Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland

Year ended 31 December 2025

ACCRUED (SORP COMPLIANT) ACCOUNTS

Congregation No: 372163

Charity No: SC005553

Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland

Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present the annual report and accounts for Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland for the year ended 31 December 2025.

Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name:	Inshes Church of Scotland, Inverness
Charity Registration Number:	SC005553
Congregation Reference No:	372163
Contact Address:	17 Woodgrove Crescent Inverness IV2 5HN

Trustees

Members of the Kirk Session: David Scott, Jonathan Appleby, John Bruce, Alan Buist, George Campbell,Harry Chambers,Bill Flett, Farquhar Forbes, Iain Macdonald,Norman MacKay, Gavin MacKenzie, Angus Macleod, Donnie Maclean, Norman Macleod, Donald MacVicar, Bob Matheson, Hendry Robertson, Peter Shaw.

Principal Office-bearers

Minister:	David Scott
Session Clerk	Norman MacKay
Administator:	Doris MacKintosh
Church Treasurer:	Catherine Davis

Independent Examiner

Dugald MacPherson

34 Ballifeary Road, Inverness, IV3 5PF

Bankers

Royal Bank of Scotland,

Unit 1 & 2, Falcon Square, Inverness, IV2 3PP

Trustees' Annual Report - Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland - SC005553

Year ended 31 December 2025

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the General Assembly Regulations for Congregational Finance, the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland effective from 1 January 2019.

Objectives and Activities The Church of Scotland is Trinitarian in doctrine, Reformed in tradition and Presbyterian in polity. It exists to glorify God and to work for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom throughout the world. As a national Church, it acknowledges a distinctive call and duty to bring the ordinances of religion to the people in every parish of Scotland through a territorial ministry. It co-operates with other Churches in various ecumenical bodies in Scotland and beyond.

Inshes East Church is a congregation of the Church of Scotland with pastoral responsibility for the community of its parish. It aims to preach the message of the Christian gospel so that individuals may come to faith, be encouraged and nurtured in that faith and find purpose and direction through God's call upon their lives. The regular meetings for worship are on Sunday mornings and evenings with mid week meetings for Bible study and prayer.

The Church also works with primary and pre-primary school-age children through its Truth Trackers programme, and with S1-6 through "IT" (Inshes Time). An open Mother-and Toddler group meets weekly. Special outreach, Christian Education and family support events and programmes are run when appropriate.

The Church offers the use of the buildings to all community groups involved in care and support work and this facility is much used. The ministers provide chaplaincy services to the three local primary schools and the secondary school for the catchment area, and work continues to build relationships with those schools.

Investment Policy and Performance The church has a 'low/medium" risk policy towards investment funds, see notes 3 & 7 of the accounts and aims for a mix of growth and income, and performance in the year broadly met those objectives.

Risk Management The principle risk is declining congregational numbers which could impact on financial stability. This risk is mitigated by a focus on the preaching of God's word, and a focus on working with families, young people and children whilst ensuring that all are welcome and supported through our pastoral care teams.

Structure, Governance and Management

The congregation is a registered charity, number SC005553 and is administered in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Constitution (Unitary Form) and is subject to the Acts and Regulations of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland.
Members of the Kirk Session are the charity trustees. The Kirk Session members are the elders of the church and are chosen from those members of the church who are considered to have the appropriate gifts and skills. The minister, who is a member of the Kirk Session, is elected by the congregation and inducted by Presbytery. Certain responsibilities are delegated to the Finance Committee and the Property Committee as appropriate. The Kirk Session which meets six times a year is responsible for spiritual affairs within the church.

Financial Review

The principal income for the year was from weekly offerings which increased by 12% on the previous year.

Reserves Policy

It is the Trustees' policy to hold reserves of nine months expenditure. At the year end the Church held unrestricted funds of £653,426. This balance represents about twenty-three months' expenditure and while this is higher than would normally be expected the Trustees are undertaking a number of fabric works and intend to increase expenditure on outreach and staffing.

Year ended 31 December 2025

Achievements and Performance

The work in Milton of Leys has continued to develop, with a detailed 'Milton of Leys Church Plant Plan' being approved by the Kirk Session, monthly services starting in the Primary School and Pittyvaich Care Home, and the establishment of a Scripture Union group in the school. Our Youth and Families Worker has taken up employment on a part-time basis, prioritising work with those connected to the FAB baby and toddler group, teenagers attending the IT youth group, and families with particular needs, and a week-long Holiday Club for children of primary school age was held in August. We have employed a Pastoral Care Assistant, who undertakes home and hospital/care home visitation one day a week. There has been an increasing focus on men's work, with fortnightly lunchtime meetings online, complemented by regular events aimed at fostering friendship and fellowship. Attendances at the weekly gatherings on Sunday mornings (circa 300) and evening gatherings (circa 150) have remained consistent.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which show a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and its financial activities for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operational existence.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf,

N MacKay - Session Clerk

Date: 28/6/2026

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Report of the Independent Examiner to the Trustees of Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2025 which are set out on pages 6 to 16.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended).

