

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER, ST PAUL AND ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY, BOVEY TRACEY.

England & Wales · Charity number 1128849

Details

Other names	PCC Bovey Tracey, PPT, BOVEY TRACEY
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-03-27
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: To proclaim the Gospel of Christ in Bovey Tracey and the wider area of the Bovey Basin

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Devon

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£127,133	£187,967	-	-
2023-12-31	£157,822	£148,200	-	-
2022-12-31	£140,012	£128,313	-	-
2021-12-31	£162,002	£134,531	-	-
2020-12-31	£157,404	£138,887	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev William Graham Hamilton	Chair	
Andrew James William Barnes		2025-05-10
Annie Elizabeth Cook		2025-05-10
Dawn Elizabeth Hamilton		2013-04-20
Dr Kathryn Virginia Law		2024-04-20
Gregory Ryan Wilgar-Jones		2024-04-20
Jack Knightly		2020-10-03
Karen Ruth Chesterman		2024-04-20
Mark David Alexander		2023-06-15
Mathew Robert Percy		2019-06-01
Michael James Codner		2023-06-15
Peter John Chesterman		2022-04-09
Roy Aubrey Pitchford		2023-06-15
Roy Michael White		2017-04-29
Sally Nicola Simmons		2025-05-10
Simon James Orlando Merrett		2025-05-10
Steven Matheson		2025-05-10
Susie Jane Beauchamp		2025-05-10

Accounts



The Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd. Graham Hamilton, in promoting the whole mission of the church- pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical, within the boundaries of the ecclesiastical parish. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church and the Church Rooms.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The following Mission Statement was agreed in 2008:

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- **Enhance** loving unity among Christians at every level
- **Empower** every disciple to fulfil their calling, exercise their gifts in God's world and thus
- **Exalt** God's name in our lives and our praises.'

A shortened version of this Mission Statement is:

'Our mission is to enable all people to know Jesus and to enjoy His rule in their lives.'

When planning our activities, our incumbent and PCC seek to enable as many people as possible to live out their faith as part of our community through (i) worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus; (ii) provision of pastoral care for people living in the benefice, and (iii) mission and outreach. This is in accordance with the guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit and particularly the specific guidance on the advancement of the Christian faith. To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of PPT and the church Room which provides facilities for many people and community groups.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

2024 was a stormy year - more Atlantic hurricanes than any year since naming began in 2015. The political weather was also stormy, with the threat of war spreading from Ukraine to Europe and from Gaza to the wider middle East. The General Election in July brought a change of UK government and the US Presidential Election in November saw the return of Donald Trump.

The Church of England continued to wrestle with the controversial 'Prayers of Love and Faith'. The publication of the Makin Review into sexual abuse by John Smyth led to the resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Rt Rev Justin Welby, and calls for the resignation of the Archbishop of York for his role in other cases. These national controversies have undoubtedly had an impact locally, with two families leaving because they no longer wanted to be associated with the Church of England in any way, and disagreements within the congregation and PCC on the best way to respond. There was a clear reduction in donations to the church, and the appeal for volunteers in the autumn did not produce much response.

Our parish life was significantly impacted by the absence of the vicar, Rev Graham Hamilton, for 5 months (Feb-June) while he underwent chemotherapy for an aggressive lymphoma. He was able to work from home for much of the time, pre-recorded some sermons and wrote two papers about the national church situation ("A lament for the Church of England" and "For such a time as this" which are available on the church website). We give thanks to God for his recovery and gradual

return to public duties from July and want to express our gratitude to the retired clergy (Rev David Harris, Rev Paul Reynolds and Canon Michael Sansom) and licensed lay ministers, especially Mrs Carolyn Laycock and Mr Graham Whittle, who sustained regular Sunday services, funerals and weddings, supported by many other local and retired ministers and volunteers during his absence. We were sad to say farewell to Rev Paul Reynolds, who moved to Taunton in September, but we were delighted to welcome two new licensed lay ministers to the parish: Mr David Robinson (from Oxford Diocese) and Mr Richard Orr (from Dawlish). We also enjoyed the ministry of Mr Jon Bealey, who did a placement at PPT as part of his ordination training, and we started a training group for four potential preachers, who have preached at the 5pm evening service.

This year we conducted 12 funerals, sadly including many members of the congregation: Mrs Theresa Samuels, Mrs Cilla Turner, Mr John Rickett, Mrs Rose White, Mr David Risdon and Sir Jonathan Clarke. We also conducted three weddings, one wedding blessing, and two baptisms.

WORSHIP & PRAYER

We sustained three Sunday services through the year. Rev Alex Sharp from Chudleigh led the St Georges Day service for youth organisations, and Graham was able to take the Remembrance Sunday parade and Christmas services. There were united services for Pentecost and Harvest. The sermons this year have expounded the gospels of John and Matthew, Paul's first letter to the Corinthians and the OT book of Numbers.

Midweek, prayer meetings are held on Zoom on Monday and Friday, and a Wednesday Communion in the Church Room. The monthly prayer meeting is held on the first Wednesday evening of the month.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

Our mission statement emphasises that the church exists to make disciples for Jesus Christ, each of whom has a responsibility to give a reason for the hope that is within them. The vicar's illness disrupted plans to repeat the door-to-door visitation after Easter. In January 2024 The vicar ran a 'Hope Explored' course in the Church Room with several participants, and a course preparing 7 children to receive Communion before confirmation, and a 'Simply Christianity' course in January 2025, but this is an area of weakness for which the whole congregation has a responsibility.

We continued to pray and raise funds for a variety of local, national and international mission agencies. We welcomed several guest speakers -Jane Gillis from Falcon Camps in May, James Sandels from YWAM and Rob Fowler from Compassion UK in July, Choices Pregnancy Network in September and a special presentation by the Christian Institute in October on a range of topics, especially the Assisted Dying Bill which received its second reading in Parliament in November 2024.

PASTORAL CARE

There are now eleven small groups meeting regularly for bible study, fellowship and prayer including the men's weekly 7am prayer breakfast.

Camilla Matheson stepped down from leading the 'First Steps' toddlers group at Easter, after 14 years service, and the group continues under a new name "Friday Friends" and the leadership of Rosie Stephens and Shirley Codner. They also oversee the children's Sunday Club, whose numbers have remained healthy. Rosie led a team of adults and 13 children to attend the Spree camp in June and organised a wonderful 'Light Party' at Halloween and co-ordinated school visits and Christingle.

The number of young people in youth groups grew under the energetic leadership of Angie Blanche: she resigned her post in February 2025 to take up a new role as Family Worker in Ashburton and will be greatly missed.

Jill Hosford continues to lead the Anna Chaplaincy team and recruit new members. The team regularly visits and holds services at Mulberry House. The Friendship Lunch held monthly through the winter at Stover Golf Club continues to provide Christian fellowship and encouragement to those who struggle to attend church on Sundays, and a lovely tea party was held in the summer.

Jill also launched a monthly 'Good Grief' (Bereavement) cafe at Bovey Methodist church. The Men's Curry night, organised by Jon Evans, has alternated between PPT and Bovey Baptist in the winter months.

FABRIC & ADMINISTRATION

The church building and church room have been in full use throughout the year, and the Monday maintenance group work hard to keep the grounds and buildings in good order. Mrs Cheryl Newport is employed to clean the church room. The marquee provided valuable service for the summer season, especially for Sunday Club and First Steps, though the grass is wearing badly.

Significant progress was made with two fabric projects. The South Porch glass doors were finally installed in September, and work began in November on a new LED lighting system (completed in February 2025), as well as emergency repairs to the church electrical systems, new lights in the church room and along the path in the Courtenay memorial garden. A new shed was erected in the church room garden, to replace the storage bunkers and preserve the marquee. An AED defibrillator was installed outside the church room. Two surveys of the steel subframe for the bells in the tower were made, and major remedial work may be needed in the next few years.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment and election of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules 2020. At the APCM in 2020 the electoral roll renewed its decision of 2015 to reduce its elected representation on the PCC from 12 to 9. This took effect from the APCM in 2021. All those who regularly attend church are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC and to the Deanery Synod. A revision to the way that PCC members are elected was approved by the PCC during 2017 as a result of the need for a postal ballot in 2017.

The PCC met 6 times in 2024. (once outdoors to allow Graham to attend while immune-compromised). An average of 14 PCC members attended each meeting, with 2 apologies. At the APCM held on 23 May 2024, Mr Mark Alexander stepped down as church warden, and Mrs Sue Nickels and Mr Barry Newport stepped down from the PCC. Mr Peter Chesterman and Mr Michael Codner were elected as churchwardens, and after a contested election Mrs Katie Law, Mrs Karen Chesterman and Mr Steve Matheson were elected.

Three members of the PPT congregation were elected unopposed in the Diocesan Synodical Elections in the summer, and become members of the PCC *ex officio*- Mr Roy White, Mr Mark Alexander and Mrs Dawn Hamilton. In September the PCC co-opted Mr Greg Wilgar to fill the casual vacancy on Deanery created by Mr Roy White's election to Diocesan Synod.

The PCC spent much time and attention on the door and lighting fabric projects, as well as planning for a replacement heating system, as the oil boiler will soon be beyond repair.

The PCC has also been considering the impact of PLF on people's confidence in the church, and their willingness to serve and give. The PCC requested 'Alternative Spiritual oversight' from the CEEC, and a special congregational meeting was held on Sat 28 September, supported by Bishop Rod Thomas to consider the use of the Ephesian Fund as a channel to pay Common Fund to the Diocese while expressing our concern about the direction of national and diocesan leadership. After lively debate and wider consultations, the PCC agreed in January to provide two accounts, enabling individuals to decide whether to give to the PCC and Common Fund directly or via the Ephesian Fund, and this has produced a noticeable rise in income.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Roy Pitchford has served throughout the year as Church Treasurer and has continued to provide detailed financial reports month by month. The accounts for 2024 were independently examined by Mrs. Clare Lillington.

Total receipts were £127,133 in 2024 (£161,897 in 2023, including £15,404 from Gift Aid, but no legacies.

Total expenditure for the year was £157,186 (£149,290 in 2023), plus £30,782 on the glass door

and church lighting projects.

This year we continued the policy for **outward (charitable) giving** (dedicating all cash and contactless payments received on Sundays and any BACS payments so marked) to the mission focus for the month. This raised £6,202 (£11,969 in 2023).

The final accounts for 2024, when compared with 2023 show a significant reduction in planned giving. Fee Income from weddings and funerals was also lower. With no legacies, this produced a deficit of £45,010 on general funds. This is clearly unsustainable, and the PCC launched an appeal for funds in January 2025, which seems to have been successful.

The Common Fund contribution requested by the Diocese for 2024 was £84,760 (£83,831 in 2023). The PCC renewed its resolve to pay at least the cost of clergy figure, and in 2024 we paid £71,280 (£68,195 in 2023) (the estimated cost of a Vicar's stipend, pension, NI, and housing, and share of central costs). With income from funeral and wedding fees and Hennock's contribution of £7,433, this still makes us a net contributor to the Diocese, though giving £13,480 less than requested by the Common Fund formula,

Total cash reserves on 31 December were £96,169 (£157,004 in 2023), a reduction we forecast last year as we planned to meet the cost of the glass doors and new church lighting from our reserves and contributions from parishioners.

The General (unrestricted) Fund stands at £83,641 (£128,651 in 2023).

