



# The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of St. Weonards 2024 Report & Accounts



St Weonards benefice website: [www.stw.org.uk](http://www.stw.org.uk)

## Aim and purposes

St. Weonards Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also responsible for the maintenance of the church and churchyard at St Weonards.

## Objectives and activities

The primary object of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is committed to enabling people to worship at our church, and to become part of our parish community. Our services and worship seek to put the Christian faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning activities we consider the Diocesan focus: encouraging people to live out their faith by sharing God's love in our community and the world through:

- worshipping God and praying for His help and guidance;
- caring and serving people in all life's situations;
- recognising and responding to those in need;
- inspiring and learning through each other's strengths and gifts;
- working to safeguard the integrity of creation

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Weonards Church.



## Achievements and performance

### Context

St Weonards benefice was suspended from 15 May 2021 for a period of two years, to allow the Ross & Archenfield Deanery leadership team to develop a deanery pastoral plan. In July 2022, the Bishop and the Archdeacon decided that, although the Rural Deanery had not completed the Deanery Plan, the post of Priest-in-Charge of the St Weonards Benefice should be advertised.

After two unsuccessful rounds of advertising, a selection panel comprising the diocesan bishop, Archdeacon of Hereford, and parish representatives was assembled, and they were unanimous in endorsing one candidate. We were delighted that on 1 July 2024 Bishop Richard Jackson installed and licensed Reverend Angie Kateley as Priest-in-Charge of the St Weonards group of parishes.

### Developing Vocations

Our All-Age service leader, Alex Mynors Herbert, has continued her third year of ordination training through the part-time course offered by the Cuddesdon-Gloucester-Hereford partnership, which has involved weekly lectures in Ludlow on Wednesday evenings, and twice-termly weekend residential courses at Cuddesdon Theological College near Oxford.

## Worship and prayer

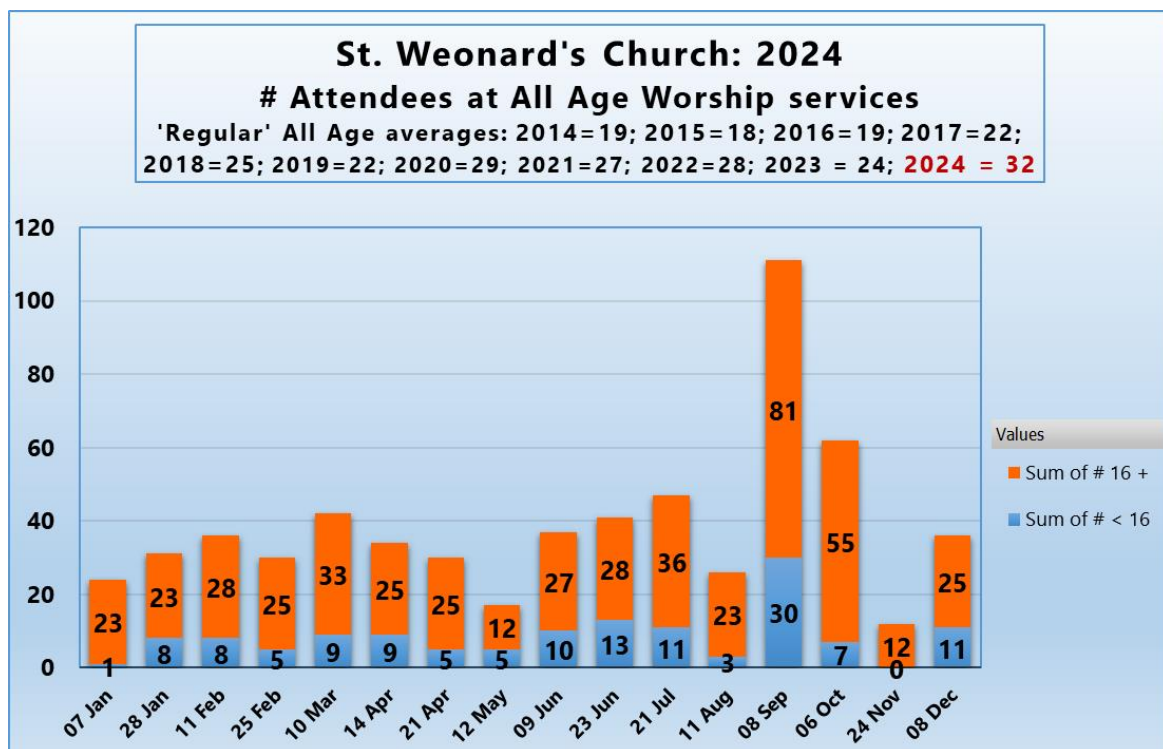


We have continued to hold lay-led All-Age Worship services at 10.00am on the second and fourth Sunday of each month. (In the second half of the year, these moved to the earlier time of 9.30am to allow our new vicar time to officiate at another service in the benefice, after celebrating communion.) We were delighted to welcome worshippers from across the benefice and beyond. Attendance peaked on 8 September for a baptism and communion (81 adults + 30 children and young people + 2 online). Average attendance across the year excluding services with baptism or confirmation reached its highest level in a decade of 32 (25 adults + 7.5 children and young people). We have continued to stream most of our All Age services live via Zoom, which has been greatly

improved following the upgrade to the church's audio system in spring 2024.

