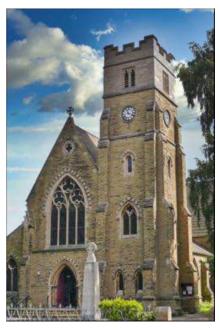
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLISIASTICAL PARISH of FULFORD, YORK

Charity Commission Registered No. 1135631

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Trustees' annual report & accounts for the year ending 31st December 2023





2023 Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts for The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Fulford, York St Oswald's Church Registered Charity number: 1135631

Aim and purposes

Fulford Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Canon Suzanne Sheriff, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church building, the Hall and the Grounds of St. Oswald's (Church of England) Parish Church, Main Street, Fulford, York.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community here at St. Oswald's. With the Incumbent, the PCC maintains an overview of worship and makes suggestions on how our services and events can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our worship and activities put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music, sacrament and service to the community.

In planning our activities we consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance for charities on the advancement of religion. Our aim is to enable and support ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
- · Missionary and outreach work.

Succinctly summarised in our Mission Statement as being our intention "To reach out to the Community and beyond with the Christian Gospel, witnessing to God's love through word and action, from an accessible and welcoming centre for prayer, worship, teaching and fellowship."

In order to facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Oswald's Church building, the Church Hall and the amenities afforded by its Grounds.

Achievements and Performance:

Review of the Year 2023 - an overview

Beginning with our worship; it was wonderful to have our new Clavinova in regular use in leading sung worship. Our CCLI (Christian Copyright Licensing International) returns show that in 2023 St Oswald's church congregations sang 170 different songs and hymns at 58 services. 49 of those songs and hymns (29%) were sung at more than one service; 246 songs and hymns were sung in total. Approximately 84% of those songs and hymns were taken from Mission Praise (30th Anniversary edition). There were also several

occasions we were able to use our organ, including the Christmas Eve Midnight Communion.

Our Recognised Parish Assistant (now called Authorized Lay Ministers), Jo Poole, stepped back from the role after moving out of the area. Our other RPA, Jackie Tuvey-Smith, stepped forward and began her training as a Reader, now known as a Licensed Lay Minister (LLM). The Vicar's license as an Interim Minister was extended in August to allow her to remain for a maximum of three years.

We launched our special interest groups in the PCC. The Children and Youth Group reviewed the organisation of the Explorers and Pebbles groups.

The Finance Group oversaw the launch of a successful Generous Giving campaign and a change to the Church of England Parish Giving Scheme.

The Mission and Outreach Team discussed the welcome we offer visitors and we had some valuable information from the students who had joined us regularly throughout the year. They became valued members of our congregation, although many of them completed their further studies and have gone to various places throughout the country. They all said how much they appreciated the warmth of welcome and the way they were gently absorbed into the life of the church. This welcome was particularly evident at some of our church lunches and Harvest Barn Dance. We were also invited to join the new Diocesan scheme Revitalise, working with churches who are considered to have great potential. This continues into 2024 and is already beginning to make an impact.

The Publicity Team did some excellent work on our online and in print publications, providing hand-outs to be used both at the Fulford Show and the excellent Christmas Fair – a real highpoint of the year with the hall and the church brimming with stalls, activities, and visitors. The launch of our new logo which incorporated modern colours and an inclusive Christian symbol were also real steps forward.

After a series of sermons and studies we launched our new strapline, committing ourselves to Act Justly, Love Mercy, and Walk Humbly with our God. Something we tried to live out with our mission support and initiatives such as Wild and Muddy Forest Church which became embedded in our church life in 2023 – including the mini-allotment.

The Building Group set a good foundation for some of the projects that we hope to deliver in the following year such as improved accessibility to the church hall, repair to the front wall, and the long awaited toilet and kitchen in church. Our noticeboards had new coverings installed and we introduced CCTV into church allowing us to keep visitors and church treasures safe. Although the beginning of the year was quite cold we managed to remain in church rather than worshipping in the church hall.

A special service marked the Coronation of King Charles III and commemorative books were distributed.

We saw a large increase in numbers attending our Remembrance Day Service, despite representatives from the Barracks not joining us. They were missed but the numbers of young people from local uniformed organisations and members of the Royal British Legion balanced this out. Numbers also increased significantly for our Christingle Services, with a one-off change in the time of services with Christmas Eve falling on a Sunday. We welcomed Stamford Bridge Singers as our guest choir for the service of Lessons and

Carols and this was a great success. St Oswald's School services in church for individual year groups were held regularly both under the retiring head, Sue Bland, and the new head, Jemma Dunne, with numbers reaching capacity.

