

ST JOHN & ST LUKE



CLAY HILL

**Annual Report and Financial Statements
of the Parochial Church Council
of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
Saint John the Baptist and Saint Luke the Evangelist
Clay Hill, Enfield**



**For the year ended
31 December 2025**

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The Parochial Church Council

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Saint John the Baptist and St Luke the Evangelist, Clay Hill ('the PCC') has responsibility, in conjunction with the Vicar and Churchwardens, to promote the mission and mission of the parish. This includes responsibility for maintaining the church buildings and St John's Hall and the proper stewardship of the church's financial position and other resources.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either *ex officio* or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) or the PCC in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. 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 Annual Meeting (APCM) was held on 18 May 2025 and the full PCC met on five occasions.

The membership of the PCC comprises the Incumbent (our vicar), one or two churchwardens for each church, one or two representatives to the Deanery Synod, and the Authorised Pastoral Assistant, all of whom are automatically *ex officio* members. The parish Electoral Roll had a membership of 82 in 2025. This membership permits up to 12 members to be elected each year by the members of the congregation who are on the parish Electoral Roll. All those who attend our services or are members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Up to two members may be co-opted by the PCC during the year to fill vacancies.

The people listed below served on the PCC during 2025:

Ex Officio members:

Rev Mitzi James	Vicar
Rev Jeremy Foot	Associate Vicar
Michael Mansfield	Authorised Pastoral Assistant
Marion Berry	Churchwarden at St John's until August 2025
Ian Buswell	Churchwarden at St Luke's
Doreen Addy	Churchwarden at St Luke's
Mary Englefield	Parish Administrator and Deanery Synod Representative

Elected Members:

Paul Bates	Vice-Chair
Cheryl Graham	Safeguarding Officer
Heather Livermore	PCC Secretary
Peter Livermore	Deanery Synod Representative from 18 May 2025
Elaine Plumb	
Annie Tucker	
Jack Williams	Until 18 May 2025
John Wright	Treasurer
Joan Young	

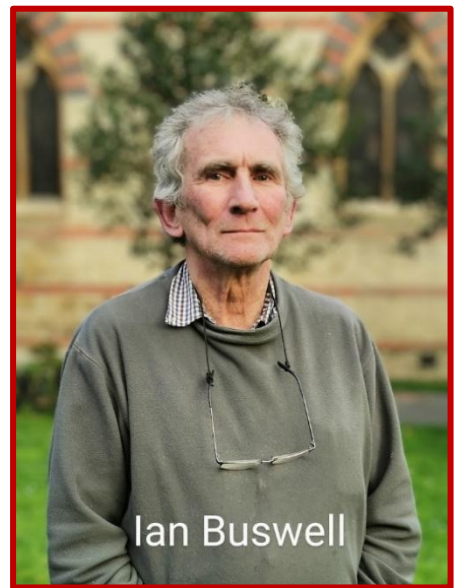
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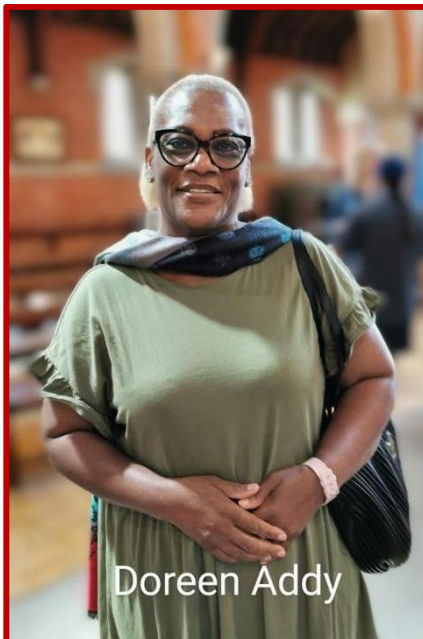
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Fr Jeremy Foot



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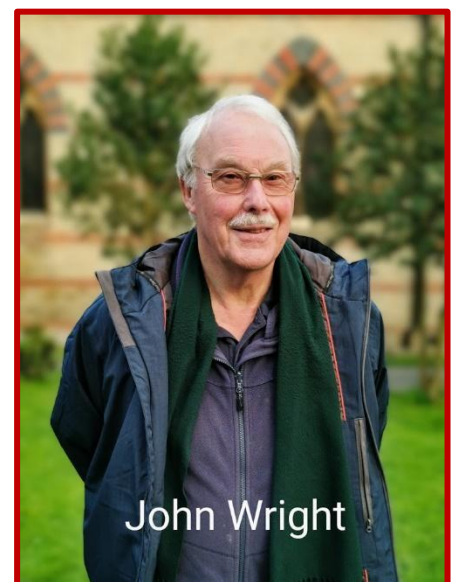
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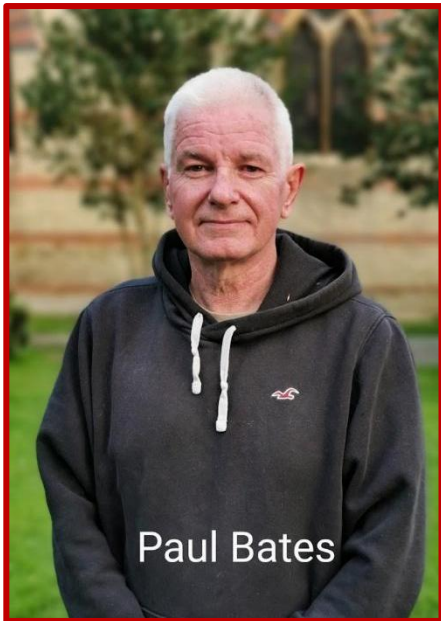


Heather Livermore



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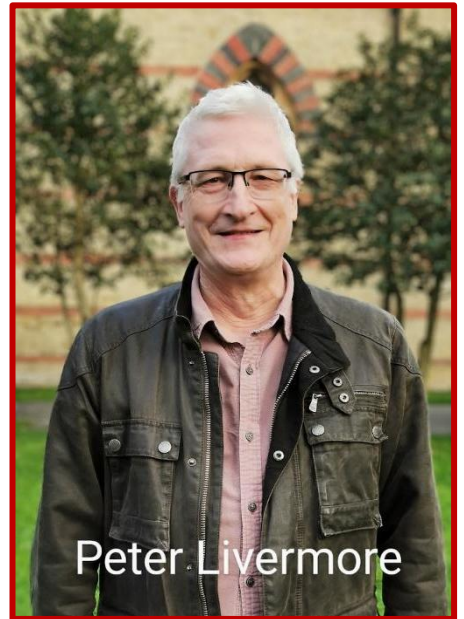
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Paul Bates



Cheryl Graham



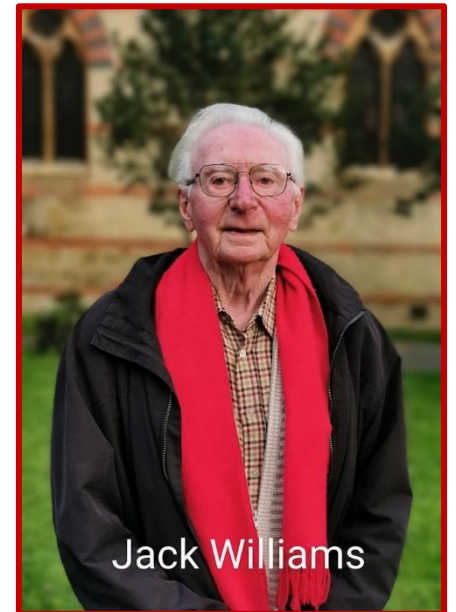
Peter Livermore



Elaine Plumb



Annie Tucker



Jack Williams



Joan Young



Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship in our churches and to become part of our parish community at Clay Hill. The parish's Mission Action Plan provides the following framework for current and planned activities to achieve this objective:

- In **Worship and Prayer**, we aim that all who participate in the Eucharist will feel that they have been drawn into closer contact with God and that their spiritual journey has been accompanied by a supportive church community.
- In **Teaching and Nurture**, we endeavour to provide members of our congregations and of the wider parish with opportunities to grow in their ability to understand, reflect on and articulate the Christian faith through the provision of teaching at a level that is appropriate.
- In **Care and Service**, we endeavour to offer pastoral care in particular to people living in the parish, enter into creative partnerships with the community and other groups and encourage and support individual members of the congregation in the roles of active service that they undertake.
- In **Mission and Outreach**, we endeavour to find creative ways to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to our parish and to invite people into the life of the Church.

