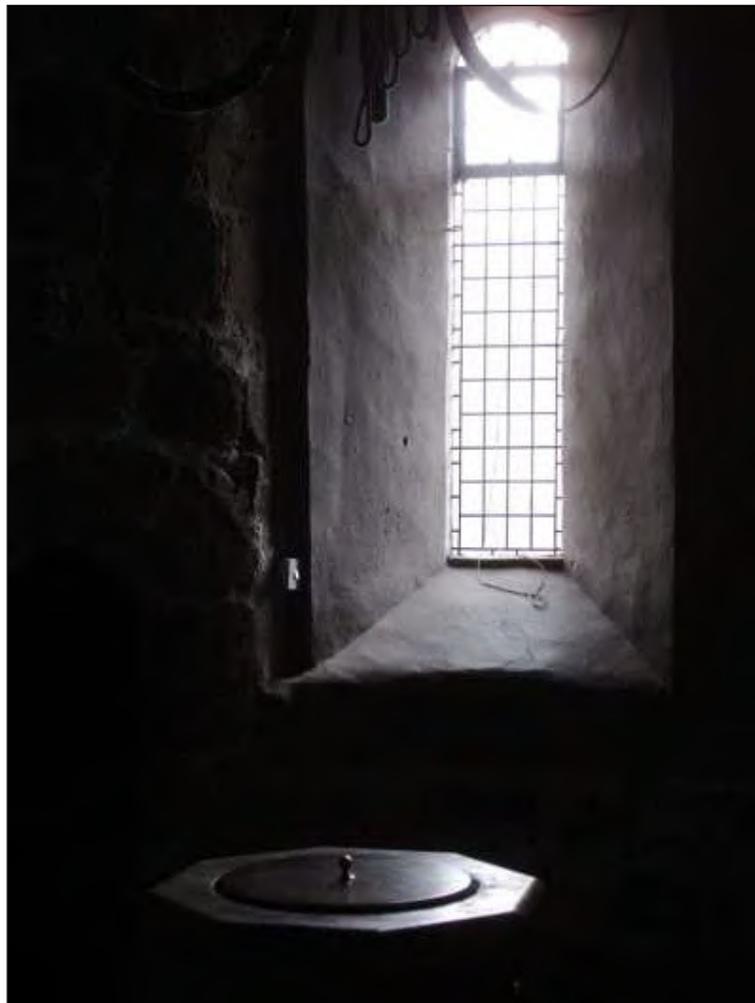


**The Parochial Church Council of  
St Oswald's Church, Sowerby**

**Annual Report and Accounts**

**For the year ended 31 December 2015**



**Registered Charity Number 1135485**

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**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Church, Sowerby  
Annual Report for the year ended 31 December 2015**

**Vicar**

The Revd Nicola Carnall

**Independent Examiner**

Mr William Pearson ACA, FCCA

**Bankers**

Yorkshire Bank

**Church Architect**

Linda Lockett until October (then vacant)

**Independent Financial Advisor**

Ellis Bates Group

**Website**

[www.stoswaldsowerby.org.uk](http://www.stoswaldsowerby.org.uk)

**Administrative information**

St Oswald's Church is situated in Sowerby in North Yorkshire. It is part of the Diocese of York within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: The Vicarage, The Close, Sowerby, Thirsk, North Yorkshire, YO7 1JA.

**Members of the Parochial Church Council**

Members of the PCC are either *ex officio* or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. In 2015 the APCM was on 19 April.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Vicar	The Revd Nicola Carnall	Chair
Assistant Curate	The Revd Dianne Gamble (from July 2015)	
Churchwardens	David Tucker (to APCM) John Kennedy	Vice Chair Vice Chair from APCM
Deanery Synod	Gayle Hartley Sue Binns Elizabeth Allen	
Diocesan Synod	Chris Carnall	
Elected Members	Pauline Alderson (co-opted to APCM; elected at APCM) Graham Merriam (co-opted to APCM; elected at APCM) Treasurer Cecily Rands (from APCM) David Tucker (from APCM) Secretary from APCM Helen Irving Secretary to APCM Emma Benoit Pat Chapman Rachel Halkyard Robin Gillard (until he moved away in September) David Brooke Jill Drew Kath Reynard Morna Stoakley (co-opted at APCM) Rebecca O'Driscoll (co-opted at APCM)	

**Structure, governance and management**

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. It operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is registered as a separate charity with the Charity Commission.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The full PCC meets six times a year or more as needed. This is supported by the Standing Committee, consisting of Vicar, Churchwardens, Treasurer and Secretary. (As we only had one churchwarden after the APCM, our Curate joined the Standing Committee in September.) In addition there are a few working groups which report to PCC. Our Deanery Synod Representatives attend meetings during the year and report back to the PCC.

