



ST MARY'S CAR COLSTON
ST WILFRID'S SCREVEYTON



Annual Report & Financial Statement 2025



Wednesday 6th May 2026
St Mary's Church, Car Colston

The Parish of Car Colston and Screveton
Parochial Church Council

St Mary's Church, Car Colston
St Wilfrid's Church, Screveton

Annual Parish Meeting (APM)
and
Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)
2026

Wednesday 6th May 2026 at 6pm
St Mary's Church, Car Colston

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APM Agenda 2026 (Meeting 1)

A joint meeting of persons named on the church electoral roll of the parish and persons resident in the parish whose names are entered on the register of local government electors by reason of such residence.

All nominations for election in writing to be with the Chair before the start of the meeting please.

1. Opening prayer and welcome
2. Present and apologies
3. Approval of minutes of Annual Parish Meeting 2025
4. Matters arising
5. Election of churchwardens
6. Interregnum - update
7. AOB

APCM Agenda 2026 (Meeting 2)

A meeting of persons named on the *church electoral roll* of the parish.

All nominations for election in writing to be with the Chair before the start of the meeting please.

1. Present and apologies
2. Approval of minutes of Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2025
3. Matters arising
 - a) Approval of the Electoral Roll
4. Reports on PCC Proceedings
 - a) Approval of Annual Report
 - b) Approval of Financial Statements
5. Elections and Appointments
 - a) Election of PCC members
 - b) Election of Deanery Synod Rep
 - c) Appointment of Independent Auditor
6. AOB
7. Closing prayer

Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting 2025

Wednesday 14 May 2025

at St Wilfrid's Church, Screveton, at 6.00 pm

1. Opening Prayer : a prayer was said by Gemma Bignall, the Lay Chair.

2. Present: Max Nocton, Chris Cutts, Anita Cutts, Henry Blagg, James Bignall, Gemma Bignall (Lay Vice Chair), Mandy Beeby (Churchwarden/PSO), Charles Bignall (Treasurer/Deanery Synod Rep), Lyn Crockford (Electoral Roll Officer), Nigel Crockford (PCC Secretary), Gill Bignall (Churchwarden), Elizabeth Bonser, Debbie May, Susan Drummond

Apologies: Revd Chris Dolby, Diane Williamson, David Crouch, Geoff Bradford, Jane Bradford, Susan Radford (St Mary's Tower Captain)

3. Approval and signing of Minutes of the 2024 annual meeting:
Proposed by Charles Bignall, seconded by Elizabeth Bonser
Minutes approved unanimously and signed.

4. Matters Arising – none

5. Election of Churchwardens : There had been four nominations:

- Gillian Bignall (St Mary's) - Proposed by Richard Drury Seconded by Jess Drury
- James Bignall (St Mary's) - Proposed by Elizabeth Bonser Seconded by Mandy Beeby
- Amanda Beeby (St Wilfrid's) - Proposed by Debbie May Seconded by Elizabeth Bonser
- Debbie May (St Wilfrid's) - Proposed by Amanda Beeby Seconded by Gillian Bignall

All nominations were unanimously approved.

The Chair and the Secretary thanked Gillian and Mandy for their service during the year and for the enthusiasm which they had shown.

Thanks were also recorded to Elizabeth Bonser for her assistance at St Wilfrid's.

There was a huge welcome to James and Debbie for putting themselves forward as churchwardens.

6. Any other business – none

7. The meeting concluded at 6.12 pm

Minutes of Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2025

Wednesday 14 May 2025
at St Wilfrid's Church, Screveton, at 6.00 pm

1. Present and Apologies

Present: Max Nocton, Chris Cutts, Anita Cutts, Henry Blagg, James Bignall, Gemma Bignall (Lay Vice Chair), Mandy Beeby (Churchwarden/PSO), Charles Bignall (Treasurer/Deanery Synod Rep), Lyn Crockford (Electoral Roll Officer), Nigel Crockford (PCC Secretary), Gill Bignall (Churchwarden), Elizabeth Bonser, Debbie May, Susan Drummond

Apologies: Revd Chris Dolby, Diane Williamson, David Crouch, Geoff Bradford, Jane Bradford, Susan Radford (St Mary's Tower Captain)

2. Approval of Minutes of 2024 Meeting

Proposed by James Bignall Approved unanimously and signed.

Seconded by Mandy Beeby.

3. Matters Arising – none.

4. The Reports – circulated in advance to PCC members. Reports handed out at the meeting to members of the electoral roll in attendance.

a. **New Electoral Roll** – The Electoral Roll Officer reported how she had posted the appropriate notices on the Church Notice Boards and delivered and collected nomination forms throughout both villages; she was pleased 66 names were now included on the Roll. The new Roll had been published on the church notice boards for 14 days and copies were circulated at the meeting. James Bignall queried whether the total was 64 or 66 and was re-assured that 66 was correct. Thanks were expressed to Lyn Crockford, for the considerable work involved in compiling the new Electoral Roll and increasing the roll by some 40% (previously 47 in total). With over 50 on the roll we can now have 9 elected members on the PCC.

