

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Funtington with West Stoke and Sennicotts

For the year ended 31st December 2024

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St Mary's Church, Church Lane, Funtington, Chichester
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Our aims and purposes as a charity

The Parish has remained in Interregnum since November 2023 to date. The PCC now have the responsibility of cooperating with the Sequestrator, the Rural Dean, Jessica Reid, in:

- The promotion of the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England;
- Promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, social, evangelistic and, ecumenical.
- To know Jesus better and make Him better known;
- Practical support and care for people in the parish, from the youngest to the eldest, irrespective of level of need or, ability to pay;
- Providing financial support to those in need and, to other organisations with similar objectives.

What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives

When planning our activities for the year, the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'.

The council has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, fully recognising its duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

For this year we discussed and planned the following objectives and activities to fulfil our aims:

- Enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches.
- Enabling as many people as possible to become part of our church community.
- Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers.
- Maintaining an overview of worship throughout the parish.
- Considering how services can involve the many groups that live within the parish.
- Putting faith into practice, through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament.
- Offering worship and prayer and learning about the Gospel, in small group situations.
- Assisting people from all walks of life to develop their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living within the parish.
- Providing assistance to the poor and needy of the parish with log deliveries.
- Giving grants to charitable organisations – The following Charities were supported this year; The Sanctuary, CYE Christian Sailing Enterprise, St Wilfrid's Hospice, the Royal British Legion, Scripture Gift Mission, Scripture Union, Ukraine relief, Stone Pillow and The Four Streets Project
- Reaching out to the community through social activities. D-Day celebration with a bonfire and barbeque, and our Annual Fireworks and Bonfire night took place in the church paddock, this was very well attended by local families. We hosted a lent lunch also. The collection of food for the Food Bank and Stone pillow carried on throughout the year. Many local charities hold meetings and functions in St Mary's Church room and no charge is made for the use of these facilities for charity use .
- Maintaining the fabric of the church building as a historic centre and focus of life in the village. Ongoing maintenance has taken place in all three churches.

What we achieved and how we affected beneficiaries' lives

Attendance at worship

The church family welcomes visitors from within as well as outside the parish boundary. Visitors attend by personal choice and, it is our great pleasure to welcome anyone from all walks of life to take part in the life of the church. We contend that voluntary attendance to worship the Lord Jesus Christ, is a major demonstration of the public benefit of our activities.

The average regular weekly attendance, counted during October had fallen slightly as we had curtailed one service when our lay reader retired . (35 adults and sadly only 1 x child attends our services regularly). Over the course of the year we have seen a very healthy rise in service attendance during Easter and Christmas . Unfortunately, we have not been able to run our Sunday school due to a lack of leaders.

There has been a large increase in numbers attending our Special services; Easter, Harvest Festival, Advent, Christmas and our Joint parish Eucharists on the 5th Sunday of the month.

Our newly formed "Parish Choir" consists of around 20 singers. So far, they have sung at Easter, the Deanery service for Ascension, Harvest and two Carol Services. In addition, they sing on a 5th Sunday when a combined service will alternate between Funtington and Chidham. This has been a successful and valued addition to our worship. .

Our local Funtington Primary School has held their Harvest celebration and Christmas Service at St Mary's Funtington with the whole school in attendance with their families . The infant class also held a class room session at St Mary's this year .

Christmas was a very special time of celebration where many sections of the community come together to join in the services. Children and adults alike joined-in and memories made. The two crib services and the two Candlelit Carol services were especially well attended.

Likewise during Holy Week and Easter, we saw good numbers of families attending our services. For the second year running, we had the Stations of The Cross at Funtington, and then carried our cross from Funtington to St Wilfrid's Hall, where we had lunch . We then continued the journey to St Mary's, Chidham, for the Veneration of the Cross and Communion. On Easter Morning we held the lighting of the Pascal candle for both the parishes of Chidham and FWSS at St Mary's Chidham. The light was taken to Funtington where the respective paschal candle was lit at the Joint Churches Eucharist service. This was followed by an Easter egg hunt and Hot cross buns.

