fifty.

Whether you serve coffee or children, lead a discipleship group or stack chairs, preach occasionally or pray quietly at home, give financially or simply show up faithfully week by week — you are indispensable. You are the Church. Thank you.

Team Rector
Canford Magna Parish



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PCC OF CANFORD MAGNA CHURCHES

I report on the financial statements of the Parochial Church Council of Canford Magna for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 1 to 28.

Respective responsibilities

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.


Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 financial statements, 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 matter has come to my attention, which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: *24 April 2026*



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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
		£	£	2025 £	2024 £
Incoming resources					
Donations	2(a)	664,147	7,250	671,397	583,128
Other voluntary incoming resources	2(b)	96,892	69,068	165,960	141,020
Church activities	2(c)	121,502	-	121,502	115,031
Other incoming resources	2(d)	11,774	8,933	20,707	20,846
Investment income	2(e)	174	-	174	239
Total incoming resources		894,489	85,251	979,740	860,264
Resources used					
Charitable activities	3(a)	108,412	-	108,412	85,944
Church activities	3(b)	773,153	35,078	808,231	735,418
Total resources used		881,565	35,078	916,643	821,362
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		12,924	50,173	63,097	38,902
Transfers		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		12,924	50,173	63,097	38,902
Balance brought forward					
At 1 January 2025		963,438	854,408	1,817,846	1,778,944
Balances carried forward At 31 December 2025		976,362	904,581	1,880,943	1,817,846

BALANCE SHEET
As at 31 December 2025

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible fixed assets	5	<u>1,474,277</u>	<u>1,481,034</u>
		<u>1,474,277</u>	<u>1,481,034</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	7	33,814	37,376
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>416,508</u>	<u>389,397</u>
		450,322	426,773
Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year	8	(43,656)	(89,961)
Net current assets		<u>406,666</u>	<u>336,812</u>
Net assets		<u>1,880,943</u>	<u>1,817,846</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		976,362	963,438
Restricted		<u>904,581</u>	<u>854,408</u>
		<u>1,880,943</u>	<u>1,817,846</u>

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

Revd Mike Tufnell
Chairman

Member

The notes on pages 19 to 28 form part of these accounts

Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31 December 2025

	2025	2024
£	£	£
Net cashflow from operating activities	48,114	61,995
Cash flows from investing activities		
Interest	174	239
Purchase of fixed assets	<u>(21,177)</u>	<u>(1,410)</u>
Net Cash provided/(used in) investing activities	(21,003)	(1,171)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	27,111	60,824
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January 2025	<u>389,397</u>	<u>328,573</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2025	<u>416,508</u>	<u>389,397</u>
Net income before investment gains	63,097	38,902
Adjustments		
Depreciation charges	27,934	23,971
Interest	(174)	(239)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	3,562	3,430
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	<u>(46,305)</u>	<u>(4,069)</u>
	<u>48,114</u>	<u>61,995</u>
Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash in hand and at bank	<u>416,508</u>	<u>389,397</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**For the year ended 31 December 2025****1. Accounting policies**

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Account Regulations governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, together with FRS102 as the applicable accounting standards and of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2019(FRS102)). The accounts are shown in pounds sterling.

These accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis as there is no material uncertainties about the ability to continue.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. Restricted funds represent monies put aside for building works.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts for church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Incoming resources - Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on covenants or gift aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised by conferences and similar events are accounted for gross.

Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued**For the year ended 31 December 2025****Income from investments**

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Resources used

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

All expenses including the diocesan quota or parish share are accounted for when due.

Fixed assets – Consecrated land and buildings and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993.

Costs relating to the refurbishments have been included in the accounts and are being written off over 10 years on a straight line basis with no depreciation charge until works are completed.

Movable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a facility for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected at any reasonable time. For such inalienable property acquired prior to 2005, there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Items acquired since January 2005 are capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life on a straight line basis. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, or on the repair of movable church furnishings acquired before January 2005, is written off.

Other un-consecrated properties are included at cost. They are considered to be essential to the life of the charity and are maintained to a high standard of repair. They are subject to a depreciation charge of 1%.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 December 2025

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 10 years or less. Electronic equipment is depreciated on a straight line basis over 3 years.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at a bank.

Creditors

Amounts owed by the PCC as 31 December are shown as creditors

Gifts in kind

Any gifts in kind received over the value of £500 will be shown as a note to the accounts.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