Resolution to approve the new Electoral Roll : Proposed by: Charles Bignall
Seconded by: James Bignall. Unanimously adopted.

b. **PCC Report and Accounts including Treasurer's Report** – Time was given for attenders to read the reports and ask questions. A resolution was put for the adoption of the Annual Report and accounts – Proposed : Elizabeth Bonser Seconded: James Bignall.
Unanimously adopted.

Thanks were expressed to Charles Bignall for all his work on the accounts and the financial report and to Nigel Crockford for his work in preparing the PCC Annual Report. Also Ruth Brett was thanked for her work as Independent Examiner.

c. **Safeguarding Report** – the Safeguarding Report was distributed with time given for consideration. There were no questions. Mandy Beeby was thanked for her work as PSO, who in turn thanked James Bignall for help and support.
A resolution was put to accept the report. Proposed by Gillian Bignall, Seconded by: Max Nocton.

d. **Churchwardens' Reports** – time was given for consideration of both reports. Gill Bignall pointed out that the St Mary's Report had been expanded to cover areas not addressed by a Rector's Report, which had not been produced due to the retirement of Revd Ruth. Gill was thanked for her comprehensive report.

Minutes of Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2025

(cont'd)

The St Wilfrid's Report was presented and Mandy Beeby was thanked for preparing her informative report.

Both reports were accepted.

e. **Deanery Synod Report** – Charles Bignall presented the Deanery Synod Report and was thanked for attending meetings during the year.

f. **Tower Captain Report** – the Tower Captain was unable to attend the meeting and Charles Bignall offered to answer any questions; there were none. Thanks were expressed to Susan Radford and her team for their hard work and enthusiasm.

5. Elections

Members of the PCC

The following nominations had been received:

- Henry Blagg, retiring after 3 years and re-nominated.

Proposed by : Nigel Crockford Seconded by : Max Nocton

- Elizabeth Bonser, returning to the PCC as an elected member.

Proposed by : Gillian Bignall Seconded by : Charles Bignall

- Nigel Crockford, retiring after 3 years and re-nominated.

Proposed by : Maria Clayton Seconded by : Henry Blagg

All three nominees were unanimously elected.

Independent Examiner : Ruth Brett was appointed for the coming year having been asked and agreed. Proposed by : Charles Bignall, Seconded by Lyn Crockford.
Approved unanimously.

6. Any other business – none.

7.. The meeting closed at 6.37pm

Administrative Information & Summary of PCC

The Parish of Car Colston and Screveton comprises two churches: St Mary's Car Colston and St Wilfrid's Screveton. The ecclesiastical parish forms part of the Fosse Group Benefice situated in the East Bingham Deanery within the Diocese of Southwell and Nottingham.

Aims & Purposes

The Parochial Church Council of Car Colston and Screveton (PCC) co-operates with the Rector to promote the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical across the Fosse Group Benefice. To facilitate this work it is important to maintain the fabric of the churches and surrounding churchyards.

The PCC is a charity excepted from registration with the Charity Commission by virtue of the Charities (Exception from Registration) Regulations 1996.

The PCC is aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' and has regard to it in the administration of the parish.

The PCC believes that by fulfilling its responsibility to work for the promotion of the whole mission of the church it provides a benefit to the public by: providing resources, facilities and opportunities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual development and promoting Christian values to the benefit of individuals and the community as a whole.

The PCC recognises its legal duty to have "due regard" to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. We take safeguarding seriously, ensuring that children and young people as well as adults are kept safe whilst in our care is an integral part of our church life.

Activities of the PCC

The PCC convened on five occasions, including the APCM, during which a range of matters were discussed as detailed within this report. The year 2025 marked a period of significant transition for the parish following the retirement of Rev Ruth Colby.

The process for the appointment of a new Rector was initiated, including a joint meeting with the PCC of East Bridgford, Kneeton and Flintham, alongside a Section 11 meeting at which the recruitment process was formally approved.

A full revision of the Electoral Roll was also undertaken in 2025, resulting in an increase to 66 members. We extend our sincere thanks to all those who have committed to being part of the Electoral Roll and for their valued contribution to parish life.

The following reports provide an overview of the key objectives and activities of the PCC throughout the year.

Administrative Information & Summary of PCC Proceedings

PCC Membership and Governance **Rector – vacancy**

Ex – officio members

Churchwardens St Wilfrid's – Mandy Beeby (Parish Safeguarding Officer) and Debbie May
Churchwardens St Mary's – Gillian Bignall and James Bignall (PCC Secretary)
Deanery Synod Rep – Charles Bignall (PCC Treasurer) election on 3 year cycle 2023 – 2026

Co-opted members

Honorary Assistant Priest – Rev Chris Dolby
Susan Radford – St Mary's Tower Captain

Elected members

(elected for a 3 year term CRR 2025 Part 9 M6 1a)
Gemma Bignall – Lay Chair (elected until 2026)
Lyn Crockford – Electoral Roll Officer (elected until 2026)
James Bignall – Secretary (elected until 2027)
Elizabeth Bonser (elected until 2028)
Nigel Crockford (elected until 2028)
Henry Blagg – retired Nov 2025

Independent Examiner to the PCC – Ruth Brett

Patron – The Prayer Book Society

Financial Summary Report for the Year Ended 31 December 2025

Overview

St Mary's, Car Colston and St Wilfrid's, Screveton form the Parish of Car Colston and Screveton (Pastoral Scheme, June 2022). This summary outlines the financial performance of both churches for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Both churches aim to operate a breakeven budget and to maintain reserves equivalent to at least three months' expenditure.