Restricted Funds (use specified by donors- cannot be changed)

The Youth & Children's Fund has been reduced from £10,984 to £2,902.

The glass door fund is now closed, and the Fabric Fund has been reduced to £270.

Designated Funds (use specified by PCC - can be changed)

The organ fund stands at £4,989,

The vicar's discretionary fund is now £2,179.

Each mission agency has its own designated fund, and these are paid in full each year.

Reserves Policy

The PCC has resolved to maintain a balance on our general (unrestricted) funds which equates to at least three months' salaries for all our staff, Common Fund payments and regular bills, but to include funds in the Local Ministry Fund and Youth & Children's Fund to local staff costs.

STAFF

In December 2024 the PCC employed four part-time local staff - the Family Worker, Youth Worker, Church Cleaner and Office Administrator. Their purpose is to co-ordinate and support the work of the many volunteers who continue to provide the backbone of church life.

VOLUNTEERS

We are grateful to all those volunteers who continue to maintain the worship, mission, and community life of the church. The range of tasks includes visiting, supporting groups for young and old, playing or singing music, welcoming, reading, and leading prayers at services, providing and serving refreshments after services, cleaning and maintaining the fabric of our buildings and grounds, supporting the sick and housebound. We give thanks for the growing number of enthusiastic bell ringers and 11am choir members.

We have endeavoured to ensure that all volunteers have access to the relevant health and safety policies and risk assessments, and these are available to all on the PPT website, www.pptbovey.church.

We remain very grateful to the Monday Maintenance Group for keeping the church buildings and grounds in good condition and for undertaking all routine maintenance and repair work. This essential work is always carried out promptly and efficiently and saves much expenditure of the church's funds.

Safeguarding

Mrs Shirley Codner has maintained safeguarding administration, and Mr Tim Stephens has sustained the role of Safeguarding representative.

Administration

Mrs Camilla Matheson works as church administrator, producing weekly notice sheets, service sheets and updating the laptop for projecting services. She and Jill Hosford have played a vital part in the glass door and new lighting faculty process, and in the forthcoming heating project.

Mrs Jane Midgley has continued to serve as church room booking secretary.

Mr Mike Limb photocopies and posts notice sheets, service orders, assists the treasurer and regularly acts as warden at most funerals and weddings.

The volunteer rotas for the three services are organised by Shirley Codner at 9.30am, Camilla Matheson at 11am and Mark Alexander at 5pm.

DEANERY SYNOD

The Newton Abbot Deanery met twice, at Kingskerwell on 5 June 2024, and Ashburton on 23 October.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

Bovey Baptist Church and PPT continued to work together in shared youth and children's events, but the ministers have not met regularly this year. The vicar maintains contact with other church leaders in the town and area.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The parish church of St Peter, St Paul, and St Thomas of Canterbury (PPT) is situated on East Street, Bovey Tracey, Devon. It is a parish in the Diocese of Exeter, within the Church of England. The address for correspondence is The Church Rooms, East Street, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 9EN.

The parish website can be accessed via www.pptbovey.church

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020) and has been registered with the Charity Commission (Charity #1128849, since 27th March 2009).

Those who served from the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 23 May 2024 until the date of this report are:

Ex-officio Members (by right of office)

Incumbent	Revd. Graham Hamilton Chairman
Churchwardens	Mr Peter Chesterman (Vice-Chair) Mr Mike Codner
Diocesan Synod	Mrs Dawn Hamilton Mr Roy White Mr Mark Alexander
Deanery Synod	Mr Greg Wilgar Mr Jack Knightly Mr Mathew Percy

Elected Members

Mrs Sharon Alexander	Mr Mike Limb	
Mrs Katie Law	Mrs Jill Hosford	
Mrs Karen Chesterman	Mrs Shirley Codner	(secretary)
Mr Tim Stephens	Mr Roy Pitchford	(treasurer)
Mr Steve Matheson		

Approved by the PCC on and signed on their behalf by Rev Graham Hamilton (PCC Chairman)

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury - Charity Number 1128849
For the year ending 31st December 2024
Receipts and Payments Account

	General	Designated	Restricted	2024	2023
RECEIPTS					
Donations and Legacies					
Collection - Church	1,225	20	0	1,245	1,211
Collection - Planned Giving	83,278	500	50	83,828	90,876
Collection - PPT Charities	236	5,916	50	6,202	11,969
Gift Aid HMRC	15,404	0	0	15,404	24,414
Donations Received	1,043	570	6,912	8,525	3,584
Legacies	0	0	0	0	15,000
	101,186	7,006	7,012	115,204	147,055
Other Voluntary Receipts					
Sundry Income	360	0	0	360	29
Deeper Youth Camp	0	0	0	0	905
Opening balance adjustment	0	0	0	0	921
	360	0	0	360	1,855
Income from Church Activities					
Letting - Church Rooms	2,731	0	0	2,731	1,968
Fees - Funerals	3,653	0	0	3,653	5,443
Fees - Weddings	1,078	0	0	1,078	2,990
Fund Raising	0	0	0	0	1,110
Publication Costs Recovered	370	0	0	370	251
	7,832	0	0	7,832	11,762
Receipts from Investments					
Interest - Lloyds Savings Account	1,006	0	0	1,006	428
Interest - Lloyds Deposit Account	1,344	0	0	1,344	0
Interest - CCLA	1,386	0	0	1,386	798
	3,737	0	0	3,737	1,226
TOTAL RECEIPTS	113,115	7,006	7,012	127,133	161,897

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Receipts and Payments Account

	General	Designated	Restricted	2024	2023
PAYMENTS					
Church Activities					
Administration	6,278	0	0	6,278	6,381
Bank Charges	179	0	0	179	184
Catering & Cleaning	2,103	0	0	2,103	1,637
Diocesan Contribution	71,280	0	0	71,280	68,195
Donations given	28	0	0	28	153
Fabric Costs	8,864	6,024	1,225	16,113	11,797
Expenses - Administrator	420	0	0	420	1,732
Expenses - Clergy & Lay Workers	1,969	0	0	1,969	1,301
Expenses - Family Worker	2,529	0	0	2,529	0
Expenses - Youth Worker	(11)	0	1,133	1,122	2,674
Insurance Premiums	5,391	0	0	5,391	5,210
Outward Giving	384	5,071	0	5,455	11,881
Outreach - General	1,363	0	190	1,553	862
Outreach - Anna Chaplaincy	0	75	0	75	0
Outreach - Spree	869	0	0	869	0
Publications - Magazines - Books	538	0	0	538	274
Staff Salaries	25,388	0	7,060	32,448	29,636
Sundry Expenses	1,447	0	0	1,447	374
Training	592	0	0	592	274
Utilities	5,207	0	0	5,207	3,857
Worship Expenses	1,589	0	0	1,589	2,867
	136,407	11,170	9,608	157,185	149,290
Other expenditure					
Project - Glass Doors	3,742	0	3,240	6,982	1,794
Project - New Church Lighting	17,976	927	4,897	23,800	270
	21,718	927	8,137	30,782	2,064
TOTAL PAYMENTS	158,125	12,097	17,745	187,967	151,354
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	(45,010)	(5,092)	(10,733)	(60,835)	10,543
Surplus brought forward	128,651	14,718	13,635	157,004	146,461
Surplus carried forward	83,641	9,626	2,902	96,169	157,004

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury - Charity Number 1128849**For the year ending 31st December 2024****Movement in Funds in the year****Designated**

	Brought Forward	Receipts	Payments	Carried Forward
Anna Chaplaincy	-	602	75	527
Bell Ringing	212	20	-	232
Bovey Social Fund	150	-	-	150
Church Flowers Fund	212	-	-	212
Christian Institute	-	317	317	-
Compassion UK	-	736	736	-
Choices Pregnancy Centre	-	406	406	-
Fabric Fund	6,951	270	6,951	270
Falcon Camps	-	378	378	-
Heatree Activity Centre	-	405	405	-
Leprosy Mission	-	459	459	-
Open Doors	25	475	364	135
Organ Fund	4,989	-	-	4,989
Peninsula Gospel Partnership	-	299	299	-
Royal British Legion	-	455	455	-
Sandels YWAM	-	789	789	-
Tear Fund	-	462	462	-
Vicar's Fund	2,179	-	-	2,179
Youth Cafe	-	932	-	932
	14,718	7,006	12,098	9,626

Restricted

Fabric Fund	1,434	4,688	6,122	-
Glass Door Fund	1,216	2,024	3,240	-
Youth Work Fund	10,984	300	8,383	2,902
	13,635	7,012	17,746	2,902

General

General - General Fund	128,651	113,115	158,125	83,641
	157,004	127,133	187,968	96,169

ST PETER, ST PAUL and ST THOMAS of CANTERBURY - Charity Number 1128849

For the year ending 31st December 2024

Fund Movement Summary

Fund	Brought Forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Carried Forward
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Bovey Social Fund - Designated	150	-	-	150
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Compassion UK - Designated	-	736	736	-
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Falcon Camps - Designated	-	378	378	-
Glass Door Fund - Restricted	1,216	2,024	3,240	-
General - General Fund	128,651	113,115	158,125	83,641
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Organ Fund - Designated	4,989	-	-	4,989
Peninsula Gospel Partnership - Designated	-	299	299	-
Royal British Legion - Designated	-	455	455	-
Sandels YWAM - Designated	-	789	789	-
Tear Fund - Designated	-	462	462	-
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Youth Cafe - Designated	-	932	-	932
Youth Work Fund - Restricted	10,984	300	8,383	2,902
Totals	157,004	127,133	187,968	96,169

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96,169

Outward Giving 2024

	2024	2023
Christian Institute	317	50
Compassion UK	736	604
Choices Pregnancy Centre	406	398
Falcon Camps	378	832
Heatree Activity Centre	405	-
Leprosy Mission	459	1,714
Open Doors	364	949
Outward Giving Fund	-	371
Peninsula Gospel Partnership	299	499
Royal British Legion	455	463
Sandels YWAM	789	642
Tear Fund	462	2,602
Youth Cafe	932	473
	5,071	9,597

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Statement of Assets

Cash Funds	General	Designated	Restricted	2024	2023
Lloyds Business Account	61	-	-	61	-
Lloyds Business Account	6,397			6,397	30,630
Lloyds Savings Account	51,159	8,132	2,902	62,193	22,242
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit	-	-	-	-	78,000
Cash	13	-	-	13	13
	57,630	8,132	2,902	68,664	130,885
Investments					
CBF Investment	26,010	-	-	26,010	24,699
CBF Vicar's	-	1,495	-	1,495	1,420
	26,010	1,495	-	27,505	26,119
	83,640	9,627	2,902	96,169	157,004

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Peter, St Paul and St
Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey, Parochial Church Council
Charity number 1128849**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Church for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 Charity'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 Charity 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.

C.W. Lillington

Clare Lillington FMAAT
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2nd May 2025

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REVIEW OF THE YEAR

2023 was not as tumultuous as 2022, though the war in Ukraine continued to impact the economy, and the conflict in Gaza provoked by Hamas has raised tensions in the Middle East. Charles III was crowned on 6 May. The Church of England is increasingly divided over questions of sexuality, following the vote at General Synod in February 2023. The congregation was polled for their views of the vote in March 2023, and of the 105 who responded, 66% disagreed with the *Prayers of Love & Faith*, 26% welcomed them, with 9% undecided.