### **Objective of the PCC**

St Oswald's PCC works with the Revd Nicola Carnall in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also responsible for the management and maintenance of Sowerby Parochial Hall. Both the Church and the Parochial Hall are well-used and valued community assets and a base for our service to members of the congregation and wider outreach to the parish as a whole. When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

## **Review of the year**

### **Our Mission**

At St Oswald's we try to live out Jesus' call to love God and love our neighbour.

### **Numbers**

At the annual meeting we had 136 names on the electoral roll. During the year we had 18 baptisms (21 last year), 8 weddings (same as last year) and 32 funerals (23 last year). This includes 4 funeral services held wholly at the crematorium.

Average Sunday attendance in 2015 was 68 adults and 6 children – the same as the previous year. Sadly we lost around 10 regular attenders during the year because of house moves, illness and death. We miss each one of these people. However, we rejoice that several new people have joined the regular worshipping congregation and we are enjoying the contribution they make to our shared life. It should be noted that the average attendance figure does not include special services where the attendance is often much higher. Also, we do a lot of valuable work with children, young people and families on different days of the week (see below) – some of which is not primarily worship, and some is not on Sundays, so it is not included in the Sunday attendance figures.

### **Children, Young People and Families**

Pauline Alderson continued in the half-time post of Children & Young People's Development Worker. Pauline works closely with committed volunteers from St Oswald's, as well as Sowerby Methodist Church and St Mary's, Thirsk. Many of the activities referred to below are run jointly with Sowerby Methodist Church.

During the year, the CandY steering group ran a funding campaign, encouraging church members and others to give regularly to ensure that the post of CandY Worker can continue. This was very successful and was also helped by a generous contribution from the Methodist Circuit. Encouraging people (including baptism congregations) to support CandY by text-giving did not achieve the desired result.

Messy Church, which meets approximately every six weeks in the Parochial Hall, continues to flourish with new and regular families enjoying the crafts, worship and shared meal. An evaluation carried out during the year showed that it is much appreciated by local families.

'Open the Book' assemblies continue at Sowerby Community Primary School and Sessay CE Primary School four times a term. The team present a dramatized Bible story, followed by a time of reflection and a song.

Kids' Club continues to meet during 10.30am Sunday services. Youth Groups continue to meet fortnightly on Sunday evenings. First Friday continues once a month. Pram Service for pre-school children and parents/carers, meets monthly on Friday lunchtimes.

Special events for children and young people this year have included a Youth Café, a Holiday Club (Commotion under the Ocean), Snap Apple Night (alternative Halloween event), Big Night Out at Lightwater Valley, and Spree camp at Hollybush. In addition the Youth Group put on a Youth Café for parents and church members.

For the second year running several members of the Youth Group went with a leader to Mexico with the charity Urban Saints during the Easter holidays. This Rebuild project involved building a house for a Mexican family in need. The young people and their leaders spent a lot of time fundraising before the trip. On their return the team shared their stories with many different audiences.

Sowerby CP School held their Easter, Harvest and Christmas services in church again this year.

The all age community choir rehearsed together again in 2015 and sang at both the Mothering Sunday and Christingle services.

The PCC approved an updated Child Protection Policy (to be used in all 5 parishes) at its meeting in May and Elizabeth Allen was reappointed as our Safeguarding Officer.

