



Grove Parochial Church Council

Reports & Accounts

Financial Year Ending 31/12/2025

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: Grove Parochial Church Council
Charity Number: 1129066
Charity Address: Vale Benefice Office, Main Street, Grove, Wantage, Oxon, OX12 7LQ

Trustees:

Anne Cheeseman	Bev Rolls
Chris Franklin	Chris O'Neil
Colin Moulds	Nick Terrill
Frances Hobson	Frank Parnell
Georgina Cook	Helen Harwood
Johanna Fadipe	Noel Baker
Rev Alec Gill	Sarah Shackleton

John Culverwell (Appointed 17/05/2025)
Lorna Swanton (Appointed 17/05/2025)
Rev Miriam Jones (Appointed 04/09/2025)
James Mabbett (Resigned 17/05/2025)
Nicky Gibbard (Resigned 17/05/2025)
Rachel Hutchin (Resigned 23/09/2025)

Key Management
Personnel:

PCC Secretary: Georgina Cook
Treasurer: Frank Parnell
Churchwardens: Colin Moulds and Nick Terrill
Benefice Vicar: Rev Alec Gill
Associate Vicar: Rev Miriam Jones
Parish Safeguarding Officer: Anne Cheeseman

Name & Address of
Primary Banker: The Co-operative Bank, PO Box 250, Delf House, Southway,
Skelmersdale, WN8 6WT

Independent Examiner: David Cooke & Co.
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Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

The PCC aims to cooperate with the ordained clergy in providing and promoting the whole Christian mission of the church, through worship, pastoral, evangelistic and social activities, and to support and draw others to the love of God.

Our vision is for St John's to be a Christ-centred Church, growing in numbers, faith, fellowship, and mature godliness, sharing God's hope and expressing God's love for creation, while taking an active role in building a flourishing and inclusive community in Grove.

The full PCC met bi-monthly during the year, with an additional APCM, discussing issues including finance, worship, outreach, child protection, youth work, fabric improvements, health and safety, and community engagement. Sub-committees for the PCC, including a standing committee, are tasked with taking on specific responsibilities.

In carrying out the activities of the PCC in the year under review, the trustees have had regard to the public benefit guidance issued by the Charity Commission and are satisfied that the activities mentioned above have all been for the public benefit.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

We hold two services every Sunday, offering a range of different worship opportunities across our congregations. A Book of Common Prayer 8am Communion service and a 10:15am service, which is either a Communion service or Morning Worship. Alongside this service there are children's and youth teaching groups, and the service continues to be live streamed as a support for those who are not able to attend in person.

There was a complete revision of the Electoral Roll this year. The number of people on the Electoral Roll is now 124, of whom 78 are resident in the Parish and 46 are from outside the Parish. (98 of the 124 were on the previous roll). We have seen several families, couples and individuals join our church community.

Over the last twelve months there were: 11 baptisms, 1 blessing and thanksgiving for a child, 1 dedication of a child in a Communion service, 17 funeral services and 4 internments of ashes in the church graveyard.

In October 2024, our Associate Vicar, Rev. Alec Gill, applied for the role and was appointed Vicar of the Vale Benefice, taking on the new role in January 2025. We then created a new parish profile, with the help of a fantastic team of volunteers. Following a successful interview process, Rev. Miriam Jones, was licensed as our Associate Vicar in September 2025.

We have been blessed by visiting retired clergy and congregation members taking on extra responsibilities, and leading services throughout the year.

During the year, we have benefited from Sarah Shackleton's, our LLM, continued ministry, leading services and organising our Messy Church, which has met three times, with great support from both the church and local communities.

We have had a Summer Fete, Harvest lunch and an Advent/Christmas Fair. Members of the church community have been involved in a local Health & Wellbeing event, a Christmas joint churches service on Wellington Gate, and a Good Friday open-air service.

Festival services across the year included a public Service of Remembrance (including local uniform groups and dignitaries), a very full Christingle service (arranged with local uniformed groups), Carol Service and a Crib service.

We also had our first Name Badge and Volunteer Sunday, with Bishop Gavin leading our service, where we celebrated the wide range of roles, groups and activities that members of St John's do and support.