The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (a) to (c) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

An examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). 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 seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has 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 Section 44 (1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended), and
   - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations (as amended) 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.

Dugald MacPherson

Dugald MacPherson Professional Qualification/Professional Body: ICAS

34 Ballifeary Road, Inverness, IV3 5PF

Date: 28 June 2026

Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland
Statement of Financial Activities
Year ended 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and Legacies	1	353,205	21,388	374,593	269,119	17,715	286,834
Charitable activities	2	260	0	260	150	0	150
Investments	3	34,604	0	34,604	25,647	0	25,647
Total Income		388,069	21,388	409,457	294,916	17,715	312,631
Expenditure on:							
Expenditure on raising funds		0	0	0	0	0	0
Charitable activities	4	326,643	21,388	348,031	278,168	29,420	307,588
Total Expenditure		326,643	21,388	348,031	278,168	29,420	307,588
Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses on investments		61,426	0	61,426	16,748	-11,705	5,043
Net gains/(losses) on investments		8,267	0	8,267	2,367	0	2,367
Net income/(expenditure)		69,693	0	69,693	19,115	-11,705	7,410
Transfers between Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0
Transfer of proceeds of assembly controlled properties to the Church of Scotland General		0	0	0	-32,884	-10,591	-43,475
Net movement in funds		69,693	0	69,693	-13,769	-22,296	-36,065
Reconciliation of funds:							
Total funds brought forward		583,733	291,964	875,697	597,502	314,260	911,762
Total funds carried forward		653,426	291,964	945,390	583,733	291,964	875,697

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Balance Sheet
At 31 December 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Combined Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Combined Total 2024 £
Fixed Assets:							
Tangible assets	7	150,000	291,964	441,964	150,000	291,964	441,964
Investments	8	160,632	0	160,632	152,365	0	152,365
Total Fixed Assets		310,632	291,964	602,596	302,365	291,964	594,329
Current Assets							
Debtors and Prepayments	9	95,972	0	95,972	48,375	0	48,375
Cash at Bank and in Hand		283,828	0	283,828	232,992	0	232,992
Total Current Assets		379,800	0	379,800	281,367	0	281,367
Liabilities							
Creditors falling due within one year (monies due to third parties)		37,006	0	37,006	0	0	0
Net Current Assets		342,794	0	342,794	281,367 0	0	281,367
Creditors falling due after more than one year		0	0	0	0	0	0
Net Assets		653,426	291,964	945,390	583,732	291,964	875,696
The funds of the charity:							
Restricted income funds	13	0	291,964	291,964	0	291,964	291,964
Unrestricted income funds	13	653,426	0	653,426	583,733	0	583.733
Total charity funds	13	653,426	291,964	945,390	583,733	291,964	875,697
				0			

The above are combined figures, for both the current and comparative period, which show the aggregated results of the united congregations.

The notes on pages 10 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

The accounts were approved by the Trustees on 28 June 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Session Clerk

Convenor of the Finance Committee

Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland
Year ended 31 December 2025

Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently in the current and preceding year in dealing with items which are considered material to the accounts, are set out below.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) effective from 1 January 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Charities accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended)

Fund accounting

Funds are classified as either restricted funds or unrestricted funds, defined as follows.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific requirements as to their use which may be declared by the donor or with their authority or created through legal processes, but still within the wider objects of the charity.

Endowment funds are funds which have been given on the condition that the original capital sum is not reduced, but the income there from is used for the purpose defined in accordance with the objects of the charity.

Unrestricted funds are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. If parts of the unrestricted funds are earmarked at the discretion of the trustees for a particular purpose, they are designated as a separate fund. This designation has an administrative purpose only and does not legally restrict the trustees' discretion to apply the fund.

Going concern

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the ability of the charitable company to continue for the foreseeable future, and therefore has adopted the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

Recognition of income

Income is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Donated services and facilities

Donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised as income when the charity has control over the item, any conditions associated with the donated item have been met, the receipt of economic benefit from the use by the charity of the item is probable and that economic benefit can be measured reliably. In accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102) the general volunteer time of congregation members is not recognised.

