

The Parish of St John the Evangelist Clevedon



Annual Reports and Accounts 2025



**To be presented to the
Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 17 May 2026**

Clevedon St John's Annual Parishioners' Meeting 2025

to be held in St John's Church on
Sunday 17th May 2026 at 11.45 a.m.

AGENDA

- Welcome and Opening Prayer
- Election of two Churchwardens

to be followed by the

Clevedon St John's Annual Parochial Church Meeting

AGENDA

- 1 Welcome and Opening Prayer
- 2 Apologies for Absence
- 3 Minutes of the 2025 APCM – for approval
- 4 Matters arising not covered by the following items
- 5 Reports: The PCC will present the Annual Report to the meeting which includes:
 - Report on changes in membership of the electoral roll
 - Report on what the PCC has done over the past year
 - Financial Statements of the PCC for the year ending 31st December 2025
 - Report on fabric, goods and ornaments of the church
 - Report on proceedings of Deanery Synod
- 6 Elections and Appointments:
 - Election of 3 members for the PCC
 - Election of 2 Deanery Synod representatives
 - Appointment of Independent Examiner or Auditor to the PCC
- 7 Address from the Vicar
- 8 Any other business
- 9 Closing Prayer

to be followed by the

first meeting of the newly elected St Johns PCC

AGENDA

- 1 Election of Officers – Vice Chair, PCC Secretary, Treasurer, ERO
- 2 Date of next meeting

Clevedon, St John's Annual Parishioners' Meeting
Held in St Johns Church on Sunday 18th May 2025.

There were 27 people present.

Gary Lewis, churchwarden, welcomed those present and opened the meeting with a prayer.

Helen Callow, PCC Secretary, announced the election of two churchwardens for the forthcoming year. Two nominations had been received – for Gary Lewis and Tim Earney – and thus both were duly elected. Tim took his seat for the APCM to applause.

This meeting was followed by the

Clevedon St Johns Annual Parochial Church Meeting - Sunday 18th May 2025

Chaired by Gary Lewis, churchwarden.

1. Welcome Gary warmly welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for absence were received from: Judith Boulden, Andrew Callow, Edward Callow, Mark Callow, Jane Carter, Fr. Brendan Clover, Kevin Coaker, Nicola Coaker, Dilwen Miller and Maurice Miller.

3. The Minutes of the APCM in May 2024, together with the Annual Report and Accounts for 2024, having already been circulated, were approved by everyone present. (Proposed: Sarah Lewis. Seconded: Judith Boulden.)

4. Matters arising. None.

5. Presentation of the Annual Report covering: changes to the electoral roll; PCC report of activities; financial statements for year ended 31 December 2024; report on fabric goods and ornaments of the church, and report on Deanery Synod proceedings.

Expanding on the matter of finance, Gary reiterated the points made in Hugh's recent letter, i.e. that whilst we are grateful for the income we receive, this currently amounts to less than our expenditure. As a church, we remain ambitious about our work and funds are needed to make this happen. He asked for prayerful consideration since an uplift in weekly giving by each regular worshipper from £11 to £17 (a figure more in line with the Church of England nationally) would prove to be a game-changer.

Gary offered thanks to some of the many people that help to maintain life and worship at St. John's:

- Martin for supporting us all faithfully through his service as Sacristan and a leader of the servers.
- Catherine Hunt.

-Margaret, who by working closely with Catherine and the churchwardens, looks after the church hall which will see some significant work being undertaken shortly.
-Sarah, for her work in the community, particularly with school children and their families.
-The bellringers and choir, for these vibrant aspects of our church life.
-June, for ensuring that all safeguarding training continues, for maintaining our Dashboard and ensuring that this is visible - a huge priority for the PCC.
-Angela and then Nicola, grateful thanks to them both for a year's work which has seen a number of changes and much reformatting of accounts.
-Fundraisers, including 'Betty Biscuits.'
Gary invited questions, but none were raised.

6. Elections and appointments:

PCC - There were 4 vacancies and four nominations.