The link with our church schools remains very strong, and we welcome Grove Church of England (CofE) Primary School to church for a service every term. A very dedicated Open the Book team goes to this school each week to present a Bible story. In February 2025, the church hosted and led a prayer space for Grove CofE Primary School in the church building.

The St John's Academy primary school building currently has pupils in the lower years, and since September has shared its site with the new Year 7s from the secondary school, while the new secondary school building is being completed.

We are fortunate to have the church, the church hall and St John's Rooms. These are in a good state of repair and are extensively used by local community groups. The church hall continues to be regularly used for church activities, community events and by local groups.

Throughout the year, we have supported different mission charities, while continuing our support of The Cornerstone and The Wantage and Grove Street Pastors, with members of these groups speaking during our services.

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC has been formed under the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956.

PCC members are recruited in a number of ways. The clergy, churchwardens and treasurer are members by virtue of their office. Deanery Synod representatives are elected by the annual parochial church meeting (APCM) and hold office for three years. Other members of the PCC are elected on a three year rolling basis at the APCM, except for times when there are gaps to be filled.

The PCC makes all decisions corporately except that the Standing Committee has delegated powers to make decisions between PCC meetings subject to keeping the PCC informed as fully as necessary. The full council meets bi-monthly with sub-committees as detailed below. These sub-committees report and recommend to the full council.

The PCC is responsible for all parish finances, its management and control, including the appointment of a treasurer. Members of the PCC are responsible for keeping accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the PCC to enable them to ascertain the financial position of the PCC and so ensure that the financial statements comply with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 as amended by the Church Accounting (Amendment) Regulations 2001, the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS 102). The PCC is responsible for safeguarding any assets and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and

detection of fraud and other irregularities. The PCC is also required to ensure that the financial statements are examined by an independent examiner or auditor prior to presentation to the APCM.

In preparing the financial statements, the PCC is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- Follow applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will remain in operation.

The PCC met every other month on Tuesday nights and is served by a Standing Committee and various sub-committees as detailed below. There is an Annual Parochial Church Meeting held between March and May each year, which in 2025 was held in May.

There are the following sub-committees which all contain at least one PCC member, and all regularly report back to the PCC:

Standing Committee:

Consists of the Vicar, Associate Vicar, Churchwardens, Treasurer and Secretary.
Responsibilities as stated above.

Finance Committee:

Supports the treasurer. Monitors church finances and makes recommendations to the PCC on budget setting and management of church funds.

Pastoral Committee:

Monitors and supports pastoral work within the church.

Facilities Management Group:

Manages the day-to-day issues with church fabric and the churchyard. Also supports and advises on any new fabric projects.

Social Committee:

Encourages, plans and organises social and fund-raising events for the church.

GroW (Grove and Wantage Family Community Group):

Its Management Committee is a sub-committee of the PCC and include at least two members of the PCC.

Mission:

A member of the PCC monitors our interaction with the Mission organisations we support.

Environmental and Accessibility Committee:

To work towards the challenge set to us by the Diocese of Oxford and the Church General Synod, to reach net zero carbon across our parish by 2035.

Financial Review

The 2025 accounts show a surplus of income over expenditure of £15,000 for the unrestricted funds before any transfers have taken place. There was a total of £11,000 transferred from General to the Benefice fund for the joint benefice costs from Grove and £2,700 transferred from the GroW fund to General for hall & rooms hire. In October we held a Gift Day, and this raised some £6,116, including the recovered gift aid for general spending.

During 2025 we fundraised for a new boiler as the old one was well past the end of its life and could not be repaired anymore. This raised a total of £14,300 including the recovered gift aid and we spent £13,160 on the boiler and a further £2,080 on a replacement heater, the extra coming from existing Fabric fund money. This is shown as a transfer from the restricted fabric fund to the unrestricted Fixed Asset fund as the boiler is now an asset.

In 2025 our income from hall and room lettings was about £13,400 which is a decrease of just over £600 from 2024. This is made up of £10,600 from outside bodies and £2,800 cross charge from GroW (Grove and Wantage Family Community Group), which is a separate committee and fund of the PCC. We have increased the charges for 2026 which should ensure a similar lettings income for 2026.