Particularly encouraging was the strength of our interaction with the community through longstanding events such as Parents and Toddlers, Community Cafe, Time Out (who hosted a particularly lovely strawberry tea and welcomed many talented entertainers including children from Fishergate School). We also had a team of pupils from St Oswald's School helping at our Toddlers' group on occasions and we continued our regular service in two local care homes.

New for 2023 was Good Place, Warm Place which filled a gap during school holidays and with a grant from the council we were able to welcome many people into our church hall on various occasions and extend our regular Food Share scheme. Parcels were also delivered to those with particular need in the community at Harvest and Christmas as well as a large number of gifts being donated for families in temporary accommodation. Volunteers for all these events came from both Church and local community, with support from Christians of other denominations and churches.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding and Health & Safety matters remain at the forefront of our planning and are central to our PCC agendas. It is pleasing to report that no safeguarding issues were reported during 2023.

We continued to use the Diocesan digital Safeguarding online dashboard and were delighted to achieve level 2 in 2023. We are now working towards compliance at level 3. The PSO (Parish Safeguarding Officer) and deputy have again concentrated on ensuring everyone involved in the running of our church groups and those who hold significant offices within the church have appropriate DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) checks and undertake the required Diocesan safeguarding training. Work continues to develop and implement Safer Recruitment in a more formal format to all new appointments. The PCC has complied with its duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016

Worship and Prayer

The PCC aims to offer a range of weekly services each month, and over the course of the year, that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, our spoken weekday services of Monday Morning Prayer (Common Worship) and Wednesday Morning Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer) provide a quiet, intimate and reflective environment for worship whilst our monthly variety of Sunday Morning Services provide opportunities for people - of all ages - to come together and engage in more outgoing worship with lively music, vibrant singing and active participation in the service and with each other.

All are welcome to attend our regular services. At the year end there were 96 individuals on the Church Electoral Roll, 19 of whom were not resident within the parish; 4 names were added during 2023 and 5 were removed either through death or because they moved away from the parish. The average weekly Sunday attendance, counted during October for the annual Church of England Statistics for Mission return, was 55, but this number was

not representative of the weekly average for Sundays in the calendar year which, from our Service registers, was 61. Numbers routinely increase at major festivals and at our annual Christingle services, two being routinely held on Christmas Eve to seat all those who wish to attend.

A pattern of regular monthly Communion Services was re-established at two of the major Residential Care Homes in the parish having had to suspend these during the Covid pandemic and its immediate aftermath; attendances averaged at Ouseview, 16 and Connaught Court, 20.

During October 2023 there was an average of 17 households per week who viewed our Sunday service, either live or as catch up during the following week, on our YouTube channel – just one element of our growing online presence via social media on Whatsapp and through St Oswald's Church website and Facebook pages.

As usual, Special services took place at major festivals - on Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Day, Ascension Day, at Pentecost and Christmas - and also at times of national significance such as the Coronation of his Majesty King Charles III as mentioned previously, and on Remembrance Sunday. We once again hosted Christmas services for the local Army barracks and various Schools groups.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through 14 baptisms in 2023 we thanked God for the gift of life, in marriage 3 couples exchanged their vows with God's blessing and through 11 funerals and 1 Celebration of Life memorial service in church friends and family expressed their grief and gave thanks for the life which was now complete in this world and commended into God's keeping. As in previous years a number of these 'occasional offices' involved the Traveller Community in York with which St Oswald's continues to maintain strong and long-standing links. On Advent Sunday 2023 we also welcomed 4 adult candidates to full communicant membership of the Church of England at our first Confirmation Service since 2016.

Deanery Synod

Two members of the PCC sit on the York Deanery Synod – the next tier up in the Synodical Government structure of the Church of England (being PCC, Deanery Synod, Diocesan Synod and finally General Synod). This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church and affords a deeper, more global perspective on events

In May 2023 the PCC learned that St Oswald's had been invited to be part of the Diocesan Revitalise initiative. This programme is aimed at enabling and empowering churches which have the potential to reach a wider community and grow in number. The PCC identified a team of 4 people to attend the planned events as part of the Revitalise Learning Community and take this forward.

The Church, Hall and Grounds

Following the installation of a system of CCTV with remote monitoring during the early part of the year our *Church building* is once again open to all during daylight hours on a daily basis for private prayer and contemplation.

Our *Church Hall* continues to be available for hire and used increasingly regularly by various exercise groups, uniformed organisations, a local history group, and for children's birthday parties as well as a polling station.