When planning activities, the PCC has considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. To facilitate this work, it is also important that we maintain the fabric of all our parish buildings.

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 in relation to having due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The updated Parish Policy Statement was approved by the PCC and is displayed in both churches and available from the Safeguarding Officer and on our website. The Safeguarding Self Audit and Safeguarding Action Plan were also approved by the PCC. No Safeguarding Issues were raised in 2025 that required reporting to the Charity Commission.

The PCC has submitted to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team its response for the Past Cases Review 2 into known historic cases of abuse involving clergy or lay church officers as requested by the Bishop of London.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and registered with the Charity Commission as charity number 1151418.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC comprises the Incumbent (our vicar), one or two churchwardens for each church, one or two representatives to the Deanery Synod, the Lay Reader and the Authorised Pastoral Assistant, all of whom are automatically ex officio members. The parish Electoral Roll was revised in February 2025 and at the end of 2025 had a membership of 82.

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At the Annual Meeting on 6 April 2008, it was agreed that the Churchwardens' Measure that "a person may not serve longer than six years as a churchwarden" shall not apply to the Parish, and that the normal term of office of elected members of the PCC shall remain one year. This decision was reviewed in 2017 and again in 2023 and 2024. It will be reviewed again in 2026.

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The Standing Committee of the PCC met five times in the year. There are also less formal groups responsible for the organisation of Social Events and Fundraising.



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Vicar's Report

As we look back over 2025, our hearts are filled with gratitude to God for His faithfulness and grace among us.

This year has been one of deepened community, tender pastoral moments, joyful celebration, and renewed engagement with those beyond our walls.

Through every season, Christ has been at the centre of our life together.

First and foremost, I want to offer heartfelt thanks to all of our dedicated volunteers – especially those who go about unnoticed, cleaning, photocopying, arranging flowers – for those who make the tea and provide Eccles cakes. I am full of gratitude.

Thank you to our Churchwardens, Ian and Doreen, for their wisdom, steadiness, and faithful service throughout the year. I am also deeply grateful to our Standing Committee members, to Heather, our PCC Secretary (who this year also joined the Governing Body of St John's School), to John, our Treasurer and current Stewardship Officer, and to Mary, our Administrator. Your quiet diligence, care, expertise and commitment make so much possible.

We waved a Clay Hill farewell to Marion, who hung up her churchwarden's wand and moved down to the South Coast. We ask God to bless her in this new chapter and we give thanks for all she gave to us during her years of faithful service.



Worship and the Rhythm of the Year

Our worship continues to be the heartbeat of parish life. It has been a joy to gather week by week around Word and Sacrament, and to mark the great seasons of the Church year with reverence and celebration. Thank you so much to our Ministry Team, Fr Jeremy, Fr David and Michael and all those who make our worship so beautiful and relevant.

Advent and Christmas were particularly remarkable. We welcomed over 1,000 children and young people through our church doors during that season alone. Local schools have filled our churches with eager questions, thoughtful reflection, and joyful singing. Lavender School's annual Christmas concert—with its rousing rendition of *The Twelve Days of Christmas*—was, as always, unforgettable!

We continue to delight in our strong relationship with the 12th Enfield Scouts, welcoming the newly formed Squirrels to the first Parade Sunday. It was also a great pleasure when the Beavers of 29th Enfield Scouts visited St Luke's to have a look around and enjoy some hot chocolate on a cold November evening. Other school groups came to learn about

Christianity and church architecture from Mary and Cheryl, and it is a privilege to help shape young hearts and minds.

Our choir go from strength to strength, and we are grateful for their dedication and service. Advent Lights and Nine Lessons and Carols saw bumper congregations, and we were also proud to host the Mayor of Enfield's Charity Christmas Concert, *Carols by Candlelight*—a wonderful evening of music and generosity in the heart of our community.



Other special services included our Pet Blessing Service in September at St Luke's —joyful, noisy, and full of gratitude for the gift of creation and the blessing that pets bring to our lives and homes. What a delight it was to host the Christian Unity Service in January, welcoming churches of all denominations to St Luke's. Also, our wonderful choir once again provided a beautiful Choral Evensong for Mothering Sunday.

House Blessing services have also provided meaningful opportunities to pray with families in their own homes, extending the church's ministry of peace and blessing.

We brought our 125th Anniversary celebrations at St Luke's to a fitting and joyful close with a hugely successful Talent Show and Display of Talents. From paintings to cross stitch, music and jokes to performance, the creativity within our congregation was on full display—a reminder that the Spirit equips each of us with gifts to share.

Pastoral Care and Presence



Pastoral ministry remains at the heart of our calling.

This year has seen an increase in visits to parishioners at home and in hospital, and I am grateful to all of you who assist in this quiet but vital work. Taking Holy Communion to residents at Woodbury Manor and Elsyng House Care Home has been a particular blessing, made possible with the generous help of Kathy and Valerie.

We have celebrated many joyful occasions this year—births, baptisms, weddings, and wedding / civil partnership anniversary blessings—walking alongside families at some of the most sacred moments of their lives.

At the same time, we have said farewell to parishioners and loved ones who have died. Amongst them, we remember with love and thanksgiving the lives of Sylvia Kennedy, John Morgan, June McCoig, Len Robinson, Diki Gleeson, Verna Wilson, and Roy Fenwick. These dear members of our church family and community enriched our common life, and we commend them to God’s eternal care. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.



Growing Faith and Encouraging Vocations

It has been encouraging to see growth not only in numbers but in depth of discipleship. Participants in the Christian Studies Course (Bishop’s Certificate) have shown great commitment in exploring and articulating their faith.

Michael Mansfield continues to preach faithfully and, God willing, is on the path towards becoming a Licensed Lay Minister. Alongside our regular preachers and worship leaders Cheryl, Andrew and Valerie, others have begun to step forward and explore leading and serving.

It is a joy to nurture vocations and to see confidence and calling emerging among us.



Serving and Supporting Our Community

Our engagement with the wider community continues to flourish. During one Warm Welcome, Paul Bates ran a First Aid course which was very well attended by parishioners and the local community and led directly to a generous donation towards our community defibrillator —now proudly installed outside St Luke’s Church. This practical act of love may one day save a life.



Macmillan Cancer Support Enfield have been grateful to use our churches for awareness and fundraising events. We are glad to offer our spaces as places of compassion, support, and solidarity.

More and more, we are enjoying hosting concerts, community gatherings, and local events. Our churches are alive not only with worship but with music, learning, fellowship, and service. This visible, joyful presence in the community is a sign of a church that is open, welcoming, and outward-looking.



Looking Ahead with Hope

As we reflect on 2025, we see a parish that is active, prayerful, generous, and growing in confidence. We have welcomed children, comforted the grieving, encouraged the exploring, equipped the serving, and opened our doors wider than ever to live out our desire to be a truly Inclusive Church.

Above all, we give thanks for the faithful presence of God among us. Through every celebration and every sorrow, every hymn sung, and every quiet prayer whispered, He has been our guide and strength.

Let us continue into the year ahead with courage and hope—grounded in prayer, rooted in love, and ready to follow wherever Christ leads.

With every blessing,

Mother Mitzi
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LIGHT PARTY

Free family fun, music,
food, & games!
Superhero fancy dress

*Parent/carer to stay with child during the event

St Luke's Church
Phipps Hatch Lane, EN2 0HL

31st Oct, 4.30-6pm

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The poster features a green and gold sparkly background. At the top left is a small orange puppet head. At the bottom left is a green puppet with a red bow. At the bottom right is a child in a red superhero costume. A 'SUPER HERO' logo is also present.



Worship, prayer and discipleship

Our Sunday worship pattern is the first, third and fifth Sundays in St Luke's church and the second and fourth Sunday in St John's and our Sunday services are flourishing. Our average Sunday attendance in 2025 was approximately 45 adults and 5 children. In our children's services, there were 15 children and 30 adults at Bubble Church, and 4 children and 3 adults at Children's Church. We feel encouraged that new people are making Clay Hill parish their spiritual home. We have Evening Prayer every Sunday which is an informal affair incorporating the Book of Common Prayer Worship and once a month we join with our friends down at Lancaster Road URC for a joint evening service of worship and hymns.



