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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 DECEMBER 2025  
FOR  
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, GOLDSWORTH PARK, WOKING**

# ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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## 1. Introduction

The Parish was formed in 1981 from parts of the parishes of St John's and Horsell. St Andrew's Church building, in the centre of Goldsworth Park was opened in 1988.

Scott Smith was installed as Vicar in June 2022.

Paid staff in 2025 included: Patrick Coad, (Full-time Community & Youth Worker); Karin Rayner, (Part-time Children & Family's Worker); Alison Good, (Operations Manager) and Val Purulak, (Cleaner).

Revd Janice Vickers as a self-supporting minister, and Julie May as Licensed Lay Minister completed the Staff team, alongside Pastoral Co-ordinator Liz Twigg.

Revd Canon Dr Malcolm Herbert continues to provide invaluable help, but stepped back from the Staff team in September 2025.

Amanda Smith was the Manager of Andy's Community Café, until her resignation in July 2025.

*Scott Smith - Vicar*

## 2. Church Attendance

The average Sunday attendance on a usual Sunday (during October 2025) was 86 adults and 15 children. There were 258 attendances during Holy week. There were 293 attendances over the Christmas period for the Christingle and Crib Service, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services.

In 2025, there were nine Baptisms, no confirmations, no marriages and one funeral held at St Andrew's.

A new Electoral Roll was drawn up in 2025 and stood at 131 in May. At the end of December 2025, the number on roll was 126.

*Alison Good - Operations Manager*

### 3. Vicar's Report

Loving God with all our heart and reflecting God's heart to Goldsworth Park and beyond is what St Andrew's Church is all about - it's why we exist.

When Jesus was asked to summarise the Law, he said, *"You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind." This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'* (Matthew 22).

The two key foundations of our life together are to be people who are loving God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. As well, we are to be people who are actively and faithfully missional, looking to reflect God's heart of love to Goldsworth Park and beyond, seeking to see people come to faith in the God revealed in Jesus.

We began 2025 working with an external Christian Church Consultant, whom we had appointed to carry out an Organisational Health & Operational Effectiveness Review of St Andrew's Church. This followed a challenging 2024 which identified a number of areas and issues which needed to be addressed for the long-term health of St Andrew's.

The consultant identified several areas which were lacking at St Andrew's including relational and operational cohesion, some confusion around the vision and priorities of the church, an organisational structure that required attention, as well as the need to clarify some staffing roles. In addition, it was recommended that we further embed the use of ChurchSuite (our Church Management System) into the life of the church.

Finally, concern was raised in the report about the financial sustainability of St Andrew's, which (is still) experiencing an annual deficit and has very low reserves.

As you might imagine, much of my focus for the remainder of 2025 (and into 2026) was on understanding the implications of the report and on looking to address its recommendations.

To be absolutely clear then, St Andrew's Church exists to be a community of people who are loving God with all our heart and reflecting God's heart to Goldsworth Park and beyond. It's what we're about - it's why we exist.

Despite the challenges of last year, and the challenges that remain, when we read through the reports, we should all be encouraged and grateful for the life that we see across all the different ministries at St Andrew's, as well as in God's faithfulness to us, as we look to serve Him in this place.

I am so grateful to everyone who serves across the life of the church. I am grateful too, for the gifted and passionate Staff team (both paid and unpaid) that serve so well and faithfully.

Thank you, all.

We have seen and experienced growth (albeit not always numerically).

I continue to be encouraged by the desire of people to see more of God in their lives, evidenced by over forty people signing up for and attending the Spiritual Formation course that was run in June/July 2025.

As well, whilst relatively small in number, the Alpha course that ran in early 2025 was 'impactful', with a deepening of faith and recommitment to following Jesus for those that came.

It was a such joy to hold baptisms at the end of the August, as we celebrated the new life and fresh commitment to following Jesus that baptism signifies and symbolises.

There remains such potential for St Andrew's, positioned as we are, in the heart of our community.

It remains my belief that what must underpin our continuing life at St Andrew's has to be prayer and our being and becoming deeply formed as Disciples of Jesus - where what we say and what we believe is lived out in the day-to-day.

So whilst there is much to be celebrated, there remain some core challenges in this season.

- There remains the challenge of our financial position. We are a church that continues to spend more each month than we receive, and this income-gap isn't sustainable for the longer-term in my view.
- Our heating system remains 'life-expired' and a solution will no doubt require significant funding. That being said, I'm grateful to the team who have worked tirelessly to see the A2 heating project (with a target of achieving net-zero) reach completion in early 2026. The work of the project for the main building continues, so please continue to pray for the team as they seek the best solution alongside chasing all grant-funding opportunities.
- Towards the end of 2025, it became clear that, to make our weekday Toddler group offering more sustainable, we would have to take the decision to stop the Monday Toddler group. This wasn't an easy decision to take, but ultimately (sadly) it was a decision that had to be taken.

- As we continue our life together, desiring to be a church for the whole community - from the youngest to the oldest, we are in need of people to step up and serve, especially within our priority areas of children, young people and their families, both through the week and on Sundays. These are vital ministry areas for St Andrew's, both now and into the future, so please do be praying as to how God might be calling you to serve Him in these ministries. As has been said recently, it's often in our (courageously) stepping out in service, that God meets us and grows our faith.
- Finally, another challenge before us is that, in seeking to do all things for all people, we potentially end up failing to properly resource the things that God may actually be calling us to. Much of my time over the coming year will be continuing to discern the way in which we can best show God's love for the community of Goldsworth Park. Out of that will likely come further decisions about the things that we might need to stop, in order to focus on and resource the things God is calling us to.

As I say each year, St Andrew's exists to worship God and to serve its community, inviting them to know and worship the Creator God who loves them, and has revealed Himself most clearly in the Person of Jesus.

It is the greatest privilege that the God of Creation calls each one of us (yes, you!) to serve Him - we must never lose sight of that as a church. Out of this place of seeking to worship and follow Jesus, dependent on the Holy Spirit, we become the people and community that God calls us to be.

Vitally, we are to seek to worship and follow Jesus *everyday*, and not just in our Sunday gatherings. The work of formation and discipleship will continue to be a key theme and foundation for us over the coming years, as we look to work out of a place of knowing we are loved beyond measure.

It remains my joy and privilege to be Vicar of St Andrew's. As ever I would value your continuing prayers, encouragement and support as we look for God's leading, and be assured of my prayers for you all.

Peace.

*Scott Smith - Vicar*

#### 4. PCC Report

##### Parochial Church Council as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

###### **Ex Officio Members**

Incumbent and Chair of

Rev Scott Smith

Trustees:

Licensed Minister:

Rev Janice Vickers

Churchwardens:

Andy Humphries (Also elected PCC Member)

Jakki Mimms (from May 2025)

Deanery Synod

Barbara Humphries

Representatives:

Shani Orchard

Lynne West

###### **Elected Members**

Secretary:

Robert Rattee

Treasurer:

Ali Sanderson

Other elected members:

Becky Butler

Neil Cheetham

Ricardo Estee Wale

Sheryl Herbert

Becs Lambart

Gregg Mimms

John Rayner (Vice-Chair)

John Smith

Sue Waters

**Other Trustees During 2025**

None

## Report of the PCC

The role of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) is to co-operate with the vicar in the leadership of the church. It also acts as the Board of Trustees for the church as a registered charity. The PCC met seven times during the year, five regular meetings, one short meeting immediately after the APCM to elect officers, and a day together in June. Staff team members Patrick Coad and Karin Rayner were also regularly in attendance at PCC meetings as available.

Regular PCC meetings are divided into four sections: Introduction (including meeting formalities); a main Mission & Ministry section (usually around half the meeting) focussing on the calling we have from God to Goldsworth Park and beyond; an Administrative section dealing with finances, safeguarding, health & safety and other procedures/policies; and a closing section of Matters Arising and Any Other Business. Times of open prayer are usually held at least twice each meeting. PCC minutes, once approved, are posted on the noticeboard outside the Office.

