This section breaks down where the money that funds the Diocese comes from. Parish share makes up the largest single source of income followed by the money we receive from the national church. We receive no money from Government, either local or national.
**Parish Share: £4.6m**

*Parish Share* is the money that all our parishes contribute to pay for mission and ministry, including clergy stipends and their housing.

**National Church Funding: £4.3m**

The National Church provides funds to diocese which have the greatest number of people living in low-income communities and to support major change projects.

**Grants £1.4m**

Grant funding comes from other charities, organisations and bodies in support of projects, often restricted to a specific purpose. In 2022, *Lord Crewe’s Charity* contributed around £500,000.
**Investment Income £0.7m and Property Income £0.4m**

Investments, land and property comprising the assets of the Diocese, generate income through interest, dividends and rent.

**Wedding/Funeral Fees £0.5m**

As with PCC fees, the National Church sets **statutory fees**, which are payable to the Diocese when a member of clergy officiates at a wedding or funeral.
This section looks at how the money is spent. As you can see, we spend more on parish ministry than we receive in parish share with the rest being made up from grant income.

Our expenditure supports ministry and helps to achieve our four Diocesan priorities – Challenging Poverty, Energising Growth, Caring for God’s Creation and Engaging Children, Youth and 18-25’s.
Parish Ministry and Clergy Housing £6.5m

This primarily covers the stipends, national insurance, pension contributions and housing for stipendiary clergy - about £55,000 per full time stipendiary priest. It also includes the costs of the Diocesan housing department: maintenance, repair work, moving and resettlement, and support costs.

Grant funded projects £3.8m

These include our seven resource churches and seven Communities of Hope projects, all of which are funded by the National Church funding and our work in challenging poverty which is funded by Lord Crewe’s Charity.
**Mission and Ministry Support £1.7m**

This includes training the clergy (both current and future) the central specialist support provided to parishes by the team at Cuthbert House, such as Safeguarding, legal and governance, finance, HR, communications, IT and the DAC.

**National Church £0.5m**

Our contribution to national church costs. You’ll notice it is significantly less than the £4.3 million we receive from the National Church.

**Children and Young people funding £0.3m**

Support for our church schools from the joint education team which covers Durham and Newcastle Dioceses and our Diocesan advisers on Children’s, Youth and 18-25’s ministry.

*Note: The stipend, housing and expenses (including staff and office expenses) of Bishops are not included as they are paid for by the National Church Commissioners.*