Twelve of our services during the year were with Holy Communion, and the PCC is particularly grateful to visiting officiants at all our services during the interregnum, who in first half of 2024 included Archdeacon Derek Chedzey (three times); Rural Dean Sheila Anthony (twice); and Revd Julian Reindorp for Good Friday, Easter Day and another Sunday in April.

An important aspect of these occasions is the opportunity to enjoy fellowship after the services with delicious refreshments provided by members of the congregation.

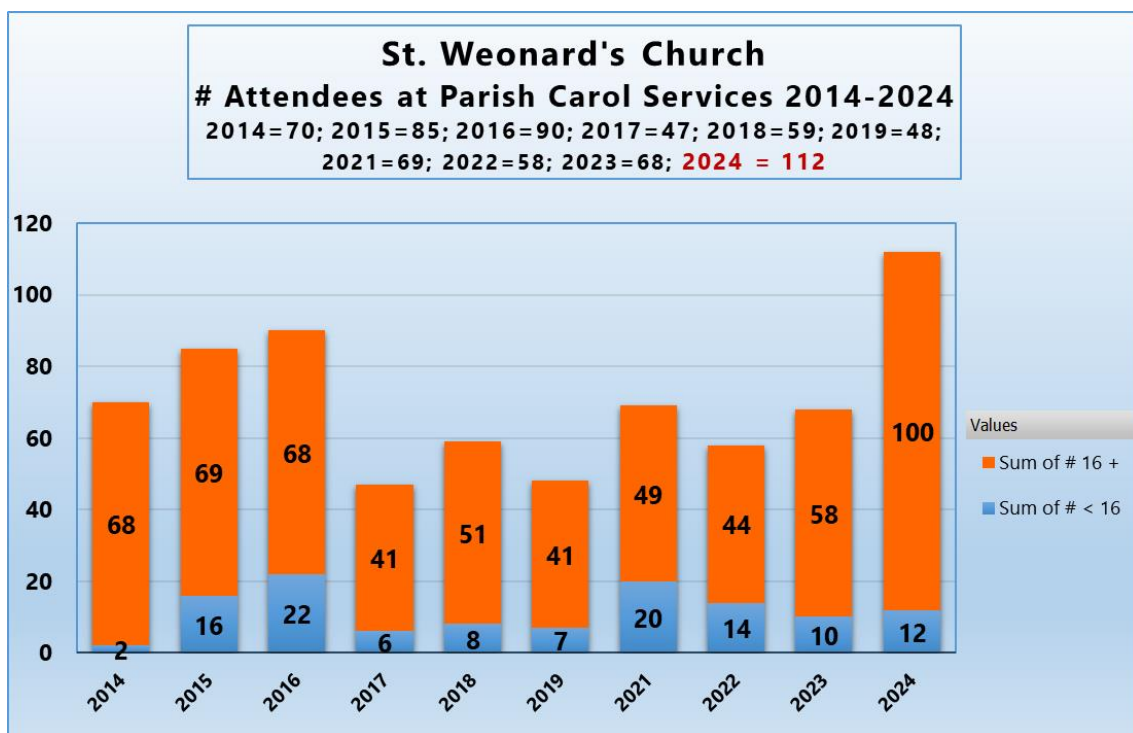


It was a great pleasure to welcome the friends and families of children who were baptised in the church: Nancy Thornley and Elizabeth Phillips.

Family and friends came in October to remember and give thanks for the life of Melanie Rix.

Other special services included:

- Good Friday 'Last Hour' meditation
- Easter Day family communion, led by Rev'd Julian Reindorp (60 adults + 13 children and young people)
- Licensing & installation of Rev'd Angie Kateley (153 attendees and 9 joining online)
- Harvest Festival (67 + 13 children and young people)
- Remembrance Sunday (30 + 4)
- Parish carol service (100 + 12)
- Christmas Eve crib service (71 + 50)
- Christmas Eve 'midnight' communion, (43 + 3).



There has also been a small group meeting each month to pray for our benefice, churches and local communities.

### Caring & serving and responding to community needs

We have continued to make collections for the Hereford Food Bank.