The Standing Committee dealt with all urgent matters between PCC meetings including scrutinising our finances, reporting their activity to each PCC meeting. The PCC has a number of sub-teams that report regularly to it:

- A Mission: Far & Near Team to look after the church's involvement in world mission;
- An Eco Church Team to advise on sustainability and care for God's creation (although the team did not meet during 2025);
- A Fire Safety Team under the leadership of our Fire Safety Co-ordinator; and
- In 2024, the PCC had established a Heating Sub-Group to investigate options for replacing our aging and obsolete gas boiler with a sustainable alternative. This sub-group is now the Green Transformation Team looking to move St Andrew's to net zero carbon emissions in line with Church of England goals. The PCC is very pleased that, through grants and gifts, work on the A2 (solar cells, batteries and an air-source heat pump) is now (early 2026) complete, and that design work on options for the main church building has been completed and a planning application submitted.
- At the day in June, the PCC considered; a report on the church's organisational health and effectiveness which has led to an agreed action plan through to the end of 2026, the use of the café space following the resignation of our Andy's Manager, Amanda Smith, which has led to the current interim solution of opening two days a week with a

restricted menu in addition to the Warm Hub, and agreement on the branding proposals which are now being implemented.

In addition to those matters and the Green Transformation project, during the year the PCC has monitored the Church Development Plan and commenced a review of the church's approach to mission support.

Throughout the year, the PCC also received regular reports from leaders of various ministries within the church along with updates on safeguarding, finances, buildings and Deanery Synod. It also undertook regular reviews of policies, procedures and terms of reference as per the agreed schedule.

The PCC is, as always, thankful to all of its officers, staff and volunteers for the work they do in running and supporting the church, and over this past year that is no different.

*Rob Rattee - PCC Secretary*

## **5. Worship & Teaching Report**

*'God loves us with a Never Stopping, Never Giving Up, Un-breaking, Always & Forever Love.'* (The Jesus Storybook Bible)

We began 2025 (and set aside more than half the year) looking to root ourselves in the overarching story of the Bible, in order that each of us can find our place in the Biblical story and live in and out of that story.

We began in Act 1 where, in Creation, God established His kingdom and created humanity to reflect His love and character into the world. In Act 2, everything falls apart, as human rebellion sees sin and brokenness affect everything. In Act 3, God selects Abram (and through him establish a people, Israel) as a partner to put things right. In Act 4, Jesus enters the drama as the one and only faithful Israelite, to succeed where Israel has consistently failed. In Act 5, we see Jesus (by His Spirit) commission a new body, a new people - The Church - to continue His ministry of extending God's kingdom of love, grace and salvation. Finally, we looked forward to Act 6 when Jesus will return to establish His kingdom once and for all, and what was once the initial reality of creation will become our lived reality once again.

Ultimately, we rooted ourselves in the overarching story of the Bible, holding before us the question, *'Is God's story the story that is shaping us, or are we instead allowing other stories to shape us?'*

We recognised that there are many competing stories and scripts for our lives, but that it's in the Bible that we find the overarching story that holds the answers to our deepest needs, longings and questions.

In the Autumn term, rather than looking at the whole of scripture, we turned our attention to Paul's Letter to the Romans, which in one letter throws a lens on the whole story of God and His plan for salvation.

At the very heart of Paul's letter to the Romans is a confidence in the gospel - a confidence in the good news about Jesus Christ - our Risen and Resurrected King.

We rooted ourselves in Paul's letter to the Romans, with the intention of understanding that at its heart, St Andrew's is to be a worshipping community of Disciples who have that same confidence in the gospel - in the good news of Jesus and in the power of God that saves.

To be a church of confident Disciples making Disciples.

We learned that Jesus' command to go and make Disciples is not just for some of us or only for a holy elite, but is a call for each and every one of us to respond to, and that in order to respond, we need to be confident in the gospel, confident in the good news about Jesus Christ, our Risen and Resurrected King.

We journeyed our way through Romans together with the aim that we might become more confident in the gospel and more able to Stand Up, Stand Out and to Stand Firm in our faith in Jesus in our day-to-day lives.

We rounded out the year observing Advent and then celebrating Christmas together.

Our Sunday services aim to be spiritually fulfilling, and include a variety of liturgy, scripture and music (hymns and songs) and in the sharing of bread and wine together.

In our Sunday services, I have continued to look to create space to encounter God in extended periods of sung worship, as well as in quiet, in prayer and in an increasing openness in allowing the Holy Spirit to minister to us.

As the Pastor Glenn Packiam so brilliantly puts it, *'We gather as a church, to be a witness in the world of the world to come; we gather to be formed as the family of God and filled with the Spirit of God; we gather to be sent back into the world as carriers of the kingdom of God. In an age that has lost its understanding of why the church gathers, may we be those who call aloud, "Come, let us worship the Lord together!"*

I continue to be grateful to our gifted group of musicians, tech-teams, service leaders, preachers and others for the way they help facilitate our worship.

As we gather together Sunday-by-Sunday, and perhaps even more importantly day-by-day in our individual lives, we look to bring ourselves before our loving Heavenly Father, to realign ourselves with Him and His kingdom - to be shaped, not by the world, but by the Person of Jesus and the Presence of His Spirit, and to be led into the 'world' to tell of the good news of His kingdom.

At the very heart of our life here at St Andrew's has to be the Person of Jesus - the Risen and Ascended Jesus who sits at God's right-hand, and to whom (one day) every knee shall bow.

Our teaching and worship at St Andrew's always seek to draw us back to the Person of Jesus, because it's in Him that we find ourselves known, loved and forgiven.

*Scott Smith - Vicar*

## **6. Church Building Report**

The biggest buildings project this year has been the start of the works for St Andrew's Green Transformation Project as part of St Andrew's Net Zero Plan. The project covers all church buildings, starting with the A2 building. The works to the A2 have been largely completed in early 2026 with:

- Air-to-air heat pump system for the main hall, the youth room and the lobby;
- New wi-fi controllable electric heaters for the toilets and baby change room;
- Solar PV panels on the roof with battery storage;
- Updated, more efficient LED lighting; and
- Improved roof insulation.

The cost of these works has been mostly funded through grant funding with the rest from a generous donation from a church member.

The next stage of the project will be to direct the focus of emissions reductions to the main church building. Subject to funding, this involves decommissioning the gas boiler and replacing it with an air-to-air heat pump system, replacing the gas cooker with an electric cooker, replacing the glazing and improving the energy efficiency of the lighting.

Unsurprisingly this part of the Green Transformation Project comes with significantly higher costs and planning commitments and requirements. Implementation of all of the intended elements for the main building could cost an estimated £233k and the extent to which all elements can be carried out will depend on future grant funding to support the funds that the church has already raised itself through the Aviva fundraising exercise.

Special thanks go to the Green Transformation Project Team - Mike Kerlake, Neil Cheetham and Rob Rattee - who are working so hard to move this project forward.

Other significant buildings issues this year have been:

- The installation of new signage to the outside of the church building.
- The St Andrew's Quinquennial Inspection, which is a five-yearly independent architect's inspection of the church buildings identifying any necessary works. The inspection which took place in October 2025 and the report was issued in December 2025. The report recognised the steps that St Andrew's has taken to address the matters raised in the previous inspection, and to improve accessibility through the installation of the automatic doors. It revealed no major works other than those already identified and planned as part of the Green Transformation Project. We will be working with Alison Good to make sure that issues raised in the report which are not covered by the Green Transformation Project are addressed.

We would like to extend another special thank you, this time to Alison for all her hard work and support with all aspects of church buildings life!

