



ANNUAL REPORT 2022

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VICAR'S LETTER

Who is the Vicar of the Bridge?

It's my title, but in practice we work as a combined leadership team;

A Bridge Leadership Team of four, a Joint Council of more, Development teams, people working, leading and serving across the church; we all make up some of the role that many years ago would all have been the Vicar's.

The word Vicar actually means "deputy or substitute," it has come to mean a church leader in our denomination, but I like that original definition. In a sense I'm Jesus' deputy, His substitute. He's returned to the Father, filled me with the Holy Spirit and left me to complete His work.

You are also, in equality with me, called to the same role. Wherever we are, we are standing as a deputy for Jesus. His actions, in life, death and resurrection give us an identity as His siblings, children of Father God, beloved, called and forgiven and people in whom the fullness of God the Holy Spirit lives.

So, you are the vicar...

What about your work, role and call?

We never say it out loud, but often there is an unspoken hierarchy of work in the church. Full Time Christian workers at the top, doctors and nurses second, teachers next and everyone else lagging behind.

This is nonsense. And a lie from the enemy.

It undermines the dignity of all work.

Wherever we are we get to:

- Model Godly Character
- Make good work
- Minister grace and love
- Mould culture
- Be a Mouthpiece for truth and justice
- Be a Messenger of the gospel,
- And *Maybe, plant a contact group...

All of our work, whether as a parent, a retired person volunteering and grandparenting, a barista, a student, a salesperson, a lawyer, a vicar or a carer (etc.) is equally valid and valued by God. By living out these "7 M's" we are the "vicars" wherever we are.

*The "maybe" is only here because that's on Holy Spirit, do the other 6 and see...

(and because maybe begins with M!)

In 2022 my work as “Vicar” was further shared and diluted. My role now is a mix of being Area Dean of Kenilworth, Area Dean of Coventry South, and a 0.6 role of building the Bridge as Mission Hub to help other churches in the Diocese plant new congregations and expressions of church. Erin is my other half (0.4) at the Mission Hub and also leader at St John’s, Sarah A is a Curate in name but a co-leader in practice and Sarah P runs the many functional operations of our organisation as The Bridge.

The Wardens, Staff, Joint Council members, Leaders of Congregations, Communities, Connect, and Contact groups and those who serve or lead groups for particular age groups or ministries all make up the body of Christ in this place. We are a community, we aim to function as extended family and an organisation on a mission.

Whether it’s me in my role or you in yours, our call and identity is the same:

“A disciple is someone who is increasingly worshipping Jesus in all of life, being changed by Jesus in all of life, and learning how to obey Jesus in all of life, and then teaching others to do the same.

New identity of the disciple - Baptised into the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

- In the name of the Father, we are learning to be family.
- In the name of the Son, he is King and we are His servants, ‘serving the least of these’.
- In the name of the Spirit we are sent ones, witnesses, a missionary people sent into the world sent to make disciples who make disciples.

= ‘a family of missionary servants sent as disciples who make disciples’

The process is life on life, life in community, and life on mission
Everyone grows in gospel fluency, learning to apply the death, resurrection, and ascension of Jesus in all of life.”

Jeff Vanderstelt

This comes through personal choice, accountability groups, huddles and vulnerability.

This is not new, what is new is that we are a post-pandemic group of people. Since 2020 many of us have lost our way, a little or a lot.

For a while many of us lived without community, without life-on-life, life on mission dialled down, the flow of the Spirit had fewer outlets for a season.

During the pandemic our world got smaller, more individualistic, more self-pleasing and both more scary and more insecure.

Losing each other for a season meant losing our identity.

That's why I've reiterated it above.

We see this in the issues around; names on rotas, bums on seats and money in giving. These are important things, but what's worrying is the lack of open homes, lives and hearts in prayer; the lack of the life of a missionary disciple.

There are very few people who are a more engaged missionary disciple in 2023 than 2019.

I'm not pointing the finger. It's me.

I now have a knowledge of the fragility of my own mental health. I have a wider spectrum of roles, more responsibility, more work, a wife with a full time paid job and new demands on her time, a bigger team to lead, teenage children(!) etc...

I didn't like the lockdowns or pandemic, but I really liked having no evening meetings and pleasing myself with my time and just doing what I liked more often.

But it wasn't good for me. What's easy rarely is.

This way of living wasn't my call and now it's time to pick up my cross and get on living out who I am, who we are and making this world the kingdom of God, person by person.

Are you coming?

We need to have a difference made in us every day.

That'll cost time, discipline and commitment.

We need to make a difference for each other every day.

That'll cost comfort, individualism and security.

We need to make a difference for those who don't know Jesus yet every day.

That'll cost reputation, rejection and respect.

It'll mean taking up our Cross to follow Jesus, but in doing so we'll lose our lives again in order to gain His life in us and that life is eternal.

As we follow the narrow path we'll live in the Father's presence of love and peace.

As we follow in the footsteps of our Lord, we'll experience His life of joy and rest.

As we follow the Spirit within us we'll find our true identity and life to the full.

So let's reclaim our birth-right of missionary discipleship.
Stop doing, self-pleasing or grumbling and start really being.

It's time for me to go,

It's time for you to go,

Come on!

David

CHURCHWARDENS' REPORT

St Stephen's Church

We were so grateful to get back into a 'new normal' in 2022. We have welcomed new members into our congregation and started lots of new rhythms - you can read about these in the St. Stephen's Report. Returning to in person meetings and starting new groups has required people to step into old and new volunteer roles. We thank God for these wonderful people who allow our church family to flourish and grow.

