



**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS**  
31 DECEMBER 2025

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL  
OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL  
PARISH OF HACKNEY**

**CHARITY REGISTRATION**  
NO. 1158545

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### LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

<b>Charity Name</b>	The Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Hackney (also known as Hackney Church). The Parish of Hackney is part of the Diocese of London within the Church of England.
<b>Charity Registration</b>	1158545
<b>Correspondence Address</b>	Hackney Church House, 1 Spiller House, Prodigal Square, London E8 1FX
<b>Governing Document</b>	Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) and Church Representation Rules.
<b>Objectives</b>	The PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

### Members of the PCC who served in the year

#### Clergy

Rev'd Al Gordon – Rector  
Rev'd Naomi Maxwell-Babatunde – Associate Rector  
Rev'd Nathan Hayes – Curate (Until July 2025)  
Rev'd Farida Matthews – Curate  
Rev'd Jackie Parmiter – Clergy (Until July 2025)  
Rev'd John Parmiter - Clergy (Until July 2025)  
Rev'd Vera Preedy - Clergy  
Rev'd Ryan Rodrigues - Curate (until Jan 2025)  
Rev'd Temi Taiwo - Curate

#### Licensed Lay Minister

John Roe

#### Wardens

Jennifer Jamie – Churchwarden  
Samuel Lawson Johnston – Churchwarden

#### Deanery Synod Representatives

Andrew Busk  
Linda Harris  
Polly Lorimer  
Esther Opuku-Gyeni  
Karen Pluess  
Alastair Marsh  
Ellie Page

#### Parish Safeguarding officer

#### Bankers

#### Auditors

#### Elected members

Ayo Afolabi  
Anntoinette Bramble - Lay Vice Chair  
Desmond Brown  
Ben Coombs  
Natasha Duursma  
Ebube Egwuonwu  
Michelle Fontaine  
John Fyson (Until May 2025)  
Gloria Gaspard (From May 2025)  
Leroy Logan (From May 2025)  
Peniel Gebreselassie (Until May 2025)  
Sophie Howard  
Zoe Huggins - Secretary (Until May 2025)  
Polly Lorimer – Secretary (From May 2025)  
Danielle Jinadu  
Graeme Nicoll - Treasurer  
Joshua Olomolaiye (until June 2025)  
Olufisayo Sonuga  
Yvonne Tapper

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### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Objectives and activities of Hackney Church

The objective and vision of Hackney Church is to bring hope to the people of East London, in Jesus' name.

#### The Parish of Hackney

The Parish of Hackney consists of two church buildings, St. John at Hackney and St. Luke's Hackney. St. John at Hackney has extensive grounds including a front garden area with parking, and a rear walled garden which is open to the community. The church offices and halls are located adjacent to the St. John at Hackney within Spiller House, and are known as Hackney Church House. The objectives and activities of Hackney Church take place in all locations within the Parish.

#### Hackney Church Experiences Limited

Hackney Church Experience Limited (HCEL), a related party consolidated in the financial accounts attached to this report, was incorporated in October 2020 to promote and manage events held within the church building of St. John at Hackney. The directors of the trading entity are also trustees of Hackney Church and any profits generated by HCEL are to be donated to Hackney Church.

#### St. John's Housing Trust

St. John's Housing Trust (SJHT) is a charitable entity whereby the trustees are also trustees of Hackney Church and therefore SJHT is consolidated in the financial accounts attached to this report. The objectives of the trust are to provide, through two Leasehold properties held in the Hackney Gardens housing development, reasonably priced accommodation to church clergy and/or employees or to other people in need. Any profits generated by the trust are to provide support to people in need in the Hackney community and to assist with the advancement of Christianity through the maintenance of accommodation for the Church of England.

#### SAINT

Hackney Church belongs to SAINT, a collaboration of five parishes where the Rev'd Al Gordon is the incumbent. The concept of SAINT is for all parishes to deliver ministry with a collaborative approach to content, excellence and outreach objectives. Each parish is encouraged to press into the needs of their individual local parish, whilst also displaying the SAINT logo so that people moving around East London know that the churches operate with similar standards.

#### Responsibilities of the PCC

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility, with the Rector, of promoting in the parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical; maintenance, care and upkeep of the church and churchyard; financial responsibilities and duties as Charity Trustees. As a Church of England Parish, the PCC and Rector follow the requirements of Church of England Canon Law.

The PCC consists of Clergy, Churchwardens, Diocesan Synod Representatives and Deanery Synod Representatives as ex-officio members and elected lay representatives from the congregation. PCC members are elected at the APCM, having been nominated by people entitled to attend the annual meeting.

At each full meeting, the PCC received reports on Finance, Building and Churchyard, Deanery Synod, Safeguarding and other items as necessary.

#### Clergy and Church Staff

The management of the church is overseen by the PCC and delegated to Rev'd Al Gordon. During 2025, the church clergy team consisted of Rev'd Naomi Maxwell, Rev'd Vera Preedy, Rev'd Nate Hayes (until June 2025), Rev'd John Parmiter, Rev'd Jackie Parmiter, Rev'd Temi Taiwo and Rev'd Farida Matthews whose roles are to look after the internal ministries and community outreaches of the church. Other clergy in training are Ordinands Cyril Farrar, until June, and Lauren Burnett. As of December 2025, the lay staff team consisted of 35 staff members operating within various ministries including Kids, Youth, Worship, Outreach, Discipleship, Evangelism and Central Services. In addition, many on the lay staff team also serve as Pastors within their ministry and support the work of other SAINT parishes.

