

St. Nicholas' Church, Blundellsands
St. Nicholas' School, Blundellsands

Financial Statements
of the Parochial Church Council
and of the Governors

for the year ended 31 December 2015

Registered charity number 1158819

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Financial Review

Overall church finances this year show some encouraging signs of improvement. The surplus in unrestricted turnover of over £17,000 compares to £6,000 in 2014.

However, financial stability was again heavily reliant on increased use of the hall this year (an increase of over £1,500 in income), legacies of £2,200 and a very busy year of weddings and funerals. On the positive side we have been able to top up our maintenance reserve fund to £30,000. Maintenance costs this year include over £8,000 reclaimed from insurance for roof and boiler work. The boiler required major repair this year, and given that it is over 40 years old we need to have contingency plans for a replacement in the near future, which is likely to cost over £20,000.

Despite an encouraging increase in loose plate giving, for long-term financial stability the Church needs to build up its' regular giving levels, particularly in view of our four year commitment to housing costs for a curate from 2016.

Reserves policy

The church maintains a number of reserves some of which are restricted in nature where the PCC needs to use the funds as laid down by the donor of the funds, and some of which are unrestricted where the PCC has full discretion over their use. Attached in notes 9 (church restricted fund), notes 5 & 10 (church endowment fund) and notes 11, 13 & 17 (school restricted fund and school endowment fund) are full details of the funds, their history and some indication of the purpose for which they are held. This policy sets out the four reasons for the PCC holding the level of unrestricted reserves shown in the financial statements:

- (i) To assist with the maintenance of the church and hall which is a Grade II listed building. The 2014 quinquennial inspection report of the Church, and 2015 inspection of the hall, identified expenditure requirements well beyond the PCC's reserves. The PCC's response to the inspection report is to undertake the urgent repairs identified and continue to seek other sources of funds to assist with the major ongoing restoration needs.
- (ii) Therefore, the first call on unrestricted reserves is to undertake such urgent repairs as they arise.
- (iii) To undertake periodic refurbishments and upgrades to the internal fabric of both the church and the hall, such as redecoration, electrical maintenance or furniture replacements which are too large to be undertaken from the church's income.
- (iv) To be available for any major school projects where the church has a legal responsibility to contribute to the cost.
- (v) To be available in the event that deficits occur; a target figure of £15,000 has been set for the Special Maintenance Reserve as a contingency to cover deficits. For many years during the last two decades deficits have been incurred. The Special Maintenance Reserve, in particular, was initially set at a level of £15,000 and since this level was sufficient for the deficits incurred over those years, the PCC has set this level as the ongoing aim. Currently this fund stands at just over £30,000. This reflects the Church's commitment to contribute up to £15,000 to the next phase of restoration work, should the current major grant application be successful.

Agent Transactions

The PCC acted as a financial agent for the following people/organizations:-

- The Children's Society - £511 was received from Christingle collecting boxes and forwarded to the charity.

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- £5,635 was received in regard to Assigned Fees for weddings and funerals. This money was forwarded to the Diocese of Liverpool. £1,920 was received in respect of organists and vergers and passed on to the appropriate individuals.

Performance of Investments

The performance of investments has been poor this year, with the church's endowment funds decreasing in value from £16,207 to £16,160.

Fundraising and Giving

Giving eligible for Gift aid shows a decrease of 10% for 2015. This is offset partly by a 70% increase in pledge giving. Loose plate is up by 39%. Overall income from giving before tax recovery is up by 3%. This, together with the small donations Gift Aid scheme, allowed us to receive a tax recovery of £10,180 this year compared to £10,765 in 2014.

Parish giving from unrestricted income continued to support Ruth Hulser's missionary work by £100 per month, and to support In Another Place Youth Group by £50 per month. A further £1,888 was distributed to charitable causes from special collection giving.

General fundraising events contributed £3,610 (compared to £3,365 in 2014) whilst donations and fundraising for the restoration work totalled £993.