Accordingly, Derek Coaker, Sarah Lewis and Peter Woolf were declared duly elected. With everyone's approval.

Deanery Synod - There were no nominees/volunteers for the 1 vacancy. Post remains unfilled. Independent Examiner / Auditor to the PCC - With everyone in favour, Mike Bowles was re- appointed to this role.

7. Vicar's report. Gary read aloud a report from Fr. Brendan.

After a brief pause, Gary responded to a few comments/questions:

What would happen if we were to run out of money?

Cost-cutting; Potentially seek a pause in Parish Share payments; Do more fund-raising. (Gary)

How about an open meeting about fund-raising?

We have just had a successful plant sale. How many who attended were not part of our regular congregation?

We might need to be more commercial going forward. This extends to the hall - where we already have good, reliable bookings, but we need to ensure that it remains viable.

Gary took the opportunity to convey his admiration for Fr, Brendan, given that he is central to the renewal of St. John's. Gary invited all those present to join him in a round of applause for Fr. Brendan – in his absence – as a mark of the esteem and affection in which he is held.

8. Any other business.

Electoral Roll. Maurice Miller is standing down as Electoral Roll Officer having just completed a full revision of the roll which has been published and can be found in the church porch. There are now 72 members, reflecting a turnover of 18. Anyone not on the roll already can be added now; the roll reopens today. Gary conveyed his gratitude to Maurice for the work he has done.

9. Closing prayer. Gary led everyone in prayer, closing the meeting at 12:29pm.

2025 Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church Council of Clevedon St John the Evangelist

1. Aim and purposes

St. John's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the priest in charge 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 and Church Hall.

2. 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 St. John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we consider the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and particularly supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular, we try to enable 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.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church and the Church Hall.

3. Churchwardens' Report

Our church is continuing to be a good news story for our town and our diocese: our numbers are good, we welcome visitors and new members warmly, our services reflect the very best of our tradition and we have seen a modest increase in financial giving. But being a church is not an end in itself, living the Christian life is something that can only be done in community and that is our point, to witness to the reality of God in Christ and to support each other in that mission. Speaking personally, we both feel enormously uplifted by our membership in this church and the nourishment of its sacraments and services. We have much to give thanks for!

2025 had some great highlights. The Flower Festival in July was a real success. The work that Sarah Lewis has led in growing and sourcing our flowers sustainably has given even greater meaning to the way that we beautify our church to honour God. The event attracted very large numbers of people into church not least for Richard Lennox's Festival Preview Concert. This is an aspect of us being the town church.

Kevin's ordination to the diaconate at Wells Cathedral in June has been a time of real rejoicing. His response to his vocation is inspiring and we have seen him inhabit his new role comfortably and authoritatively. We look forward to his priesting at All Saints Weston.

Our School is now firmly established in a pattern of visiting the church for celebrations and workshops around the main festivals and the children's parents are welcomed with warmth and cake!

Maintaining a high standard in worship in the High Church tradition is only possible because we have a large and talented team of people. The music has to be uplifting, the church must be beautiful, the readings, intercessions and preaching need to speak to the mind and the heart. In the chancel everything has to be conducted with the utmost reverence. That this happens not just every Sunday but virtually every day is in its own way a miracle. We need to thank the people whose hard work enables all this but we are glad to say that there are too many names to make this possible or safe to try. Our sincere thanks to everyone who is active in their membership of St John's!

As church wardens there are never enough hours or days to deliver all the things that one could do. We are both enormously helped in our work by Derek Coaker and Martin Ingram who both advise and deliver. That is deeply appreciated.

Lastly, we would like to express our thanks to Father Brendan, our vicar. We all know the huge difference that he has made to this parish but as well and being a brilliant and inspiring parish priest, he is great fun to work with.

Gary Lewis and Tim Earney

4. Worship and Prayer

Worship at St John's in 2025 continued in the established pattern: daily Mass across the two 'Affinity' parishes; BCP Mass on Fridays; BCP Evening Prayer with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Sunday and on the Sundays of Lent; the daily office recited in church and the occasional offices. We have high standards in our liturgical and preaching life, which we endeavour to meet and continue. This relies on many volunteers, servers, readers, intercessors and a rota of organists whose contribution to the life of our parish is deeply appreciated. We are blessed with a particularly fine 'Fr Willis' organ which suits the building so well.