Year-End Balances (31 December 2025)

St Mary's, Car Colston:

Unrestricted at bank £11,769.20

Restricted at bank £24,980.01 (Fabric Fund £24,572.14 + Organ Fund £407.87)

Restricted: Investments at CCLA £53,282.82 (Fabric Fund £46,257.35 + Organ Fund £7,025.47)

Chancel Fund £3,130.82.

St Wilfrid's, Screveton:

Unrestricted at bank £8,406.56

Restricted at bank £12,394.15

Restricted (other) £2,297.52

Joint Fundraising Account: £271.04 at bank

Income

I was delighted that planned giving at St Wilfrid's increased during the year. The underlying planned giving at St Mary's remained unchanged – the comparable figures being distorted due solely to one additional payment in 2024. Very many thanks to everyone who contributes to our regular planned giving which is the bedrock of our finances for both churches. Your generosity enables us to plan and budget year on year.

Occasional offices and donations are by their nature variable so the income they produce changes from year to year. Gift Aid reclaims for quarters 3 and 4 of 2025 are still outstanding and will fall into the 2026 accounts.

Expenditure

Expenditure remained broadly stable for both churches, with no exceptional items. Each church paid Parish Share in full for the fourth consecutive year and contributed £1,000 each to Fosse Group administrative costs.

Items of Note

- St Mary's boiler servicing (£877.46) includes both the 2024 and 2025 December servicing bills. St Mary's churchyard maintenance includes £395 for mower service and repairs. The balance being mainly repairs to gates within the churchyard and the occasional cutting of the old churchyard by a paid contractor.
- St Mary's Sundries comprised the purchase of a table £201, hospitality £151 and internet link for the CollecTin card machine £58.
- St Wilfrid's – Fees to the Diocese includes fees carried over from 2024 (£1,051 2024 – nil)
- St Wilfrid's – no cost for heater servicing (2024 £508) and fallen tree removal (2024 £850).

Annual Surplus

Both churches recorded a surplus in 2025. While St Mary's surplus was lower than in 2024, overall financial performance for each church remains stable. As previously referenced fees from occasional offices and donations vary year on year which can make a significant difference to funds. In 2024 St Mary's also received an additional £1,000 from the fundraising account to even up the cumulative distribution to each church.

	St Mary's	St Wilfrid's
2025	£1089	£2843
2024	£4064	£3170

Key Financial Activities

Parish fundraising included a Burns Night (joint with the Village Hall committee), 10 Parish Lunches, a Summer Party and a Christmas raffle. Funds contributed towards new hymn books and allowed for distributions to both churches' general funds. Thank you to everyone who supports our church events which are intended not only to raise funds but also to provide fun and enjoyment for the whole community.

At St Mary's, the bells and nave project was successfully completed. Soundproofing was added to the bell tower and a new sound system with audio loop facility was installed. The cost of the sound system has been budgeted and is being paid by instalments commencing February 2026.

Conclusion

Both churches are on a sound financial footing, continue to meet Parish Share commitments in full, and maintain appropriate reserves. Continued prudent management and active fundraising will support future sustainability. Finally on behalf of the PCC may I record grateful thanks to everyone who supports our churches in whatever way – your generous contributions makes all the difference.

These accounts were presented and approved at the PCC meeting on 21st February 2026 and accordingly signed by the lay vice chair.

Independent Examination of Accounts

The accounts were independently examined and approved by Ruth Brett on 26th April 2026. We thank you for your time and diligence in reviewing the accounts.

Charles Bignall
PCC Treasurer

Churchwarden Reports 2025

St Mary's Church

Fabric

Churchwardens in each parish must, in every calendar year, deliver to the PCC and to the APCM a report on the fabric of the church and all articles appertaining to it.

St Mary's Church Car Colston is a Grade I listed building.

The Quinquennial Inspection of 2024 confirmed that the church is well cared for and its general condition is good with only a few items requiring attention. Some rainwater goods, stone and glass repairs and minor maintenance were required externally. No major internal defects were reported. Work remains outstanding on items such as clearing gutters and downpipes The lightening conductor is due a service.

In June 2025 Keystone Sound Systems completed the installation of a sound and induction loop system which has been well received by our congregations. Boiler service, PAT test and organ service were all satisfactorily completed as required during the year. A carbon monoxide alarm was advised and is now in church. Health and safety risk assessments and first aid kit are reviewed and maintained.

Churchyard

The churchyard gates by the south porch and to the oil tank area were rotten and have been replaced. We have permission from Rushcliffe BC to prune two maples and a holly tree. A contractor has been contacted regarding the work.

The churchyard grass continues to be cut by volunteers on the mowing rota with the Mowing Trophy for the best cut being awarded at the annual presentation BBQ. The old part of the churchyard was cut on a couple of occasions by a contractor.