In 2025 our utility costs reduced from £9,800 in 2024 to just under £8,250. This was due to the gas costs renewal fixed price that came in for the second half of the year. It is anticipated that the new boiler will also help reduce the gas costs in 2026.

During 2025 we received income of just under £9,500 from the rental of the Curate's house. There were maintenance and insurance charges of £1,100 giving a surplus for the year. There is now just over £10,600 in the Curate's House Designated fund some of which will be required for further refurbishment, which is hoped to be completed in 2026.

In terms of general funds, the financial position is healthy, with an unrestricted cash balance of just over £65,400. Some of this is held as contingency in line with the reserves policy below, whilst other is earmarked towards some large expenditures that will occur in 2026.

We are, as always, extremely grateful to those of the congregation who continue giving on a regular basis, as well as the special donations we receive from them for additional expenditure items that arise.

Finally, thanks are also due to Sue Parnell who acted as bookkeeper during the year and to Pat Bates and Anna Mabbett who counted and banked the money during the year.

Funds in Deficit

The Benefice fund is shown as just over £200 in deficit. This is due to the expenditure being slightly more than the fixed income, agreed at the start of the year, for the fund. This deficit has been taken into account in agreeing the contributions for 2026.

Reserves Policy

Grove PCC aims to hold sufficient money to cover the equivalent of 25% of annual general running costs. The current general funds are enough for this policy. The children's work (GroW) has approximately nine months' worth of normal expenditure in hand and is currently looking at obtaining additional grants. It is fully expected that this, along with expected grants, should enable this work to continue for 2026.

Responsibilities of Trustees under charity law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its

incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Name Colin Moulds

Signature 

Date 24/03/2026

Independent Examiner's Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Grove Parochial Church Council ('the charity') for the year ended 31/12/2025.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

The PCC is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The PCC considers that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The PCC is preparing accrued accounts and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a Fellow of the institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales. It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5Xb) of the 2011 Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission, and to be found in the Church guidance, 2006 edition. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Qualification

I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a Fellow of the institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales.

Independent Examiner's Statement


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 accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.
3. the accounts did 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent Examiner's Details

Name: David Cooke & Co. Address: 5 Briar Close, Banbury, OX16 9DS

Name: David Cooke
Signature: 

Date 31/03/26

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies	138,721	92,334	231,056	185,265
Charitable Activities	3,893	0	3,893	7,744
Investments	611	0	611	424
Trading Activities	22,256	0	22,256	20,582
Other	1,649	1,605	3,254	7,457
Total incoming resources	167,130	93,940	261,070	221,472
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities	151,340	73,842	225,182	229,485
Raising Funds	0	0	0	0
Governance Costs	700	0	700	685
Support	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total resources used	152,040	73,842	225,882	230,170
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before transfers)	15,090	20,098	35,188	-8,698
Fund Transfers In	18,134	12,741	30,874	4,791
Fund Transfers Out	12,741	18,134	30,874	4,791
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before gains/losses)	20,483	14,705	35,188	-8,698
Investment Gains (or Losses)	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before Asset Revaluation)	20,483	14,705	35,188	-8,698
Asset Revaluation	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Funds	20,483	14,705	35,188	-8,698
Total Funds Brought Forward	89,078	50,958	140,035	148,733
Total Funds Carried Forward	109,561	65,662	175,223	140,035
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	64,933	0	64,933	63,613
Benefice (Restricted)	0	-230	-230	-2,812
GroW (Restricted)	0	54,868	54,868	41,927
Curates House (Designated)	10,674	0	10,674	3,589
Fabric (Restricted)	0	1,626	1,626	2,841
Mission (Restricted)	0	7,878	7,878	7,967
Flowers (Restricted)	0	133	133	0
Legacy Donations (Not Restricted) (Designated)	9,227	0	9,227	11,485
Weddings and Funerals (Restricted)	0	722	722	0
Organ (Designated)	260	0	260	220
Tech replacement & upgrades (Designated)	275	0	275	170
Hall Maintenance Fund (Originally Hall Phase 2) (Restricted)	0	355	355	839
Contingency (Designated)	10,000	0	10,000	10,000
Special Collections (Restricted)	0	310	310	196
Fixed Asset Fund (Unrestricted)	14,192	0	14,192	0