### **Worship, Study, Prayer & Fellowship**

The pattern of Sunday services continued unchanged during the year with a communion service at St Oswald's each Sunday, either at 8.30am or at 10.30am. There is also a communion service every Wednesday morning. The other Sunday services are non-Eucharistic with Early Worship at 8.30am, either Morning Prayer or Worship for All at 10.30am, and Evening Prayer (either at St Oswald's or at the Methodist Church) at 6.30pm. We have continued with Worship for All on the third Sunday of each month instead of the first and there have been regular reviews of this service for all ages during the year. Joint services for the plurality are held four or five times a year, usually on fifth Sundays.

Groups for Bible study and fellowship continued to meet regularly during the year, with two new groups aimed at people from all 5 parishes starting in September. In addition there were special courses in Lent and Advent, and the Quiet Spaces group met monthly for prayer and reflection during most of the year.

Informal Evening Prayer continues to take place before PCC meetings. Mothers' Union branch meetings include prayer and worship as well as fellowship. In January a group began meeting on Tuesdays at 8am to pray specifically for the church's work with children, young people and families. Celtic Evening Prayer is offered once a month in Kilburn Vicarage.

### **Mission & Giving**

Many members of St Oswald's were involved in collecting during Christian Aid Week. In addition our Harvest collection went to Christian Aid for their work with refugees and our Christmas Eve collections supported Christian Aid's Christmas Appeal.

We continued to support Jigsaw Kids Ministries in the Philippines through regular gifts to CMS (to support their mission partner Tim Lee) and to Jigsaw. In addition a Garden Party was held in August to support Jigsaw and to meet Lendehl Salliedeo, an Anglican clergyman who is the Vice President of Jigsaw and has a hands-on ministry with the Jigsaw team. A fundraising coffee morning for Jigsaw was also held in Kilburn.

St Oswald's has continued its support of The Clock in its work with local young people by collecting food at Harvest and Christmas. The collection from our All Souls service in November was sent to Herriot Hospice Homecare. Many shoeboxes of gifts were given by church members for Operation Christmas Child and we supported the Children's Society through our Christingle service. Church Army was supported via the church Christmas card.

We again gave a donation to the Family Life Church to help with the lunch they were organising for people on their own on Christmas Day. We continue to have a Traidcraft stall in church most Sunday mornings. Many funeral collections are shared with a charity chosen by the family.

### **Church Buildings and Churchyard**

Our Church building is used by a variety of groups for visits, services etc, as well as for regular worship. We continue our strong link with Sowerby Music and several other concerts were also held in church during the year.

The Quinquennial Inspection report was received in January 2015. The following is a quote from it:

"The churchwardens have worked hard over the past 8 years to bring the fabric of the building into a very good state of repair. They keep the building well maintained and have a maintenance contract with a local contractor to keep the gutters and roof clear of leaves. Many of the repair items picked up in the QI have already been noted by the churchwardens and repairs are in hand."

During the year the following was achieved:

- Installation of new audio-visual equipment and loop system
- Installation of new noticeboards at the back of the church (thanks to Graham for making these)
- Repair of the floor near the organ
- Purchase of new bell ropes
- Resolution of the problems with the automatic opening system for the north door
- Installation of a mortice lock on the south transept door

In addition, we made good use of the new on-line faculty application system, ready for projects to be undertaken in 2016.

The church flagpole broke during the year and the PCC decided not to replace it because of the high cost.

The Parochial Hall continues to be well used by the wider community and well managed by the Parochial Hall Management Group. The 100 club monthly draws to support the Parochial Hall began in January 2015 and have proved popular. The hall was redecorated and the floor refurbished during the year.

### **Finance**

Huge thanks are due to all those members of the church family who have contributed to the running of the Church and its various strands in 2015.

The accounts show that income derived from the regular congregation and Gift Aid recovery amounted to £50,376 (2014 - £49,454). This amount has remained pretty constant for the past 3 years - people ceasing to give for whatever reason seem to be balanced by increased individual donations or new donors.

This is only part of the picture. We had two successful appeals during the year. The first was to endeavour to raise the money from a wider audience than usual to support the work that is done by the Children and Youth team. A substantial donation from Sowerby Methodists and great generosity from a number of people has ensured a recurring annual equivalent of £8,500 against the costs of £11,000 thus releasing reserves that we have held back for that purpose. Our second appeal was for £5000 to assist in the purchase of the new Audio Visual system. This sum was raised - total cost of the system was approximately £12,500.