*Andy Humphries & Jakki Mimms - Churchwardens*

## **7. Safeguarding Report**

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. As a church it remains a key priority and work is ongoing to shape a church culture where safeguarding sits at the core of everything we do, and all the decisions we make.

The work is never finished, but we are increasingly looking to keep safeguarding constantly in our conversations and in our awareness. This requires continuing work on ensuring safe recruitment, training and checks are carried out and are prioritised. The Church of England has undertaken a review of its Safeguarding Policy. We have adopted all changes in line with advice from Guildford Diocese.

The team consists of myself (Lynne), Scott, Barbara (DBS Administrator) and Alison (Safeguarding Dashboard oversight) alongside valued support from the Diocesan Safeguarding team, with whom we're in regular contact.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, please email [safe@standrewsgwp.org](mailto:safe@standrewsgwp.org) in the first instance.

*Lynne West - Safeguarding Officer*

## **8. 0-5s Ministry Report**

### **8.1 Bump and Beyond**

Bump and Beyond continues to flourish. This past year there have been around fifteen to eighteen families each week. There have been friendships formed and support given where needed.

The highlight of the year was the Christmas Party. Thirty families attended and enjoyed games, food, drink and finished with singing a selection of carols. Several families also attended the Christingle service and Messy Church. Sue Slater continues to run the group with Sue Hawes continuing to serve refreshments. In May, Lynne West joined the team and Carolyn Cheetham in September. This means there are more opportunities to chat to and offer support to mums. We look forward to another year of supporting families in their first year of parenthood.

*Sue Slater*



### **8.2 Toddler Groups**

It has been a year of change for the Toddler groups.

Although it continues to be a well-loved and attended group, we found ourselves in the position of needing to reduce the ministry to one morning a week instead of two.

This decision was taken, primarily due to not being able to find a new co-ordinator, but also for the well-being of the remaining volunteers who have very willingly taken on extra responsibilities for the time being. If over time more support can be found it may be possible to go back to two mornings if wanted and agreed.



All this said, we have had made and continue to develop relationships with local families which has been a joy! A percentage of which attend Messy Church and frequent the Café, on many a Wednesday late morning, which is great.

At this point we are discussing whether the regular two pop up groups in August will be viable, we hope so, as they are very popular due to there being very little for young families to do during the long Summer break.

A huge thankyou is given to the volunteers who have loved and continue to come alongside these families and offer the love of Jesus through their compassion, but more often, offering a listening ear.

*Janice Vickers*

### 8.3 Messy Church

Messy Church, in the three years it's been running, has proved to be a much-loved ministry to the many different sections of our community, families from Bump and Beyond, Toddlers, the local schools, plus those who just come through 'word of mouth' have continued to come. This past year has covered the themes (in many a creative way), Easter / The Good Shepherd / Moses / Advent-Christmas / Hidden Treasure.



Over the year the average attendance was forty-two children plus their parents, Easter and Christmas by far, being our busiest times.

We have an amazing and committed group of volunteers who take on the challenge of supporting these children and parents in what can be ‘very messy’ and sometimes fiddley crafts/challenges. They are loyal, committed, and (I believe) ‘love’ the challenge personally, of having a table full of children 3-11-year-olds to support! They are amazing and we are blessed in having them. I am also personally blessed with having a planning team who bring to the ministry, ideas and practical energy, as well as relational gifts that makes the time with the parents and children, truly relational and of worth. Thankyou.

*Janice Vickers*



#### **8.4 Crèche**

Our regular children in crèche moved on into the preschool group last September (2025), they continue to be regular attenders and are very much part of our church family. Crèche though, (of late) has only had the occasional attendance. This is due (mainly - as with other Sunday morning groups for many a valid reason), to the families concerned coming only ‘one in three’ Sundays a month, making any regular attendance minimal. This said, when the crèche is used, it is wonderfully loved and supervised by its creative volunteers and appreciated by the families concerned.

*Janice Vickers*

## **8.5 Preschool - 3+4-year-olds**

As mentioned above, this group started in September 2025 and has had a regular attendance of two to four children each session. They are now following the Scripture Union material called Bubbles which, I believe has been used before in St Andrew's, but is proving to be perfect for this age group. Again, ably prepared and led by our lovely volunteers.

*Janice Vickers*

## **8.6 Future and Volunteers**

Regular leader/volunteer support is a real challenge, our existing volunteers cross over into all the above areas already, as well as supporting other 'adult' church ministries.

With a committed but (mostly) senior volunteer base covering the 0-5s ministries it's difficult to look too far into the future regarding development. New volunteers, or new ways of providing support for the 0-5s family ministry will need to happen if it is to continue to grow and flourish as it could.

All age services, Messy Church, Bump and Beyond, Sunday morning groups, schools work, are all key areas where we can reach out to our community with the love and grace of God, and at the moment are areas full of potential, as well as being areas where we can be more intentional about sharing faith, (specifically on a relational basis), but it does, and will take time, a few risks, as well as volunteers and resourcing.

*Janice Vickers*

## **9. Children's Work Report**

### **9.1 Sunday Kids Ministry**

2025 has been a year of joy and juggling. In our Sunday Kids ministry we were able to start the Preschool Kids group for 3-4-year-olds, in addition to the Primary Kids group for children in school years Reception - Year 6. Numbers range between 5-12 children each week across both groups. Each Sunday session involves time for a game, bible story, prayer and a craft. Our aim for children and their leaders is to have *fun*, grow in *faith* and build *friendships*.

## 9.2 Open The Book

Monthly Open the Book (OtB) assemblies in both Beaufort and Sythwood Primary schools continued. Staff and children at both schools really enjoy our visits and it is a wonderful way to share knowledge of Bible stories in our community. (see photo of OtB team for “Moses and the ten plagues”). Each month we reach over 500 pupils!



## 9.3 School Visits

The two local schools also had several school visits to St Andrew’s Church throughout the year. These included Year 5 classes to do the Easter Investigation, a Year 6 leavers’ service in July, Year 2 classes for the Christmas Unwrapped event, and the Buildings & Beliefs visit for the Beaufort School Reception classes. For some children these visits are a rare opportunity to come into a church and ask questions about the Christian faith. Both Beaufort Primary and Sythwood Primary schools held carol services at St Andrew’s Church in December.

## 9.4 Community Events

Community events for families included our annual Pancake Party on Shrove Tuesday and a Light Party on October 31st, as well as Messy Church events every other month. I see a number of familiar faces across the different events. Children who start in Toddler group, come to Messy Church or Pancake/Light parties when they are a bit older, and if they go to local schools, I see them during the assemblies or school visits. A few even come on a Sunday! There are also a number of family friendly services throughout the year. The Christingle Service held on Christmas Eve is probably the most popular service of the entire year. In 2025 Logan was our brilliant Human Christingle!

## 9.5 Overall

It is such a privilege to be able to **share the love of God with children** in Goldsworth Park and beyond. I do not do it alone - there is a wonderful team who help me do the assemblies and school visits, and other wonderful teams who help lead the various Kids groups, and yet others who help by giving their time and talents in a variety of ways. Many of these faithful souls have been serving for many years, in some cases decades, across the church.

I feel we are now in a position where we need commitment from the whole congregation to be able to continue this vital ministry to children and families. **How might God be calling you to play your part?** Can you bless young lives through additional prayer, funding or time serving?

What a difference that would make!

*Karin Rayner - Children's Worker*

## 10. Youth Report

### 10.1 Sunday Morning

From the start of the year, we continued to offer bi-weekly provision, with one volunteer and occasional cover.

With three children “graduating” over the summer, we set the goal to provide weekly provision. We have been pleased to say that this has largely been achieved with attendance ranging from one to four young people.

The volunteer team has expanded with additional lead and support offered. However, coordinating these volunteers across other church rotas does present some challenges, with occasional gaps in the plan, which have so far been filled with “one-off” support.

At the end of last year, one regular volunteer stood down from the team, due to relocation and attending a new church.