In June we celebrated the first of our two Patronal Festivals, at St John the Baptist we had a Flower Show in the same weekend. In October, it was St Luke's Patronal.

The Bishop of Edmonton, Bishop Anderson Jeremiah, came to St John's on 14 February to give a wonderful service of confirmation and baptism, as six children from St John's school joyfully committed themselves to the Christian faith.

We held a number of special services throughout the year including services to mark the 125th anniversary of St Luke church and the 140th anniversary of St John church; a Christian Unity Service in January at St Luke's for churches of all denominations in north Enfield; a lively pet blessing service in



September bringing together the beloved pets of the local community; and a very lively and fun-filled light party for children on the evening of 31 October as an alternative to Halloween, which we did jointly with the United Reform Church.



On Palm Sunday we walked from St Luke's church through Hilly Fields to St. John's church with a guest pony, and we finished the day with Stations of the Cross at St Luke's. On Monday we had Christian Contemplation at St Luke's. On Maundy Thursday, we received the three holy oils from the morning Chrism Mass at St Paul's Cathedral, and in the evening we had the Mass of the Last Supper with foot washing and the Watch. On Good Friday, we started with Children's Liturgy the Stations of the Cross in the morning and then our afternoon Liturgy in St Luke's. In the evening, at St

John's we had a beautiful Tenebrae service. There was a vigil on Easter Eve with the lighting of the Paschal candles and on Easter Day a lovely Sung Eucharist. Over 200 people attended church over the Easter period.

In the run up to Christmas we had the usual and very full programme of school Christingles, Nine Lessons and Carols, and Blue Christmas. On Christmas Eve and Christmas Day over 500 people came to church.

Choir

The choir has enjoyed a rewarding and musically rich year. Although we were sad to say goodbye to Marion when she moved away from the area, we were delighted to welcome Samantha as a new member. The choir remains small but highly committed, with seven regular singers. For special services and Choral Evensong our numbers were strengthened by the welcome support of Ade, Rachel, Sandy, Kaylan, and by Ruth and Martin from Lancaster Road URC. Attempts to establish a Junior Choir have so far been unsuccessful, but this remains a hope for the future.



Throughout the year the choir has continued to refine its core repertoire while also learning new music. Notable additions included *Hosanna* for Palm Sunday and *Lift Thine Eye*, sung a cappella for Choral Evensong. A particular highlight was the introduction of *The Lord Is My*

Shepherd (widely known as the *Vicar of Dibley* theme), which was especially well received by the congregation. We also enjoyed rediscovering and reviving some much older pieces of music uncovered at the back of a cupboard, bringing a sense of history into our worship.

The choir sang at two Choral Evensongs, Music Sunday, and the regular liturgy on Mothering



Sunday. A very special moment in the year was the celebration of Grace's 90th birthday, marking an extraordinary 80 years of service in the choir. She was presented with a Loyal Service medal in recognition of this remarkable commitment. Sarah also achieved her light blue medal through the RSCM *Voice for Life* syllabus, a significant personal milestone and a proud moment for the choir.

Prayer Group

The Prayer Group continues to gather once a month at St Luke's on a Saturday morning in St Luke's Lady Chapel, with around twelve regular and dedicated members forming a committed core. Our half-hour sessions are relaxed and reflective, weaving together moments of silence, prayer and Taizé music, and a short opening reflection to help us centre ourselves. Afterwards there is a time of fellowship, as we share conversation, toast, and tea together.



Growing Good course

Having previously done the Sanctuary course on mental health with St Mary Magdalene church, we collaborated again to do the Church Urban Fund's Growing Good course together. First launched in 2022, it is a six-part course that helps parishes



explore the links between social action, discipleship and growth, and helps churches engage effectively with their communities. Churches which are visible and active are more likely to grow in faithfulness, diversity and service. Its focus on nurturing discipleship and community engagement is perfectly aligned with our mission.

There was much already happening in Clay Hill and St Mary Magdalene to develop our mission in the parishes, so the Growing Good course was an excellent opportunity to take this further. The sessions alternated between St Luke's and St Mary's and Bishop Rob Wickham, CUF's Chief Executive, launched the first session.

Some of the ideas will be discussed further at a parish awayday that is planned for 2026. One proposal, giving more visibility of our activities to the local community, is a new noticeboard at St Luke's adjacent to the busy western footpath to Hilly Fields, which should be installed in 2026. A benefactor has come forward to pay for the new noticeboard. We also discussed the possibility of having a youth worker to support both parishes, if the opportunity arose in future.

Lent Course and Advent

For Lent, we took part in the live-streamed Diocese of London's Climate Justice and Discipleship 5-week course, which explored the link between Christian faith and climate urgency through prayer, reflection, and practical action. It framed climate action as a spiritual practice (discipleship) aimed at protecting marginalized communities most affected by climate change.

During Advent, we had 30 minutes of Christian Meditation on Monday evenings and, on Wednesday mornings after midweek Eucharist, readings and reflections of poems and what God might be saying to us in Advent

Enfield Deanery Synod

The Deanery Synod met three times during 2025. Meetings are open to all members of Anglican churches in Enfield, and offer a chance to share local updates, hear guest speakers and agree practical next steps for the Deanery. For Clay Hill, Mthr Mitzi is the clergy representative and Mary Englefield and Peter Livermore are the lay parochial representatives.

Spring 2025 at St Peter and St Paul, Enfield Lock

This was the Area Dean, Rev'd Stephen Gallagher's final Synod before he moved to become Fulham Dean of Mission and Stepney Catholic Commissioner. Members were encouraged to apply for the Apprentice Programme, which provides training and support for youth and children's workers. It was noted that some parishes still need a Parish Safeguarding Officer in post, and members were asked to raise this at their Annual Meeting.

The Synod highlighted local families being temporarily housed in Travelodges, and agreed to explore how the Deanery might offer support.

Bishop Anderson Jeremiah (Bishop of Edmonton) offered a Lenten address. Marking the 1700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed, he invited us to reflect on how the Cross points back to the incarnation, where God's purpose is revealed.

Summer 2025 at St Peter Grange Park

Rev'd Daniel Sandham (Vicar of St Paul Winchmore Hill) became Area Dean of Enfield, from 6 May. Rev'd Ian Gallagher (Vicar of St James Enfield Highway) announced that he will provide in-person Basic and Foundation safeguarding training. The Events Sub-Committee reported plans for an October quiet day, following the pattern of the day hosted at St Luke's in 2024.

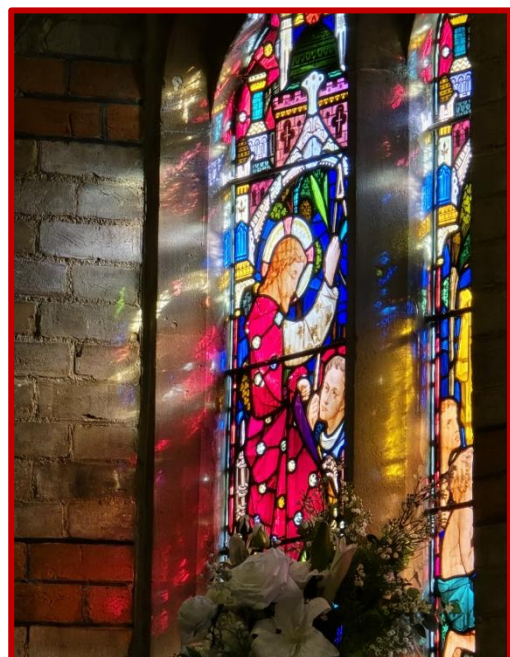
The speaker was Mirjam Ngoy-Verhage, Discipleship Enabler for the Diocese of London, who supports individuals and communities in deepening faith and spirituality. She introduced the Diocese's "Way of Life" resources. In Clay Hill we used the 5-week Lent Courses on Listening Groups (2024) and Climate Justice and Discipleship (2025). Mirjam is working on the 2026 Lent Course on the theme of disability.

Autumn 2025 at St Paul Winchmore Hill

The Dean welcomed Rev'd Staffan Dawkins, the new Vicar of St Michael and All Angels. Members were reminded that the online consultation survey for the new Bishop of London was due to close on 12 November.