The Wardens and PCC submitted a faculty application for glass doors to the south porch and accepted a tender for a new lighting system in church. Some repair work was done to the Vicarage. The PCC met 4 times in 2023. An average of 14 PCC members attended, with 2 apologies. The issues that dominated our discussions were relations with the Diocese and Church of England, progressing work on the glass doors and installing new lighting, electrics, and heating, while continuing to provide pastoral care and public worship. The APCM was held on 20 May 2023.

WORSHIP and PRAYER

We have sustained a regular pattern of three Sunday services (9.30am, 11am & 5pm) throughout the year, as well as midweek Communion and Morning Prayer on Monday and Fridays via Zoom. The monthly prayer meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month, but attendance remains low. A special service was held outdoors at 9.30am for Easter, and a St George's Day service for uniformed groups was celebrated on 23 April. A Service of Thanksgiving for the Coronation of King

Charles III was held on Sunday 7 May, and well attended, as was the Remembrance Sunday parade service. Seven Weddings, eleven funerals and four baptisms were conducted in church. During the year we have continued our practice of expository sermon series. We started a two-year series through the gospel of John, Paul's first epistle to the Corinthians and a lively series in Exodus. The Church hosted superb concerts by the Brodsky Quartet and the classical guitarist David Jaggs

CHURCH BUILDINGS

The church building and church room have been in full use throughout the year, and the Monday maintenance group have worked hard to keep the grounds and buildings in good order. Mrs Cheryl Newport is employed to clean the church room.

Several projects have been completed. The Church Room was repainted (in February 2024) and a Defibrillator has been installed outside the church room. Mr David Horton created a moveable ramp to enable Mr Michael Wigney to play the organ from his wheelchair.

The marquee provided valuable service for the summer season, especially for Sunday Club and First Steps, though the church room grass is hard worn.

PASTORAL CARE

Camilla Matheson has run the First Steps Mothers & Toddlers group each Friday for 14 years with great warmth and hospitality but stepped down at Easter 2024.

Rosie Stephens has worked hard as Family worker, supported by many volunteers, especially Shirley Codner, and is developing stronger links with Bovey Primary School and Bovey Baptist Church and their family worker, Abi Evans, as well as supporting the Mums' Bible study on Tuesdays, First Steps group on Fridays, and the Explosion Club on Tuesday evenings. She also led a group to the Spree Festival

Angie Blanche has continued as Youth Worker. She runs two groups each week, which have grown steadily under her leadership: the Sunday evening group for 14-18s, and Wise Guys for 11-14s, meeting in the Town Youth Café on Monday evenings. She also offering mentoring with individuals, and plays an active role in the Bovey Youth Café.

Sunday Club is co-ordinated by Shirley Codner, who also co-ordinates the volunteers at 9.30am Sunday Praise

Jill Hosford continues to develop her role as Anna Chaplain, with a team of Anna Friends to care for the housebound and elderly. The vicar and staff team members have sustained a programme of home communion visits to the housebound and local residential homes, and the monthly Friendship Lunch, now held at the Stover Golf Club.

A new Ladies' Pudding evening meets bi-monthly in the Church Room, co-ordinated by Sarah Margetts, and the Men's Curry night, organised by John Evans, alternates between PPT and Bovey Baptist in the winter months. Dawn Hamilton started a Ladies' sewing group in September which meets weekly on Thursday mornings in the Church Room and has a small but dedicated following.

There are now eleven small groups meeting regularly for bible study, fellowship and prayer including the men's weekly 7am prayer breakfast.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

The PCC considers that the church exists to make disciples for Jesus Christ, each of whom has a responsibility to give a reason for the hope that is within them. A small team of volunteers worked with the vicar to visit local residents in April 2023, and were well received. The vicar ran a 'Hope Explored' course in the Church Room in Autumn 2023 with several participants.

DEANERY SYNOD

The new Newton Abbot Deanery met twice, At Ipplepen in January, and again at Ipplepen in November to welcome the members newly elected for the next Triennium. Rev Andrew Down is the current Rural Dean.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

Bovey Baptist Church and PPT continued to work together in shared youth and children's events, but the ministers have not met so regularly this year. The vicar maintains contact with other church leaders in the town and area.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Roy Pitchford has served throughout the year as Church Treasurer. Using existing software re-setup with the support of Mrs Clare Lillington he is now able to provide detailed financial reports month by month. The accounts for 2023 were independently examined by Mrs Clare Lillington.

Total receipts on general (unrestricted) funds were £146,859 (£129,879 in 2022), including £24,415 from Gift Aid, and legacies of £15,000.

Total expenditure on general funds for the year was £124,434 (£113,581 in 2022).

This year we continued the policy for **outward (charitable) giving**, dedicating all cash and contactless payments received on Sundays (and any BACS payments so marked) to the mission focus for the month. This raised £11,881 (£6,710 in 2022) - a commendable increase in generosity.

The final accounts for 2023, when compared with 2022, show a slight increase in planned giving and a reduction in fee income for weddings and funerals. Without legacies of £15,000 this would have produced a small surplus of £7,425, but in fact we ended the year with a surplus of £9,622.

The Common Fund contribution requested by the Diocese for 2023 was £83,831 (£86,278 in 2022). The PCC renewed its resolve to pay at least the cost of clergy figure, and in 2023 we paid £65,040 (the estimated cost of a Vicar's stipend, pension, NI, and housing, and share of central costs). With income from funeral and wedding fees and Hennock's contribution of £7,433, this still makes us a net contributor to the Diocese, though giving £18,791 less than requested by the Common Fund formula, which is calculated as a flat rate of £11.93 a week for each participant (defined as any adult worshipping monthly), after an allowance for buildings and a socio-economic modifier, and functions as a regressive tax upon growing churches. As a protest against the Diocesan endorsement of the Prayers of Love & Faith, after correspondence with the Bishop the PCC paused its regular payment of share from July to November but paid the monies held back in December.

Total cash reserves at 31 December were £157,004. We expect the installation of glass doors to cost £6,000 and the new lighting scheme to cost £60,000 in the coming year.

The General (unrestricted) Fund stands at £128,651.

Restricted Funds (use specified by donors- cannot be changed)

The Youth & Children's Fund has been reduced to £10,984.

The glass door fund stands at £1,216. the restricted Fabric Fund stands at £1,434.

Designated Funds (use specified by PCC - can be changed)

The organ fund stands at £4,989, and the Fabric Fund at £6,951. The vicar's discretionary fund is now £2,180. Plus small giving funds £598.

Reserves Policy

The PCC has resolved to maintain a balance on our general (unrestricted) funds which equates to at least three months' salaries for all our staff, Common Fund payments and regular bills, but to include funds in the Local Ministry Fund and Youth & Children's Fund to local staff costs.

STAFF

The PCC now employs four part-time local staff - the Family Worker, Youth Worker, Church Cleaner and Office Administrator. Their purpose is to co-ordinate and support the work of the many volunteers who continue to provide the backbone of church life.

VOLUNTEERS

We are grateful to all those volunteers who continue to maintain the worship, mission, and community life of the church. The range of tasks includes visiting, supporting groups for young and old, playing or singing music, welcoming, reading, and leading prayers at services, cleaning and maintaining the fabric of our buildings and grounds, supporting the sick and housebound. We have

endeavoured to ensure that all volunteers have access to the relevant health and safety policies and risk assessments and these are available to all on the PPT website, www.pptbovey.church. Regular support in leading services was provided by the Licensed Lay Minister (formerly known as Lay Reader) Mrs Carolyn Laycock, and the retired clergy with permission to officiate: Canon Michael Sansom, Rev Paul Reynolds and Rev David Harris.

We remain very grateful to the Monday Maintenance Group for keeping the church buildings and grounds in good condition and for undertaking all routine maintenance and repair work. This essential work is always carried out promptly and efficiently and saves much expenditure of the church's funds.

A new team of volunteers is now supporting the administration of the church, and the vital work of safeguarding (Shirley Codner, Tim Stephens) , organising rotas (Shirley Codner at 9.30am, Camilla Matheson at 11am and Mark Alexander at 5pm) , and printing and posting leaflets and service orders (Mike Limb).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment and election of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules 2020. At the APCM in 2020 the electoral roll renewed its decision of 2015 to reduce its elected representation on the PCC from 12 to 9. This took effect from the APCM in 2021. All those who regularly attend church are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC and to the Deanery Synod. A Revision to the way that PCC members are elected was approved by the PCC during 2017 as a result of the need for a postal ballot in 2017.

Safeguarding

Mrs Shirley Codner has maintained safeguarding administration, and Mr Tim Stephens has sustained the role of Safeguarding representative.

Administration

Mrs Camilla Matheson works as church administrator, producing weekly notice sheets, service sheets and updating the laptop for projecting services. She is also taking more responsibility in handling faculty applications. Mrs Jane Midgley has continued to serve as church room booking secretary.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The parish church of St Peter, St Paul, and St Thomas of Canterbury (PPT) is situated on East Street, Bovey Tracey, Devon. It is a parish in the Diocese of Exeter, within the Church of England. The address for correspondence is The Church Rooms, Coombe Cross, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ13 9EN.

The parish website can be accessed via www.pptbovey.church

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020) and has been registered with the Charity Commission (Charity #1128849, since 27th March, 2009).

At the APCM in May 2023 Mr Mark Alexander and Mr Michael Codner were elected as Church Wardens.

Mr Mike Limb and Mrs Jill Hosford were elected as PCC members, as they were stepping down as Church Wardens, and also Mr Roy Pitchford was elected.

Mr Jack Knightly, Mr Mathew Percy and Mr Roy White were elected as Deanery Synod representatives for the next triennium.

PCC members standing down at the time of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May 2023 were Mrs Jane Midgley and Mr David Barlow.

