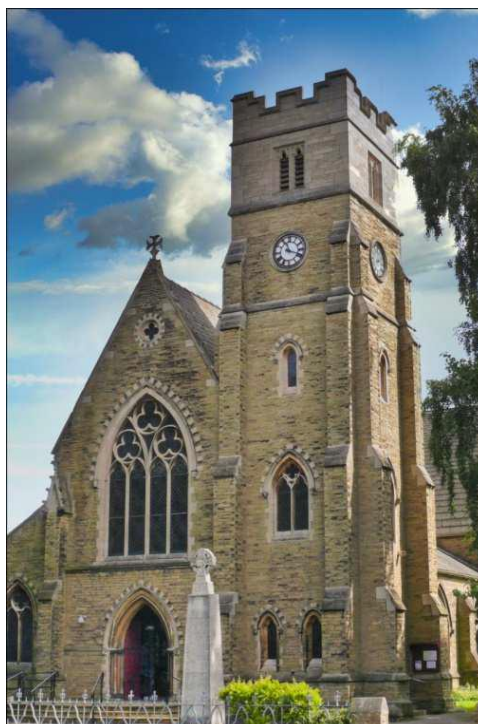


**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
OF THE ECCLIASTICAL PARISH of
FULFORD, YORK**

Charity Commission Registered No. 1135631



**ST OSWALD'S, CHURCH
Trustees' annual report & accounts
for the year ending 31st December 2025**



**2025 Trustee's 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 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 particularly 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*

work and action, from an accessible and welcoming centre for prayer, worship, teaching and fellowship.'

This is given an extra focus with our strapline, which appears on our website and all our documents; 'Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly with God.'

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 2025

Ministry team

The Reverend Canon Suzanne Sheriff was collated as Vicar of the Benefice of Fulford by the Right Revd Flora Winfield Bishop of Selby and inducted and installed by The Venerable Sam Rushton Archdeacon of York at St. Oswald's on Tuesday 25th February, 2025.

This was Bishop Flora's first visit to St. Oswald's following her consecration as Bishop in October 2024. It was also the last visit of Archdeacon Sam Rushton who left the Diocese in March 2025.

This service was very well attended by a number of specially invited guests from the local community, other members of York clergy, members of the congregation and community, as well as family and friends of Revd Sheriff.

In June 2025 it was announced that Hannah Theobald was to join the team as a part-time Self-Supporting Minister (SSM) to serve her curacy at St. Oswald's following her ordination at York Minster as a Deacon. Over the summer she decided that she would like to become a full-time SSM curate. This was warmly welcomed by all at St. Oswald's.

Together with Licensed Lay Minister (LLM) Jackie Tuvey-Smith and Authorised Lay Minister (ALM) Ben Kybett, this has created a very strong Ministry Team – each bringing complementary gifts and leadership styles.

Congregation

At the end of 2025 there were 111 individuals on the Church Electoral Role (98 in 2024). The average weekly Sunday attendance, counted during October for the annual Church of England Statistics for Mission return, was 61 (53 adults and 8 under 16s) (55 in 2024), compared to the weekly average for Sundays in the calendar year which, from our Service registers, was 61 (53 adults and 8 under 16s) (55 in 2024).

Throughout 2025 we continued to welcome a significant number of visitors each week. This included a number of young adults in their 20s. Some of these visitors were just in the area temporarily, others became regular attenders.

A new electoral roll was prepared in 2025 with a number of new names being added. This in turn led to the PCC memberships increasing by three members and the entitlement to elect an extra Deanery Synod representative from the APCM in 2026.

Worship and Prayer

The PCC aims to offer a range of weekly services each month. For example, our spoken weekday services of Monday Morning Prayer (Common Worship) and Wednesday Morning Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 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. There were also two services of BCP Evensong celebrated across the years, led by two guest organists and a specially formed choir.

Numbers attending the Easter Day Communion were considerably higher than ever previously experienced. This was also true of the Christmas services in general and particularly the total numbers attending the Christingle Services which reached a record high. Remembrance Sunday was once again well supported by the Royal British Legion and uniformed organisations and was a very moving service and well-organised parade.

Our Lent lunches returned in 2025. We followed the York Diocese study, 'Living Holiness', a small group resource exploring a Rhythm of Life. This was well supported with a small group coming together each Wednesday to share soup and study. Other services for

church festivals such as Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Ascension etc. remain steady in their attendance but did not particularly attract those outside the regular congregations.