Inventory

The St Mary's Inventory has been checked and maintained with items satisfactorily accounted for. Documents referred to in the records are retained in the PCC secretary or warden files

[Documents still awaiting transfer to these files include:-

- a) Original letter from HM King Charles III dated 28 Jan 2024 (copy in church)
- b) Original letter from the Palace dated 17th April 2024]

Car Colston Land Management Committee

St Mary's holds a Common Right and churchwardens attend Car Colston Land Management Committee meetings.

Sharpes Close

Approximately one acre of land bequeathed to St Mary's under the Will of Gregor Henson dated 1616. Chickens and geese are kept on a portion of the land with sheep grazing the remainder. The land was cleared of debris left by a previous tenant and stock fencing reinstated along the boundary with Farriers Cottage.

Interregnum

The year was of particular note because of the retirement of Rector Rev Ruth Colby. The Easter Sunday service was St Mary's opportunity to thank Rev Ruth for her hard work, dedication, warmth and generosity and to wish her and Mark a very happy retirement.

Churchwardens and PCC secretaries from both parishes have worked closely and cooperatively during the interregnum and with support from the Fosse Group Administrator services across the Benefice have been maintained. We have been pleased that the regular 3rd Sunday communion service at St Mary's has continued.

The vacancy provides an opportunity for visiting clergy to lead varying styles of services giving us a chance to experience both traditional and more contemporary worship. We are immensely grateful to all clergy who have helped and supported us throughout. A lay-led service was held in church to commemorate VJDay80. Our services for Remembrance (attendance 66) and Christmas (attendance 88 and 54) were particularly well supported by the local community. The magnificent display of 800 crocheted poppies which cascaded from the tower room window for remembrance was thanks to the incredible work of a wonderful team of ladies in the village.

Life Events – Baptisms 0 Weddings 0 Funerals 1

As a Benefice we seek to grow and become a group of rural churches adapting and thriving in modern daily life, rooted in the community and in the lives of all our parishioners. Deeper engagement with families and young people generated through life events and special services is something we aim to build upon by the implementation of Vision 2030. The Children's Corner provides a welcoming space and continues to be very well used. The area is regularly refreshed and reflects the changing liturgical seasons.

Music

Many thanks to our organists for ensuring that church music continues to reflect both the richness of our tradition and the freshness of more modern expressions of faith.

Eucharistic assistant

Bishop Paul approved Charles Bignall to serve as parish eucharistic assistant

Bellringing

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of our Tower Captain and her team bellringing continues to bring life and activity to the church. The bells ring as a call to worship, at life events and for national commemorations or celebrations. The lively Thursday morning practice is well supported.

Volunteering and community involvement

We are thankful for all our volunteers, whose generosity of time and talent makes St Mary's the community that it is. Whether you have been welcoming at the door, catering for parish events, opening the church, mowing the churchyard, arranging flowers, cleaning and polishing, ringing the bells, operating the sound system, crocheting poppies, leading prayers, reading in services, lighting candles, singing joyfully, assisting with communion or making the coffee – you are all part of what makes this church flourish. Thank you.

D of E Award Volunteers

We were delighted to receive requests from two young people to fulfil the service element of their D of E award by volunteering at St Mary's. It is a great pleasure to work with them and we very much hope they find their time with us both fulfilling and enjoyable.

Foodbank

The collection point at St Mary's supports The Arnold Foodbank. Many thanks to all who generously donate particularly at Harvest Festival.

Advent windows

A festive display through the village was organised by Maria Clayton to whom many thanks.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care in the community is an essential part of our mission. Pastoral visits and 'communion at home' led by Revd Chris are greatly valued.

Parish Fundraising

All initiatives were well supported by the community and greatly assist with church funding. The point of our fundraising is not just to raise much needed funds for our churches but to provide a rich and varied programme for everyone's enjoyment in friendly surroundings where anyone in our parish can come and share in the fun and fellowship.

Fosse Group and Deanery Liaison

St Mary's played an active role across the Fosse Group and Deanery participating in Experience Events at St Peter's, supporting Mustard Seed Prayer Group and attending synod meetings. We welcomed Bishop Andy for a Reflection on his Faith and Ministry.

As we navigate the interregnum considerable thanks go to Revd Chris Dolby for her continuing support and guidance. An interregnum inevitably brings additional work and responsibility but the Parish has risen to the occasion with resilience and strength. We have been fortunate to have dedicated and supportive PCC members who stepped up at last year's Annual Meeting to take on the responsibilities of Lay Chair and PCC Secretary. We also welcomed two newly elected Churchwardens making a group of four in the parish. Many thanks are due to the Benefice Profile team who coordinated the drafting of the Profile which received unanimous approval.

(Churchwarden Report St Mary's Cont'd)

In July 2025 Gemma and Mandy were elected by the PCC as our parish representatives for the recruitment process. They will liaise with the Diocese, the Patrons and the wider Benefice in the appointment of a new Rector.

In October Henry Blagg tendered his resignation from the PCC. We extend our gratitude to Henry for all he has done for St Mary's and St Wilfrid's Churches over the years, especially his work on the historic Charles III Royal Arms.

The hard work of everyone involved in our parish has been invaluable in keeping the life of the church running smoothly and joyfully. It remains a pleasure and a privilege to serve as churchwardens for St Mary's.