Those who served from the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 20 May 2023 until the date of this report are:

Ex-officio Members (by right of office)

Incumbent Revd. Graham Hamilton Chairman

Churchwardens Mr Mark Alexander
 Mr Mike Codner

Diocesan Synod Mrs Dawn Hamilton
Deanery Synod Mr Roy White
Representatives : Mr Jack Knightly
 Mr Mathew Percy

Elected Members

Mrs Sharon Alexander	Mr Mike Limb	
Mr Barry Newport	Mrs Jill Hosford	
Mrs Sue Nickels	Mrs Shirley Codner	(Secretary)
Mr Tim Stephens	Mr Roy Pitchford	(treasurer)
Mr Peter Chesterman (Vice-Chair)		

Approved by the PCC on and signed on their behalf by Rev Graham Hamilton (PCC Chairman)

PCC Bovey Tracey Fund Movement Summary
01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Fund	01/01/23	Incoming	Outgoing	31/12/23
Bell Ringing - Designated	0.00	211.75	0.00	211.75
Bovey Social Fund - Designated	0.00	150.00	0.00	150.00
Church Flowers Fund - Designated	0.00	211.75	0.00	211.75
Christian Institute - Designated	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
Compassion UK - Designated	0.00	603.73	603.73	0.00
Choices Pregnancy Centre - Designated	0.00	397.76	397.76	0.00
Fabric Fund - Designated	8,472.40	0.00	1,521.00	6,951.40
Fabric Fund - Restricted	4,357.00	0.00	2,922.60	1,434.40
Falcon Camps - Designated	0.00	831.75	831.75	0.00
Glass Door Fund - Restricted	1,216.33	0.00	0.00	1,216.33
General - General Fund	105,304.25	153,378.81	130,953.16	127,729.90
Leprosy Mission - Designated	0.00	1,713.57	1,713.57	0.00
Open Doors - Designated	0.00	973.27	948.69	24.58
Outward Giving Fund - Restricted	371.36	0.00	371.36	0.00
Organ Fund - Designated	5,222.75	0.00	234.00	4,988.75
Peninsula Gospel Partnership - Designated	0.00	499.09	499.09	0.00
Royal British Legion - Designated	0.00	463.39	463.39	0.00
Sandels YWAM- Designated	0.00	642.28	642.28	0.00
Tear Fund - Designated	0.00	2,602.00	2,602.00	0.00
Vicar's Fund - Designated	1,376.60	802.73	0.00	2,179.33
Youth Cafe - Designated	0.00	472.85	472.85	0.00
Youth Work Fund - Restricted	20,140.00	337.00	9,492.54	10,984.46
Totals	146,460.69	164,341.73	154,719.77	156,082.65

Outward Giving - 2023

Christian Institute	50.00
Compassion UK	603.73
Choices Pregnancy Centre	397.76
Falcon Camps	831.75
Leprosy Mission	1 713.57
Open Doors	948.69
Outward Giving Fund	371.36
Peninsula Gospel Partnership	499.09
Royal British Legion	463.49
YWAM	642.28
Tear Fund	2 602.00
Bovey Tracey Youth Cafe	472.85
Total	<u>9 596.57</u>

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury Charity number 1128849

For the year ending 31st December 2023

Receipts and Payments Accounts

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2023	2022
RECEIPTS					
Donations and Legacies					
Regular giving					
Tax efficient planned giving	90876			90876	87418
Other Planned giving	1033			1033	5984
Collections at Services	1211			1211	1968
Gift Aid recovered	24415			24415	21442
Donations	3584			3584	40
	121119	0	0	121119	116852
Other Voluntary Receipts					
Legacy	15000			15000	1300
Sundry donations	29			29	6201
Deeper Youth Camp	905			905	0
Special appeals				0	0
Church Charity		10600	337	10937	3365
Diocesan Energy Grant	0			0	1780
	15934	10600	337	26871	12646
Income from church activities					
Fees (net)	5278			5278	6827
Publications	251			251	187
Church Room -Letting	1967			1967	1807
1st Steps	0			0	740
Office	0			0	501
Fund Raising	1110			1110	71
	8606	0	0	8606	10133
Receipts from Investments					
CBF funds	772	26		798	330
Interest	428			428	52
	1200	26	0	1226	382
TOTAL RECEIPTS	146859	10626	337	157822	140013
PAYMENTS					
Church Activities					
Parish Share	65040			65040	65000
Salaries-pastoral	15756		7018	22774	16090
Salaries-non pastoral	6862			6862	1805
Staff Expenses	1301			1301	2902
Administration	8114			8114	8807
Church Fabric	7140	1755	2923	11818	8239
Worship	2867			2867	3191
Mission (Outreach & Nurture)	3204	9225	371	12800	7016
Publications	274			274	0
Church Room costs	2043			2043	3824
1st steps	96			96	161
Utilities	3857			3857	4825
Insurance	5210			5210	4894
Training	274			274	60
Youth mission	200			200	1300
Youth Worker expenses	0		2474	2474	0
Sundry expenses inc catering	2196			2196	0
Sundry donations	0			0	200
TOTAL PAYMENTS	124434	10980	12786	148200	128314
Net receipts (payments)	22425	(354)	(12449)	9622	11699
Balance - 1 January 2023	106226	15072	26084	147382	135683
Transfers	0.00	0	0	0	
Balance - 31st December 2023	128651	14718	13635	157004	147382

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury **Charity number 1128849**
For the year ending 31st December 2023
Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2023 TOTAL	2022 TOTAL
Cash Funds					
Lloyds Current account	30630			30630	43914
Lloyds Savings account	22242	0	0	22242	78134
Lloyds Fixed Term Deposit	75766	2234		78000	0
CBF Investment Funds		11064	13635	24699	23944
CBF Vicar's Fund		1420		1420	1377
Cash	13			13	13
	128651	14718	13635	157004	147382

Movements in Funds in the year

	Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Bal c/fwd
Designated					
Organ fund	5223	0	234	0	4989
Vicar's fund	1377	803	0	0	2180
Fabric fund	8472	0	1521	0	6951
Bell ringing	0	212			212
Bovey Social fund	0	150			150
Church Flowers fund	0	212			212
Christian institute	0	50	50		0
Compassion UK	0	604	604		0
Choices Pregnancy Centre	0	398	398		0
Falcon Camps		832	832		0
Leprosy Mission		1713	1713		0
Open Doors		973	949		24
Peninsular Gospel Partnership		499	499		0
Royal British Legion		463	463		0
Sandels YWAM		642	642		0
Tear Fund		2602	2602		0
Youth Café		473	473		0
	15072	10626	10980	0	14718
Restricted					
Fabric fund	4357	0	2922	0	1435
Glass Door fund	1216	0	0	0	1216
Youth fund	20140	337	9493	0	10984
Outward Mission fund	371	0	371	0	0
	26084	337	12786	0	13635

Accounts approved by the PCC on 9th March 2023

Signed by Rev Graham Hamilton

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Peter, St Paul and St
Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey, Parochial Church Council
Charity number 1128849**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Church for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 Charity'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 Charity 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.

Clare Lillington FMAAT
Raddon,
Station Hill
Chudleigh
Newton Abbot
TQ13 0EE

18th April 2024

Accounts



The Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 2022

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev'd Graham Hamilton, in promoting the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, within the boundaries of the ecclesiastical parish. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Room.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The following Mission Statement was agreed in 2008:

'We believe that God's great purpose is to bring all creation to enjoy the peaceful rule of Jesus. We believe that as a network of churches in the Bovey area we are called to:

- **Enable** people of every age and background to become disciples of Jesus Christ
- **Engage** with God through the Bible, Prayer and Sacrament
- **Encourage** one another to live Christ-like lives
- **Enhance** loving unity among Christians at every level
- **Empower** every disciple to fulfil their calling, exercise their gifts in God's world and thus
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A shortened version of this Mission Statement is:

'Our mission is to enable all people to know Jesus and to enjoy His rule in their lives.'

When planning our activities, our incumbent and PCC seek to enable as many people as possible to live out their faith as part of our benefice's community through i) worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus; ii) provision of pastoral care for people living in the benefice, and iii) mission and outreach. This is in accordance with the guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit and particularly the specific guidance on the advancement of the Christian faith. To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of PPT and the church Room which provides facilities for many people and meetings.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

This has been a tumultuous year in many respects. COVID restrictions were fully lifted in February, the war in Ukraine had a massive impact on prices, and the Platinum Jubilee and then funeral of Queen Elizabeth. From a parish perspective life has been a little quieter and more normal, with the Vicar at last able to take an oft delayed Sabbatical. The Wardens and PCC have been trying to progress the application for glass doors to the south porch, and the replacement of the electrics and lighting system.

The PCC met 5 times in 2022. An average of 14 PCC members attended, with 3 apologies. The issues that dominated our discussions were finance and employing staff, minor works to the fabric and restoring public worship and activities after the worst of the COVID pandemic, providing pastoral care and public worship. The APCM was held on 9 April 2022.

WORSHIP and PRAYER

We have sustained a regular pattern of three services every Sunday throughout the year, as well as midweek Communion and daily prayers on Zoom. The monthly prayer meeting resumed in December, but attendance remains low. A special services was held outdoors for Easter, and Remembrance Sunday was held inside church for the first time since 2019. The first 'normal' Christmas since 2019 saw the regular carol services resume and numbers attending restored. Special services were held for the Platinum Jubilee and for the Queen's funeral.

Seven Weddings and two wedding blessings, thirteen funerals and ten baptisms were conducted in church.

During the year we have continued our practice of expository sermon series. We completed a two year series through the gospel of Luke, studied the epistle of James and a short series in Genesis.

CHURCH BUILDINGS

The church building and church room have been in full use throughout the year, and the Monday group have worked hard to keep the grounds in good order, and the church room cleaner, Mrs Cheryl Newport also cleaned the church on a voluntary basis.

Several projects have been completed. The Church Room floor was repaired, the fire door replaced, and a 65 inch TV installed to replace the broken projector and screen. The Church Lounge was painted, carpeted and furnished with comfortable chairs: this is a valuable space for small groups and courses.

The marquee provided another year of valuable service, especially for Sunday Club and First Steps, though the church room grass is hard worn. In the church building repairs were carried out to the organ and electric piano, and a silk banner that hung in the chancel has been sent for restoration at Lincoln University. The stonework of two windows has been sealed for protection against the elements. New bollards were installed on the church drive.

PASTORAL CARE

Rosie Stephens has worked hard as Family worker, supported by many volunteers, especially Shirley Codner, and is developing stronger links with Bovey Primary School and Bovey Baptist Church and their family worker, Abi Evans. Angie Blanche was appointed as Youth Worker in March 2022, and the two weekly groups have grown steadily under her leadership: the Sunday evening group for 14-18s, and Wise Guys for 11-14s, meeting in the Town Youth Café on Monday evenings.

Seven small groups for bible study, fellowship and prayer met during the year, as well as the Living in Love & Faith course during Lent led by the Vicar.

Jill Hosford trained as an Anna Chaplain, and is developing a new team of Anna Friends to care for the housebound and elderly. The vicar and staff team members have sustained a programme of home communion visits to the housebound and local residential homes.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

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DEANERY SYNOD

The new Newton Abbot Deanery met three times in Newton Abbot, and the Deanery Chapter met occasionally, while awaiting the appointment of a new Rural Dean.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

Bovey Baptist Church and PPT continued to work together in shared youth and children's events, but the ministers have not met so regularly this year. The decision of the local Methodist church to register for same-sex blessings has challenged our previous good relations.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Tafline Percy worked hard as church treasurer to resolve several outstanding issues with HMRC concerning Furlough and maternity payments, but was struggling with personal health issues. She had hoped to continue serving until November, but felt compelled to step down early, while Graham was on sabbatical. The Churchwardens are hugely grateful to Mrs Clare Lillington, a professional accountant from Chudleigh who stepped in to sort things out, and has now handed over the accounts to Mr Roy Pitchford, our new church treasurer.

The final accounts for 2022, when compared with 2021, show similar levels of regular giving, but without the special appeal of 2021, and similar levels of expenditure.

Total receipts on general (unrestricted) funds were £140,102 of which £118,660 was voluntary donations, and a further £21,442 was from Gift Aid.

This year we continued the policy for outward (charitable) giving , dedicating all cash and contactless payments received on Sundays (and any BACS payments so marked) to the mission focus for the month. This raised £6,710 in 2022 (£6,797 in 2021)

Total expenditure on general funds for the year was £128,313 (£134,531 in 2021) Expenditure on staff salaries increased with the employment of a youth worker from march, and administrator from July.