Approved by the PCC on 29th February 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

Derek Parkinson and Anthea Gardler (Churchwardens)

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Statement of responsibilities of PCC members and Governors as Trustees of a charity

The Parochial Church Council, along with the trusts it has established for the benefit of St. Nicholas' School under the management of the Governors of the School, is a charity. As a charity, its members are trustees, its property is charitable and it is bound by charity law.

PCC members and governors have full responsibility for the Charity and must:

- act together and in person and not delegate control of the Charity to others;
- act strictly in accordance with the charity's governing document;
- act in the Charity's interest only;
- manage the Charity's affairs prudently and take a long-term as well as a short-term view;
- not derive any personal benefit or gain from the Charity of which they are trustees; and
- take proper professional advice on matters on which they are not themselves competent.

PCC members and Governors are responsible for all of the operations of the Charity, especially in:

- managing the Charity's finances;
- applying the Charity's income for charitable purposes only;
- managing land or buildings;
- investing funds;
- employing people;
- appealing for funds;
- ensuring that all the Charity's property is under the control of the trustees; and
- collecting all money owed or due to the charity.

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a treasurer. While it may delegate some of its duties, this does not remove its legal responsibilities. These include:

- a) Keeping 'proper accounting records', which must be sufficient to show and explain all the PCC's transactions. The records, together with the annual financial statements, must be preserved for at least six years from the end of the financial year to which they relate. These records must be sufficient to:
 - show and explain all the PCC's transactions;
 - disclose the PCC's financial position at any time with reasonable accuracy;
 - enable the required accounts to be prepared;
 - show on a day-to-day basis all receipts and payments and what they were for;
 - include a record of all assets and liabilities.
- b) Ensuring that the finances of the PCC are under its control and only delegated if the PCC can ensure that its wishes will be followed.
- c) Preparing an annual account (financial statement) and report which shall be presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the requirements of the Church Representation Rules.
- d) Arranging for a suitable independent examination of the financial statements.

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Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St. Nicholas' Church, Blundellsands and to the Governors of St. Nicholas' School

This report on the financial statements of the PCC and of the Governors of St. Nicholas' School for the year ended 31st December 2015, which are set out on pages 6 to 19, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and s.144 and s.145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

Respective duties of PCC members, Governors and examiner

As the members of the PCC and Governors of the School, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and of the Act section 144(2) does not apply, and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

In particular it is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and the Governors and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as PCC members and Governors concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gave me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s. 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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2nd April 2016

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the year ended 31 December 2015

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	
		£	£	£	2015 £	2014 £
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Voluntary income	1(a)	63,257	2,931	-	66,188	61,967
Activities for generating funds	1(b)	34,805	-	-	34,805	28,771
Income from investments	1(c)	392	-	-	392	392
Other incoming resources	1(d)	8,325	14,994	-	23,319	33,058
		106,779	17,925	-	124,704	124,188
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Cost of generation voluntary income	2(a)	64	-	-	64	-
Church activities	2(b)	86,106	2,488	-	88,594	81,822
Church management and administration	2(c)	3,408	-	-	3,408	2,285
Church School	2(d)	-	-	-	-	308
Restricted funds – Restoration Works/Organ	2(e)	-	17,455	-	17,455	95,561
		89,578	19,943	-	109,521	179,976
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES		17,201	(2,018)	-	15,183	(55,788)
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments		-	-	(47)	(47)	90
NET MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS		17,201	(2,018)	(47)	15,136	(55,698)
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD AT 1 JANUARY 2015(2014)		25,624	20,609	16,207	62,440	118,138
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2015 (2014)		42,825	18,591	16,160	77,576	62,440

The notes on pages 8 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance Sheet

At 31 December 2015

	Note	2015	2014
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments (endowment funds)	5	16,160	16,207
Debtors and prepayments	7	10,619	10,765
Short term deposits		35,723	24,823
Cash at bank and in hand		18,154	13,229
		64,496	48,817
LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	8	(3,080)	(2,584)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		61,416	46,233
TOTAL NET ASSETS		77,576	62,440
PARISH FUNDS			
Unrestricted		42,825	25,624
Restricted	9	18,591	20,609
Endowment	10	16,160	16,207
		77,576	62,440