Bishop Anderson Jeremiah addressed the Synod on racial justice, inviting us to consider:

- how racial justice extends to all minorities;
- how PCCs, Synods and Area Councils can better reflect the worshipping communities of London (where people of colour represent just over half of worshippers);
- how racial tension can become a safeguarding issue, and what it means for our churches to be safe spaces for everyone; and
- how we make churches accessible across the Diocese, where 250 languages are spoken across 18 boroughs, each representing a distinct culture.



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Children, Young People, and Families

Bubble Church

Bubble Church at Clay Hill is lively, joy-filled service—bringing families together in a fresh, creative, and genuinely engaging way. As a Church of England project, it's especially exciting that Clay Hill was the first church in Enfield to launch it. Since starting in February 2024, Bubble Church has become very special for our parish, and it's been wonderful to see the momentum grow.



With puppets, engaging storytelling, and a Jesus-centred, family-friendly service at its heart, Bubble Church creates an atmosphere that's fun, welcoming, and beautifully inclusive. Attendance is steadily growing which is a fantastic sign of how strongly it's connecting and the real difference it's already making. In July, we had a Bubble Church picnic outside St Luke's, giving an opportunity for us to get to know the families more, and the children did their own puppet show! Bubble Church even went on tour and went to visit St John's School, the children really engaged with the service, and the puppets were a great hit.

None of this would be possible without the incredible volunteer team—spanning a range of ages—who bring Bubble Church to life in so many ways. From puppeteering and leading the service, to running the IT and providing refreshments, their commitment and energy are what make Bubble Church such a warm, memorable, and special experience for every family who comes along.



Children's Church

Children's Church meets on the second Sunday of every month at St John's at 9.00am—a warm, relaxed service created especially for children of primary school age. You can expect a friendly welcome as we sing together, explore sounds with musical instruments, and



enjoy a Bible story that children can listen to and join in with. Afterward, we finish with a fun activity connected to the story's theme. We're a small but enthusiastic group of children and families, and we'd love you to come along as we discover more about God's word and Jesus together.

Scouts

Once again, it has been a very good year for the partnership between the Church and the 12th Enfield Scout Group.

Our Group continues to thrive across all sections—Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts—and the Church Scout sponsorship agreement has supported an active, visible presence in the life of St Luke's. This year the Cubs also enjoyed a sleepover in the church.

We attend the monthly Church Parade at the All-Age service at St Luke's (on the first Sunday of each month). These services include Holy Communion and are designed to engage everyone, of all ages. Our young people and leaders take an active part, which includes Readings and Intercessions, Serving during the service and helping the whole congregation feel involved and welcomed.



Remembrance Day was a particular highlight. Over 100 members and leaders attended and played a significant role in the service, including serving and reading the Roll of Honour. After the service, we travelled to the Cenotaph in London and completed a 10k hike, laying wreaths at memorials to those who fell.

In June, we spent a fantastic week camping in Belgium. Everyone had great fun, and we were proud to take part in the parade through the Menin Gate in Ypres.



Children's Crafting Sessions

Over the past few years, Warm Welcome/Place of Welcome has been running free children's craft sessions during the school holidays—and they've become a real favourite, with over 60 children usually attending. Our volunteers come up with brilliant, hands-on makes for children to create and proudly take home, often using everyday "throwaways" like plastic milk containers, bottle tops, fabric offcuts, and paper scraps. And of course, there's the ever-popular "Knitting Nanny," whose colourful wool pompoms never fail to delight.



St John's Primary School

"Shine like stars". St John's Church sits at the very heart of St John's Primary School and the wider community. Our pupils regularly attend services, mark Christian festivals, and take part in activities that nurture their faith, deepen their spiritual journey, and strengthen



their connection with the parish. The Church also offers valued pastoral care and guidance, helping us to live out our shared values every day. Families are warmly welcomed at services and events, and this close partnership between school, Church and community is something we truly cherish. Under the leadership of our Head Teacher, Mrs Notley, and her dedicated staff, children thrive in a safe, nurturing environment. We are also supported by our governors—

Mthr Mitzi, Heather Livermore, Michael Mansfield and Natasha de Silva—who help to sustain a strong sense of unity and purpose.

A particular highlight each week is Mthr Mitzi’s assembly, where pupils are encouraged to pause, reflect and feel inspired—often taking a thoughtful message with them long after the day has ended.

Wren Academy Enfield

Wren Academy Enfield is steadily growing towards full capacity by 2027—and with each new cohort, it’s fast becoming a lively, outward-looking centre of learning for the community. It’s especially encouraging that the school is sponsored by the London Diocesan Board for Schools, strengthening the shared commitment to faith and education.

The chaplain’s work to deepen relationships with the parish is making a real difference, and



Mthr Mitzi’s involvement has given that momentum a welcome boost. Her meeting with the Headteacher, tour of the school, participation in assembly, and time with the chapel group all demonstrate a clear, hands-on commitment to building lasting links. These growing connections between school and parish open up rich opportunities for collaboration, mutual support, and shared flourishing.

The London Borough of Enfield CHiPS (Community Help Point Scheme)

CHiPS Enfield is a community-led initiative that aims to create a safer and more supportive environment within the borough. CHiPS Enfield were expanding the network and approached us to include our churches in the meaningful project. We joined the scheme in June.

CHiPS is a network of temporary safe havens for children, young adults, and community members who might feel anxious, threatened, or vulnerable while out in the community. The scheme is simple yet impactful: participating locations provide a safe space where individuals can seek refuge, whether that means waiting until they feel secure to continue their journey or using a phone to reach out to family or emergency services.



To date, over 200 local businesses, schools, and libraries have joined CHiPS, offering their support in various ways. As a member of CHiPS, premises display a window sticker, signalling to the community the commitment to their safety and well-being. Having joined CHiPS, we offer not just a safe space but we actively contribute to the well-being and safety of our community.

Community and Social Activities

To strengthen our growing community, we enjoyed two fantastic Quiz Nights for parishioners and the wider community—and our brilliant guest Quiz Master is so popular that tickets sell out every time. The May Fayre at St Luke's and the St John's Patronal Festival and Flower Show were both huge highlights and real roaring successes. Later in the year, we rounded off the celebrations of 125 years of St Luke's Church with a joyful Talent Evening, packed with music, acting, singing and laughter—who knew we had so much talent within our parish?





It was also a real pleasure to host the Macmillan Fayre in June, and the Macmillan Christmas Market and Carols at St Luke's Church, in support of the Mayor of Enfield. We also had the very popular Enfield Film Orchestra and Chorus performing in June, and with the English Jazz Orchestra in October at St Luke's.

Mthr Mitzi was due to host the popular garden party in the vicarage garden in July, giving an opportunity for people new to the parish and those on the electoral to get to know each other. Adverse weather conditions meant the venue changed and everyone had a fabulous time in St Luke's.

Special Celebrations

We always celebrate birthdays at both Bubble Church and during family services on the first Sunday of the month. In 2025, we had two special celebrations. In May, there was a 100th birthday party for Mary Peagram when the Mayor of Enfield came to give her congratulations.



In September, there was a double celebration for Grace Wilson on her 90th birthday, when she was also recognised by Guinness World Records for being the **Longest serving Chorister at the same Church** for an amazing **80 years**. What a fabulous achievement!



Mothers' Union

Although our membership is small, we continue to enjoy well-attended open meetings, and—thanks to the generous support of our congregation—our fundraising has remained strong. We began the year with a convivial lunch at the Toby Inn on Whitewebbs Lane. Paul Bates led an excellent session on basic First Aid, demonstrating how to keep circulation going, with the help of “Annie”, the CPR mannequin, which was first introduced in 1960. It was encouraging to see a good number of people attend, including members of the Singing Group and Jesus Church.

David Nash gave a fascinating talk on hymns and hymn writers, entitled *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*. We are very grateful for the depth of his knowledge on this subject, and for the way he shared it with us.

Our Easter egg raffle raised £135 for Mothers' Union charities—many thanks to everyone who supported it, including St John's School.

One of our members, Linda, organised a Hymns and Hospitality afternoon in August, complete with plenty of cake and sandwiches, as well as many gifts she had made. We sang favourite hymns, conducted by our choir member, Annie Tucker, and accompanied by our Director of Music, Nathan Hulse. Over 50 people attended, and more than £350 was raised for Mothers' Union funds.



We are very grateful to Valerie Budd for arranging our Looking Towards Christmas service, which she kindly led for us to end the year. She offered thoughtful reflections, helping us consider questions we might otherwise miss when reading passages from the Christmas story.