Total income from all sources was £131,369 (2014 - £103,777) reflecting these appeals and a much increased level of income from fees. Our Freewill Offering to the Diocese was £50,000 (2014 - £50,000). Other expenses and income remain consistent and in line with previous years.

We realised part of the investment portfolio to assist in the purchase of the Audio Visual system and the year-end balance was £81,035 (2014 - £93,876). Part of the reduction was due to the fall in Stock Market values experienced around the end of the year.

As ever, the PCC is extremely grateful for all contributions however they may arise.

### **Events**

The Events Group organised a Parish Lunch in February, a Daffodil Festival with photo competition on Easter Sunday and Monday, and Coffee, Cakes & Crafts in November.

A 5 parishes walk was enjoyed in May and a Hustings organised by Churches Together was held in St Oswald's in April prior to the General Election.

### **Pastoral Care**

Eucharistic ministers continue to take communion to people in their own homes, as well as Sowerby House, The Limes and Meadowfields. The Lunch Club continued to provide a cooked meal for older local people on a monthly basis. A monthly Coffee Hour for people on their own or carers is appreciated by those who attend. The Get Together Club continues to bring together the more elderly members of the community for social activities every week. The email Prayer Circle is used and appreciated.

### **Communications**

The church website is an excellent up-to-date source of information about the church and it is well used by church members and many others. The monthly Saints Alive magazine and weekly notice sheets are

also used for sharing of news and information amongst church members. The church also has a Facebook page, and there is now a Facebook page for the 5 parishes.

### **Administration**

Jayne Molyneux continues as part-time Administrator for the 5 parishes. She works in the office at St Oswald's on Friday mornings.

### **Developing ministry**

At St Oswald's we remain committed to helping people explore their calling to all kinds of ministry and service. David Brooke continues his training for Reader ministry. In March Helen Irving was commissioned as a Recognised Parish Assistant (RPA) focusing on Mission, and in December Cecily Rands was commissioned as an RPA focusing on Pastoral Care. Both had completed training within the Diocese. In July Dianne Gamble was ordained deacon in York Minster and began her ministry as a full-time Curate within our group of parishes. David Tucker stood down as churchwarden after 6 years in the role. We are very grateful for all he has contributed. We were not able to find a new churchwarden, so John Kennedy continued on his own. It is clear that this is a role we need to equip more church members to take on.

### **Ecumenical**

Links with Sowerby Methodist Church remain strong and regular meetings are held to plan our many joint events and services. As previously mentioned, much of our children's work is done together. Two new representatives from St Oswald's joined the local Churches Together Committee in 2015. Church members continue to take part in events and services planned by the group throughout the year.

### **Thanks**

Grateful thanks are expressed to all at St Oswald's who work so hard and with so much dedication for the benefit of the church and wider community. May we continue to love God and our neighbours near and far as we seek to serve Christ in this place.

Approved by the PCC on 16 March 2016 and signed on their behalf.

The Revd Nicola Carnall

Vicar and Chair of PCC

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of St Oswald's Church, Sowerby, Thirsk, Parochial Church Council**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2015 which are set out on pages 8 to 13

### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- 1) examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- 2) follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- 3) state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
  - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records 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.

William Pearson ACA FCCA  
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**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**