Balance Sheet

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets	44,283	325	44,608	34,468
Investments	0	0	0	0
Total	44,283	325	44,608	34,468
Current Assets				
Cash	65,435	65,653	131,088	108,448
Accounts Receivable	2,355	178	2,533	1,873
Prepayments	0	0	0	0
Total	67,790	65,831	133,621	110,321
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term Loan / Mortgage	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	2,512	493	3,005	4,754
Deferred Income	0	0	0	0
Total	2,512	493	3,005	4,754
Net Current Assets	65,278	65,338	130,616	105,567
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	109,561	65,662	175,223	140,035
Represented By				

Signature

These accounts have been approved by the trustees, and are signed on their behalf by:

Name Colin Moulds

Signature 

Date 24/03/2026

Statement of Cash Flows

	Total	Prior Year
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Net Surplus (deficit)	35,188	-8,698
Adjustments For:		
Fixed Asset Depreciation	5,103	4,052
Less Investment Gains	0	0
Accounts Receivable Decrease	-660	1,575
Prepayments Decrease	0	0
Accounts Payable Increase	-1,748	-910
Deferred Income Increase	0	0
Less Interest Received	-611	-424
Less Sale of Assets	0	0
Less Asset Revaluation	0	0
Loan Interest Paid	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Operating Activities	37,271	-4,405
Cash Flow from Investing Activities		
Interest Received	611	424
Sales of Assets	0	0
Less Purchase of Assets	-15,242	-1,908
Return of Investments	0	0
Less Money Invested	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Investing Activities	-14,631	-1,484
Cash Flow from Financing Activities		
Loans Received	0	0
Less Loan Repayments	0	0
Less Loan Interest Paid	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Financing Activities	0	0
Increase (decrease) in Cash	22,640	-5,890
Cash at start of period	108,448	114,337
Cash at end of period	131,088	108,448
Represented By:		
General (Unrestricted)	64,145	64,751
Benefice (Restricted)	-202	-2,764
GroW (Restricted)	54,830	42,477
Curates House (Designated)	-17,399	-26,099
Fabric (Restricted)	1,626	2,496
Mission (Restricted)	7,878	7,967
Flowers (Restricted)	133	-13
Legacy Donations (Not Restricted) (Designated)	8,153	8,153
Weddings and Funerals (Restricted)	722	0
Organ (Designated)	260	220
Tech replacement & upgrades (Designated)	275	170
Hall Maintenance Fund (Originally Hall Phase 2) (Restricted)	355	839
Contingency (Designated)	10,000	10,000
Special Collections (Restricted)	310	250
Fixed Asset Fund (Unrestricted)	0	0
TOTAL Represented By	131,088	108,448

Notes - Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out in the accounting policies below.

Going Concern

The Trustees consider Grove Parochial Church Council a going concern at the date for approving the accounts. There are no material uncertainties that the charity can continue as a going concern for the next year.

Key Risks & Uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks, including operational, financial and reputational risks. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

- All voluntary income from members of the charity are recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated Gift Aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities.
- Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Income resources from charitable trading activities such as the letting of the building are accounted for when invoices are drawn up (as at the point of entitlement).
- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.
- Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
- Volunteer time, the value of voluntary support for the work of the charity, is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees Annual Report.
- Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Governance costs include costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are shown within 'Analysis of Expenditure' note.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Assets over the value of £500 are capitalised. Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the expected useful economic life of that asset, as follows:

- The Curate's House is valued at cost less 2% straight-line depreciation per annum.
- Musical and Technical Equipment - 4 years on straight line basis
- Office and computer equipment - 4 years on straight line basis
- Furniture, fixtures and fittings - 4 years on straight line basis
- Gas boiler and heaters - 15 years on straight line basis

Movable 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. They are listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected on request. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000, there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Items acquired since 1st January 2000 have been capitalized and depreciated in the financial statements over their currently anticipated useful economic life.

