

Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Newcastle St Giles with Butterton

For the year ended 31st December 2023

Registered Charity Number: 1130602

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Objectives and Activities

The Parochial Church Council of Newcastle St Giles with Butterson (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Joshua Penduck, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the church.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Newcastle Under Lyme with Butterson. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non-sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach non churched members of the community.

Public Benefit

The trustees of the Charity are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Newcastle St Giles with Butterson, it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Achievements and Performance

Objectives

The primary objective of the PCC is to promote the Mission of God (Missio Dei), evangelistically, pastorally, socially and ecologically, in collaboration with every member of the two congregations. Our Mission Statement is that we are seeking to be 'a friendly church community, rooted in and serving the communities of central Newcastle-under-Lyme and Butterson and offering good quality worship, ministry and leadership. We are seeking to be a welcoming worshipping community of all ages.' In the context of St Giles with St Thomas this is done through regular public worship, catechism, pastoral care both individually and through occasional offices, engagement and/or collaboration with community organisations, groups and visiting individuals, and through environmentally sound care of our churchyards.

The secondary objectives of the PCC during 2023 were to:

1. Communication:

- Design and implement a new church website
- Developing social media presence
- Using print media for flyers and invitations
- Utilising banners outside church

2. Finance:

- Addressing Common Fund/ Budget deficit
- Addressing finances around St Thomas
- Ongoing stewardship letters and teaching

3. Closing the gap between seeker and disciple:

- Development of current events serving not-yet members of the church
- Running regular enquirers courses and inviting folks along to them
- Encouraging prayer as a discipline of discipleship (including praying for growth)
- Developing the St Giles Community Project

4. Development of worship:

- Developing a mixed offering of worship at different times and in different styles
- Developing excellence in welcome, being aware of and attentive to newcomers and intentionally building relationships with those we don't know in church
- Utilising invitations to invite people to attend worship and events

5. 'The Next Generation' (Psalm 78.1-7)

- Developing mission and ministry to children, young people and families
- Developing church-school links

Activities

In the gradual return to normality after the COVID-19 pandemic lockdowns of 2020-1, we have been able to meet our primary objectives during 2023:

- St Giles and St Thomas remained open for worship throughout 2023 with a regular online service.
- St Giles continued to have a regular 10.30am service (All Age Worship once a month, a sung Eucharist all the other Sundays), a fortnightly BCP Communion on Sundays at 8am reduced to monthly on the fourth Sunday from July, and a weekday Communion on Wednesday lunchtimes.
- St Thomas continued to have a monthly service, with extra services for Festival Days (Christmas, Easter etc). An attempt was made to have a weekly service, though there was a lack of interest from both church and local village community.
- An agreement was made with St Andrew's church in the Westlands to share online worship. Later in the year, this agreement was extended to include the Bucknall Team Ministry. This has helped ease the burden for all three parishes in preparing online worship.
- A Lent course was provided on the theme of 'Why Do We Worship How We Worship?'
- Occasional offices have continued, including the church being able to offer to a curate from another parish one wedding to lead.
- The church has been used by community groups, including choirs, and uniformed organisations. Connection have been maintained with the church school, St Giles and St George's Academy; Sue Taylor of St Giles Church became

the Chair of Governors at St Giles and St George's Academy, and has helped with the difficult transition to joining Three Spires Multi-Academy Trust; Revd Peter Nisbeck continued as Governing Members, with Sheelagh Burton stepping down.

As can be seen below, many of our secondary objectives have been met, with others still in development:

- Communication:
 - We have not yet begun to develop a new website.
 - Our social media presence has increased. This is due to our parish administrator, Penny Richards, who continuously updates our Facebook page and website.
 - We developed several hundred flyers and invitations for Christmas and the St Giles Community Project
 - We developed banners outside the Church for Christmas events and permanent sign fixtures for the St Giles Community Project
- Finance
 - As can be seen from the Financial Report, St Giles has financially stabilised during 2023. This is in spite of losing a large community group from the church hall and the loss of income from St Thomas' (see below).
 - St Thomas finances have maintained the downward trajectory from 2022, though now at a slower pace. This is due to the following reasons:
 - shrinking congregation numbers
 - problematic facilities (such as a lack of wheelchair ramp, quality toilets, distance from housing), meaning little interest in community groups hiring the building
 - a lack of sustained community interest in keeping the church financially viable combined with a small social demographic surrounding the church

A group of people from both the church and village have created several social and worship events to involve the community in. Though this has increased the church's profile in the local community, most of the funds raised continue to be eaten up by repairs and the contribution to the Common Fund. This continues to leave many disheartened.

 - We did not have the opportunity to do a giving campaign.
- Closing the gap between seeker and disciple
 - The development of the Friday St Giles Community Project has gone from strength to strength, now providing free lunches and many interesting and varied workshops, connecting with the local community. We have received outside funding for this to help make a bigger impact. Many thanks to Chris Taylor, Gillian Elks, and Penny Richards for organizing this.
 - Four enquirers and discipleship courses were held. Hope Explored, a three-week course for enquirers, was held in March, June, and October, with a total of seven people in attendance. Many thanks to Sue Taylor, Jean Buckley and Paul Daley for their help. Christianity Explored, a seven-week course to deepen discipleship, was held from October to November, with four people in attendance. Many thanks to Revd Shell Penduck for her help.
 - The Lent Course 'Why We Worship How We Worship: Exploring the Liturgy' was held during Lent.
 - We have yet to encourage prayer as a discipline of discipleship.
 - The Bible Study has continued throughout 2023, looking at Mark and Galatians
- Development of Worship
 - Currently St Giles and St Thomas emphasise various traditional forms of worship. These include:
 - 10.30am Sung eucharist at St Giles (with children's church, or 'Shine', running in parallel) 3 or 4 times a month
 - 8am Spoken BCP communion at St Giles (twice a month until July then reduced to once a month)
 - 1.10am midweek lunchtime communion at St Giles (weekly)
 - 10.30am communion at St Thomas (once a month)

We currently have four non-traditional forms of worship:

 - A monthly All-Age Worship at St Giles
 - A monthly 'Mini Messy Church' at St Giles running in parallel with the sung eucharist
 - A monthly service at several sheltered accommodation complexes or residential homes (Hemstalls Hall, Rowan Court, Mill Rise)
 - A quarterly Messy Church

The PCC will explore ways in which this diversity can be developed.

 - An 'Everybody Welcome' Course was held in October-November 2023. Many ideas have been put forward which are gradually being implemented. This has included painting, new lighting, entrance boards, and heating. Many thanks to Dennis Brammer, Ian Taylor and Dave Elks for their efforts to decorate and improve the look and feel of the church hall and entranceway.

- Services continue to be held at Rowan Court Care Home, Hempstalls Hall Care Home, and Mill Rise Sheltered Accommodation. Many thanks to Revd Ann Taylor to ensuring these vital services continue.
- We are glad that Revd Pat Smith has been able to join the Ministry Team at St Giles
- An attempt was made at having a weekly midweek service at St Thomas. However, with no one attending, it was decided to cancel this. Revd Josh Penduck has made it clear to the St Thomas subcommittee that this means that St Thomas is now in long-term 'hospice care'.
- The Next Generation
 - We currently employ a Children and Families Worker, Jean Buckley, for 4½ hours a week. Due to limited resources, we are restricted to employing Jean for Sunday worship and Messy Church. We will be implementing a new contract in 2024.
 - Shine, our Sunday club, has grown and is now an established part of our ministry at St Giles. So also has Messy Church developed. Many thanks to Jean Buckley and all the volunteers who have helped make this happen.
 - A Sunday Youth Group has now been set up by James Buckley and Rosie Stead Brennan
 - I regularly lead worship in St Giles and St George's School. The children also come to St Giles once a month for GLOW. More work needs to be done on how to develop these links.