Gillian Bignall and James Bignall
Churchwardens, St Mary's Car Colston

St Wilfrid's Church

Debbie and I would like to mention the good work carried out by our group of parishioners in maintaining, cleaning, and arranging flowers at St Wilfrid's. We are grateful for their willingness to help both outside and inside the church, especially during this difficult time of interregnum, which began in April when Rev Ruth retired from the Fosse Group.

Our year began with our regular Plough Sunday, led by Rev Ruth, which was well attended. This year, we remembered Stan Renshaw, who had died a few weeks earlier and had donated his horse-drawn plough to St Wilfrid's for use each year, past and future. We also hosted Candlemas this year.

Rev Ruth announced her retirement in early February, to be completed in April. We would like to make special note of our thanks for all the work Ruth did for St Wilfrid's and how much we enjoyed her time with us. We are also grateful for the way she led us through the rearrangement of the parishes of the Fosse Group, the COVID pandemic, and the passing of our Queen.

After Rev Ruth left, each church/PCC in the Fosse Group worked tirelessly and cohesively to keep church services running smoothly (communion, funerals, weddings, and baptisms) with the wonderful support of Rev Christine Dolby. We also worked together to create the Parish Profile for our individual churches and have begun the process of appointing a new vicar.

Lay-led services continue to have an average attendance of 14 on the second Sunday of each month. However, this was reversed with our Communion service moving to the first Sunday after Rev Ruth left, as it helped the Fosse Group establish a regular pattern for Communion with visiting clergy throughout the month. Our special thanks go to Sherry Rudman, the Fosse Group administrator, who has been a great support in organising clergy and organists, as well as keeping us all informed and supported, particularly at times of funerals and baptisms. Thank you, Sherry.

We held our Harvest service again at the Eco Farm in Screveton, led by the Archdeacon. Approximately 22 people attended, including three children, and we followed the service with refreshments on site in a bell tent.

Our Carols by Candlelight service was led by Canon Peter Watkins. We distributed white card doves for people to write messages on, which were then hung on a Christmas tree donated by Lymn's Funeral Directors.

In April, Elizabeth Bonser stepped down as our Churchwarden. She has been a wonderful CW, a strong leader and a caring member of St Wilfrid's community, and we are pleased that she is willing to continue supporting Mandy and now Debbie May, our new Churchwarden, in their roles. Thank you for all you have done, Liz!

Fundraising

- First Friday lunches continue to be well attended, hosted by several ladies in the parish; we have approximately 16 attendees on average, raising £17.50 per head, including the monthly raffle.
- The Giving Campaign has placed St Wilfrid's in a positive financial position, and we thank all who have kindly signed up, increased, or continued their giving.
- We hosted a second Summer Night event together with St Mary's, held in Car Colston at the home of Charles and Gill Bignall—a superb evening.
- We hosted Ride and Stride refreshments in September.
- We are very pleased with the excellent cards produced by Henry Blagg, featuring a watercolour of St Wilfrid's Church, to be sold as a fundraising initiative.
- The Christmas Raffle hamper draw sold 370 tickets.

Churchyard

We continue to have a mystery person mowing the paths in the churchyard. We trialled sheep grazing, but it was not successful due to unreliable security to keep the sheep contained.

We have hosted one wedding, one burial, and one funeral this year. We have also received a request, and granted approval, for a double headstone for Stan and Nancy Renshaw; this was approved on the basis of precedent headstones already in the churchyard.

*Mandy Beeby & Debbie May
Churchwardens, St Wilfrid's Screveton*

Safeguarding Report 2025

I have continued in my role as Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) over the past year. During this time I have attended three online safeguarding training sessions, as well as a Diocesan safeguarding briefing. In addition, Peter Golightly (also PSO for the Fosse Group) and I met with Rev Ruth in February prior to her retirement and we have since held a further three telephone conversations to ensure we remain up to date.

In November, we marked Safeguarding Sunday at St Wilfrid's, using this occasion to raise awareness of safeguarding and to highlight my role and responsibilities as PSO.

The Diocese has introduced a new online 'hub' to centralise safeguarding training and requirements for PCC members. With the support of the PCC, I am pleased that we were able to implement this successfully during 2025.

Our safeguarding policies and procedures have been actively tested this year necessitating engagement with the Diocesan safeguarding team and there is currently no ongoing risk to the congregation. The PCC has taken additional steps, beyond Diocesan requirements, to further strengthen the safety and wellbeing of our community.

The Diocesan safeguarding network has also established a central WhatsApp group to provide support and share best practice. I hope to make use of this resource to further develop our safeguarding knowledge.

Finally, I would like to thank all PCC members for their continued support in this area, whether through completing required training and documentation, or assisting with the implementation of the new diocesan safeguarding hub.

If you have any safeguarding queries or concerns please do feel free to contact me.

Mandy Beeby
Parish Safeguarding Officer

Deanery Synod Report 2025

The East Bingham Deanery Standing Committee meets before each Deanery Synod to discuss the agenda and wider plans involving the deanery. The standing committee elected at the start of the triennium remains in place, joined by Charles Bignall.