Wild and Muddy Forest Church continued to attract a number of families and in 2025 Muddy Church developed the use of our outdoors spaces including some raised beds at the south-east corner of the church grounds. Various interactive services around the 'Green Agenda' and caring for the environment were very thought provoking and well received by all. We continued to try and reflect our environmental values in everyday life by sourcing, where possible, eco-friendly supplies and choosing the 'green energy' options when appointing our energy suppliers.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. In 2025 we have held 1 wedding (2 in 2024), 13 funerals in church (11 in 2024) and 8 Baptisms (10 in 2024) for the local community and those with longstanding connections with St. Oswald's. 2 adults and 1 child were confirmed in 2025. These have been very special pastoral occasions although in common with churches across England the number of requests for these services, especially weddings, have generally been in decline, with quite a few of our requests coming from the Traveller community, with whom we have strong and long-standing links.

Two of those baptised went on to be Confirmed by Bishop Flora in a service that saw three of our own members Confirmed as well as welcoming two candidates from other churches.

Telephone and online prayer chains, and WhatsApp prayer have been well used throughout the year with specific requests, general prayers on Monday and prayers on Friday for building, finance and church life.

A small but dedicated tech team continues to go from strength to strength in quality of the streaming of Sunday services with numbers of views ranging from 20 to 60 throughout the year, with numbers generally in the middle of this range. It needs to be remembered there are often more than one person watching per view.

St. Oswald's School regularly holds services in church for different year groups. These are always of a very high standard and reflect the excellent Christian content in the school's curriculum as well as the sensitive development of the children's spiritual awareness in a broader sense. These services are supported by Foundation Governors Andrew Wilson and Revd Sue, who regularly lead collective worship in school.

In 2025 as well as hosting the usual Education Corps Service and the Carol Service for the local army barracks, we have also hosted a Peninsular Day Service marking the anniversary of the founding of the 1st Infantry Division in the 1809 during the Peninsular War.

Community Involvement

We continue to be encouraged by the strength of our interaction with the community through longstanding regular events such as Parents and Toddlers, Community Café and Time Out. We also had a team of pupils from St. Oswald's School helping at our Toddler's group on occasions and we continued our regular service in two local care homes.

Good Place Warm Space has become an established event which filled a gap during school holidays when the Community Café and other activities take a break. 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. A limited number of parcels were also delivered to those in 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 the local community, with support from Christians of other denominations and churches. The Community Cafés regularly host local councillors who hold drop-in sessions, with many people coming to meet with the Local Area Co-ordinator who provides invaluable assistance to support and advise as needed.

The strength of all these community links was clearly demonstrated in the wonderful letters of support that were received when St. Oswald's were bidding for a £68,000 National Lottery Heritage Fund grant.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding and Health & Safety matters are central to our PCC agendas and remain the forefront of our planning. It is pleasing to report that no safeguarding issues were reported during 2025, and we continue to develop a culture of Safeguarding within the church.

We use the Diocesan digital Safeguarding online Dashboard at Level 3 and have been working on the Safeguarding Hub. The Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) and deputy have

continued to concentrate on ensuring everyone involved in the running of our church groups and those who hold significant offices within the church have appropriate Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks and undertake the required Diocesan safeguarding training. Work continues to develop and implement Safer Recruitment in a more formal format for 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.

York Diocese provided an excellent range of online training events during Safeguarding Week in November which were attended by several members of St. Oswald's and the PSO seeks advice from the Diocesan safeguarding team when needed.

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.

Three meetings were held in 2025 attended by at least one if not both members.

An account was given at the February meeting by Revd Canon Sue Sheriff about the work done at St. Oswald's. At the June meeting the speaker Gerald Fox, Racial Justice Education Advisor for the diocese spoke on racial justice. Bishop Flora led the October meeting posing the challenging questions:

1. Where is the fruit and encouragement coming from in our churches?
2. How is God calling us to be fruitful disciples?
3. What do we long for in ourselves and our churches?

Representatives from St. Oswalds contributed on numerous occasions to the discussions at this very interesting and informative meeting.

The Church, Hall and Grounds

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

The church and hall have both benefited from regular maintenance over the year. A nature trail with signage has been laid out in the grounds and two raised beds have been constructed for church and community use. The beds have been used to grow flowers and vegetables.