The salaries for key management personnel are commensurate with similar positions in other charitable entities of a similar size and economic location.

#### Public Benefit

The PCC members confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. Hackney Church benefits the community by the activities described in this report.

#### Safeguarding

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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 House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The PCC has in place a Safeguarding Policy which is reviewed each year and appointed Safeguarding Officers and Children's Champions. The Policy is displayed in the church and available from the Parish Office.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

##### Parish electoral roll

There were 345 names on the Electoral Roll at the end of the revision process in 2025 (552 in 2024). The decrease was due to a brand new Electoral Roll being formed in 2025, which will be added to for the subsequent five years.

##### Services and Attendance

Three in person services took place at St John at Hackney on Sundays throughout 2025 along with a service at St Luke's Homerton from Easter onwards and a Youth service at Hackney Church House. These services were: 10am Communion; 11am Family; 6pm Informal, the 11am Youth Service. From Easter the 10am Communion service moved to St Luke's, Homerton and the 11am Family service planted into two services at 9.30am and 11.30am. Kids and Youth work continues to thrive, with around 300 0-18's engaging with services and events in the parish each week.

In October 2025, the average in-person Sunday attendance across SAINT parishes was 1,324 (October 2024: 1,224), with an attendance of 744 in the parish of Hackney (October 2024: 672).

Our live online community continues to thrive, with several hundred people still engaging with church digitally each week.

##### Register of occasional services

In 2025 there were three weddings, seventy baptisms and two funerals officiated.

##### Worship

The contemporary worshipping life at SAINT has developed in a significant way over the last year. The worship crew is made up of over 80 volunteers who serve across eleven contemporary Sunday services every week. Alongside this, the staff and volunteers serve in midweek services and events such as Alpha and Prayer Gatherings. The team is well trained with regular training nights throughout the year which invest in their skills as musicians and in their faiths. We have also recently begun the journey of writing new songs that have been written by the department and volunteers.

2025 was another exciting year for the choir and for traditional music in Hackney. Our choral scholarship scheme has continued across the year, providing a very valuable opportunity to young aspiring singers. The 10am Communion service has continued with the addition of new musical elements with new Mass settings by the Director of Music David Halstead. In addition, we have continued to work with the development of new commissions and musical partnerships to support the worship of this service, including links with the worship team.

We have also had an increased number of organists join us for various services over the year. The Choir combined both traditional and contemporary worship elements with great success in Hackney, as well as supporting the SAINT parish of St Mary's, Leyton for Holy Week services. The congregations have commented on the high quality of the choir's contribution, and we look forward to another year of similar work in 2026.

##### Hey Baby

Hey Baby is our toddler and baby group (4 years and under) that meets on Monday mornings in the church with the purpose of forming a community in a safe place. Hey Baby continues to meet the demand of provision for the very youngest in our community with over 100 babies, along with their parent or carers, lining up outside the doors on a weekly basis. We aim to work at expanding our volunteer team, so we are able to better support and encourage the parents that attend. We continue to see large number of our Hey Baby families attend our special Sundays such as Superhero Sunday, Easter Sunday, Carol Services and Nativity.

##### Kids

We continue to see the kids' work grow at Hackney Church, with regularly seeing over 80 children in attendance each week. A team of staff and dedicated volunteers continue to grow our work into more local schools providing emotional literacy short programs and continuing to carry out weekly clergy assemblies in our local Church School, St John & St James'.

We saw a record number of families attend our Easter Sunday and Nativity services from our local community based on our connections with the local schools.

##### Youth

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Our Youth Sunday Service at St Luke's, Homerton, experienced continual growth, where Sunday mornings became a foundational gathering for youth, with worship, games, teaching, and prayer. In February 2024 our youth gatherings moved to a new location in Hackney Church House. We also began connecting groups dedicated to mentoring youth and introduced midweek gatherings to teach into creativity and to create more spaces to worship. Additionally, we organised midweek outings during school breaks, such as picnics, trampolining, and road trips to connect with other youth ministries.

On average, 38 youth were engaged each week (45 youth in 2024).

In 2024, Youth East continued to be an encouraging and faith building space among young people in East London, focusing on Encounter, Evangelism, and Empowerment. Hackney Church hosted four gatherings, including a two-day youth conference and a gathering at one of the churches who attend Youth East, attracting several hundred attendees from over a dozen churches across East London. These events witnessed numerous first-time commitments to Jesus, distribution of Bibles, and empowerment of youth ministries to impact their local communities.

#### Students

Our students and young adults ministry continued to thrive across the year, marking our first full year of ministry since its launch, creating a space for people between the ages of 18-25 to find community and intentionally gather weekly. The young adults community are inspired to explore their faith, develop leadership skills, and make a positive impact both within the congregation and wider community.

#### House of Prayer and Joint Prayer Gatherings

Joint Prayer Gatherings with XXC and IMPRINT Church continued throughout 2025, with five taking place throughout the year, including through the night in May, which attracted over 1000 people. 'House of Prayer' also ran throughout the year on Monday evenings.

#### Communications

In 2025, online and digital platforms continued to be a major focus, and our reach and engagement grew throughout the year. Multi-platform communication has helped to increase attendance at services and events. We regularly hear stories of people discovering SAINT and church events through our social media, flyers, and banners. We believe that excellent communication helps people to discover the church and build a stronger community within the Hackney Parish.