Review of 2023

Special events at St Giles with St Thomas have included the following:

- A St Thomas/Butterton Pie and Pea Quiz Night was held at St Giles on 2nd February
- A Shrove Tuesday Beetle-Drive was held on 21st February, followed by our Ash Wednesday service on 22nd
- A Service to mark the 850th Anniversary of the Burgesses of Newcastle under Lyme was held on 5th March, with preacher Bishop Matthew Parker
- Edenhurst School visited St Giles on 10th March for a learning event
- 18th March an Auction was held at St Giles raising funds for both St Giles and St Thomas
- During Holy Week, we had a Palm Sunday service (with outside procession), a Maundy Thursday service with a Garden of Repose, and a Good Friday Messy Church, Ecumenical Service, and Reflections at the Cross. On Easter Day, I was invited to lead the ecumenical sunrise service; we also had an 8am Communion, a 10.30am family communion at St Giles, and a 10.30am traditional communion at St Thomas
- 23rd April we held the new and revised St George's service for the Newcastle under Lyme Scouts, which was very well received
- 3rd May, an Afternoon Tea was held to celebrate the Coronation at the Wednesday Fellowship Group
- 7th May, we held a Civic Service in conjunction with Newcastle Borough Council to celebrate the Coronation. This was followed by the resurrection of the Rectory Garden Party and an Afternoon Tea at St Thomas Church
- 11th May, a fashion show was held at St Giles, raising funds for St Giles and St Thomas
- Our APCM was held at St Giles on 23rd May
- 8th June, our Ascension Day Service was held
- 18th June, St Giles inducted the new Mayor as part of the 850th Anniversary Celebrations
- St Giles was asked to lead the service for Armed Forces Day on 24th June
- 25th June, St Giles celebrated Revd Ann Taylor's 25th anniversary of her ordination
- I was asked to preach for the retirement of Revd Rod Clark, the leader of the Diocesan Deliverance Ministry, on 8th July, at Lichfield
- 9th September, a Dog Show was held at St Thomas
- 17th September, the Battle of Britain service was held at St Giles in conjunction with RAFA
- 4th October the Scouts visited St Giles as part of their learning
- 7th October a Craft Fayre was held at St Giles. A Harvest Supper was also held that evening
- 10th and 16th October, 'Climate Change and Faith' mornings were held at St Giles for children from St Giles and St George's Academy
- 4th November, the Organ Society held a concert at St Giles church
- 9th November, Edenhurst School held a Remembrance Service at St Giles
- St Giles led the town Remembrance Day service on November 11th and held the Remembrance Day service on 12th November
- A 'Medieval' Christmas Market was held at St Giles on 25th November in conjunction with the Guildhall and other tradespeople in the town.
- 26th November, St Giles led the Memorial Service in conjunction with Co-op Funeral Care
- 2nd December, a St Thomas wreath-making event was held at St Giles
- 6th December the Newcastle Chapter Meeting was held at St Giles
- 6th December, the Wednesday Fellowship Advent Party was held
- 8th December, Edenhurst School held their carol service at St Giles

- 9th December, the NULC Orchestra held their concert at St Giles
- 10th December we held our Christingle and Nativity Service at St Giles and the outdoor Carol Service was held at St Thomas
- 14th December, the Ministry and Management Team held their first Christmas meal since 2019
- 15th December, the Daleian Singers held their concert at St Giles
- 16th December, Revd Josh Penduck led the Ecumenical Carol Service in the town centre
- 17th December, St Giles held its Civic Carol Service
- On 24th December, 'One More Sleep' was held at St Giles.

Other important things to note are the following:

- Throughout 2022, we have had 18 baptisms, 4 weddings, 2 vow renewals, and 29 funerals/commitments of ashes at St Giles, St Thomas and local crematoriums.

Thanks

Many thanks go to our Wardens, Gillian Elks and Dennis Brammer, for their persistent and tireless work in maintaining our buildings at St Giles and St Thomas. Thanks also go to our Deputy Wardens Ian Taylor, Peter Ward, Sheila Gurney, and Melvyn Ryder; to our Treasurer, Jane McKeever for her sterling work in helping balance the books; and to our PCC Secretary Carol Stimpson, who stepped down in August 2023.

Many thanks to the ministry team – which includes Revd Peter Nisbeck, Revd Ann Taylor, John Maddison, and honorary associate priests Revd Dr David Kirk Beedon and Revd Pat Smith.

Many thanks to our staff – Penny Richards and Jean Buckley – for their work in maintaining the life and worship of St Giles. Thanks to Penny for maintaining order despite having to work with a dyspraxic Rector! Thanks go to our Financial Advisor, Kim Benton, for her work in helping St Giles with St Thomas maintain a healthy financial stability. Many thanks to Revd Peter Nisbeck for his continued leadership of the choir.

A church is nothing without its great body of volunteers who help keep it going. Although I could not thank everyone by name, I would especially like to thank our PCC members, Laurie Bailey and the Green Team, Chris Taylor for his work with the St Giles Community Project, Pat Lovatt and the Friday Morning Team, Sue Taylor and the team at St Thomas' for their sterling work with the Saturday Coffee Morning, Michael Pitstow for the Magazine, Wendy Burke and the Wednesday Fellowship, James Buckley and the Youth Group team, the choir and all other musicians, the St Thomas Sub-committee, the Finance Sub-Committee, the Churchyard Sub-committee, those on our cleaning, coffee and market stall rotas, those on our reading and intercessions rotas, the flower arrangers, the bellringers, and so many others.

Staffing

In 2023, the PCC employed three members of staff:

- Jean Buckley, Children and Families Worker
- Penny Richards, Parish Administrator
- Revd Peter Nisbeck, Director of Music

Rector's Work outside the parish

I have been involved in several organisations outside St Giles with St Thomas during 2023:

- I am a Director of St Giles and St George's Academy, with involvement with the SIAMS link
- I remain the Chair of Fulcrum, and am the Fulcrum representative on the Church of England Evangelical Council (CEEC)
- I have been asked by Bishop Michael Ipgrave of Lichfield to be a member of the Diocesan Deliverance Ministry
- I have written on several occasions for the Church of England Newspaper through my work with Fulcrum

Future Plans

The PCC will continue to implement and develop our Action Plan formulated in October 2022.

Revd Joshua Penduck

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2023

Resignations:

Carol Stimpson resigned as PCC Secretary on July 24th 2023

Standing Committee meetings and PCC meetings:

- Between January 2023 and December 2023 there were six PCC meetings and four Standing Committee meetings (all Standing Committee meetings were held online).
- All meetings were well attended and there was lively and well-informed debate about several important issues.

Issues:

- The Rector has changed the format and structure of the PCC to include more subcommittees, enabling a deeper focus at PCC Meetings
- The PCC were happy to continue to employ our Children and Families Worker, particularly due to generous donations. A new contract will be drawn up in January 2024.
- Strong links with the St Giles and St George Academy continue.
- We continued to struggle appointing a new PCC Secretary after July. Many thanks to Gillian Elks for writing the minutes to meetings.

New appointments:

- We extended a warm welcome to Glynn Edwards, Anita Gibson, Paul Daley and Lawrence Bailey as newly elected PCC members in May 2023.

Revd Joshua Penduck

WARDENS' REPORT 2023

St Giles' Church Newcastle under Lyme

Following the welcoming course Josh mentioned to Dennis the poor lighting in the north corridor. The next day Dennis ordered new LED lights and fitted them as soon as they arrived. The new lights highlighted what was always clear to see in that the walls were very dull and the woodwork was very dirty therefore in need of painting and varnishing. Dennis purchased paint and equipment to paint the ceiling, walls, and woodwork. Dennis then purchased wood stain/varnish and applied it to the doors off the corridor.

Having completed this work, it showed how dull the main hall was. Dennis painted the hall and woodwork including the cleaning and varnishing of doors. Josh pointed out how dull the south area of the hall was due to the old lights. The next day Dennis ordered LED lights and fitted them once they arrived.

Josh made it known to Dennis that the plan was to fit two large noticeboards in the north corridor. Dennis ordered two boards for the corridor and a smaller one for the main hall and upon arrival Ian Taylor and Dennis fitted them.

There is more work in mind yet to complete. Dennis has to finish the painting of the disabled parking bay and to continue clearing the parking area of moss particularly around the area close to the tower door. When wet this is dangerous and slippery.

The counting of money and the use of the new form is working very well between Penny and Dennis. Wednesday morning (or an alternative weekday morning) is a much better time for this work which is less stressful and speedier with less mistakes and allowing wardens to socialise at the conclusion of the Sunday service.

Dennis has quotes from three engineers for the work to secure the area to the south of the south vestry.

Arrangements have been made for workmen to attend (Friday 9th February 2024) and advise reference the damaged and poorly designed entrance to the organ fan room.

A group of ladies have cleared the choir vestry of clutter. This room together with the stairs and the office above are very much in need of painting. This also is on Dennis' list of work to accomplish this year.