### Safeguarding the integrity of creation

As a church, we seek to respond to the fifth Anglican 'mark of mission', to 'strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth.' Following our **Eco Church**<sup>1</sup> bronze award in 2020, we have continued to try to work out and integrate the core themes (Worship & Teaching, Buildings, Land, Community & Global Engagement, and Lifestyle) into our common life as a church.



<sup>1</sup> [ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/](http://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/)

## **Volunteers**

We thank all who have contributed so generously to the life of the church during the past year.

We are grateful to our Tower Captain Peter Hallewell for leading our team of ringers; it's lovely to hear the bells ringing out across the valley during Thursday evening practices. New volunteers always welcome!

Choral and organ music continue to form an integral part of worship in our services and the parish and wider benefice is grateful to Richard Mynors for the commitment and professionalism that he brings to all aspects of our church music.

Many thanks to our many volunteers:

- our skilled flower arrangers who make the church so lovely, organised by Gillie Hallewell
- people who welcome congregations
- those who prepare the communion table and wash the church linen
- the Lewis and Williams families for providing refreshments
- Stephen Herbert for maintaining the St. Weonards benefice and A Church Near You websites
- Alex Herbert, Claire Peveraro-Morris, and Anna Williams for updating the St Weonards Church Facebook page
- Alex Mynors Herbert for leading worship and preparing the 'MailChimp' e-newsletters
- Laura Pritchard, Alžbeta Taylor, and Becci Ward for the regular cleaning
- Tracy Knights for maintaining the churchyard in excellent order
- the Muldowney family for helping to clear the church roof valley gutters, and for completing the re-pointing of the exterior stonework to reduce the ingress of damp
- We would like to express our particular thanks to our Treasurer and Gift Aid Officer Stephen Herbert, our Secretary Fiona Mynors, and our Churchwardens Richard Mynors and Anna Williams for the significant number of hours they invest in supporting the life of the church and ensuring the smooth running of the PCC throughout the year.

## **Safeguarding**

The PCC has adopted the Church of England's 'Promoting a Safer Church: Safeguarding Policy Statement', and ensures that safeguarding is a standing order agenda item at every meeting. We are grateful to our Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO), Fiona Mynors, for her work in this key area. The PCC considers that it has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. St Weonards PCC has adopted key features that help maintain a safer culture that protects and promotes the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. All PCC members completed National Safeguarding Foundations (C1) refresher training in January 2025. In addition, the PSO has completed the Safeguarding Leadership training.

## **Deanery & Diocesan Synod**

We thank Richard Mynors for acting as our deanery and diocesan synod representative, also Christine Lewis for taking over as Deanery rep. This role provides an important link between the parish and wider church structures. The Deanery is to re-advertise in early 2025 for a 'LifeLink Chaplain' to work with young people, mainly through John Kyrle High School. We are grateful to Revd Sheila Anthony for her continued support and guidance as Rural Dean, and particularly for her oversight of our benefice during the vacancy period.

## Supporting Christian mission and ministry

We aim to share God's love in our community and the world and show Jesus Christ to those around us in practical ways through tithing, aiming to give at least 10% of our voluntary income to mission work outside the parish. Our principle is to give to Christian organisations working at diocesan, national and international levels. In 2024, the PCC made gifts of:

- £750 to Borderlands Rural Chaplaincy<sup>2</sup> which provides a confidential listening ear offering pastoral support to farmers, farming families and agricultural communities;
- £100 to the Herefordshire Historic Churches Trust<sup>3</sup>;
- £750 to Church Urban Fund<sup>4</sup> which tackles complex challenges like poverty and exclusion across England by mobilising people, churches, and whole communities to make a positive difference;
- £750 to the Church Mission Society<sup>5</sup> to support Rev'ds Simon and Sarah Cawdell serving in Gulu in northern Uganda.

## Ecumenical relationships

The ecumenical opportunities of linking with neighbouring Baptist and Methodist Churches have been limited in 2024, although we have continued to welcome families from these congregations to our All-Age services, and pray with those who would associate themselves with non-Anglican denominations.

## Fundraising events

The PCC is very grateful to all who supported a variety of events through the year:

- the Open Gardens event on 2 June at Treago, generating £1,931 for general church funds;
- the Wild Arts production of *The Magic Flute* on 7 June at Treago which resulted in a distribution of £4,000 from the Herefordshire Historic Churches Trust;
- the Harvest Festival service and supper on 25 October which raised £645 for We Are Farming Minds, and prize draw which made £101 for the church's audio-visual project; and
- 'Faye's Bingo' evening on 29 November in the Village Hall which raised a wonderful £1,451 in aid of the Churchyard Fund.



The PCC also received £17 from Easyfundraising through donors choosing to donate to the PCC via their online shopping.