Three Deanery Synod meetings were held during the year all of which were attended by our parish representative. The meetings focussed on Faith and Finance, encouraged by our Lay Chair Lesley Haig. Area Dean Stephen Hippisley Cox led us in considering Nurturing Prayer, sharing insights from his work at the Minster.

We also considered how best to support our leaders, both lay and ordained, particularly in parishes in vacancy. We are thankful for our retired clergy who continue to offer supporting ministry across the deanery. They are a particular blessing for churches in vacancy.

The Mustard Seed prayer group has been praying for the deanery throughout the year. Coordinated by Lesley, everyone is encouraged to join in these monthly prayer meetings, and to send in any prayer requests to the administrator Portia Newling to share with the group.

As part of our successful series of events entitled Journey of Faith, Bishop Andy joined us to share his experiences. We also welcomed a party from the Minster choir to lead us in sung evensong and gathered in the Minster for the Darkness to Light Advent Procession.

Charles Bignall
Deanery Synod Rep



Tower Captains report 2025

2025 has been a successful year for the Car Colston band, now officially 7 strong, although 2 of them are away for much of the year at university. We have all improved and are now reasonably competent ringers, most of the time!

Thursday morning practices continue to be a great success with over 15 regular attendees and others that come on occasions plus visitors from across the country. We have also had a couple of extra sessions with visitors from the Nottingham University and Bingham District.

The highlight of the year was the first Quarter on 21st August, The team consisted of, Jonathan from Harby 'conductor', Jim (Guild Chair), Trish, Godfrey and Kay, who we are particularly grateful to for their support throughout the year and very importantly one of our own band, Emily.

A particular thank you goes to George Town for his continuing bell maintenance work.

Susan Radford
Tower Captain

Appendix

St Mary's Church Car Colston – General Account

Year ending

31 December 2025

RECEIPTS	Gen Fund 2025		GenFund 2024		Notes
Covenanted giving	£	7,207.00	£	7,794.75	Restricted Funds see attached
Donations & Grants	£	516.38	£	697.49	
Gift aid reclaim	£	2,323.71	£	2,566.53	
Church collections	£	1,784.15	£	2,147.18	
Fees and other	£	579.00	£	1,024.00	
Interest	£	-	£	-	
	£	12,410.24	£	14,229.95	
Fundraising distribn CC&S					
	£	2,500.00	£	1,000.00	
	£	2,500.00	£	2,500.00	
Total Receipts		£ 14,910.24		£ 17,729.95	
PAYMENTS					
Parish Share Ecclesiastical	£	4,922.26	£	4,760.97	
Ins premium Fosse Grp	£	3,425.32	£	3,324.08	
shared costs	£	1,000.00	£	950.00	
Organist	£	390.00	£	830.00	
Water	£	149.77	£	85.67	
Energy supplied	£	1,163.27	£	1,195.44	
	£	11,050.62	£	11,146.16	
Fees					
To Diocese	£	320.00	£	-	
To CCLMC	£	100.00	£	100.00	
Priests	£	52.00			
Other	£	-			
Maintenance					
Boiler service	£	877.46	£	-	
Fire safety - Lindum	£	58.20	£	108.35	
PAT test	£	36.00	£	-	
Churchyard	£	881.25	£	994.06	
General maintenance	£	-	£	415.30	
Sundries		445.19	£	901.59	
Total Surplus/(Deficit)		£ 2,770.10	£	2,519.30	
		£ 13,820.72		£ 13,665.46	
		£ 1,089.52		£ 4,064.49	
Balances at bank					
Balances 1 Jan 2025 Add	£	10,679.68	Total Gen Fd		
surplus from above Total			£ 10,679.68		
Balances 31 December 2025			£ 1,089.52		
				£	11,769.20
	£	11,769.20		£	11,769.20
				£	-
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St Wilfrid's Church Screveton General Account

Year ending 31 December 2025

RECEIPTS	Gen Fund 2025		Gen Fund 2024		Notes
Covenanted giving	£	5,450.00	£	5,195.00	Restricted Fabric Fund Lloyds Jan 1 £11,769.56 interest £93.59 donation £531.00 Closing bal £12,394.15 CCLA JAN 1 2025 £2,393.20 DEC 31 2025 £2297.52
Donations & Grants	£	50.00	£	1,740.00	
Gift aid reclaim	£	1,843.57	£	1,276.59	
Church collections	£	1,661.45	£	1,386.32	
Fees and other	£	2,038.00	£	1,743.00	
Interest	£	66.51	£	64.96	
	£	11,109.53	£	11,405.87	
Fundraising distribn CC&S					
	£	2,500.00	£	500.00	
			£	1,000.00	
			£	1,250.00	
			£	-	
	£	2,500.00	£	-	
			£	2,750.00	
Total Receipts		£ 13,609.53		£ 14,155.87	
PAYMENTS					
Parish Share	£	4,782.26	£	4,619.97	
Ecclesiastical Ins premium	£	2,442.50	£	2,415.93	
Fosse Grp shared costs	£	1,000.00	£	950.00	
Organist	£	360.00	£	680.00	
Energy supplied Fees	£	860.67	£	683.04	
To Diocese					
MGH Quinquennial					
Priests	£	1,051.00	£	-	
Maintenance	£	-	£	-	
Heaters service	£	98.10			
Fire safety - Lindum					
PAT test					
Garden Maintenance	£	-	£	508.80	
Sundries	£	58.20	£	78.47	
Total	£	66.00	£	-	
	£	-	£	850.00	
Surplus/(Deficit)	£	47.00	£	199.62	
			£	1,636.89	
		£ 10,765.73		£ 10,985.83	
		£ 2,843.80		£ 3,170.04	
Balances at banks					
	Business Gen	Classic Gen	Total Gen		
Balances 1 Jan 2025	£ 5,414.11	£ 148.65	£ 5,562.76		
Add surplus from above			£ 2,843.80	£	8,406.56
Total					
Balances 31 December 2025					
	£ 7,631.40	£ 775.16		£	8,406.56
				£	(0.00)
Independent Examiner					