Ian Taylor has spent many hours overhauling the church heating system, replacing valves and radiators where necessary. The church now is a much warmer and welcoming space.

Various maintenance jobs have been carried out, and at present the electrician is carrying out necessary remedial works to the electrical system to make the church safe. Once we have the electrical certificate the Quinquennial Report can be undertaken.

Gillian has been busy in the background with rotas, general duties plus St Thomas, Butterson.

St Thomas Church Butterton

During the past twelve months oil has been ordered and delivered to keep the church warm each week. The fire extinguishers have been serviced, together with the boiler, new lights and locks have been fitted to the boiler room. The electrician has looked at the sound system, he has condemned one of the microphones. He has left written instructions on how to use the system which are in the vestry at St Thomas. David Elks has again programmed the heating such that this comes on each week to keep the church aired and checked the water in the header tank (this is part of the heating system). Smoke bombs were used in March and October to remove the infestation of flies and ladybirds. Chris Taylor is doing his best to keep the grounds immediately outside the church in good order, but unfortunately the vegetation on the approach drive to the church is fast taking over and the cost of removal is prohibitive.

Various fund-raising events have taken place at St Thomas, together with the Saturday coffee mornings continuing through the warmer months.

The railings which were removed by vandals have now been repaired and reinstated.

Gillian Elks and Dennis Brammer

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2023

Deanery Synod meeting 26th October 2023 St Mary's Church, Knutton at which guest speaker, Ruth Fish, the children and families minister for All Saints Church Madeley and St Margaret's Betley gave an account of her work.

Points of note were her "desire to see children who are not just God smart but God connected" through children being involved with making cards, having "prayer spaces in schools, and "setting up" pray stations outside in the summer using tents.

Ruth referenced Dioceses support for children's work to contact Laura Edwards, Evangelists Enabler and Catherine Matlock Pioneer Missioner via Lichfield Dioceses website.

The impression I gained was that Ruth's work with the children is very much at a pioneering stage. These churches are located in villages with limited congregations in size: All Saints approx. 60 people, St Margaret's approx. 35 people in total.

The meeting concluded with limited information on same sex marriages. The position of the Church of England is very unclear at present. It was reported that "things are not good at this moment in time".

Deanery Synod Meeting 17th January 2024. Due to wintery weather an "online meeting was set which I attended via zoom. Guest speaker Malcolm Mycock from St John's Church, Abbey Hulton. Topic "Alcohol and substance misuse ". Malcolm gave an account of the work he had undertaken through his role as church minister to address this problem in his congregation and beyond. This church works in partnership with Hope Church, Trent Vale. He talked about "key community detox ", which provides away out of addiction. St. Johns' Church can be contacted as a means to introduce or support people with addiction.

Paul Daley

St Giles' Synod Representative since May 2023

Prior to May St Giles representatives were not able to attend previous meetings

ST THOMAS REPORT 2023

The Butterton sub-committee has met bi-monthly during the year to look at ways the village and church communities can work together to try to help make the church viable as both a place of worship and a building to host social/community events. Coffee mornings were held fortnightly from March to October and did provide a good social meeting for the few regulars who attended. Also, during the year, the committee organised a dog show, fashion show, auction, quiz, bake-off and wreath making. These fundraising events brought in a total profit of £3861.85. This is a fantastic effort and everyone who organised these events and those who supported are heartfully thanked.

Church services continue to be held on the first Sunday of the month and those who attend thank the clergy team for this. Josh did try to instigate a mid-week service to have the church open more but after 2 weeks with nobody turning up this idea was

abandoned as his time is too valuable. The outdoor Carol Service was successful with 30+ people attending, and donations sent to the Children's Society.

Luckily there have not been any major repairs needed to the church. The fencing that was removed due to some vandalism was replaced and the cost of this was recouped through the insurance claim. Even though there is only 1 service a month the heating has been kept on weekly during the winter to prevent any damage. This oil cost together with insurance, electricity, annual services etc does mean that outgoings are still the same as if the church was open more. St Thomas now pay £220 per month, as they only have a monthly service, to St Giles towards the common fund and St Giles must therefore subsidise the extra £660 St Thomas were previously paying when there was a weekly service.

So, thanks to all those who have worked hard this year but to be realistic if we look at the finances alone after all that hard work fundraising the annual expenditure still exceeds income. Therefore, there is no chance of making the church building more usable for community/social events or lettings for groups. Also, I must raise the question as to whether many of the community want the building enough to support it.

Sue Taylor
Secretary to Butterson sub-committee

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES REPORT

REGULAR SUNDAYS

New families have continued to join us over the last year. The numbers attending **SHINE** have increased during this time.

On at least 9 occasions we have gone into double figures.

On another 20 occasions we have had between 6 - 10 children attending.

The other Shine weeks usually have a decent little group too with some dips around holiday times.

YOUTH GROUP

One really exciting development is the introduction of a youth group to cater for the needs of 11 - 18 year olds. It is run by two lovely young people. The hope is that this will help us to hold on to the children who have so faithfully attended St Giles for many years by giving them age-appropriate materials and time for Bible study and discussion. The youth group tends to merge with Shine for the latter half of the session and I organise themed games for everyone.

Due to other commitments James and Rosie are only able to run it on the first and third Sunday of the month but the older children are always welcome to join Shine and help with the youngsters. It would be good if they could maybe have a social evening or outing at some point to bond them and bring them all together at the same time.

MINI-MESSY CHURCH

The greatest number of attendees was at when we hosted an Advent Party. This attracted 16 children and 11 Adults.

RECENT NUMBERS - MESSY CHURCH

<u>Theme</u>	<u>Child</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Total</u>
Ash Wed 23	46	51	97
Good Friday 23	67	69	136
Bible Mountains 23	55	61	116
Light 23	39	48	87
Ash Wed 24	57	60	117

Our Messy Church numbers have increased steadily since the end of the pandemic. And are now more than healthy once more.

We have been helped substantially with food supplies by several local businesses like Morrison's, Asda, Chatwins, Mr Kipling, etc. But they have a limit on what they can provide and so we still rely on the congregation to help out with either food or financial gifts. They are usually very generous.

We have also increased the admission cost to £1 per head, which should help to finance this worship.

ALL AGE WORSHIP

A lot of effort goes into ensuring that our services have modern music and lots of elements to engage the children. We can usually rely on the under 16's numbers being in double figures, and attendance can be exceptionally high at Harvest when the school is invited. As they are also invited to the Nativity/Christingle service and One More Sleep. Another service which has gained in popularity over the last few years is the Valentine's Day celebration. See the figures table below.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Child</u>	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	25	86	111
2023	12	61	73
2022	5	56	61
2021	Closed - pandemic		
2020	Closed - pandemic		
2019	15	82	97

Thank You

As usual, a big "Thank You!" to those who have funded my post, and donate time, money and effort towards our children's work. God bless you.

Jean Buckley
Children and Families Worker

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR REPORT 2023

2023 has been a busy year with adaptations and changes made to get things running smoothly.

14 services for Baptisms were held with 17 children and young adults and 1 adult receiving baptism at St Giles. Another wonderful act of mission and potential growth.

The time of Baptism services is to change to 12.45pm from February 2024, to allow more time to be ready for families following morning service.

4 weddings and 2 renewal of marriage vows services took place, with and without issues again! More strategies are in place for managing the planning of these important special life events.

The 14 funeral and memorial services and 3 committal of ashes services that were held at St Giles' and accounted for over half of the funeral services conducted by the ministry team across Newcastle in 2023, with 12 other services officiated by our team at crematoria or cemeteries.

Our regular hirers of the church hall continued to make use of the facilities throughout the year, with Monday and Tuesday evenings occupied properly by the Guiding groups, and alternate Fridays by the Bell ringers in the tower (who are not paying hirers).

Thursday morning Keep Fit group sadly had to fold due to the ill health of its leader, and Staffordshire Sight Loss Association had to stop because of staffing challenges. SCA Community choirs left us in May 2023 to take up residences in new premises.

Friday Coffee Shop and Community Mornings are a well-established weekly event, with fortnightly Mini Markets thriving once again and occasional workshops and talks proving popular. Christmas lunch on 8th and 15th December were popular and a great success as well as a serious challenge for the amazing volunteers who set up, served and cleared up on both days.

Kitchen helpers for both Coffee Shop and lunch time are desperately needed to help the small teams: we seek volunteers from the wider community and need to spread the word.