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<sup>2</sup> [www.borderchaplain.org/](http://www.borderchaplain.org/)

<sup>3</sup> [www.hhct.co.uk/](http://www.hhct.co.uk/)

<sup>4</sup> [cuf.org.uk/](http://cuf.org.uk/)

<sup>5</sup> [churchmissionsociety.org/people-in-mission/sarah-and-simon-cawdell-uganda/](http://churchmissionsociety.org/people-in-mission/sarah-and-simon-cawdell-uganda/)

## Grants

The PCC is grateful to the Herefordshire Historic Churches Trust (HHCT) for sharing half the net proceeds from the Wild Arts event at Treago in June, resulting in a £4,000 grant for general church funds.

The PCC also received a £4,000 grant from the Hereford Diocese's 'Mustard Seed Fund', and a similar sum from the St Weonards Religious Education Fund, in aid of the church's audio-visual project.

The UK Government's Listed Places of Worship (LPW) Grant Scheme made a grant of £1,213 to the PCC equivalent to the VAT incurred on re-pointing the external masonry of the church.



## Fabric report – building and churchyard

Deborah Johnson RIBA of Hook Mason & Co had undertaken the Quinquennial Inspection of the church on 21 November 2023, noting that the church was clearly very well cared for, but observed that ongoing problems with damp in the tower and the NE corner of the church were mainly attributable to discharges of rainwater. To help mitigate this, the PCC commissioned Muldowney & Sons to complete the repointing of exterior masonry above the damp line around the building.



Following List B approval from the Archdeacon of Hereford, the PCC commissioned Distributed Sound & Video Ltd ("DSAV") to install and commission a replacement audio system<sup>6</sup> for which they had quoted in November 2023. The team from DSAV completed their work on schedule and the PCC was particularly pleased with the careful finish of the speaker units and wiring to match closely the surrounding stonework. The new equipment enables excellent



sound reproduction in the building and online from fixed and roving microphones, and straightforward controls from a unit at the back of the nave or from a tablet app.

Garren Services (Tracy Knights) continued to mow and strim the churchyard and green burial space in accordance with the grassland management plan recommended by the charity Caring for God's Acre<sup>7</sup>. Visitors often comment positively on the 'well cared for' feel of both the church building and the churchyard.

<sup>6</sup> The equipment installed by contractor DSAV included: two Bose and two Yamaha loudspeakers, two Crown amplifiers, four microphones, an Allen & Heath control system plus digital mixer, new sockets, cabling and containment. The total cost included design, installation, training and commissioning.

<sup>7</sup> [www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/](http://www.caringforgodsacre.org.uk/)

## Financial review

**Total incoming resources** were £52,796, 20% higher than in 2023. Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £41,083 (+15% vs 2023), of which £20,681 came from voluntary donations (2023: £19,044), and £4,987 (2023: £5,475) from recovered Gift Aid and the Gift Aid Small Donations Scheme. Total tax-efficient planned giving through the Parish Giving Scheme and by standing order increased by 8% to £14,327 (2023: +5% to £13,307). The PCC is very grateful for all donations and wishes to recognise with particular thanks those who chose to give in a planned way. These steady commitments keep the mission and ministry of the church alive, and underpin the PCC's contributions to the diocesan Common Fund to pay for our clergy.

The value of collections taken during church services varies significantly depending on the number and type of service: the total of service collections in 2024 was £1,731 (2023: £2,253). Additionally, in 2024, the PCC received a very generous pecuniary legacy of £5,000 from Richard Matthews, and the PCC is most grateful to the Matthews family for their kind support.

The PCC also wishes to thank all those who supported fund-raising events for the church, which generated £3,500 (2023: £6,520). The annual fête in the grounds of Treago Castle in June raised £1,931, while the ever-popular 'Faye's Bingo' made £1,451 (2023: £1,551) for the Churchyard Fund.

In 2024, the PCC received one-off grants totalling £14,213 (2023: £8,592). These were:

- £4,000 from St Weonards Religious Education Trust towards the church's audio-visual project;
- £4,000 from Herefordshire Historic Churches Trust, being 50% of the net proceeds from the Wild Arts' Magic Flute production at Treago Castle on 7 June;
- £4,000 from the Hereford Diocesan Board of Finance's 'Mustard Seed Fund' towards phase 2 of the church's audio-visual project;
- £1,213.20 from the Department of Culture, Media & Sport's Listed Places of Worship scheme reimbursing VAT incurred on church building works within the previous 12 months;
- £1,000 from the St Weonards Group account, being a re-distribution of surplus funds.

**Total expenditure** in 2024 was £49,533 (2023: £39,816), which included one-off capital repairs to the church building of £2,909 (2023: £14,208) plus £16,778 on the replacement audio system including renewal of the deaf loop in the front section of the nave.