On receipt, donated professional services and donated facilities are recognised on the basis of the value of the gift to the charity which is the amount the charity would have been willing to pay to obtain services or facilities of equivalent economic benefit on the open market; a corresponding amount is then recognised as expenditure in the period of receipt.

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Accounting Policies (continued)

Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

Recognition and allocation of expenditure

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure.

Fixed Assets

The charity has the right to occupy and use for its charitable objects certain tangible fixed assets, including the Church, halls and manse, vested in the Church of Scotland General Trustees. No consideration is payable for the use of these assets. Expenditure incurred on the repair and maintenance of these assets is charged as resources expended in the Statement of Financial Activities in the period in which the liability arises.

All tangible fixed assets costing in excess of £3,000 having a value to the charity greater than one year, other than those acquired for specific purposes, are capitalised. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis to write off the cost or initial value, less residual value, of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives:

Fixtures, fittings and office equipment - 5 Years

Motor vehicles - 7 Years

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Unrealised gains and losses represent the difference between the market value at the beginning and end of the financial year or, if purchased in the year, the difference between cost and market value at the end of the year. Realised gains and losses represent the difference between the proceeds on disposal and the market value at the start of the year or cost if purchased in the year.

Taxation

Inshes Church of Scotland, Inverness is recognised as a charity for the purposes of applicable taxation legislation and is therefore not subject to taxation on its charitable activities. The charity is not registered for VAT and resources expended therefore include irrecoverable input VAT.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held with the Church of Scotland Investors Trust.

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any discounts due.

Creditors

Creditors are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds (MOL) 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds (MOL) 2024 £	Total 2024 £
1. Donations and Legacies						
Offerings	227,824	17,910	245,734	217,151	14,235	231,386
Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	44,119	3,478	47,597	41,158	3,480	44,638
Legacies	0	0	0	2,000	0	2,000
Value of donated goods	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	9,143	0	9,143	8,810	0	8,810
Consolidated Fabric Fund	72,119	0	72,119	0	0	0
	353,205	21,388	374,593	269,119	17,715	286,834
2. Income from charitable activities						
Weddings and Funerals	260	0	260	150	0	150
	260	0	260	150	0	150
3. Investment Income						
Dividends received	5,728	0	5,728	768	0	768
Deposit interest	7,079	0	7,079	5,188	0	5,188
Rental of Premises	21,797	0	21,797	19,691	0	19,691
	34,604	0	34,604	25,647	0	25,647

4. Analysis of Expenditure

Charitable activities	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £
Ministries & Mission allocation	148,020	0	148,020	155,326	0	155,326
less: Endowment Income	0	0	0	(1,157)	0	(1,157)
Presbytery dues	4,725	0	4,725	0	0	0
Minister's expenses	0	0	0	2,981	0	2,981
Pulpit supply	550	0	550	800	0	800
Other salary costs	41,686	21,388	63,074	22,341	28,146	50,487
Contract Cleaning	3,654	0	3,654	3,875	0	3,875
Fabric repairs & maintenance	73,467	0	73,467	19,167	0	19,167
Council Tax	4,511	0	4,511	3,688	0	3,688
Other Building Costs - Heat and light ,	20,170	0	20,170	22,217	0	22,217
Insurance	2,886	0	2,886	3,456	0	3,456
Water Charges	0	0	0	1,857	0	1,857
Telephone	1,255	0	1,255	1,400	0	1,400
Printing, stationery, adverts & postage	2,273	0	2,273	1,176	500	1,676
Youth & other events	9,843	0	9,843	3,693	774	4,467
Audio Visual Equipment	0	0	0	0	0	0
Donations to Christian Organisations	2,590	0	2,590	14,650	0	14,650
Depreciation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other expenses	11,013	0	11,013	22,698	0	22,698
	326,643	21,388	348,031	278,168	29,420	307,588

Support costs have not been separately identified as the trustees consider there is only one charitable activity. Therefore support costs relate wholly to that activity and have not been separately identified.

5 Staff costs and numbers

	2025 £	2024 £
Salaries and wages	63,074	50,487
	63,074	50,487

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Ministerial support	2	1
Administration	1	1
Youth Worker	1	0
	4	2

No employee had employee benefits in excess of £50,000 (2024: nil)

All Church of Scotland congregations contribute to the National Stipend Fund which bears the costs of all ministers' stipends and employer's contributions for national insurance, pension and housing and loan fund. Ministers' stipends are paid in accordance with the national stipend scale, which is related to years of service. For the year under review the minimum stipend was £32433, and the maximum stipend (in the fifth and subsequent years) £39,856.

