

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity, Walton.

Worship God, love our communities, grow in faith.



For the year ended 31st December 2024

ABOUT US

We are a thriving community of Christians in Walton. We are a Church of England Parish seeking to 'Worship God, love our communities, grow in faith'. The correspondence address is Street Mission Church, Vestry Close, Street BA16 0HZ.

AIM and PURPOSE

Walton Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the Incumbent, the Rev'd Ana Lawrence, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England (PCC Powers Measure 1956, and the Church Representation Rules 2006) and is an excepted charity. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to participate in the election of members of the PCC. The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC meets 4 times a year. PCC members who have served in the current year to the date this report is approved are:

Rector	Reverend Ana Lawrence
Curate	Reverend Sister Rachel Pengelly
Assistant Priest	Reverend David Hatrey
Readers	Jane Tompsett Mike Bergner Kevin Lawrence Andy Savage Edwin Reeve
Church Wardens	Sandra Gristock
Treasurer	Sonia Beaty
Bankers	NatWest, 72 High Street, Street, Somerset, BA16 0EJ Lloyds Bank, 64 High Street, Street, Somerset BA16 0ED
Independent Examiner	Edward Howells Associates Ltd

PCC Secretary	Wendy Devenish
Deanery Synod	Hilda Grint (from April 2024)
Elected Members	Sonia Beaty Wendy Devenish Liz Selway Pauline Hatrey Yvonne Guerin (until April 2024) Edgar Frampton (from April 2024) Gill Attewell (from April 2024)

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 at Holy Trinity, Walton and beyond. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions as to how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through nonsacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship, we aim to reach non church members of the community. The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Walton, it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively within the Ecclesiastical Parish and that in doing so, it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

ACHIEVEMENTS PERFORMANCE and REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2024

Our Benefice Mission Statement 'At SWCD Churches we are a church family who aims to: worship God, love our communities, grow in faith' has continued to underpin the life and ministry of the benefice comprising 3 parishes of Street, Walton and Compton Dundon with 4 churches.

Reflecting on 2024, within the 3 areas of the mission statement, these are some of the things that come to mind:

Worship God

Numerical growth particularly at our monthly celebrate@6 services, weekly Midweek Communion and the Mission Church.

Sermon series (including godly relationships, meals Jesus shared and creation matters) have shaped our Sunday teaching programme and continue to foster continuity and a greater sense of 'learning and growing' together as a benefice.

Our Christmas services saw greater attendance particularly at the Street Carol Service where there was a sharp rise in numbers.

Significantly increased numbers of young people (under aged 16) attending the Mission Church with growth in the Sunday morning provision for children as well as the introduction of a midweek youth space. A mature Messy Church programme with rising numbers of families attending in Walton.

Love our communities

The bell project at St Andrew's has gathered momentum towards completion with considerable local interest and support.

Coffee, chat and snacks evolved into a warm space during the winter months and has provided a social place of connection for both church and community members.

Walton Coffee morning has continued to flourish with links being strengthened with the Primary School. There are also encouraging links with Compton Dundon School as well as Elmhurst Junior.

A step forwards in the hospitality that has been offered over the year whether breakfast, lunch at the warm space, evening meals served at Alpha, as well as tea and cake at Connections@the Mission and film nights in the Meadway Hall.

Grow in faith

There has been a growth in attendance at our weekly house groups and the beginnings of a new daytime group being set up.

There are now 2 weekly prayer meetings (in Street and Compton Dundon respectively) both of which are well attended.

The Alpha course was re-introduced and whilst attendance was lower than we had hoped, God was at work in the lives of those who came with significant steps forward on individual faith journeys.

Lent and Advent courses were run in Compton Dundon and Street, all of which were well attended.

As of December 2024, the number on our electoral roll was 33

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

The annual accounts show that planned giving plus collections in church have increased by £2961 on the 2023 figures. 'Friends' fundraising income has generated £2645 during the year.

The church was donated a beautiful handmade exterior noticeboard, signwriting for that cost £624.

The hearing loop had to be replaced at a cost of £883 and 3 folding tables were purchased for £407. Donations were received towards the cost of these of £500 and £150 respectively.

Architect fees for the re-ordering were £204, which was taken from general reserves.

In 2024 Walton made a surplus on general funds of £8748 (forecast surplus of £2134) which is great news.

Balances at the end of 2024 were £27921 in general reserves and £4278 in restricted funds.

Thank you to everyone who has helped financially with the running of Holy Trinity Walton during 2024.

