

**WOOD GREEN TEAM
ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

Aim and purposes

Wood Green Team Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, Revd Ian Booth, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship with us and to become part of our parish community. 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 the parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture and music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- Missionary and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric and improve the facilities of our buildings.

Achievements and performance

Worship and prayer

The ongoing issues relating to the pandemic continued well in to 2021. In July we began to open up the Church for public worship but with restricted numbers. More of an effort was made to keep the Church open for private worship with a number of safety measures in place such temperature checks, track and trace information, hand sanitizing and restricted numbers. We also run hybrid services where participation to worship from home was made available via our Facebook page.

We are looking forward to resuming our usual pattern of public worship including Morning and evening prayer offered daily, the usual Sunday services at 8.30am said Mass, 10.30am Parish Mass and a full pattern of worship offered throughout the week across both Churches in the parish. The stop and start problems caused by the pandemic has caused much difficulty in establishing settled patterns of worship but the rhythm of prayer and worship has continued, nevertheless.

Pastoral care

Offering pastoral care within the setting of the pandemic has been very difficult. Hospital prayers via zoom was a new addition to the care being offered to those who had been admitted and unable to receive visits. Some end of life care was able to offered in person but without the family of the loved ones around the bed. The Incumbent and Curate were unable to take communion to the house bound and those who are sick again due to government guidelines. Funeral ministry was greatly affected by Coronavirus with only small gatherings permitted. Again due to the legal requirements set out by the government it was difficult to offer face to face pastoral care so much of it moved over to telephone conversations. As part of our commitment to the parish a weekly email was sent out to all on the electoral roll and the clergy made weekly phone calls covering all those whose details we hold.

Mission and evangelism

A further casualty of the pandemic was the closure of our schools and our Sunday School. Confirmation classes were also put on hold also. We have been unable to operate our much loved drop-in or the Thursday afternoon Safe Haven. We hope to restore these once the lockdown eases completely. Our Sunday School (St Michael's Followers) attracts a good number of children many of whom are then prepared for Confirmation. Confirmation classes are led by the Rector and the curate with assistance from a member of the Church family. We have a good team of servers in their early teens and twenties who assist at the Parish Mass. A drop-in operates on Wednesday which offers a simple meal, free of charge to those in need. On Thursday afternoons a Youth Group runs from 3pm – 5pm offering a place of fun and security to children from Year6 upwards.

Deanery synod

Synod meetings moved to online meetings of which 2 were held over the last year.

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds amounted to £116,841 of which £65,478 was received in lettings and £40,272 from planned giving and offerings. Total payments on unrestricted funds amounted to £141,232 of which £70,000 was contributed to the London Diocesan Common Fund.

The net result for the year was an excess of payments over receipts of £24,391 on unrestricted funds. The balance to carry forward at 31 December 2021 on unrestricted funds was £151,303.

The balance to carry forward on restricted funds at 31 December 2021 was £26,878, an increase of £6,606.

Reserves policy

It is the PCC policy to maintain the recommended balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments. The cash balance on the unrestricted funds at the year-end is well in excess of this figure.

Volunteers

We have occasionally been able to resume some activities calling on our volunteer base but with various safety measures and social distancing in place. Our volunteers particularly in areas of children's work are undergoing safeguarding training and sign volunteer agreements with a view to completing DBS checks once normal activities resume.

Structure, governance and management

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. Membership of the PCC consists of the Rector, churchwardens and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. Members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. New members have some induction and are made aware of their responsibilities.

The full PCC met once every 6 weeks and occasionally on zoom to address any matters of urgent business. The average level of attendance at PCC meetings during the year was 90%.

Safeguarding

Tendy Lindsay was formally appointed as Safeguarding Officer and the latest Diocesan Safeguarding Policy was approved and adopted by the PCC. A safeguarding audit was carried out and an action plan agreed with the target of implementing outstanding matters by the next APCM.

The PCC believes that it has complied with its duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 to have regard to the House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Administrative information

The Wood Green Team is part of the Diocese of London within the Church of England. The correspondence address is the Church Office, 1A Selbourne Road, London N22 7TL. The PCC is a corporate body (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2011), and, from 28 July 2009, is a charity registered with the Charity Commission under charity registration number 1130781. Registration is in the name of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Michael, Wood Green with St Gabriel, Bounds Green and St Michael-at-Bowes.