Pensions

The charity partakes in the Church Workers Pension Fund operated by the Church of England Pensions Board, a defined contributions pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the statement of Financial Activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Operating Leases

We have no operating leases.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

In preparing financial statements certain judgements, estimates and assumptions have to be made that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The trustees consider the following to be significant:

- The annual depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is sensitive to changes in the estimates for useful economic life and residual value. These estimates are reassessed annually and, when necessary, adjusted to reflect current circumstances.
- The constructive obligation for grants payable is based on an assessment of the likely duration of the supported activity. This estimate is re-assessed annually, and the obligation is adjusted to reflect current expectations.

Concessionary Loans

The charity initially recognises and measures concessionary loans at the amount received or receivable. The carrying amount is adjusted in subsequent years to reflect repayments and any accrued interest.

Notes - Analysis of Income & Expenditure

Analysis of Income

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Incoming Resources			
Donations & Legacies			
Donations	115,653	16,693	132,346
Gift Aid	22,774	2,890	25,664
Grants	294	72,751	73,045
Charitable Activities			
Church Groups	1,755	0	1,755
Event Income	0	0	0
Statutory fees	2,138	0	2,138
Investments			
Bank Interest	611	0	611
Trading Activities			
For equipment replacement/repair	145	0	145
Fundraising Activities	2,051	0	2,051
Rental Income	20,060	0	20,060
Other			
Other Income	1,649	1,605	3,254
Total incoming resources	167,130	93,940	261,070

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Incoming Resources			
Donations & Legacies			
Donations	102,982	10,352	113,334
Gift Aid	21,872	606	22,478
Grants	0	49,454	49,454
Charitable Activities			
Church Groups	2,376	0	2,376
Event Income	0	0	0
Statutory fees	5,368	0	5,368
Investments			
Bank Interest	424	0	424
Trading Activities			
For equipment replacement/repair	240	0	240
Fundraising Activities	2,504	0	2,504
Rental Income	20,895	-3,057	17,838
Other			
Other Income	6,527	930	7,457
Total incoming resources	163,188	58,284	221,472

Analysis of Expenditure**Current Year**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Resources Used			
Charitable Activities			
Activities	4,340	20,155	24,494
Admin	4,663	1,531	6,194
Advertising	0	0	0
Bank Charges	70	48	118
Depreciation	4,628	475	5,103
Event Costs	3	0	3
Gifts Given	9,300	0	9,300
Other Expenditure	89,621	1,407	91,028
Premises	24,243	2,839	27,082
Staff Costs	14,472	47,388	61,859
Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	700	0	700
Total resources used	152,040	73,842	225,882

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Resources Used			
Charitable Activities			
Activities	5,894	14,219	20,113
Admin	3,810	1,584	5,394
Advertising	0	0	0
Bank Charges	51	41	91
Depreciation	3,577	475	4,052
Event Costs	0	0	0
Gifts Given	8,265	0	8,265
Other Expenditure	87,063	284	87,347
Premises	41,353	2,988	44,341
Staff Costs	13,492	46,389	59,881
Governance Costs			
Governance Costs	685	0	685
Total resources used	164,191	65,979	230,170

Notes - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current Assets	67,790	65,831	133,621
Non-Current Assets	44,283	325	44,608
Current Liabilities	2,512	493	3,005
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	109,561	65,662	175,223

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
Current Assets	58,822	51,500	110,321
Non-Current Assets	33,669	799	34,468
Current Liabilities	3,413	1,341	4,754
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	89,078	50,958	140,035

Notes - Other

Volunteers

The charity benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money. Please refer to the trustees' report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation.

Independent Examination Fees

Fees payable to the independent examiner for independent examination were: £700 (fee payable in the prior year: £685).

Staff Costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows: Gross wages and salaries: £58,525, Employers NI costs £0, Employers Pension costs £2,031 (prior year Gross wages and salaries: £56,536, Employers NI costs £0, Employers Pension costs £1,886) The average number of employees during the year was 4 (the average number of employees during the prior year was 3.3) No employees received salaries at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be Alec Gill (Benefice Vicar) and from the start of September Miriam Jones as the Associate Vicar. They are paid a stipend by the diocese which is outside of the PCC accounts.