Car Colston & Screveton PCC General Funds

Year ending

31 December 2025

RECEIPTS	Gen Fund 2025 YTD		GenFund 2024 YTD		Notes
Covenanted giving	£ 12,657.00		£ 12,989.75		See Group Fundraising <<< Account
Donations & Grants	£ 566.38		£ 2,437.49		
Gift aid reclaim	£ 4,167.28		£ 3,843.12		
Church collections	£ 3,445.60		£ 3,533.50		
Fees and other	£. 2,617.00		£ 2,767.00		
Interest	£ 66.51	£ 23,519.77	£ 64.96	£ 25,635.82	
Group Fundraising					
To St Wilfrid's	£ 2,500.00		£ 1,500.00		
To St Mary's	£ 2,500.00		£ 1,000.00		
Other					
	£ -	£ 5,000.00	£ 2,500.00	£ 5,000.00	
Total Receipts		£ 28,519.77		£ 30,635.82	
PAYMENTS					
Parish Share Ecclesiastical	£ 9,704.52		£ 8,559.28		
Ins premium Fosse Grp	£ 5,867.82		£ 5,254.72		
shared costs Organist	£ 2,000.00		£ 1,900.00		
Water Energy supplied	£ 750.00		£ 1,460.00		
Fees	£ 149.77		£ 85.67		
Diocese	£ 2,023.94	£ 20,496.05	£ 1,441.70	£ 18,701.37	
CCLMC					
Other					
MGH Quinquennial	£ 1,371.00		£ -		
Priests	£ 100.00		£ 100.00		
Maintenance	£ -		£ -		
Heaters/Boiler service	£ -		£ -		
Fire safety - Lindum	£ 150.10				
PAT test	£ 877.46				
Churchyard maintenance	£ 116.40		£ 508.80		
General maintenance	£ 102.00		£ 186.82		
Sundries	£ 881.25		£ -		
Total Surplus/(Deficit)	£ -		£ 1,844.06		
	492.19	£ 4,090.40	£ 415.30		
		£ 24,586.45		£ 22,857.56	
		£ 3,933.32		£ 7,778.26	
CC&S Bank balances					
St Mary's General Fund	£ 11,769.20				
St Wilfrid's General Fund	£ 8,406.56				
CC&S Fund Raising Account	£ 271.04				
Independent Examiner					

CC & S Lloyds Bank Group Account - Fundraising

Brought forward incl Burns Night pre paid				£ 1,800.70
<i>Note CCS Total half share for Burns Night £729.99 as it covered 2024/25</i>				
	Total	Expenses	Net	
				£ 1,800.70
Parish Lunches	£ 2,360.50	£ 124.64	£ 2,235.86	£ 4,036.56
Burns Night	£ 1,643.52	£ 1,305.73	£ 337.79	£ 4,374.35
Summer Party	£ 2,264.42	£ 671.26	£ 1,593.16	£ 5,967.51
Christmas Raffle	£ 755.00		£ 755.00	£ 6,722.51
Kevin Meyhew Hymn books		£ 1,351.22		£ 5,371.29
HSB sketches of east elevations of St M & St W		£ 257.86		£ 5,113.43
NHCT visit - tea money	£ 191.59		£ 191.59	£ 5,305.02
Flowers for Lorrie MCGowan (tent)		£ 33.98		£ 5,271.04
Year end distribution to St W		£ 2,500.00		£ 2,771.04
year end distribution to St M		£ 2,500.00		£ 271.04

St Mary's Church Car Colston - Restricted Funds

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FABRIC FUND

Year 2025

Year 2024

TSB Fabric Fund Bank Account

Opening balance				£	13,037.46		£	24,756.48
Receipts								
Covenants/donations	£	7,246.70			£	1,850.00		
Gift Aid	£	213.74			£	503.74		
VAT reclaim	£	5,470.76			£	-		
Transfer from Organ /Project Fund	£	9,866.38	**		£	-		
Others	£	250.00	£	23,047.58			£	2,353.74
Payments				£	36,085.04		£	27,110.22
Taylors Bell Foundry								
Paul Mendham	£	7,029.60			£	4,094.40		
Clockwise Restorations Ltd	£	3,475.90			£	2,748.00		
Mark Goodwill Hodgson	£	1,007.40			£	1,848.00		
Thoroton Board					£	3,156.60		
Prospect Archeology					£	516.00		
Others					£	1,709.76		
Closing balance								
** see associated transaction in TSB Organ Fund	-	£	11,512.90	£	11,512.90		£	14,072.76
				£	24,572.14		£	13,037.46