For the year ended 31 December 2025

2. Incoming resources

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£			£
2(a)						
Donations						
Planned giving	528,850	6,000	534,850	441,869	1,720	443,589
Income tax recoverable	105,699	1,250	106,949	121,064	-	121,064
Collections	18,160	-	18,160	15,957	-	15,957
Sundry donations	11,438	-	11,438	2,518	-	2,518
	664,147	7,250	671,397	581,408	1,720	583,128
2(b)						
Other voluntary incoming resources						
Mission fund	41,953	-	41,953	75,255	-	75,255
Donations	7,526	15,000	22,526	4,840	-	4,840
Grants	25,833	50,127	75,960	30,194	-	30,194
Legacies and bequests	20,000	-	20,000	1,000	2,000	3,000
Family and childrens worker	-	140	140	-	24,840	24,840
Love fund	1,150	-	1,150	1,973	-	1,973
Other	430	3,801	4,231	918	-	918
	96,892	69,068	165,960	114,179	26,840	141,020
2(c)						
Church activities						
Events	5,129	-	5,129	7,190	1,972	9,162
Lettings	10,936	-	10,936	12,744	-	12,744
Pre-school	89,231	-	89,231	80,509	-	80,509
Fees	16,206	-	16,206	12,616	-	12,616
	121,502	-	121,502	113,059	1,972	115,031
2(d)						
Other incoming resources						
Bell fund	-	127	127	-	370	370
Church building and roof	-	8,806	8,806	-	1,523	1,523
Youth	11,774	-	11,774	12,529	6,424	18,953
	11,774	8,933	20,707	12,529	8,317	20,846
2(e)						
Investment income						
Dividends and interest including any reclaimed tax	174	-	174	239	-	239
	174	-	174	239	-	239
Total incoming resources	894,489	85,251	979,740	821,415	38,849	860,265

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
For the year ended 31 December 2025

3. Resources used

3(a)	Unrestricted	Restricted Total Funds		Unrestricted	Restricted Total Funds	
	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	2024
Missionary and charitable giving (see note 3d)	£	£	£			£
Mission fund	75,093	-	75,093	65,285	-	65,285
Societies and agencies	16,085	-	16,085	13,730	-	13,730
Individuals	2,683	-	2,683	1,310	-	1,310
Romania	14,551	-	14,551	-	5,619	5,619
	108,412	-	108,412	80,325	5,619	85,944

3(b)

Church activities

Ministry:

Diocesan share	271,593	-	271,593	264,279	-	264,279
Clergy/verger expenses	8,057	-	8,057	3,068	-	3,068
Outreach	7,274	-	7,274	2,870	-	2,870
Other wages	28,467	-	28,467	19,228	-	19,228

Church buildings:

Cleaning	17,465	-	17,465	15,624	-	15,624
Heat, light and water	35,482	-	35,482	32,565	-	32,565
Repairs	14,022	3,977	17,999	18,511	650	19,161
Insurance	9,121	-	9,121	9,704	-	9,704
Grounds	4,572	-	4,572	9,797	-	9,797
Legal fees	-	-	-	6,500	-	6,500
Depreciation	25,314	-	25,314	15,227	2,635	17,862

Services and events:

Altar supplies	53	-	53	264	-	264
Catering	7,732	-	7,732	5,884	-	5,884
Flowers	252	-	252	321	-	321
Music	6,482	-	6,482	5,989	188	6,177
Love fund	1,150	-	1,150	1,973	-	1,973
Events	3,881	399	4,280	3,740	-	3,740
Bell fund	-	90	90	-	-	-

Childrens's, youth and families work

Salaries	109,918	29,300	139,218	93,168	24,840	118,008
Honorarium	3,000	-	3,000	3,000	-	3,000
Programme	18,747	533	19,280	21,071	-	21,071

Preschool

Salaries	67,559	-	67,559	55,938	-	55,938
Consumables	4,448	-	4,448	1,623	-	1,623

Carried Forward	644,589	34,299	678,888	590,344	28,313	618,657
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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)
For the year ended 31 December 2025

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total Funds
	Funds	Funds	2025	Funds	Funds	2024
	£	£	£			£
3(b) continued						
Brought forward	644,589	34,299	678,888	590,344	28,313	618,657
Repairs	3,479	-	3,479	3,606	-	3,606
Outings	-	-	-	378	-	378
Sundries	3,291	-	3,291	1,898	-	1,898
Training	1,447	-	1,447	403	-	403
Magazines, books, tapes	190	-	190	98	-	98
	652,996	34,299	687,295	596,727	28,313	625,040
3(c)						
Governance costs						
Office salaries	87,660	-	87,660	74,099	-	74,099
Computer	4,102	779	4,881	5,822	-	5,822
Postage and stationery	1,372	-	1,372	646	-	646
Photocopying costs	6,812	-	6,812	6,002	-	6,002
Telephone	2,694	-	2,694	2,420	-	2,420
Training	5,735	-	5,735	6,002	-	6,002
Depreciation of equipment	2,620	-	2,620	6,110	-	6,110
Bank charges	1,134	-	1,134	816	-	816
Sundry	4,940	-	4,940	5,509	476	5,985
Accountancy and bookkeeping	3,088	-	3,088	2,476	-	2,476
	120,157	779	120,936	109,902	476	110,378
Total resources used	881,565	35,078	916,643	786,954	34,408	821,362

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
For the year ended 31 December 2025

4. Staff costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries	293,164	254,864
Social security costs	16,369	8,810
Employers pension contributions	13,649	11,731
	<u>323,182</u>	<u>275,405</u>

Average monthly number of employees 25 (2024: 26).

No employee had emoluments in excess of £60,000.

Trustees remuneration

No member received any expenses or remuneration, other than as clergy expenses shown in the detailed notes.