City of York Council's Communities section were instrumental in helping the PCC acquire Good Place Warm Place (GPWP) accreditation for the venue which was awarded in recognition of the social and outreach activities already run in the hall by the church:

For the benefit of the community the church runs a very successful St Oswald's Tots group for pre-school children and their grown up carers which includes, parents, grandparents and child minders. These are held every Thursday morning in school term time from 9.30 to 11.30am; being a get together with fun, toys and crafts, play, chat and refreshments, singing and praise sessions - and no fee payable!

There is a monthly meeting for older members of the community called Time Out. Usually held on the last Thursday of the month from 2.30 to 4.00pm, with refreshment and entertainment provided, for those less able to get out and about (with no upper or lower age limit applicable) and transport or wheelchair escorts are available on request.

During school terms twice weekly Community Cafes (Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 10am to 12 noon) are run by volunteers connected with the church and provide cake, refreshments and mobile phone charging points. During the School holidays, when our Cafes take a break, a special once a week Drop In session is held (9.30am to 12 noon) which, in addition to the usual Cafe element (operated on a pay as you can basis) majors on children's games and activities, foodshare facilities, and signposting to social care initiatives.

These Church run events are supported during the winter months by a grant from the City of York Council, through their Neighbourhood Network Good Place Warm Place scheme.

The hall also supplements Church activities with after service refreshments, rooms for children's Sunday groups for those aged under 12, a Fair Trade stall and where necessary toilet facilities. This facility is invaluable for attendees at Church weddings and funerals as well as patrons at our fund raising concerts and community events held in the Church or its grounds. Both the Church and Hall work well in tandem for successful Christmas and Summer fairs. All made possible by our booking secretary, cleaner and volunteers who carry out repairs and improvements and tend the surrounding flower beds.

Outside, in the *Church Grounds*, our 'Wild and Muddy Forest Church' activity, for young families in the community, is held on the last Saturday of the month (2.00 to 3.30pm whatever the weather) and has had a profound effect on the area around the Church, which now includes a small allotment, willow shelter, log circle, bug hotels and - behind the Hall - an eco-friendly corridor of 'mixed native hedgerow' saplings to complement our Forest Church activities as well as provide additional security to our eastern perimeter.

Major Building Projects

The initial cycle of conservation and development begun with the Rose Window restoration and the subsequent installation of new perimeter heating was brought to a close by the more recent repairs to the Church roof and rainwater goods.

However, our Architect, Ferrey & Mennim's Quinquennial Inspection Report 2022 highlighted the need for some additional heating sources being added to compensate for the loss of the previous overhead radiant heating as well as a new west end porch with toilet and small tea point to improve comfort and enable a greater range of events to take place within the Church. In addition to these proposed improvements a couple of health and safety matters also demanded a greater priority: the Church Hall fire exit ramp (currently limiting hall capacity) and the condition of the Church frontage boundary wall and railings (in poor repair and a danger to public safety).

Attention to these areas has exercised the PCC - and particularly members of its Buildings and Finance Groups during 2023 - as these, the next steps in our development programme, have been investigated, planned and researched; with preliminary drawings and costings sourced, outline building permissions and grant funding sought.

Future Development Plans

Resolving our main Church heating issue, providing toilet and kitchen facilities inside the Church itself, attending to the Church Hall ramp and the condition of our front wall and railings will both benefit our users and allow greater independence and flexibility in using our grounds and buildings in the service of our community.

Our overall aim being essentially missional rather than merely practical - to provide a home base fit for purpose as we "reach out to the Community and beyond with the Christian Gospel, witnessing to God's love through word and action, from an accessible and welcoming centre for prayer, worship, teaching and fellowship" - while striving to "Act justly, Love mercy and Walk humbly with God.".

Pastoral Care

Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. Our Incumbent and Trainee Lay Reader visit all those who request it, to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital. This is in addition to the care shown by members of the congregation to one another for those facing ill health, bereavement or no longer able to stay in their own homes.

Monthly services are held in Ouseview and Connaught Court, two of the care homes in the parish, with residents from these homes and Fulford Nursing Home often attending our Time Out meetings.

We have online/telephone/Whatsapp prayer support for urgent prayer requests, supplementing our weekly Church newssheet.

Our local primary school visit our church regularly in Year Groups for collective worship which is attended by parents – as well as the vicar taking regular worship sessions in school.

Both the vicar and our other foundation governors work with school in preparing for Ofsted and SIAMS inspections (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools).

Mission and Evangelism

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The PCC regularly support a number of nominated charities, for 2023 these included Barnabas Aid and the Mission to Seafarers together with donations from specific Services going to the British Legion and Children's

Society as well as the increasingly frequent Disasters Emergency Committee Appeals (DEC) when a collection plate is put out during Services at Church.