Our Lent course delivered on Sunday evenings was an exploration into understanding the New Testament and the former Dean of Hereford, the Very Rev'd Michael Tavinor was an inspiring preacher and celebrant of our Triduum liturgies.

Then the Patronal Festival, St John at the Latin Gate, and a visit from Bishop Paul and another parish lunch of great quality.

On Friday 9th May Fr Brendan had a total knee replacement, and then six weeks of recuperation, during which our reliance on retired clergy and Bishops came to the fore. Many thanks to Bishops Michael and Mike, and to Prebendary John Andrews and Fr Robert Ward, whose contributions to the parish are much welcomed along with our honorary assistant priest Fr Mark Smith, Chaplain of Kings College, Taunton, always a welcome visitor.

On Sunday 29th June Kevin Coaker made Deacon along with eleven others in Wells Cathedral, and that same day he was the deacon of the Mass for the first time. A party

followed! Since that day Deacon Kevin has had a liturgical and preaching role in our parish as he has learnt how to put on the servanthood of the Lord. We look forward to his ordination to the priesthood on Sunday 28th June 2026 at 4pm in All Saints Weston-Super-Mare, our partner parish.

Our Masses continue to be live-streamed, and this is an important connection for parishioners with our daily liturgical life when on holiday and at other times, and it is also an evangelistic tool creating a soft point of entry for new members of the congregation. Our Facebook page has 414 members currently, and the trend is rising. The only Mass which is not broadcast, is the monthly first Monday Mass at which the laying on of hands and anointing are offered as healing ministries. This is a feature of our parish life which is clearly valued by those who attend.

As ever the Christmas services were much appreciated, especially the Christingle on Christmas Eve with Deacon Kevin at the helm and Fr Brendan on the organ!

We have a distinct tradition of worship unique in the town of Clevedon which more and more people are valuing. Let's see how much we can grow!

Fr Brendan

5. Community and outreach

We have hosted several parish lunches including Harvest and Candlemas. We have made small profits on each occasion which have been used to support general church funds. Having a team of people willing to help with specific jobs on these occasions has been very helpful.

We hosted our first sustainable flower festival which started with a concert on the Friday evening by Richard Lennox. The weekend was well attended and we made about £1500 profit for church funds. It was an opportunity to get parents and children from our church school involved and we welcomed many of them over the weekend.

We have hosted workshops for the majority of pupils from St. John's looking at topics such as, Christmas, Pentecost, Baptism and Marriage and Mothering Sunday. On most occasions parents and carers have stayed for coffee and a piece of cake. We are grateful to all the bakers and members of the congregation who are so willing to give up their time to help with these occasions.

In November we put on a quiz which was great fun but poorly attended.

At Christmas we had another Richard Lennox concert which made a small profit.

6. Portishead Deanery 2025

Deanery Synod Representatives, Clergy and Church Wardens attended a number of synod meetings including:

- 6th March - Jenny Hollingsworth, the Diocesan Secretary, who would give a presentation called "A view from the Bath & Wells Diocesan Secretary"

- 3 June Deanery-wide meeting - Faith in Science.
- 25th September - 'Synod discussions'

7. The Church and Hall buildings

Church

We continue to have a lot of building projects in gestation but we got one big tick on the list with the replacement of the defective stonework on the parapet of the Priest's Vestry. Unfortunately, this has identified another problem in the decayed timber joists beneath the leadwork. We hope to address that in the current year.

We have had diocesan approval (faculties) for the removal of the water flumes from the aisle roofs as these are causing damp in the walls beneath, for the installation of gates to the north porch to address anti-social use and also for conservation trials on the decorative scheme in the sanctuary. We have a number of grant applications pending and hope to progress all these schemes in 2026.