**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2015**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2015 Total £	2014 Total £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>				
<b>Voluntary Income</b>				
Giving through Gift Aid	34,095	-	34,095	34,176
Tax Refunds	9,734	-	9,734	10,421
Other Planned Giving	3,425	-	3,425	2,394
Collection Plate	3,122	-	3,122	2,463
Occasional & Other Services	6,122	6,001	12,123	9,968
	<b>56,498</b>	<b>6,001</b>	<b>62,499</b>	<b>59,422</b>
<b>Fees received</b>				
PCC	12,409	-	12,409	9,441
Organist & Choir	2,240	-	2,240	2,210
Bell Ringers	727	-	727	677
Sexton & verger	0	-	0	315
YDBF	5,948	-	5,948	4,259
	<b>21,324</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21,324</b>	<b>16,902</b>
<b>Donations</b>				
General	1,157	4,737	5,894	1,655
Income from CandY account & Gift Aid	7,523	-	7,523	0
Wall box & bookstall	150	-	150	146
Legacies	0	-	0	500
Photocopying	1,541	-	1,541	1,766
	<b>10,371</b>	<b>4,737</b>	<b>15,108</b>	<b>4,067</b>
<b>Income from Events</b>				
Sunday Coffee	284	-	284	260
Fund Raising and Sale of Furniture	3,551	-	3,551	2,036
Sowerby Music	1,021	-	1,021	844
Other Concerts	97	-	97	323
CandY Activity Income	738	-	738	1,003
	<b>5,691</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,691</b>	<b>4,466</b>
<b>Investment Income</b>				
Dividends (Gross)	3,718	-	3,718	3,611
	<b>3,718</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,718</b>	<b>3,611</b>
<b>Recurring Grants</b>				
Wayleave	75	-	75	90
Sowerby Parish Council	2,000	-	2,000	0
	<b>2,075</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,075</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Activities for Generating Funds</b>				
Parochial Hall Income (note 11)	14,105	-	14,105	13,255
Parochial Hall received from Lunch Club	410	-	410	815
Donations into CandY account (note 12)	0	5,382	5,382	0
Luncheon Club	0	1,057	1,057	1,149
	<b>14,515</b>	<b>6,439</b>	<b>20,954</b>	<b>15,219</b>
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>114,192</b>	<b>17,177</b>	<b>131,369</b>	<b>103,777</b>
<b>Resources used</b>				
<b>Parish Share</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50,000</b>	<b>50,000</b>
<b>Salaries, Honoraria and YDBF</b>				
YDBF	5,948	-	5,948	4,259
CandY Salaries and on-costs	10,941	-	10,941	10,908
Administrator and on-costs	1,030	-	1,030	1,030
Organist and Choir - inc Occ Servs	3,570	-	3,570	3,905
Bellringers – Occ. Servs.	410	-	410	385
Sexton/Verger – Occ. Servs.	105	-	105	135
	<b>22,004</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>22,004</b>	<b>20,622</b>
Sub-total carried forward	<b>72,004</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>72,004</b>	<b>70,622</b>

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>2015 Total £</b>	<b>2014 Total £</b>
Sub-total brought forward	<b>72,004</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>72,004</b>	<b>70,622</b>
<b>Expenses of Clergy and Candy Staff</b>				
Vicarage Costs	966	-	966	825
Mileage allowance	864	-	864	456
Expense for Candy Work	1,054	-	1,054	1,484
Gifts	700	-	700	376
Visiting vicars	9	-	9	74
Training and Resources	403	-	403	330
	<b>3,996</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,996</b>	<b>3,545</b>
<b>Mission Outreach Costs</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>79</b>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>				
Cleaning	1,229	-	1,229	1,076
Insurance	1,835	-	1,835	2,209
Candles and Service Costs	495	-	495	483
Repairs	1,173	477	1,650	825
Organ	798	-	798	180
Churchyard	1,794	-	1,794	2,650
	<b>7,324</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>7,801</b>	<b>7,423</b>
<b>Church Utilities</b>				
Gas	4,122	-	4,122	3,579
Water Rates	221	-	221	253
Electricity	1,000	-	1,000	1,176
	<b>5,343</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,343</b>	<b>5,008</b>
<b>Church Administration</b>				
Computer, Phone & Broadband	457	-	457	570
Professional Fees	690	-	690	1,561
Brokerage and Commission Fees	1,065	-	1,065	1,163
Licences and Subscriptions	598	-	598	798
Postage and Stationery	577	-	577	464
Copier Costs	3,138	-	3,138	2,943
Costs of Fundraising	456	-	456	0
	<b>6,981</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,981</b>	<b>7,499</b>
<b>Donations to Charities</b>				
Overseas Mission/ Chr Relief	3,200	738	3,938	3,200
Home Mission/ Chr Socs	0	1,441	1,441	50
Secular Charities	0	3,822	3,822	5,792
	<b>3,200</b>	<b>6,001</b>	<b>9,201</b>	<b>9,042</b>
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>				
Parochial Hall (note 11)				
Operating costs	10,060	-	10,060	11,150
Exceptional Expenditure	2,185	-	2,185	0
Candy A/C money paid to Church (note 12)	-	6,700	6,700	0
Luncheon Club Costs	-	709	709	687
Luncheon Club paid over to Par. Hall	-	410	410	815
	<b>12,245</b>	<b>7,819</b>	<b>20,064</b>	<b>12,652</b>
<b>Fabric Costs</b>				
Architect's Fees	599	0	599	0
Fabric Costs	9,066	6,434	15,500	1,804
	<b>9,665</b>	<b>6,434</b>	<b>16,099</b>	<b>1,804</b>
<b>Total Resources Used</b>	<b>120,861</b>	<b>20,731</b>	<b>141,592</b>	<b>117,674</b>
<b>Net Incoming/-Outgoing Resources</b>	<b>-6,669</b>	<b>-3,554</b>	<b>-10,223</b>	<b>-13,897</b>
<b>Gain/-Loss on revaluation of investments</b>	<b>-2,755</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-2,755</b>	<b>440</b>
<b>Net movement of Funds</b>	<b>-9,424</b>	<b>-3,554</b>	<b>-12,978</b>	<b>-13,457</b>
<b>Balances b/fwd 1 January 2015</b>	<b>96,931</b>	<b>4,964</b>	<b>101,895</b>	<b>115,352</b>
<b>Balances c/fwd 31 December 2015</b>	<b>87,507</b>	<b>1,410</b>	<b>88,917</b>	<b>101,895</b>