It is good that some of these efforts on behalf of others can also be combined with opportunities for fellowship such as our March 2023 Creation Care Sunday with Andy Kingston-Smith speaking on "Why... Christians care about the environment" followed by an informal fellowship lunch and November's Barnabas Aid Sunday Service followed by a simple bring and share lunch with guest speaker David Dean, Barnabas Aid Chief Partnership Co-ordinator.

Our parish magazine, "Church & People" is distributed monthly to subscribers and available from the Church building and local Explore Library or at the Community Cafe in the Church Hall. The magazine keeps our parishioners informed of the important matters affecting our Church and articles that help develop our knowledge and trust in Jesus.

Ecumenical Relationships

The church remains a nominal member of Churches Together in South East York, a loose confederation of interdenominational Churches and Christian faith groups (with Roman Catholic, C of E., Methodist, Pentecostal and Carmelite representation) which, regrettably, remained fairly dormant during this period. However, members of other denominations - and sometimes, other faiths - have become increasingly evident at some of our events and often as volunteers for our social and community activities.

Financial Review

2023 has been a busy year in some ways and quiet in others. As a community and church people are still dealing with the current harsh cost of living impact, but there have been glimmers of God's light in the outcomes over the year.

During the year Generosity Month saw a beacon of that when the congregations look at giving, both in time and finance, to the church and wider community. On the finance side there was a wonderful response to the call to review giving and to do this through the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS), where possible. This success saw 25 donor units (a person or family) signed up to donating via PGS, and the number of donor units increased from 49 to 58. Alongside this a few people made generous one off donations during the campaign. There is an expected increase of income just over £8,000 a year from this campaign. The move to PGS also lessened the administrative burden for the Treasurer, always welcome, now instead of every donation needing to be entered and reconciled 25 of them are covered in two transactions.

The total general receipts were £86,566, a positive difference on 2022 of just over £11,000 giving a surplus of receipts over payments of £8,218 for the year. There was a move from "plate" giving to planned monthly giving, which is always a positive thing for charities and helps planning, another impact of Generosity month. Overall donations increased by £7,000, along with an increase in Gift Aid of just over £1,700 during 2023.

General Fund payments have been less than expected (£78,349) and helped by two grants. A grant from the Church Commissioners, administered by the Diocese, of £1,250 reduced the general fund expenses on gas for the Church and the City of York Council provided a £1,100 grant towards our work in the community to provide a warm place for people, this covered £587 worth of electricity bills for the Hall. Electric and gas bills continue to be pegged at 2021 prices due to a contract signed in 2021. However, there

have been no major maintenance payments for the Hall or Church (2023 total under £5,000). The biggest single payment is the payment of the Freewill giving to the Diocese (£50,000); the parish's contribution towards the cost of the Diocese to cover the payment of current and new clergy salaries, housing, training and stipendiaries; support from the Diocesan team to parishes including safeguarding and other training.

The Hall is hired out to various organisations and people for a fee; the income for 2023 was £6,508. The costs of the running of the Hall for the use of hirers and church activities came to £7,275, a shortfall of just £767. This is the cost to the church of using the Hall for meetings, clubs, café heating etc. This is very little for the using the Hall for so many church mission activities. The café also saw some of its costs covered by the Warm Places grant (£150), but overall it brought in a surplus to expenditure of just over £3,000 for the church's use.

Alongside the General Fund receipts and payments there have been a number of gifts made for restricted use. These have paid in full or contributed to the purchase of:

- A CCTV system
- Hymn books and music copies
- Microphone replacements
- Flowers, especially at Christmas
- New coffee machine for the café (from Fulford Show donation)

There are also funds ready towards the purchase of:

- Chairs for the hall
- Room divider for the hall (grant from City of York Council)

At the year end there were a few large transactions that have been received in 2024, and will therefore appear in the 2024 accounts. These include the usual quarterly claim for Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donation Scheme, on donations received directly by the PCC. Also alongside this are the donations and Gift Aid made via PGS in December (received 10 and 11 January). This totals £4,400.

Finally during 2023 the PCC agreed to effectively close the 150+ Designated Fund, only holding the funds needed to pay the final heating installation invoice, and to "move" remaining money to a Building Programme Designated Fund. This just allows the clear identification of what funds are available for the new building improvement projects; it has no impact on the overall money managed by the PCC.

The Standing Committee, and the PCC, are very aware that without people's committed and planned giving and gifts of time, especially in yet another difficult year for people's personal finance, its ministry and mission of reaching out to the community with God's love would not be possible. And for this it thanks each person who gives time to, prays for, and financially supports, God's work in the parish and community.