Future needs and prayer - for additional volunteer support to help provide consistency and stability; continued and consistent engagement from those that attend, as well as welcoming new members as they move up, or come to us as new.

## **10.2 Fusion**

We started 2025 with Youth Alpha in the spring term, followed by the “I am” sayings of Jesus in the summer term.

In the autumn we began our third year in partnership with St Mary of Bethany, with some new attendees, as they move into year 7.

Of the thirteen young people that have attended, we would expect six to eight attend each week, peaking at eleven on our regular evenings, with invitation sent to approximately twenty young people for our socials.

Looking forward, we hope to plan an overnight/weekend activity in the autumn term.

## **10.3 Friday**

Consistency has been our main focus on Friday evenings with a couple of core attendees and extending the invitation to those coming of age, but numbers remain low—often just one or two turning up. We’ve had the encouragement of one young person returning after being away for a while, which feels like a small but meaningful step forward in an otherwise challenging season. We’re also looking at who else we might invite next, thinking about who could be encouraged to join and how we can reach them.

## **10.4 Woking High CU**

Alongside Shelley and Liz (Engage), I’ve been leading the CU at Woking High. It’s been encouraging to see a steady group coming along. In September, we saw the return of two students from last year, as well as a number of new Year 7s. Through the year we’ve looked at the story of Jonah, as well as using resources from Urban Saints’ Energize covering bible characters, special events, and a range of other topics. Looking ahead, as Engage begins working in another local school at the same time, we’re hoping to see an increased support from other local churches.

## **10.5 Encounter**

The collaboration between youth workers has continued to go well, with two more Encounter events running since the initial pilot, though greater involvement would be welcomed. Attendance has settled around fifty to sixty young people from different local churches.

It has been good to see our own young people from St Andrew's getting involved - connecting with those from other churches, often including school peers. Looking ahead, we're hoping to develop the events a further by introducing a workshop-style element, giving the young people some focused activities and skill-building alongside the usual social and worship.

*Patrick Coad - Youth Worker*

## **11. Seniors Report**

The seniors' work continues and we have an excellent team. We have six events a year and continue to bring people in from the wider community.

All our events involve food, and our aim is to always gently to point people to Jesus and a life of faith. These events have been a stepping stone for some to get involved in other areas of church life.

*Liz Twigg - Pastoral Co-ordinator*

## **12. Small Groups Report**

Small Groups are a place where friendships are built, relationships with God are deepened, and equipping for the Christian life takes place. They are a place where we continue growing in our Formation and Discipleship with Jesus. They also play a key role in pastoral care.

A Small Group is a group of people who meet together to live out the life of God. They offer a place to belong and to be known, as well as to become rooted and settled in the life of the church.

There are currently five Small Groups. One group meets in the daytime, with the remaining groups meeting on weekday evenings. One group meets weekly, with the rest meeting fortnightly.

Groups tend to meet in homes, although one meets in the church building for reasons of ease and accessibility.

Gatherings tend to include Bible study (topics and materials are chosen by each group), prayer, fellowship and (pastoral) care alongside occasional socials.

We remain grateful to all the leaders and facilitators who give so much to the life of the church.

Although Small Groups remain a slightly under-promoted aspect of church life, if you want to get involved in life at St Andrew's, then Small Groups are a great place to start and we would love to invite you to join one.

If you're interested in learning more or in joining a Small Group, then please contact Scott in the first instance.

*Scott Smith - Vicar*

### **13. Pastoral Report**

St Andrew's continues to be a church that believes that we are all called to pray and support each other Galatians 6v2. The church has a team of four pastoral assistants: Sue Broad, Janet Wood, Geoff Beale and myself. We, as a team, help to co-ordinate pastoral care under the leadership of Scott.

Small groups play a large part in pastoral care, and the pastoral team support leaders of small groups by signposting and by giving other help as required. Over the past year we have we have had the privilege of being able to walk alongside people who have needed prayer and practical help for many different reasons.

We remain thankful for the safeguarding support that we receive from Lynne West the safeguarding officer.

Some of our team visit ex-members of St Andrew's regularly who are now in nursing homes. For people that are housebound, we are able to take home communions.

For members of our church who have been in hospitals, we have been able to work in partnership with the Chaplaincy teams at the Royal Surrey Hospital and Ashford and St Peter's.

We continue to coordinate meals for anyone that needs short term emergency help. We are always looking for people to join us in this ministry.

The Association of Christian Counsellors Pastoral Care section provides excellent online training and Guildford Diocese has a yearly training day.

*Liz Twigg - Pastoral Co-ordinator*

#### **14. Prayer Ministry Report**

Prayer ministry is something we are passionate about at St Andrew's, and it continues to be a privilege to pray with people after services. In the Bible we see Jesus sending out the disciples to proclaim the coming kingdom, heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the leper, drive out demons, and to give freely of what they have received.

At St Andrew's, there is a team of people who are trained in listening and prayer ministry, and who are available after the morning service to pray with you and/or for you and those for whom you have a concern.

We also have a 'Prayer Chain' (which operates via email) and is composed of a number of people in the church family who are happy to pray. Just email [prayerchain@standrewsgwp.org](mailto:prayerchain@standrewsgwp.org) to request prayer.

If for any reason you would prefer not to request prayer via the prayer chain, you can ask members of the team to pray for you during the week by contacting Scott on [scott@standrewsgwp.org](mailto:scott@standrewsgwp.org) or via the church website.

*Scott Smith*

#### **15. Mission: Far and Near Report**

Through 2025 St Andrew's continued to support nine mission partners. They are: Martin Olando and the Bishop Hannington Institute (Mombasa, Kenya); Rachel Smith (Multan, Pakistan); The Norbury Family (MAF, Papua New Guinea and from September 2025, the Autonomous Region of Bougainville); Talents Children's Mission (Kenya); A Rocha (UK); Engage (Woking); Across (Woking); Street Angels (Woking); and Becky and Stephen Dimmock.

As well through 2025, The Mission: Far & Near (M:F&N) Team continued its focus on aiming to communicate the news and prayer needs of our partners primarily through fortnightly prayer updates in the Church Newsletter.

Support of our mission partners takes various forms including prayer, practical, friendship and finance. In 2025 a total of £20,133 (10% of our 2024 donation income) was given to support the work of our nine partners.

Currently, Scott chairs the team with Jane Smith providing invaluable administrative support. The other members of the team are: Ruth Kirtley; Nicky Kennard; and Margaret Kaye.

Please do pray for the Team, and if you are passionate about mission, interested in knowing more or in joining, do speak to Scott or Jane in the first instance.

*Scott Smith - Chair, Mission: Far & Near*

## **16. Eco Church Report**

This past year we decided to hold off making any further changes to reach the next level of the awards while the considerable work of updating our old heating system takes place. The separate heating team have been working extremely hard making the A2 building net zero with the installation of a heat pump, solar panels, and new heaters. At the time of this report that work, which has been mostly funded through grant funding with the rest from a generous donation from a church member, is almost completed.

The aim over the next year or so is to make the main building equally as heat efficient, which will then leave us in a much better position to work towards the Silver Eco Church award.

From September 2026 the PCC will be considering which other areas we could work on as a church to compliment the work we have already done so far.

The church Wellbeing and Wildlife Garden continues to be a lovely welcoming space for the church and local community to enjoy every day and is very popular when the sun is shining.

We currently have ground nesting bees making their homes in the central wildflower bed, and ladybirds waking up from hibernation, as well as a resident wood mouse -we hope it will be a haven for more wildlife over the coming months. We installed several bird boxes and hopefully this year they will host their first guests,

There is a wonderful small team who look after the plants and structures, and I would like to thank those who have worked behind the scenes this year, it has been such a pleasure working with you all. We would welcome anyone else who would like to spend an hour or two once or twice a month doing anything from planting new plants and deadheading plants to weeding, turning the compost bins, putting up trellis, or painting the wood. Please do contact Julie May or Ruth Kirtley if you would like to offer some time to help.

