SS PHILIP & JAMES PARISH CHURCH WHITTON INVESTMENT POLICY

1. Purpose

- I. The Policy is necessary to enable the Parochial Church Council of The Ecclesiastical Parish of Ss Philip & James Whitton ('the PCC') to use its accumulated resources prudently and more effectively in practical ways, which support the 'Whole Mission of the Church'.
- II. Rather than accruing greater reserves beyond its agreed Reserves Policy, the PCC will develop plans and initiate programmes for the resourcing of projects to help achieve its objectives, for example: church growth, ministry, world mission, and the support of locally based development projects.

2. Reserves Policy

- I. The PCC's 'reserves policy' is to hold three months of planned expenditure in general reserves to ensure continued financial security, and to provide for contingencies.
- II. Other monies not required for planned activities will be held in dedicated reserves to meet the cost of specific liabilities (such as building related repairs and/or maintenance)

3. Investment Objectives

I. The PCC has a low appetite for investment risk but recognises that that it is necessary to accept some investment risk in order to produce the best financial return.

4. Ethical Investing

I. The PCC does not and will not knowingly invest in tobacco, gambling or arms.

5. Policy Review

 This Investment Policy will be reviewed annually to ensure continued appropriateness

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