Teaching, baptising and nurturing new and existing believers

Many of the church congregation have been involved in the midweek discipleship activities. Every fortnight a few people have met for prayer to undergird all our activities. Alternate weeks there is an ideas group which discusses opportunities to extend the church in the parish, and one spin off is the monthly film night which has just started. Two community lunches were held as a result of suggestions. A homegroup meets one evening each week and has followed the Bible Society's Bible Course and Romans Course, an Alpha course and a series on the letter of James. An afternoon study group has been formed and has also benefitted greatly from the two Bible Society Courses.

Evangelism and outreach

A special edition of the Parish Magazine was distributed free to every house in the parish and made an impact. A D-day 80th anniversary celebration was very well attended and was supported by the community choir. The Sennicotts outside nativity service drew in a large number of people from outside our church community. The annual Nov 5th bonfire in the paddock was also a very successful community event for the parish and surrounding area. The Christmas fair which was reinstated drew a large number from the local community and was very well received.

Provision of the church building for people to enjoy

It was with great delight that we celebrated the baptism of one child.

During the year there have been 3 Weddings, one Marriage Blessing, 10 funerals and 4 committals of Ashes.

The main focus this year has been to explore ways in which the church building can be used for events other than services. Accordingly, various groups have used the Church for meetings including Scouts, School and Canine Scenting, thereby bringing people into church that would not normally attend services.

We have hosted many visitors to our Bell tower for ringers of all skills to enjoy our bells.

It is important to us that the church is available for private prayer not just to the church family but to the wider visiting community. To this end the church building of West Stoke and St Mary's Funtington are always open.

Many remark that not only is it refreshing to find an open church but, also the sense of peacefulness and spirituality our churches and the grounds pervade.

Other remarks include the sense of history within; that people of much earlier generations found life and presence there and, comments on the appreciation of the architectural beauty of the buildings and biblical archaeology.

The church buildings.

St Mary's Funtington has completed major repairs to the roof and the installation of Solar Panels. These are providing power to the church and feeding excess back to the grid. It will be necessary to install a smart metre to enable payment to be made from our supplier to the church and is under investigation.

The internal wall of the church tower still has exposed flintwork. We are still waiting for advice from the Architect and DAC concerning the faculty application and whether the rendering should be re-instated completely, in part, or not at all.

St Andrew's West Stoke The cracks around window frames are stable so no further work needed at this time, but they will be monitored.

St Mary's, Sennicotts The missing Iron railings have not been located so some hedging has been planted to fill the gap. Discussions have taken place around improving the lighting in the building, but no decision has been made by the PCC

Services

The Interregnum pattern of Service continued throughout the year. We have relied on Lay Readers, retired Priests and other local Clergy to lead our worship and we are very grateful to them all. It has been no easy task ensuring our pattern of services is covered. This year, we only had 1 x Service that could not be supported by Clergy or lay readers. Combining some services across the parishes we have managed to maintain a Eucharist service each Sunday.

Sadly, due to the retirement of a lay reader, Morning Prayer on the third Sunday at West Stoke has been suspended for the time being.

Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish

We have re-established a specific Pastoral Care Team this year, who are available to visit the sick or lonely and take communion if required. We still work closely with Good Neighbours who provide transport, help and friendship to local people. Many parishioners provide transport for the house bound to enable attendance on a Sunday or for other church functions.

The Church in our Community was primarily launched as an informal prayer group and is open to all in the Parish. This has encouraged some people who are not regular church goers, to attend, explore their faith and be supported.

Charitable giving

With the help of a small sub team the charitable giving of £4,500 was focussed on a small number of charities with which we can develop a stronger relationship. In particular, the link with CYE (Cobnor) has been encouraging. Two of the team visited Funtington to speak at one of our services and our local school has an annual residential visit there. Other local charities included the 4 Streets project and Sanctuary in Chichester.

Staff costs

The PCC only employs one member of staff – the organist.

Trustee payments and expenses

No trustees were remunerated for their role as trustees. Trustee expenses payments are detailed in the accounts note 15.

Why we hold some money in reserve

It is PCC policy keep a minimum of £30,000 in reserves to cover 3 months of expenses. The PCC use a number of money and equity funds in which to invest spare cash, and the performance of these funds is kept under review. We have been advised that the Dora Smith fund, which has been ring fenced for ministry in the parish, should not be spent whilst we are in vacancy.