The APCM was held in May 2023.

Parish News and Memo are still published online and in hardcopy, reaching out to the wider local community. More hard copies are now being printed due to its popularity at Coffee Shop!

Our thanks to Michael Pitstow for continuing to tirelessly produce amazing magazines each month. Parish News continues to receive high praise from far beyond Newcastle!

The purchase of the Card Payment machine in November 2023 has paid off. We have taken £1763.43 worth of gifts and payments for items such as auction lots and car park permits via card in the first 12 months. It has paid for itself more than 4 times over!

Many guests at Life Services and Messy Church have been grateful to have the facility available.

It is great that we are functioning almost normally. We continue to work towards re-establishing or consider continuing to use certain practices as time passes.

The role learning curve still has its steep parts as Rev'd Josh, the ministry team and I continue to discover what is needed from me and what the parish will need as we continue to adjust to changes from diocese, the Church of England, government and from within the church and parish.

I appreciate the support and guidance from all of you in helping our churches and parish function well.

Penny Richards
Parish Administrator

CHOIR REPORT 2023

Be filled with the Spirit as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

Eph 5:18-20

From the earliest days of the church St Paul gives us a glimpse of the worship that was shared and, as this passage indicates, it included communal singing. Music has always been at the heart of Christian worship and I like to think that we continue this tradition at St Giles.

The music we make and lead is, I believe, of a high quality and is due in no short measure to the dedication of those who use their musical talents to enhance the worship of the community. I am extremely grateful to all the members of the choir who commit themselves to weekly practice and Sunday worship sometimes in the face of personal difficulties.

As well as giving strong leadership in the singing week by week the choir also performs music for special occasions. The choir, enhanced by friends, take a lead in the annual Civic Service of Lessons and Carols and the music performed for Good Friday was particularly moving and poignant and appreciated by many.

I rejoice that the choir and congregation are so open to all types of music and week by week we aim to strike a balance between traditional music and contemporary songs so that, we pray, there is something for everyone. We also aim to reflect the festivals and seasons of the Church's year. The guiding principle is always to provide music of good quality as a worthy offering to God which, we believe, enhances the worship of the whole community. As always we appreciate feedback both positive and helpful from members of the congregation.

I am very grateful for the assistance of Caroline Walton and Philip Riddle who both help with playing the organ and keyboard and taking choir practice when I am not available. This also enables me to fulfil my priestly ministry particularly by presiding at the Eucharist.

I have covered the role of Director of Music in this period but have to admit that there are times when I feel that having two roles (Priest and music leader) is too much for me and I hope that in the not too distant future we will be able to fund a replacement Director of Music.

Rev'd Peter Nisbeck
Choir and music leader

ST GILES CHURCHYARD MANAGEMENT PLAN, GREEN TEAM REPORT FOR 2023

The St Giles Churchyard Management Plan is a joint enterprise between St Giles Church and Newcastle Borough Council. Volunteers in the St Giles Green Team manage the flower beds and borders, remove litter, and provide environmental opportunities for various groups. The Borough Council maintains the lawns, drives and pathways and provide spring bulbs under their Planting Assistance scheme.

2023 was again a busy and successful year and a Green Flag was awarded by 'Keep Britain Tidy' the sponsors of the Green Flag competition and a Bronze Award was granted in the Community Gardens category of the Newcastle in Bloom Competition.

The progressive program of bulb planting by the south wall, now in its fifth year, together with a new circular bed of mixed bulbs planted by the south west gate and new planting by the main drive produced an attractive spring display. The Green Team continued to tend the flower beds and maintain the hedges during the year yielding colourful results and material for our Church flower arrangers. The Churchyard was put to good use for many activities including those of uniformed groups, Messy Church, the Rector's Creation and Climate Change events for St Giles' and St George's Academy pupils, and the Heritage Day and Mediaeval Market. The Green Team worked hand in hand with the Friday Community project in delivering planting sessions and climate change talks to school pupils.

Our pair of Peregrine Falcons continued to frequent the tower and considerable interest was shown by visiting birdwatchers.

Green team numbers have unfortunately dwindled and St Giles will seek to recruit new members in 2024 to maintain an award winning standard and to assist with project work described in the new Churchyard Draft Plan for 2024.

The churchyard does suffer from considerable littering and antisocial behaviour which raise safety issues. A scheme is in preparation to fence an area near the Eastern end of the Church which is a particular problem and it is hoped that the external lighting scheme can be restarted in 2024.

A project to record the Headstones and Memorials, both in the Church and Churchyard is only partially complete. Unfortunately, those headstones that are placed horizontally are deteriorating rapidly so there is some urgency to complete this project. This project is resource heavy and will need significant support and resources if it is to be achieved. Volunteers are needed.

Expenditure, recorded by the treasurer, on the Churchyard Plan in Year 5 (2023) was £724.37 and total volunteer hours estimated at 160. Not all voluntary input has been recorded. The five-year Management Plan period (2019-2023) set out under the Heritage Lottery Fund grant conditions has now ended. Residual funds have been ring fenced to continue with this work and a Draft Churchyard Management Plan for 2024 has been submitted for PCC consideration. It is proposed that St Giles will continue to actively manage the Churchyard using the Green Flag criteria and enter the Green Flag competition in 2024.

Grateful thanks are due to the Rector, Clergy and Wardens for their support, the Green Team Members, Newcastle Borough Council and to the Heritage Lottery Fund for funding this project.

Laurie Bailey

ST GILES CHURCH MINI MARKET REPORT 2023

I am pleased to present the annual report for the Mini-market stalls for 2023.

Since it first began well over 20 years ago, the Mini-market has continued to be well supported both by people kindly donating items to sell, as well as all those who have visited and bought things from the stall.

The storage cupboards which were specifically donated for the stalls by the late Lorna Baker, are an essential part in storing the goods making it easier for display on Friday mornings. Apologies for times when items have overflowed under the 'Welcome Table!'

At times we have had so many donations that having extra storage can be difficult. We have tried to overcome this by donating unsold goods to local charity shops, or on occasion by selling more expensive things at Auction.

The Mini-market has been very fortunate in having willing volunteers to support the stalls over the years and we hope this will continue into the future. My thanks especially to Pat Oakden who has single handedly continued to run the haberdashery stall and made most of the beautiful hand knitted items on display herself.

Many thanks also to Joanne Bentley and more recently Margaret Howle, who have very generously given their time to helping keep the Mini-market thriving so well.

Once again over the last 12 months we have succeeded in raising over £2000 which has been donated to the Church funds for the very essential upkeep and maintenance of the Church organ.

Held on a Friday every fortnight, I feel the Mini-market compliments the weekly coffee morning and 'Community Lunch Project' in encouraging more people to visit St Giles and thus benefit from the support and friendship of others there.

I sincerely hope the contribution of everyone who has been involved with the stalls will be recognised and the Mini-market will continue successfully well into the future.

Pat Lovatt

ST GILES FELLOWSHIP GROUP REPORT 2023

2023 was a very successful year, we had a very varied program.

For **February**, our speaker was Andrew Brammer who is an optician and audiologist. Several people had their ears checked.

March - Melvyn Ryder. Always nice when it is one of our own. We learnt what a full life Melvyn has lived.

April - Joy Blank entertained us with a talk - 'the funny side of teaching'. Joy has given us several talks over the years.

In **May** we tried something different: a pre-Coronation afternoon tea party. We hoped about 30 people might attend - we had 56 and it was wonderful! David Oaken read a letter from Auntie. A good time was had by all!

June brought Michael Pitstow's Desert Island Discs. Michael has a very broad and interesting past.

July - Rev'd Josh came to our aid as our speaker was unavailable.

September - Josh Latham - Josh is Dennis and Marilyn's grandson. Josh has devoted his life to scouting and encouraging children to reach their true potential, he's had many adventures and also met the queen!

October - Rev'd Josh told us of his adventures in Uganda and he nearly ended up married to the tribe chief's daughter!

November - Another first for us - a Beetle Drive. It was very well attended. St Giles people are very competitive and vocal!

December - Advent party. As usual, very, very well attended. A lovely afternoon. People who had not been before said that they loved it and would come again.

Wendy Burke

COMMUNITY PROJECT REPORT 2023

- The Friday morning project continues with numbers increasing on some days to 55-60, with between 25-35 having lunch with us.
- We have had a number of visitors giving out information - keeping your house warm and safe banking being those taking place in February 2024.
- The two Christmas lunches were very successful with a total of 70 people attending all made possible by the hard work of our volunteers in the kitchen and by donations from Tesco, Morrisons and a number of our supporters.