The PCC was pleased to be able to honour its Parish Offer commitment of £17,500, a 5.4% increase on 2023. This was to ensure that the St Weonards benefice was able to make a realistic contribution towards the cost of its stipendiary ministry. Insurance cover continued to be provided through Trinitas Church Insurance Services, with the premium increasing by 2.1% to £2,354.

The PCC made charitable gifts to support Christian mission totalling £2,350 (2023: £2,150), being 9.2% of unrestricted voluntary income<sup>8</sup> (2023: 8.8%).

Overall, receipts exceeded payments by £3,263 in the year (2023: net receipts of £4,221), represented by a net deficit of £(1,762) in unrestricted funds, and a surplus of £5,025 in restricted funds. Total PCC funds carried forward at year-end increased by 8% to £45,135 (2023: +11% to £41,872), of which approximately a fifth will be invested in phase two of the audio-visual upgrade project.

## Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to aim to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to approximately six months' regular unrestricted payments, equivalent to around £15,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow, to meet emergencies, and to ensure that Parish Offer contributions can be paid in full on time. The cash balance of £17,387 held in general unrestricted funds at year-end

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<sup>8</sup> Unrestricted voluntary income excluding legacies and one-off grants was £25,668.

exceeded this target by 16%, in anticipation of above average levels of expenditure in 2025-26. The balance across three restricted funds was £12,748 (2023: £7,723), split £5,568 Audio-Visual Fund, £3,500 Bell Maintenance & Restoration Fund, £675 Building Fund, and £3,005 Churchyard Fund. All these funds will be used to further the ministry and outreach of the church in future years, as well as to meet ongoing repair costs.

The PCC's policy is to invest surplus short-term current account balances in interest-earning accounts such as the CCLA CBF Church of England Deposit Fund or the CAF Bank Gold account. Other surpluses that can be invested over the medium to long-term are invested in the CBF Church of England Investment Fund.

## **Structure, governance and management**

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011). The PCC is currently exempted by order from registering with the Charity Commission.

The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. Weonards, the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. Church of England regulations require that a new electoral roll is drawn up every six years; this was last done in 2019. All those who attend our services regularly 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. It is our aim to ensure that new members receive initial training into the workings of the PCC.

The full PCC met five times during the year including the APCM. The UK & overseas mission sub-committee is responsible to the PCC, but did not meet separately during 2024, as all charitable giving decisions were made by the PCC as a whole.

Readers of this annual report should also note that the St Weonards Old School Religious Education Fund was established by The Diocese of Hereford (Educational Endowments) Order 1998 under statutory instrument number 1334, the trustees being the vicar and churchwardens of St Weonards. This Fund is entirely separate from the PCC's financial statements, but is deemed to be connected to St Weonards PCC due to the vicar being chair of both boards. The trustees of this Religious Education Fund "shall apply the income, and may apply the capital thereof, for educational purposes related to the Parish of St. Weonards in connection with the provision of religious education in accordance with the tenets of the Church of England by means of a Sunday School or otherwise."

In 2024, the Education Fund made a grant of £4,000 to St Weonards PCC towards its Audio-Visual project, £416 to Out of the Box for training materials to be used by the new vicar, £49 for Action Bibles for St Weonards Primary School Year 6 leavers, £47 for child baptism resources, and £60 for choral sheet music used by the benefice choir at Christmas services.



## **Administrative information**

St. Weonard's Church is situated in the heart of St. Weonards village. It is part of the St Weonards benefice within the deanery of Ross & Archenfield in the Diocese of Hereford.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1 January 2024 until the date this report was approved are:


Ex-officio members:

- Priest-in-Charge: Reverend Angie Kateley (from 1 July 2024)
- Churchwarden: Sir Richard Mynors
- Churchwarden: Mrs Anna Williams

Elected members:

- Mrs Carole Day (from 25 April 2024)
- Mr Richard Day (from 25 April 2024)
- Mr Peter Hallowell
- Mrs Alexandra Herbert
- Mr Stephen Herbert (Treasurer & Gift Aid Officer)
- Mrs Amanda Johnson (from 25 April 2024)
- Mrs Christine Lewis (representative on Deanery Synod)
- Lady Fiona Mynors (Secretary & Parish Safeguarding Officer)
- Mr Keith Simpson (from 25 April 2024)
- Mrs Angela White (from 25 April to 2 September 2024)
- Mr David White (from 25 April to 2 September 2024)

**Approved by the PCC on 16 March 2025 and signed on their behalf by:**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Kateley', written over a horizontal line.

**Reverend Angela Kateley**

Priest-in-Charge

# The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of St Weonards

## Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts

Report to the trustees of:	<b>St Weonards Parochial Church Council</b>
On the accounts for the year ended:	<b>31 December 2024</b>
Set out on pages:	<b>11-17</b>

### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

### Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the trustees concerning any 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 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records, or
- statutory fees were not accounted for correctly.