Once again the City of York Council Communities section was instrumental in helping the PCC acquire Good Place Warm Space (GPWS) 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 highly successful St. Oswald's Tots group for pre-school children and their grown-ups, which includes parents, grandparents and childminders. This is held every Thursday morning in school term time from 9.30–11.30am. Sessions include 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 2.30–4pm, with refreshments and entertainment provided, for those less able to get out and about (with no upper or lower age limit applicable). Transport or wheelchair escorts are available where possible, on request.

During school terms, twice-weekly Community Cafés (Tuesday and Wednesday mornings 10am–12 noon) are run by volunteers connected with the church and provide cake, refreshments and company. During the school holidays, when our cafés take a short break, a Good Place Warm Space café is held which, in addition to the usual café element (operated on a pay as you can basis), majors on children's games and activities, Food Share facilities and signposting to social care initiatives.

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 fundraising 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. This is all made possible by our booking secretary, cleaner and volunteers who carry out repairs and improvements and tend the surrounding flower beds.

The regular Monday afternoon table tennis session continues, which aims to support physical and mental wellbeing. As does a Thursday afternoon art club where people come together to socialise and develop their artistic and crafting skills.

Outside in the church grounds we host our 'Wild and Muddy Forest Church' activity for families in the community. It is held on the last Saturday of the month (for 1 ½ hour sessions whatever the weather) and has had a profound effect on the area around the church. This comprises of a small allotment, willow shelter, log circle and bug hotels. It also has two new thriving raised beds funded by York City Council. Behind the hall, our eco-friendly corridor of native hedgerow is growing well and has had a good prune to keep it in shape, with the colourful dogwood offcuts used for children's activities.

Major Building Projects

The current phase of conservation and development began with the Rose Window restoration and the subsequent installation of new perimeter heating and was followed by the renewal of the church roof and rainwater goods. Since then, two urgent health and safety matters have been addressed. A new disabled ramp has been installed for the church hall and the front wall of the church has been rebuilt.

The Quinquennial Inspection Report 2022 prepared by our Architect, Ferrey and Mennin (now part of David Insall Associates), highlighted the need for additional heating in the Church to compensate for the loss of the now defunct overhead gas heaters.

Future Development Plans

The church has continued its long-term development plan to provide a kitchenette, toilet and new porch within the church building together with improved heating. Faculties have been obtained, building tenders have been received and applications for grants have been made. The intention is to create a warmer and more welcoming space for both the existing congregation and the wider 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 Licensed Lay Minister visit all those who request it and 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 the residents from these homes and Fulford Nursing Home and Broadway Lodge often attending our Time Out meetings.

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 foundation governor work with school in preparing for Ofsted and SIAMS inspections (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools). St. Oswald’s School received an exceptional report following their SIAMS inspection, which commented particularly that St. Oswald’s School’s partnerships with the community, Church and Diocese enhance a culture of wellbeing for all.

It was good to welcome the headteachers and other members of staff from both our local primary and secondary schools to the Collation Service for Revd Sue Sheriff in February. They both spoke of warm links between the schools and the church.

Mission and Evangelism

Helping those in need is a demonstration of faith. The PCC regularly support a number of nominated charities. At the APCM in 2025, those attending voted to continue to our support for the Mission to Seafarers as well as commencing support for St. George's Crypt in Leeds and their work with the homeless and vulnerable. Donations from specific Services also went to the British Legion and Children's Society. A collection plate is put out during services at the church when appropriate to support Disasters Emergency Committee Appeals (DEC).

Our parish magazine Church & People is distributed monthly to subscribers and available from the Church building and local Explore Library or at the Community Café 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.

Our online presence is an important part of our missional outreach to the community and includes weekly and occasional email notice sheets which usually contain a spiritual reflection, a well-maintained and attractive web page and a dedicated Facebook page. We also regularly interact with other Facebook groups such as Fulford Community and Germany Beck. This is alongside physical notices inside and outside our church and hall and on local community notice boards.

A small team of church members, including our vicar, have attended special days at Wydale throughout the year as part of the Diocesan Revitalise initiative – a programme that we were selected to take part in very early on.

A small but very positive Start Course was held in the Autumn leading to some very positive outcomes.