As we look forward to 2023 we are excited and expectant of what God has planned. We will be praying for Sarah as she moves on to her new roles whilst also praying and planning for a new leader for St. Stephen's. We have been so incredibly blessed by Sarah - we are certainly a different church from that which she joined in 2017!

Tom and Katie

St John's Church

For St John's 2022 was a year of further transition as we said goodbye to our Associate Minister, Ann Peachey, and her wonderful family who served us so well during their time with The Bridge. Later in the year, the Benefice became one of the four Diocesan Mission Hubs, and welcomed Erin Gilmour as our Associate Minister for the Mission Hub and to lead St John's congregation.

We also re-launched Communities and small groups in line with the 4 C's - a tremendous effort from the staff team that assigned every member of the congregation a Connect or Contact Group.

The St John's building presented some degree of challenge with a moth infestation providing a useful opportunity to review what is being stored in the vestry, and a heightening of the awareness that both the pitched and flat roof will need to be replaced in the near future.

Following Erin's arrival, the St John's Development team has been relaunched and we are excited to start 2023 with a specific focus on prayer and intercession.

Ben and Arun

JOINT COUNCIL REPORT

The purpose of the Joint Council is to work with the Vicar to advance the whole mission of the Church in the parishes of Canley and Westwood. It is a registered charity, and its members are the charity's trustees. They are:

Clergy (ex-officio members)

- David Hammond, Vicar
- Erin Gilmour, Associate Minister
- Sarah Ashelby, Curate
- Caroline Hammond, Curate

Elected members (Base, year of the APCM when their term ends)

- Laura Dawson (Canley, 2023)
- Tom Hickinbottom (Canley Churchwarden, 2024)
- Matt Jermyn (Canley, 2025)
- Jonathan Martin (Canley, 2024)
- Arun Mathani (St John's Churchwarden, 2025)
- Michelle Robinson (St John's, 2024)
- Jan Sayer (Burton Green, 2025)
- Jeff Smailes (St John's, 2023)
- Andrew Smith (St John's, 2023)

Four members are elected from Canley, four from St John's and one from Burton Green, and the elected members must include at least one Churchwarden from each parish. Members are elected for three years at a time, and three of the nine elected members will complete their three-year term each year.

During 2022 the Joint Council met seven times. Topics discussed included student, youth and childrens' work, a new building for St Stephen's, building repairs, staff recruitment and a staff pay review. Safeguarding, finances and Eco-church are standing items on every agenda.

SAFEGUARDING REPORT

Safeguarding continues to be a high priority for the Bridge as we believe that keeping all people safe is of paramount importance.

- We now have a Safeguarding Team and have now recruited Emily Newbury (St Stephen's) and Rebecca Torpey (St John's) to be our Safeguarding Champions and act as a local point of contact at each base.
- Safeguarding continues to be a key agenda item at the Joint Council and the leadership team have ensured that we are compliant with the Church of England's Promoting a Safer Church Policy.
- Jenni Dunne has focused her efforts on updating leader's DBS checks this year and we have made some significant progress in this area. We hope to improve our figures for Safeguarding Training in the coming year. Please act promptly if Jenni emails you asking you to complete either of these tasks.
- We have graduated from a level 2 safeguarding organisation to a level 3 organisation which reflects our progress over the past year.

STAFFING REPORT

Staffing is one that continues to have changed but also is allowing us to also fulfil the vision of the Bridge with each opportunity that arises.

2022 has been about building a team and setting ourselves up well for the coming seasons. We made a decision to extend our Children's Discipleship Enabler roles another year. During 2023 we will be saying goodbye to Alison at St John's as Children's Discipleship Enabler and we've begun to pray and discuss a way forward with the Joint Council for a medium and long term provision for children, youth and student discipleship and mission to align with the vision for The Bridge.

During 2022 we said;

- a hello to Ros as Administrator at St John's,
- a hello to Anna as our Children's Discipleship Enabler at St Stephen's
- a goodbye to Ann Peachey as Associate Minister at St John's,
- a hello to Caroline Hammond as Curate at The Bridge with a focus on Retreat ministry with The Garden of Hope,
- a goodbye to Tatenda Munzara as our Student Worker and Media Officer,
- a hello to Erin Gilmour as our Mission Hub Associate Minister and leader of St John's.

We are excited for 2023 and all that God is doing and will continue to do. He's been faithful and we know that even in the adversity of health and life's circumstances our staff team builds their hope on God's provision and the difference He makes everyday. We see that in the team dynamics and relationships they have with God and one another.

ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH, CANLEY

Congregation

2022 has been a year of thoroughly enjoying being back together in person! Whilst we continued to livestream our services to give a 'window' into what church might be like if you came along, our focus shifted back to being together with each other and God - it felt good! In our teaching we explored all kinds of topics through our "What Jesus Said About...." series as well as considering Creation as a gift and responsibility. An exciting development during the year was the introduction of our "Table Service." This service brings family-friendly worship, prayer, games, creativity, Communion and lunch all together in one lovely morning! The heart behind it is to bring together eating together and worshipping together, so we can "display" on our table the generosity, abundance and welcome of God through remembering Jesus in communion and sharing a meal together.

I remain grateful for the 'family feel' at St Stephen's - people do a great job of 'pitching in' and we have worked together to serve each other and our community over the past year. Thanks especially go to those who have committed to serving via the joyous rota!! In 2022 we welcomed Katie Western as a new church warden, as well as Laura Dawson as Parish Safeguarding Officer; both of whom I am grateful to for both their practical help but also their wisdom and perspective.

