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The Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and
All Saints', Checkley

Registered Charity Number: 1115219

Accounts for the year ended
31 December 2021

J. M. Smith.

The Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and All Saints' Checkley

Trustees Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2021

The Trustees of the Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and All Saints', Checkley are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31st December 2021. The Charity is also known by its abbreviated name "The Friends of Checkley Church."

Charitable Status

The Charity is registered with the Charity Commission as Charity number 1115219.

Address of the Charity

The principal correspondence of the Charity is:

Mr James Wood
36 Teanhurst Road
Lower Tean
Stoke-on-Trent
St10 4LR

Governing Document

The Charity is governed in accordance with the constitution dated June 1996 which was subsequently amended and approved by the members at the general meeting held on 11 February 2020.

Objects of the Charity

The objects of the Charity are the preservation, repair, maintenance and improvement of the building, fixtures and fittings of the Parish Church of St Mary and All Saints' Checkley in the Diocese of Lichfield.

Policies of the Charity

In furtherance of the objects of the Charity the trustees may:

- Raise funds by any lawful activity or means and receive contributions by way of subscriptions or donations but may not undertake permanent trading activities.
- Make grants to the clergy, churchwardens and the Parochial Church Council of Checkley Church for the purpose of the object of the Charity.
- Invest monies not immediately required as thought fit and proper.

It is considered appropriate that the grants of money are made for specific projects that are undertaken by or on behalf of the Church. Some of these projects require large capital sums and the monies may therefore be accumulated over a period of time before being applied to the project.

A.M. Smith

Trustees of the Charity

The Trustees of the Charity during the period were:

Reverend Irene Smith	President
Mr Brian Morley	Chairperson
Mrs P Redfern	Vice Chairperson
Mrs Shelagh Taylor	Secretary
Mr James Wood	Treasurer

Other Committee Members

Mr P Alsopp	Mrs W Carr (deceased 22 March 2021)
Mrs S Alsopp	Mr D Chesters
Mrs C Brassington	Mrs M Minshall
Mr M Brassington	Mrs A Morley

The President of the Charity is the incumbent or the priest or curate in charge of the Church. All other trustees are elected by the members at the annual general meeting of the Charity.

Professional Advisers

The professional advisers to the Charity are:

Banker: NatWest Bank, Market Street, Longton, Stoke on Trent, ST3 2HW

Independent Examiner: Mr Peter Taylor FCA, 10 St Mary's Close, Checkley.

Activities and future plans

The Coronavirus Pandemic has again caused severe disruption to the fundraising activities of the Friends of Checkley Church during the past 12 months, and it has not been possible to hold any fundraising activities.

However, it is pleasing to report that the membership numbers have increased to 89, the highest that it has been for at least a decade. We have also been fortunate to have received a large bequest from the Will of our late secretary, Margaret Johnson. There are no immediate plans to spend the money, but it is good to know that we now have reserves should the need arise.

Despite the lack of fundraising The Friends have still been able to assist the Church with donations made towards an upgrade of the audio/visual system, £1,668, and to the repair of the tie-rods for the south aisle stonework, £3,855.

If you are not yet a member of "The Friends of Checkley Church" but would like to help with the fund raising, the subscription is £5 for the year. All money raised goes to the maintenance of our beautiful church. Please contact our treasurer, James Wood for more details. His address is shown above.

We hope we can rely on your support in the coming year, so that we can continue with the maintenance of our lovely church here in Checkley.

Shelagh Taylor – Secretary
January 2022

J. M. Smith

The Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and All Saints', Checkley
Receipts and Payments Account
for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Notes	Year to 31 Dec 2021 £	Year to 31 Dec 2020 £
Income			
Subscriptions		445	270
Subscriptions received in advance		5	-
Donations		591	668
Gift Aid Tax Refund		106	151
Fundraising Income	1.	-	2,211
Legacy	2.	70,585	-
		<hr/> 71,732	<hr/> 3,300
Expenditure			
Checkley PCC - Improvements of the AV System		1,668	-
Checkley PCC - Repairs to tie rods on south aisle		3,855	-
Checkley PCC - Pulpit handrail & step		-	497
Checkley PCC - Electrical report and remedial work		-	1,000
Checkley PCC - Clock repairs		-	821
Fund Raising Costs	1.	-	1,513
Sundry		9	14
		<hr/> 5,532	<hr/> 3,845
(Deficit) Surplus for the Year		<hr/> 66,200	<hr/> (545)
Brought forward		6,623	7,168
		<hr/> 72,823	<hr/> 6,623
Represented By:			£
Nat West Bank - current account		72,806	6,601
Cash in Hand		17	22
		<hr/> 72,823	<hr/> 6,623

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**The Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and All Saints', Checkley
Notes on Receipts and Payments Account
for the period ended 31 December 2021**

1. Fundraising Events

Due to the covid pandemic no fundraising events took place during 2021. In 2020 there was a joint the Mary, Queen of Scots Evening which was a joint fundraising event with Croxden PCC which earned a net surplus for The Friends of £698.

2. Legacy

During the year a legacy amounting to £70,585 was received from the Estate of the late Mrs Margaret Johnson.

2. Other Monetary Assets

At 31 December 2020 and 2021 the charity had no other monetary assets other than those shown at the foot of the Receipts and Payments Account.

3. Funds Raised for Charities

Most years a Village Christmas Night is held to raise funds for selected charities. Regrettably, due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, no Village Night could be held in December 2021.

4. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis which recognises income and expenditure as the cash transaction takes place. No adjustment has been made for accruals or prepayments within these accounts.

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and All Saints', Checkley**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Friends of the Church of Saint Mary and All Saints' (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Peter G Taylor, FCA
10 St Mary's Close
Checkley

6 February 2022