*Julie May*

## **17. Community Report**

### **17.1 Hymns We Love/Sacred Songs Living Faith**

At the seniors' event in April, we concluded the Hymns We Love series (Thine be the Glory). With an appetite for future events, we continued to meet monthly with hymn suggestions from those that had attended, and several offers of leading sessions (as well as a willing and enthusiastic organist). With this momentum we continued through the year with seven more sessions.

We continue to welcome a number of regulars from this church, as well as others from churches or not, including one visitor that comes to hear the organ.

Those leading have brought varied styles, and content, including history, theology and testimony, as they have shared the hymns that have been of significance in their journey.

*Patrick Coad*

### **17.2 Coffee and Chat**

We hold our Coffee & Chat sessions between 10.30 am and 12.00 pm on the 1st, 3rd & 5th Tuesdays of each month. We regularly have around twenty people in attendance, but we are ready to welcome all who come into the church and wish to chat. A number of those who come to see us do not live on Goldsworth Park or attend our church services. So, if you are free on one of the above Tuesdays, we invite you to come and join us.

*Sue Broad, Janet Wood & Geoff Beale*

### **17.3 Warm Welcome**

With the help of a very supportive team which has grown slightly over the last year, Warm Welcome continues to see about forty visitors regularly each week, that appreciate and enjoy the welcome and hospitality that they receive, as well as the friendships formed, and resources shared through the shelf, often used to bless neighbours.

For some this has become a highlight of the week, especially those that are experiencing loneliness and disconnect from family or society.

Through Warm Welcome we have seen visitors engage in other activities, including Coffee and Chat and Sacred Songs (Living Faith).

*Patrick Coad*

## 17.4 Sing Gold

In 2025 we met in the chapel most Wednesdays from 2.00 pm until 3.30 pm for our usual singalong. We enjoy meeting up with each other and we sing along to recorded music. During the year we added some new songs to our playlist and deleted others.

We also took part in the Goldworth Park Summer and Christmas Fairs although generally we do not give performances.

*Val Baker, Wanda Binyon, Sandra Macey & Geoff Beale*

## 17.5 Duncan's Art Group

The group continues to meet every Thursday morning. It is a safe place of welcome for all people in our community. The numbers are steady with about ten regular members.

The aims of the group are:-

- 1 Encourage all of the arts, no matter of a person's ability;
- 2 To be a safe place to meet and encourage friendships;
- 3 To talk, and when appropriate receive prayer ministry;
- 4 There is no need to paint, talking and friendship is enough;
- 5 To encourage a Christian faith; and
- 6 Respect and safeguarding are key principles of the group.

We try to use one long table, so we are all together. Conversation can be lively and covers all subjects. Recently, the principal subject was the practice of "a quiet time" and spending time with God. This was not prompted by me.

I am still looking for another member to join the group to support me and others; also to help with its weekly running.

*Duncan Twigg*

## 17.6 Craft Group

Craft group attendance continues to grow and usually there are around a dozen of us. In the past year we have made handbags from card (see below), Christmas decorations, Easter chicks, an assortment of greetings cards, felt animals and decorated seashells. Currently, our favourite crafts are diamond painting and needle felting. Delia has started helping with the group and she taught me to needle felt. Friendships have formed within the group, and we all enjoy our Thursday mornings.



## 17.7 Hear Here Clinic: Hearing Champions

The numbers of patients attending our monthly hearing aid maintenance clinics (“*Hear Here*”) have soared, from an average of 75 per monthly two-hour session during 2025 to 90+ per session in two months during 2026. Our team of volunteers has coped admirably, but we will need more volunteers to maintain the service.

There are various reasons for the increase in visitor numbers. *Hear Here* clinics such as ours are now the primary NHS care contacts for anyone with NHS hearing aids who requires servicing or assistance with their use. Our hearing champions can resolve the problem in over 90% of cases. This gives Hospital Audiology departments more time to spend on more specialist matters such as hearing tests, vestibular problems and complex hearing impairments. If our clinic cannot help, patients are given a referral form so they can visit the hospital.

Although Woking and Guildford have similar populations, Woking has just two *Hear Here* clinics while Guildford has eight, so we are much busier. In addition, Woking Community Hospital has stopped issuing hearing aid supplies including free batteries; many patients who went there are now coming to us.

Our clinic is popular with visitors from a wide area. The free parking is an attraction but we also think people come to us again and again because we offer a friendly welcome and a professional service!

With the café closed at Wednesday lunchtime, there is more space available for patients to wait and our team now includes a welcomer who also offers refreshments to waiting clients.

Although our hearing champions are now much busier, they try not to rush patients, especially those who need advice above general hearing aid maintenance, or who appear keen to chat: some may be lonely; some have revealed they are coming to terms with life after recently losing a partner. We may be the only people they talk to that day.

Everything we do is underpinned by our wish to follow the example of Jesus and help people: to share and show God’s love through our willingness to serve and show love to others.

Being busier yet wishing to spend time with patients who need it, means we need more volunteers, whether as hearing aid technicians (who will be suitably trained) or in other ways such as guiding patients from the café to the next available technician. If you are interested, our team can explain what is involved.

For those who may never pick up a Bible, our behaviour and words and actions at these monthly clinics can help spread the love and light of Christ and, we hope, point them to know and follow Jesus themselves.

*Royer Slater - Hearing Aid Champion*



*The team enjoying  
their annual  
dinner event at  
the Cricketers in  
Horsell.*



## 17.8 Andy's Café

2025 brought a significant change to Andy's as Amanda Smith took the decision to leave her role. Andy's became staffed entirely by volunteers. The majority of the manager's responsibilities have shifted to the staff team, with some additional responsibility taken on by volunteers.

In September our opening hours roughly halved and has been reflected in takings and footfall. We do hear comments from some that miss coming in for lunch and have moved on, but we've also had new people finding us in the mornings. The slower pace has been a gift - enabling volunteers to sit with customers, join in conversation and build friendship.

As well as being a regular host to the craft and art groups of the church, Homestart, Catalyst and Citizens Advice have made it a space to be available for the support of the local community. Andy's remains a space valued by many for its welcome, atmosphere and hospitality of the church.

## **17.9 Out of Hours**

Out of Hours is still going strong as a bridge between the church and the wider community. It's a space where people feel comfortable, building relationships, and having meaningful conversations. Over the past year, that sense of warmth and welcome has grown, which has been great to see.

It's also firmly become a fixture in some people's calendar. We're often hitting capacity with bookings, and numbers have stayed consistently in the high 50s throughout the year.

The music has been varied, as we intentionally invite both Christian and secular performers, which helps keep things accessible while still staying true to who we are. There's a wide range of styles including well-known covers that get people singing along as well as original compositions - and when artists do share their own material, it often comes with a bit of their story or faith, adding depth to the evening. It's also becoming a place that people genuinely want to play, whether they're experienced or just starting out and looking for a supportive space.

In December we remained in Andy's, rather than moving into the larger worship space, to maintain the informal and cosy feel of that space.

*Patrick Coad*

## **17.10 Christmas Market & Summer Fair**

Our third summer fair in connection with the GPCA and Guides & Scouts took place in June, due to the opening of Emily lodge we adjusted our layout, with permission from the council to use the path extending to the lake. We had slightly less space for stalls but with all activity within a closer and less divided space, created a much greater atmosphere. With many visitors, particularly to see the child performances. A variety of entertainment was put on throughout the day, with approximately 600 visitors to the site.

After trying an evening Christmas market in 2024, we decided to go back to a daytime event, which worked really well. By coordinating our date with the local hospice, it helped create a real centre of activity on the park and brought everything together nicely.