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Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 29th February 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

Miss A Gardler (Churchwarden)

Mrs E Sinker (Honorary Treasurer)

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Notes to the financial statements

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2005.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts of endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes. The purpose of any restricted funds is noted in the accounts.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised on a receivable basis. Revenue grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Capital grants are accounted for on a receipts basis but the capital commitment is disclosed by way of a note to the financial statements. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by S 96(2) (a) of the Charities Act 1993. Moveable church furnishings, held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal, are inalienable property listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1,000 per annum so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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Likewise, all expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off.

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December.

Current assets

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

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the Central Board of Finance or at the bank.

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1. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	
	£	£	£	2015 £	2014 £
1(a) Voluntary income					
<i>Planned giving:</i>					
Gift aid	34,334	-	-	34,334	37,979
Income tax recoverable on gift aid	10,180	-	-	10,180	10,765
Pledges not subject to gift aid	7,662	-	-	7,662	4,515
Collections (open plate) at all services	7,012	-	-	7,012	5,052
Gift day and special collections	-	1,888	-	1,888	3,345
Sundry donations	1,869	1,043	-	2,912	311
Legacies	2,200	-	-	2,200	-
	63,257	2,931	-	66,188	61,967
1(b) Activities for generating funds					
Fetes and fund raising events*	3,610	-	-	3,610	3,365
Magazines*	471	-	-	471	502
Church Hall use	25,883	-	-	25,883	22,729
Fees	4,266	-	-	4,266	1,711
Fellowship teas*	310	-	-	310	175
Children's activities - JUICE	265	-	-	265	289
	34,805	-	-	34,805	28,771
1(c) Income from investments					
Interest from deposits	392	-	-	392	392
Interest from endowments	-	-	-	-	-
	392	-	-	392	392
1(d) Other incoming resources					
Organ fund Pilling Grant plus interest	-	9,012	-	9,012	1,040
Restoration fund - interest	-	24	-	24	54
Restoration fund – Grant from Heritage Lottery Fund	-	-	-	-	4,618
Restoration fund – sundry fund raising and donations	-	740	-	740	851
Lighting Rebate	-	-	-	-	-
Special Maintenance Reserve	-	124	-	124	52
Special Purposes Fund	-	-	-	-	-
Memorial Thanksgiving fund	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance recoveries	8,325	-	-	8,325	-
VAT recoveries	-	5,094	-	5,094	26,443
	-	14,994	-	23,319	33,058
Total incoming resources	106,779	17,925	-	124,704	124,188

* See note 2 for corresponding expenditure

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2. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2015 2014 £ £	
2 (a) Cost of generation voluntary income					
Cost of fetes and fund raising events*	64	-	-	64	-
2(b) Church activities					
Charitable giving					
- <u>Missionary:</u>					
USPG - gift day and collections	-	269	-	269	420
Church Missionary Society	-	269	-	269	340
CMS Mission Partner – Ruth Hulser	1,200	-	-	1,200	1,200
Tearfund	-	104	-	104	-
- <u>Relief & Development Agencies:</u>					
Children's' Society:					
- Donations	-	195	-	195	854
- Christingle	-	511	-	511	-
Christian Aid Refugee Appeal	-	190	-	190	398
Salvation Army	-	-	-	-	121
Foodbank (Harvest 2014 and 2015)	-	422	-	422	90
- <u>Home Missions & Other Church Societies:</u>					
Toddler Church tables	-	478	-	478	694
Leaving Collection Hetheringtons	-	-	-	-	330
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	-	-	-	-	60
In Another Place Youth Group	350	-	-	350	-
Salvation Army in lieu Christmas cards	-	-	-	-	121
	1,614	2,438	-	4,052	3,231
Other church activities					
Parish share	42,186	-	-	42,186	40,823
-Ministry:					
Vicar's Expenses incl phone	2,135	-	-	2,135	2,021
Council Tax and water rates	1,721	-	-	1,721	2,063
Vicarage maintenance	15	-	-	15	-
Visiting Preachers	168	-	-	168	234
3F4U	-	-	-	-	28
Church assistant	1,375	-	-	1,375	1,690
Reader and curate	129	-	-	129	50
<i>the bridge</i>	42	-	-	42	25
Toddler church	51	-	-	51	(140)
Messy church	-	-	-	-	129
- Church:					
Heat and light	7,955	-	-	7,955	8,027
Liturgy, wine and wafers	1,015	-	-	1,015	1,335
Other sundry expenses	412	-	-	412	381
Cleaning and boiler maintenance	4,582	-	-	4,582	518
Maintenance	2,276	-	-	2,276	1,800
Organ maintenance	779	-	-	779	328
Water rates	325	-	-	325	472
Flowers		50		50	-