- We are especially pleased to welcome on Fridays some members of the local community who could be seen as disengaged from daily life and who benefit from companionship and hospitality.
- We have signed agreements with Keele University to provide opportunities for the medical students in years 1 and 2 to develop their communication and team building skills. Therefore, we have arranged with St Giles and St George's Primary school to run two afternoons to tell Year 5 children about the advantages of going to university and the students explained the content of their courses and why they chose a medical career. Students have also helped with activities on the Friday mornings and at the Christmas Fayre.
- We are also running a course of 3 Fridays for Year 1 students to find out about the Friday project and invite them to discuss the topics of the day with our visitors.
- We are also continuing to plan to set up a Toy Library for families in our local district.

Chris and Gillian

ST GILES' AND ST GEORGE'S C OF E ACADEMY REPORT 2023

The school currently has 356 children on roll and employs over 50 members of staff. We achieved a 'good' rating from Ofsted in March 2023 and were awarded outstanding for our personal development.

The children come from a wide range of areas as we attract families from the local areas and a range of other countries. This leads to a school which demonstrates a wide range of socio-economic backgrounds. This is also reflected in the faith of the children with approx. 40% of families identifying as Christian.

As a school, our main aim is to develop the whole child, enabling all pupils to aspire, believe and achieve in mind, body, heart and spirit. This year a focus of ours is developing spirituality of all pupils, in all aspects of their school life.

Our newly designed Spirituality Curriculum provides pupils with the opportunity to ask and discuss questions about the world around them. We encourage pupils to tackle those big questions that they may have whilst in a safe place. We believe it is important that our pupils understand that religion is fluid, it is complex and it is diverse. RE and Oracy sessions allow pupils to encounter a range of religions and beliefs in an active and inclusive way. We have already seen the impact of this in our pupils, not just in those lessons, but across the curriculum. Pupils are starting to challenge ideas and teachings in subjects such as Science, showing their own spiritual belief and understanding of our diverse world today.

Rev Josh is a regular visitor to school supporting children in their daily worship and RE curriculum. His support within school and beyond is helping us to embed our new approaches in RE with the focus on spirituality. Each class attends a GLOW worship throughout the year which looks at key Christian celebrations as well as world views and current events, all of which help our pupils understand the world they live in and develop their own spirituality. Our pupils are also invited to attend All-Age Worship on a Sunday where they take an active role in the service by writing and reading prayers, singing, drama performances and readings. All of these events are well attended by our families and offers them chance to explore religion and learning together with their children.

The school is also very fortunate to have members of the St Giles' parish community supporting us in a variety of ways, these include volunteer readers, governors and supportive family members; all of whom enrich the educational experience for our children.



Nicola Jones
Assistant head teacher

ST GILES - TOWER CAPTAIN'S REPORT 2023

We continue to struggle for numbers at St Giles, but in combination with our friends at St Margeret's Wolstanton, and with support from ringers at Audley and Madeley our Friday night practices continue to be well attended. We were able to ring on Sundays for most of the main seasonal and civic services at St Giles, as well as several weddings.

The main highlight of the year was ringing for the Coronation of King Charles III at Westminster Abbey on Saturday on 6 May 2023. Towers across the Kingdom had been encouraged to "Ring for the King" and the photo shows the band who rang on the day at St Giles.



On a more local note, we were delighted to ring a quarter peal on 23 September for local ringer Stephen Dainty and Catherine Cowell before their wedding at St Marys Trentham.

Finally, the ringers at St Giles would like to pass on their prayers and best wishes to Phil Daniels the Tower Captain at St Margarets, who is not able to ring at the present time due to illness.

David Powell

1ST NEWCASTLE RAINBOWS/BROWNIES/GUIDES AND RANGERS REPORT 2023

It has been a very busy year again for both Rainbows and Brownies, Guides and Rangers and all sections are flourishing.

Numbers are currently:

Rainbows =20

Brownies = 27 plus 4 starting after Easter

Guides = 19 plus 3 starting after Easter

Rangers= 3

During the last 12 months we had:

a joint trip to Bewilderwood Activity centre.
A joint Christmas Craft Evening in Wolstanton.

Rainbows and Brownies went to Woollies and Wellies.

Rainbows unit activities included science experiments, made crowns, bark rubbings

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Brownies unit activities included:

Edible Architecture, parliament badge and Keele observatory

Guides and Rangers activities included:

attending MegaMix Camp, learning stage magic, soap carving, learning about women's history and creating Divali bottle lights

In Rainbows - 6 Gold Awards
4 Silver Awards
5 Bronze awards
were achieved

In Brownies - 3 Gold Awards
5 Silver Awards
5 Bronze Awards
were achieved

Gill Powell, Trudy Reale, Tracy Ellis, Stephanie Hobbs

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total Net Assets: £196,298 [£188,714 2022]

Excess: £2,983 [(£15,344 2022) – Unrestricted Excess £5,769 Restricted deficit((£2,786)]

[Deficit (£15,345) 2022]

St Giles

Excess £6,412 - Unrestricted Excess: £5,769 Restricted excess: £642

[Deficit: (£15,581) 2022]

Overall income has reduced from £109,268 2022 to £103,886. Most notable differences being 0903 Sale of refreshments, 1230 Church hall hire and 0901 Other funds generated. Another grant for £1,000 towards Parish Energy costs was received from Lichfield Diocese.

Expenditure has also reduced from £124,849 2022 to £97,475. The most notable differences being 2050 Salary of parish administrator, 2201 Parish training a mission, 2320 Organ/Piano tuning, 2330 Church maintenance and Church running – gas.

The paperwork continues to be sent weekly which improves efficiency and the online banking is also helping with efficiencies.

Thanks go to Penny for her continued support and hard work throughout the year.

St Thomas

Deficit – (£3,429)

[£235 2022]

Everything for St Thomas is posted under a restricted fund of Butterton. However, since moving their banking to one of the Lloyds accounts so that we could pay bills online, their financial accounts have also move to St Giles licence in My fund accounting online. This will remove the need for consolidation once the Nat West accounts are finally brought to nil and closed.

St Thomas financials are now recorded under a designated fund and are accessible in their own right.

Income overall has increased from £10,663 2022 to £11,584. The most notable differences being 0101 Gift aid collections, 0550 donations and 0901 Other income generated.

Expenditure has also reduced from £10,427 2022 to £8,897. The most notable differences being 1910 common fund, 2330 church maintenance and 2360 £4,000 was posted to this code in St Thomas Licence and then (£4,000) in St Giles licence to record the transfer from the Nat West account to the Lloyds account. in this licence. 2401 Church running – electric is showing a minus figure which suggests a refund from the previous year.

St Thomas' paperwork also is sent through on a weekly basis along with the envelopes which I record for the Gift Aid secretary.

Hopefully in 2024 the funds from the Nat West accounts will be transferred to a Lloyds account. This will mean that I don't have to spend so much time analysing the accounts at year-end.

Thanks go to Penny for her continued support.

Kim Benton

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to £22,650 [£33,819 2022]. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The balance of the free reserves at the year-end was £73,043 [£65,871 2022] which is considerably higher than this target. In the uncertain economic climate, it is felt to have a healthy reserve is a good foundation for the future and will allow the charity to explore different outreach if identified and also be secure of having sufficient reserves if called upon in any unforeseen circumstances.

Investment Policy

The charity is granted power to invest in suitable investments under the PCC Powers Measure 1956 and the Trustees Act 2000. As a charity, the Trustees have a duty of care to take such advice as is appropriate before investments are undertaken. This advice is sought from the Central Board of Finance (CCLA) in London.

The charity's investment policies are based on two key principles: -

- Ethical Investment – this includes ensuring that investments are held in companies which have high standards of corporate governance and act in a responsible way towards stakeholders.
- Long-term responsibilities – the trustees are aware of their long-term responsibilities in respect of the Restricted and Unrestricted reserves and as a result follow a prudent approach to investment decisions.

Investment policy for long-term funds is aimed primarily at generating a sustainable income, with due regard to the need for the preservation of capital value, and the possible need to realise investments to meet operational needs. The charity does not have a policy of generating income at excessive or high risk – known as “purchasing income”, where high returns are guaranteed at the expense of capital.

