

**WOOD GREEN TEAM
ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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 & Prayer

It has been a delight to witness people slowly gaining confidence and returning to Church. Although we are still not back to our pre-pandemic numbers both our Churches have seen a significant growth in church attendance. We have returned to a full pattern of daily worship and we operate a hybrid style of worship as our online presence remains and we stream our main Sunday and major feast day services. Morning and evening prayer is offered daily and we welcome people joining us for that. Our church doors are now open more regularly and people have been making good use of the opportunity to drop in. Advent and Lent groups have been well attended and Thursday Holy Hour provides a much needed space for silent or lead prayer. The service of healing and anointing has also resumed on a monthly basis.

Pastoral care

The Incumbent and Team Vicar are pleased to offer a wealth of pastoral care and services all of which are widely appreciated in the parish. This work often extends to those not part of the worshipping church family but who value time, compassion and a listening ear. Communion to the housebound and hospitalised again features large in our ministry especially now most covid regulations have been removed. We believe it is essential at this to keep the weekly parish email going and to follow up those absent with calls as a way of ensuring their spiritual wellbeing. Clergy details are widely available and folk are encouraged to call and or make appointments for visits should they feel the need.

Mission and evangelism

Now we are free of all covid regulations our work of mission and evangelism has picked up pace. Work in both schools is a weekly event plus Additional school visits to the Church from many of the state schools.

Our Sunday School 'Followers' is also back to full capacity and we are delighted that a number of the children who have been through 'Followers' have now formed a teenagers 'Youth Council' which meets monthly. The weekly Drop-In again meets weekly providing a place of warmth, welcome and hospitality to any in need and it really came into its own during the winter period which helped users cut down on some of their escalating utility costs.

A direct result of the pandemic led to the opening of the Foodbank in our hall, this work continues to this day and is run by the Bounds Green Community Association, we are delighted to partner with them and to see the Gospel in action.

Deanery synod

Haringey Deanery Synod met on three occasions for a presentation on 'Compassionate Communities', a report on the clergy Liverpool Conference 'Striving for Racial Justice: What Next?', and disability and inclusion in places of worship. Meetings were well attended and engaging.

Financial review

Total receipts on unrestricted funds was £154,223. Total payments on unrestricted funds amounted to £142,346 of which £50,000 was contributed to the London Diocesan Common Fund.

The net result for the year was an excess of receipts over payments of £11,877 on unrestricted funds. The balance to carry forward at 31 December 2022 on unrestricted funds was £163,180.

The balance to carry forward on restricted funds at 31 December 2022 was £19,343.

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

Our volunteers particularly in areas of children's work are undergoing safeguarding training and sign volunteer agreements with a view to completing DBS checks. The PCC together with all leaders and volunteers have attended a diocesan Safeguarding programme which was well received and attended by 18 members.

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 role 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 PCC met on 7 occasions during the year. The average level of attendance at PCC meetings during the year was 70%.

Safeguarding

Tendy Lindsay continues as Safeguarding Officer and Carol Booth remains as the Children's champion. Safeguarding information is posted in Church and additional safeguarding details are available in toilets and private places should anyone need to access them alone. 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. The entire PCC along with people in positions of leadership took part in a Diocesan Safeguarding day where we were reminded that safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone.

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

Tom Smith

Wardens:

Linda Bennet

Norma Walkes

Deanery synod:

Bisi Sanu

Linda Bennett

Elected members:

Derrick Brown

Yvonne Graham

Festus Kuye

Mitzi Gardier

Patricia Blalock

Adrian Broomes

Honchiu Mak

Chinyere Metu

Trevor Alexander

Approved by the PCC on 9 May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Ian Booth

WOOD GREEN TEAM**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022****RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Receipts				
Voluntary receipts	60,965		60,965	58,184
investment income	118		118	11
Church activities	93,140	4,332	97,472	70,457
Total receipts	<u>154,223</u>	<u>4,332</u>	<u>158,555</u>	<u>128,652</u>
Payments				
Church activities	142,346	11,867	154,213	146,437
Total payments	<u>142,346</u>	<u>11,867</u>	<u>154,213</u>	<u>146,437</u>
Excess of receipts over payments	11,877	(7,535)	4,342	(17,785)
Cash at bank, 1 January 2021	<u>151,303</u>	<u>26,878</u>	<u>178,181</u>	<u>195,966</u>
Cash at bank, 31 December 2021	<u>163,180</u>	<u>19,343</u>	<u>182,523</u>	<u>178,181</u>

WOOD GREEN TEAM**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Cash funds				
Cash at bank and in hand	163,180	19,343	182,523	178,181

Gift aid

The amount of gift aid to be recovered as at 31 December 2022 is estimated at £xx,xxx (£4,500).

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				
Education	3,824			3,824
Germany trip	9,577	4,332	11,867	2,042
Madrid Pilgrimage	517			517
Children's work	2,064			2,064
Admistrator	4,542			4,542
Youth Centre / worker	6,354			6,354
	26,878	4,332	11,867	19,343
General fund	151,303	154,223	142,346	163,180
	178,181	158,555	154,213	182,523

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

Approved by the PCC on xx May 2023 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 2022**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
Receipts				
Voluntary income				
Planned giving and offerings	43,866		43,866	40,272
Gift aid recovered	0		0	2,711
Donations, candles and other income	3,632		3,632	3,390
Grants	13,467		13,467	11,811
	<u>60,965</u>		<u>60,965</u>	<u>58,184</u>
Income from church activities				
Church hall letting - nursery school	28,200		28,200	24,000
Church hall lettings - other	59,889		59,889	41,478
Income from solar panels	3,069		3,069	3,914
Germany trip		4,332	4,332	0
PCC fees from weddings and funerals	1,982		1,982	1,065
	<u>93,140</u>	<u>4,332</u>	<u>97,472</u>	<u>70,457</u>
Payments				
Church activities				
Charitable giving	600		600	600
Diocesan Common Fund	50,000		50,000	70,000
Expenses of clergy	3,191		3,191	1,882
Church and hall costs:				
Electricity and gas	41,933			
Water	677			
Insurance	12,517			
Waste removal	4,062			
Cleaning and maintenance	<u>7,171</u>	66,360	66,360	58,946
Clergy houses water	1,247		1,247	1,457
Equipment	0		0	1,206
Germany trip		11,867	11,867	0
Mini bus costs	865		865	1,084
Upkeep of services	6,695		6,695	3,668
Administration	2,435		2,435	2,389
Administrator cost	8,929		8,929	5,205
Fees paid to LDF	884		884	0
Professional fees	1,140		1,140	0
	<u>142,346</u>	<u>11,867</u>	<u>154,213</u>	<u>146,437</u>

Note: In certain instances the figures above for 2022 may not be comparable with those showing for 2021.

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 2022, 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.

Roger J Seaton FCA
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10 May 2023