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2. RESOURCES EXPENDED (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds 2015 £	2014 £
Fellowship teas*	(17)	-	-	(17)	5
Parish entertaining/events	25	-	-	25	(5)
Hall Maintenance and broadband	6,824	-	-	6,824	4,589
Magazine expenditure*	420	-	-	420	420
Caretaker and verger	3,171	-	-	3,171	2,977
Choir and organist	2,352	-	-	2,352	2,739
Insurance	5,107	-	-	5,107	5,331
Hall Secretary	1,509	-	-	1,509	1,475
	84,556	50	-	84,606	77,315
2(c) Church management and administration					
Printing and stationery	2,243	-	-	2,243	2,165
Independent examiner	140	-	-	140	120
Contribution Janice Hill (St Michael's)	1,025	-	-	1,025	-
	3,408	-	-	3,408	2,285
2 (d) St Nicholas' School					
Contributions to external maintenance	-	-	-	-	-
Leavers' Gifts	-	-	-	-	308
	-	-	-	-	308
2(e) Restricted Funds					
Organ Restoration		13,621		13,621	5,838
Restoration works Masonry and windows on the North end of the Church	-	-	-	-	89,723
Retention Fee Phase 1 Restoration		3,834		3,834	-
	-	17,455	-	17,455	95,561
Total resources expended	£89,578	19,943	-	109,521	179,976

* See note 1 for corresponding income

3. STAFF COSTS

During the year the PCC employed an Organist, a Caretaker, a Hall Secretary and a Parish Assistant whose gross earnings, including employers' national insurance, were as follows:

	2015 £	2014 £
Other church activities:		
Caretaker	2,757	2,977
Organist	2,210	2,514
Parish assistant	1,375	1,690
Hall Secretary	1,509	1,475
	7,851	8,656

There were no other employees and therefore no employees earned £40,000 or more during the year. Together these employees equate to less than one full time employee.

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4. PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS DURING 2015

	2015 £	2014 £
Nicola Jeens, Parish Assistant	1,375	1,690
Elizabeth Sinker, Hall Secretary	1,509	1,475
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	2,884	3,165
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5. FIXED ASSETS

	2015 £	2014 £
Investments (endowment funds)		
Treasury Stock 5.5% 2008/12 - CR Taylor Bequest	1,160	1,207
CBF Deposit funds - Mellor Bequest	15,000	15,000
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	16,160	16,207
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6. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total £
2015				
Fixed assets	-	-	16,160	16,160
Current assets	28,772	35,724	-	64,496
Current liabilities	(3080)	-	-	(3,080)
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	25,624	35,724	16,160	77,576
2014				
Fixed assets	-	-	16,207	16,207
Current assets	28,208	20,609	-	48,817
Current liabilities	(2,584)	-	-	(2,584)
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	25,624	20,609	16,207	62,440
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7. DEBTORS

	2015 £	2014 £
Prepayments	445	-
Other debtors	10,174	10,765
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	10,619	10,765
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8. LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2015 £	2014 £
Accruals	2381	1,909
Other creditors	699	675
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	3080	2,584
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9. RESTRICTED FUND