Structure, governance and management of the charity

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission as required by the Charities Act 2011. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Councils (Powers).

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:

Ex Officio members

Sequestrator: The Rural Dean Rev Jessica Reid

Wardens:

Mrs Phillipa Kerr
(from May 2024)
Mr Paul Wren
(from May 2024)
Mrs Caroline Noble
(from May 2024)

Deanery Synod

Mr Neil Watt
Mrs Caroline Noble

Elected Members

Mrs Denise Foster
Mrs Kay Knowles
Mrs Debbie Hughes
Mrs Jo Wergan
Mr Andrew Hughes
Mrs Gill Boote
Mrs Judy Meeke
Mrs Eloise Rank
Mr James Noble
Mrs Claire Hoare

Secretary

Mrs Carolyn Watt

Treasurer

Mrs Tricia Dry

Assistant Treasurer & Gift Aid

Mr Neil Watt (ex Officio)

Electoral Roll Officer

Mr Andrew Lillie (co-opted)

Safeguarding Officer

Mr Tony D'Alton (co-opted)

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of certain ex-officio members: the priest-in-charge, the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Synod, and 12 members of the church who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Members are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

We have maintained the use of accruals accounting this year, and are extremely grateful to Mr. Nigel Brown, for examining our accounts.

In relation to the accruals accounting the PCC has to review whether the parish is a going concern, and the PCC has agreed this is clearly the case.

This Trustees' Annual Report was **approved** by the PCC.

Statement of Financial Activities

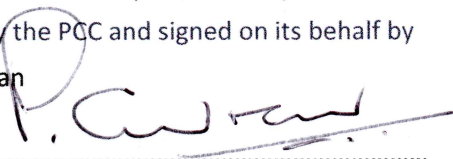
	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	65,996	-	-	65,996	51,279	
Charitable activities	11,517	-	-	11,517	5,771	
Other trading activities	15,401	-	-	15,401	10,804	
Investments	25,096	651	93	25,840	21,204	
Other receipts	382	-	-	382	8,923	
Total income	118,392	651	93	119,136	97,981	2
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	348	-	-	348	288	
Charitable activities	83,242	651	-	83,893	129,794	
Other trading activities	7,463	-	-	7,463	9,701	
Total expenditure	91,053	651	-	91,704	139,782	3
Net gains (or losses) on investments	2,824	-	63	2,887	5,681	
Net income or (net expenditure)	30,163	-	156	30,319	(36,120)	
Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-	7
	30,163	-	156	30,319	(36,120)	
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	
Other gains/(losses)	-	-	-	-	-	
<i>Reconciliation of funds:</i>						
Net movement in funds	30,163	-	156	30,319	(36,120)	
Total funds brought forward	574,239	512	3,373	578,124	614,244	
Total funds carried forward	604,402	512	3,529	608,443	578,124	

Balance Sheet

	Total Funds	<i>Total Funds</i>	
	2024	<i>2023</i>	Notes
	£	£	
Tangible assets	17,915	18,708	
Investments	543,926	519,700	
Total fixed assets	561,841	<i>538,408</i>	8
Debtors	19,354	22,680	10
Cash at bank and in hand	30,932	19,221	14
Total current assets	50,286	<i>41,901</i>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	(3,683)	(2,185)	11
Net current assets or (liabilities)	46,602	<i>39,716</i>	
Total assets less current liabilities	608,443	<i>578,124</i>	
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	-	-	12
Provisions for liabilities	-	-	
Total net assets or (liabilities)	608,443	<i>578,124</i>	
The funds of the charity:			
Endowment funds	3,529	3,373	
Restricted funds	512	512	
Unrestricted funds	604,402	574,239	
Total charity funds	608,443	<i>578,124</i>	

This Annual Financial Report, for the year ended 31st December 2024, including the notes following, was

Approved by the PCC and signed on its behalf by
PCC Chairman



Date 6 MARCH 2025

Notes to the financial report

1 Accounting policies

a Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current (2019) Statement Of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their affiliation to another body, nor those which are informal gatherings of church members.

b Funds accounting

Funds held by the PCC are:

Unrestricted funds - general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Designated funds - monies set aside by the PCC out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects.