#### Alpha

The Alpha course ran three times in 2025. Alpha has been instrumental in growing the church, with a significant number of those attending joining the church by attending on a Sunday, volunteering on one of our crews or joining a connect group where they continue to study scripture and form community. Alpha continues to be a key area of focus going forward.

#### Lighthouse

Lighthouse is the ministry of SAINT which works with vulnerable and marginalised people, helping to alleviate need through our pioneering Drop-in Lunch and food pantry. Lighthouse models a culture of hope; honour, openness, proximity and empowerment to all those who use the services provided. We focus on building lasting relationships with our guests, providing practical assistance, restoring dignity and guiding individuals toward relevant services so they can build a future filled with hope.

Our Weekly lunches gather people from a wide range of backgrounds, all facing challenging circumstances and creates a community of belonging and support. We provide the sit-down meals once per week at Church House in Hackney and St Mary's Leyton. During 2024, Lighthouse again distributed over 5000 meals to people in need across East London, including in the parish of Hackney. At each session, guests are encouraged to access much needed support through clear signposting.

The Gardens at Lighthouse continued to develop; including a highlight of sowing an edible garden that Lighthouse attendees were able to harvest. We also ran the Lighthouse Floristry Employability Course which had 4 attendees, with most going on to do paid work or further volunteering.

Lighthouse is exceptionally grateful to all of those that volunteer and donate much needed funds and supplies, including the generous ongoing donations of Hackney Parochial Charities and Church Revitalisation Trust, who enable our work to thrive.

#### RENAISSANCE - A School of Creativity

Churches from around the world have been visiting Hackney Church (as SAINT) since 2018 to explore creativity in

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the context of parish ministry, taking it back to their local church. In response to this, Renaissance Conference first took place in 2021 to gather many of these leaders and churches from across the world for 'Two Days of Wonder', with a vision to help people encounter their creator, equip creatives, and empower local churches to become cathedrals of creativity. The latest conference in 2024 attracted 1005 leaders from over 120 churches all around the world.

In 2023, RENAISSANCE began exploring what it would look like to launch the conference and other activities elsewhere in the world. Events took place in Peru, the USA and Australia for the first time in 2024 and each of these events returned in 2025. The big idea is to see a new renaissance that flows from the church into culture and around the world, equipping leaders, creatives and churches to make an impact on their communities by releasing the power of creativity.

All the courses, activities and events outlined above could not take place without the much-appreciated help of volunteers from the congregation.

**FABRIC AND FACILITIES REPORT**

**Quinquennial Inspection Report**

The Quinquennial inspection for St. John at Hackney Church was carried out in March 2017 with a number of recommendations that were actioned through the Restoration project. The next Quinquennial Inspection was due in 2024 but has been deferred to 2026. The Quinquennial inspection recommendations for St. Luke's, Homerton have been made and are in the process of being implemented.

**Use of Church Building by Hackney Church Experiences Limited**

Hackney Church Experiences Limited (HCEL) was launched in 2020 for the purpose of opening up our church to the wider community for large scale concerts, conferences and community events. Throughout 2024 we were able to host a number of really special concerts with artists including Coldplay, welcoming over 50,000 guests. We have also been able to serve as a space to host community events such as Hackney Council's Windrush celebration, and numerous away days to support the staff of the NHS and CAMHS. We have also partnered with corporate clients such as Kraft Heinz, and charity concerts in conjunction with Crisis. These events have allowed us to rebuild bridges into our local community, with the church returning to the centre of the community for arts and culture.

**Other land and property arrangements:**

Pay and Display car park continues to operate via a contract with JustPark. The kiosk in the churchyard is being used for garden storage and the front portion being let to Bad Manners Restaurants Ltd, and latterly Sons Ltd. The church permits the usage of cabling under the footpaths for additional church revenues.

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**FINANCIAL REVIEW 2025**

**Funding**

The principal source of funding is from the congregation members and other supporters in the form of regular donations and collections, standing orders and direct debits. The total amount raised in this way for the ministries of Hackney Church in 2025 was £1,502,876 (2024: £1,378,047). We are immensely grateful to God and to all those who gave so generously. Other funding was from grants.

Income was also generated from the rental of the churchyard and parking areas. These activities were able to generate income of £113,005 (2024: £148,047).

In 2024, Hackney Church Experiences Limited generated a profit of £29,239 (2024: £25,259). The accumulated net liabilities of £20,857 (2024: £8,382) remain which arose from start-up expenditures. We expect this deficit to reduce throughout 2026 as we continue to rent the church building on a regular basis for commercial purposes.

**Expenditure in support of the key objectives**

All expenditure was in support of the key objectives. It is analysed into different church activities in note 3 of the financial statements. Most of the spending meets more than one of the key objectives.

**Policy on reserves**

PCC policy is to not deliberately build up reserves. Any reserves that may exist, result from accumulated giving at any one time.

Total unrestricted and designated PCC accumulated deficit at 31 December 2025 amounted to £438,611 (2024: £473,336).

**Risk assessment and mitigation**

The risks which the organisation faces have been considered and measures will be implemented to ensure that appropriate systems, policies and procedures are in place to manage and mitigate the risks. Specifically, where there is financial risk, this is managed by strong financial systems and controls. These risks, including health and safety and employment, are being mitigated through modern management systems and practices. As a matter of general policy, independent professional advice is taken where appropriate.

The trustees are confident that with the continued support of the congregation and appropriate management of expenditure, the church is a going concern and will continue to be financially viable. The budgets continue to be prepared in line with the financial circumstances and trustees are confident that they will be able to prepare a balanced budget given the continued support of the congregation.