In summary, the charity has an overall policy to maximise income while preserving the real value of its funds. Due to the nature of the charity, an ethical investment policy is taken into consideration when investments are made:

The charity follows the Ethical Investment Advisory policy as recommended by the Lichfield Diocese which includes the following:

“We aim to invest in companies that:

- * will develop their business in the interests of shareholders;
- * demonstrate responsible employment practices;
- * are conscientious concerning issues of corporate governance, the environment and human rights;
- * are sensitive to the community in which they operate.”

Planned giving, collections and donations are the main sources of fund raising along with tax recoverable.

Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation.

The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year

Fundraising

The PCC takes its fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

Volunteers

The members of the PCC would like to thank all of the 43 volunteers who work so hard to make our Church a lively and vibrant community.

Risk Management

The Church Wardens carry out regular Health and Safety Reviews and regularly inspect premises for potential hazards. We have safeguarding policies in place for child protection and for work with vulnerable adults, including rigorous DBS checking of staff and volunteers. Our insurances are reviewed annually to ensure adequate cover. An informal review of any new risks which may impact the work of the Church in the Parish is ongoing.

Structure, Governance and Management

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The method of appointment of the PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, a representative of the Readers, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance in the parish, and for all financial matters. The PCC met 7 times in 2022. Given its responsibilities, the PCC has a Finance sub committee which reports back to the PCC with the minutes of their meetings.

Related Parties

Apart from Penny Richards no other PCC members or any related parties work for the PCC or have received any contracts to carry out work on behalf of the PCC

Donations from Related Parties

Donations from 8 related parties [PCC Members] during the year totalled £5,135 [£4,962 2022]. All these donations were received without conditions.

Remuneration paid to Trustees

One of the trustees has been paid remuneration from employment with the charity but has received no other benefits.

Penelope Richards is employed as the Parish Administrator. The post was advertised and two applicants interviewed. Penny was felt to be the best applicant based upon experience. The PCC of the Parish of Newcastle St Giles with Butterson discussed Penny remaining as a Trustee [without Penny present.] It was felt that her many years of serving the Church gave her suitable experience to continue as a Trustee.

Penny Richards was paid £5,986[£4,875 2022].

No pension contributions were paid for Penny by the PCC and no other benefits paid.

Expenses paid to Trustees

One Trustee received £122 [£162 2022] for Travel during the year.

Reference and Administrative Details

Charity Name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Newcastle Under Lyme – St Giles with St Thomas Butterson.

Other names the charity is known by: N/A

Registered Charity Number: 1130602

Charity's principal address: The Parish Church of St Giles Church Street Newcastle-Under-Lyme ST5 1QS

Correspondence address: The Rectory Seabridge Road Newcastle-Under-Lyme ST5 2HS

Website address: <http://www.stgilesnewcastle.org.uk/>

PCC Members: Who Served from 1 January 2023 to the date this report was approved

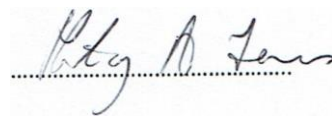
Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole period
Ex-Officio		
Revd Joshua Penduck	Chairperson	
Mr J Maddison	Deanery Synod	Jan to May 2023 as Synod rep.
Gillian Elks	Church Warden	
Dennis Brammer	Church Warden	
Elected Members		
** Penny Richards	Deanery Synod representative	
Carol Stimpson	Secretary	Resigned September 2023
Jane McKeever	Treasurer	
Laurence Bailey		Elected 23 May 2023
Patricia Cawthorn		Resigned 23 May 2023
Gill Powell		Resigned 23 May 2023
Martin Rowlands		Resigned 23 May 2023
John Collison		
Barbara Collison		
Susan Taylor		
Glynn Edwards		Elected 23 May 2023
Jill Griffin		Elected 23 May 2023
Paul Daley		Elected 23 May 2023
Anita Gibson		Elected 23 May 2023

**** employed by the PCC**

Bank	Lloyds Bank PLC High Street Newcastle-Under-Lyme ST5 1QY
Investment Managers	CCLA 1 Angel Ln London EC4R 3AB
Independent Examiner	Jonathan Hill Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Approved by the PCC on 18/03/2024 and signed on its behalf by:


.....
Revd Joshua Penduck


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Mrs Hilary A Jones *acting PCC secretary*

Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of The Parish of Newcastle St Giles with Butterton

Registered charity number: 1130602

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of the 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 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

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records

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

Signed:  Date: 13 / 05 / 2024
Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA
Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance
St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield WS13 7LD

The Parish of Newcastle St Giles with Butterton

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2023

Accounting Policies

The Financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

Description of Funds

Unrestricted funds are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

An explanation of purpose of each Designated fund are as follows.

- Childrens' Work – Funds set aside for work with Children and Youth workers salary.

Restricted funds comprise of two elements :-

- a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
- b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

An explanation of purpose of each Restricted fund are as follows:

- Bibles – Specific funds for the Repair and renew of The Bibles in church
- Brittain Curate – Historic funds for the Curates expenses
- Brittain Mission – Historic funds for Domestic and Other Mission work
- Butterson – General fund restricted to St Thomas Butterson.
- Church Hall – Specific funds for the Repair and maintenance of the Church Hall
- Decoration – Funds for the decoration of the Vicarage held with LDBF
- Fabric – To Ensure the Fabric of The Church remains in good repair
- Microphones – Specific donations for the Microphones
- Mound Churchyard – Grant for the management of the Churchyard
- Mound HLF – Grant for the renovation and improvement of the Churchyard in conjunction with HLF
- Organ – For the upkeep of the organ
- Project – Grant for the Community project to extend the Friday Coffee Shop
- Training – Training Members of the Ministry Team

Endowment funds are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

An explanation of purpose of each Endowment fund are as follows:

The PCC of Newcastle St Giles does not hold any Endowments

Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Governance and Support Costs

Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice. Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial. Other tangible fixed assets are valued at cost. The depreciation rates and methods used are 50% per annum.

Investments

Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

Current Assets

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured as cash expected to be received

Liabilities due in less than one year

Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date

The Parish of Newcastle St Giles with Butterton St Thomas year ending 2023


Receipts and Payments Account 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2023	2022
Receipts:					
Donations and legacies	82,087	6,465	-	88,552	76,096
Income from charitable activities	13,022	-	-	13,022	15,570
Other trading activities	855	2,284	-	3,070	2,551
Investments	410	1,255	-	1,665	1,481
Other income	-	4,894	-	4,894	24,234
Total receipts	96,372	14,828	-	111,203	119,932
Payments:					
Raising funds	755	369	-	1,124	2,620
Expenditure on charitable activities	89,848	17,247	-	107,095	132,656
Other expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	90,603	17,616	-	108,219	135,276
Net receipts / (payments) resources before transfer	5,769	(2,786)	-	2,983	(15,345)
Transfers					
Gross transfers between funds - in	590	31	-	621	45
Gross transfers between funds - out	(31)	(590)	-	(621)	(45)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains/losses on investment assets	843	3,757	-	4,601	(6,557)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	-	-	-	-	629
Net movement in funds	7,172	412	-	7,584	(21,273)
Total funds brought forward	65,872	122,843	-	188,714	209,987
Total funds carried forward	73,043	123,255	-	196,298	188,714


Statement of Assets and Liabilities 2023

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
Fixed Asset - Investments						
CB3027876: CCLA - Newcastle St Giles Rector & Churchwardens - Fabric Account	-	-	26,448	-	26,448	24,174
CO3049861: CCLA - Fabric Account Bagot	-	-	17,622	-	17,622	16,139
CO3049863: CCLA - Maria Turner Charity	10,022	-	-	-	10,022	9,178
Total	10,022	-	44,071	-	54,092	49,491
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
00187211: Current A/C St Giles	47,639	6,845	60,041	-	114,524	117,353
00380801: Community Project Account	-	-	2,708	-	2,708	-
01173308: St Thomas Reserve	-	-	2,235	-	2,235	6,349
01617694: St Thomas Church Butterson	-	6,400	(341)	-	6,060	-
01773106: Organ Current Account	-	-	3,956	-	3,956	3,956
03712001: St Thomas C/A	-	-	100	-	100	(586)
07210359: PCC St Giles Church - Church Hall A/C	1,945	-	11,242	-	13,187	11,597
34517368: BB Inst Online - Mound Account	192	-	313	-	505	500
IDNEWC021: IDS Decoration Account	-	-	628	-	628	628
Total	49,776	13,246	80,881	-	143,903	139,798
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	1,697	-	1,697	575
Total	-	-	1,697	-	1,697	575