Ecumenical Relationships

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

Financial Review

2025 has been another busy year for the parish and for me. During the year the PCC agreed to subscribe, and move, to new accounting software after being advised the old software would be unsupported at the end of 2026. We found a suitable system that will cover financial transactions, Gift Aid and PAYE. The whole of 2025 finance transactions were then entered into the new software in the last quarter of 2025. For the remainder of the year I ran both systems, checking and balancing each month. I took the opportunity to consolidate some of the headings to make things less cluttered and cleaner. At the start of 2026 the Gift Aid was moved to the new system and at the start of the new tax year the PAYE will be moved. You will see the new report formats at the end of this document. I have consolidated 2024 figures to match the transaction headings, so you can refer back to how things may have changed year on year. The independent examiner has used the new software to check the transactions and complimented it for ease of use.

You will see in other reports from PCC members that the first steps to improving the hall have been completed. The main drive in 2025, for the finances, was to look at ways to meet the bill for the planned improvements to the church west end and to put heating back in. This has meant carefully storing away savings and revisiting our general reserves. The plan being, if necessary we could afford to pay for the work out of the funds we had. This situation was greatly eased at the beginning of 2026 with grants.

The total general fund receipts were £89,062 and payments were only £91,400 giving a short fall of £2,336 for the year. There have been generous, anonymous, donations totalling more than £6,000 received during the year. However, due partly to the Churchwarden posts being vacant since the last AGM there has been less time available for much maintenance on the church and hall to be done.

The main costs for the general fund was meeting the Freewill promise for the year (£60,000); 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 2025 was approximately £8,300. The costs of the running of the hall for all users, hirers and church activities, came to £8,100, a small surplus. The hall needs some maintenance during 2026 but this will only be achieved once the church is back in use. With this in mind, the PCC reviewed the rates for 2026 and increased them slightly. All hirers have been advised. The café again did well and brought nearly £6,500 for expenses of approximately £2,500 (and a further £459 from a bequest) a surplus of £4,000.

Alongside the General Fund receipts and payments there was a grant of £800 which allowed the churchyard team to purchase and set up raised flower beds. The work to add rails to the hall ramp, to make it easier to use and safer, came from a further grant of £800 and the use of the SM Hurley Estate Fund. The sound system developed a fault and it was with a generous donation from one of the hall users and further finance from the SM Hurley Estate fund that this was replaced. A grant towards the 2024/2025 winter cost of the community café of £750 was fully used, helping people who just want a warm place and some company to attend without any charge, some donations were received during this time.

Three other large items need to be mentioned for 2025. The PCC received a large legacy of £10,000 toward the Fabric Fund, a very generous gift of £1,400 (plus Gift Aid) was made to offset the extra cost of the new contracts starting in 2026 for green energy, this will be used over the life of the three contracts two-year course and finally the Vicar and Churchwardens' Fund spent £4,500 in the year setting up the parish office and paying the Parish Administrator costs.

At the year-end there are always a few transactions that have not been received and will therefore show in the 2026 accounts. This includes the final claim for Gift Aid and Gift Aid Small Donation Scheme on the 2025 donations received directly by the PCC. Also alongside this are the donations and Gift Aid made via PGS in December. This totals around £2,300.

The share investment statement at 31 December 2024 showed a decreased in value by about £5,000 since 2024, this is due to global challenges, however, as the real value to the church is only realised when the shares are sold nothing is entered in the accounts until the sale.

The Standing Committee, and the PCC, are very aware that without people's committed and planned giving, and gifts of time, especially in a continuingly difficult period for people's personal finances, 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 (£27,000), and funds toward the planned costs of the continuing building development project.

The PCC reviewed the use of its designated unrestricted reserves during 2025, allowing for their use for the West End re-ordering project.

Volunteers

It cannot be overstated how necessary and appreciated all our volunteers are to the life of the church and its activities. 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 and deeply valued.

Bryan Milner stepped down as Churchwarden at the 2025 APCM. He had served for 22 out of the previous 26 years; in the later years he was the only Churchwarden. Bryan provided a comprehensive list of everything he did and many of these tasks were divided up between other volunteers and our paid Administrator*. Bryan however continued to do a number of tasks and was a constant source of knowledge, wisdom and support to the vicar, the PCC, and the church throughout the rest of 2025.

Our thanks are offered in particular for our Treasurer Terina Hurley. She is neither a member of St. Oswald's congregation nor lives locally but she dedicates her considerable skills and many hours to helping us manage our finances and keeping our accounts. She regularly goes over and above what is required of her and we are truly grateful.