**Investments**

Hackney Church has investments that are held with CCLA. These investments are held at market value.

**Grant making policy**

The task of deciding how to distribute grants is done by the Rector with reference to the Treasurer. Grants are awarded to organisations, church members and community members based on an evaluation of each case. All giving follows Hackney Church's mission policy of the promotion of the Christian gospel in proclamation and social action throughout the world.

**Sustainability policy**

Hackney Church encourages the adoption of sustainable practice in all areas of church life and work, to contribute to the overall reduction in carbon emissions and dealing with the growing evidence for man-made climate change. Measures taken include recycling, energy audits, solar panels, encouraging the use of public transport, cycling and walking.

**Plans for future periods**

The short and medium term plan is to continue with the same objectives and activities in support of them.

**PCC trustee responsibilities**

Charity law requires the PCC, the charity trustees, to prepare a statement of financial activities and statement of assets and liabilities for each financial year, which gives a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the church and of its financial activities for that year and adequately distinguishes any material special trust or other restricted fund of the church. In preparing those 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;

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- state whether the policies adopted are in accordance with the appropriate Statement of Recommended Practice on Accounting by Charities and the Accounting Regulations and with applicable accounting standards, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the church will continue to operate.

The PCC is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the church, and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice and the regulations made under the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and PCC members of Hackney Parish on \_\_\_\_\_ and signed on their behalf by

Rev'd Al Gordon  
Rector

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**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Parochial Church Council of Hackney Church (the 'charity') for the year ended 31 December 2024 which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Consolidated and Charity Balance Sheets, The Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 December 2024 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

**Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

**Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

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- the information given in the trustees' report is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

**Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 9 the trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Our approach to identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations is as follows:

- We identified those laws and regulations considered to have a material effect on the financial statements and operations of the parent entity, including the financial reporting framework, data protection legislation, health and safety and safeguarding regulations.

These matters were discussed amongst the engagement team at the planning stage and the team remained alert to non-compliance throughout the audit.

Audit procedures undertaken in response to the potential risks relating to irregularities (which include fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations) comprised of: inquiries of management and Charity members as to whether the charity complies with such laws and regulations; enquiries with the same concerning any actual or potential litigation or claims; inspection of relevant legal correspondence; review of Charity meeting minutes; testing the appropriateness of journal entries; and the performance of analytical review to identify unexpected movements in account balances which may be indicative of fraud.

No instances of material non-compliance were identified. However, the likelihood of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is limited by the inherent difficulty in detecting irregularities, the effectiveness of the entity's controls, and the nature, timing and extent of the audit procedures performed. Irregularities that result from fraud might be inherently more difficult to detect than irregularities that result from error. As explained above, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit has been planned and performed in accordance with ISAs (UK).

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A further description of our responsibilities is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the charity's trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Andrew Skilton (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Brewers Chartered Accountants, Statutory Auditor

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Date:

Brewers Chartered Accountants is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

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	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Designated Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Designated Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	TOTAL FUNDS 2024 £
<b>INCOME FROM:</b>									
Congregational Giving	2(a)	1,476,982	539	25,356	1,502,876	1,359,013	-	19,034	1,378,047
Charitable Activities	2(b)	14,433	-	78,481	92,914	12,121	-	60,187	72,308
Other Funds Generated	2(c)	576,221	-	362,620	938,841	531,636	-	264,147	795,783
Investments	2(d)	1,126	-	-	1,126	5,047	-	-	5,047
Other Income	2(e)	28,353	-	3,556	31,908	145,713	-	-	145,713
Collections for other SAINT parishes	2(f)	-	-	251,287	251,287	-	-	277,397	277,397
Other Trading Activities	2(g)	-	711,766	34,859	746,625	-	1,013,761	34,853	1,048,614
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>2,097,114</b>	<b>712,304</b>	<b>756,159</b>	<b>3,565,578</b>	<b>2,053,530</b>	<b>1,013,761</b>	<b>655,617</b>	<b>3,722,908</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE ON:</b>									
Church activities	3(a)	1,902,068	240	389,707	2,292,015	1,698,467	-	385,223	2,083,690
Expenses for other SAINT Parishes	3(b)	5,375	-	429,912	435,287	-	-	372,668	372,668
Other Trading Activities	3(c)	40,394	682,527	9,605	732,526	-	988,502	15,340	1,003,842
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>1,947,837</b>	<b>682,768</b>	<b>829,224</b>	<b>3,459,828</b>	<b>1,698,467</b>	<b>988,502</b>	<b>773,231</b>	<b>3,460,200</b>
<b>NET (EXPENDITURE)/ INCOME</b>		<b>149,278</b>	<b>29,537</b>	<b>(73,065)</b>	<b>105,750</b>	<b>355,064</b>	<b>25,259</b>	<b>(117,614)</b>	<b>262,709</b>
Other recognised Gains/ (Losses)		-	-	-	-	170	-	-	170
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>149,278</b>	<b>29,537</b>	<b>(73,065)</b>	<b>105,750</b>	<b>355,234</b>	<b>25,259</b>	<b>(117,614)</b>	<b>262,879</b>
Total funds brought forward		(438,612)	22,475	371,470	(44,667)	(793,846)	(2,784)	489,084	(307,546)
Total funds carried forward		<b>(289,334)</b>	<b>52,012</b>	<b>298,405</b>	<b>61083</b>	<b>(438,612)</b>	<b>22,475</b>	<b>371,470</b>	<b>(44,667)</b>

