

2022 Trustees Report of the Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Shevington, Standish Lower Ground and Crooke

Aims and Purposes

St. Anne's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbents, Reverends Andrew and Jenny Brown, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the church building and St Anne's parish centre.

Objectives and Activities

St Anne's PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible in the localities of Shevington, Standish Lower Ground and Crooke to access services and worship at our church and in our church school building, and to become part of our church community. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance to 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 of the church building and parish centre and maintain the graveyard.

Achievements and Performance

Worship and Prayer

The lifting of Covid restrictions at the beginning of 2023 provided a welcome return to worshipping regularly in person in our church building. The return provided an opportunity to review service times and we now have a traditional service on Sundays at 9.30am offering Holy Communion every week followed by a more informal worship service at 11am with modern worship songs and which is more accessible to families and newcomers to church. Between the two we offer refreshments in the parish centre which provides an opportunity for members of both congregations to meet each other.

Throughout the year we have welcomed a number of Iranian asylum seekers to our church and a number of them have been baptised. Much of the weekly services is displayed on an

overhead screen with simultaneous translation into Farsi and we have printed service sheets in Farsi as well. A request to the congregation for money for Iranian Bibles raised over £500 an Andrew takes a weekly Bible study with the men. This is a fluid community as asylum cases are heard and some of the men move away but it has been a privilege and a joy to hear their stories and provide a way in to the Christian faith for them. They have broadened our horizons and provided some practical help too.

Our vicars, Andrew and Jenny, lead assembly in our church school every week and offer pastoral support to both teachers and children. Our school is at the heart of the community of Standish Lower Ground, a couple of miles away from the main area of the parish in Shevington. In June Jenny started a new congregation called The Well meeting weekly at 4pm on a Sunday at the school. The informal worship begins with a cuppa and is for those who perhaps don't know Jesus and are seeking to find more. When Jesus met the Samaritan woman at the well He said, 'Come and find living water'.

In 2022 there were 150 parishioners on the electoral roll of whom 23 live outside the parish. The average weekly attendance counted during October was 68 plus 7 children, taken from St Anne's and The Well. This number increased at festivals with one of the high spots of the year being a Nativity Outside complete with donkey and sheep and wise men who were genuinely from the east (Iran). More than 200 people from the local community came to that.

One of the positive things to come out of the Covid restrictions was the provision of worship online and this has continued at St Anne's. Andrew records a shortened version of Sunday worship with hymns and songs each week for those who are housebound, and we estimate that about 20 people access this.

Pastoral Care

Caring for those around us is the practical outworking of our faith. St Anne's has an active Pastoral Team who offer prayer support for the sick and bereaved and take Holy Communion to people in their home. There is a weekly prayer group and a Memorial Service every 2 months.

One of our most successful ventures is 'Sparkles', a weekly (in term time) group for pre-school children and their carers, whether that be parents, grandparents or child minders. For 90 minutes on a Tuesday morning our parish centre is filled with the sound of up to 40 children having fun, and provides an opportunity for their carers to get together in a supportive Christian atmosphere.

The parish centre is also the home of Shevington Community Pantry, a venture started during Covid by the local community originally as a food bank. It is now an outlet for food donated by local shops and supermarkets that is close to its sell-by date and would otherwise be consigned to landfill. Thus it has the dual benefit of providing affordable food for the less well off and helping the environment by reducing waste.

Mission and Evangelism

St Anne's vision statement is, 'Knowing Christ better and making Christ better known'.

In order to know Christ better we not only worship Him, but study the Bible together in Bible Study groups and individually at home.

In order to make Christ better known we look to evangelistic opportunities which hopefully draw the local community in, for example special services at Easter and Christmas, a Holiday Club during the school summer holidays and a church tent at the summer fete. Some of these activities may not be overtly 'church' but members of the church show that Christians care deeply about their friends and neighbours, have a different set of values to the cut and thrust of everyday life, and demonstrate the love of God for all. This year we held the 'Hope Exhibition' in our church building, an exhibition of paintings by a convicted murderer who became a Christian in prison and whose work depicted his journey from darkness to light.