Warm Welcome – Place of Welcome



On a chilly day at St Luke’s, the Warm Welcome/Place of Welcome Hub feels like someone’s put the kettle on just for you. What began in November 2021 as a simple response to winter cold has grown into a steady, life-giving part of our community—rooted in generosity, connection, and the kind of practical care that matters even more during the cost-of-living crisis. Now, as part of the wider Warm Welcome and Places of Welcome networks, the hub continues to open its doors and quietly change days for the better.

We first set out to offer warmth in the winter months—but what we found was that people were looking for more than heat. Week by week, familiar faces started arriving, hellos turned into proper chats, and strangers became friends. It’s a place to pause, breathe, and feel less alone.

There’s usually a hot drink in hand, a slice of cake on the table, and a relaxed, welcoming buzz in the room. About 20 or so regulars now call it “their” space—and in the school holidays, the children’s crafting sessions bring a wonderful burst of colour and noise, with a brilliant turnout that says it all: this hub is needed, loved, and making a real difference.

As well as doing a first aid training with Mothers’ Union in May, Paul Bates had earlier given a very informative talk on the London Ambulance Service at one of the Warm Welcome sessions in March



Soup Lunch

Soup Lunches at St John's Hall are a much-loved part of parish life—held on the first Wednesday of each month, and every week during Lent. With homemade soups that are always delicious, they're enjoyed by a faithful core of around 15 people. These lunches are a heartwarming tradition, bringing people together for friendship and fellowship while supporting meaningful causes. A rota of dedicated church members prepares the soup, adding a personal touch that makes each gathering feel truly welcoming. Just as importantly, every lunch helps raise funds for a range of charities including BOHCM, the Enfield Debt Centre, the Mothers' Union, Noah's Ark Children's Hospice, and the Church Urban Fund.

It's a simple event with a big impact: a warm bowl of soup, good conversation, and support that reaches far beyond our parish, there's always room for more—anyone is very welcome to come along and join us.

Restorative Chair Yoga

Since our report last year, our yoga attendance has grown so much that we've had to move the altar further back to create more room. Even with the change in session time, participation has remained consistently strong—a real sign of how valued these sessions have become. We're also incredibly fortunate to have Eliza leading. She's knowledgeable, welcoming, and her warm sense of humour helps everyone settle in, switch off from the day, and genuinely enjoy the practice.



Clay Hill Singers

The past year has been a time of transition and renewal for the Clay Hill Singers. After 12 inspiring years at the helm, our much-loved Musical Director, Claire Mooge, retired in July, leaving a legacy of musical excellence and friendship. During the following months, the choir showed real resilience and teamwork, with members stepping forward to keep our music alive.



We are delighted that this period of change has led to an exciting new chapter. Manav Paul, Musical Director of St Mary Magdalene Church, will take up the role in January 2026. A highly talented and accomplished musician, Manav brings fresh energy and expertise, and we are confident he will be a wonderful successor to Claire.

The choir continues to thrive, with weekly attendance averaging around 55 members. It is especially encouraging to see new faces joining us regularly, adding to the strong sense of community and shared enjoyment that defines the Clay Hill Singers.

Adult crafting activities

As well as running crafting sessions for children during school holidays, we also had an adult crafting and Christmas wreath-making sessions, which were very popular.



Social Media

Our parish is connecting more actively than ever with the community and beyond through platforms such as Facebook and WhatsApp. These channels have become an essential way to share key updates, upcoming events and good news—while strengthening relationships both within the parish and further afield.

The steady growth in followers shows that what we share is resonating. It's especially encouraging to see people from across the area—and further afield—joining in, including clergy, bishops and members of the wider church community who regularly like, comment and share our posts.

Using Facebook to connect with local businesses, charities and neighbours has added real depth to our outreach. Working alongside organisations such as North Enfield Foodbank and The Trussell Trust also highlights our practical commitment to supporting those in need and strengthening community well-being.

Our website, e-newsletter and church WhatsApp group complement this beautifully, ensuring there is a clear, welcoming pathway for everyone to stay informed, get involved and feel connected throughout the week.

Mission Support

There were several charities that have been supported in 2025. £1,982 was raised from special collections, soup lunches, donations and income tax recovered by Gift Aid to support mission activities. A total of £2,140 was disbursed - £600 to the Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry, £758 to the Children's Society, £175 to the Church Urban Fund, £390 to Noah's Ark Children's Hospice (including half the donations at Harvest Festival), £132 to St Luke's Mother's Union, £40 to Christian Aid, £45 to the Enfield Churches Debt Centre. In addition, a further £600 was donated to the Enfield Churches Debt Centre from general funds. Also, gifts of non-perishable goods collected at the Harvest Festival on 5 October 2025 and by Chase Farm Hospital staff nursery were given to the North Enfield Food Bank.

BOHCM

Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry (BOHCM) is transforming young lives by offering safety, care, and opportunity to some of the most vulnerable children in Uganda. Today, 23 orphaned/abandoned children call our Children's Village (CV) home—a place where they are surrounded by love, stability, and encouragement from dedicated House Mothers and Aunts. Beyond the village, 141 sponsored children continue to live within their local communities, their lives changed through the faithful support of BOHCM sponsors.



Education lies at the heart of everything we do. Our primary school provides a high-quality learning environment where children are given the chance to thrive academically. From there, each child is supported to progress according to their abilities—whether into secondary education or vocational training. For children from the poorest backgrounds, we offer bursaries, and every pupil receives free school meals. At BOHCM, we firmly believe that education is the most powerful pathway out of poverty and the key to long-term change.

Our commitment extends beyond children and classrooms. Over the past 17 years, BOHCM has helped install 49 protected springs across the Rukungiri area in Uganda, bringing clean and safe water to local communities. Work is currently underway to dig trenches for new water pipes that will supply clean water directly to our school and Children’s Village, as well as two public taps that will serve the wider community.

Through care, education, and practical community support, Bridge of Hope Children’s Ministry continues to build brighter, healthier, and more hopeful futures—one child and one community at a time.

Defibrillator installation

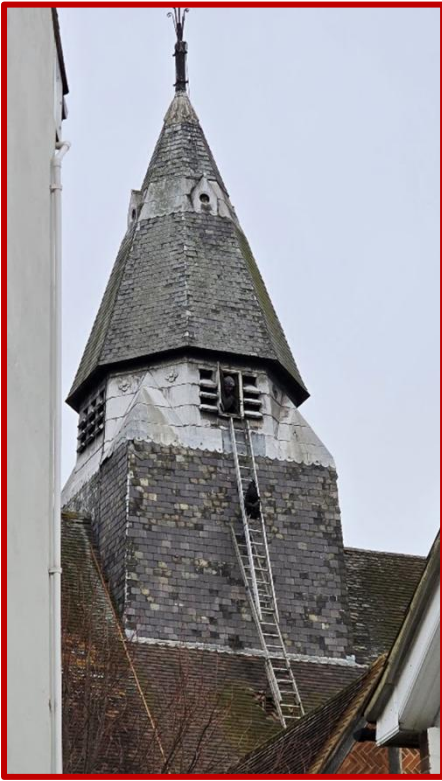
Having defibrillators located in public spaces can be a lifesaver, and we became aware of the British Heart Foundation’s scheme offering free defibrillators in the community. Unfortunately, our application for a grant was not successful, but someone came forward and provided a generous donation that enabled us to purchase and instal a defibrillator at St Luke’s in a location that is very visible and available at all times. It is illuminated, so at night it gives a reassuring glow, and there have been many positive comments about providing this facility for the local community.