The GPCA also arranged for the tree lights to be switched on straight after the markets, which drew a crowd for the community carols and gave the whole day a lovely feel.

We're looking forward to doing it again in 2026!

*Patrick Coad*

## 18. Woking Deanery Synod Report

**June 2025 - Held at Woodhill Church (previously known as Holy Trinity Knaphill)**

The meeting subject was **Net Zero**. Presentations were given from three guest speakers each took 5 minutes to give us their background and tell their Net Zero/Eco Church stories.

Margaret Hibbert - St Nicolas, Great Bookham achieved Gold Eco Church Status in 2024.

Margaret noted that it's much more difficult to achieve Gold status now as the requirements have been raised. She finished with encouraging anyone to do the audit, do the small things, work with your community. [Webpage link to: [St Nicolas Eco Team](#)]

Jon Darley - Woodhill Church Silver Eco Church Status

They are part of the Church of England Demonstrator Project meaning they have access to funding (50% of the costs of works) and fundraising support from a professional fundraiser, enabling them to progress with design work. Also have access to a DSCE grant. Reducing their own costs means that more can be invested in the local community. [Webpage link to: [Eco Church & Creation Care](#)]

Martin Carr - Net Zero Project and Engagement Lead

Martin spoke about his background at St Paul's Marylebone where projects included 'Let there be light' to install LEDs and 'Raise the roof' to insulate and install solar panels. They achieved Gold Eco Church status in 2022 with the staff and congregation fully involved.

[Article link: [St Paul's Marylebone: our Eco Church journey to gold](#)]

**October 2025 - Held at St. Mary of Bethany**

**A funny thing happened to me on the way to the vicarage...** stories from the clergy was the subject for this meeting a light-hearted, but insightful look into life as a Vicar.

Meeting attendees chose topics at random from a menu then clergy and laity told tales from their own or told experiences.

Attendees then learned of: Brown drinks' offered during visits - could have been tea, could have been coffee - no one ever knew; different biscuits for children (ordinary) and adults (the posh ones); investigations of strange smells; death threats by gift card; and Barbie's boyfriend Ken making a guest appearance as Jesus on the cross at an Easter Bonnet competition. And we all learned it's ok to accept people's money... but never their piano!

*Shani Orchard - St Andrew's Deanery Synod Representative*

## 19. Finance Report

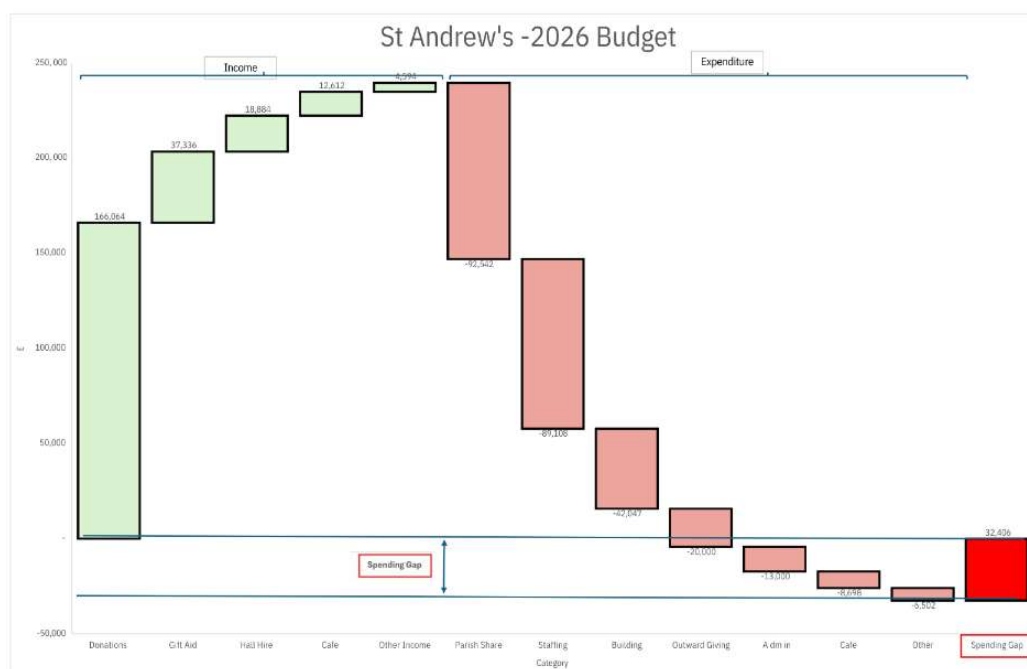
### SUMMARY

As of the end of 2025, net assets totalled £142,250 (2024 : £87,000)—split as unrestricted £70,750 (2024 : £84,000) and Restricted £71,500 (2024 : £3,000).

**Unrestricted reserves** encompass general reserves and designated reserves, these are reserves that the PCC has set aside for particular areas. **Restricted reserves** are those where funds have been raised or donated for a specific purpose. Most of our restricted reserves relate to 2025 income for the Heating Project; smaller amounts from earlier years relate to youth and the garden.

In the Asset summary below our position looks strong but this masks the underlying position. General unrestricted reserves, excluding designated, are £49,000 and of this £31,000 is Fixed Assets leaving £18,000 in free cash.

The below shows our 2026 budget and our expected overspend based on current income.



At present we are, on average, spending roughly £2,750 more each month than we receive on routine items and our free cash will run out during the summer months.

The PCC continues to look at ways to increase income, to reduce costs and to consider releasing some of the designated funds. The outcome of the Giving Day will influence potential tough decisions to be made on areas including Outward Giving and Staff roles.

## THE HEATING PROJECT

This major piece of work commenced in the year. Part of the funds designed by PCC in 2024 from a significant donation were used for preliminary surveys and plans. There remains £14,000 to cover any aspect of the project.

A grant of £51,146 was received from “Your Fund Surrey” for the A2 portion work. This aspect is the primary increase in Fixed Assets as the heating equipment, installed at the end of the year, was added to our balance sheet - a amount of £29,000. The remainder of this aspect completed in 2026 and this spending will further add to our Fixed Assets.

We were also successful in securing matched funding from the “Aviva Community Fund”. Donations of £16,543 given were matched by Aviva and Gift Aid of £3,339 boosted this further. A total of £36,424 is available for works on the Main Building Heating project and held as restricted cash. Further funding is needed before this aspect can proceed.

## ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

A summary of the Balance Sheet is shown below:

	As At	
	31/12/2024	31/12/2025
ASSETS		
	£	£
Fixed Assets	2,250	31,000
Cash at bank and in hand	87,250	112,250
Gift Aid due	7,500	4,000
Prepayments and Other debtors	1,250	2,250
LIABILITIES		
Liabilities (Grants in advance, funds for special purposes eg Acts Fund, Mission F:N)	(11,250)	(7,250)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<b>87,000</b>	<b>142,250</b>
<i>Unrestricted &amp; Designated</i>	<i>84,000</i>	<i>70,750</i>
<i>Restricted</i>	<i>3,000</i>	<i>71,500</i>

## INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

A summary of the Income is shown below:

	Year Ending	
	31/12/2024	31/12/2025
<b>INCOME</b>		
Donations and Gift Aid	198,500	198,750
Gift Day or Specific Appeals	50,000	16,500
Major Grants for The Heating Project	-	69,250
Andy's Café income and Grants	21,500	18,000
Church and Hall lettings	21,250	27,750
Legacies	4,500	1,000
Other Income	1,250	3,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>320,500</b>	<b>334,250</b>
<i>Unrestricted &amp; Designated</i>	<i>304,000</i>	<i>245,250</i>
<i>Restricted</i>	<i>16,500</i>	<i>89,000</i>

Most of our income is from members via regular giving. This income remained stable in 2025 but our costs continue to increase due to inflation and changes to national wage rates.

To assist with managing regular income, we remain part of the Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) - this simplifies our management of donations and gift aid by covering most of the administrative side.