Restricted funds - a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest; b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on that fund.

Endowment funds - funds the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used, either as restricted or unrestricted funds, depending on the purpose set out in the terms of the original endowment.

c Income and endowments

All income and endowments are accounted for without deduction for any costs of receivability, are recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable, and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donations and legacies

Collections are recognised when received.

Planned giving receivable is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement, receipt is probable, and the amount accords with the Gift Aid declaration or other record of intention to donate.

Gift aid recovered is recognised when the income to which it is attached is recognised.

Grants and legacies are recognised when the formal offer in writing of the funding, is received by the PCC.

Charitable activities

Fees for weddings and funerals are recognised when the events are in the accounting year and receipt is probable.

Other trading activities

Trading activities are where income is receivable in return for selling goods or providing services. Income from trading is recognised when received.

Investment income

Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

Notes to the financial report (continued)

All other income

All other income is recognised in accordance with the above overall policy.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains are recognised when the investments are sold.

Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation at 31 December.

d Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and accounted for gross.

Grants

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

Church Activities

The diocesan parish contribution is accounted for on an annual basis, reflecting the allocation set by our Deanery. Any parish contribution unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the balance sheet.

e Fixed Assets

Tangible fixed assets

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishing held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected but are not included in the financial statements. For other property acquired prior to 2010 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore the cost of such assets is not stated in the financial statements.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated to write down the cost of tangible fixed assets, excluding freehold properties, over their expected useful lives. The rates we have applied are:

<input type="checkbox"/> Fixtures and fittings - Organ	3%
<input type="checkbox"/> Fixtures and fittings - Solar Panels	10%
<input type="checkbox"/> Audio visual equipment	25%
<input type="checkbox"/> Cooking Equipment	25%

No depreciation is provided on freehold property as it is the PCC's policy to maintain these assets in a continual state of sound repair.

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date.

f Current Assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectible.

Notes to the financial report (continued)

2 Analysis of income and endowments

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Planned giving (gift aided)	37,698	-	-	37,698	36,264	
Planned giving (no tax refunds)	-	-	-	-	-	
Loose cash collections	4,347	-	-	4,347	1,927	
Sumup donations	1,388	-	-	1,388	672	
Donations	1,000	-	-	1,000	2,243	
Gift Aid recoverable	10,708	-	-	10,708	10,173	
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	
Legacies	10,854	-	-	10,854	-	
Grants	-	-	-	-	-	
Donations and legacies	£65,996	-	-	£65,996	£51,279	
Fees for weddings & funerals	9,867	-	-	9,867	5,771	
Visiting Clergy Reimbursement	1,650	-	-	-	-	
Charitable activities	£11,517	-	-	£11,517	£5,771	
Sales of parish magazine	2,688	-	-	2,688	2,688	
Community Events- Bonfire, Fair, D-Day	6,006	-	-	6,006	1,467	
Fundraising	778	-	-	778	1,302	
Church centre hiring fees	3,323	-	-	3,323	3,386	
Magazine advertising fees	2,498	-	-	2,498	1,190	
Refunds	108	-	-	108	770	
Other trading activities	£15,401	-	-	£15,401	£10,804	
Bank & CBF deposit interest	21,567	-	-	21,567	17,991	
Dividends	3,529	651	93	4,273	3,213	
Investments	£25,096	£651	£93	£25,840	£21,204	
VAT Refund	-	-	-	-	8,923	
Other receipts	382	-	-	382	-	
Total income	£118,392	£651	£93	£119,136	£97,981	

Notes to the financial report (continued)