Communities, Connect Groups and Contact Groups

The year began with two Communities and during the Autumn term merged to meet as one Community on a third Sunday. We have enjoyed litterpicks, lunches, prayer walks, woodland walks, as well as various outreach events (see below). The latter part of 2022 has felt like a "waiting" time - coming together in one group has allowed us to continue meeting together whilst waiting to see what new vision and opportunities God might bring across the Church. Meeting as a

Community has served to remind us that as a church we are so much more than a Sunday morning service!

Various Connect groups and Contact groups began or re-emerged during the latter part of 2022. These have offered places, for those who have wanted it, to meet together to pray, read the bible and deepen friendship. This has been an important aspect of Church for many as we have continued to try to restore much of what was challenged during the Pandemic. The vision for Contact groups as groups where new people can explore faith in Jesus remains strong and some initial experimentation and learning took place this year. We look forward to what God will do next!

Outreach and Community Engagement

We've continued to try to live out our mission to be "MADE in Canley" - making a difference everyday to our local community. Events have included:

- Litterpicks
- Summer Picnics on Prior Deram Park
- Easter trail
- Nativity trail
- Carol'oke
- Canley Parade
- Opening for prayer after the Queen's death
- Canley Big Lunch
- Hobby Hubs (free family activities during school holidays)
- Weekly Foodbank

Members of St Stephen's continue to volunteer regularly at Foodbank and Food Hub as well as being involved in the Warm Hub at Canley Community Center and serving as governors at Leigh School. I (Sarah) have had the pleasure of being part of the Canley Playing Out steering committee, which uses creativity and the arts to enhance community cohesion, and out of which the Canley Parade was born.

On a personal note...

Towards the end of 2022 I began to sense more strongly a call from God that my time ministering at St Stephen's might be coming to an end. I have absolutely loved being at St Stephen's the past 6 years, it has felt like 'home' in the truest sense of the word. I have felt a strong call to this particular corner of the world since I first arrived here in 2003...20 years ago!! I am confident God has a good plan for us as a family as we discern the next steps, and for St Stephen's as it moves forward into the next adventure God has in store! My thanks go to so many who have made my first tinkering with church leadership such a joy.

Sarah Ashelby

Children & Youth

Since starting as St Stephen's Discipleship Enabler in January '22, it's been a blast! It's been great getting to know children in our church at a deeper level, firstly by taking Key Stage 2 children out on trips during the Summer '22 term. This informed the planning and introduction in September '22, of two midweek Kids Connect groups. One based on construction activities (Minecraft and Lego) and one based on creativity (dance, art and drama). All 15 children and a fab team of 5 adults love going deeper together and deeper with God as we explore prayer alongside the above activities.

We restarted the monthly Kids Group, post-pandemic, where we have around 15+ children, between 5-12 yrs old and a fab team of 4 adults. It's been a fun challenge, as we navigate using the family centre, and get used to all being together again. (Getting online registration set up has been a personal highlight, too!)

It's been lots of fun organising some outreach events, including Hobby Hub (crafts, games, refreshments and films during school holidays) as well as the Easter and Nativity Trails. They were huge hits with the local

community, and it was great to see non-church families come along and have fun as they explored the Easter/Nativity story. Along with Alison Fry, and Sarah Ashelby, we also spent time this Spring term leading assemblies for Leigh Primary School - I have started to get to know pupils and staff, which is fab!

Since January, it's been great gathering the whole Kids Team (8 of us in total), getting to know each other, having socials, praying, sharing vision and going through the safer recruitment process! We have made a plan to meet regularly throughout the year - please pray as I try to gather more team for the year ahead, as we look to multiply the groups.

It has been a joy getting to know children, parents/carers and the kids team better this year, and I look forward to all God has in store for children and their discipleship journeys in the year to come.

Anna Martin

ST JOHN'S CHURCH, WESTWOOD

Overview

This is a year that's seen reconfiguration and reimagination as we relaunched Communities and Connect Groups bringing more multigenerational opportunities for relationship and new and familiar ministries coming alive. Children's ministry continues to be brought to life post-pandemic and amazing community and invitational opportunities with Memory Cafe, Refresh, Art Group, Dandelions (Toddler & Baby Group), Christmas events and services, Student Welcome, a church with local school pupils visiting, a Light Party and spaces for retreat too in the Garden of Hope both in organised events and informally. A year that's been full of change and stretch but one where we see how God is inviting us into more as David and Erin report.

January - September

It's a struggle to know who gets to write this report.

2022 opened with me off sick, Ann Peachey planning her move to the parishes next door.

The hope of a Mission Hub associate was in the future.

The people who held St John's together then, Jeff, Stuart, Alison, Dan, Sarah P, Ann, Will, Josh, Elaine, Ed etc aren't the exact same team who brought in the new year of 2022...

Ben, Erin, Caroline, Jeff, Michelle and more came on board as the year went on and some others stepped out as they were needed elsewhere or needed a break.

The wardens will give the overview of events, but to give the feel:

Generosity, Coping and growing Joy.

St John's has been through more instability and personnel change than we could have imagined. Despite this we are more than surviving.

This is not ideal for a church and we are rebuilding but interviews led us to Erin and she has brought more than stability. We have a new heart, a growing passion for prayer and a sense of confidence in God and what he is doing.

We are used to being a strong congregation.

Used to having multiple musicians, preachers, pray-ers, teams and great hospitality. We still have many strengths and the hospitality and welcome remain wonderful. But other areas show weakness.

But when we are weak, God is strong.

We have space for new leaders, room to grow, and innovate.

Often a lower reliance on self leads to a greater reliance on God in prayer.

