



**St John the Evangelist Church
Stoke-next-Guildford**

**Annual Report
and
Financial Statements
of the
Parochial Church Council**

for the year ended 31 December 2020

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Aims and purposes

St John's Parochial Church Council ("the PCC") has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector, the Reverend Mark Woodward, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St John's Church and the Stirling Centre, Stoke Road, Guildford, and 35 Woking Road (Curate's house).

Vision

The PCC, together with the wider congregation has established a vision plan for the church and the community we serve. We believe that Jesus came to bring 'Life in all its fullness' (John 10:10) and our vision is to bring this life through transformation of the parish of Stoke. Our vision is to be a growing church at the heart of the community of Stoke-next-Guildford.

Together, as a whole church family we seek, through the grace of God and with the full support of the whole church community, to build a vibrant and growing church that has firm foundations on Jesus Christ and His teaching, placing Him at the heart of the church's life and growth. Our vision speaks of how we strive to share His good news with the local community and parish of Stoke and to build a church where all people are valued, where newcomers can quickly 'belong' and old and young, single, married couples and families belong together as the body of Christ.

The main emphases of our Vision are:

- Worship and Prayer - encountering God in vibrant and life-giving worship and deep prayer
- Outreach and Community - reaching out in relevant ways to the those within our sphere of influence with the good news of Jesus Christ
- Discipleship and fellowship - growing closer to Christ in discipleship, supporting each other fellowship and pastoral care, and calling and enabling leaders for the future
- Children, Youth- supporting and caring for children, youth
- Facilities and Buildings for Ministry - developing our buildings, facilities, resources and leadership for life and growth

Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship and considers how services can involve all sections of the residents of the parish and beyond. Our services put faith into practice through music, prayer, scripture, teaching and sacraments.

The PCC have considered the guidance of the Charity Commission on public benefit, and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC try to enable all people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through the realisation of themes from our vision:

- Worship and prayer, learning about the Christian Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of sensitive and loving pastoral care for members of the congregation and those living in the parish
- Provision of activities for the benefit of children, young people and local students
- Support to Christian organisations and other charities in Guildford and to overseas missions and relief agencies
- Maintenance of the fabric of the Church of St John's Stoke and the Stirling Centre to provide facilities for these activities and for use by the local community.

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Achievements and performance

Worship and Prayer

The PCC is keen to offer a range of services during the week and over the course of the year that our community finds both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling.

Throughout 2020 the established pattern of Sunday services changed significantly due to the COVID pandemic. However, we were able to livestream Sunday Services from the church building on Sundays for several months until we were able to return to worship in-person. Details of all our worship services and times are available via the church website www.stjohnstoke.com.

All are welcome to attend our regular services. The weekly attendance, counted during October 2020, is in-person only, not the online viewers. Please see table below:-

4c.1	Number of services	Adult		Children and young people	
		Church	Fresh expressions	Church	Fresh expressions
Sunday 4th October	2	58		7	
Weekdays 5th-10th					
4c.2	Number of services	Adult		Children and young people	
		Church	Fresh expressions	Church	Fresh expressions
Sunday 11th October	2	54		6	
Weekdays 12th – 17th					
4c.3	Number of services	Adult		Children and young people	
		Church	Fresh expressions	Church	Fresh expressions
Sunday 18th October	2	54		5	
Weekdays 19th-24th					
4c.4	Number of services	Adult		Children and young people	
		Church	Fresh expressions	Church	Fresh expressions
Sunday 25th October	2	45		3	
Weekdays 26th-31st					

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As well as our regular services we enable our community to celebrate and thank God for the milestones of life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of new life in Christ. In marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief, give thanks for their loved ones' life in this world and commend them into God's keeping. It is our policy to hold baptisms within our main services and we hold marriage and funeral services as required. During 2020, due to the COVID pandemic we conducted 0 baptisms, 1 wedding, and 13 funeral services here or at the crematorium/cemetery, and 2 Burials of ashes.

Ministry and pastoral care

Nick Sharpe has responsibility for the oversight of pastoral care with a team of 9 Pastoral Assistants. Their aim is to enable each church family member to give and receive God's love and care as we journey through life together by offering spiritual, practical and emotional support, enabling people to live life to its fullness through healing, restoration, forgiveness, listening, empathy and compassion. We held a Memorial Service in December, which was well attended and much appreciated.