3 Analysis of expenditure on:

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Gift Aid envelopes	99	-	-	99	187	
Sumup expenses	249	-	-	249	101	
Cost of raising funds	£348	-	-	£348	£288	
Charitable grants and donations	4,515	-	-	4,515	4,520	4
Parish share to Chichester Diocese	40,772	-	-	40,772	47,277	
Salaries and honoraria incl tax	773	-	-	773	1,647	5&22
Visiting Clergy	1,650	-	-	1,650	967	22
Council tax	-	-	-	-	1,250	
Water, Gas, Electricity and Oil	4,699	-	-	4,699	4,650	
Wedding / Funeral expenses	3,393	-	-	3,393	1,492	22
Insurance	5,613	-	-	5,613	5,479	
Churchyards Maintenance	8,195	651	-	8,846	7,790	
Church Running Costs	4,772	-	-	4,772	5,184	
Church and Hall cleaning	4,972	-	-	4,972	3,874	
Building works	1,829	-	-	1,829	50,505	
Accounting and Architects fees	-	-	-	-	1,612	
Church maintenance and repair	148	-	-	148	(3,958)	
Diocesan and Deanery fees	828	-	-	828	1,155	
New equipment	643	-	-	643	224	
Liabilities	442	-	-	442	-	
Governance	-	-	-	-	-	
Cost of charitable activities	£83,242	£651	-	£83,893	£133,667	
Magazine Printing	5,185	-	-	5,185	4,284	
Community Events- Bonfire, Fair, D-Day	2,278	-	-	2,278	1,544	
Other trading costs	-	-	-	-	-	
Cost of other trading activities	£7,463	-	-	£7,463	£5,827	
Total expended on all funds	£91,053	£651	-	£91,704	£139,782	

Notes to the financial report (continued)

4 Missionary and charitable giving:

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
<i>St Wilfrid's Hospice</i>	642	-	-	642	-	
<i>Ukraine appeal</i>	500	-	-	500	100	
<i>CYE</i>	927	-	-	927		
<i>Four Streets Project</i>	857	-	-	857	750	
<i>Sanctuary Chichester</i>	357	-	-	357		
<i>Royal British Legion</i>	382	-	-	382		
<i>Scripture Gift Mission</i>	100	-	-	100		
<i>Scripture Union</i>	250	-	-	250		
<i>Stone Pillow</i>	500	-	-	500	100	
<i>DEC Turkey Earthquake Appeal</i>	-	-	-	-	2,070	
<i>Sage House Dementia Support</i>	-	-	-	-	750	
<i>Chichester Area Talking News Appeal</i>	-	-	-	-	750	
<i>Others</i>	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	£4,515	-	-	£4,515	£4,520	

Notes to the financial report (continued)

5 Staff costs

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
a Remuneration						
<i>Wages and salaries</i>	773	-	-	773	1,647	16&22
<i>Employer Social Security Costs</i>	-	-	-	-	-	
<i>Employer Pension costs</i>	-	-	-	-	-	
	£773	-	-	£773	£1,647	

6 Governance

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
<i>Independent examination/Accounts Production</i>	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	

7 Analysis of transfers between funds

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	

Notes to the financial report (continued)

8 Fixed Assets

a Investments

	Unrestricted Fund	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	
Market value 1 January 2024	515,815	512	3,373	519,700	
Additions	-	-	-	-	
Disposals at carrying value	-	-	-	-	
Deposit account interest accumulated	21,339	-	-	21,339	
Net gains and revaluation	2,824	-	63	2,887	
Market value 31 December 2024	£539,978	£512	£3,436	£543,926	

Investments at 31 December 2024 included £430,707 held in a CBF Church of England deposit account

b Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings	Audio visual equipment	Equipment	Total fixed assets	Notes
	£	£	£	£	
Cost or valuation					
At 1 January 2024	-	894	22,182	23,076	
Additions	-	1,679	-	1,679	
Disposals	-	-	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	
Prior Year adjustment	-	-	-	-	
At 31 December 2024	-	2,573	22,182	24,755	
Depreciation					
At 1 January 2024	-	(448)	(3,921)	(4,368)	
Charge for the Year	-	(643)	(1,829)	(2,472)	
Disposals	-	-	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	
At 31 December 2024	-	(1,091)	(5,749)	(6,840)	
Net book amounts					
At 31 December 2024	-	£1,482	£16,433	£17,915	
At 31 December 2023	-	£447	£18,261	£18,708	