I 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.

**Signed:**



**Date:**

2 March 2025

**Name:**

**Norman Moon**

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body:

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Address:

c/o 4 Birch Close, Hay-on-Wye, Hereford HR3 5TL

**The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of St Weonards  
Receipts and Payments Account for the year ended 31 December 2024**

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £	Prior year total funds £
<b><u>Receipts</u></b>						
Donations and legacies	3	36,206	-	10,161	46,367	34,273
Income from charitable activities	4	181	-	-	181	733
Other trading activities	5	1,948	-	1,552	3,500	6,520
Investments	6	1,099	-	-	1,099	1,032
Other income	7	1,649	-	-	1,649	1,479
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>41,083</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,713</b>	<b>52,796</b>	<b>44,037</b>
<b><u>Payments</u></b>						
Raising funds	8	151	-	17	168	126
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	42,340	354	6,671	49,365	39,690
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>42,491</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>6,688</b>	<b>49,533</b>	<b>39,816</b>
Net movement in funds	2	(1,408)	(354)	5,025	<b>3,263</b>	4,221
<b><u>Reconciliation of funds</u></b>						
<b>Cash funds last year end</b>		<b>33,795</b>	<b>354</b>	<b>7,723</b>	<b>41,872</b>	<b>37,651</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>		<b>32,387</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12,748</b>	<b>45,135</b>	<b>41,872</b>
<b><u>Represented by</u></b>						
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund		32,387	-	-	<b>32,387</b>	33,795
<b>Designated</b>						
Damp Management Fund		-	-	-	-	354
<b>Restricted</b>						
Audio-Visual Fund		-	-	5,568	<b>5,568</b>	-
Bell Maintenance & Restoration Fund		-	-	3,500	<b>3,500</b>	3,500
Building Fund		-	-	675	<b>675</b>	1,768
Churchyard Fund		-	-	3,005	<b>3,005</b>	2,455

**The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of St Weonards**  
**Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 31 December 2024**

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Funds	This year Total funds	Last year Total funds
Note	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets - Investments</b>					
CCLA CBF C of E Investment Fund inc. share: 10	15,000	-	-	15,000	15,000
<b>Current Assets - Cash at bank</b>					
Lloyds Bank - Treasurer's account	2,107	-	2,797	4,904	4,101
CAF Bank - Cash (current) account	3,269	-	593	3,862	4,699
CAF Bank - Gold (savings) account	5,449	-	5,858	11,307	3,505
CCLA - CBF C of E Deposit Fund	6,562	-	3,500	10,062	14,567
Total	17,387	-	12,748	30,135	26,872
Net total assets	32,387	-	12,748	<b>45,135</b>	41,872

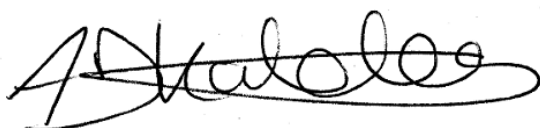
Represented by	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted - General Fund	32,387	-	-	32,387	33,795
Designated - Damp Management Fund	-	-	-	-	354
Restricted - Audio-Visual Fund	-	-	5,568	5,568	-
Restricted - Bell Maintenance & Restoration Fund	-	-	3,500	3,500	3,500
Restricted - Building Fund	-	-	675	675	1,768
Restricted - Churchyard Fund	-	-	3,005	3,005	2,455
Totals	32,387	-	12,748	<b>45,135</b>	41,872

Agency accounts represent monies passed through the PCC's books for the St Weonards benefice group account or other charities. During 2024, the amounts listed below were passed through in this way:

Date	Amount	Recipient	Purpose
January 2024	£45.00	St Weonards Group (Benefice) Account	Benefice service collection
July 2024	£250.00	Herefordshire Historic Churches Trust	Church conservation / improvement
July 2024	£600.46	Bishop of Hereford's Discretionary Fund	Grants to clergy in need
October 2024	£645.58	We Are Farming Minds	Supporting wellbeing of farmers
November 2024	£50.00	Sir R B Mynors	Organist's fee
November 2024	£112.00	St Weonards Group (Benefice) Account	Benefice service collection
December 2024	£66.19	Vennture Hereford	Loving and supporting marginalised or vulnerable people

**£1,769.23**

Signed on behalf of the PCC on 16 March 2025 by:



**Reverend Angela Kateley**

Priest-in-Charge

# **The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of St Weonards**

## **Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024**

### **1. Accounting Policies**

#### **(a) Basis of accounting**

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments basis.