**Balance Sheet  
Parochial Church Council  
of St Oswald's Sowerby  
as at 31 December 2015**

	Note	2015		2014	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>					
Tangible Assets	3		0		75
<b>Current Assets</b>					
Investments	4	81,035		93,876	
Debtors	5	5,457		5,155	
Bank Accounts	6	8,112		2,600	
Prepayments		525		33	
Cash Balances		547		779	
		<b>95,676</b>		<b>102,443</b>	
<b>Creditors</b>					
Falling due within one year		3,159		623	
Relating to more than one year		3,600		0	
	7	<b>6,759</b>		<b>623</b>	
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		-----	<b>88,917</b>	-----	<b>101,820</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>			<b>88,917</b>		<b>101,895</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	9		87,507		96,931
Restricted Funds	10		1,410		4,964
<b>Net Funds</b>	8		<b>88,917</b>		<b>101,895</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 16th March 2016  
and signed on its behalf by

.....  
The Revd Nicola Carnall –  
Chair

**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2015**

**1 Accounting Policies**

**1.1 Accounting Convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with the Charities SORP 2005 and the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of tangible fixed assets and investment assets which are shown at market value.

**1.2 Funds**

General 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. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

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

**1.3 Incoming Resources**

**Voluntary income and capital sources**

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when received. Funds raised by events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

**Other income**

Income from the Parochial Hall is recognised when due.

**Income from bank investments**

Bank interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue and appear gross.

**1.4 Resources expended**

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when it is paid. The PCC has paid its full share within the year.

**1.5 Balance Sheet – Fixed Assets**

**Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings**

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S10(2a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected at any reasonable time. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, individual items under £1000 or on the repair of movable church items acquired before 1 January 2000 is written off.

**Other Fixtures and Fittings**

Depreciation is provided at 20% reducing balance on Hall Furniture and Equipment which is calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1000 or less will be written off as the asset is acquired.

**2 Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources**

This is stated after charging:

Depreciation on tangible fixed assets  
 Reporting accountant's fees

<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
£	£
75	80
250	250
<b>325</b>	<b>330</b>

### 3 Fixed Assets

#### *Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment*

	£
<b>Tangible fixed assets.</b>	
<b>Cost/deemed cost</b>	
At 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2015	<b>1,934</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
At 1 January 2015	1,859
Charge for the year	75
At 31 December 2015	<b>1,934</b>
<b>Net Book value at 31 December 2014</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Net Book value at 31 December 2015</b>	<b>0</b>

### 4 Investments

During 2009 the Church became entitled to the Arthur Dreyheller Thompson Trust Fund following the death of the residuary life tenant. The investments are quoted in the accounts at market value as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015. The use of this fund is unrestricted.