We have identified the need for a structured approach to pastoral care and we have created a new Pastoral Care noticeboard with a view to making Pastoral Assistants more identifiable and accessible.

Children, Youth and Students

Children

2020 has been an exciting year in our children's and youth ministry. We have continued to provide Sunday kids groups and activities for children of all age groups during the Sunday morning services, wherever possible, and due to the COVID pandemic we conducted many children's and youth sessions online to enable our young people to continue to meet together. We meet together to have fun, encourage each other and help the children grow in their understanding of the Christian faith.

Our Tuesday Toddler Group continued to meet each week in the first three months of the year providing valuable support for parents, carers and childminders. We provide a safe and secure environment for babies & toddlers to play and learn together. We have been described as a 'life line' by some of our parents. We have also a 'breast-feeding peer support group', which is supported by Liz Jennis. During the COVID pandemic we were unable to meet in person for Toddler group so sadly had to 'pause' meeting together for several months.

In March/ April 2020 we had a vision to begin a new Community food delivery project called 'Stoke Community Support' or SCS for short. Working jointly with St Peter's Church in Bellfields, local schools and the Children's Centre we built a large team of volunteers and delivered over 30,000 meals to 300 families in the local community. This was to help families, children and young people with food through the difficulties of lockdown and the Pandemic. These meals were very well received. This work continues until September 2021.

Boys' Brigade and Girls' Brigade

Boys' Brigade and Girls Brigade are integral to the church's children's and youth work, led by St John's members with support from other local churches too. Boys' and Girls' Brigades at St John's work closely together, with joint leadership meetings, sharing leaders when necessary. They enjoy an amazing annual Brigades camp, and join up for parade services, Christmas and summer events. Boys Brigade continues to meet on Thursday evenings during school term time, catering for around 40 boys and young men up to the age of 18. Their aim is through a structured, faith-based programme to teach the boys about the Christian faith in an exciting, fun-based environment, which includes a wide range of indoor and outdoor activities. This year saw a first weekend expedition by the older boys. They also events across Surrey, Hampshire and Berkshire. Through the Pandemic we continued to meet together online.

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Girls' Brigade has seen encouraging growth and now has 30 members. We continue to meet on a Tuesday evening during term times and online through the Pandemic. The girls are inviting their friends and our company evenings are busy and great fun. We have a committed team of helpers but could always do with more help! The Girls' Brigade motto 'to seek, serve and follow Christ' is something as a team we try to live by and is the message we aim to bring to the girls so that they too will come to know Jesus as their Saviour.

Youth

Our Wednesday night youth club continues to be a great means of evangelism as the young people bring their friends along. Our Sunday night discipleship group has also attracted many young people wanting to go deeper in their faith. We also run a youth group on a Sunday morning alongside all our other kids' groups. From April 2020 the groups continued to meet online.

Behind all this work is very supportive and committed team of volunteers without whom we could not continue this work. We would like to extend a huge thank-you for all their hard work and loyal support over this last year.

Outreach and community

As a church we are called to participate in God's mission to share Christ's love and serve others, whether locally, nationally or overseas. St John's has always had a strong commitment to supporting mission financially, spiritually and practically. In normal years, we serve and reach out to the local community in many ways throughout the year, through Easter Encounter and Holiday Club, Summer Fun events, School assemblies, Boys' and Girls' Brigade, Toddler group (over 80 adults & children attending), and monthly Seniors lunch (over 55s). We run a Munch club for local needy families during the holidays. A number of people have started attending Church, or showing an interest in faith, as a result of contact with these groups. In 2020 we contributed a total of £23,418 to local and overseas Mission. Internationally we supported David and Linda James in Austria (ECM), Wendy Gerster in Switzerland (OMF), Sergiu and Diana Bradean in Romania (CMS) and Sarah and Daniel Brito Medeiros who are working with street children in Brazil (CMS). Locally, we continue to support Christians against Poverty, Guildford Foodbank, Footsteps drop-in centre, Guildford Besom and the Emmaus Trust and local events such as the St Peter's Fun Day.

Facilities and Buildings

In normal years the church and the centre continue to be widely used, by both church members and the community, although in 2020 there was limited use due to lockdown and the Pandemic. We aim to use the church and centre for prayer on most weekday mornings, Toddler Group, Seniors Lunch, Holiday Club, Messy Church, Boys' and Girls' Brigades; and for Alpha Courses, band practice and outreach events.

A work party in November enabled many additional maintenance and cleaning jobs to be completed, together with clearance work in the graveyard.