Approved by the PCC on 18/03/2024 and signed on its behalf by:



 Revd Joshua Penduck



 Mrs Hilary A Jones acting PCC secretary

Statement of Assets and Liabilities 2022

	General	Designated	Restricted	2022	2021
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand					
Current A/C St Giles	49,287	5,678	62,387	117,353	132,905
Reserve A/C Butterton	—	—	6,349	6,349	5,691
PCC St Giles Church - Fabric Account -	—	—	—	—	930
Organ Current Account -	—	—	3,956	3,956	3,956
Current A/C Butterton	—	—	(585)	(585)	(164)
PCC St Giles Church - Church Hall A/C -	1,537	—	10,059	11,596	9,185
BB Inst Online - Mound Account -	190	—	310	500	500
IDS Decoration Account -	—	—	627	627	—
Totals	51,015	5,678	83,104	139,797	153,005
Current assets - Investments					
CCLA - Fabric Account -	—	—	16,139	16,139	18,262
CCLA - Maria Turner Charity -	9,178	—	—	9,178	10,386
CCLA - Newcastle St Giles Rector & Churc	—	—	24,173	24,173	27,399
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Totals	9,178	—	40,313	49,491	56,048
Liabilities - Agency accounts					
Agency collections -	—	—	575	575	(933)
Totals	—	—	575	575	(933)
Grand total	60,193	5,678	122,842	188,714	209,987

Analysis of receipts and payments 2023

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	2023	2022
RECEIPTS:						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - Collections	34,130	1,520	360	-	36,010	15,923
0110 - Regular Giving - Envelopes - Inactive	-	-	770	-	770	21,330
0201 - Non Gift Aid Collections	6,408	265	65	-	6,738	26
0301 - Loose plate collections	5,852	155	58	-	6,065	6,033
0302 - Special Services Loose Plate collections	2,052	-	-	-	2,052	2,318
0303 - Contactless	1,763	-	-	-	1,763	-
0550 - Donations appeals etc	4,600	6,350	971	-	11,921	9,770
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	7,940	-	-	-	7,940	8,811
0701 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	413
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,000	-	2,461	-	3,461	3,780
0901 - Other funds generated- Promotions and Fund raising	8,802	1,249	1,781	-	11,832	8,232
Donations and legacies Totals	72,547	9,538	6,466	-	88,552	76,836
Income from charitable activities						
0903 - Sale of refreshments	5,653	-	-	-	5,653	3,347
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	3,198	-	-	-	3,198	3,753
1230 - Church hall hire	4,171	-	-	-	4,171	7,460
Income from charitable activities Totals	13,022	-	-	-	13,022	14,560
Other trading activities						
0910 - Mini Market	-	-	2,214	-	2,214	1,759
1260 - Parish magazine sales	855	-	-	-	855	776
Other trading activities Totals	855	-	2,214	-	3,070	2,536
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	328	-	1,154	-	1,482	1,475
1020 - Bank and building society interest	82	-	101	-	183	6
Investments Totals	410	-	1,185	-	1,665	1,481
Other income						
1310 - Insurance claims	-	-	4,894	-	4,894	24,234
Other income Totals	-	-	4,894	-	4,894	24,234
Receipts Grand totals	86,834	9,538	7,514	-	111,203	109,269

PAYMENTS:**Raising funds**

1720 - Costs of stewardship campaign	156	-	-	-	156	-
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	591	8	369	-	967	2,620
Raising funds Totals	747	8	369	-	1,124	2,620

Expenditure on charitable activities

1801 - Giving to missionary societies	57	-	31	-	88	-
1910 - Common Fund	49,961	-	880	-	50,841	50,842
2001 - Other staff costs - Verger/Organist etc	-	-	-	-	-	585
2002 - Salary - Youth Worker	-	2,662	-	-	2,662	2,520
2050 - Salary of parish administrator	5,299	-	688	-	5,987	4,875
2060 - Music Staff payments	1,425	-	-	-	1,425	525
2101 - Working expenses of incumbent	62	-	-	-	62	162
2102 - Mileage Expenses Other	-	461	-	-	461	217
2150 - Vicar's telephone	162	-	-	-	162	90
2201 - Parish training and mission	1,302	650	1,684	-	3,636	-
2301 - Church running – insurance	7,948	967	1863	-	10,778	9,665
2310 - Church office - telephone	688	-	-	-	688	637
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	-	-	1,462	-	1,462	11,821
2330 - Church maintenance	3,025	360	1,365	-	4,750	9,785
2331 - Cleaning	595	-	-	-	595	871
2340 - Upkeep of services	937	-	92	-	1,029	1,197
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	-	-	724	-	724	1,108
2360 – Administration	4,760	(3,955)	4,320	-	5,125	4,784
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	-	-	-	-	-	54
2401 - Church running – electric	4,714	188	(760)	-	4,143	4,798
2410 - Church running - gas	6,699	-	-	-	6,699	2,246
2420 - Church running – water	181	28	43	-	252	242
2430 - Church running - oil	-	602	-	-	602	-
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	72	-	-	-	72	-
2701 - Church major repairs – structure	-	-	-	-	-	24,707
2701 - Church major repairs – installation	-	-	4,854	-	4,854	-
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	-	-	-	-	-	204
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	87,885	1,963	17,246	-	107,094	132,656
Payments Grand totals	88,632	1,971	17,615	-	108,219	135,276

Fund movement by type 2023

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/Losses	Journals	Closing
Bibles							
Restricted	1,273	-	-	-	-	-	1,273
Sub-totals	1,273	-	-	-	-	-	1,273
BrittainCurate							
Restricted	5,684	-	-	-	-	-	5,684
Sub-totals	5,684	-	-	-	-	-	5,684
BrittainMission							
Restricted	1,421	-	-	-	-	-	1,421
Sub-totals	1,421	-	-	-	-	-	1,421
Butterton							
Restricted	3,362	7,316	10,744	-	-	-	(67)
Sub-totals	3,362	7,316	10,744	-	-	-	(67)
Butterton							
Designated	-	4,538	(1,847)	-	-	-	6,385
Sub-totals	-	4,538	(1,847)	-	-	-	6,385
Childrens Work							
Designated	5,678	5,000	3,818	-	-	-	6,860
Sub-totals	5,678	5,000	3,818	-	-	-	6,860
Church Hall							
Restricted	9,702	29	-	-	-	-	9,731
Sub-totals	9,702	29	-	-	-	-	9,731
Churchyard Maintenance HLF Fund							
Restricted	19,178	22	705	-	-	-	18,495
Sub-totals	19,178	22	705	-	-	-	18,495
Churchyard Project HLF Fund							
Restricted	25,373	-	101	-	-	-	25,272
Sub-totals	25,373	-	101	-	-	-	25,272
Decoration							
Restricted	628	-	-	-	-	-	628
Sub-totals	628	-	-	-	-	-	628
Fabric							
Restricted	49,772	1,154	1,259	-	3,757	-	53,424
Sub-totals	49,772	1,154	1,259	-	3,757	-	53,424
Microphones							
Restricted	250	-	-	-	-	-	250
Sub-totals	250	-	-	-	-	-	250
Organ							
Restricted	-	2,501	1,462	-	-	-	1,040
Sub-totals	-	2,501	1,462	-	-	-	1,040
Organ							
Restricted	2,402	-	-	-	-	-	2,402
Sub-totals	2,402	-	-	-	-	-	2,402
Project							
Restricted	2,596	3,807	3,345	(559)	-	-	2,499
Sub-totals	2,596	3,807	3,345	(559)	-	-	2,499
Training							
Restricted	1,202	-	-	-	-	-	1,202
Sub-totals	1,202	-	-	-	-	-	1,202
General							
Unrestricted	60,193	86,834	88,632	559	843	(50,841)	59,798
Sub-totals	60,193	86,834	88,632	559	843	(50,841)	59,798
Totals	188,714	111,202	108,219	-	4,601	(50,841)	196,298