The PCC members who have served during the year were as follows:

Incumbent:

Revd Ian Booth

Clergy

Fr Engin Yildirim

Fr Tom Smith

Church Wardens:

Linda Bennett

Norma Walkes

Deanery synod:

Linda Bennett

Yvonne Graham

Bisi Sanu

Norma Walkes

Elected members:

Patricia Blalock

Adrian Broomes

Derrick Brown

Jeanette Decouteau

Yvonne Graham

Festus Kuye

Tendy Lindsay

David Ogufere

Dominic Rowland

Carol Singh

Approved by the PCC on 10th May 2022 and signed on its behalf by:



Revd Ian Booth

WOOD GREEN TEAM
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Receipts				
Voluntary receipts	46,373	11,811	58,184	94,782
investment income	11		11	94
Church activities	70,457		70,457	70,113
Total receipts	116,841	11,811	128,652	164,989
Payments				
Church activities	141,232	5,205	146,437	83,093
Total payments	141,232	5,205	146,437	83,093
Excess of payments over receipts	(24,391)	6,606	(17,785)	81,896
Cash at bank, 1 January 2021	175,694	20,272	195,966	114,070
Cash at bank, 31 December 2021	151,303	26,878	178,181	195,966

WOOD GREEN TEAM
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Cash funds				
Cash at bank and in hand	151,303	26,878	178,181	195,966

Gift aid

The amount of gift aid to be recovered as at 31 December 2021 is estimated at £4,500 (£4,900).

Notes:

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

2. No cost has been attributed to the hall at St Michael's Wood Green as no record of the cost exists and the site has been held for many years.

3. Movement of reserves

	Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Bal c/fwd
Restricted funds				
New lease for nursery school		1,000		1,000
Education	3,824			3,824
Germany trip	9,577			9,577
Madrid pilgrimage	517			517
Children's work		1,064		1,064
Administrator		9,747	5,205	4,542
Youth Centre / worker	6,354			6,354
	20,272	11,811	5,205	26,878
General fund	175,694	116,841	141,232	151,303
	195,966	128,652	146,437	178,181

4. Giving through planned giving and offerings includes approx. £3,000 received from PCC members.

Approved by the PCC on 10 May 2022 and signed on its behalf by :



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 Revd Ian Booth

WOOD GREEN TEAM**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
Receipts				
Voluntary income				
Planned giving and offerings	40,272		40,272	35,433
Gift aid recovered	2,711		2,711	31,591
Donations, candles and other income	3,390		3,390	27,758
Grants		11,811	11,811	0
	<u>46,373</u>	<u>11,811</u>	<u>58,184</u>	<u>94,782</u>
Income from church activities				
Church hall letting - nursery school	24,000		24,000	21,000
Church hall lettings - other	41,478		41,478	24,084
Income from solar panels	3,914		3,914	15,902
Germany trip	0		0	9,082
PCC fees from weddings and funerals	1,065		1,065	45
	<u>70,457</u>		<u>70,457</u>	<u>70,113</u>
Payments				
Church activities				
Charitable giving	600		600	600
Diocesan Common Fund	70,000		70,000	10,000
Expenses of clergy	1,882		1,882	1,155
Church and hall costs:				
Electricity and gas	28,254			
Water	1,451			
Insurance	11,691			
Waste removal	4,133			
Cleaning and maintenance	<u>13,417</u>	58,946	58,946	51,660
Clergy houses water	1,457		1,457	857
Equipment	1,206		1,206	0
Germany trip	0		0	12,047
Mini bus costs	1,084		1,084	1,209
Upkeep of services	3,668		3,668	3,775
Administration	2,389		2,389	1,790
Administrator cost		5,205	5,205	0
	<u>141,232</u>	<u>5,205</u>	<u>146,437</u>	<u>83,093</u>

Note: In certain instances the figures above for 2021 may not be comparable with those showing for 2020.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF WOOD GREEN TEAM

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages 4 to 6.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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



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10 May 2022