The Diocese requested Common Fund of £86,278 in 2022, slightly up from £85,156 in 2021, still the highest request of any church in Newton Abbot Deanery. In line with the PCC's policy, we paid £65,000 (the estimated cost of a Vicar's stipend, pension, NI and housing, and share of central costs). When Hennock's contribution of £7,433 is included, this still makes us a net contributor to the Diocese, though giving £21,028 less than requested by the Common Fund formula, which is a flat rate of £11.93 a week for each participant, defined as any adult worshipping monthly, after an allowance for buildings and a socio-economic modifier, and functions as a regressive tax upon growing churches. The PCC renewed its resolve to pay at least the cost of clergy figure, which the Diocese calculates as £64,486, and will review this figure in the light of this year's budget surplus.

Restricted Funds (use specified by donors- cannot be changed)

The Youth & Children's Fund remains at £20,140. The glass door fund stands at £1,216.

Designated Funds (use specified by PCC - can be changed)

The organ fund stands at £5,653, and the Fabric Fund at £20,841. The vicar's discretionary fund at £1,358.

Reserves Policy

The PCC has resolved to maintain a balance on our general (unrestricted) funds which equates to at least three months' salaries for all our staff, Common Fund payments and regular bills, but to include funds in the Local Ministry Fund and Youth & Children's Fund to local staff costs. This equates to £23,500 in December 2020.

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The PCC now employs four part-time local staff - the Family Worker, Youth Worker, Church Cleaner and Office Administrator. Their purpose is to co-ordinate and support the work of the many volunteers who continue to provide the backbone of church life.

VOLUNTEERS

We are grateful to all those volunteers who continue to maintain the church, its worship and community life. The range of tasks includes welcoming, reading and leading prayers at services, cleaning and maintaining the fabric of our buildings and grounds, supporting the sick and housebound. We have endeavoured to ensure that all volunteers have access to the relevant health and safety policies and risk assessments and these have been made available to all on the new PPT website, www.pptbovey.church, which was developed by Mr Tom Harrison. Regular support in leading services was provided by the Lay Reader (now called Licensed Lay Minister) Mrs Carolyn Laycock, and the retired clergy, Canon Michael Sansom, Rev Paul Reynolds and Rev David Harris.

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Safeguarding

This year Mrs Angie Blanche passed responsibility for Safeguarding administration to Mrs Shirley Codner, and Mr Tim Stephens took on the role of Safeguarding representative from Mrs Jane Midgley.

Administration

In July the PCC began to employ Mrs Camilla Matheson as church administrator for 5 hrs a week, in order to provide support for the churchwardens in the absence of the vicar. Mrs Jane Midgley has continued to serve as church room booking secretary and as PCC secretary.,

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At the APCM in May 2022 Mr David Barlow, Mr Tim Stephens, Mrs Shirley Codner, Mrs Sharon Alexander and Mrs Sue Nickels, were elected to serve on the PCC.

PCC members standing down at the time of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in May 2022 were Mr Charlie Beauchamp, Mr Mark Alexander, Hon Francis Gilbert

Those who served from the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 22 May 2022 until the date of this report are:

Ex-officio Members (by right of office)

Incumbent	Rev'd Graham Hamilton	Chairman
Churchwardens	Mrs Jill Hosford	
	Mr Mike Limb	(Vice-Chair)
Diocesan Synod	Mrs Dawn Hamilton	
Deanery Synod	Mr Roy White	
Representatives :	Mr David Barlow	
	Mr Mathew Percy	

Elected Members

Mrs Sharon Alexander	Mrs Jane Midgley	(Secretary)
Mr Barry Newport	Mrs Tafline Percy	(Treasurer until Nov)
Mrs Angie Blanche	Mr Jack Knightly	
Mrs Sue Nickels	Mrs Shirley Codner	
Mr Tim Stephens	Mr Roy Pitchford	(treasurer from Dec)

Approved by the PCC on and signed on their behalf by Rev Graham Hamilton (PCC Chairman)

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury
Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022
Receipts and Payments Accounts
Charity number 1128849

RECEIPTS	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2022	2021
Donations and Legacies					
Regular giving					
Tax efficient planned giving	87,418	0	0	87,418	88,570
Other Planned giving	5,984	0	0	5,984	6,631
Collections at Services	1,458	0	509	1,967	514
Gift Aid recovered	21,442	0	0	21,442	19,613
Donations	0	0	40	40	1,046
	116,302	0	549	116,851	116,374
Other Voluntary Receipts					
Legacy	1,300	0	0	1,300	735
Sundry donations	0	0	6,201	6,201	3,758
Friends of PPT	0	0	0	0	390
Special appeals	0	0	0	0	14,254
Church Charity	0	0	3,365	3,365	4,500
Diocesan Energy Grant	1,780	0	0	1,780	0
Furlough receipts	0	0	0	0	5,603
	3,080	0	9,566	12,646	29,240
Income from church activities					
Fees (net)	6,827	0	0	6,827	5,001
Publications	187	0	0	187	219
Church Room -Letting	1,807	0	0	1,807	3,677
1st Steps	740	0	0	740	343
Office	501	0	0	501	567
Fund Raising	71	0	0	71	1,560
	10,133	0	0	10,133	11,367
Receipts from Investments					
CBF funds	311	19	0	330	13
Interest	52	0	0	52	8
	363	19	0	382	21
TOTAL RECEIPTS	129,878	19	10,115	140,012	157,002
PAYMENTS	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2022	2021
Church Activities					
Parish Share	65,000	0	0	65,000	64,128
Salaries-pastoral	16,090	0	0	16,090	20,603
Salaries-non pastoral	1,805	0	0	1,805	0
Staff Expenses	2,902	0	0	2,902	525
Administration	8,807	0	0	8,807	7,018
Church Fabric	0	8,239	0	8,239	19,589
Worship	3,190	0	0	3,190	997
Mission (Outreach & Nurture)	522	0	6,494	7,016	6,600
Publications	0	0	0	0	126
Church Room costs	3,824	0	0	3,824	3,915
1st steps	161	0	0	161	0
Utilities	4,825	0	0	4,825	3,960
Insurance	4,894	0	0	4,894	4,727
Training	60	0	0	60	270
Youth mission	1,300	0	0	1,300	423
Sundry donations	200	0	0	200	1,650
TOTAL PAYMENTS	113,580	8,239	6,494	128,313	134,531
Net receipts (payments)	16,298	(8,220)	3,621	11,699	22,471
Balance - 1 January 2022	90,368	22,852	22,463	135,683	112,291
Prior year adjustment	0	0	0	0	921
Transfers	(440)	440	0	0	0
Balance - 31st December 2022	106,226	15,072	26,084	147,382	135,683

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury
Charity number 1128849
Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2022 TOTAL	2021 TOTAL
Cash Funds					
Lloyds Current account	43,914	0	0	43,914	32,978
Lloyds Deposit account	62,299	13,695	2,140	78,134	77,713
CBF Investment Funds	0	0	23,944	23,944	23,621
CBF Vicar's Fund	0	1,377	0	1,377	1,358
Cash	13	0	0	13	13
	106,226	15,072	26,084	147,382	135,683

Movements in Funds in the year

	Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Bal c/fwd
Designated					
Organ fund	5,653	440	870	0	5,223
Vicar's fund	1,358	19	0	0	1,377
Fabric fund	15,841	0	7,369	0	8,472
	22,852	459	8,239	0	15,072
Restricted					
Fabric fund	992	3,365	0	0	4,357
Glass Door fund	1,216	0	0	0	1,216
Youth fund	20,100	40	0	0	20,140
Outward Mission fund	155	6,710	6,494	0	371
	22,463	10,115	6,494	0	26,084

Accounts approved by the PCC on

Signed by Rev Graham Hamilton

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey, Parochial Church Council
Charity number 1128849

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Church for the year ended 31st December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

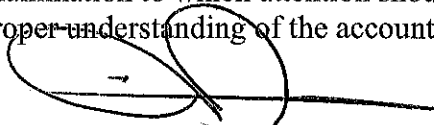
I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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 Charity 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.



I P Barrett FCA FCIE

Barretts
Chartered Accountants
22 Union Street
Newton Abbot
Devon TQ12 2JS

12th May 2023

Accounts



The Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and
St Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 2021

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev'd Graham Hamilton, in promoting the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, within the boundaries of the ecclesiastical parish. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Room.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The following Mission Statement was agreed in 2008:

'We believe that God's great purpose is to bring all creation to enjoy the peaceful rule of Jesus. We believe that as a network of churches in the Bovey area we are called to:

- **Enable** people of every age and background to become disciples of Jesus Christ
- **Engage** with God through the Bible, Prayer and Sacrament
- **Encourage** one another to live Christ-like lives
- **Enhance** loving unity among Christians at every level
- **Empower** every disciple to fulfil their calling, exercise their gifts in God's world and thus
- **Exalt** God's name in our lives and our praises.'

A shortened version of this Mission Statement is:

'Our mission is to enable all people to know Jesus and to enjoy His rule in their lives.'

When planning our activities, our incumbent and PCC seek to enable as many people as possible to live out their faith as part of our benefice's community through i) worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus; ii) provision of pastoral care for people living in the benefice, and iii) mission and outreach. This is in accordance with the guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit and particularly the specific guidance on the advancement of the Christian faith. To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of PPT and the church Room which provides facilities for many people and meetings.

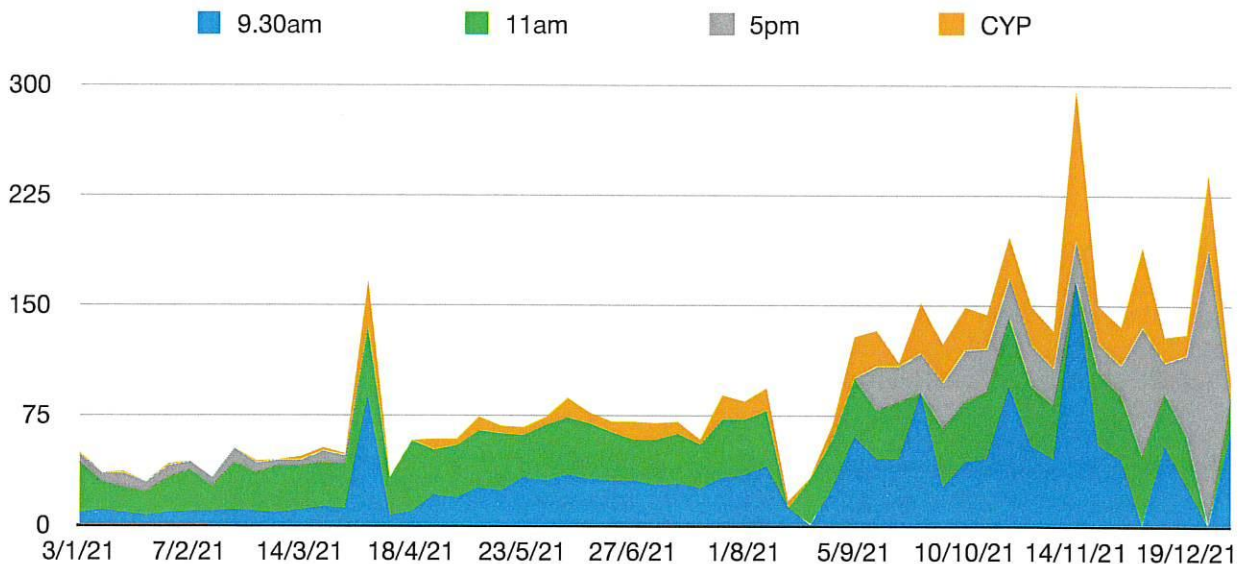
REVIEW OF THE YEAR

The PCC met 6 times in 2021, twice in the church room, once under the marquee, the rest through Zoom. An average of 11 PCC members attended, with 3 apologies. The issues that dominated our discussions were finance and employing staff, minor works to the fabric and restoring public worship and activities after the worst of the COVID pandemic, providing pastoral care and public worship. The APCM was held on 29 May 2021 and numbers were limited to by the COVID rules then in force.