6 Trustee Remuneration and Related Party Transactions

During the year, one trustee received reimbursement of expenses incurred totalling £449.55. The manse council tax of £3,919.20 and telephone bills were paid on behalf of the Minister.

No trustee or a person related to a trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

During the year a total of £23,303 was donated to the congregation by trustees

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Notes forming part of the financial statements

7 **Tangible Fixed Assets**

	Heritable Property (Church Improv. at cost)	Heritable Property (manse at cost)	Investment Property (at valuation)	Fixtures & Fittings (at cost)	Total
Cost/valuation £					
At 1 January 2025	0	291,964	150,000	0	441,964
Additions	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0	0	0	0	0
At 31 December 2025	0	291,964	150,000	0	441,964
Accumulated Depreciation £					
At 1 January 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Charge for Year	0	0	0	0	0
Disposals	0		0	0	0
At 31 December 2025	0	0	0	0	0
Net Book Value £					
At 31 December 2025	0	291,964	150,000	0	441,964
At 1 January 2025	0	291,964	150,000	0	441,964

8 **Investments**

	£	
Market value at 1 January 2025	152,365	
Unrealised gain / (loss) on investments	8,267	**Movement in market value**
Purchase of Investments	0	
Disposal of Investments (cost)	0	
Market value at 31 December 2025	160,632	
Investments at cost	149,998	

The following investments are held:

Church of Scotland Investors Trust Income Fund	6,843 units
Church of Scotland Investors Trust Growth Fund	12,019 units

9 **Debtors and Prepayments**

	2025 £	2024 £
Gift Aid Tax Refund Due	95,972	48,375
	95,972	48,375

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10 **Analysis of Net Assets Among Funds**

	General	Restricted	**Total**
Fixed Assets	150,000	291,964	**441,964**
Investments	160,632	0	**160,632**
Current Assets	379,800	0	**379,800**
Current Liabilities	(37,006)	0	**(37,006)**
Net assets at 31 Dec 2025	653,426	291,964	**945,390**

	General	Restricted	**Total**
Fixed Assets	150,000	291,964	**441,964**
Investments	152,365	0	**152,365**
Current Assets	281,368	0	**281,368**
Current Liabilities	0	0	**0**
Net assets at 31 Dec 2024	583,733	291,964	**875,697**

11 **Volunteers**

In common with all congregations of the Church of Scotland the congregation benefits from the contribution made by volunteers who give their time and talents willingly for the benefit of the Church. The areas of congregational life which rely on the contribution of volunteers are many and varied and much of the activity would be unable to continue were it not for the commitment shown.

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12 Movements in Funds

	At 1 January 2025	Income	Expenditure	Net gain/(losses) on investments	Transferred to General Trustees	At 31 December 2025
Restricted funds						
MOL Fund	0	21,388	21,388	0	0	**0**
Manse Fund	291,964	0	0	0	0	**291,964**
	291,964	21,388	21,388	0	0	**291,964**
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	583,733	388,069	326,643	8,267	0	**653,426**
Total Funds	875,697	409,457	348,031	8,267	0	**945,390**

	At 1 January 2024	Income	Expenditure	Net gain/(losses) on investments	Transferred to General Trustees	**At 31 December 2024**
Restricted funds						
MOL Fund	11,705	17,715	29,420	0	0	**0**
Manse Fund	302,555				-10,591	**291,964**
	314,260	17,715	29,420	0	-10,591	**291,964**
Unrestricted funds						
General Fund	597,502	294,916	278,168	2,367	(32,884)	**583,733**
	911,762	312,631	307,588	2,367	(43,475)	**875,697**

Purposes of Restricted Funds

The Milton of Leys Project (MOL) fund is for outreach and work in the Milton of Leys area of our parish.

The Fabric Fund: the Trustees have set aside funds for the maintenance, improvement and acquisition of the church properties.

APPENDIX

Inverness Inshes East Church of Scotland

FUNDS HELD ON BEHALF OF THE CONGREGATION BY THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND GENERAL TRUSTEES

Consolidated Fabric Fund

CAPITAL ACCOUNT	2025 £	2024 £
Credit Balances held at 31 December at cost	166,308.95	0.00
Market Value of Balances at 31 December	166,308.95	0.00

REVENUE ACCOUNT		
Credit Balance at 31 December	16,877.74	7,875.31

TEMPORARY ACCOUNT		
Credit Balance at 31 December	0.00	261,221.74