Reserves policy

The overall principle of the PCC's approach is that reserves will only be held for specific reasons which include an amount to cover the equivalent of 3 months of our running costs (approx.£25,000), and funds toward the planned costs of the continuing building development project.

The PCC reviewed the use of its designated unrestricted reserves during 2023, allowing for the residue bills, from the Project 150+. There being no unrestricted reserves remaining from the Rose Window project.

Volunteers

Whether it is through community events in the hall, care and maintenance in the Church, or leadership within home groups and worship services, without our volunteers we would not be able to function at all, and certainly wouldn't be the warm, welcoming and vibrant body we are. Each and every volunteer is incredibly valuable and deeply valued.

Our churchwarden Bryan Milner, Treasurer Terina Hurley, Reader-in-Training Jackie Tuvey-Smith, Authorised Lay Minister Jo Poole and Revd Gill Smith Riley all have played key roles in helping us function as a church in this community in 2023.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. Oswald's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our vicar), churchwardens and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services as members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members receive initial training on the workings of the PCC. The full PCC met six times during the year with an average level of attendance of 78%. Given its wide responsibilities, in addition to a Standing Committee, the PCC has a number of adhoc committees - each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life - which are responsible to the PCC and report back to it regularly. The Standing Committee comprises; the Vicar, Churchwarden(s), PCC Lay Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

Administrative information

St. Oswald's Church is situated in Main Street, Fulford. It is part of the Deanery and Diocese of York within the Church of England. The correspondence address is Fulford: St Oswald's Parish Church, Main Street, Fulford, York YO10 4HJ. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity currently registered with the Charity Commission (number 1135631).

PCC Membership from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 composed

Ex Officio members:

Incumbent: The Reverend Canon Suzanne Sheriff,

Installed as Vicar 1 July 2021

Churchwardens: (Places for 2, appointed annually) Mr Bryan Milner (since

March 2015) One Vacancy

Deanery Synod Representatives: (Places for two, on three year

terms 2023-2026)

Mrs Patricia Giltrap (re-elected April 2023) Mr Andrew Wilson (re-elected April 2023) Elected members: (Places for nine, on three year terms, one-third* retiring annually by rotation)

Mrs Sue Baughan (re-elected April 2023 - 2026 APCM) PCC Lay Chair

Mrs Carolyn Blain (from April 2022 - 2025 APCM)

Mrs Victoria Burles (from April 2022 - 2024* APCM)

Mr Michael Courcier (from April 2022 – 2025 APCM)

Mrs Pippa Ensor (from May 2021 - 2024* APCM)

Mrs Suzanne Esson (re-elected April 2023 - 2026 APCM)

Mrs Heidi Folland, (from May 2021 - 2024* APCM)

Mrs Kathryn Wells (re-elected April 2023 - 2026 APCM)

Mrs Louise Wheatley (from April 2022 - 2025 APCM) PCC Secretary

Co-opted members: (appointed annually)

Ms Terina Hurley, Treasurer (co-opted October 2019, re-appointed April 2023 APCM)

Mrs Angela McClean, Minute Secretary (co-opted April 2022, re-appointed April 2023 APCM)

*One third of the elected PCC members retire annually, having served their full three year term. There are currently nine Elected Members:

Three elected 2021, or as 2021 (VB), and retiring 2024 (PE, HF and VB) Three elected 2022 and retiring 2025 (CB, MC and LW) Three elected 2023 and retiring 2026 (SB, SE and KW)

Under the Church Representation Rules - with less than 100 names on our last Revised Electoral Roll (2023) - we are entitled to nine places for elected members on the PCC and two Deanery Synod Representatives. The size of the Electoral Roll also determines the maximum number of Co-opted members, which is two.

Approved by the PCC on 19 March 2024 and signed on their behalf by

Rev Canon Sue Sheriff (PCC Chair)

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Mr B L Milner (Churchwarden)

Notes to the Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2023

Accounting Policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the SORP (2005).

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 main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent:

- a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and
- 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 each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes. As the PCC operate on a Receipts and Payments basis incoming resources: Planned giving, collections and donations, are recognised when received; expenditure: invoices, expenses and outgoing donations are recognised when paid.

Independent Examiner

Mr Paul Jordon, CIMA – 12 Eastward Avenue, York YO10 4LZ

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Fulford , York, St Oswald's Church

On accounts for the year ended

2023 Charity no 1135631

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2023**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 Trust's 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

The charity's gross income did not exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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:	Paul Martin Jordan	Date:	03/04/2024
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Relevant professional	Chartered Institute of Management Accou	untants	

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