Fund movement by type 2022

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gain/Loss	Closing
Bibles - Bibles - Repair And						
Restricted	1,273	—	—	—	—	1,273
Sub-total for Bibles	1,273	—	—	—	—	1,273
Brittain Curate						
Restricted	5,684	—	—	—	—	5,684
Sub-total for BrittainCu	5,684	—	—	—	—	5,684
Brittain Mission						
Restricted	1,421	—	—	—	—	1,421
Sub-total for BrittainMi	1,421	—	—	—	—	1,421
Butterton - Restricted						
Restricted	2,805	10,663	10,106	—	—	3,361
Sub-total for Butterton	2,805	10,663	10,106	—	—	3,361
Childrens - Childrens Work						
Designated	5,337	3,272	2,931	—	—	5,678
Sub-total for Childrens	5,337	3,272	2,931	—	—	5,678
Church Hall - Church Hall						
Restricted	9,696	5	—	—	—	9,702
Sub-total for Church Hal	9,696	5	—	—	—	9,702
Churchyard - Mound - HLF						
Restricted	20,340	0	1,162	—	—	19,178
Restricted	25,373	—	—	—	—	25,373
Sub-total for Churchyard	45,713	0	1,162	—	—	44,551
Decoration - IDS Decoration						
Restricted	—	—	—	—	—	627
Sub-total for Decoration	—	—	—	—	—	627
Fabric - Fabric						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted	70,585	15,457	30,922	—	(5,348)	49,771
Sub-total for Fabric	70,585	15,457	30,922	—	(5,348)	49,771
General - General Fund						
Unrestricted	58,472	84,381	81,549	(44)	(1,207)	60,193
Sub-total for General	58,472	84,381	81,549	(44)	(1,207)	60,193
Microphone - Microphones						
Restricted	250	—	—	—	—	250
Sub-total for Microphone	250	—	—	—	—	250
Mission - Mission						
Restricted	(44)	—	—	44	—	—
Sub-total for Mission	(44)	—	—	44	—	—
Organ - Repair And Upkeep						
Restricted - Butterton	2,722	—	320	—	—	2,401
Restricted – St Giles	4,726	3,321	8,048	—	—	—
Sub-total for Organ	7,449	3,321	8,369	—	—	2,401
Project - Coffee Shop Project						
Restricted	—	2,830	234	—	—	2,595
Sub-total for Project	—	2,830	234	—	—	2,595

Training - Training

Restricted

	1,202	—	—	—	—	1,202
Sub-total for Training	1,202	—	—	—	—	1,202
Grand total	209,847	119,931	135,276	—	(6,556)	188,714

Staff Costs

	2023	2022
Wages & Salaries	£8,648	£12,270
Average number of Employees	2	2

During the year the PCC employed an Administrator and a Youth Worker [both part-time] none of the payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

The PCC uses the National Employment Savings Trust [Nest] via the Diocesan Payroll Scheme, for its pension payments. However, no pension payments are being made now.

Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses

Penny Richards, a trustee of the PCC was paid £5,986 [£4,875 2022] by the PCC during the year for her role as Parish Administrator. No pension contributions were made by the PCC in connection with this employment.

One Trustee received £122 [£162 2022] for Travel during the year.

Related Parties

No other expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

Donations from 8 related parties [PCC members] totalled £5,135 [£4,962 2022]

Analysis of Transfer between Funds 2023

Debit	Credit	Description	Fund	Fund Type
-	540	Contribution to electricity and heating costs during the use of St Giles Church hall January to June 2023 26 weeks @ £20.77	Project	Res
540	-	Contribution to electricity and heating costs during the use of St Giles Church hall January to June 2023 26 weeks @ £20.77	General	Unr
-	50	Tfr from project to General contribution to photocopying	Project	Res
50	-	Tfr from project to General contribution to photocopying	General	Unr
-	31.33	Tfr from 00187211 to 0030801	General	Unr
31.33	-	Tfr from 00187211 to 0030801	Project	Res

Analysis of Transfer between Funds 2022

Debit	Credit	Description	Fund	Fund Type
-	44.54	Tfr from General to mission to bring to nil and close	General	Unr
44.54	-	Tfr from General to mission to bring to nil and close	Mission	Res

Fixed Assets

a) Tangible Fixed Assets – The PCC does not hold any Tangible Fixed Assets

b) Fixed Asset Investments

	At 1 Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in Market Value £	At 31 Dec £
Unrestricted funds						
Investments	9,178	0.00	0.00	0.00	843	10,022
Restricted Funds						
Investments	40,312	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,758	44,070
Total	49,490	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,601	54,092

CCLA – CO3049861 – Fabric Account [Restricted] - £17,622[£16,139 2022]

CCLA – CO3049863 – Maria Turner Charity [Unrestricted] - £10,021 [£9,178 2022]

CCLA – CB3027876 – Fabric Account [Restricted] - £26,448 [£24,173 2022]

Summary of Assets by Fund 2023

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2023	2022
General (Unrestricted)	59,798	-	-	59,798	60,193
Designated - Butterson	-	6,385	-	6,385	-
Designated - Childrens Work	-	6,860	-	6,860	5,678
Restricted - Bibles	-	-	1,273	1,273	1,273
Restricted - BrittainCurate	-	-	5,684	5,684	5,684
Restricted - BrittainMission	-	-	1,421	1,421	1,421
Restricted - Butterson	-	-	(67)	(67)	3,362
Restricted - Church Hall	-	-	9,731	9,731	9,702
Restricted - Churchyard Maintenance HLF Fund	-	-	18,495	18,495	19,178
Restricted - Churchyard Project HLF Fund	-	-	25,272	25,272	25,373
Restricted - Decoration	-	-	628	628	628
Restricted - Fabric	-	-	53,424	53,424	49,772
Restricted - Microphones	-	-	250	250	250
Restricted - Organ	-	-	2,402	2,402	2,402
Restricted - Organ	-	-	1,040	1,040	-
Restricted - Project	-	-	2,499	2,499	2,596
Restricted - Training	-	-	1,202	1,202	1,202
Total	59,798	13,246	123,255	196,298	188,714

Summary of Assets by Fund 2022

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022	2021
Unrestricted				
General Fund	60,193	—	60,193	58,472
Designated				
Childrens Work - Working With Children And To Fund	5,678	—	5,678	5,337
Restricted				
Agency collection	—	—	—	140
Bibles - Repair And Renew The Bibles In Church	—	1,273	1,273	1,273
Brittain - Curates Expenses	—	5,684	5,684	5,684
Brittain - Domestic/Other Mission Work	—	1,421	1,421	1,421
Butterton - Restricted To St Thomas Butterton	—	3,361	3,361	2,805
Chur				
Church Hall - For The Repair And Maintenance Of	—	9,702	9,702	9,696
Th				
Coffee Shop Project	—	2,595	2,595	—
Fabric - To Ensure The Fabric Of The Church	—	49,771	49,771	70,585
Remain				
IDS Decoration	—	627	627	—
Microphones	—	250	250	250
Mound - HLF For The Management Of The	—	19,178	19,178	20,340
Churchyard				
Mound - For The Renovation And Improvement Of	—	25,373	25,373	25,373
The				
Organ - Repair And Upkeep Of The Organ	—	2,401	2,401	2,722
Organ - Repair And Upkeep Of The Organ - Inactive	—	—	—	4,726
Training Members Of The Ministry Team	—	1,202	1,202	1,202
Total	65,871	122,838	188,714	209,287

**Receipts and Payments Account 2022 – Comparative
Previous Year 2022**

Receipts and Payments Account 2022

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2022	2021
Receipts from:				
Donations and legacies	62,066	14,030	76,096	84,988
Receipts from charitable activities	14,559	1,010	15,569	6,837
Other trading activities	776	1,759	2,535	1,592
Investments	274	1,221	1,495	1,433
Other receipts	9,977	14,256	24,234	—
Total receipts	87,653	32,278	119,931	94,851
Payments on:				
Raising funds	2,334	285	2,620	325
Payments on charitable activities	82,147	50,509	132,656	99,125
Total payments	84,481	50,795	135,276	99,450
Net receipts / (payments) resources before transfer	3,172	(18,517)	(15,344)	(4,599)
Transfers				
Gross transfers between funds - in	—	44	44	—
Gross transfers between funds - out	(44)	—	(44)	—
Other recognised gains / losses				
Gains / losses on investment assets	(1,207)	(5,348)	(6,556)	3,680
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	141	487	628	3,307
Net movement in funds	2,061	(23,334)	(21,273)	2,389
Total funds brought forward	63,810	146,176	209,987	207,598
Total funds carried forward	65,871	122,842	188,714	209,987