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>5 Debtors</b>		
	£	£
Hall Hire	3,620	3,386
Gift Aid and Tax Credits from HMRC	694	1,146
Due from Benefice parishes for administrative costs	1,143	623
	<b>5,457</b>	<b>5,155</b>

### 6 Bank Accounts

	£	£
Church	3,185	1,250
Parochial Hall	95	0
"Sowerby CandY" (Note 12)	4,832	1,350
	<b>8,112</b>	<b>2,600</b>

### 7 Creditors: Falling due within one year and more

	£	£
Receipts in Advance - wedding deposits and fees	746	200
Christmas Collection not paid over until 2015	0	423
Hall 100Club - 2016 Subscriptions	1,213	0
Donation received from Methodist Church - £6000 to Be spread over 5 years commencing 2015	4,800	0
	<b>6,759</b>	<b>623</b>

### 8 Analysis of Net Assets by Funds

	<i>Unrestricted</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Total</i>
	£	£	£
Current Assets	89,466	6,210	95,676
Current Liabilities	-1,959	-4,800	-6,759
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>87,507</b>	<b>1,410</b>	<b>88,917</b>

### 9 Unrestricted Funds

Designated funds are included in unrestricted funds and are for the maintenance and improvement of the Parochial Church Hall. See note 11

### 10 Analysis of Restricted Funds

	<i>1/1/2015</i>	<i>Movement In</i>	<i>Movement Out</i>	<i>31/12/2015</i>
	£	£	£	£
Bells	1,374		477	897
Charity	0	6,001	6,001	0
Choir	150			150
Fabric	353		353	0
Lunch Club	393	1,057	1,119	331
Sowerby "CandY"	1,350	5,382	6,700	32
Audio Visual Equipment	1,344	4,737	6,081	0
	<b>4,964</b>	<b>17,177</b>	<b>20,731</b>	<b>1,410</b>

<b>11 Parochial Hall</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
	£	£
<b>Income</b>	<b>14,105</b>	<b>14,070</b>
<b>Operating Costs for the year</b>		
Caretaker	4,344	4,320
Window Cleaner	120	120
Cleaning Materials	274	264
Gas	2,132	2,648
Electricity	500	597
Water	264	237
Insurance	1,037	1,069
Miscellaneous repairs	78	360
Gas certificate and boiler repairs	324	0
Fire Protection & PAT Testing	64	90
Grass Cutting	437	420
Honoraria and Expenses	411	110
Depreciation	75	80
<b>Total Operating Costs</b>	<b>10,060</b>	<b>10,315</b>
<b>Exceptional Expenditure for the year</b>		
Painting	0	355
Replace Kitchen Floor	0	480
Committee Room dado rail	100	0
Sanding and re-polishing hall floor	1,800	0
New curtain track and castors for bar	285	0
<b>Total Exceptional Costs</b>	<b>2,185</b>	<b>835</b>
<b>Surplus for the year</b>	<b>1,860</b>	<b>2,920</b>
<b>Fund Balance at 1 January 2015</b>	<b>12,095</b>	<b>9,175</b>
<b>Fund Balance at 31 December 2015</b>	<b>13,955</b>	<b>12,095</b>

## **12 Sowerby CandY**

This account is a joint venture between St Oswald's Church and Sowerby Methodist Church. It is a vehicle for raising money to support children's and youth work and derived its opening funds from Sowerby Now – a joint magazine for St Oswald's and the Methodist Church - which ceased trading at the beginning of 2013. The balance is reflected in St Oswald's accounts as a restricted fund for convenience and transparency.

	<b>2015</b>
Opening balance from Sowerby Now	1,350
Amounts received through donations	10,182
Deduct: Donations relating to future years	4,800
Deduct: Amounts transferred to St Oswald's	6,700
<b>Closing balance at 31 December 2015</b>	<b>32</b>
Reflected in the Balance Sheet as:	
Bank Account balance - HSBC Sowerby CandY	4,832
Creditors – amounts received for future years	4,800
	<b>32</b>