Hall

We have done relatively little in the way of Hall works in 2025. Some ridge tiles needed to be replaced on the roof. The hall is seeing a good level of bookings and Catherine Hunt is actively managing this and seeking new bookings. Margaret James continues to keep a proprietorial eye on matters and we are grateful for her continuing support. We have managed to make a modest surplus in revenue.

8. Parish Safeguarding Officer's Report for the Parish of St John the Evangelist Clevedon

June Fegredo is our Safeguarding Officer and is assisted by Catherine Hunt, our Administrator. Safeguarding continues to be an urgent and high priority for the whole church and for our parish. We take the view that 'it could happen here' and ensure that our culture is safeguarding alert and that we mitigate every risk possible through training, reporting and self-review.

Training

June has led face to face training to ensure that all people who need to access training can do so, recognising that online training will not suit everyone. Repeats of training will be provided in the year ahead.

Parish Dashboard

Work continues apace on ensuring that all standards, processes and actions necessary are taken and are visible to the diocese and our PCC through the Safeguarding Dashboard.

Policies

The Safeguarding Policy has had its annual review and the PCC also supervises media and other policies that have a safeguarding dimension.

Incidents to Report

There have been no safeguarding incidents to report.

9. Tower Captain's Report to APCM

Fewer quarter peals were rung on the bells this year than last, there being only 2. One was to celebrate the ordination of Kevin Coaker and the second to mark Advent 3, Margaret James's birthday, Rob Watson's home ownership and the life of Ann Lindley, whose death we learnt of minutes after finishing the quarter. These were rung with only one visitor in the band. The other notable occasion for which the bells were rung was the 80th Anniversary of VE Day.

We usually manage to ring for Sunday services but holiday times make numbers very tight. Mrs. James is still one of the band but no longer climbs the ladder to ring with us. A sad, but sensible, decision. Our beginners continue to make progress, with Poppy and Edith just beginning to ring call changes, Michelle starting out on the first steps towards change ringing (Plain Hunt) and Rob becoming more familiar with Plain Hunt on different bells, and different numbers of bells and starting to ring a method on four bells new to all of the band. So a well deserved 'well done!' to all the beginners on continuing their progress. Two of the beginners were also elected to membership of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change Ringers this year past.

Practice nights have been attended by visiting ringers from Tickenham and we have been able to help both bands progress towards better ringing as we are learning similar things at present.

Tickenham ringers also joined us on our annual ringing outing. It was intended to be very local, visiting all four towers in Clevedon: St. Johns (6), All Saints (5), St. Mary (6) and St. Andrews (8). Unfortunately we couldn't get permission to ring at St. Andrews, so substituted Holy Trinity in Nailsea and finished with a meal at The Old Farmhouse. An enjoyable afternoon out. Which direction will we head later this year?

As ever, if anyone would like to learn to ring with us please get in touch!

Nick Dixon

10. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. Johns the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, treasurer, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All those who attend our services / members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The PCC met 5 times during 2025.

11. Administrative information

St. Johns Church is situated in Queens Road, Clevedon. It is part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Johns Vicarage, 1 St Johns Road, Clevedon BS21 7TG. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020) and a charity currently excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

PCC members who have served at any time from 1st January 2025 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex Officio members:

- Fr Brendan Clover
- Gary Lewis, Warden
- Dilwen Miller, Warden until 18th May 2025
- Tim Earney Warden from 18th May 2025
- Robert Watson, Deanery Synod Representative

Elected members:

- Derek Coaker
- Sarah Lewis
- Peter Woolf
- Michelle Hibberd
- Jane Carter
- Helen Callow
- Maurice Miller
- Judith Boulden
- Hugh Hurst

Maurice Miller, formerly Electoral Roll Officer

Mike Soars, currently Electoral Roll Officer

June Fegredo, Safeguarding Officer attends PCC meetings periodically to provide updates.