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STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025

	Note	Group		Hackney Church	
		2025 £	2024 £	2025 £	2024 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Assets	8	450,863	465,662	51,112	56,911
Investments	12	3,377	3,377	3,377	3,377
		<b>454,240</b>	<b>469,039</b>	<b>54,489</b>	<b>60,288</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Current account and Cash on Hand		168,435	502,720	93,152	257,889
Church of England Cash Deposit Fund		7,839	7,839	7,839	7,839
Debtors	11	261,427	316,870	216,304	269,835
Prepayments	11	5,145	10,740	5,145	10,590
		<b>442,845</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>322,439</b>	<b>546,152</b>
<b>LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>	13(a)	(324,070)	(578,776)	(250,192)	(294,084)
<b>NET CURRENT (LIABILITIES) / ASSETS</b>		<b>118,775</b>	<b>259,393</b>	<b>72,247</b>	<b>252,068</b>
<b>LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR</b>	13(b)	(511,932)	(773,098)	(511,932)	(773,098)
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>61,083</b>	<b>(44,667)</b>	<b>(385,196)</b>	<b>(460,742)</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted	9	(435,941)	438,611	(373,955)	(473,336)
Designated		30,857	30,857	120	120
Restricted		448,953	489,084	(11,360)	12,474
Designated Non-Charitable Trading Reserves		17,214	(8,382)	-	-
		<b>61,083</b>	<b>(44,667)</b>	<b>(385,195)</b>	<b>(460,742)</b>

The notes on the subsequent pages form part of these financial statements.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on \_\_\_\_\_ and signed by:

Rev'd Al Gordon  
Vicar

**STATEMENTS OF CASHFLOWS  
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2025**

		Group	
		2025	2024
		£	£
<i>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</i>			
	<b>Note</b>		
<b>Net Income (Expenditure) for the Year</b>		103,406	262,709
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation	8	27,456	40,414
Dividend and Interest Income from Investment Activities	2(d)	(1,126)	(5,047)
Interest Paid on Financing Activities		-	(4,747)
Disposal of investment Assets		-	-
Interest Reinvested into Investment Assets		-	-
Unrealised (Gains)/Losses on Investment Assets		-	-
(Increase)/Decrease in operating activity debtors	11	57,787	-
Decrease/(Increase) in operating activity prepayments	11	5,595	-
Increase/(Decrease) in operating activity creditors	13	(254,706)	-
<b>Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities:</b>		<b>(61,589)</b>	<b>293,329</b>
<i>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</i>			
Purchase of other fixed assets	8	(12,657)	(16,688)
Interest received on Investment Activities	2(d)	1,126	5,047
<b>Net Cash from Investing Activities:</b>		<b>(11,531)</b>	<b>(11,641)</b>
<i>Cash Flows from Financing activities:</i>			
Interest paid		-	4,747
Loan movement		(261,166)	(250,000)
<b>Net Cash Flows from Financing activities:</b>		<b>(261,166)</b>	<b>(245,253)</b>
<b>Net increase in Cash and Cash equivalents</b>		<b>(334,286)</b>	<b>36,435</b>
<b>Movement in cash and cash equivalents:</b>			
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		(334,285)	103,759
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period		510,559	406,800
<b>Cash and cash equivalent as at end of Period</b>		<b>176,274</b>	<b>510,559</b>

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**1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The consolidated financial statements includes the results, assets and liabilities, including that of Hackney Church Experiences Limited and St. John's Housing Trust, for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of other charities or Church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members over which the PCC does not have operational or financial control.

Saint Music Collective Limited (SMC), Company Number 13448340, was formed in June 2021 for the purpose of recording and promoting Christian worship music. The majority of SMC's directors are also trustees of Hackney Church. At this time, the activities of SMC are immaterial and the accounts of SMC have not been consolidated as the amounts are immaterial. Transactions made between Hackney Church and SMC are disclosed in Note 7.

The PCC considers that Hackney Church is a going concern as it has prepared what it considers a viable budget that shows that the current level of income and unrestricted reserves are sufficient to support the activities planned for 2025 and for the foreseeable future. The trustees are confident that with the continued support of the congregation and appropriate management of expenditure, the negative unrestricted fund position will be managed without adversity. Therefore, the accounts are prepared based on Hackney Church being a going concern. Budgets will continue to be prepared in view of wider financial circumstances. The trustees are confident that future balanced budgets will be possible given the continued support of the congregation.

**Funds**

Unrestricted and designated funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are those endowments, legacies, donations or grants for specific purposes. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they are given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The details of the funds are set out in note 9.

**Income**

**Voluntary income**

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. An estimate of income tax recoverable is recognised when the related donations are 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 probable. Sales of books and magazines from the church bookstall are accounted for gross.

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

**Income from investments**

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

**Other income**

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due. Other income is recognised when received.

Income from charitable activity is accounted for as it accrues. Income from fundraising events are accounted for at gross value.

**Expenditure**

**Grants**

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Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when the award has been notified to the recipient, whichever is sooner, if the award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

**Church activities**

The diocesan Common Fund is accounted for when paid. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

**Fixed assets**

**Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings**

The properties within this class are the church building. Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s.10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings or on the repair of movable church furnishings is written off.

**Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment**

Only items of greater than £500 are capitalised. Church production equipment comprises a number of electrical and other items connected with sound, vision and worship. They will be depreciated over three years from date of first use.

Computer and office equipment and furnishings are depreciated over three years from date of first use.