#### **(b) Fund accounting**

*Unrestricted general funds* represent the income funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions as to their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

*Designated funds* are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future and are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC may move any surplus to other general funds.

*Restricted funds* represent a) income from endowments that is to be expended only for the restricted purposes intended by the donor, and b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on any pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

The details of the funds held with restrictions are provided in note 2.

*Endowment funds* are funds where the capital must be retained either permanently or at the PCC's discretion; the income from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending on the initial purpose of the endowment.

#### **(c) Incoming resources**

The financial statements include all transactions for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the financial statements of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

#### **Voluntary income**

- Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.
- Planned giving receivable under pledge is recognised only when received.
- Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when repayments are made by HMRC.
- Grant and legacies are recognised when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.
- Funds raised from church events are accounted for when received.

#### **Income from investments**

- Dividends and interest is recognised when received.

#### **(d) Resources expended**

##### **Grants**

- Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over.

##### **Activities directly relating to the work of the Church**

- Parish Offer contributions towards the Diocese's 'Common Fund' for mission and ministry are accounted for when paid.

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#### Church running expenses

- Insurance premiums are accounted for when paid, which are typically pre-payments for the following financial year.

#### (e) Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.

Fixed asset investments are shown at cost at year-end as Receipts & Payments accounts do not require the annual revaluation of fixed asset investments. However, the market value of the PCC's investments is reported in note 10 for information.

#### (f) Current assets

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England funds managed by CCLA or at CAF Bank.

## 2. Designated and Restricted Funds

In 2016, the PCC assigned the donations raised through a Hereford Half Marathon fund-raising event to a **designated** fund for the proposed French drainage project. The name of this designated fund has been amended subsequently to **Damp Management** to reflect a broader range of damp reduction measures in and around the church including lime mortar re-pointing.

The PCC's **restricted** funds exist for the following purposes:

#### Bell Maintenance & Restoration

- The Bell Maintenance & Restoration Fund for St Weonard's Church was created in April 2022 following receipt of a legacy from the late Mr E W (Bill) Taylor. This pecuniary gift of £1,000 was shared equally between the parish churches of Garway, Orcop, and St Weonards. The PCC received a further £3,500 pecuniary legacy from Bill Taylor's estate in November 2022, for the installation of a training dumbbell in St Weonard's Church. (Any surplus from this legacy after installation of the dumbbell may be used for the general ecclesiastical purposes of St Weonards PCC.) Matthew Higby & Company Ltd <sup>9</sup> have confirmed in January 2025 that they have a training dumbbell in stock and intend to supply and install it in the spring.

#### Building

- This fund enables specific donations to be given to support major works to the structure or fabric of the building.

#### Churchyard

- This fund enables specific donations to be given to support the upkeep of the churchyard and burial grounds.

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<sup>9</sup> [www.bellhangers.com/](http://www.bellhangers.com/)

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The movements in unrestricted, designated and restricted funds during 2024 were:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund balances</b>			<b>Net movement</b>	<b>Fund balances c/fwd</b>
	<b>b/fwd</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>(Payments)</b>		
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Unrestricted - General Fund	33,795	41,083	(42,491)	(1,408)	32,387
Designated - Damp Management Fund	354	-	(354)	(354)	-
Unrestricted funds sub-total	34,149	41,083	(42,845)	(1,762)	<b>32,387</b>
Restricted - Audio-Visual Fund	-	9,588	(4,020)	5,568	5,568
Restricted - Bell Maintenance & Restoration Fund	3,500	-	-	-	3,500
Restricted - Building Fund	1,768	675	(1,768)	(1,093)	675
Restricted - Churchyard Fund	2,455	1,450	(900)	550	3,005
Restricted funds sub-total	7,723	11,713	(6,688)	5,025	<b>12,748</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>41,872</b>	<b>52,796</b>	<b>(49,533)</b>	<b>3,263</b>	<b>45,135</b>

### Further analysis of receipts and payments

#### 3. Donations and legacies

<b>Code - description</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Designated funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>This year Total funds</b>	<b>Prior year Total funds</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
0101 - Gift Aid donations: bank standing order	20	-	-	20	290
0105 - Gift Aid donations: Parish Giving Scheme	14,307	-	-	14,307	13,017
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	3,710	-	-	3,710	2,370
0301 - Service collections: loose cash	1,280	-	111	1,391	1,906
0302 - Service collections: Gift Aid envelopes	71	-	75	146	50
0303 - Service collections: contactless card	380	-	50	430	297
0410 - Giving via church boxes & wall safes	188	-	-	188	416
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	200	-	885	1,085	506
0502 - One-off non-Gift Aid gifts	200	-	150	350	398
0503 - One-off donations eligible for GASDS: contactless	96	-	-	96	82
0504 - One-off donations with Gift Aid (Gen): contactless	49	-	5	54	214
0505 - One-off donations (Gen): Card chip & PIN	-	-	-	-	12
0506 - One-off donations with Gift Aid (Gen): online	-	-	185	185	35
0550 - Donations appeals etc	180	-	25	205	
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	974	-	-	974	1,897
0605 - Gift Aid Small Donation Scheme 'top-up'	436	-	-	436	937
0611 - Gift Aid claimed by Parish Giving Scheme	3,577	-	-	3,577	3,254
0701 - Legacies	5,000	-	-	5,000	-
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	5,538	-	8,675	14,213	8,592
	36,206	-	10,161	<b>46,367</b>	34,273