Notes to the financial report

9 Analysis of net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Fixed assets for church use	17,915	-	-	17,915	18,708	
Investment fixed assets	539,978	512	3,436	543,926	519,983	
Current assets (except cash)	-	-	-	-	-	
Cash at bank	30,932	-	-	30,932	19,221	
Debtors	19,354	-	-	19,354	22,680	
Current liabilities	(3,683)	-	-	(3,683)	(2,185)	
Long term liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	
	£604,495	£512	£3,436	£608,443	£578,408	

10 Debtors

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Income tax recoverable	5,146	-	-	5,146	4,690	
Prepayments and accrued income	458	-	-	458	1,240	
Chidham PCC loan	13,750	-	-	13,750	16,750	
Other debtors	-	-	-	-	-	
	£19,354	-	-	£19,354	£22,680	

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Deferred income	-	-	-	-	-	
Accruals for utilities and other costs	3,683	-	-	3,683	440	
Other creditors	-	-	-	-	1,745	
	£3,683	-	-	£3,683	£2,185	

12 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Fund/s	Endowed Fund/s	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Deferred income	-	-	-	-	-	
Accruals for utilities and other costs	-	-	-	-	-	
Other creditors	-	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-	

Notes to the financial report

13 Statement of funds

	Balances b/fwd 1 Jan 2024	Income	Expenditure	Transfers, other gains and losses	Balances c/fwd 31 Dec 2024	Notes
	£	£	£	£	£	
Parkinson	3,373	93	-	63	3,529	19
	-			-	-	
Total of all endowed funds	3,373	93	-	63	3,529	
Mothers and Toddlers Fund	250	-	-	-	250	
Sunday School fund	224	-	-	-	224	
Choir Fund	38	-	-	-	38	
West Stoke Churchyard Fund	-	651	(651)	-	-	18
Total of all restricted funds	512	651	(651)	-	512	
General Fund	155,720	94,495	(90,260)	2,824	162,779	17
John Rank Fund	3,951	10,854	-	-	14,805	20
Richard Elwes Fund	4,516	-	-	-	4,516	21
Roof and Church Repairs	138,005	-	-	-	138,005	
Dora Smith Fund	253,340	13,043	-	-	266,382	23
Fixed assets	18,708	-	(793)	-	17,915	17
Total of all unrestricted funds	574,239	118,392	(91,053)	2,824	604,402	
Total funds	£578,124	£119,136	£(91,704)	£2,887	£608,443	

14 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	Total Funds <u>2024</u>	Total Funds <u>2023</u>	Notes
	£	£	
Cash in hand	30,932	19,221	
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	-	
Total cash and cash equivalents	£30,932	£19,221	

Notes to the financial report (continued)

15 Trustee and related party transactions

Two trustees were remunerated for organist and verger fees and received in total £900

Seven trustees have together received £4,643 in expenses. All expenses were directly related to the charitable activities of the PCC. Expenses paid covered:

- supplies and equipment required for community events;
- candles and consumables;
- gifts for helpers, lay readers and those baptised;
- office supplies and printing;
- supplies required for undertaking church maintenance and cleaning.

16 Staff costs and employee benefits

The church employs 1 member of staff.

17 General Fund

The general fund no longer includes fixed assets which are shown separately.

The general fund can be seen to have grown by £7,059 in 2024. Whilst our giving remains less than our expenses, this was more than compensated by the interest and gains on our investments of £11,120. There were also no vicar/vicarage expenses this year and no significant repairs were needed.

18 West Stoke Churchyard Fund

The diocese holds a restricted fund of £23,442 for the benefit of the upkeep of West Stoke churchyard. We use the dividend income from this fund towards the upkeep of West Stoke churchyard.

19 Parkinson Fund

The Parkinson Fund is for repair or upkeep for two specific seats, one in St Andrew's churchyard and the other at West Stoke Hall.

20 John Rank Fund

This fund is kept for specific Sennecotts expenses.

21 Richard Elwes Fund

This fund is kept for significant St Andrew's expenses.

22 Reallocation of Expenses

The Salaries, Visiting Clergy, and Wedding Funeral Expenses have been clearly differentiated for 2024 and cannot be compared directly to the 2023 figures which were not allocated in the same way.

23 Dora Smith Fund

This fund has been assigned for specific ministry in the parish, and will not be used during the interregnum.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Funtington with West Stoke and Sennicotts

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those 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:



Date:

8.3.25.

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