Buildings

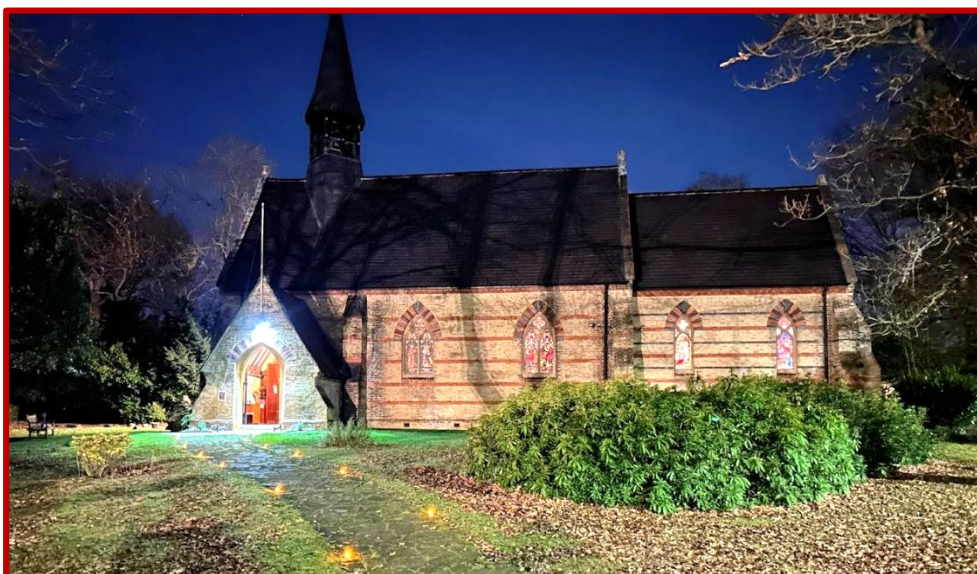
St Luke's Church Buildings

How lovely it is to hear the church bell ringing again as the bell rope was replaced. There were also some roof repairs and work to the emergency lighting.



St John's Church Buildings

Preparations were carried out for the structural repairs to a number of cracks, ready for works will begin in January 2026.



Financial Review

Pattie Skeats Bequest and Accounting Basis

In 2019, the parish was advised that the late Patricia (Pattie) Edith Skeats, a former member of St John's congregation, had bequeathed to St John's church her estate in South Africa including the proceeds of assets and fixed property after sale. After taking legal advice, in 2021 the PCC took on responsibility for appointing an independent executor for the estate and to fund all related legal and probate expenses with the intention that they would be recovered after the bequest was received. In November 2025, the bequest of £165,918 was received out of which the parish was reimbursed for all related expenses.

Historically, including in 2024, the PCC has prepared accounts on a Receipts and Payments basis as gross income was always less than £250,000. However, the bequest resulted in the gross income for 2025 exceeding this figure, above which Charity Commission Charities SORP (Accounting and Reporting by Charities Statement of Recommended Practice) rules mandated preparation of the 2025 accounts on an Accruals basis. The 2024 accounts also had to be restated on an Accruals basis so that both 2024 and 2025 figures in the 2025 balance sheet were prepared on the same basis.

Finance

Total receipts in 2025 were £319,677 and expenditure £107,876, with a surplus of £211,801. The parish incurred a surplus in general operating income and expenditure (excludes special projects, legacies and other restricted funds) of £5,827 compared to a deficit of £8,253 in 2024 and a budgeted deficit of approximately £12,500. After receipt of the bequest from the estate of Pattie Skeats of £165,918, £16,615 was transferred to the General Fund to repay legal costs incurred by the parish for probate activities during the past five years. At the end of 2025, PCC assets totalled £275,240, 76% of which were invested in the CCLA CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. This was up from £63,409 at the start of the year which had included a loan of £15,978 from the Diocese of London for St Luke's building work (repaid during 2025).

Overall, operating income increased by 2.4 % compared to 2024. The principle reason for this was receipt of donations and recovered income tax totalling £9,333, most of which was left over from a donation for a defibrillator and cabinet at St Luke's. Stewardship income continued to fall, down by 6.8%, however Sunday collections were 5.8% higher, in part due to increasing use of contactless card payments, for which Gift Aid can be reclaimed. All other areas of operating income in 2025 were similar to or slightly lower than the corresponding receipts in 2024.

Operating expenditure was 10.3% lower than in 2024, principally because:

- £16,615 legal costs incurred by the parish for Pattie Skeats legal and probate activities over the last five years were recovered as negative expenditure

- Expenditure on church equipment and maintenance was about a quarter of that in 2024 which had included a new photocopier, gas heater wire guards and new armchairs at St Luke's.

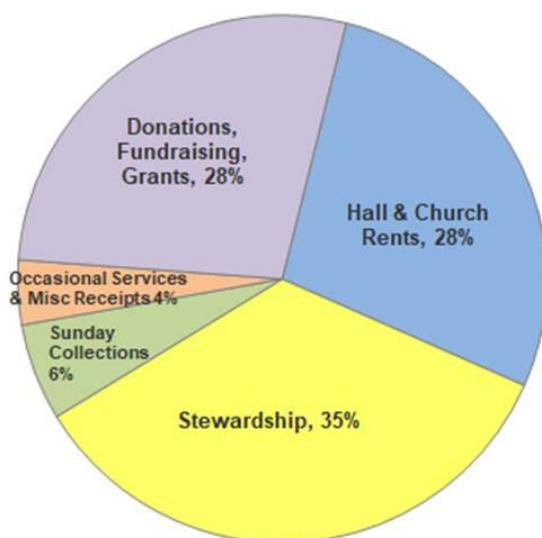
All other areas of operating expenditure in 2025 were similar to the corresponding expenditures in 2024.

£1,982 restricted funds were raised to support mission activities from special collections, soup lunches, donations and income tax recovered by Gift Aid. A total of £2,140 was disbursed to the Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry, the Children's Society, the Church Urban Fund, Noah's Ark Children's Hospice, St Luke's Mother's Union, Christian Aid and the Enfield Churches Debt Centre.

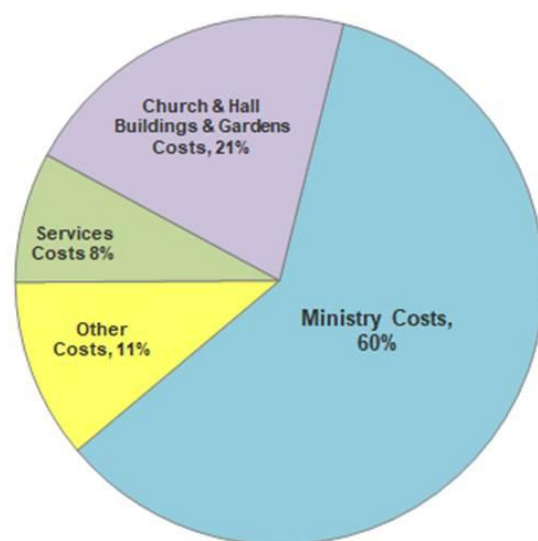
In addition, a further £600 was donated to the Enfield Churches Debt Centre from general funds.

Building projects in 2025 included installation of a defibrillator and cabinet outside the porch of St Luke's church which was fully funded by part of a larger donation, the balance of which went to the general fund. A noticeboard was ordered to replace the defective wooden noticeboard outside the door by St Luke's Lady Chapel together with an additional noticeboard for installation by the top of the path along the west end of the church. This was also fully funded by a donation. Fundraising continued towards the cost of repairs to significant cracks at St John's Church identified during the February 2025 Quinquennial survey that will be undertaken in early 2026.

BREAKDOWN OF OPERATING INCOME



BREAKDOWN OF OPERATING EXPENDITURE



Stewardship

The Parish Stewardship Scheme contributed 35% of annual income in 2025. However, contributions were 6.8% lower than in 2024, continuing the downward trend of the last four years. During the calendar year, scheme donations, excluding gift aid, increased by just £65. At the end of 2025, the scheme had 36 members, having gained two and lost one during the year. Almost all members pay by BACS and also gift aid their donations. A review of the scheme is planned in Spring 2026.

St Luke's Hall lease

Since 1st March 2021, St Luke's Hall has been leased to Nursery on the Hill (Enfield) Ltd (NOTH), a pre-school nursery, under a repairing 20-year lease. The agreed annual rent for the first five years was discounted by just under 50% to reflect NOTH's significant investment in refurbishing the building. At the end of that period, the rent has to be reviewed to apply from 1st March 2026. The Chartered Surveyor who undertook the valuation of the hall in April 2020 has been commissioned by the PCC and the Diocese to prepare a new valuation for an open market rent. In the meantime, the lease provides the parish with a dependable long-term regular income without the responsibility for maintaining the building or managing bookings.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of this parish to try to maintain a balance of unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months of routine unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to approximately £25,000 and is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.

Both churches had Quinquennial inspections in February 2025. Following completion of the repairs to St Luke's church, a project to repair significant structural cracks at St John's church classified as urgent in the inspection, has been commissioned to be undertaken in January 2026. The parish has reserved £20,000 for this work, on the expectation that further supplementary repairs are likely to be required.