The restricted fund at 31 December comprises the following:

		2015 £	2014 £
Organ Fund	- funds donated to refurbish the organ	3,962	4,539
Special Maintenance Reserve	- the original donor set down conditions that the fund could only be used at the discretion of the Treasurer and Finance Committee and with the formal approval of the PCC, for major unavoidable deficits and to assist with the PCC's contribution to major projects at St. Nicholas' School.	13,386	13,262
Special Purposes	- given by church organisations and individuals for special projects in the church	784	784
Memorial Thanksgiving Fund	- funds given in memory of parishioners	771	771
Choir Fund	- funds collected for choir activities	(567)	(567)
Restoration Fund	- funds collected for major restoration schemes	(154)	810
Special collections	- funds donated during the year to specified charities	409	1010
		<hr/> 18,591	<hr/> 20,609

The Organ Fund

During 2015 £740 was raised by the St Nicholas' Community Choir concert towards organ restoration. A grant of £9,000 was awarded in 2014 and received in 2015 from the Pilling Trust, and work on a first phase of restoration has recently been completed. A further £11,000 is needed for the next phase of repairs, and further grants are being sought.

Church Restoration

The first round application with our delivery grant request for the Phase 3 restoration was submitted a few days before the 17th November deadline. Considerable assistance from the Diocesan heritage officer, Ian Simpson, supplemented by valuable inputs from church members, the architect and quantity surveyor ensured we gave ourselves the best possible chance of a grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund. We await an outcome in March to enable us to enter the Development phase and develop a second round- submission within one year using the grant we have requested. At the time of writing, optimistically, Historic England, formerly English Heritage, have informed us we have not been excluded from the first sift of applicants and we have a strong application.

Phase 3 comprises the restoration of the South side of the church including a hospitality facility and a replacement North aisle roof. As we are now registered on the Historic Buildings At Risk register, it is hoped that our situation and application will be viewed favourably. If successful, our church would become a heritage centre engaging the wider community beyond the primary function of worship and/by providing new diverse opportunities for exhibitions, concerts and educational tours.

The wettest December on record proved a major challenge to our church, halls and grounds. A replacement burner for the church boiler followed an insurance claim after extensive rainfall entered the boiler room. The Men's Working Party have installed a contingency pump, repaired roof window leaks and averted a collapsed ceiling in the ladies WC room caused by a blocked down pipe. A lightning conductor test revealed that more maintenance will be required next year. We have an unconditional commitment to adhere to the ten year maintenance plan we agreed with Historic England when we received our first grant in 2012 to fund the restoration of the West gable.

A hot water tap has been installed in the ladies WC. This is to be repeated in the gents, disabled and rear WC's.

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The block flooring in the small hall has been relayed, sanded and stained as has the area in front of the kitchen.

Storage and shelving has been installed in the small hall, counting house and baby changing areas. A refurbishment of the kitchen including a new cooker is under review.

10. ENDOWMENT FUND

The endowment fund at each year-end comprises the balances listed in note 5 above.

The CR Taylor bequest was provided in order to generate some income for the benefit of the Parish and its curate, but the income can be used whether or not a curate is in place. The stock is held by Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance (LDBF) as custodian trustee.

The Mellor bequest is invested in the Deposit Fund of the Central Board of Finance. Under JDH Mellor's will, the bequest was made as "to the Vicar and Churchwardens for the time being of the Parish of St. Nicholas, Blundellsands upon trust for such religious purposes in the said parish as the said Vicar and Churchwardens shall in their absolute discretion think fit". Interest from the trust is credited to PCC unrestricted income, as directed by the said Trustees.