***In May 2025, the PCC appointed an Administrator, Nikki Shanahan, on a 10-hour-per-week contract. Funding for this post has been approved for a two-year period, after which the arrangement will be reviewed.**

Previously, the only paid role was that of Church Hall Cleaner. This changed in December 2025 when, due to the resignation and retirement of the people doing the work, the PCC entered into a contract with Smart Cleaning Group Ltd to provide cleaning services for the church hall, ending the direct employment of a cleaner.

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

(From March 2015 to May 2025) One Vacancy full year, two vacancies part year

Deanery Synod

Representatives: (Places for two three year terms 2023-2026)

Mrs Patricia Giltrap (re-elected April 2023)

Mr Andrew Wilson (re-elected April 2023)

Elected members: (Places for twelve, on three-year terms, one-third*

retiring annually by rotation)

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

Mrs Victoria Burles (from 2022 – 2024, re-elected from May 2024 to 2027 APCM)

Mr Michael Courcier (from April 2022 – 2025, re-elected from May 2025 to 2028 APCM)

Mrs Pippa Ensor (from May 2021 – 2024, re-elected from May 2024 to 2027 APCM)

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

Mrs Heidi Folland, (from May 2021 – 2024, re-elected from May 2024 to 2027 APCM)

Mr Ben Kybett, (elected May 2025 to 2026 APCM)

Mr Bryan Milner (elected May 2025 to 2027 APCM)

Mrs Jane Richardson (co-opted APCM April 2024 to APCM May 2025, elected May 2025 to APCM 2028)

Mr Calvin Russell (elected May 2025 to 2028 APCM)

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

Mrs Louise Wheatley (from April 2022 – 2025* APCM, re-elected from May 2025 to 2028 APCM) PCC Secretary

Co-opted members: (appointed annually)

Ms Terina Hurley, Treasurer (co-opted October 2019, re-appointed April 2024 APCM)

Mrs Nikki Shanahan, Minute taker (co-opted 2025)

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

Three elected 2023 and retiring 2026 (SB, SE, and KW)

One elected 2025 and retiring 2026 (BK)

Three elected 2024 and retiring 2027 (VB, PE and HF)

One elected 2025 and retiring 2027 (BM)

Four elected 2025 and retiring 2028 (MC, JR, CR and LW)

Under the Church Representation Rules – with more than 100 names on our last

Revised Electoral Roll (2025) – we are entitled to twelve 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.

APPENDIX

OFFICIAL

Independent examiner's report to the Trustee's of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Fulford York

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31/12/2025

Respective responsibilities of the Trustee's and the examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My remote examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you, as trustees, concerning 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:

1. 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 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the 2011 Act and Regulations have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed
Paul Martin Jordan

Dated
13/04/2026



Receipts & Payments Accounts			
From	Period start date	to	Period end date
	1/1/2025		31/12/2025

Statement of Receipts & Payments

	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Permanent endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds current period to nearest £	Total funds last period to nearest £
Receipts					
Donations and Legacies					
.. Donations - One Off GASDS eligible	2,007	90	-	2,097	1,871
.. Donations - One Off Gift Aid Eligible	93	1,400	-	1,493	11,279
.. Donations - One Off Not Gift Aided or GASDS eligible	7,715	799	-	8,514	7,917
.. GASDS Claimed	1,276	-	-	1,276	1,516
.. Gift Aid Claimed	8,269	-	-	8,269	13,002
.. Grants	-	3,000	-	3,000	23,775
.. Legacies	200	10,000	-	10,200	1,100
.. Open Plate Collections	4,570	1,041	-	5,611	3,776
.. Planned Giving - Gift Aided	35,397	-	-	35,397	37,968
.. Planned Giving - Non-Gift Aided	5,323	-	-	5,323	4,783
Other Trading Activities					
.. Cafe Takings	6,459	-	-	6,459	6,353
.. Fetes, Bazaar, Other Fund-raising Events	2,230	-	-	2,230	2,017
.. Hall Hire	8,286	-	-	8,286	9,178
.. Magazine Advertising and Sales Income	663	-	-	663	708
.. Printing & Stationery Income	152	-	-	152	60
Charitable Activities					
.. PCC Fees - heating	520	-	-	520	520
.. PCC Fees Income	2,082	-	-	2,082	2,378
Investments					
.. Interest and Dividends Received	4,045	381	-	4,425	4,584
Other Incoming Resources					
.. Sale of Assets	75	-	-	75	
Total receipts	89,362	16,710	-	106,072	132,785