12. Financial Statements and PCC Treasurer's Report – 2025

Balances as at 31 December 2025

NatWest Bank Account (as at 31 December 2025): **£97,546.06**

CCLA – Church Board of Finance Savings Accounts

- Fabric Fund: **£8.83**
- Organ Fund: **£3.61**
- Religious Education Fund: **£6,939.32**

Restricted Funds held within the NatWest Bank Account

- 100 Club: **£2,134.78**
- Altar Fund: **£950.00**
- Choir Fund: **£304.19**
- Community & Outreach Fund: **£411.76**
- David James Homeless Fund: **£227.50**
- Fabric Fund: **£150.00**
- Patronal Festival Fund: **£541.97**
- Flower Fund: **£500.00**
- Gin Project: **£90.40**
- Hall Equipment & Furniture Fund: **£2,171.52**
- Legacies: **£29,015.63**
- Music Fund: **£26.50**
- OLW Regional Festival: **£280.18**
- Religious Education Fund: **£184.04**
- St John's Hall Fund: **£5,192.18**
- Walsingham Pilgrimage: **£80.00**

St John's Hall

Shareholding value as at 28 February 2025: £19,498.53

The most significant difference when comparing 2025 with 2024 is that the 2025 financial year includes the income and expenditure for **St John's Hall**. This is because the PCC took on financial responsibility for the hall with effect from **1 January 2025**. During 2025, the hall became **self-financing** and achieved an **in-year surplus of £2,258**.

Summary of the 2025 Accounting Year

Income Analysis (2025 compared with 2024)

Gift Days and Sundry Collections

No Gift Days or Sundry Collections income was received in 2025. The income recorded in 2024 related

to a fundraising charity Carol Service hosted by St John's, profit from *The Evangelist Gin* sales made on the parish's behalf by Clevedon Distillery, and a small amount of income from parishioners' online purchases using the Easy Fundraising Scheme.

Income Tax Recovered

There was a decrease in Income Tax Recovered. In 2024, additional income was received from HMRC's Listed Places of Worship Scheme, which related to VAT paid on the purchase and installation of the new boiler and reclaimed by the parish.

Gift Aid

£4,796.25 was recovered from the HMRC Gift Aid Scheme for the first **11 months** of 2025. A further claim for December will be submitted in 2026. The **5% increase** in the parish's claim reflects the increased level of giving at St John's during 2025.

Our three main sources of income are:

- The **Church of England Parish Giving Scheme** (monthly or annual direct debits)
- The **Free Will Offering Scheme** (monthly standing orders)
- **Service cash collections** and donations via the **card reader**

These sources generated Gift Aid claims totalling **£4,796.25**. The PCC of St John's is very grateful to parishioners and members of the wider church community for their generosity throughout the year, and for the positive response to the PCC's appeal to review annual giving in order to support the increasing running costs of the parish.

Assigned Fees

The PCC collects Assigned Fees on behalf of the Diocese of Bath & Wells and passes these to the Diocesan Board of Finance quarterly. The income represents the Church of England's published fees charged for events held in churches, for example funerals, weddings, and the interment of ashes.

Fundraising

The PCC is very grateful to parish members and the wider community for their support of fundraising events. 2025 saw a significant increase in profits from the Plant Sale, parish lunches, Easter biscuit sales, refreshment donations, social events, and one-off events such as the afternoon and Christmas concerts, together with the hugely successful Flower Festival.

Interest and Investments

No interest was received in 2025 because NatWest withdrew interest payments on Public Sector, Charities and Society accounts. Research is currently underway to identify easy-access interest-bearing accounts for parish balances.

CCLA investment interest is paid quarterly and accrued over the year, and is automatically added to the capital sums of the accounts. These fund balances have reduced in recent years—particularly the Fabric account following the purchase and installation of a new boiler in 2024.

PCC Fees Received

PCC Fees Received represent the PCC portion of the published Church of England fees payable for events held in church, such as weddings and funerals.

100 Club

Thank you to all 100 Club members for supporting this fundraising initiative. After prizes were allocated for the 2026 draws, the profit of **£605** was transferred before the year end to unrestricted funds for use towards the running and upkeep of the church.