We are very grateful to all the church members who helped with ongoing maintenance and cleaning.

Wider Church Structures

In 2020 St John's had one lay representative on the Guildford Deanery Synod, with two further vacancies. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the Church and ecumenical activities. We continue to support Churches Together in Guildford and join with other Guildford congregations in the Walk of Witness in the town centre on Good Friday when possible.

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Structure, governance and management

In accordance with the Church Representation Rules, the members of the PCC are either ex-officio, elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), or co-opted by the PCC. All regular worshippers are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and can stand for election to the PCC. At the last Annual Parish Council Meeting, held on the Tuesday 20th October 2020 the Electoral Roll membership of St John the Evangelist Church, Stoke-next-Guildford was 127. The Electoral Roll was revised this year, as required by the Church of England. Thank you to everyone for registering. The current Electoral Roll membership (at the Annual Parish Council Meeting on the 25th May 2021) is **129**.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. Minutes of meetings are displayed on the PCC notice board by the entrance into the church from the Stirling Centre.

The full PCC, chaired by the Reverend Mark Woodward, met eight times during the year with an average attendance of 90 per cent of members present.

Administrative information

St John's Church is situated in Stoke Road, Stoke-next-Guildford and is in the Guildford Diocese of the Church of England.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Stoke-next-Guildford is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and, having previously been exempted, was registered with the Charity Commission (Registered No. 1128450) with effect from 6 March 2009.

The PCC members who have served from 1 January 2020 until the date that this report was approved are:

Ex Officio members

Incumbent	Rev'd Mark Woodward	Chairman
Curates	Rev'd Nick Sharpe Rev'd Nick Hill	(left September 2020)
Churchwardens	Dave Robson Beverley Colinese Matthew MacLachlan	Deputy Chair (retired Oct 2021) Deputy Chair (from Oct 2021) (Elected Oct 2021)

Elected members

Deanery Synod rep	Simon Loveless	Retired Oct 2020
Deanery Synod rep	Carol Brown	Retired Oct 2020
Deanery Synod rep	Christine Maskell	Retired Oct 2020
PCC Member	Pavel MacLachlan	
PCC Member	Pete Bunting	
PCC Member	Simon Etheridge	
PCC member	Claire Lee	
PCC Member	Ali Anjomshoaa	Elected to Deanery Synod Oct 2020
PCC Member	Elodie Curran	Retired Oct 2020
PCC Member	Joe Probert	Retired Oct 2020
PCC Member	Esmanda Monem	Secretary Oct 2020
PCC Member	Sue Gregory	Secretary Retired Oct 2020
PCC Member	Jo Lamberth	Treasurer
PCC Member	William Lowries	Elected Oct 2020
PCC Member	Jon Barnardo	Elected Oct 2020
PCC Member	Sue Turner	Elected 2020
PCC Member	Debbie Pennells	Elected 2020

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Safeguarding

The Parish is committed to the safeguarding, care and nurture of the children within our church community, and also to encouraging an environment where all people and especially those who may be vulnerable are able to worship and pursue their faith journey with encouragement and in safety. We are also committed to the implementation of the Diocese of Guildford Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, and the relevant statutory legislation and guidance for the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. We have complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016.

In line with the House of Bishops Policy 2017, it is now a requirement for anyone working with children and/or vulnerable adults to undertake a foundation course in safeguarding. We have identified the training and DBS requirements for all our volunteers and reviewed those of our employed and lay staff and notified them accordingly.

The foundation course is now available on line for those unable to attend a face to face session. We have a safeguarding group who meet termly to ensure the Parish action plan is adhered to and updated. This has improved communication between policy and practice.

Every year the PCC agrees the Parish Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy Statements displaying a copy in the Church and forwarding one copy of each to the Diocesan Safeguarding Office for their records; our Safeguarding Representatives have been Helen Anjomshoaa and Elodie Curran up to the date of this report, and Jon Barnardo is the PCC Safeguarding Representative. They can be contacted at besafe@stjohnstoke.com

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Finance Report

The financial statements for the church for the year ended 31 December 2020 are attached. Overall, there was a surplus of £18,782 although income dropped to £221,977 (£226,387 in 2019). The Covid 19 pandemic and the subsequent changes in delivering services as well as placing staff on furlough resulted in reduced costs in the year.

The financial statements have been presented to comply with the rules imposed by the Charities Act, SORP 2005 and the Church of England.

