

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Holy Trinity & Mission Church, Street.

Worship God, love our communities, grow in faith.



For the year ended 31st December 2024

Trustees' Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the Year ended 31 December 2024

ABOUT US

We are a thriving community of Christians in Street. We are a Church of England Parish Seeking to 'Worship God, love our communities and grow in faith.'

The correspondence address is Street Mission Church, Vestry Close, Street BA16 0HZ.

AIM and PURPOSE

Street Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating 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 during 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 Warden	Edwin Reeve
Treasurer	Sonia Beaty
PCC Secretary	Andrew Savage

Deanery Synod	Jane Tompsett (until April 2024) Sandra Gristock (from April 2024)
Elected Members	Linda Wilson (until April 2024) Roger Harmsworth Tim Hindle Caroline Fulton Andrew Savage
Bankers	NatWest, 72 High Street, Street, Somerset, BA16 0EJ Lloyds Bank, 64 High Street, Street, Somerset BA16 0ED
Independent Examiner	Edward Howells Associates Ltd

OBJECTIVES and ACTIVITIES

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of our parish community at the Parish Church, the Mission Church 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 churched 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 Street, 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 100.

FINANCIAL REPORT FROM THE TREASURER

2024 has proved to be a difficult year financially with the prospect of running out of money a very likely possibility. Thanks to everyone who has responded to the giving campaign, which has resulted in an increase of £4783 in planned giving on the 2023 figures.

Towards the end of 2024 the PCC made the difficult decision to not automatically pay the 10% tithe; instead it was agreed to pay ½ of any surplus that was made.

Extraordinary costs incurred were £1200 for a new laptop (worship) in the Mission Church and £4651 for automatic doors, the latter of which was covered by a kind donation.

During 2024 the PCC received a legacy from the estate of the late Patricia Halsall, £1000 grant towards the costs of running Warm Spaces and £1000 donation to the Social Fund.

Overall, a surplus of £4222 was generated on the general reserves.

Monies held at 31st December 2024 totalled £29688, £23964 of which are in general funds, £2715 in restricted funds and £3009 in designated funds.

Sonia Beaty, treasurer

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

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
Planned giving		38421		32920
Collections in Church		8065		8352
Income tax		11168		9801
Sundry donations		11424		3613
Events		303		0
Missions & charities		4717		1097
Fees paid to PCC		4425		4391
Dividends & interest		1049		1077
Church rooms		9604		10986
Magazine		512		609
Legacies		1000		0
Bell Ringers' account		150		0
		90838		72847
Tithe		4222		7061
Parish share		48885		42384
		37730		23402
EXPENSES				
Clergy working expenses	1108		1451	
Pioneer minister	0		478	
Utilities	8209		8729	
Upkeep of services	1552		451	
Repairs	2090		1494	
Other salaries	6940		6178	
Childrens' work	0		65	
Events	0		0	
Stationery & printing	1264		1426	
Website running costs	91		144	
Sundries	1120		2549	
Charities	4717		1097	
<u>Extraordinary expenditure</u>				
- Parish Church	4651		6192	
- Mission church	1200		1346	
		32943		31599
Surplus/(deficit)		4787		-8197
Balance B/Fwd		24901		33098
Balance as at 31st December 2024		29688		24901

Holy Trinity Church, Street
Accounts for the 12 months ended 31st December 2024
'Unrestricted' receipts and payments account

	2024		Budget to date		2023	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME						
Planned giving		38421		33703		32920
Collections in Church		8065		8000		8352
Income tax		11168		9800		9801
Sundry donations		11424		1500		3613
Events		303		300		0
Missions & charities		4717		800		1097
Fees paid to PCC		4150		3594		4091
Dividends & interest		759		900		861
Church rooms		9604		9007		10987
Magazine		512		550		609
Legacies		1000		0		0
Bell Ringers' account		150		0		0
		90273		68154		72331
Less: Tithe		4222		6686		7061
Parish share		48885		48870		42384
		37165		12598		22887
EXPENSES						
Clergy working expenses	1108		1500		1451	
Pioneer minister	0		0		478	
Utilities	8209		9400		8729	
Upkeep of services	1552		220		451	
Repairs	2090		1600		1470	
Other salaries	6940		6217		6178	
Childrens' work	0		50		65	
Events	0		0		0	
Stationery & printing	1264		1290		1426	
Website running costs	91		108		144	
Sundries	1120		1500		2549	
Charities	4717		800		1097	
<u>Extraordinary expenditure</u>						
- Parish Church	4651		5000		4136	
- Mission church	1200		2000		1346	
		32943		29685		29519
Surplus/(deficit)		4222		-17087		-6633
Balance B/Fwd		19742		19742		26375
		23964		2655		19742

Holy Trinity Church, Street
Accounts for the 12 months ended 31st December 2024
Designated and restricted funds: receipts & payments

	Parish Church Fund Restricted		Flower Fund Designated	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Donations			23	
Grants				
Interest	20	64	60	35
Fundraising Events				
	<u>20</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>35</u>
Expenditure				
Flowers				24
Wall repairs				
Bell tower repairs		2056		
	<u>0</u>	<u>2056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24</u>
Surplus/(deficit)	20	-1992	83	11
Transfers				
Balance B/Fwd	0	1992	1092	1081
Balance as at 31 Dec 2024	<u>20</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1175</u>	<u>1092</u>
	Churchyard Fund Restricted		Altar Frontal Fund Designated	
	2024	2023	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Interest	117	62	93	55
Money from burials & donations	275	300		
	<u>392</u>	<u>362</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>55</u>
Expenditure				
Coffee machine				
Mower				
Painting gates, noticeboard etc				
	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus/(deficit)	392	362	93	55
Transfers				
Balance B/Fwd	2303	1941	1764	1709
Balance as at 31 Dec 2024	<u>2695</u>	<u>2303</u>	<u>1857</u>	<u>1764</u>

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
<u>General fund unrestricted</u>		
NatWest & cash	14762	-2734
Lloyds	4830	8646
CBF	4349	13830
	23941	19742
Parish Church fund - Restricted	20	0
Flower Fund - Designated	1175	1092
Altar Frontal Fund - Designated	1857	1764
Churchyard fund - Restricted	2695	2303
	29688	24901
Liabilities	0	0
Net assets	29688	24901

Held in the NatWest and ringfenced:

	£	Social Fund	
Bell Ringers Account			
Balance B/Fwd	2118	Balance b/fwd	0
In this year	160	Donations	1100
Expenses	336	Expenses	-72
Balance C/Fwd	1942	Balance c/fwd	1028

Bereavement Cafe £254.34

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



E Howells
Independent Examiner

Appendix A - Charities & Missions 2024

	Donations In £	Paid Out £
Middle East Crisis Appeal	199	199
Faraj Hanna	540	540
Zambia Link, Mfuwe	3750	3750
Tearfund Big Quiz	153	153
Hopestream	75	75
	<u>4717</u>	<u>4717</u>
<u>Tithe money</u>		
Zambia Link, Mfuwe		1408
Tearfund		1407
Premier Christian Radio		1407
		<u>4222</u>



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Holy Trinity Church Street		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st 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").

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.

Independent examiner's statement 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:**

Name:

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

Address:

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.