They did however receive a total of £1,574 in expenses from the PCC for their travel and work around the benefice of which £472 (30%) was contributed by other parishes

Trustee Remuneration

No lay members of the PCC received any remuneration for their work on the PCC. The clergy, who are ex officio members, do receive a stipend but are not remunerated for their service on the PCC.

Trustee Expenses

During the year 3 trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £210. (prior year 6 trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £662) All expenses were incurred for the day-to-day running of the charity's activities.

Trustee Donations

During the year the total aggregated donations made to the charity by the trustees was £39,652 which includes a total of £7,931 recovered Gift Aid. There were no conditions attached to the donations. (total aggregate donations from prior year were £35,463, this includes a total of £6,291 of recovered Gift Aid)

Tangible Fixed Assets

	Computer & Office Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Freehold Property	Music & Technical Equipment	Total
Cost					
Prior to 1st January 2025	649	0	65,950	10,283	76,882
Additions in financial year	0	15,242	0	0	15,242
Total as at 31st December 2025	649	15,242	65,950	10,283	92,124
Depreciation					
Prior to 1st January 2025	162	0	35,613	6,639	42,414
Additions in financial year	162	1,051	1,319	2,571	5,103
Total as at 31st December 2025	325	1,051	36,932	9,209	47,517
Net Book Value					
As at 31st December 2025	325	14,192	29,018	1,073	44,608
As at 31st December 2024	487	0	30,337	3,644	34,468

Debtors**Accounts Receivable**

Description	Amount
Gift Aid	2,164
Trade Debtors	369
Total	2,533

Prepayments

Description	Amount
Prepayments	0
Total	0

Creditors**Accounts Payable**

Description	Amount
Accruals	700
Finance Lease Liabilities	0
Tax & Social Security	0
Trade Creditors	2,305
Total	3,005

Deferred Income

Description	Amount
Deferred Income	0
Total	0

Analysis of Charitable Funds

Current Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Asset Revaluation	Closing Balance
Unrestricted						
General (Unrestricted)	63,613	157,488	146,319	-9,850	0	64,933
Fixed Asset Fund (Unrestricted)	0	0	1,051	15,242	0	14,192
Total	63,613	157,488	147,370	5,393	0	79,125
Designated						
Curates House (Designated)	3,589	9,497	2,412	0	0	10,674
Legacy Donations (Not Restricted) (Designated)	11,485	0	2,258	0	0	9,227
Organ (Designated)	220	40	0	0	0	260
Tech replacement & upgrades (Designated)	170	105	0	0	0	275
Contingency (Designated)	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
Total	25,464	9,642	4,670	0	0	30,436
Unrestricted Total	89,078	167,130	152,040	5,393	0	109,561
Restricted						
Benefice (Restricted)	-2,812	5,531	13,886	10,937	0	-230
GroW (Restricted)	41,927	70,668	56,770	-957	0	54,868
Fabric (Restricted)	2,841	16,695	2,667	-15,242	0	1,626
Mission (Restricted)	7,967	0	88	0	0	7,878
Flowers (Restricted)	0	133	0	0	0	133
Weddings and Funerals (Restricted)	0	757	0	-35	0	722
Hall Maintenance Fund (Originally Hall Phase 2) (Restricted)	839	0	485	0	0	355
Special Collections (Restricted)	196	156	-54	-96	0	310
Total	50,958	93,940	73,842	-5,393	0	65,662
Restricted Total	50,958	93,940	73,842	-5,393	0	65,662
TOTAL	140,035	261,070	225,882	0	0	175,223

Prior Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Asset Revaluation	Closing Balance
Unrestricted						
General (Unrestricted)	64,671	151,104	147,371	-4,791	0	63,613
Total	64,671	151,104	147,371	-4,791	0	63,613
Designated						
Curates House (Designated)	2,033	11,844	10,287	0	0	3,589
Legacy Donations (Not Restricted) (Designated)	18,017	0	6,533	0	0	11,485
Organ (Designated)	130	90	0	0	0	220
Tech replacement & upgrades (Designated)	20	150	0	0	0	170
Contingency (Designated)	10,000	0	0	0	0	10,000
Total	30,200	12,084	16,820	0	0	25,464
Unrestricted Total	94,871	163,188	164,191	-4,791	0	89,078
Restricted						
Benefice (Restricted)	2,355	2,420	12,379	4,791	0	-2,812
GroW (Restricted)	37,779	54,103	49,955	0	0	41,927
Fabric (Restricted)	4,143	1,410	2,713	0	0	2,841
Mission (Restricted)	7,967	0	0	0	0	7,967
Flowers (Restricted)	191	155	346	0	0	0
Weddings and Funerals (Restricted)	0	0	0	0	0	0