5. Fixed Assets for use by the PCC

	Freehold land & buildings improve's £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets			
Gross book value			
At 1 January 2025	1,442,229	541,373	1,983,602
Additions	14,914	6,263	21,177
At 31 December 2025	<u>1,457,143</u>	<u>547,636</u>	<u>2,004,779</u>
Depreciation			
At 1 January 2025	169,493	333,075	502,568
Charge for the year	2,620	25,314	27,934
At 31 December 2025	<u>172,113</u>	<u>358,389</u>	<u>530,502</u>
Net book value			
At 31 December 2025	<u>1,285,030</u>	<u>189,247</u>	<u>1,474,277</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>1,272,736</u>	<u>208,298</u>	<u>1,481,034</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued
For the year ended 31 December 2025

6. Analysis of Net Assets by Fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed assets	598,654	875,623	1,474,277
Current assets	408,072	42,250	450,322
Current liabilities	(30,364)	(13,292)	(43,656)
Fund balance	<u>976,362</u>	<u>904,581</u>	<u>1,880,943</u>

Analysis of Net Assets by Fund – prior year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed assets	685,740	795,294	1,481,034
Current assets	346,610	80,163	426,773
Current liabilities	(68,912)	(21,049)	(89,961)
Fund balance	<u>963,438</u>	<u>854,408</u>	<u>1,817,846</u>

7. Debtors

	2025	2024
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	25,576	30,427
Other debtors and prepayments	<u>8,238</u>	<u>6,949</u>
	<u>33,814</u>	<u>37,376</u>

8. Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Creditors and accruals	43,656	89,961
	<u>43,656</u>	<u>89,961</u>

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9. Fund details

The restricted funds comprise monies raised for work on Church buildings. The balance is represented as follows:

9(a) Summary of Restricted Fund Movements

Fund name	Fund balance b/fwd	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains & losses	Fund balance c/fwd
	£	£	£	£	£	£
St Barnabas	346,976	-	-	-	-	346,976
General	7,349	-	-	-	-	7,349
Lantern	284,522	-	-	-	-	284,522
Parish youth	4,043	140	(485)	-	-	3,698
Legacy	2,000	-	-	-	-	2,000
Bell Fund	370	127	(90)	-	-	407
Parish church build	1,501	8,806	(4,376)	-	-	5,931
Parish outreach	-	3,801	-	-	-	3,801
Kingfisher	186,333	-	-	-	-	186,333
Roof	771	-	-	-	-	771
Client	5,315	-	-	-	-	5,315
AV	15,227	-	-	-	-	15,227
Lantern Schools Chaplaincy and youth	-	50,127	(30,127)	-	-	20,000
Associate Minister	-	15,000	-	-	-	15,000
House Fund	-	7,250	-	-	-	7,250
TOTAL	854,408	85,251	(35,078)	-	-	904,581

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9(b) Summary of Restricted Fund Movements – prior year

<i>Fund name</i>	<i>Fund balance b/fwd</i>	<i>Incoming resources</i>	<i>Outgoing resources</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Gains & losses</i>	<i>Fund balance c/fwd</i>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
St Barnabas	346,976	-	-	-	-	346,976
General	7,349	-	-	-	-	7,349
Lantern	285,965	-	(1,443)	-	-	284,522
Lantern youth	-	30,459	(30,459)	-	-	-
Parish youth	-	4,519	(476)	-	-	4,043
Legacy	-	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
Bell Fund	-	370	-	-	-	370
Parish church build	-	1,501	-	-	-	1,501
Kingfisher	187,525	-	(1,192)	-	-	186,333
Roof	1,421	-	(650)	-	-	771
Sudan	95	-	-	(95)	-	-
Client	5,315	-	-	-	-	5,315
AV	15,415	-	(188)	-	-	15,227
TOTAL	850,062	38,849	(34,408)	(95)	-	854,408

Lighting Fund : Donations for the repairs and maintenance of lighting

Bell Fund : Donations for repair and maintenance of the bells at the Parish.

Mission : Donations and specific collections for mission work pending distribution.

Kingfisher : Funds collected for the re-ordering of the Parish Church and the expansion of the CMC.

Roof : Funds given for the repair and maintenance of the Parish roof.

Sudan : Funds collected for the twinned diocese of Nzara in South Sudan.

Client : Monies collected on behalf of other pending payment.

AV : funds for the churches AV system

Lantern Schools Chaplaincy : funds for the Chaplain

Associate Minister : funds for the associate minister costs

House Fund : Funds held for the house

10 Designated funds

The unrestricted funds include amounts set aside for mission expenses.

<i>Fund name</i>	<i>Fund balance b/fwd</i>	<i>Incoming resources</i>	<i>Outgoing resources</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Gains & losses</i>	<i>Fund balance c/fwd</i>
Mission Account	33,379	41,953	(75,093)	-	-	239
Mission to Romania	13,419	11,153	(14,551)	-	-	10,021

11(a) Capital commitments

There were no capital commitments at the year end

12 Payments to accountants

	2025	2024
	£	£
Examination work	1,080	1,080
Payroll and accountancy services	2,008	1,396

13 Related parties

There were no material related parties during the year (2024 : nil).

14 Gifts in kind

There were no material gifts in kind received in the year (2024 : nil).