WORSHIP and PRAYER

A regular pattern of services was gradually restored through the year: 9.30am was streamed on Youtube until August, and an in person congregation returned in September when we resumed children's groups. A telephone service of Compline ran for 8 weeks in January and February. We stopped streaming 9.30am in August as the technical team could no longer support the work. The 11am traditional service was held in church throughout the year, and the weekly 5pm service in the church room was restored in September. Numbers remained low while booking was required to maintain social distancing, but by December numbers attending were close to pre-COVID levels. Special outdoor services were held for Easter (120), Pentecost (under the marquee in torrential rain!) and Remembrance (estimate 200). The Harvest Festival service was held in church, and followed by a lunch in the marquee, and Christmas services were held inside the church (a planned outdoor carol service was moved indoors because of heavy rain).

the diagram below shows the number of people attending services. Weekly Statistics for Youtube



views are no longer available- they seemed to vary between 30 and 270 views.

During the week morning prayers were held on Zoom on Monday, Friday and Saturday, and midweek Communion on Wednesday and the men's prayer breakfast on Thursdays resumed in July. Three Weddings, eleven funerals and ten baptisms were conducted in church.

CHURCH BUILDINGS

The church building and church room have been in full use throughout the year, and the Monday group have worked hard to keep the grounds in good order, and the church room cleaner, Mrs Cheryl Newport also cleaned the church on a voluntary basis.

Various minor works have been done. Two 55 inch TV screens have been erected in the church and secured with Kensington locks, but are not attached to the fabric. These have improved the projection of words, images and videos at the 9.30am service. A new marquee was purchased in May and erected on the church room lawn and remained in place until 18 October. It has proved invaluable for hosting refreshments after Sunday services, and providing sheltered outdoor space for groups before restrictions on meeting inside were lifted. Sunday Club restarted at the end of April with 4 children, and by September was regularly attracting 25-30 children. In order to provide space for the different age groups (pre-school, Key stage 1 and Key Stage 2) the PCC agreed to convert the church office space into a proper meeting room and relocate the office equipment to a temporary 'garden office pod', to be constructed in the church room car park behind the church room. The congregation responded generously to an appeal for funds and the Pod was constructed in November, one month after the marquee had to be dismantled to protect it from winter weather.

First Steps toddler group resumed in May and is flourishing under the leadership of Mrs Camilla Matheson..

PASTORAL CARE

Rosie Stephens returned from maternity leave at the beginning of January. Mark Alexander continued as Ministry Assistant and relaunched the 14-18s youth group until he moved in August to begin ordination training at Oak Hill Theological college. In August we also said farewell to Mrs Eleanor Oelmann, one of our Readers, who was ordained Deacon in September to serve her title in the Teign Valley Mission Community. Mrs Angie Blanche volunteered to sustain the youth work, and as well as the Sunday evening group for 14-18s, a group for 11-14s was relaunched in September, meeting in the Town Youth Café on Monday evenings, when bell ringing practice makes the church room unusable for other groups.

Throughout the year the Staff team and PCC members have tried to keep in touch with every member of the congregation, and the Vicar emailed a weekly message, to the congregation, which sent by post to those not online.

Some small groups continued to meet online through Zoom, and others began to meet as groups of six in the garden when restrictions on meeting indoors were lifted.

Safeguarding

This year the PCC updated the safeguarding policy in the light of guidance issued by the Diocese. Mrs Jane Midgley served as PCC Safeguarding representative, and Mrs Angie Blanche became the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

The PCC considers that the church exists to make disciples for Jesus Christ, each of whom has a responsibility to give a reason for the hope that is within them. The group of 12 following **The Vine Project** tried to resume the course in February via Zoom, but the difficulties were too great. The Vicar ran an introductory course, '*Simply Christianity*' via Zoom in February 2021 with 5 participants.

DEANERY SYNOD

The new Newton Abbot Deanery met twice in person in Newton Abbot, and the Deanery Chapter 5 times, with a monthly prayer meeting on Zoom.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

The ministers and family workers met four times in person, and three times on Zoom. A united service was held in August in the Garden Club marquee.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Tafline Percy, our church treasurer, has worked hard to bring our finances onto an even keel. We continued to draw on Government furlough grants in order to extend Mark Alexander's contract until the end of July. There still remain some unresolved issues with HMRC regarding statutory maternity pay for Rosie in 2020, but the accounts now show a surplus for 2021.

The final accounts for 2021 when compared with 2020 show increased income and reduced expenditure, but special collections mask a decline in general income

Total receipts on general (unrestricted) funds were £162,002 of which £95,715 was voluntary donations, and a further £19,613 was from Gift Aid. Gift Aid is being processed much more swiftly. £4500 was received in furlough grants towards the salary of Mark Alexander. Income from fees and church room bookings has largely recovered

This year we began a new approach to outward (charitable) giving, dedicating all cash and contactless payments received on Sundays (and any BACS payments so marked) to the mission focus for the month. This raised £6797 in 2021.

The special appeal for the Office Pod raised £6300, plus a grant of £4500 from the Church Charity, and a grant of £4800 from the Vicar's discretionary fund.

Total expenditure on general funds for the year was £134,531, a reduction from £138,887 in 2020. Expenditure on staff salaries and utilities was reduced, but expenditure on fabric, insurance mission and nurture costs increased.

The PCC began the year employing Mr Mark Alexander as a full-time ministry assistant until July, but on reduced working hours under the Furlough Scheme, Mrs Rosie Stephens on a new contract with reduced hours as the Family Worker (16hr/wk) and Mrs Cherryl Newport as church room cleaner.

The salaries for Mark and Rosie were sustained by drawing down the (designated) Local Ministry Fund. The (restricted) Youth and Children's work fund remains at £20,100, ensuring that we can continue to employ Rosie for the duration of her contract.

The Diocese requested £85,156 in 2021, an increase from 2020 of £2226, the highest request in Newton Abbot Deanery. In line with the PCC's policy, we paid £64,128 (the estimated cost of a Vicar's stipend, pension, NI and housing, and share of central costs). When Hennock's contribution of £7433 is included, this makes us a net contributor to the Diocese, though giving £21,028 less than requested by the Common Fund formula, which is a flat rate of £11.93 a week for each

participant, defined as any adult worshipping monthly, after an allowance for buildings and a socio-economic modifier, and functions as a regressive tax upon growing churches. The PCC renewed its resolve to pay at least the cost of clergy figure, which the Diocese calculates as £64,500, and will review this figure in the light of this year's budget surplus

Restricted Funds (use specified by donors- cannot be changed)

The Youth & Children's Fund remains at £20,000, but will be exhausted by 2023 if we continue to employ a part-time family worker and youth worker. The glass door fund stands at £1216.

Designated Funds (use specified by PCC - can be changed)

The Local Ministry Fund has now been closed.

The organ fund stands at £5653, and the Fabric Fund at £20,841. The vicar's discretionary fund at £1358.

Reserves Policy

The PCC has resolved to maintain a balance on our general (unrestricted) funds which equates to at least three months' salaries for all our staff, Common Fund payments and regular bills, but to include funds in the Local Ministry Fund and Youth & Children's Fund to local staff costs. This equates to £23,500 in December 2020.

STAFF

We entered 2021 with a much smaller team than in previous years, and are therefore more reliant on volunteers.

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We are grateful to all those volunteers who continue to maintain the church, its worship and community life. The range of tasks has continued to include operating cameras and sound equipment, wiping down pews between services as well as the more familiar roles such as welcoming, reading and leading prayers at services, cleaning and maintaining the fabric of our buildings and grounds, supporting the sick and housebound. We have endeavoured to ensure that all volunteers have access to the relevant health and safety policies and risk assessments and these have been made available to all on the new PPT website, www.pptbovey.church, which was developed by Mr Tom Harrison.

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	Mr Mike Limb	(Vice-Chair)
Diocesan Synod	Mrs Dawn Hamilton	
Deanery Synod	Mr Roy White	
Representatives :	Mr Charles Beauchamp	
	Mr Mathew Percy	

Elected Members

Mr Mark Alexander	Mrs Jane Midgley	(Secretary)
Mr Barry Newport	Mrs Tafline Percy	(Treasurer)
Mrs Angie Blanche	Mr Jack Knightly	
HH Francis Gilbert QC		

Approved by the PCC on and signed on their behalf by Rev Graham Hamilton (PCC Chairman)

Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2021
Receipts and Payments Accounts

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021	2020
RECEIPTS					
Donations and Legacies					
Regular giving					
Tax efficient planned giving	88570	-	-	88570	94791
Other Planned giving	5631	1000	-	6631	7090
Collections at Services	514	-	-	514	1983
Gift Aid recovered	19608	-	5	19613	31805
Donations	896	-	150	1046	1251
	115219	1000	155	116374	136920
Other Voluntary Receipts					
Legacy	735	-	-	735	1000
Sundry donations	94	526	3138	3758	600
Friends of PPT	390	-	-	390	-
Special appeals	-	-	19254	19254	-
Church Charity	-	-	4500	4500	4890
Furlough receipts	-	5603	-	5603	8328
	1219	6129	26892	34240	14818
Income from church activities					
Fees (net)	4691	310	-	5001	1990
Publications	219	-	-	219	135
Church Room -Letting	3677	-	-	3677	1470
1st Steps	343	-	-	343	505
Office	587	-	-	587	1436
Fund Raising	410	-	1150	1560	-
	9907	310	1150	11367	5536
Receipts from Investments					
CBF funds	12	1	-	13	100
Interest	8	-	-	8	30
	20	1	0	21	130
TOTAL RECEIPTS	126365	7440	28197	162002	157404
PAYMENTS					
Church Activities					
Parish Share	64128	-	-	64128	67850
Salaries-pastoral	-	20603	-	20603	25417
Salaries-non pastoral	-	-	-	0	8058
Staff Expenses	525	-	-	525	710
Administration	7018	-	-	7018	7008
Church Fabric	-	1184	18405	19589	15423
Worship	997	-	-	997	389
Mission (Outreach & Nurture)	703	-	5897	6600	742
Publications	126	-	-	126	393
Church Room costs	2016	46	1853	3915	3140
1st steps	-	-	-	0	924
Utilities	3960	-	-	3960	4431
Insurance	4727	-	-	4727	3148
Training	270	-	-	270	128
Youth mission	373	-	50	423	451
Sundry donations	201	-	1449	1650	675
TOTAL PAYMENTS	85044	21833	27654	134531	138887
Net receipts (payments)	41321	(14393)	543	27471	18517
Balance - 1 January 2021	58857	31514	21920	112291	93774
Transfers	-10731	10731	-	0	-
Balance - 31st December 2021	89447	27852	22463	139762	112291

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury **Charity number 1128849**
For the year ending 31st December 2021
Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 TOTAL	2020 TOTAL
Cash Funds					
Lloyds Current account	37057			37057	9557
Lloyds Deposit account	52377	25336	0	77713	77706
CBF Investment Funds		1158	22463	23621	23609
CBF Vicar's Fund		1358		1358	1357
Cash	13			13	62
	89447	27852	22463	139762	112291

Movements In Funds In the year

	Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Bal c/fwd
Designated					
Organ fund	5573	80	0	0	5653
Vicar's fund	1357	1001	1000	0	1358
Fabric fund	20841	0	0	0	20841
Technology fund	0	230	230	0	0
Local Ministry fund	3743	6129	20603	10731	0
	31514	7440	21833	10731	27852
Restricted					
Fabric fund	0	21250	20258	0	992
Glass Door fund	1216	0	0	0	1216
Youth fund	20000	150	50	0	20100
Outward Mission fund	704	6797	7346	0	155
	21920	28197	27654	0	22463

Accounts approved by the PCC on 17th March 2022

Signed by Rev Graham Hamilton

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of
Canterbury, Bovey Tracey**

I report on the accounts of the Charity, for the year ended 31st December 2021, as set out on pages 8 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent 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 Charities Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

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Accounts



The Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury, Bovey Tracey

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 2020

AIMS AND PURPOSES

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev'd Graham Hamilton, in promoting the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, within the boundaries of the ecclesiastical parish. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Room.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The following Mission Statement was agreed in 2008:

'We believe that God's great purpose is to bring all creation to enjoy the peaceful rule of Jesus. We believe that as a network of churches in the Bovey area we are called to:

- **Enable** people of every age and background to become disciples of Jesus Christ
- **Engage** with God through the Bible, Prayer and Sacrament
- **Encourage** one another to live Christ-like lives
- **Enhance** loving unity among Christians at every level
- **Empower** every disciple to fulfil their calling, exercise their gifts in God's world and thus
- **Exalt** God's name in our lives and our praises.'