In line with Biblical teaching, we remain committed to giving 10% of our unrestricted income to support Christian mission agencies at home and overseas. This year we supported Manchester City Mission, Mission Aviation Fellowship, Open Doors and a specific missionary working in Japan with OMF.

Financial Review

Income

- Total receipts in unrestricted funds were £147839 of which £67046 was unrestricted voluntary donations, £50000 was an anonymous donation to be designated for mission opportunities and a further £15748 was from Gift Aid.
- We were also fortunate to receive:
 - a legacy of £3000;
 - a grant from the Diocesan Vision Fund of £438 towards the setting up of a new congregation at our church school in Standish Lower Ground;
 - a DBF energy support grant of £1624.
- The income from fees for weddings and funerals was £13306.
- Restricted funds of £18975 were also received, including £8669 for hire of the parish centre.
- 71 people donate by way of planned giving, either by standing order or Free Will Offering envelopes. £47710 was given of which £37385 was eligible for gift aid.

Expenditure

Total expenditure for 2022 was £104749 of which £63329 was for parish share. Parish share is the contribution each parish makes to the diocese for, amongst other things, clergy housing and stipends. The sum that the churches have to find is shared according to a formula that is based mainly on a head count of the congregations. For 2023 the amount

requested by the diocese increased by nearly 9%, but following a discussion with members of the Diocesan Board of Finance the increase has been reduced to around 3%, and this year we will have to pay £65233. This is a lot of money, and is far more than the single salary our vicars, Jenny and Andrew, receive. But the parish system works on the basis that better off parishes support the less well off so that all can have a paid minister. In order to make savings, many parishes are being merged to form larger group ministries with fewer clergy. The hope is that if we keep making payment of our parish share a priority we will continue to have a full time paid minister at St Anne's.

We continue to remain committed to giving 10% of our unrestricted income to support mission, which this year amounted to £6000.

Overall, income exceeded expenditure by £66812, of which £50000 was a donation designated for mission opportunities.

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance in unrestricted funds which equates to at least three months unrestricted expenditure. This is currently equivalent to £24000 and is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The cash balance of £26833 held in unrestricted funds at the yearend is above this due to unclaimed expenses and work carried over to next year.

The balance of £10505 in the Fabric restricted fund is retained towards meeting the cost of repairs required as a result of the Quinquennial Inspection. These repairs are estimated to cost approximately £15000 and the funds deposited with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund (£6700) will also be used for this purpose.

Conclusion

2022 was a good year for St Anne's financially. Planned giving increased and the average amount given weekly increased to £16.37. We brought our gift aid claim up to date which resulted in an additional £5000. We received a legacy of £3000 and an anonymous donation of £50000 to be designated for mission opportunities. We received a grant from the Diocesan Vision Fund towards setting up a new congregation in Standish Lower Ground called The Well, and a grant from the Diocesan Board of Finance towards increased energy costs. The Parish Centre was once again available for hire and income exceeded expenditure by £3700.

2023 will pose a greater challenge as we tackle the repairs highlighted by the Quinquennial Inspection, the increased cost of energy and rising inflation. However we look forward to using money from the gift to improve our church facilities with the clear aim of drawing people to Christ in line with our mission statement of, 'Knowing Christ better and making Christ better known'.

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St. Anne's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbents, churchwardens, and members

elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All who attend our services/members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC is 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. The full PCC met nine times during the year with an average level of attendance of 88%. Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has a number of committees each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life. These are: Ministry, Mission, 'Grounds and Buildings' and Finance. These committees report back to the full PCC with their decisions which are discussed and approved as necessary.

Administrative Information

St. Anne's Church is situated on Church Lane, Shevington. It is part of the Diocese of Blackburn within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Anne's Vicarage, 81 Gathurst Lane, Shevington Wigan WN6 8HW. The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity currently registered with the Charity Commission, registration number 1130901.