Income primarily comes from regular donations from members of the congregation. We call this planned giving, and it accounted for 70% of our income in 2020 (72% in 2019). Income tax reclaimed under the gift aid scheme generated £35,361. Income from letting the Stirling Centre was reduced due to the pandemic but this loss was partially offset by letting 35 Woking Road for three months in 2020. We are very grateful to all those who have supported our work so generously over the year.

Cash

It is the policy of the PCC to maintain sufficient cash reserves to continue the current level of activity and build reserves for the long-term maintenance of the fabric. Current assets, (cash + tax recoverable) of £63,154 is roughly equivalent to three months expenditure which is reasonable.

It is our policy to invest our surplus balances with bank deposit accounts and the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Looking forward

As always, the budget for the coming year will be challenging with costs rising as we grow and desire to extend our ministry.

Risks

We have a programme of identifying the major risks which could impact the work of the Church in the parish. All standard risks for loss of property and employee and public liability have been covered by insurance. We have in place an established child protection policy. Other risk areas are reviewed from time to time.

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Statement of Financial Activities

		2020			2019	
	Note	Unrestricted General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted funds £	Total Funds £	Total Funds £
Incoming Resources						
<i>Voluntary income</i>						
Planned giving		152,857	-	2,000	154,857	162,110
Income tax recovered		35,361	-	-	35,361	35,055
Collections and donations		18,830	-	-	18,830	6,781
		207,048	-	2,000	209,048	203,947
<i>Other income</i>						
Events & fees		5,429	-	-	5,429	12,257
Church centre lettings		7,405	-	-	7,405	10,010
Investment income		95	-	-	95	174
		12,930	-	-	12,930	22,441
Total Incoming Resources		219,977	-	2,000	221,977	226,388
Resources expended						
Mission Partners	2	17,800	-	-	17,800	17,300
Mission Trip to Romania		-	-	-	-	375
Local Mission Projects		5,482	-	-	5,482	1,212
Other mission expenses		136	-	-	136	235
Church Refurbishment		2,608	-	-	2,608	23,506
Parish share		82,019	-	-	82,019	80,779
Cost of church activities	1	13,592	-	-	13,592	21,906
Church running costs	1	20,267	-	-	20,267	25,490
Support costs	1	61,290	-	-	61,290	70,960
Total resources expended		203,195	-	-	203,195	241,764
Net Surplus (Deficit) before transfers		16,783	-	2,000	18,783	15,376
Transfers						
Net Income		16,783	-	2,000	18,783	15,376
Opening balances as at 1 January		321,346	-	-	321,346	336,722
Closing balances as at 31 December	5	338,128	-	2,000	340,128	321,346

NB: Minor discrepancies in totals are due to pence not being shown

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Balance Sheet

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Fixed assets	4	277,974	278,258
Current assets			
Cash at bank & on deposit		49,840	38,478
Tax recoverable		13,314	5,610
		63,154	44,087
Current Liabilities			
Other creditors		-	1,000
Mission grants due		1,000	-
		1,000	1,000
Net current assets/(liabilities)		62,154	43,087
Long Term Liabilities		-	-
Total net assets		340,128	321,346
Funds			
Unrestricted	5/6	338,128	321,346
Designated	5/6	-	-
Restricted	5/6	2,000	-
		340,128	321,346

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Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 13 April 2021 and signed on its behalf

Revd M C Woodward
Chairman

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	2020			2019
	Unrestricted funds	Designated	Restricted funds	TOTAL FUNDS
				TOTAL FUNDS
			£	£
Church Activities				
Grants to UK missions	1,520	-	-	1,620
Grants to overseas missions	16,280	-	-	15,680
Mission Trip to Romania	-	-	-	375
Other Mission Expenses	136	-	-	235
Local Mission Projects	5,482	-	-	1,212
	23,418	-	-	19,122
Parish share	82,019	-	-	80,779
Cost of church activities				
Hospitality	238	-	-	1,934
Equipment	2,567	-	-	326
Worship	846	-	-	4,453
Youth and children	2,102	-	-	5,486
Outreach & events	6,151	-	-	6,863
Training	1,688	-	-	2,844
	13,592	-	-	21,906
Church running costs				
Depreciation of equipment	284	-	-	615
Heat light etc	7,956	-	-	9,427
Repairs & maintenance	3,315	-	-	6,267
Church Refurbishment	2,608	-	-	23,506
Cleaning & centre management	3,886	-	-	4,397
Insurance	4,826	-	-	4,784
	22,875	-	-	48,996
Support costs				
Office costs	3,733	-	-	6,937
Staffing costs	54,890	-	-	59,568
General expenses	2,667	-	-	4,455
	61,290	-	-	70,960
Total funds spent	203,195	-	-	241,764