Payments

Cost of Raising Funds					
.. Cost of Stewardship	30	-	-	30	73
.. Costs of Fetes, Bazaar, Other Fund-raising Events	158	-	-	158	466
.. Cafe Expenses	2,434	459	-	2,894	3,668
Church Running Costs					
.... Administration & Publicity Expenses	1,413	1,024	-	2,438	1,510
.... Church Broadband	385	-	-	385	
.... Church Insurance	3,978	-	-	3,978	3,932
.... Church Maintenance	960	-	-	960	756
.... Organ / Piano Tuning & Repair	-	463	-	463	107
.... Upkeep of Churchyard	1,925	823	-	2,748	13,305
Church Utility bills					
.... Church Electricity	1,089	-	-	1,089	1,109
.... Church Gas	2,737	-	-	2,737	2,895
Clergy & Staff Expenses					
.... Other Clergy Costs	250	-	-	250	166
.... Vicar's Expenses	800	-	-	800	439
.... Vicarage Costs	1,407	-	-	1,407	1,473
.. Cost of Services	2,457	396	-	2,853	3,699
.... Payroll Costs	-	3,466	-	3,466	

Freewill Giving to Diocesan	60,000	-	-	60,000	54,000
Charitable Giving					
Giving to Charities	2,138	-	-	2,138	2,016
Hall Running Costs					
Hall Electricity	3,074	400	-	3,474	2,862
Hall Insurance	995	-	-	995	973
Hall Maintenance incl Cleaning	3,516	2,474	-	5,990	12,712
Hall Water & Sewage	494	-	-	494	363
Mission and Evangelism Costs	709	164	-	872	712
Training	450	-	-	450	
Major work on church					4,050
Major work on hall					27,917
Total payments	91,398	9,669	-	101,067	139,202
Net receipts/(payments)	(2,036)	7,041	-	5,005	(6,417)
Transfers to/(from) funds	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus/(deficit) for year	(2,036)	7,041	-	5,005	(6,414)
Cash funds last year end	90,229	91,403	2,577	184,208	190,622
Cash funds this year end	88,193	98,444	2,577	189,213	184,208

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Breakdown of unrestricted funds

	150+ Project	Bench Fund	Designated Building Programme	General Fund	Total unrestricted funds
Receipts					
Donations and Legacies					
.. Donations - One Off GASDS eligible	-	-	-	2,007	2,007
.. Donations - One Off Gift Aid Eligible	-	-	-	93	93
.. Donations - One Off Not Gift Aided or GASDS eligible	-	-	-	7,715	7,715
.. GASDS Claimed	-	-	-	1,276	1,276
.. Gift Aid Claimed	-	-	-	8,269	8,269
.. Legacies	-	-	-	200	200
.. Open Plate Collections	-	-	300	4,270	4,570
.. Planned Giving - Gift Aided	-	-	-	35,397	35,397
.. Planned Giving - Non-Gift Aided	-	-	-	5,323	5,323
Other Trading Activities					
.. Cafe Takings	-	-	-	6,459	6,459
.. Fetes, Bazaar, Other Fund-raising Events	-	-	-	2,230	2,230
.. Hall Hire	-	-	-	8,286	8,286
.. Magazine Advertising and Sales Income	-	-	-	663	663
.. Printing & Stationery Income	-	-	-	152	152
Charitable Activities					
.. PCC Fees - heating	-	-	-	520	520
.. PCC Fees Income	-	-	-	2,082	2,082
Investments					
.. Interest and Dividends Received	-	-	-	4,045	4,045
Other Incoming Resources					
.. Sale of Assets	-	-	-	75	75
Total receipts	-	-	300	89,062	89,362
Payments					
Cost of Raising Funds					
.. Cost of Stewardship	-	-	-	30	30
.. Costs of Fetes, Bazaar, Other Fund-raising Events	-	-	-	158	158
Charitable Activities					
.. Cafe Expenses	-	-	-	2,434	2,434
.. Church Running Costs	-	-	-	8,661	8,661
.. Church Utility bills	-	-	-	3,827	3,827
.. Clergy & Staff Expenses	-	-	-	2,456	2,456
.. Cost of Services	-	-	-	2,457	2,457
.. Freewill Giving to Diocesan	-	-	-	60,000	60,000
Charitable giving	-	-	-	2,138	2,138
.. Hall Running Costs	-	-	-	8,079	8,079
.. Mission and Evangelism Costs	-	-	-	1,159	1,159
Total payments	-	-	-	91,398	91,398
Net receipts / (payments)	-	-	300	(2,336)	(2,036)
Transfers to / (from) funds	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	-	-	300	(2,336)	(2,036)
Cash funds last year end	1,435	300	25,660	62,834	90,229
Cash funds this year end	1,435	300	25,960	60,497	88,193