Hall Maintenance Fund (Originally Hall Phase 2) (Restricted)	1,427	0	588	0	0	839
Special Collections (Restricted)	0	196	0	0	0	196
Total	53,862	58,284	65,979	4,791	0	50,958
Restricted Total	53,862	58,284	65,979	4,791	0	50,958
TOTAL	148,733	221,472	230,170	0	0	140,035

Fund Transfers

Description	From	To	Amount
Grove Q1 Benefice contribution	General	Benefice	2,734
Grove Parochial Ch Admin costs Q1	GroW	General	292
Grove Parochial Ch Hall Use Jan - Apr	GroW	General	563
GroW AM Pension Q1 transfer	General	GroW	363
Grove Q2 Benefice contribution	General	Benefice	2,734
Grove Parochial Ch Admin costs Q2 & May hall use	GroW	General	404
Grove Parochial Ch Hall Use June & July Usage	GroW	General	338
GroW GA claim Jan-June transfer	General	GroW	144
GroW AM Pension Q2 transfer	General	GroW	373
Grove Q3 Benefice contribution	General	Benefice	2,734
For the purchase of the boiler and heater	Fabric	Fixed Asset Fund	15,242
Grove Parochial Ch Hall Use Q3 Usage	GroW	General	619
GroW AM Pension Q3 transfer	General	GroW	373
Harvest Expenses	Special Collections	General	96
Fee correction as Inv E01748 should have had a £35 PCC fee	Weddings and Funerals	General	35
Grove Parochial Ch Hall Nov & Dec Usage	GroW	General	270
Grove Parochial Ch Admin costs Q4	GroW	General	276
Grove Q4 Benefice contribution	General	Benefice	2,734
GroW AM Pension Q4 transfer	General	GroW	373
GroW GA claim July-Dec transfer	General	GroW	178

Fund Descriptions

Name	Description
General	General operating fund
Benefice	Benefice costs etc.
GroW	GroW childrens work
Curates House	Income and expenditure on 2 Edington Place
Fabric	Fund for any fabric improvements
Mission	Fund for mission work
Flowers	Fund for flower displays at services
Legacy Donations (Not Restricted)	Legacy money that was not for any specific purpose
Weddings and Funerals	Fund for diocese fees for these.
Organ	Organ income & expenditure
Tech replacement & upgrades	PA and broadcast income & expenditure
Hall Maintenance Fund (Originally Hall Phase 2)	Money left from donations to the hall refurbishment and Maintenance
Contingency	Fund for any contingencies
Special Collections	Used for any special collections that are not part of the accounts
Fixed Asset Fund	Used for purchased assets that are no longer Restricted

Transactions to Related Parties

There was a total of £9,052 donated to PCC from family members of the trustees in 2025.

Prior Period Adjustment

There were no prior year adjustments.

Pensions

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

Other (Optional)

The Local Mission fund holds money for use in local mission and outreach.

The Benefice fund contains money from all four churches in the Benefice to be used for payment of shared Benefice expenses. All shared Benefice expenses are recorded as expenditure from the Benefice fund. The contribution to those expenses from Grove PCC is made as a transfer from the General fund to the Benefice fund, and the contributions from the other three PCCs are made as grant income to the Benefice fund.

The Special Collections fund holds money collected for third parties as part of normal church activities. In 2025 this included money for Christian Aid, The Bishops Outreach Fund, Little People, Wantage & Grove Foodbank, and The Royal British Legion.

The Fixed Asset fund holds items that are being depreciated as they are no longer restricted and their value can be clearly identified when viewing overall fund balances.