David Hammond

October - December

In October 2022 I was warmly welcome as the new Mission Hub Associate, St Johns Church Leader. I have enjoyed getting to know the people of St John's, building relationships and leading a new Connect and Community. Some highlights of the Autumn/Winter were our Light Party, using the Garden of Hope and sharing some tasty hot dogs, our Christmas Carol Services, with a wonderful choir, a great message and really good social time, this was closely followed by our Pop Up Nativity, with many families from our communities joining in. Our celebrations culminated in a wonderful Bridge Christmas Day Service where much fun was had.

We are looking forward to beginning 2023 with a strong focus on prayer. I am excited for what is to come.

Erin Gilmour

Students

In 2022 we said goodbye to our Student Worker, Tatenda Munzara. His investment in building relational capital with students at St John's has gifted the church with volunteers in tech, music and our mid-week baby and toddler group.

At the beginning of the new academic year we spend a day investing in the vision of students for St John's with a heavy emphasis on welcome and belonging. As the students have settled into a Connect Group they are now beginning to explore what the mission could look like in 2023. Going into the new year we are excited to invest in our students more deeply in mentoring and huddling and encouraging them in their discipleship journeys and stepping out in faith to be salt and light on campus and in their social groups.

Sarah Packwood

Children & Youth

Our 0-5 team have enjoyed leading sessions throughout the year to groups of up to 12 children. This group has been led by John Finlayson and a group of super leaders; Caroline G, Min, Anya and Olya. We also have a small group of volunteers who help support on an adhoc basis.

Our 5-11 group have developed their relationship with God as well as each other during the year. Each session has around 18-25 children attending. They now meet at the start of every session in their accountability groups, where they talk about their week and pray for each other. The children have enjoyed a range of sessions including going out for prayer walks in the local area and using the Garden of Hope. Thanks goes to Lynne and Liz for their constant support during these sessions.

Rebecca leads a great team of volunteers, running our babies and children's group; Dandelions. This group has a large number of parents registered and a core group of families who come most weeks. Parents and children from this group have attended other events run by The Bridge.

In October we had a light party at St. Johns, which was well attended by over 120 Bridge Families and their friends. It was a great time for families to get together for fun and celebration of light as an alternative to the normal celebrations around that time.

We are grateful for the amazing support of Susie and Nick Romney who lead a spectacular pre-school nativity service with the support of the Dandelion team helping with the craft and the Refresh team helping with the refreshments.

We have developed links with a local school, where our children's discipleship enabler has lead sessions in the classroom, trips to visit the church and assemblies.

Alison Fry

In 2022 we invited St John's to pray into the provision for youth work, both financially and in personnel. We ended 2022 committed to finding a way forward to begin September 2023, or sooner to invest in our youth. We're looking forward to what God will do and invite you to continue to pray, consider volunteering or financially committing to continue to support children and youth.

The Garden of Hope

This year has seen lots of new developments in the Garden of Hope. We have a brilliant team of volunteers who have worked hard on Monday mornings to transform the space. We now have running water in the Garden of Hope which was a relief and blessing during the very hot summer as we fought to keep plants alive! The barefoot walk proved to be very popular with the children during the summer months and some daring adults. We ran our first Art Retreat in November with a local artist which was attended by 30 people both Christians and non Christians. It has been a real joy to meet new people in the garden that have no connection to church but love to come and visit, many of them testifying to the peace that they experience in the garden. We now have 2 signs ready to go up which will help people find the Garden of Hope and flyers to promote, hopefully, this will raise the profile of the garden in our local area. We have just submitted 2 funding bids and if they are successful we can improve the garden further. We are currently in conversation with the Refugee and Migrant Centre who have 4 refugees who would like to grow some vegetables in the Garden of

Hope. It feels like the project is gathering momentum and we hope that we can build from a strong place over the coming year.

If you'd like to get involved in this project please email:

caroline@thebridgecoventry.org

If you have any furniture in good condition, cuttings of plants you can offer, boulders, stones (any size), bricks or slabs please do get in touch.

Or you'd like to financially give to the work of the project you can do so here: <https://thebridgecoventry.churchsuite.com/donate/fund/ojcmchjg>

TRINITY CHURCH, BURTON GREEN

Over the last year we have really enjoyed being able to meet and worship together. We often experience God's presence during our simple, intimate services each first Sunday of the month.

We have enjoyed going deeper as a Connect group on the second and fourth week, as well as finding encouragement meeting with our Community each month.

As part of our ministry to the village, John serves as a Governor at Burton Green Primary School as a foundation governor. However, he will be stepping down having finished his 4-year term in 2023.

As a number of our congregation struggle with ill-health, it is good for us to be able to support each other. Looking forward, we're excited to spend more time with our local friends and neighbours, discern new ways of engaging and connecting with the community, and invite them on a journey of exploring faith. We wonder if God will use the opening of the new Village Hall to provide us with such opportunities.

FABRIC REPORT

St Stephen's, Canley

A programme of works continued to rectify any items raised in the quinquennial inspection. This included work to replace one of the flat roofs and to repair tiles on the main roof. The rear fire door to the vestry was also replaced.

Work with APEC architects on a feasibility study for a combined new building with Canley Community Centre was completed and is now being reviewed. We hope to move this project forward in 2023.

St John's, Westwood

2022 was a year of progress

- Two great working parties to keep the grounds in good shape. Thanks to all who turned up and helped.
- A special thanks to Pete Carless who built the new cupboard in the Leigh Room. The Children's team and Dandelions really appreciate being able to store their items out of sight.
- The flat roof, all approvals are in place just awaiting grant funding to cover the cost! Hopefully contractors will be onsite by the Autumn.
- There is a team meeting to look at how to progress replacing the main roof.
 - Any person wanting to write or help to write grant applications please let Erin know.
- Thanks for the ongoing service of Dave Cass and Phil Dunkerley who carry out many minor fixes as well as general maintenance jobs.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Report – full details in the year end accounts

The Bridge Benefice was in deficit by £23,406 (all funds) at the end of 2022. During 2022 the Bridge returned to more 'normal' operations in the three bases of The Bridge, namely St John's Westwood, St Stephen's Canley and Trinity Burton Green.