CCLA Fabric Share Account

CB3036004-001 (formerly 638914002S) income reinvested									
Opening Shareholding 1381.5272 units	£22.6053 per unit								
Opening balance 1 Jan		£	32,817.84			£	31,229.84	1342.76 units	
Moved to deposit account					£	-			
Revaluation and income adjustment	£	(412.64)			£	1,588.00	£	1,588.00	
Closing balance	22.1983 per unit		£	32,405.20				£	32,817.84
Closing Shareholding 1459.8054 units	£22.6053 per unit								

CCLA Fabric Deposit Account

CB3036002-001 (formerly 638914001D)									
Opening balance		£	13,252.40			£	12,408.66		
Interest		£	599.75			£	843.74		
Withdrawals		£	-						
Closing balance			£	13,852.15			£	13,252.40	
Total Fabric Funds closing balance				£	70,829.49			£	59,107.70

St Mary's Church Car Colston - Restricted Funds

Year 2024 Accounts Page 2

ORGAN FUND

ORGAN FUND	Year 2025		Year 2024	
TSB Project included in Organ Fund - account cleared with balance transferred to Fabric Fund				
Opening balance	£	9,866.38	£	15,557.85
R eceipts				
Dona t i o n s			£	1,130.03
Grants - Thoroton Society			£	1,818.00
Grants - Notts County Council			£	500.00
Gift aid reclaim			£	2,434.98
	£	-	£	5,883.01
		£ 9,866.38		£ 21,440.86
Payments				
Paul Mendham 3rd payment			£	10,911.48
Transfer to Fabric Fund account	£	9,866.38	**	
Commemorative Plaque			£	663.00
		£ 9,866.38		£ 11,574.48
Closing balance - NIL		£ -		£ 9,866.38
** See associated transaction in TSB Fabric Fund				

TSB Organ Fund Account

TSB Organ Fund						
Opening balance	£	593.87		£	767.87	
Tuning and maintenance	£	186.00		£	174.00	
Closing balance			£	407.87	£	593.87
Total Organ Fund closing balance			£	407.87	£	10,460.25

CCLA Organ Fund Share account

CB3036003- 001(formerly638914001J)	Holding 113.26 shares					
Opening balance 1 Jan	£	7,108.45	£	6,763.18		
Revaluation adjustment	£	(82.98)	£	345.27		
Closing balance	£62.0296 per unit	£	7,025.47	£62.7622 per unit	£	7,108.45
TSB & CCLA Organ Fund closing balance		£	7,433.34		£	17,568.70

Chancel Endowment Funds

Car Colston Chancel Fund 203201

Capital endowment					
		Year 2025		Year 2024	
CB3016762-001 - investment92.13shares				£	703.13 c/f
Opening balance 1 Jan				£	2,082.63
Revaluation adjustment				£	47.66
Closing balance 31 Dec		£	2,130.29	£	
		£	(85.16)	£	
		£22.1983 per unit	£	2,045.13	£23.1227 per unit
				£	2,130.29

Car Colston Chancel deposit fund CB3016697-001

Opening balance 1Jan	£	981.55	£	876.60		
Deposit interest retained	£	44.94	£	47.14		
Income from CB3016762-001	£	59.20	£	57.81		
Closing balance 31 Dec	£	1,085.69	£	104.95	£	981.55

CCS Bank and investment balances 2025

Month end figures	31 Dec 2024	31 Dec 2025	Change
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St Mary's

TSB General Fund	£ 10,679.68	£ 11,769.20	£ 1,089.52
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TSB Fabric Fund	£ 13,037.46	£ 24,572.14	
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CCLA Fabric Deposit	£ 13,252.40	£ 13,852.15	
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CCLA Fabric Share	£ 32,817.84	£ 32,405.20	
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Total Fabric	£ 59,107.70	£ 70,829.49	£ 11,721.79
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TSB Organ Fund	£ 10,460.25	£ 407.87	
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CCLA Organ Share	£ 7,108.45	£ 7,025.47	
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Total Organ	£ 17,568.70	£ 7,433.34	-£10,135.36
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Note: balance of £9,866.38 Project Fund transferred during year from Organ Fund to Fabric Fund as Project completed,

St Wilfrid's

Lloyds General Fund	£ 5,414.11	£ 7,631.40	
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Gen Classic Fund	£ 148.65	£ 775.16	
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Total General	£ 5,562.76	£ 8,406.56	£ 2,843.80
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Fabric Investment	£ 11,769.56	£ 12,394.15	£ 624.59
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Parish Fund Raising	£1,800.70	£ 271.04	-£ 1,529.66
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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CAR COLSTON AND SCREVETON**

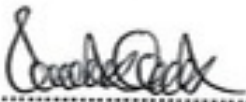
This report on the accounts of the PCC for the 12 months to 31st December 2025, set out in the Annual Report is carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and s.144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination.

I confirm that no matters have come to my attention which give me cause to believe that in any material respect accounting records were not kept or that the accounts do not accord with those accounting records.

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

Signed.......... RUTH BRETT.

Dated...26 April...2026