Extraordinary / Other Income

Extraordinary/Other Income represents the **40% contribution** made by the churches of All Saints & St Saviour's, Weston-Super-Mare, towards the Parish Administrator's salary. The lower amount in 2024 reflects that the Administrator role existed for only three months that year.

St John's Hall Lettings

Income from hall lettings is offset by hall-related costs. These are detailed in the Annual Accounts across the relevant expenditure categories for church and hall alike.

Expenditure Analysis (2025 compared with 2024)

Assigned Fees

Assigned fees payable to the Diocese of Bath & Wells are paid quarterly. There is a significant increase compared with 2024, representing a higher number of church events.

Church Administration

Church administration includes the Parish Administrator's mobile phone contract; the independent audit fee for 2024; the QuickBooks online accounting package; administration printing; and card reader transaction charges. Increased charges are in line with increased giving and greater use of the Sum Up card reader for fundraising events.

Trading Costs

Trading costs represent expenditure relating to income received from votive candle donations.

Major Repairs

Major repairs are significantly reduced compared with 2024, when the new boiler was purchased and installed. Major repairs in 2025 related to labour and material costs for stonemasonry repairs to the Priest's Vestry stonework, funded by a grant from the Society for the Maintenance of the Faith.

Church Running Expenses

Church running expenses increased significantly in line with inflation and also reflect combined running costs for both the church and the hall. Items include utilities, photocopier consumables and repairs, organist fees and mileage, hall cleaning (including windows), removal of food waste from the hall kitchen, maintenance materials, and Mass consumables.

Clergy Expenses

Clergy expenses reduced by 25% due to All Saints & St Saviour's making a 50% contribution to the incumbent's broadband costs. A further reason is that fewer mileage claims were paid to visiting clergy supporting weekly worship.

Curate-related out-of-pocket expenses (including mileage) are met by All Saints & St Saviour's, Weston-Super-Mare, from a grant administered by the PCC originally provided by the Additional Curates Society.

Support Costs

Support costs represent outreach education activities with St John's Primary School, including in-church workshops and the gift of a religious publication to the Reception class and to Year 6 leavers.

Parish Share

In 2025 the Parish Share paid to the Diocese increased by **16%** and was paid in full.

Fundraising Expenses

Fundraising expenses reduced compared with the previous year as events were consolidated. It is recognised accounting practice to show fundraising expenses to provide transparency, demonstrating the true cost of fundraising and that not all income is pure profit.

Home Mission & Other Societies

This includes the Christingle Service collection from 2024 donated to the Children's Society, and Lent Box fundraising benefitting the Additional Curates Society, which has generously provided grants to support clergy expenses in Weston-Super-Mare.

Secular Societies

This includes annual membership to Churches Together in Clevedon (CTiC), St John's Bellringers' annual membership to the Bath & Wells Bell Ringers Association, and the proceeds of the Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Churchyard Upkeep

The PCC is grateful for voluntary work undertaken in the churchyard by parishioners, and therefore no churchyard upkeep costs were incurred in 2025. In 2024 the PCC incurred tree surgery costs to make safe trees for which the PCC is responsible within the churchyard.

Payroll

Payroll represents St John's 60% contribution towards the Parish Administrator's salary, offset by a monthly 40% contribution from our sister parish in Weston-Super-Mare.

Overall Position and One-off Items

The PCC achieved an **in-year surplus (Net Operating Income) of £7,589**, compared with a deficit in 2024.

In addition to Net Operating Income, there was **Other Income Received**, which represents one-off items that may not recur in future years, including:

- **£2,478** grant from the Society for the Maintenance of the Faith funding stonemasonry repairs to the Priest's Vestry
- Donations from Clevedon Choral Society for the use of our church

St John's Hall shareholdings, last valued in February 2025, totalled **£19,498.53**, and associated dividends are included within this figure.

St John's Church was also the recipient of **two generous and substantial legacies** left by former parishioners. The closing balance of the **St John's Hall bank account (£2,934.44)** is also included within this section of the accounts for 2025.