There were (unrestricted funds only): -

Income

- Planned giving was £172,980 which was below the budget of £180,250 (96% of budget)
- Gift Aid was £36,297.
- Trading activities of Occasional Offices, room hire and Car park rental, totalled £12,269.
- Overall income at, was £221,888, £9,112 or 3.9% below the planned budget income.

In comparison to the forecast budget expenditure the following changes occurred: -

- The total cost of staff was £88,443 (9.0%) below the budget of £97,200 by £8,757, driven by no replacement of the student worker. Staff costs were £71,174 in 2021.
- Groups and meetings expenditure was £11,153.
- Spend on buildings, equipment etc. was £45,645.
- Parish Share was as planned at £76,625.
- Gifts to supported organisations was on budget at £22,000.
- Overall expenditure was £242,900, versus a budget of £258,800, so an underspend of £15,900 or 6.1%

Overall, this resulted in a deficit of £21,978 in 2022 on unrestricted funds. This leaves cash in the bank at year end of £42,383 in the general account plus £35,654 in a designated building fund for St John's, so a total of £78,037.

Thus, the finances of The Bridge Benefice are in a weaker position at the end of 2022.

The Joint Council would like to thank all those who have given to the church bases in 2023. We are in a good financial position but would like to do more.

The expenditure in 2023 to keep the existing staff, recruit a new part time person to cover youth or student worker, maintain the existing rhythm of meetings and meet the costs of running the buildings is estimated at £270,000. Income in the first quarter of 2023 is tracking at c£225,000. The reserves will not cover that deficit of £45,000, so please stand with us in faith and prayer that resources will flow in to allow the church to flourish.

Jeff Smailes

ELECTORAL ROLLS REPORT

During the year January 2022 to December 2022 the two parishes of St Stephen's and St John's combined as the Bridge Benefice, so the electoral rolls for both these churches currently sit separately.

So over the year, St John's started the year with 117 people and ended the year with 118. St Stephen's started the year with 40 and ended the year with 37. The combined numbers for the Bridge Benefice is an increase of - from 153 to 151.

DEANERY REPORT

2022 saw a change of Area Dean as David Hammond stepped into the role. With this there's been a shift of focus to praying and sharing, focussing on building relationships and building one another up across the churches.

Charity registration number 1129017

**JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

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JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

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JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

JOINT COUNCIL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees presents its report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the Charity's governing document, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

Objectives and Aims

The Primary objective of the Joint Council is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church; pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Joint Council exercises all the functions of the PCC's of the parishes of Westwood and Canley, which went into abeyance when the Joint Council was created.

Public Benefit

The Joint Council have had due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit and consider that the charity complies with the requirements

Volunteers

The Joint Council, would like to thank all staff, volunteers and supporters, without whose efforts the work of the charity would not be possible

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

JOINT COUNCIL REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Achievements and performance

Charitable activities

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- Overall, this resulted in a deficit of £21,978 in 2022 on unrestricted funds. This leaves cash in the bank at year end of £100,221.
- Thus, the finances of The Bridge Benefice are in a weaker position at the end of 2022 with the unrestricted and undesignated funds representing 17.4% of the turnover in 2022 which is above the target range of 10% to 15%.

To grow the continuing work of the church, as we hope to do, we need to encourage some further increases in regular giving

The buildings at both St Stephen's and St John's require investment

- At St John's the outcome of the 2020 Quinquennial inspection will require major investment in the fabric of the church building, initially a new flat roof (estimated c£60,000) followed before 2025 of a new roof for the main church building plus associated add-ons. This is yet to be costed but likely to be over £400,000. Funds set aside already to pay some of the cost, and we are investigating possibilities for receiving Grant Aid, for the work.
- At St Stephen's an initial consultation has taken place on the possibility of working with the Canley Community Centre to build a new building which is both a church and a community centre. Further preparatory work will commence in 2023.

God's generosity and blessings are again recognised by the Joint Council as He continues to grow His work, and we continue to seek His will to further develop and grow His kingdom through His churches St John's Westwood, St Stephen's Canley and Trinity Burton Green.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

JOINT COUNCIL REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Financial review

The charity has a reserves policy to maintain reserves to a level where adequate working capital is available, but not to allow excessive reserves being maintained or for funds to go into deficit. The total amount of reserves held at the year end amounted to £104,822.

The results for the year are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities. The year-end position is shown in the balance sheet.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which they are exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management Governing Document

The Joint Council's governing documents are the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended, and the Church Representation Rule (which are contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969, as amended), A scheme made in November 2020 under section M38 of the Church Representation Rules modified how the Rules apply in the Bridge Benefice and created the Joint Council.

The members of the Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

D Hammond

J Smailes

T Hickinbottom

M Jermyn

J Martin

L Dawson

S Ashelby

A Mahtani

A Smith

J Sayer

M Robinson

E Gilmour

C Hammond

(Appointed 30 September 2022)

(Appointed 1 July 2022)

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The membership of the Joint Council is set by the Church Representation Rule, as modified by the 2020 scheme.

Organisational Structure

Decisions made in formal Joint Council meetings are communicated to staff who perform direct and administrative roles and overseen by the Joint Council.

Commencement of Activities

The charity registered with the Charity Commission on 6th April 2009.

Approved by order of the board of the Joint Council on
and signed on its behalf by:


D Hammond

Dated: 13/3/23


J Smailes

Dated: 13/3/23

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Joint Council of The Bridge Benefice, Coventry for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 financial statements to be reached.


