

## St. Paul's Church – APCM March 2024

### Church Membership Fund

#### Covenanted giving

Annual covenanted giving has increased from **£167,100** in 2022 to **£167,388** in 2023.

During the year we saw a decrease in the number of people providing regular contributions, from **106** in 2022 to 94 in 2023.

#### Gift Aid

For all individuals who pay tax it is possible for the church to claim gift aid, authorised by a personally signed gift aid certificate. Gift aid money makes a significant difference to our church finances as it allows the church to reclaim a further 25% in addition to the amount donated. In 2023 the gift aid claimed was **£ 32,534.99** (excluding amounts in connection with the roof fund and other restricted funds).

We hold certificates for the majority of individuals making donations. Members who have given the church their signed gift aid certificates and are paying tax at a rate of more than 20% can also make a personal claim on their annual tax return. If anyone would like confirmation of their donations to St Paul's during 2021/22 then please do feel free to contact me at '[carol.mynott@pwc.com](mailto:carol.mynott@pwc.com)'.

#### Thank you

I'd like to thank you for all for your generosity and to thank Chris Dingwall for his support through the year and his extra pair of eyes!

*Carol Mynott*  
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