Sonia Beaty, Treasurer

Holy Trinity Church, Walton
Accounts for the 12 months ended 31st December 2024
Summary receipts and payments account

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Planned giving		13370		11680
Collections in Church		5578		4307
Income tax		4647		4247
Sundry donations		1265		1295
Friends of Walton Church & Events		2645		2704
Fees paid to PCC		2133		2523
Dividends & interest		726		440
Charities		685		746
Net Restoration Fund Income		402		20
Legacy		1		0
Grants		800		774
		<u>32252</u>		<u>28737</u>
Tithe		3894		3802
Parish share		7958		6347
		<u>20399</u>		<u>18588</u>
EXPENSES				
Clergy working expenses	435		459	
Pioneer Minister expenses	0		317	
Utilities	2143		3038	
Insurance	1459		1390	
Upkeep of services	353		211	
Repairs	3864		3623	
Cleaning	0		0	
Licences	293		237	
Bibles for school	416		362	
Office expenses	454		318	
Website costs	55		53	
Parish Administrator	828		772	
Sundries	0		60	
Independent Examiners Fees	240		180	
Restoration Fund	0		0	
Childrens work	112		50	
Charities	685		746	
<u>Extraordinary expenditure</u>				
- Re-ordering		204		1125
- Signwriting/Sumup machine		624		393
		<u>12164</u>		<u>13335</u>
Surplus/(deficit)		8235		5253
Balance B/Fwd		23964		18711
Balance at 31st December 2024		<u>32199</u>		<u>23964</u>

Holy Trinity Church, Walton
Accounts for the 12 months ended 31st December 2024
UNRESTRICTED receipts and payments account

	2024	Budget	2023
INCOME			
Planned giving	13370	12180	11680
Collections in Church	5578	4226	4307
Income tax	4647	4200	4247
Sundry donations	1265	1300	1295
Friends of Walton Church & Events	2645	2700	2704
Fees paid to PCC	1883	2500	2123
Dividends & interest	482	300	291
Charities	685	0	746
Legacy	1	0	0
Grants	35	0	-180
	<u>30591</u>	<u>27406</u>	<u>27214</u>
Tithe	3894	3705	3802
Parish share	7958	7967	6347
	<u>18738</u>	<u>15734</u>	<u>17065</u>
EXPENSES			
Clergy working expenses	435	600	459
Pioneer Minister expenses	0	0	317
Utilities	2145	3295	3038
Insurance	1459	1379	1390
Upkeep of services	353	250	211
Repairs	2104	1000	2603
Cleaning	0	0	0
Licences	293	240	237
Office expenses	454	350	318
Website costs	55	64	53
Parish Administrator	828	772	772
Sundries	0	100	60
Independent Examiners Fees	240	200	180
Childrens work	112	50	50
Charities	685	0	746
<u>Extraordinary expenditure</u>			
- Re-ordering	204		503
- Signwriting/Sumup machine	624	5300	393
	<u>9990</u>	<u>13600</u>	<u>11331</u>
Surplus/(deficit)	<u>8748</u>	<u>2134</u>	<u>5734</u>
Balance B/Fwd	19173	19173	13439
Balance as at 31st December 2024	<u>27921</u>	<u>21307</u>	<u>19173</u>

Holy Trinity Church, Walton
Accounts for the 12 months ended 31st December 2024
Restricted funds: receipts & payments

	Restoration Fund		Churchyard Maintenance	
	Restricted		Restricted	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations	370			
Burial upkeep fees			250	400
Grants			765	954
Fundraising	33	20		
Interest			93	49
	<u>403</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>1108</u>	<u>1403</u>
Expenditure				
Upkeep of Churchyard			1760	1020
Re-ordering		622		
	<u>-</u>	<u>622</u>	<u>1760</u>	<u>1020</u>
Surplus/(deficit)	403	(602)	(652)	383
Balance B/Fwd	-	602	1868	1485
Balance as at 31 Dec 2024	<u>403</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1216</u>	<u>1868</u>

	Walton School House	
	Restricted	
	2024	2023
	£	£
Receipts		
Interest	<u>151</u>	<u>100</u>
	<u>151</u>	<u>100</u>
Expenditure		
Bibles for School	<u>416</u>	<u>362</u>
	<u>416</u>	<u>362</u>
Surplus/(deficit)	(265)	(262)
Balance B/fwd	2,924	3,186
Balance at 31 Dec 2024	<u>2,659</u>	<u>2,924</u>

Holy Trinity Church, Walton
Accounts for the 12 months ended 31st December 2024
Statement of assets and liabilities

	2024	2023
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
<u>General fund unrestricted</u>		
Bank Current Accounts	21407	12986
CBF Deposit Funds	6513	6185
	27920	19171
Restoration Fund	403	1
Churchyard Maintenance Fund	1217	1869
Walton School House	2659	2924
	32199	23964
	0	0
Net assets	32199	23964
General Fund	27921	19172
Restoration Fund	403	0
Churchyard Fund	1216	1868
Walton School House	2659	2924
	32199	23964

Held within the current account are:

Youth Fund - £44.42

Bell Fund - £440


Fund to maintain Rev'd Phillips' gravestone £1025.32

Other Assets

Moveable church furnishings as listed in the inventory (comprising assets held on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, and assets where the original cost was in excess of £1000 but do not require a faculty).



S Beaty
Hon. Treasurer



Independent Examiner

Walton PCC - Missions & Charities

2024

IN OUT
£ £

CHARITIES

St Margaret's Hospice

Children's Society

Gaza appeal

30 30

Middle East Appeal - Tearfund

120 120

Macmillan Coffee Morning

535 535

685 685

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Mfuwe link

1298

Missions Without Borders

1298

Annie - One Hope

1298

3894



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Holy Trinity Church, Walton

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2024 **Charity no
(if any)**

Set out on pages

1-5(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2024.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

18/02/2025

Name:

Edward Howells

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ACCA, FCA

Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