Robert Anderson FCA
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Dated:13/3/23.....

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	209,519	20,698	230,217	220,387	11,593	231,980
Charitable activities	4	12,269	1,184	13,453	10,587	1,903	12,490
Other Income	5	100	-	100	9,294	26,792	36,086
Investments	6	-	75	75	-	268	268
Total income		221,888	21,957	243,845	240,268	40,556	280,824
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	243,865	23,386	267,251	216,634	26,404	243,038
Gross transfers between funds		-	-	-	(2,417)	2,417	-
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/							
Net movement in funds		(21,977)	(1,429)	(23,406)	21,217	16,569	37,786
Fund balances at 1 January 2022		100,014	28,215	128,229	78,797	11,646	90,443
Fund balances at 31 December 2022		78,037	26,786	104,823	100,014	28,215	128,229

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.


JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

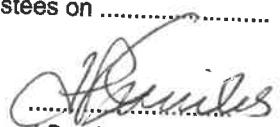
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors					
Cash at bank and in hand	11	11,586		11,077	
		100,221		120,890	
		111,807		131,967	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(6,984)		(3,738)	
Net current assets			104,823		128,229
Income funds					
Restricted funds	13		26,786		28,215
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	14	35,654		36,181	
General unrestricted funds		42,383		63,833	
			78,037		100,014
			104,823		128,229

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

 15/3/23
D Hammond
Trustee

 03/3/23
J Smailes
Trustee

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Joint Council of The Bridge Benefice, Coventry is an unincorporated charity registered in England

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees has a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.8 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the Charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022 £	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £
Donations and gifts	209,519	20,698	230,217	220,387	11,593	231,980

4 Charitable activities

	Other Trading Activities 2022 £	Other Trading Activities 2021 £
Parochial Fee Income	2,682	4,430
Car Park Rental Income	6,811	6,895
Room Hire Income	3,960	1,165
	13,453	12,490
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	12,269	10,587
Restricted funds	1,184	1,903
	13,453	12,490

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

5 Other Income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £
Building repair fund	100	9,294	26,792	36,086

The other income relates to the funds introduced by the acquisition of the St Stephens Church into the charity

6 Investments

	Restricted funds	Restricted funds
	2022 £	2021 £
Interest receivable	75	268

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

7 Charitable activities

	Charitable Activities 2022 £	Charitable Activities 2021 £
Staff costs	80,323	65,273
Staffing Costs - Clergy Expenses	6,370	6,014
Staffing Costs - Training	1,820	2,434
Staffing Costs - Other	(71)	(1,773)
Furlough Scheme Grants	-	(772)
Groups & Meetings	11,153	6,643
Buildings, Finance & Administration	52,380	46,003
Diocesan Payments	76,625	72,500
Supported Organisations	22,000	32,290
Charitable Activities	14,851	12,886
	<u>265,451</u>	<u>241,498</u>
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	1,800	1,540
	<u>267,251</u>	<u>243,038</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	243,865	216,634
Restricted funds	23,386	26,404
	<u>267,251</u>	<u>243,038</u>

8 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2022 Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £
Examiners fees	-	1,800	1,800	-	1,540
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,540</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	-	1,800	1,800	-	1,540
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,540</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the examiners of £1,800 (2021: £1,540) for examination fees.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

9 Trustees

Trustee remuneration and benefits

Jeff Smailes was office administrator and Joint Council Treasurer in 2022 and received £122 and received no pension contributions. The Clergy received in total £6,372 in expenses, David Hammond was paid £3,600, Sarah Ashelby £1,572, Ann Peachey £300, Erin Gilmour £300 and Caroline Hammond £600. No other member of the Joint Council received any remuneration, either directly or indirectly.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year to 31 December 2022, nor for the year to 31 December 2021.

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
	3	3
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
Employment costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	75,469	60,970
Social security costs	2,721	2,320
Other pension costs	2,133	1,983
	<u>80,323</u>	<u>65,273</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

11 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	874	91
Other debtors	8,997	9,648
Prepayments and accrued income	1,715	1,338
	<u>11,586</u>	<u>11,077</u>

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,192	1,242
Accruals and deferred income	3,792	2,496
	<u>6,984</u>	<u>3,738</u>

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Movement in funds			Revaluations, gains and losses	Movement in funds			Balance at 31 December 2022
	£	£	Resources expended	Transfers	£		Resources expended	Incoming resources	Resources expended	£
Bridge Fund for Childrens Work	739	-	(739)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church Growth in Deprived Areas (St Stephens)	-	-	-	2,417	-	-	-	-	-	2,417
Church Live Development Fund	1,149	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,149
Co-ordinated Care Fund	1,533	474	(484)	-	-	-	-	328	(995)	856
Funeral Deposits	228	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	228
Honest to God	2,437	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,437
Kx Midlands Development Fund	1,730	-	(900)	-	-	-	-	-	-	830
Mission to Children	-	104	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	119
Garden of Hope	3,468	100	(3,097)	-	-	-	-	1,851	(2,112)	210
St Stephens Building Fund	-	27,060	(8,406)	-	-	-	-	75	(8,535)	10,194
Trinity Room Carpet Fund	362	40	-	-	-	-	-	221	-	623
Collection for Specific Purposes	-	104	(104)	-	-	-	-	304	(304)	-
Vicars Discretionary Fund	-	10,771	(10,771)	-	-	-	-	10,256	(10,256)	-
Parochial Fees Owed to DBF	-	1,903	(1,903)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Youth & Student Work	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,723	-	1,723
Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,000	-	6,000
	11,646	40,556	(26,404)	2,417	-	-	-	20,773	(22,202)	26,786