It is the policy to invest as much as possible of the parish's funds with the CCLA CBF Church of England Deposit Fund where 76% of total funds were invested at the end of 2025.

Risk Management

The following is a summary of the risks faced by the parish and the PCC.

- *Difficulty in finding new Churchwardens, Officers and Volunteers:* Most parish officers have historically been drawn from a core of committed but aging volunteers. As people have had to retire, it has been difficult to find replacements with suitable skills. There is a risk that a notable shortage of volunteers could restrict the capacity to undertake future fund raising and other activities.

- *No succession planning*: There is no succession planning with the risk that as officers have to retire, their knowledge and experience will be lost.
- *Stewardship*: Over half of the pledged Stewardship giving is by just five elderly members, therefore there is a risk that Stewardship giving could be severely impacted at short notice should one or more of these members pass or move away.

Administrative Information

The Parish of St John and St Luke is situated in Clay Hill, Enfield, Middlesex and is part of the Diocese of London within the Church of England. The correspondence address is the vicarage at 92 Browning Road, Enfield, Middlesex EN2 0HG, telephone number 020 8363 6055. The registered charity number of the Parish is 1151418. The parish website is www.clayhillparish.org.uk, and Facebook: @clayhillparish.

The parish has two churches - St John's Church located in Strayfield Road, Enfield, Middlesex EN2 9JF and St Luke's Church located in Phipps Hatch Lane, Enfield, Middlesex EN2 0HL. The parish has two halls: The Jean Price Memorial Hall (St John's Hall) in Strayfield Road, Enfield, Middlesex EN2 9JF and St Luke's Hall at 37 Morley Hill, Enfield, Middlesex EN2 0BL which is vested in the Trustees of the Bishop of London's Fund.

A. INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

**To the Members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) of the Parish of St John and St Luke,
Clay Hill, Enfield**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025, which are set out on pages 39 to 46.

Responsibilities of the PCC and the Independent Examiner and basis of the report

As the charity's trustees 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, 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:

- 1) accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2) the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3) the 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.

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.



Roger J Seaton FCA
23 Greenhill Park
Barnet, Herts
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Dated 23 February 2026

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B. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2025 total funds	2024 total funds
Income and endowments from:					
Voluntary Income					
Planned giving	30,551			30,551	32,391
Collections at services	5,669			5,669	5,212
All other giving/voluntary	21,254	35,842	169,832	226,927	40,427
Gift Aid recovered	7,895	5,809	1,784	15,488	9,069
Activities for generating funds	8,515			8,515	8,632
Investment Income	1,683			1,683	2,755
Church Activities	30,797			30,797	31,361
Other incoming resources	47			47	39
Total income	106,410	41,650	171,616	319,677	129,886
Expenditure on:					
Church Activities					
Common Fund	57,500			57,500	57,500
Clergy & Staffing Costs	6,940			6,940	6,763
Church Running Expenses	16,161		17,097	33,258	45,745
Hall Running Costs	580			580	199
Church Major Repairs & Improvements		3,119	2,076	5,195	59,607
Hall Major Repairs & Improvements					
Mission Giving and Donations	662		2,098	2,760	2,746
Cost of Generating Funds	1,334			1,334	1,234
Other Resources Expended	309			309	47
Total expenditure	83,486	3,119	21,271	107,876	173,842
Net income / (expenditure) resources	22,923	38,532	150,346	211,801	-43,956
Net movement in funds	22,923	38,532	150,346	211,801	-43,956
Total funds brought forward	53,610	6,445	3,355	63,409	107,365
Total funds carried forward	76,533	44,976	153,701	275,210	63,409

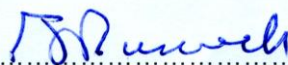
C. BALANCE SHEET

	As at 31/12/2025	As at 31/12/2024
Current assets		
PCC Metro Current Account	67,130	74,127
Petty Cash	0	0
COIF Deposit Account	209,812	3,130
Debtors	0	2,130
Total Current assets	276,942	79,387
Liabilities		
Agency collections	30	0
Creditors	1,702	15,978
Total Liabilities	1,732	15,978
Net Assets	275,210	63,409
Reserves		
Excess/(deficit) to date	211,801	-43,956
Starting balances	63,409	107,364
Total Reserves	275,210	63,409
Represented by Funds		
General (Unrestricted)	76,533	53,609
Designated	44,976	6,444
Restricted	153,700	3,354
Totals	275,210	63,409

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:



Rev, Mitzi James
(Vicar)



Ian Buswell
Churchwarden

Date: 22 February 2026

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

D. NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Basis of Preparation

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCC's and with the Regulations 'true and fair view' provisions, together with FRS102 (2016) as the applicable standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102). The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention on an accruals basis and the 2024 figures on the balance sheet have been prepared on the same basis.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

2. Funds

Unrestricted Fund: General fund represents all remaining funds that are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in furtherance of the general objectives of the church and which have not been designated for any other particular purpose.

Designated Funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the PCC for particular purposes in the future. The PCC may re-designate part of all of these funds for other purposes. During 2025, two Designated Funds were operated - for Repairs and Improvements to St Luke's Church and for Repairs and Improvements to St John's Church and Hall.

Restricted Funds comprise revenue, donations or grants that must be used in accordance with specific instructions imposed by the donors or which have been raised by the church for particular restricted purposes. During 2025, four Restricted Funds were operated, for Collections and Gifts with Restricted Purposes, for St John's Church projects (organ), for pre-existing Legacies and the Pattie Skeats Legacy.

All fees received from third parties for, and then paid to, organists and choristers for attendance at weddings, funerals and interments of ashes and for scripting entries in St Luke's Book of Remembrance were accounted as Agency. These transactions are not included in the parish accounts as the PCC merely acted as a conduit of the fees.

3. Income

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Card reader donations are recognised when they are received in the bank account. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain. Funds raised by parish events are accounted for gross.

Income from the letting of church premises or use of church property is recognised when the income is due. Interest entitlements are accounted for only when received, not as they accrue. VAT reclaimed under the Listed Places of Worship Scheme, refunds from the Diocese for water and local authority garden waste bins used at the vicarage and from Nursery on the Hill (Enfield) Ltd for insurance of St Luke's Hall were offset against corresponding payments.

4. Staff Costs and Payments to PCC Members

In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) donated services and the time spent by volunteers, of which the church is heavily dependent in order to achieve its aims, are not included in income as the economic benefit cannot be measured reliably.

PCC members are considered the key management personnel of the church. Some members of the choir and an organist were also members of the PCC. They did not participate in any discussions or votes by the PCC related to related matters.

No remuneration was paid directly to key management personnel other than detailed below, although the church contributes to the Diocesan Common Fund. The Vicar, who has overall responsibility for promoting the whole mission of the church, is remunerated directly by the Diocese.

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The financial interests of the Vicar and other PCC members were limited to reimbursement for minor operational expenditure including materials for minor repairs or improvements, postage, stationery, communion wine and candles. Reimbursements were made after receipt of signed claim forms detailing the expenses with original receipts. All identifiable expenditure including stationery, postage and phone calls were coded to the appropriate heading.

All fees received from third parties for and then paid to organists and choristers for attendance at weddings, funerals and interments of ashes and for scripting entries in St Luke's Book of Remembrance have been accounted as Agency. None of these people received more than £6,000 per annum. The organists at St Luke's church and St John's church provided services to the PCC as self-employed contractors and invoiced the PCC monthly in arrears for the services provided.

Income from donations includes £25,826 received from PCC members.

5. Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure headings. Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the church. However, the support costs are considered negligible and difficult to determine.

6. Fixed Assets

Consecrated and beneficed property is not included in the accounts in accordance with sections 10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated and are listed in the church's inventory.

7. Parish Halls

The parish operates two halls - St Luke's Hall, located in Morley Hill, Enfield, Middlesex, EN2 0BL and St John's (Jean Price Memorial) Hall, in Strayfield Road, Enfield, Middlesex, EN2 9JF. Both buildings are held by the London Diocesan Fund as Diocesan Authority (formerly known as Custodian Trustee) with the PCC having the role of Managing Trustee, with day to day responsibility for the properties. Commencing on 1st March 2021, St Luke's Hall was leased to Nursery on the Hill (Enfield) Ltd on a 20 year Lease.