Vehicles are depreciated over 6 years using the reducing balance method.

**Leasehold Properties**

Leasehold properties are depreciated over 50 years from date of acquisition.

**Current assets**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

**Investments**

Except where otherwise indicated in the notes to the financial statements, investments are valued at market value as of 31 December.

**Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty**

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and underlying assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

There were no specific judgements, estimates and assumptions that were critical to the preparation of these financial statements.

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2 CONSOLIDATED INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Designated Funds 2025	Restricted Funds 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS 2024 £
<b>2(a) Congregation Giving</b>					
Regular donations	844,781	539	14,290	859,610	565,928
One-off donations	485,152	-	-	485,152	669,548
Collections (open plate) at all services	9,283	-	10	9,293	11,657
Gift Aid from HMRC	137,766	-	-	137,766	130,308
Special appeals	-	-	11,056	11,056	606
	<u>1,476,982</u>	<u>539</u>	<u>25,356</u>	<u>1,502,876</u>	<u>1,378,047</u>
<b>2(b) Charitable activities</b>					
Church Events	8,714	-	78,481	87,195	67,353
Wedding, baptism and Funeral Fees	5,720	-	-	5,720	4,955
	<u>14,433</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>78,481</u>	<u>92,914</u>	<u>72,308</u>
<b>2(c) Other Funds Generated</b>					
Property income	113,005	-	-	113,005	152,354
Grants	330,152	-	178,808	508,959	528,174
Resource Church Income	129,548	-	180,256	309,805	108,617
Listed Places of Worship Tax Refund	3,516	-	-	3,516	6,638
	<u>576,221</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>362,620</u>	<u>938,841</u>	<u>795,783</u>
<b>2(d) Investments</b>					
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	617
Bank Interest Income	1,126	-	-	1,126	4,430
	<u>1,126</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,126</u>	<u>5,047</u>
<b>2(e) Other income</b>					
Other Income	26,009	-	3,556	29,564	145,713
	<u>26,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,556</u>	<u>29,564</u>	<u>145,713</u>
<b>2(f) Donations Collected for Other SAINT Parishes</b>					
Other Income	-	-	251,287	251,287	277,397
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>251,287</u>	<u>251,287</u>	<u>277,397</u>
<b>2(g) Trading Activity Income</b>					
HCEL	-	711,766	-	711,766	1,013,761
SJHT	-	-	34,859	34,859	34,853
	<u>-</u>	<u>711,766</u>	<u>34,859</u>	<u>746,625</u>	<u>1,048,614</u>
<b>Total Consolidated Income</b>	<b>2,094,770</b>	<b>712,304</b>	<b>756,159</b>	<b>3,563,234</b>	<b>3,722,908</b>

3 EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Designated Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS 2025 £	TOTAL FUNDS 2024 £
<b>3(a) Church Activities</b>					

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Sunday, Digital and Special Services	320,395	-	586	324,446	265,541
Worship and Prayer Ministry	106,308	-	-	111,588	91,897
Families, Students, Youth and Children	142,046	-	7,252	149,298	66,346
Evangelism Expenses	14,551	-	-	14,551	41,164
Discipleship Expenses	7,653	-	-	7,653	41,830
Church Event Expenses	114,575	-	242,584	361,491	288,384
Wider Christian Community Support	39,057	-	2,471	41,528	115,232
Outreach / Giving to other Organisations	5,198	-	127,055	131,085	162,345
Clergy Expenses	265,474	-	4,105	269,579	302,686
Premises, Building and Maintenance costs	323,313	-	1,217	324,530	408,722
Administration and Central Costs	555,921	240	105	556,266	294,581
Miscellaneous Expenses	-	-	-	-	4,961
<b>Total Church Activities</b>	<b>1,894,490</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>385,375</b>	<b>2,292,015</b>	<b>2,083,690</b>
<b>3(b) Expenses Incurred on behalf of other SAINT Parishes</b>					
Expenses on behalf of other SAINT Parishes	5,375	-	429,912	435,287	372,668
<b>3(c) Trading Activities</b>					
HCEL	40,394	682,527	-	722,921	988,502
SJHT	-	-	9,605	9,605	15,340
<b>Total Consolidated Expenditure</b>	<b>1,947,837</b>	<b>682,768</b>	<b>829,224</b>	<b>3,459,828</b>	<b>3,460,200</b>

**4 CONSOLIDATED ENTITIES**

The PCC, through nominees, manages 100% of the issued share capital of Hackney Church Experiences Limited (registered number: 12470018) ("HCEL"), whose principal activities during the year were those of operating as a venue coordinator for gigs, music events and other hiring of the church spaces. All distributions from trading reserves are donated to the Parish of Hackney.

The PCC, through trustees, manages 100% of St. John's Housing Trust (Registered Charity number 1172228) ("SJHT"), whose principal activities during the year were to supply affordable housing to Hackney Church employees. Although the objectives of the charity are aligned to the church, the Parish of Hackney and SJHT transact as independent entities.

