

FRIENDS OF SMARDEN CHURCH
ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
30 SEPTEMBER 2021

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

Friends of Smarden Church ("FOSC") is registered with the Charity Commissioners (No. 1050209) who have approved its Constitution.

FOSC is administered by a Committee comprising:

The Incumbent of the Parish Church of St Michael the Archangel, Smarden, ex-officio.

The Honorary Officers who are the Trustees and are elected annually:

Chairman	Mrs Diana Steele
Hon Secretary	Mrs Melanie Marden
Hon Treasurer	Mr Hugh Perrott

The Churchwardens and the Treasurer of the Parochial Church Council ("PCC"), ex-officio.

Not more than nine elected members. Those serving during the year were:

Mr Mark Bickerton
Mr Roger Craig,
Mrs Alex Demery
Mrs Jane Perrott
Mrs Francine Roosevelt (resigned 9 September 2021)

Aims and Public Benefit

FOSC has been established to beautify and assist in the maintenance of the fabric, but not the moveable contents, of the Parish Church of St Michael the Archangel, Smarden and to preserve and protect it as a place of Christian worship.

The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

In 2021, direct charitable expenditure amounted to £3,613 which represented the cost of insuring the church building for the year. There were no building maintenance projects in the year.

Voluntary income receipts amounted to £52,664, an unusually high figure due to the receipt during the year of a legacy of £47,925. Income from subscriptions and donations was £3,685 (2020 £2,312) and income tax of £1,054 was recovered on Gift Aid receipts.

During the pandemic only one fundraising event - an outdoor drinks party - was held and this raised a net sum of £967.

After interest income and other expenditure, receipts for the year exceeded payments by £49,635. The one-off legacy contributed £47,925 to this surplus.

Monies held in bank accounts at the end of the year amounted to £87,589 (2020 £37,954). These funds, together with future income from subscribers and from fundraising activities, are deemed to be necessary to meet the likely restoration and maintenance needs of the Church of St Michael the Archangel, Smarden.

Signed on behalf of the Committee:

D M Steele, Chairman
10 December 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF FRIENDS OF SMARDEN CHURCH

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 30 September 2021 which are set out on pages 3 to 4.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. 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:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. 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 the seeking of explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - (a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - (b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met, or
- to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**FRIENDS OF SMARDEN CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Voluntary Income				
Subscriptions & donations (Gift Aid)	3,414		2,164	
Subscriptions & donations (Non Gift Aid)	271		148	
Legacies	47,925		-	
Income Tax recovered on Gift Aid receipts	1,054		-	
		52,664		2,312
Fundraising events proceeds (net)				
Murder Mystery Evening	-		2,592	
Smarden Pancake Party	-		833	
Summer Drinks	967		-	
		967		3,425
Income from assets				
Bank interest		6		168
Total receipts		<u>53,637</u>		<u>5,905</u>
PAYMENTS				
Direct charitable expenditure				
Lighting repairs	-		234	
Porch refurbishment	-		5,160	
Building insurance	3,613		3,635	
		3,613		9,029
Other expenditure				
Independent Examiner's fees	168		168	
Insurance	101		101	
AGM expenses	-		56	
Contributions to Church Calendar & Christmas Tree Festival	120		-	
		389		325
Total payments		<u>4,002</u>		<u>9,354</u>
NET RECEIPTS / (PAYMENTS) FOR THE YEAR		49,635		(3,449)
BANK BALANCES AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2020		<u>37,954</u>		<u>41,403</u>
BANK BALANCES AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021		<u>£87,589</u>		<u>£37,954</u>

**FRIENDS OF SMARDEN CHURCH
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021**

	2021	2020
	£	£
MONETARY ASSETS		
Bank balances		
COIF Charities Deposit Fund	86,385	36,379
Bank Current Account	1,204	1,575
	<u>£87,589</u>	<u>£37,954</u>
NON-MONETARY ASSETS		
Debtors		
Income Tax Recoverable	<u>£377</u>	<u>£578</u>

H R I Perrott

Hon Treasurer

Date: 10 December 2021