Nature and purpose of funds

150+ Project: Holds funds to clear retention fees for heating
 Bench Fund: Held for memorial bench in churchyard
 Designated Building Programme: For use to improve buildings
 General Fund:

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Breakdown of restricted funds

	Agency - owed to 3rd parties	Building Programme	Cafe	Choir	Crummack Sunday School	Fabric	Flowers	Forest Church	Green Tariff Offset	Hall Ramp	Organ
Receipts											
Donations and Legacies											
.. Donations - One Off GASDS eligible	-	40	-	-	-	-	50	-	-	-	-
.. Donations - One Off Gift Aid Eligible	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,400	-	-
.. Donations - One Off Not Gift Aided or GASDS eligible	-	-	-	-	-	100	199	-	-	-	-
.. Gift Aid claimed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. GASDS claimed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. Grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	-	800	-
.. Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	-
.. Open Plate Collections	660	-	381	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments											
.. Interest and Dividends Received	-	-	-	6	146	-	-	-	-	-	229
Total receipts	660	40	381	6	146	10,100	249	800	1,400	800	229
Payments											
Charitable Activities											
.. Cost of events	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. Cafe Expenses	-	-	381	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. Church Running Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	823	-	-	463
.. Cost of Services	-	-	-	69	78	-	249	-	-	-	-
.. Admin & publicity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. Organ Tuning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. Employee Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
.. Hall Running Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	-
.. Mission and Evangelism Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Major work hall	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	-	-	381	69	78	-	249	823	-	800	463
Net receipts / (payments)	660	40	-	(63)	68	10,100	-	(23)	1,400	-	(234)
Transfers to / (from) funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus / (deficit) for year	660	40	-	(63)	68	10,100	-	(23)	1,400	-	(234)
Cash funds last year end	-	14,325	-	62	(68)	1,100	-	23	-	760	4,125
Cash funds this year end	660	14,365	-	(1)	-	11,200	-	-	1,400	760	3,891

Nature and purpose of funds

Agency - owed to 3rd parties: money handled by PCC but not PCCs
 Building Programme: For improvement of buildings
 Cafe: For community cafe work
 Choir: for use on music
 Crummack Sunday School: For children's work
 Fabric: Donations towards the building fabric
 Flowers: Donations for church flowers
 Forest Church: For use with Muddy Church costs

Hall Ramp: Grants & Donations to replace Hall ramp
 Organ: For cost of organ upkeep
 Rose Window Fund: balance of HLF grant for education
 Sound System: For the Hall Sound system
 Sylvia Hurley Estate: Money for use with Time Out and other care home work
 Vicar & Churchwardens' Fund: For use against Mission exps as decided by Vicar & Churchwardens
 Warm Place Warm Space: To support community cafe as a Warm space



Rose Window Fund	Sound System	Sylvia Hurley Estate	Vicar & Churchwardens' Fund	Warm Place Warm Space	Total restricted funds	Total restricted funds last period
-	-	-	-	-	90	132
-	-	-	-	-	1,400	11,023
-	500	-	-	-	799	267
						3,256
						20
-	-	-	-	1,400	3,000	23,775
-	-	-	-	-	10,000	1,100
-	-	-	-	-	1,041	-
-	-	-	-	-	381	352
-	500	-	-	1,400	16,710	39,925
						179
-	-	-	-	78	459	895
-	-	-	1,024	-	2,310	
-	-	-	-	-	396	561
						34
						107
-	-	-	3,466	-	3,466	-
-	500	1,054	-	520	2,874	2,515
						304
-	-	14	-	150	164	27,035
-	500	1,068	4,490	748	9,669	31,630
-	-	(1,068)	(4,490)	652	7,041	8,295
-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	(1,068)	(4,490)	652	7,041	8,295
7,049	-	12,375	51,651	-	91,403	83,108
7,049	-	11,308	47,161	652	98,444	91,403