Acknowledgements

A huge thank you to the following parish community members who support my role as Treasurer. Without them I could not fulfil the role day-to-day, ensuring that I operate within the St John's Financial Control Policy.

Counting & Verifying Service Cash Collections

Vera

Jane

Derek

Banking

Derek

Bank Payment Authoriser

Gary

Issuing Hall Hire Invoices

Catherine

Gift Aid Secretary

Derek

100 Club Organiser

Angela

Researching Best Value for Money & Purchasing Consumables

Catherine, Martin & Jane

St John's Hall Accounts & Bank Account-Handover

Margaret

Chair of the Finance Sub-Committee

Hugh

Independent Examiner

Hannah Cook

Nicola Coaker

PCC Treasurer

The Parish of St. John the Evangelist, Clevedon
Annual Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025

The following accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) issued by the Charity Commission to comply with the Executive Committee's obligations as the Trustees of the Charity for keeping accounting records

Income

	2025	2024
	£	£
Gift Days & Sundry Collections (Non Gift Aid)	0.00	883.30
Income Tax Recovered	10,265.78	13,394.64
Other Planned Giving	19,422.03	19,583.55
Planned Giving	13,843.13	10,962.00
Service Cash Collections	4,772.53	5,436.20
Assigned Fees	1,269.73	895.00
Fundraising	6,576.40	3,811.28
Interest Received	0.00	899.45
Charitable and Ancillary Trading	10.42	631.32
PCC Fees Received	1,931.59	990.00
Recurring Grants	150.00	150.00
100 Club	0.00	969.76
Extraordinary/ Other Income	2,938.80	228.00
St Johns Hall Lettings	16,656.26	0.00
Cash in Hand		
	<u>77,836.67</u>	<u>58,834.50</u>

Expenditure

Assigned Fees Payable	1,669.00	717.00
Church Administration	2,568.80	1,661.96
Trading Costs	(66.15)	(137.51)
Church Hall Transfers		
Church Maintenance	1,052.07	2,649.26
Major Repairs	2,328.00	15,651.58
Church Running Expenses	22,802.38	12,944.11
Clergy Expenses	2,172.84	2,905.55
Support Costs (CIS, Education & Training)	14.23	116.04
Diocesan Quota	28,010.00	23,557.08
Fund Raising Expenses	707.86	1,328.73
Home Mission & Other Societies	383.47	(151.00)
Secular Societies	758.82	58.01
Upkeep of Churchyard		918.00
Prior Year Expenses		16,047.71
Payroll Expenses	7,846.77	3,955.27
Reconciliation Differences		-352.50
Total Expenditure	<u>70,248.09</u>	<u>81,869.29</u>

Trading Income

	<u>7,589</u>	<u>-23,034.79</u>
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Other Income

Non Recurring Grants	10,283.26	1,050.00
Legacies	33,514.16 *	16,000.00
Other Income	3,466.44	15,035.56

*Incl Shareholding St Johns Hall

Total Other Income	<u>47,263.86</u>	<u>32,085.56</u>
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Funding Surplus/(Deficit)

	<u>54,852.44</u>	<u>9,050.77</u>
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Balance Sheet @ 31st December 2024

	2025	2024
Current Assets		
No1 Account (Current)	97,546.06	63,902.86
Cash in Hand	0.00	0.00
Shareholding St Johns Hall	19,498.53	
CCLA Investments	6,951.76	
Restricted Funds Balance	0.00	0.00
Payroll and Other Creditors @ 31/12	(5,286)	(6,997)
Total Assets	<u>118,710.44</u>	<u>56,906.24</u>
Funded By:		
Reserves B/Fwd	56,906.24	47,855.47
CCLA Investments Prior Year Adj	6,951.76	
Current Year Surplus (Deficit)	54,852.44	9,050.77
Total	<u>118,710.44</u>	<u>56,906.24</u>

Notes to the Accounts

1. The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis and no account has been taken of accrued/prepaid income or expenditure

Basis of Independent Examiners Statement

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the officers 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 Examiners 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 Charities Act to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 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: 

Date: 18/04/2026