A shortened version of this Mission Statement is:

'Our mission is to enable all people to know Jesus and to enjoy His rule in their lives.'

When planning our activities, our incumbent and PCC seek to enable as many people as possible to live out their faith as part of our benefice's community through i) worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge of, and trust in, Jesus; ii) provision of pastoral care for people living in the benefice, and iii) mission and outreach. This is in accordance with the guidance from the Charity Commission on public benefit and particularly the specific guidance on the advancement of the Christian faith. To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church of PPT and the church Room which provides facilities for many people and meetings.

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

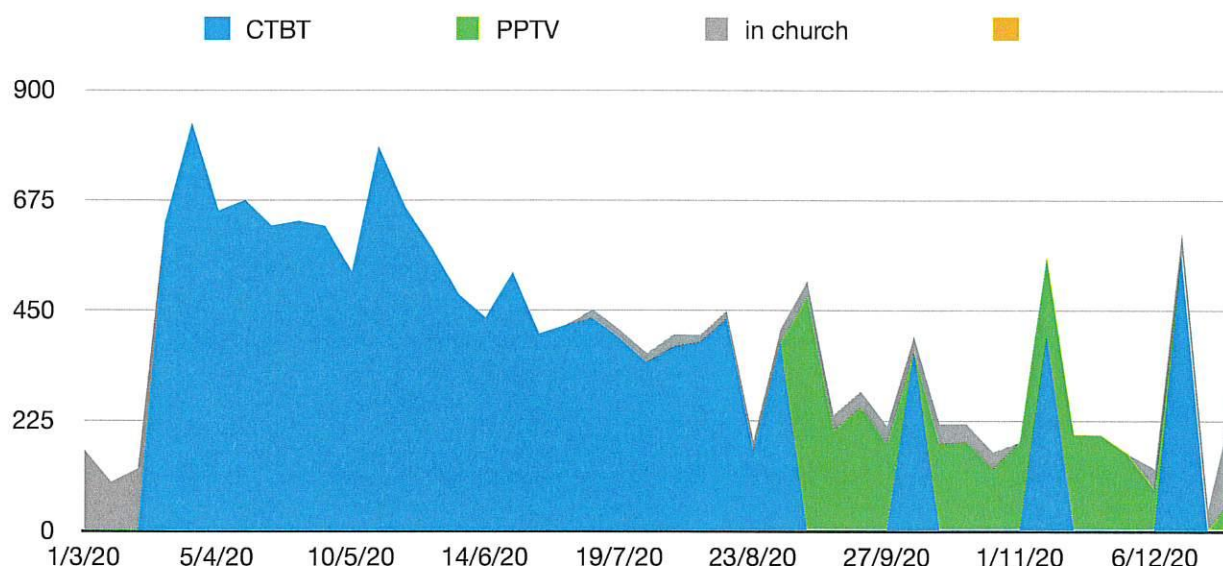
The PCC met ten times in 2020, twice in person, the rest through Zoom. Many minor issues were resolved through email exchanges. The APCM was delayed until 3 October 2020. An average of 11 PCC members attended, with 2 apologies. The issues that dominated our discussions were finance and employing staff, minor works to the fabric and coping with the challenges of the COVID pandemic, providing pastoral care and public worship.

WORSHIP and PRAYER

The normal pattern of services (8.00 am Prayer Book Communion on the first Sunday of the month and 9.30am, 11.00 am and 5.00 pm every Sunday.) stopped abruptly with the COVID Lockdown on 22 March.

PPT worked with Bovey Baptist and Methodist churches to provide a Sunday service live-streamed from individual homes. These services began on 29 March and continued until 30 August, and were led by a mix of clergy and lay people from PPT, Bovey Baptist, Bovey Methodist and St John's Bovey. Special united services were organised for Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas. On 6 September we began to stream a live service at 9.30am on our own Youtube channel (PPTV), and the Sunday communion moved to 11am. This stopped for the second lockdown in November and resumed in December. Numbers attending fluctuated between 15 and 35. The number of 'views' on Youtube is more difficult to evaluate: 1 view might be one person watching for 5 minutes, or a family of four watching the whole service, but the diagram below shows the number

of views on the Churches Together, PPT Youtube channels and those attending in person through 2020.



From the end of March we have tried to hold a daily prayer meeting online through Zoom, at different times in the morning and evening and these services have attracted between 6 and 15 regular attenders.

A Wednesday Communion in church resumed on 8 July and continued through the rest of the year, apart from the second lockdown in November.

A 10am Sunday Communion resumed on Sun 12 July. Those attending the services in church had to maintain social distance and book seats in advance (the capacity of PPT with social distancing was calculated as 32 pews). Face masks were required from August, and no congregational singing has been permitted inside. Communion was received in one kind (bread only) until the PCC agreed to introduce small communion cups in December.

The only services at Easter 2020 were held on Zoom and Youtube. At Christmas 2020 an outdoor carol service was attended by 92 adults and 10 children, and 105 adults and 6 children attended services inside the church.

We are very grateful for those who have worked so hard to establish and maintain the online services, overcoming many technical challenges and a very heavy workload in editing the broadcasts: particular mention should go to Simon Merrett, Matt Day, Dan Swan, Mark and Robin Alexander. Our thanks to those who have been willing to appear on camera to speak or sing, and those who have played instruments or sung solo in church.

No weddings could be held in 2020, and there were only 2 baptisms, and nine funerals (2 held by clergy from St John's while its building was unavailable.)

CHURCH BUILDINGS

Early in 2020 the PCC became concerned that the children's groups meeting in the Lady chapel were at risk of lead paint discovered on the rood screen and the group was moved to the main body of the church. Storm Dennis destroyed the stone cross on the Chancel roof, but no damage to the roof has been detected. The church was closed for lockdown from April to June, and birds used a small broken window pane in the north aisle to gain access, nest and make a considerable mess during these months. The vicar checked the building weekly, and the church yard grass was mown by Mr Chris Dell. Volunteers cleaned the church on Sat 27 June before the church was re-opened for private prayer and public services. Since then the Monday Group have restored the church and churchyard to a very high degree of cleanliness and order. The new church cleaner Mrs Cheryl Newport cleans the church and church room every week.

During the summer repairs were made to a window frame in the south wall of the church room which was allowing water ingress. In October after a faculty was granted, a new sound system was installed by ACSL systems, for a cost of £13,000, and a hearing loop added shortly afterwards.

PASTORAL CARE

The year began normally with a full staff team. Rosie Stephens went on maternity leave at the end of February and Mrs Rachel Knightly was employed as a Play worker to provide some maternity cover.

When the COVID crisis began, all small groups and home pastoral visiting had to stop. Jill Hosford has worked tirelessly to keep in touch with sick and housebound members of the congregation. An Emergency Care Team was established, and Mrs Ros Pugsley co-ordinated this through the busiest months that followed. Many members of the congregation were also involved with the Bovey COVID support group. Staff team and PCC members tried to keep in touch with every member of the congregation, and the Vicar produced a weekly email message, sent by post to those not online.

Some small groups continued to meet online through Zoom, and others kept in touch with members by telephone. Some groups began to meet as groups of six in the garden when restrictions were lifted. In July Mark Alexander resumed some youth work, and Rachel Knightly worked hard throughout to provide materials for the livestream services and families at home during lockdown, and arrange imaginative activities for families, including Easter pictures, Bubble Blast, Christmas Bake-Off and Zoom Nativity.

Safeguarding

This year the PCC once again updated the safeguarding policy in the light of guidance issued by the Diocese. Mrs Jane Midgley took over the role PCC Safeguarding representative, and became the Parish Safeguarding Officer when Mark Sugden was made redundant from his role in November. I wish to record my particular gratitude for Mark's hard work and skill when a complaint was lodged against a staff member in March. Mark investigated the matter and worked closely with the Diocesan Safeguarding team until the matter was resolved.

MISSION AND EVANGELISM

The PCC considers that the church exists to make disciples for Jesus Christ, each of whom has a responsibility to give a reason for the hope that is within them. The group of 12 following **The Vine Project** since September 2018 tried to resume the course in the summer, but the disruption of COVID proved too great.

Rosie conducted a session of marriage preparation at the end of February, but all marriages were postponed, and only two baptisms have been conducted. Nine funerals were held in PPT.

Each year the Vicar aims to make evangelistic and nurture courses a priority. *Walking the Way* began normally in January 2020 until lockdown and resumed online in May, finishing in August.

DEANERY SYNOD

The Vicar regularly attended the weekly prayers of the Moreton deanery chapter, which continued online through lockdown.

There was a meeting of Moreton Deanery Synod in February 2020, on the subject of youth work. Mark Alexander spoke well, but the meeting was poorly attended.

The Deanery Plan was completely undermined by the decision of the Moretonhampstead benefice to combine with the the Chagford benefice in the Okehampton deanery and this also made Moreton too small to be viable. After a token consultation the Bishop of Exeter decreed that the Moreton Deanery should be combined with the Deanery of Newton Abbot. While the PCC accepted that this was a necessary decision, it wrote a letter of complaint about the whole deanery planning process. A final meeting of Moreton Deanery Synod was held through Zoom on 10 October to thank Rev Mandy Rylands for her efforts as Rural Dean.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONSHIPS

This year PPT, Bovey Baptist and Bovey Methodist churches have worked more closely together than ever before - holding weekly united services from March to August, and united online services for special occasions such as Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas since. The ministers and staff continue to meet regularly on Zoom for mutual support, and Mrs Rachel Knightly worked closely with Abi Evans the baptist family worker to provide content for the livestream and special events. Rev Nick Debney from St John's Bovey has also been a supportive member of the

ministers' fraternal, but Father Pat Costello from the RC Holy Spirit church has not been well enough to participate.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This has been an extraordinary complicated and turbulent year for our finances, and we wish to pay tribute to the hard work and dedication of Tafline Percy, our church treasurer, who now keeps the church accounts on special accounting software. She has had to deal with multiple changes to the Government Furlough scheme, maternity payments and some complications with HMRC.