**4(a) Hackney Church Experiences Limited**

	2025	2025
	£	£
<b>Turnover</b>		
Venue Hire	162,627	89,063
Music Event Income	549,139	924,494
Other Income	-	203
<b>Total Turnover</b>	<b>711,766</b>	<b>1,013,761</b>
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>		

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Administrative Expenses	10,696	20,691
Music Consultants	54,000	39,500
Event Marketing and Communications	1,636	4,864
Music Event Expenses	517,328	813,314
Staff costs	98,867	105,243
Depreciation	-	4,890
<b>Total Operating Expenditures</b>	<b>682,527</b>	<b>988,502</b>
<b>Net Profit/(Loss) Retained in HCEL</b>	<b>29,239</b>	<b>25,259</b>
Distributions to the Parish of Hackney	-	-
Accumulated (Loss) Brought Forward	(8,382)	(33,640)
<b>Non-Charitable Trading Reserves</b>	<b>20,857</b>	<b>(8,382)</b>

**4(b) St John's Housing Trust**

	2025	2025
	£	£
<b>Income</b>		
Rental Income	34,800	34,800
Interest Income	59	53
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>34,859</b>	<b>34,853</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
Administration Expenses	720	1,396
Repairs and Maintenance	114	4,944
Grants Distributed	24,661	25,200
Deprecation of Leasehold Buildings	9,000	9,000
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>34,495</b>	<b>40,540</b>
<b>Net (Deficit)/Surplus Retained in SJHT</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>(5,687)</b>
Accumulated Surplus Brought Forward	424,456	430,143
<b>Charitable Trading Reserves</b>	<b>424,820</b>	<b>424,456</b>

**5 GOVERNANCE COSTS**

The remuneration to the auditors for the audit of the 2025 accounts was £17,325. (2024: £17,325)

**6 STAFF COSTS**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Wages and salaries (incl. PAYE)	1,301,554	1,203,462
Employers Social security costs	107,745	107,745
Employers Pension Costs	31,266	31,266
	<u>1,440,564</u>	<u>1,342,473</u>

During the year the PCC employed the full time equivalent ("FTE") of 31.2 people (2024: 25.3) and on the basis of actual number of people employed regardless of FTE the number of people employed in the year 35 (2024: 29). HCEL and SJHT did not have any direct employees in 2025 (2024:nil).

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Two (2024: Two) employees earned in excess of £60,000 in the year 2025.

Total remuneration for key management personnel was £68,000 in the year. (2024: £68,000)

Clergy members are employed by the Diocese of London and not by Hackney Church so their costs have not been included in the salary figures shown above. Hackney Church is also obliged to provide accommodation to its ordained staff and its policy is to provide similar accommodation to its off-Common Fund clergy as to that provided by the Diocese to the rector. As clergy are ex-officio members of the PCC they are in effect related parties in relation to their accommodation, but the details of this benefit provided by Hackney Church has not been separately analysed in these statements.

**7 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Received from Hackney Parochial Charity	12,000	42,000
Received from St. John's Housing Trust as a grant	21,426	25,200
Receivable from Hackney Church Experiences Limited for services rendered and supplies	138,629	96,292
Receivable from Saint Music Collective Limited	16,635	15,839
Receivable from Lighthouse CIO for supplies and services rendered	110,260	-

Two members of the PCC are also trustees of the Hackney Parochial Council. Hackney Parochial Council charity is not a related party as defined by the Charities Commission however, the transactions are disclosed in the interest of transparency.

The known amount given to the church by the members of the PCC and Clergy during their time in office in 2025 is £154,314 (2024: £119,125). There were no other disclosable transactions in respect of PCC members, persons closely connected with them or other related parties.

In 2025, no trustees received remuneration for employment at Hackney Church for work unrelated to trusteeship. The governing documents of Hackney Church permit a trustee to also be an employee provided that the salary is at fair market and the other trustees of the church are in approval. No other amounts in regards to employment or expenses were reimbursed that were not incurred directly on behalf, and for the benefit of, the Church.

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8 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	PCC IT and Computer Equipment £	PCC Furniture and Fixtures £	PCC Production Equipment £	PCC Vehicles £	PCC Subtotal £	SJHT Leasehold Property £	HCEL Furniture and Fixtures £	Total 2025 £
Cost at 1 January 2025	30,623	203,552	646,191	19,518	899,884	450,000	16,474	1,366,358
Additions during year	10,357	-	16,457	-	26,814	-	-	26,814
Disposals during year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cost at 31 December 2025	40,980	203,552	662,648	19,518	926,698	450,000	16,474	1,393,172
Depreciation at 1 January 2025	(27,197)	(179,386)	(625,631)	(10,759)	(842,973)	(41,250)	(16,474)	(900,696)
Charge for the year	(3,622)	(3,871)	(10,582)	(1,460)	(19,535)	(9,000)	-	(28,535)
Disposals during year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation at 31 December 2025	(30,819)	(183,257)	(636,213)	(12,219)	(862,508)	(50,250)	(16,474)	(929,231)
<b>Net Book Value at 1 January 2025</b>	3,426	24,167	20,559	8,759	56,911	408,750	0	465,662
<b>Net Book Value at 31 December 2025</b>	10,161	20,296	26,434	7,299	64,190	399,750	0	463,941