If you are still giving to us directly via Standing Order, please do get in touch with Alison Good in the office about moving to PGS; you retain full control, can donate regularly or ad hoc and by post, phone or online. There is also the option of being anonymous if you would like to maintain complete privacy

We were blessed with major grants (2025) and an excellent response to special appeal (2025) and our previous gift day (2024).

Lettings income increased as Christ Church used our building whilst theirs was renovated. Other sources of income remain consistent year on year.

A summary of the Expenditure is shown below:

	Year Ending	
	31/12/2024	31/12/2025
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Parish Share	(87,250)	(88,500)
Staff Salaries	(88,000)	(90,000)
Outward Giving	(17,750)	(19,500)
Andy's Café (excluding Salaries)	(7,000)	(10,500)
Garden project	(10,500)	-
Branding and Signage (paid legacy fund)	-	(10,500)
Maintenance & Utilities	(43,000)	(36,000)
Admin expense	(12,500)	(13,500)
Other Costs (including Admin expenses, Training, Children's work etc.)	(8,750)	(10,250)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>(274,750)</b>	<b>(278,750)</b>
<i>Unrestricted &amp; Designated</i>	<i>(260,750)</i>	<i>(258,000)</i>
<i>Restricted</i>	<i>(14,000)</i>	<i>(20,500)</i>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>45,750</b>	<b>55,500</b>
<i>Unrestricted &amp; Designated</i>	<i>43,250</i>	<i>(12,750)</i>
<i>Restricted</i>	<i>2,500</i>	<i>68,250</i>

Our main routine expenditure continues to be the Parish Share and our Staff Salaries.

**Other significant expenditure areas were :**

**Andy's Café and Out of Hours**

Amanda Smith retired during the year and PCC made the decision to operate using volunteers. This is very much a chance to evaluate how Andy's fits within St Andrew's mission and community.

Andy's Out of Hours, led by John Smith, continues and is generates helpful donations as well as being an outreach opportunity and an easy way to introduce family and friends.

A grant received of £1,500 from Surrey Community Fund is used for Andy's Warm Welcome.

## **Staff**

Our staff numbers reduced from 6 to 4 during the year. As well as Amanda, we said ‘goodbye’ to one of our cleaners Ricardo.

## **Outward giving**

For 2025 this remained at 10% of the prior year’s donated income. The Mission: Far& Near committee are responsible for reviewing our Mission Partners. With our financial situation this is an area that may need to be reduced.

## **General maintenance and utilities .**

Utility contracts were on one-year fixed rate, this along with a reduction in general tariffs led to reduced utilities cost. We are now moving on to tariffs that pay us for our electric generation as the heating project is starting to bear fruit.

Other meaningful maintenance costs included:

- servicing the lift and the automatic doors,
- safety, electrical and other compliance testing

## **RESERVES**

Finally, reflecting that our income comes mainly from members, the PCC has now moved away from a set level of reserves and adopted a flexible but prudent approach.

### **Reserves Policy**

The PCC does not currently maintain a formal or fixed level of reserves. This approach is justified on the basis that the charity operates prudently and does not commit to expenditure that it would be unable to honour. Income is derived from a range of sources but mainly from the church membership so there is very unlikely to be a sudden major drop in income.

Financial decisions are made with careful consideration of available resources, subject to authorisation and reviewed by Standing Committee or PCC. Additionally, regular management information is supplied to and reviewed by PCC.

*Ali Sanderson - Treasurer*

## **STRUCTURE, MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE**

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Goldsworth Park is a charity registered with the Charity Commission constituted under the PCC Powers Measure Act 1956, Church Representation rules 2020.

New PCC members (trustees) are chosen via election at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

The main PCC meets bi-monthly including a short meeting after the APCM to elect officers.

The Standing Committee (formerly Finance and Standing Committee) is a PCC subcommittee that meets between main PCC meetings to cover financial and other matters. It is comprised of the Vicar, the Treasurer, the Church Wardens and at least one member of PCC.

Other sub-committees are formed as required to cover specific aspects of church business, for example, the heating project.

## **STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law).

The trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- b) observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- c) make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- e) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue to operate.

The trustees are responsible for keeping sufficient accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the trustees on 01 May 2026 and signed on its behalf by:



*S Smith, Trustee*

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

### **Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St Andrew's Church**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Andrew's Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2025.

### **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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
- accounts do not accord with those records; or
- accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
ST ANDREW'S CHURCH (cont)**

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



Stanley Francis-Joseph  
Anthony Joseph & Co. Limited,  
Chartered Certified Accountants,  
Business & Technology Centre, Bessemer Drive, Stevenage, Herts. SG1 2DX

Date: May 2026

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>					
Donations and legacies	2	198,069	89,070	287,139	265,232
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Church activities	4	205	-	205	746
Andy's cafe		16,434	-	16,434	18,487
Church and hall lettings		27,744	-	27,744	21,205
Investment income	3	76	-	76	569
Other income		2,712	-	2,712	14,253
<b>Total</b>		<b>245,240</b>	<b>89,070</b>	<b>334,310</b>	<b>320,492</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Church activities		240,780	19,270	260,050	256,694
Andy's cafe		17,311	1,500	18,811	18,083
<b>Total</b>		<b>258,091</b>	<b>20,770</b>	<b>278,861</b>	<b>274,777</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>(12,851)</b>	<b>68,300</b>	<b>55,449</b>	<b>45,715</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>					
Total funds brought forward		83,833	3,116	86,949	41,234
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>70,982</b>	<b>71,416</b>	<b>142,398</b>	<b>86,949</b>

The notes form part of these financial statements

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET  
31 DECEMBER 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible assets	8	30,902	2,144
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	9	6,563	8,900
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>112,107</u>	<u>87,241</u>
		118,670	96,141
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	10	(7,174)	(11,336)
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<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>111,496</u>	<u>84,805</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
		142,398	86,949
		—————	—————
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>142,398</u>	<u>86,949</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	12	70,982	83,833
Restricted funds		<u>71,416</u>	<u>3,116</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>142,398</u>	<u>86,949</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 01 May 2026 and were signed on its behalf by:



A J Sanderson - Trustee



S Smith - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

## ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

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#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### **Charity information**

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Goldsworth Park is a charity registered with the Charity Commission constituted under the PCC Powers Measure Act 1956, Church Representation rules 2020.

##### **Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

##### **Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

##### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Small Equipment - at varying rates on cost

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

General or unrestricted funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for the application of general purpose of the PCC. Funds designated by the PCC are also unrestricted.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged to that fund.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

### **Creditors and provisions**

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due

### **Financial instruments**

#### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash at banks and in hand and short term deposits with a maturity date of three months or less.

#### Debtors and creditors

Debtors and creditors receivable or payable within one year of the reporting date are carried at their transaction price. Debtors and creditors that are receivable or payable in more than one year and not subject to a market rate of interest are measured at the present value of the expected future receipts or payment discounted at a market rate of interest.

### **Retirement benefits**

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

### **Leases**

Rentals payable under operating leases, including lease incentives received, are charged as an expense on a straight line basis over the term of the relevant lease.

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2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2025 £	2024 £
Donations	180,420	205,006
Gift aid	36,530	43,339
Legacies	1,000	4,587
Grants	<u>69,189</u>	<u>12,300</u>
	<u>287,139</u>	<u>265,232</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Surrey County Council	-	1,000
Councillor Fund	-	9,300
Surrey Community Fund	1,500	2,000
Aviva Community Fund	16,543	-
Your Fund Surrey	<u>51,146</u>	-
	<u>69,189</u>	<u>12,300</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2025 £	2024 £
Rents received	-	475
Deposit account interest	<u>76</u>	<u>94</u>
	<u>76</u>	<u>569</u>

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

<u>Area</u>	<u>Activity</u>	2025 £	2024 £
Weddings and funeral fees	Church activities	205	746
Andy's cafe	Andy's cafe	16,434	18,487
Church and hall letting income	Church and hall lettings	<u>27,744</u>	<u>21,205</u>
		<u>44,383</u>	<u>40,438</u>

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5. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	
	2025	2024
	£	£
Church activities	<u>24,594</u>	<u>13,202</u>

6. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2025 nor for the year ended 31 December 2024.