#### 4. Income from charitable activities

	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	181	-	-	<b>181</b>	733

## 5. Other trading activities

<u>Code - description</u>	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	This year Total funds	Prior year Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
0901 - Other funds generated	-	-	-	-	3,828
0905 - Fund-raising from online shopping	17	-	-	17	43
0910 - Church fete, prize draws, etc	1,931	-	101	2,032	1,098
0920 - Fund-raising for churchyard	-	-	1,451	1,451	1,551
	1,948	-	1,552	<b>3,500</b>	6,520

## 6. Investments

	£	£	£	£	£
1001 - Dividends	505	-	-	505	497
1010 - CBF CofE Deposit Fund interest	496	-	-	496	437
1020 - Bank interest	98	-	-	98	98
	1,099	-	-	<b>1,099</b>	1,032

## 7. Other income

	£	£	£	£	£
1305 - Feed-in-Tariff income	1,649	-	-	1,649	1,415
1315 - Other incoming resources	-	-	-	-	64
	1,649	-	-	<b>1,649</b>	1,479

## 8. Raising funds

	£	£	£	£	£
1720 - Fund-raising activities   Stewardship campaign costs	17	-	17	34	96
1730 - Fund-raising activities   Fêtes & other events costs	134	-	-	134	30
	151	-	17	<b>168</b>	126

## 9. Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	This year Total funds	Prior year Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
1805 - Giving & donations   Christian mission - local	750	-	-	750	750
1810 - Giving & donations   Christian mission - UK	750	-	-	750	800
1815 - Giving & donations   Christian mission - overseas	750	-	-	750	500
1870 - Giving & donations   Other charities/organisations	100	-	-	100	100
1910 - Parish Offer contributions for ministry & mission	17,500	-	-	17,500	16,600
2101 - Clergy & staff expenses   Incumbent	270	-	-	270	
2201 - Mission, evangelism, outreach, training	72	-	-	72	23
2301 - Church running   Insurance premiums	2,354	-	-	2,354	2,306
2305 - Church running   Visitor welcome, guides, tourism	66	-	-	66	30
2312 - Church running   PCC officers' expenses, stationery	-	-	-	-	35
2320 - Church running   Organ tuning	395	-	-	395	-
2330 - Church running   Maintenance	1,193	-	210	1,403	677
2331 - Church running   Cleaning	353	-	-	353	351
2332 - Church running   Safety inspections	1,114	-	-	1,114	77
2333 - Church running   Pest control	158	-	-	158	
2335 - Church running   Hereford Diocese bellringers' subscription	24	-	-	24	24
2340 - Church running   Upkeep of services	458	-	-	458	396

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	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	This year Total funds	Prior year Total funds
	£	£	£	£	£
2345 - Church running   Internet & website	363	-	-	363	237
2347 - Church running   CCLI licence fees	187	-	-	187	228
2350 - Church running   Upkeep of churchyard	-	-	900	900	880
2360 - Church running   Administration	3	-	-	3	-
2363 - Church running   Accounting & Giving software	192	-	-	192	199
2365 - Church running   Bank service fees & charges	60	-	-	60	60
2366 - Church running   Card transaction fees	13	-	3	16	19
2375 - Church running   Governance costs - independent examination	42	-	-	42	44
2380 - Church running   Other	-	-	-	-	67
2401 - Church utility bills   Electricity	1,398	-	-	1,398	1,079
2701 - Major repairs   Church - structure	997	354	1,558	2,909	14,208
2710 - Major repairs   Church - installation	12,778	-	4,000	16,778	-
	42,340	354	6,671	<b>49,365</b>	39,690

**10. Fixed asset investments**

The PCC invested £5,000 on 19 July 2016 and a further £10,000 on 5 October 2021 in the CBF Church of England Investment Fund, funded by transfers from its CBF Deposit Fund.

The mid-market value of this holding of 804.61 CBF Investment Fund income shares as at 31 December 2024 was £18,604.76.

**11. Trustees' remuneration and benefits**

None of the trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from an employment with the PCC or a related entity. No trustee expenses have been incurred.

**12. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions in the year.