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9 STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	At 1st January 2025 £	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31st December 2025 £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				
Unrestricted Fund	(438,611)	2,098,282	(2,090,509)	(430,838)
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>(438,611)</b>	<b>2,098,282</b>	<b>(2,090,509)</b>	<b>(430,838)</b>
<b>Designated Funds</b>				
London Aged Christian Society	120	-	-	120
St. Luke's Quinquennial Fund	30,737	-	-	30,737
HCEL Trading Activities	(8,381)	711,766	(682,527)	20,858
<b>Total Designated Funds</b>	<b>22,476</b>	<b>711,766</b>	<b>(682,527)</b>	<b>51,715</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>				
Lighthouse Project	(29,172)	124,209	(125,329)	(30,293)
Hackney Parochial Charity	28,914	12,000	(40,914)	0
St. John's Housing Fund	(49,000)	-	-	(49,000)
Retirement Fund	169	-	-	169
All Saints Church West Ham	19,872	125,105	(140,777)	4,199
St. Leonard's Church Shoreditch	76,800	170,580	(170,797)	76,583
St. Mary's Church Leyton	49,119	123,457	(123,056)	49,520
Student Fund	-	-	(1,139)	(1,139)
West Ham School Supplies	3,450	-	-	3,450
Renaissance SPARK	37,045	-	-	37,045
Renaissance Events and Growth	(169,044)	202,198	(242,584)	(209,430)
Clergy Professional Support	2,402	-	-	2,402
Special Collections	-	2,706	-	2,706
SJHT Charity Activities	424,454	34,859	(34,495)	424,818
	395,008	795,114	(879,091)	311,031
<b>Consolidated Eliminations in Restricted Funds</b>				
St. John's Housing Fund	49,000	-	-	49,000
SJHT Charity Activities	68,000	-	25,254	93,254
	117,000	-	25,254	142,254
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>489,083</b>	<b>795,114</b>	<b>(853,837)</b>	<b>453,285</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>95,873</b>	<b>3,605,162</b>	<b>(3,626,874)</b>	<b>74,161</b>

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**10 ANALYSIS OF ASSETS BY FUND**

<b>10(a) Group Assets by Fund</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Leasehold Properties	-	-	399,750	399,750
Fixed Assets for church use	64,191	-	-	64,191
Fixed asset Investments	3,377	-	-	3,377
Current Assets	255,406	121,972	65,467	442,845
Liabilities due within one year	(253,812)	(70,258)	-	(324,070)
Liabilities due after one year	(500,000)	-	(11,932)	(511,932)
<b>Total Group Assets by Fund</b>	<b>(430,838)</b>	<b>51,714</b>	<b>453,285</b>	<b>74,161</b>

<b>10(b) PCC Assets by Fund</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Designated Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fixed Assets for church use	64,191	-	-	64,191
Fixed asset Investments	3,377	-	-	3,377
Current Assets	321,747	120	571	322,439
Liabilities due within one year	(250,192)	-	-	(250,192)
Liabilities due after one year	(500,000)	-	(11,932)	(511,932)
<b>Total PCC Assets by Fund</b>	<b>(360,877)</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>(11,360)</b>	<b>(372,117)</b>

**11 DEBTORS, PREPAYMENTS AND DEPOSITS**

	<b>Group 2025</b>	<b>Group 2024</b>	<b>PCC 2025</b>	<b>PCC 2024</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Debtors</b>				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	12,242	13,017	12,242	13,017
Amounts Due from Saint Music Collective	16,635	15,839	16,635	15,839
Amounts Due from SAINT churches	38,713	66,215	41,056	65,509
Accounts Receivable	48,026	162,954	9,226	40,542
Amounts Receivable from HCEL	-	-	(535)	96,292
Amounts Receivable from SJHT	-	-	-	20,647
Amounts Receivable from Lighthouse CIO	110,261	-	110,261	-
Other Debtors	33,206	58,844	27,417	17,989
<b>Total Debtors</b>	<b>259,083</b>	<b>316,870</b>	<b>216,304</b>	<b>269,835</b>
<b>Prepayments and Deposits</b>				
Other Prepayments for Church Activities	5,145	10,740	5,145	10,590
<b>Total Prepayments</b>	<b>5,145</b>	<b>10,740</b>	<b>5,145</b>	<b>10,590</b>

**12 INVESTMENTS**

HCEL and SJHT had no investments throughout 2025 (2024: nil). Amounts below represent Investments held by the PCC.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
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<b>Investments Activity</b>	<b>Market Value as of 1 Jan 2025</b>	<b>Unrealised Gains on Investments</b>	<b>Dividend and Interest Income</b>	<b>Disposal</b>	<b>Market Value as of 31 Dec 2025</b>
	£	£	£	£	£
CCLA - Home Mission Deposit Account	3,377	-	-	-	3,377
	<u>3,377</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,377</u>

**13(a) LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	<b>Group</b>		<b>PCC</b>	
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£	£	£
Accounts Payable	124,112	322,013	118,345	164,782
Amounts Payable to Employees for Expenses	5,162	855	5,162	855
Other Creditors	111,198	129,322	59,081	24,481
PAYE and NI due to HMRC	32,387	30,774	32,387	30,774
VAT Payable	1,884	31,484	(8,257)	12,724
Audit Fee	17,655	17,655	17,655	17,655
Rental Deposits held	6,082	5,817	1,000	2,917
Other Accruals	25,589	40,856	24,819	39,896
	<u>324,070</u>	<u>578,776</u>	<u>250,192</u>	<u>294,084</u>

**13(b) LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR**

	<b>Group</b>		<b>PCC</b>	
	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2025</b>	<b>2024</b>
	£	£	£	£
Long Term Loan	500,000	750,000	500,000	750,000
Loan - Stewardship	11,932	23,098	11,932	23,098
	<u>511,932</u>	<u>773,098</u>	<u>511,932</u>	<u>773,098</u>

A long term drawdown facility was agreed with an unrelated party in late 2019. The amount of £1,000,000 was drawn in December 2019. In September 2024, £250,000 of this loan was converted into an unrestricted grant. During the year, in August 2025, a further £250,000 was converted into an unrestricted grant. £500,000 of this loan remained outstanding at the year end.