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Resources expended	Balance at 1 January 2022	Movement in funds		Balance at 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	£
Building Repair Provision Fund	40,048	(3,867)	36,181	100	(627)	35,654
	<u>40,048</u>	<u>(3,867)</u>	<u>36,181</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>(627)</u>	<u>35,654</u>

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Fund balances at 31 December 2022 are represented by:						
Current assets/(liabilities)	78,037	26,786	104,823	100,014	28,215	128,229
	<u>78,037</u>	<u>26,786</u>	<u>104,823</u>	<u>100,014</u>	<u>28,215</u>	<u>128,229</u>

16 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

Charity registration number 1129017

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JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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J Smailes
T Hickinbottom
M Jermyn
J Martin
L Dawson
S Ashelby
A Mahtani
A Smith
J Sayer
M Robinson
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(Appointed 30 September 2022)

(Appointed 1 July 2022)

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JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

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JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

JOINT COUNCIL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Trustees presents its report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

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Objectives and activities

Objectives and Aims

The Primary objective of the Joint Council is to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church; pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Joint Council exercises all the functions of the PCC's of the parishes of Westwood and Canley, which went into abeyance when the Joint Council was created.

Public Benefit

The Joint Council have had due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit and consider that the charity complies with the requirements

Volunteers

The Joint Council, would like to thank all staff, volunteers and supporters, without whose efforts the work of the charity would not be possible

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

JOINT COUNCIL REPORT (CONTINUED)

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- Parish Share was as planned at £76,625.
- Gifts to supported organisations was on budget at £22,000.
- Overall expenditure was £243,865, versus a budget of £258,800, so an underspend of £14,935 or 5.8%.
- Overall, this resulted in a deficit of £21,978 in 2022 on unrestricted funds. This leaves cash in the bank at year end of £100,221.
- Thus, the finances of The Bridge Benefice are in a weaker position at the end of 2022 with the unrestricted and undesignated funds representing 17.4% of the turnover in 2022 which is above the target range of 10% to 15%.

To grow the continuing work of the church, as we hope to do, we need to encourage some further increases in regular giving

The buildings at both St Stephen's and St John's require investment

- At St John's the outcome of the 2020 Quinquennial inspection will require major investment in the fabric of the church building, initially a new flat roof (estimated c£60,000) followed before 2025 of a new roof for the main church building plus associated add-ons. This is yet to be costed but likely to be over £400,000. Funds set aside already to pay some of the cost, and we are investigating possibilities for receiving Grant Aid, for the work.
- At St Stephen's an initial consultation has taken place on the possibility of working with the Canley Community Centre to build a new building which is both a church and a community centre. Further preparatory work will commence in 2023.

God's generosity and blessings are again recognised by the Joint Council as He continues to grow His work, and we continue to seek His will to further develop and grow His kingdom through His churches St John's Westwood, St Stephen's Canley and Trinity Burton Green.

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JOINT COUNCIL REPORT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Financial review

The charity has a reserves policy to maintain reserves to a level where adequate working capital is available, but not to allow excessive reserves being maintained or for funds to go into deficit. The total amount of reserves held at the year end amounted to £104,822.

The results for the year are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities. The year-end position is shown in the balance sheet.

The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which they are exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management Governing Document

The Joint Council's governing documents are the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended, and the Church Representation Rule (which are contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969, as amended), A scheme made in November 2020 under section M38 of the Church Representation Rules modified how the Rules apply in the Bridge Benefice and created the Joint Council.

The members of the Trustees who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

D Hammond

J Smailes

T Hickinbottom

M Jermyn

J Martin

L Dawson

S Ashelby

A Mahtani

A Smith

J Sayer

M Robinson

E Gilmour

C Hammond

(Appointed 30 September 2022)

(Appointed 1 July 2022)

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The membership of the Joint Council is set by the Church Representation Rule, as modified by the 2020 scheme.

Organisational Structure

Decisions made in formal Joint Council meetings are communicated to staff who perform direct and administrative roles and overseen by the Joint Council.

Commencement of Activities

The charity registered with the Charity Commission on 6th April 2009.

Approved by order of the board of the Joint Council on
and signed on its behalf by:


D Hammond

Dated: 13/3/23


J Smailes

Dated: 13/3/23

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Joint Council of The Bridge Benefice, Coventry for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

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

Independent examiner's statement

Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

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

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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 financial statements to be reached.


Robert Anderson FCA
Azets Audit Services

3Mc Middlemarch Business Park
Siskin Drive
Coventry
CV3 4FJ
United Kingdom

Dated:13/3/23.....

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	209,519	20,698	230,217	220,387	11,593	231,980
Charitable activities	4	12,269	1,184	13,453	10,587	1,903	12,490
Other Income	5	100	-	100	9,294	26,792	36,086
Investments	6	-	75	75	-	268	268
Total income		221,888	21,957	243,845	240,268	40,556	280,824
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	243,865	23,386	267,251	216,634	26,404	243,038
Gross transfers between funds		-	-	-	(2,417)	2,417	-
Net (expenditure)/income for the year/							
Net movement in funds		(21,977)	(1,429)	(23,406)	21,217	16,569	37,786
Fund balances at 1 January 2022		100,014	28,215	128,229	78,797	11,646	90,443
Fund balances at 31 December 2022		78,037	26,786	104,823	100,014	28,215	128,229

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.


JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

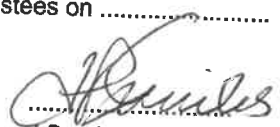
BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Current assets					
Debtors					
Cash at bank and in hand	11	11,586		11,077	
		100,221		120,890	
		111,807		131,967	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(6,984)		(3,738)	
Net current assets			104,823		128,229
Income funds					
Restricted funds	13		26,786		28,215
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	14	35,654		36,181	
General unrestricted funds		42,383		63,833	
			78,037		100,014
			104,823		128,229

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on

 15/3/23
D Hammond
Trustee

 03/3/23
J Smailes
Trustee

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Joint Council of The Bridge Benefice, Coventry is an unincorporated charity registered in England

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's [governing document], the Charities Act 2011, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The Charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, [modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value]. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Trustees has a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the Charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the Charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.5 Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.8 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the Charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.9 Retirement benefits

Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees is required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022 £	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £
Donations and gifts	209,519	20,698	230,217	220,387	11,593	231,980

4 Charitable activities

	Other Trading Activities 2022 £	Other Trading Activities 2021 £
Parochial Fee Income	2,682	4,430
Car Park Rental Income	6,811	6,895
Room Hire Income	3,960	1,165
	13,453	12,490
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	12,269	10,587
Restricted funds	1,184	1,903
	13,453	12,490

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

5 Other Income

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £
Building repair fund	100	9,294	26,792	36,086

The other income relates to the funds introduced by the acquisition of the St Stephens Church into the charity

6 Investments

	Restricted funds	Restricted funds
	2022 £	2021 £
Interest receivable	75	268

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

7 Charitable activities

	Charitable Activities 2022 £	Charitable Activities 2021 £
Staff costs	80,323	65,273
Staffing Costs - Clergy Expenses	6,370	6,014
Staffing Costs - Training	1,820	2,434
Staffing Costs - Other	(71)	(1,773)
Furlough Scheme Grants	-	(772)
Groups & Meetings	11,153	6,643
Buildings, Finance & Administration	52,380	46,003
Diocesan Payments	76,625	72,500
Supported Organisations	22,000	32,290
Charitable Activities	14,851	12,886
	<u>265,451</u>	<u>241,498</u>
Share of governance costs (see note 8)	1,800	1,540
	<u>267,251</u>	<u>243,038</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	243,865	216,634
Restricted funds	23,386	26,404
	<u>267,251</u>	<u>243,038</u>

8 Support costs

	Support costs £	Governance costs £	2022 Support costs £	Governance costs £	2021 £
Examiners fees	-	1,800	1,800	-	1,540
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,540</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	-	1,800	1,800	-	1,540
	<u>-</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,540</u>

Governance costs includes payments to the examiners of £1,800 (2021: £1,540) for examination fees.

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

9 Trustees

Trustee remuneration and benefits

Jeff Smailes was office administrator and Joint Council Treasurer in 2022 and received £122 and received no pension contributions. The Clergy received in total £6,372 in expenses, David Hammond was paid £3,600, Sarah Ashelby £1,572, Ann Peachey £300, Erin Gilmour £300 and Caroline Hammond £600. No other member of the Joint Council received any remuneration, either directly or indirectly.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year to 31 December 2022, nor for the year to 31 December 2021.

10 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
	3	3
	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
Employment costs	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	75,469	60,970
Social security costs	2,721	2,320
Other pension costs	2,133	1,983
	<u>80,323</u>	<u>65,273</u>

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.

11 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	874	91
Other debtors	8,997	9,648
Prepayments and accrued income	1,715	1,338
	<u>11,586</u>	<u>11,077</u>

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	3,192	1,242
Accruals and deferred income	3,792	2,496
	<u>6,984</u>	<u>3,738</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Incoming resources	Movement in funds			Revaluations, gains and losses	Movement in funds			Balance at 31 December 2022
	£	£	Resources expended	Transfers	£		Resources expended	Incoming resources	Resources expended	£
Bridge Fund for Childrens Work	739	-	(739)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church Growth in Deprived Areas (St Stephens)	-	-	-	2,417	-	-	-	-	-	2,417
Church Live Development Fund	1,149	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,149
Co-ordinated Care Fund	1,533	474	(484)	-	-	-	-	328	(995)	856
Funeral Deposits	228	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	228
Honest to God	2,437	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,437
Kx Midlands Development Fund	1,730	-	(900)	-	-	-	-	-	-	830
Mission to Children	-	104	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	119
Garden of Hope	3,468	100	(3,097)	-	-	-	-	1,851	(2,112)	210
St Stephens Building Fund	-	27,060	(8,406)	-	-	-	-	75	(8,535)	10,194
Trinity Room Carpet Fund	362	40	-	-	-	-	-	221	-	623
Collection for Specific Purposes	-	104	(104)	-	-	-	-	304	(304)	-
Vicars Discretionary Fund	-	10,771	(10,771)	-	-	-	-	10,256	(10,256)	-
Parochial Fees Owed to DBF	-	1,903	(1,903)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Youth & Student Work	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,723	-	1,723
Investment Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,000	-	6,000
	11,646	40,556	(26,404)	2,417	-	-	-	20,773	(22,202)	26,786

JOINT COUNCIL OF THE BRIDGE BENEFICE, COVENTRY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 January 2021	Resources expended	Balance at 1 January 2022	Movement in funds		Balance at 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	£
Building Repair Provision Fund	40,048	(3,867)	36,181	100	(627)	35,654
	<u>40,048</u>	<u>(3,867)</u>	<u>36,181</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>(627)</u>	<u>35,654</u>

15 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Fund balances at 31 December 2022 are represented by:						
Current assets/(liabilities)	78,037	26,786	104,823	100,014	28,215	128,229
	<u>78,037</u>	<u>26,786</u>	<u>104,823</u>	<u>100,014</u>	<u>28,215</u>	<u>128,229</u>

16 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).