Governors of St. Nicholas' School, Blundellsands

Statement of Financial Activities

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds 2015	2014
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Grants/income	11(a)	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income and interest	11(b)	-	6	-	6	6
Other income	11(a)	-	-	-	-	150
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TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		-	6	-	6	156
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
School activities	12	-	-	-	-	6,660
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NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		-	6	-	6	(6,504)
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES						
Unrealised gains/(losses) on investments	13	-	-	(263)	(263)	507
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NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		-	6	(263)	(257)	(5,997)
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD						
AT 1 JANUARY 2015 (2014)		-	78	7,978	8,056	14,053
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BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD AT 31 DECEMBER 2015 (2014)		-	84	7,715	7,799	8,056
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Balance Sheet

At 31 December 2015

	Note	2015	2014
		£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Investments (endowments)	13	7,715	7,978
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	14	-	-
Short term deposits		67	67
Cash at bank		17	11
		<u>84</u>	<u>78</u>
LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	15	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>84</u>	<u>78</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>7,799</u></u>	<u><u>8,056</u></u>
GOVERNORS' FUNDS			
Unrestricted		-	-
Restricted	16	84	78
Endowment	17	7,715	7,978
		<u><u>7,799</u></u>	<u><u>8,056</u></u>

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11 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Statements of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2005. They have also been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets, which are shown at market value.

Funds

Since the funds shown in the financial statements have been derived either from grants or endowments, they are shown as either restricted or endowment in nature. Since the income from endowments is also directed to restricted purposes, it is also reflected as part of restricted funds, except to the extent it covers loan interest and repayments.

Incoming resources

Grants and investment income and interest are shown on a receivable basis.

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11. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	
	2015	2014			
	£	£	£	£	£
11(a) Grants/income					
PCC - repairs	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry income	-	-	-	-	-
Refund of Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Rental of football pitches	-	-	-	-	-
Bank refund	-	-	-	-	150
	-	-	-	-	150
11(b) Investment income and interest	-	6	-	6	6
Total incoming resources	-	6	-	6	156

12. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total Funds	
	2015	2014			
	£	£	£	£	
Repairs	-	-	-	-	-
Leavers' gifts	-	-	-	-	-
Religious books	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	6,660
	-	-	-	-	6,660

During the financial year the PCC and Governors agreed to transfer £6,360 from the Governor's account to the school as a contribution towards school premises improvements. In addition a historic debt of £300 owed by the PCC to the Governor's account was paid to the school.

13. FIXED ASSETS

	2015 £	2014 £
Investment (endowment funds)		
Deposit Fund - Central Board of Finance	1,189	1,189
Treasury Stock 7% 2001 - Warrenhouse Road	6,526	6,789
	<u>7,715</u>	<u>7,978</u>

14. DEBTORS

	2015 £	2014 £
Amounts receivable	-	-

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15. LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2015 £	2014 £
Liabilities: Amounts falling due within one year	-	-
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16. RESTRICTED FUND

The restricted fund at 31 December each year comprises the accumulated surplus from grants and income from endowments, after expenditure on items specified by the donors. In the case of PCC grants, this relates to its share of external repair liabilities.

17. ENDOWMENT FUND

The endowment fund represents the proceeds of the sale of the former school building at Warrenhouse Road. The investment in Treasury Stock is held by Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance as Custodian Trustee.

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Simplified income and expenditure account (unrestricted fund only)
For the year ended 31 December 2015

	2015 £	2014 £
Income		
Gift aid	34,334	37,979
Tax recovery	10,180	10,765
Pledges	7,662	4,515
Loose plate	7,012	5,052
Use of hall	25,883	22,729
Fees	4,266	1,711
Fund raising events	3,610	3,365
Interest and other income	13,832	1,669
Total income	106,779	87,785
Expenditure		
Parish giving (out of income)	1,550	1,260
Parish share	42,186	40,823
Clergy, curate and reader expenses	1,696	1,546
Heat and light	7,955	8,027
Maintenance of buildings	13,439	7,237
Insurance	5,107	5,331
Caretaker, organist and Parish assistant	7,893	8,657
Visiting preachers	168	234
Other costs	9,584	8,053
Total expenditure	89,578	81,168
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	17,201	6,617
Surplus brought forward	25,624	19,007
Surplus carried forward	42,825	25,624