The final accounts for 2020 when compared with 2019 show increased income and reduced expenditure, but a complicated story lies behind these figures.

Total receipts on general (unrestricted) funds were £143,027 of which £104,782 was voluntary donations, and a further £31,805 was from Gift Aid. Gift Aid is being processed much more swiftly this year, and represents gift aid recovered on more than this year's income.

Restricted donations of £333 to Outward Giving, an unrestricted legacy of £1000, a grant of £4890 to the Fabric Fund from the Parish Church Charit, and receipts of £8328 from the Government Furlough scheme were also received and are detailed in the financial statements.

The planned giving through envelopes and bankers orders increased to £94,791, largely in response to the Vicar's emergency appeal in April 2020, to which 65 individuals (44% of the congregation) generously responded. Pledges of about £25,000 were made.

Total expenditure on general funds for the year was £107,810, a large reduction from 2019.

The PCC began the year employing Mr Mark Alexander as a full-time ministry assistant, Mrs Rosie Stephens as the Family Worker (24hr/wk), Mr Mark Sugden as office manager (16hrs/wk), Mrs Camilla Matheson as First Steps Co-ordinator, and contracting Mrs Diana James as church room cleaner.

In March Rosie Stephens went on maternity leave and the PCC employed Mrs Rachel Knightly as play worker to provide some maternity cover until December 2020.

As the accounts for 2019 were being prepared it became clear that our regular income was declining, and our expenditure could not be sustained, though previous generous legacies had obscured the issue. This realisation coincided with the onset of COVID, and the collapse of income from cash collections, church room bookings, and fees for occasional offices. The PCC after much agonising made the decision in April to reduce the hours of the office manager from 16 to 8, to put Mark Alexander on the government furlough scheme, to end the contract with Mrs Diana James and to make Camilla Matheson and Rachel Knightly redundant. The vicar made an emergency appeal after Easter to address the shortfall, and avoid making all staff redundant.

The PCC reviewed the situation in June. In light of the generous response to the appeal the PCC decided to recruit a new church cleaner (Mrs Cheryl Newport) as we prepared to return to use of church buildings, to offer Mrs Rachel Knightly a new role as Family Support Worker, and to offer Mr Mark Alexander a new reduced contract for 14 hrs a week, while utilising the Job retention scheme to supplement his income, with effect from 1 July.

The PCC reviewed the situation again in October in order to plan for the longer term, and the possibility of Rosie Stephens returning from maternity leave in January 2021 with reasonable job security, and the options for providing some support for young people. Although income had increased, employing local staff was only possible by drawing down funds from the designated Local Ministry Fund and the restricted Youth & Children's Fund. The PCC agreed a second package of changes for staff members: Mark Alexander's contract for 14 hrs/wk was extended to 31 December (and has subsequently been extended again as the Furlough scheme was continued) and Rosie has returned as Family Worker for 16 hrs/wk rather than 24. Sadly the PCC decided to make Mark Sugden's role as office manager redundant, with effect from 1 November 2020.

The Diocese requested £82,930 in Common Fund payment for 2020, a decrease of £1887 from 2019, as a result of the implementation of the revised formula for Common Fund, for which the Vicar and Mrs Dawn Hamilton had been campaigning at Diocesan Synod since 2016. Nevertheless the method of calculation remains essentially a flat rate for each participant, defined as any adult worshipping monthly, after an allowance for buildings and a socio-economic modifier, and functions as a regressive tax upon growing churches. The PCC renewed its resolve to pay at least the cost

of clergy figure, which the Diocese calculates as £64,500, and because the PCC accidentally paid less than that figure in 2019 it repaid the arrear in 2020, to give a total payment to the Diocese of £67,850 in 2020. It should be noted that PPT still pays more Common Fund than any other church in the Deanery.

Restricted Funds

No Gift Day was held in 2020 because of COVID, but some outward giving was collected after specific services and events.

The Local Ministry Fund (mentioned above) was reduced by £15321 in 2020, and will be gone by 2021. The Youth & Children's Fund remains at £20,000, but will be exhausted by 2023 if we continue to employ a family worker and a part-time youth worker.

The Fabric Fund was reduced by £9983. The new sound system was the main expense.

Reserves Policy

The PCC has resolved to maintain a balance on our general (unrestricted) funds which equates to at least three months' salaries for all our staff, Common Fund payments and regular bills, but to include funds in the Local Ministry Fund and Youth & Children's Fund to local staff costs. This equates to £23,500 in December 2020.

STAFF

This was a very difficult year for all those employed by the PCC as local staff. All had their hours reduced, and their contracts changed or terminated. All remained patient and cheerful and worked hard to enable the life of the church to continue. We go into 2021 with a much smaller team, and we are therefore more reliant on volunteers.

VOLUNTEERS

We are grateful to all those volunteers who continue to maintain the church, its worship and community life. The range of tasks has changed this year to include operating cameras and sound equipment, wiping down pews between services as well as the more familiar roles such as acting as welcomers, reading and leading prayers at services, cleaning and maintaining the fabric of our buildings and grounds, supporting the sick and housebound. We have endeavoured to ensure that all volunteers have access to the relevant health and safety policies and risk assessments and these have been made available to all on the new PPT website, www.pptbovey.church, which was developed by Mr Tom Harrison.

Regular support in leading services is provided by the Lay Readers, Mrs Eleanor Oelmann, Mrs Carolyn Laycock, whose licenses were renewed for 5 years this year, the ministry assistant Mr Mark Alexander, Canon Michael Sansom and Rev Paul Reynolds.

We remain very grateful to the Monday Maintenance Group for keeping the church buildings and grounds in good condition and for undertaking all routine maintenance and repair work. This essential work is always carried out promptly and efficiently and saves much expenditure of the church's funds.

A new team of volunteers is now supporting the administration of the church, and the vital work of safeguarding (Jane Midgley), organising rotas (Jill Hosford, Ruth Flynn), service bookings (Roy White) and printing and posting leaflets and service orders (Mike Limb).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The method of appointment and election of PCC members is set out in the newly revised Church Representation Rules 2020. At the APCM in 2020 the electoral roll renewed its decision of 2015 to reduce its elected representation on the PCC from 12 to 9 and also voted that Lay Readers would no longer be Ex-officio members. This takes effect from the APCM in 2021. All those who regularly attend church are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC and to the Deanery Synod. A Revision to the way that PCC members are elected was approved by the PCC during 2017 as a result of the need for a postal ballot in 2017.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The parish church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury (PPT) is situated on East Street, Bovey Tracey, Devon. It is a parish in the Diocese of Exeter, within the Church of England.

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The parish website can be accessed via www.pptbovey.church

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2020) and has been registered with the Charity Commission (Charity #1128849, since 27th March, 2009).

At the APCM in October 2020 Mr Jack Knightly, Mr Mark Alexander and Mrs Jill Hosford were elected to serve on the PCC.

PCC members standing down at the time of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in October 2020 were Mrs Eleanor Oelmann and Mr Peter Francis.

Those who served from the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 3 October 2020 until the date of this report are:

Ex-officio Members (by right of office)

Incumbent	Rev'd Graham Hamilton	Chairman
Churchwardens	Mr Roy White, Mr Mike Limb	(Vice-Chair)
Diocesan Synod	Mrs Dawn Hamilton	
Deanery Synod	Mr Roy White	
Representatives :	Mr Charles Beauchamp Mr Mathew Percy	

Elected Members

Mrs Jill Hosford	Mrs Jane Midgley	(Secretary)
Mrs Jane Sugden	Mrs Taflne Percy	(Treasurer)
Mrs Sharon Alexander	Mr Jack Knightly	
HH Francis Gilbert QC	Mr Mark Alexander	

Approved by the PCC on and signed on their behalf by Rev Graham Hamilton (PCC Chairman)

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of
Canterbury, Bovey Tracey**

I report on the accounts of the Charity, for the year ended 31st December 2020, as set out on pages 8 to 9.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent 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 Charities Act), and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility:

- to examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
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Dated - 27th May 2021

Parish Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas of Canterbury **Charity number 1128849**
Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2020

Receipts and Payments Accounts

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2020	2019
RECEIPTS					
Donations and Legacies					
Regular giving					
Tax efficient planned giving	94791			94791	68833
Other Planned giving	7090			7090	10336
Collections at Services	1983			1983	11695
Gift Aid recovered	31805			31805	12182
Donations	918		333	1251	0
	136587	0	333	136920	103046
Other Voluntary Receipts					
Legacy	1000			1000	20275
VAT refund				0	3865
Sundry donations			600	600	1099
Friends of PPT				0	798
Turbulent Priest				0	760
Nourish				0	200
Church Charity			4890	4890	4500
Furlough receipts		8328		8328	0
	1000	8328	5490	14818	31497
Income from church activities					
Fees (net)	1870	120		1990	4140
Publications	135			135	694
Church Room -Letting	1470			1470	4617
1st Steps	505			505	1195
Office	1436			1436	690
Fund Raising				0	1004
	5416	120	0	5536	12340
Receipts from Investments					
CBF funds			100	100	42
Interest	24	6	0	30	220
	24	6	100	130	262
TOTAL RECEIPTS	143027	8454	5923	157404	147145
PAYMENTS					
Church Activities					
Parish Share	67850			67850	62000
Salaries-pastoral		25417		25417	33889
Salaries-non pastoral	5064	2994		8058	7452
Staff Expenses	710			710	3170
Administration	7008			7008	6566
Church Fabric		9833	5590	15423	29134
Worship	389			389	1864
Mission (Outreach & Nurture)	409		333	742	11665
Publications	393			393	139
Church Room costs	3140			3140	5092
1st steps		924		924	2371
Utilities	4431			4431	2662
Insurance	3148			3148	3937
Training	128			128	60
Special Projects	0			0	763
Youth mission	451			451	0
Sundry Donations	675			675	196
TOTAL PAYMENTS	93796	39168	5923	138887	170960
Net receipts (payments)	49231	(30714)	0	18517	(23815)
Balance - 1 January 2020	9626	62228	21920	93774	117589
Transfers				0	
Balance - 31st December 2020	58857	31514	21920	112291	93774

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2020 TOTAL	2019 TOTAL
Cash Funds					
Lloyds Current account	9557			9557	9174
Lloyds Deposit account	49238	28468	0	77706	59682
CBF Investment Funds		1689	21920	23609	23509
CBF Vicar's Fund		1357		1357	1352
Cash	62			62	57
	58857	31514	21920	112291	93774

Movements In Funds In the year

	Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Bal c/fwd
Designated					
Organ fund	5453	120			5573
Vicar's fund	1351	6			1357
Fabric fund	25674		-9833	5000	20841
Sound System Fund	5000			-5000	0
Local Ministry fund	24750	8328	-29335		3743
	62228	8454	-39168	0	31514
Restricted					
Fabric fund	0	5590	-5590		0
Glass Door fund	1216				1216
Youth fund	20000				20000
Outward mission fund	704	333	-333		704
	21920	5923	-5923	0	21920

Accounts approved by the PCC on 6th May 2021

Signed by Rev Graham Hamilton