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Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 as amended by the Church Accounting (Amendment) Regulations 2001 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP 2005.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, using the accruals system.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on general purposes of the PCC. Funds designed for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. Restricted funds are those holding moneys given for a specific purpose only or assets so financed, less any associated liabilities, or grants received for particular work or ministries.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Balances in a fund do **not** represent cash in a bank account but a proportion of the total net assets of the church (see note 6)

Incoming resources

Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is recognised.

Grant and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is reasonably certain.

Other income

Rental income from the letting of the church and centre premises is recognised when the rental is due.

Resources used

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award is considered an obligation by the PCC. Any grant unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as an accrual in the Balance Sheet.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid as at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

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Fixed Assets

Consecrated and beneficial property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by s96 (2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993.

Church furnishings held by the Rector and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted for as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected on request. Items acquired since 1 January 2000 have been capitalised and depreciated in the accounts over their currently anticipated useful economic life (initially over 5 years) on a straight-line basis. There is no depreciation provided for 35 Woking Road.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the anticipated useful life of the asset. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents, or other income are shown as debtors less provision for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

Short term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at bank.

Current liabilities

These generally comprise accruals for payments due as at the year end, but which had not been made.

1. Resources Expended

The resources expended by the church are analysed on page 9.

2. Mission Partners

	2020	2019
	£	£
<i>Home mission and relief agencies</i>		
Christians Against Poverty - debt relief	1,520	1,620
	<u>1,520</u>	<u>1,620</u>
<i>Overseas mission and relief agencies</i>		
OMF (Wendy Gerster)	2,000	2,000
OMF (David & Amy Roche)	4,460	4,560
ECM (David & Linda James)	4,460	4,560
Sergiu & Diana Bradean	4,460	4,560
	<u>15,380</u>	<u>15,680</u>

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3. Staff Costs

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages & salaries	50,929	54,621
National Insurance	-	-
Pension costs	3,961	4,947
Total salary costs	<u>54,890</u>	<u>59,568</u>

During the year the PCC employed a part-time administrator, a part time office manager, a part-time hall manager, two part time cleaners, a part time director of children and youth and a full-time youth worker and a trainee worship pastor.

Expenses are paid to the Rector in connection with his duties as incumbent (but not in connection with his position as PCC chairman), and to the curates.

4. Fixed Assets

	Property £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost			
Opening balance 1 January	277,121	34,925	312,046
Purchases in year	-	-	-
Total cost 31 December	277,121	34,925	312,046
Depreciation			
Opening balance 1 January	-	33,788	33,788
Depreciation charge for 2020	-	284	284
Accumulated depreciation 31 Dec 2020	-	34,072	34,072
Net book value 31 December 2020	<u>277,121</u>	<u>853</u>	<u>277,974</u>
Net book value 31 December 2019	<u>277,121</u>	<u>1,137</u>	<u>278,258</u>

In order to support the appointment of a curate in 2009 the PCC purchased 35 Woking Road (the "House for Ministry") for a gross cost of £275,121. This is a significant investment for the future and the PCC is most grateful for all those who have contributed and supported this endeavour. This property is shown at historic cost in the balance sheet.

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5. Funds analysis

	Opening balance 1 January £	Net surplus before transfers £	Transfers £	Closing balance 31 December £
Unrestricted funds	321,346	16,783	-	338,128
Designated funds	-	-	-	-
Restricted funds	-	2,000	-	2,000
TOTAL	321,346	18,783	-	340,128

6. Analysis of Net Assets

	Fixed assets £	Current assets £	Current liabilities £	Long term liabilities £	Total net assets £
Unrestricted funds	277,974	61,154	1,000	-	338,128
Designated funds	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted funds	-	2,000	-	-	2,000
TOTAL	277,974	63,154	1,000	-	340,128

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Independent examiner's report to the PCC of St John the Evangelist, Stoke next Guildford

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of [insert named of applicable listed body], which is one of the listed bodies.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Signed:



Relevant professional qualification(s) or membership of professional bodies (if any): ACA

Date: 13 April 2021