The sums insured for these buildings for buildings and contents cover in insurance policy schedules dated 25 December 2025 are shown in the following table:

Insured by Trinitas Church Insurance Services	
St John's Church	£3,925,989
St Luke's Church	£15,678,805
St John's (Jean Price Memorial) Hall	£221,386
St Luke's Parish Hall	£4,070,591

8. Debtors

Debtors are included in the accounts at the amount owing to the PCC at the balance sheet date.

9. Creditors

Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount where the church has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds

10. Rounding

Any minor summation errors in the tables in this report are due to all numbers having been rounded to the nearest pound with zero decimal places.

SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Fund Type	Balance 2025	Balance 2024
Current Assets			
PCC Metro Current Account			
Legacies Restricted	Restricted		1,892
Restricted St Johns Church Organ Fund	Restricted		591
Designated St Lukes Church & Hall	Designated		6,445
General fund	Unrestricted	67,100	64,327
Restricted Special Collections	Restricted		873
Agency collection	Restricted	30	
		67,130	74,127
COIF Deposit Account			
Legacies Restricted	Restricted	1,410	
Legacy Skeats	Restricted	149,303	
Designated St Johns Church & Hall Buildings	Designated	5,957	
Restricted St Johns Church Organ Fund	Restricted	2,274	
Designated St Lukes Church & Hall	Designated	39,020	
General fund	Unrestricted	11,136	3,130
Restricted Special Collections	Restricted	715	
		209,813	3,130
	Cash at Bank and In Hand	276,943	77,257
Debtors			
General fund	Unrestricted		2,130
			2,130
	Total Current Assets	276,942	79,387
Liabilities			
Agency collection	Restricted	30	
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due in One Year			
General fund	Unrestricted	1,702	15,978
	Total Liabilities	1732	15,978
	Grand Totals	275,210	63,409

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INCOME

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Income from:					
Voluntary Income					
Stewardship Scheme Gift Aided	24,595	-	-	24,595	26,085
Stewardship Scheme not gift aided	5,956	-	-	5,956	6,306
Collection Plate Cash	2,677	-	-	2,677	3,213
Collections by Contactless giving	2,343	-	-	2,343	1,305
Collection Plate Gift Aid Envelopes	567	-	-	567	360
Wedding Collections	-	-	-	-	68
Funeral Collections	82	-	-	82	116
Baptism Collections	-	-	-	-	150
Donations to General Fund	8,661	-	-	8,661	2,214
Contactless Donations to General Fund	100	-	-	100	89
Donations & Appeals St Johns	-	5,135	2,008	7,143	324
Donations & Appeals St Lukes	-	18,384	-	18,384	2,340
Restricted Purpose Collections Donations	42	-	1,907	1,949	1,990
Wedding Donations to PCC	115	-	-	115	320
Funeral Donations to PCC	360	-	-	360	195
Interment of Ashes Donations to PCC	195	-	-	195	228
Parish Community Groups Donations	11,781	-	-	11,781	11,500
Legacies	-	-	165,918	165,918	2,000
Grants for Special Projects	-	12,322	-	12,322	19,228
Stewardship Scheme Tax Refund	5,883	-	-	5,883	6,709
Donations to General Fund Tax Refund	674	-	-	674	523
Gift Aid Envelopes Tax Refund	119	-	-	119	74
Collection Plate & Contactless Cash Tax Refund	640	-	-	640	1,045
Donations & Appeals Tax Refund St Johns	-	21	1,751	1,773	77
Donations & Appeals Tax Refund St Lukes	-	5,788	-	5,788	41
Restricted Purpose Collections Tax Refund	-	-	33	33	29
Community Groups Donations Tax Refund	580	-	-	580	569
Voluntary Income Totals	65,368	41,650	171,616	278,635	87,099
Activities for generating funds					
Fetes Bazaars Quizzes & General Fund Raising	8,515	-	-	8,515	8,632
Activities for generating funds Totals	8,515	-	-	8,515	8,632
Investment Income					
Interest Received	1,683	-	-	1,683	2,755
Investment Income Totals	1,683	-	-	1,683	2,755
Church Activities					
Baptisms PCC Fees	75	-	-	75	172
Weddings PCC Fees	446	-	-	446	516
Funerals PCC Fees	634	-	-	634	384
Interments of Ashes PCC Fees	570	-	-	570	482
Sales of Books and Candles etc	54	-	-	54	78
Church Hall Lettings	27,148	-	-	27,148	28,619
Church Lettings	1,870	-	-	1,870	1,110
Church Activities Totals	30,797	-	-	30,797	31,361
Other incoming resources					
Insurance Claims	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Receipts	47	-	-	47	39
Other incoming resources Totals	47	-	-	47	39
Income Grand totals	106,410	41,650	171,616	319,677	129,886

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EXPENDITURE

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
Expenditure on:					
Church Activities					
Common Fund LDF	57,500	-	-	57,500	57,500
Organist, Choirmasters	5,380	-	-	5,380	5,650
Vicars Expenses	283	-	-	283	102
Visiting Clergy Fees & Expenses	86	-	-	86	84
Vicarage Maintenance incl. Water	604	-	-	604	378
Vicarage Telephone & Parish Phone Calls	588	-	-	588	549
Parish Training and Education	60	-	-	60	-
Parish Community groups expenses	8,405	-	-	8,405	8,915
Church Insurances	6,599	-	-	6,599	6,989
Organ & Piano Tuning & Repairs	824	-	-	824	1,480
Church Fabric Maintenance & Minor Repairs	1,770	-	-	1,770	1,184
Altar & Service Supplies	957	-	-	957	1,240
Childrens Activities incl. Bubble Church	-	-	481	481	541
Church Fixtures & Fittings Equipment & Maintenanar	2,218	-	-	2,218	9,389
Cleaning Materials	47	-	-	47	35
Churchyards and Gardens	200	-	-	200	200
Printing Postage Stationery Books Software	1,674	-	-	1,674	1,766
Licences & Service Charges	1,191	-	-	1,191	1,030
Bank Charges	240	-	-	240	235
Memorial Gardens & Book of Remembrance	15	-	-	15	-
Professional fees including. legal	-16,615	-	16,615	-	3,792
Church Lighting & Heating	7,865	-	-	7,865	8,180
Church Water	710	-	-	710	769
Church Hall Insurance	97	-	-	97	103
Church Hall Repairs & Maintenance	483	-	-	483	96
St John's Church Building Projects	-	-	2,076	2,076	-
St Luke's Church Building Projects	-	5,146	-	5,146	-
St Luke's Church Major Repairs	-	-2,027	-	-2,027	59,607
Donations Made	600	-	-	600	600
Donations from restricted collns & dons	42	-	2,098	2,140	2,126
Deanery Synod	20	-	-	20	20
Church Activities Totals	81,844	3,119	21,271	106,233	172,560
Cost of Generating Funds					
General fundraising costs incl. 100 Club	1,334	-	-	1,334	1,234
Cost of Generating Funds Totals	1,334	-	-	1,334	1,234
Other Resources Expended					
Miscellaneous Expenses	309	-	-	309	47
Other Resources Expended Totals	309	-	-	309	47
Expenditure Grand totals	83,486	3,119	21,271	107,876	173,842

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SUMMARY OF FUND MOVEMENTS

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Fund balances Carried forward
General fund	53,610	106,410	83,486	76,533
Designated St Lukes Church & Hall	6,445	35,694	3,119	39,020
Designated St Johns Church & Hall Buildings	-	5,957	-	5,957
Restricted St Johns Church Organ Fund	591	3,759	2,076	2,274
Legacies Restricted	1,892	-	481	1,410
Legacy Skeats	-	165,918	16,615	149,303
Restricted Special Collections	873	1,940	2,098	715
Totals	63,409	319,677	107,876	275,210

LIABILITIES

	2025	2024
Amounts falling due in one year (Unrestricted funds)		
Loan from Edmonton Area of Diocese of London for repairs to St Lukes church		15,978
Corona Energy: St Johns Gas October	125	
Corona Energy: St Lukes Gas October	336	
Corona Energy: St Johns Gas November	168	
Corona Energy: St Lukes Gas November	505	
Trinitas Insurance: Church & Hall Insurances December 2025	568	
Fee received on account for an entry in St Lukes Book of Remembrance.	30	
Total Liabilities	1732	15,978

DEBTORS

	2025	2024
Debtors (Unrestricted funds)		
St Luke's Hall Insurance for 2024 repayable by Nursery on the Hill		2,130
Total Debtors		2,130