**TRUSTEES' EXPENSES**

The Vicar (a Trustee) was refunded expenses related to travel, subsistence and retreat costs in conducting his role as Vicar.

No Trustees incurred disclosable expenses in either 2025 or 2024 related to their role as Trustee.

7. STAFF COSTS

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025	2024
Andy's café	-	1
Church	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Heating System £	Small Equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>			
At 1 January 2025	-	28,667	28,667
Additions	<u>29,057</u>	<u>525</u>	<u>29,582</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>29,057</u>	<u>29,192</u>	<u>58,249</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1 January 2025	-	26,523	26,523
Charge for year	<u>-</u>	<u>824</u>	<u>824</u>
At 31 December 2025	<u>-</u>	<u>27,347</u>	<u>27,347</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31 December 2025	<u>29,057</u>	<u>1,845</u>	<u>30,902</u>
At 31 December 2024	<u>-</u>	<u>2,144</u>	<u>2,144</u>

9. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	5,282	7,655
Prepayments and accrued income	<u>1,281</u>	<u>1,245</u>
	<u>6,563</u>	<u>8,900</u>

10. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2025 £	2024 £
Other creditors	<u>7,174</u>	<u>11,336</u>

11. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2025 Total funds £	2024 Total funds £
Fixed assets	30,902	-	30,902	2,144
Current assets	47,254	71,416	118,670	96,141
Current liabilities	<u>(7,174)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(7,174)</u>	<u>(11,336)</u>
	<u>70,982</u>	<u>71,416</u>	<u>142,398</u>	<u>86,949</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.1.25 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31.12.25 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General Fund	42,908	6,318	49,226
General Legacies	14,816	(8,615)	6,201
Seniors' Fund (was Holiday @ Home)	1,109	(447)	662
Heating Project	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(10,107)</u>	<u>14,893</u>
	83,833	(12,851)	70,982
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Youth Fund	625	-	625
Garden Fund	2,491	(320)	2,171
Aviva Community Fund (Main Building Heating Project)	-	36,424	36,424
Your Fund Surrey (A2 Heating Project)	-	<u>32,196</u>	<u>32,196</u>
	<u>3,116</u>	<u>68,300</u>	<u>71,416</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>86,949</u>	<u>55,449</u>	<u>142,398</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General Fund	245,240	(238,922)	6,318
General Legacies	-	(8,615)	(8,615)
Seniors' Fund (was Holiday @ Home)	-	(447)	(447)
Heating Project	-	<u>(10,107)</u>	<u>(10,107)</u>
	245,240	(258,091)	(12,851)
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Andy's Cafe	1,500	(1,500)	-
Garden Fund	-	(320)	(320)
Aviva Community Fund (Main Building Heating Project)	36,424	-	36,424
Your Fund Surrey (A2 Heating Project)	<u>51,146</u>	<u>(18,950)</u>	<u>32,196</u>
	<u>89,070</u>	<u>(20,770)</u>	<u>68,300</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>334,310</u>	<u>(278,861)</u>	<u>55,449</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.1.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.24 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General Fund	5,305	13,637	23,966	42,908
Church Development Fund	23,966	-	(23,966)	-
General Legacies	10,229	4,587	-	14,816
Seniors' Fund (was Holiday @ Home)	1,109	-	-	1,109
Heating Project	-	25,000	-	25,000
	40,609	43,224	-	83,833
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth Fund	625	-	-	625
Garden Fund	-	2,491	-	2,491
	625	2,491	-	3,116
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>41,234</u>	<u>45,715</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>86,949</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General Fund	274,453	(260,816)	13,637
General Legacies	4,587	-	4,587
Heating Project	25,000	-	25,000
	304,040	(260,816)	43,224
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Andy's Cafe	3,528	(3,528)	-
Garden Fund	12,924	(10,433)	2,491
	16,452	(13,961)	2,491
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>320,492</u>	<u>(274,777)</u>	<u>45,715</u>

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12. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.1.24 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.12.25 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>				
General Fund	5,305	19,955	23,966	49,226
Church Development Fund	23,966	-	(23,966)	-
General Legacies	10,229	(4,028)	-	6,201
Seniors' Fund (was Holiday @ Home)	1,109	(447)	-	662
Heating Project	-	14,893	-	14,893
	<u>40,609</u>	<u>30,373</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>70,982</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>				
Youth Fund	625	-	-	625
Garden Fund	-	2,171	-	2,171
Aviva Community Fund (Main Building Heating Project)	-	36,424	-	36,424
Your Fund Surrey (A2 Heating Project)	-	32,196	-	32,196
	<u>625</u>	<u>70,791</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>71,416</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>41,234</u>	<u>101,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>142,398</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General Fund	519,693	(499,738)	19,955
General Legacies	4,587	(8,615)	(4,028)
Seniors' Fund (was Holiday @ Home)	-	(447)	(447)
Heating Project	<u>25,000</u>	<u>(10,107)</u>	<u>14,893</u>
	549,280	(518,907)	30,373
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Andy's Cafe	5,028	(5,028)	-
Garden Fund	12,924	(10,753)	2,171
Aviva Community Fund (Main Building Heating Project)	36,424	-	36,424
Your Fund Surrey (A2 Heating Project)	<u>51,146</u>	<u>(18,950)</u>	<u>32,196</u>
	<u>105,522</u>	<u>(34,731)</u>	<u>70,791</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>654,802</u>	<u>(553,638)</u>	<u>101,164</u>

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**13. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES**

There were no related party transactions for the years ended 31 December 2025 or 2024.

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
<b>Donations and legacies</b>		
Donations	180,420	205,006
Gift aid	36,530	43,339
Legacies	1,000	4,587
Grants	<u>69,189</u>	<u>12,300</u>
	<b>287,139</b>	<b>265,232</b>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Rents received	-	475
Deposit account interest	<u>76</u>	<u>94</u>
	<b>76</b>	<b>569</b>
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Weddings and funeral fees	205	746
Andy's cafe	16,434	18,487
Church and hall letting income	<u>27,744</u>	<u>21,205</u>
	<b>44,383</b>	<b>40,438</b>
<b>Other income</b>		
Gain on sale of tangible fixed assets	-	12,986
Other income	<u>2,712</u>	<u>1,267</u>
	<b>2,712</b>	<b>14,253</b>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>334,310</b>	<b>320,492</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Wages	88,456	87,822
Parish share	89,879	87,267
Service costs	1,568	1,256
Housing and expenses of clergy	3,188	2,162
Church maintenance and utilities	36,169	43,189
Children and youth work	1,834	1,925
Teaching and training (staff and leaders)	1,549	332
Publicity / Evangelism (including holiday club)	312	361
Andy's cafe costs	10,474	6,973
Garden project	320	10,433
Seniors	447	-
Carried forward	<u>234,196</u>	<u>241,720</u>

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DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
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	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Brought forward	234,196	241,720
Depreciation	471	2,047
Outward giving (including Mission : Near & Far)	<u>19,600</u>	<u>17,808</u>
	254,267	261,575
<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Branding	10,365	-
Administrative expenses	13,641	12,500
Payroll & accounting software	588	576
25 Watercress Way - Maintenance and utilities	<u>-</u>	<u>126</u>
	<u>24,594</u>	<u>13,202</u>
Total resources expended	<u>278,861</u>	<u>274,777</u>
<b>Net income</b>	<u>55,449</u>	<u>45,715</u>

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