Ex Officio members:



- Incumbents: Reverend Andrew Brown and Reverend Jenny Brown
- Warden: Mr PFX Calderbank
- Warden: Mr John Rawson



Elected members:

- Mrs Sharon Drury, representative on Deanery Synod (vice chairman)
- Mrs Pauline Byrne, representative on Deanery Synod
- Mrs Heather Rawson (treasurer)
- Mrs Beryl Smith (until 16th May 2022)
- Mr James Evans
- Mrs Brenda Harrison
- Mrs Pauline L Johnson
- Mrs Angie Cunningham
- Mr Leslie Robinson
- Mrs Y Robinson
- Mrs Pauline H Johnson
- Mrs Violet Hughes
- Mr David Tempest

Approved by the PCC on 27th March 2023
Reverend Jenny Brown (PCC chairman)

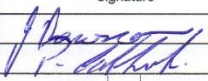
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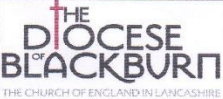

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		Receipts and payments accounts						
		For the period from		Period start date 1st January 2022	To	Period end date 31st Dec 2022		
Section A Receipts and payments								
	Note	Finance Return	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	2021 to nearest £
A1 Receipts								
Voluntary Receipts								
Planned Giving								
Planned giving (tax efficient)		1	37,385		120		37,505	36,494
Planned giving (other)		2	10,325				10,325	9,097
Collections at services		3	4,440				4,440	10,275
Other giving/ voluntary receipts		5a	14,896	50,000	5,144		70,040	4,031
Gift Aid Recovered		6	15,748				15,748	10,477
Activities for generating funds		5b	9	1,458			1,458	
Investment income		5c	10	107	174	13	294	8
Church Activities		5d		13,306		19,978	33,284	13,575
Sub total			97,665	50,174	25,255	-	173,094	83,957
A2 Asset and investment sales, etc.								
Total receipts		A,B,C	97,665	50,174	25,255	-	173,094	83,957
A3 Payments								
Church Activities								
Diocesan Parish Share		19	63,329				63,329	61,219
Other Payments		5e	11,768		16,972		28,740	17,927
Mission giving and charitable donations		5f	7,595		120		7,715	7,020
Cost of Generating Funds		25					-	51
Fund raising trading costs					4,965		4,965	7,921
Governance Costs		26					-	-
Sub total			82,692	-	22,057	-	104,749	94,138
A4 Asset and investment purchases, etc.								
Total payments		D,E,F	82,692	-	22,057	-	104,749	94,138
Net of receipts/(payments)			14,973	50,174	-	3,198	-	10,183
A5 Transfers between funds								
			2,185		2,185		-	
			3,954	3,954				
A6 Cash funds last year end								
			12,091	10,627	17,259		39,977	50,158
Cash funds this year end			28,833	56,847	-	22,642	-	39,977

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Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period							
Categories	Finance Return	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
B1 Cash funds		Current account	1,403				
		Business	27,464		16,187		
		CBF Deposit Fund		56,847			
		Parish centre account			7,289		
	31	Total cash funds	28,867	56,847	23,476	-	
(agree balances with receipts and payments accounts)			Agreement Error	OK	Agreement Error	OK	
B2 Other monetary assets		Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	
		Gift Aid to reclaim	3,023				
B3 Investment assets		Details		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
	32						
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Details		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)	
		Parish centre building and contents		unrestricted			
		Loss limit £2.9m					
B5 Liabilities		Details		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)	
		Outstanding invoices					
		Cheque Number 2919		restricted	460		
		Cheque Number 2922		unrestricted	34		
		Parish Centre cheques not presented		Parish Centre	116		
		Parish Centre DD not collected		Parish centre	259		

The notes attached on page 3 form part of these financial statements

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature		Print Name		Date of approval
			JOHN RAWSON PETER CALDERBANK		27 FEB 2023 27 FEB 2023

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Section C Notes continued							
5. Receipts and Payments analysis		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Designated funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £	Total funds to nearest £	2020 to nearest £
Payments							
Church Activities							
Other Payments 5e							
Clergy expenses 21		685				685	312
Sub total (if required)		685	-	-	-	685	420
Lighting 24		725				725	631
Heating 24		1,094				1,094	621
Water 24		90				90	85
Insurance 23		2,904				2,904	2,799
Maintenance 23				1,838	1,838	3,676	1,503
Organ/Organist/CCLI licences 23				1,183	833	2,016	877
Fees to vergers and sexton				2,092		2,092	
DBF Fees				4,747		4,747	
Purchase of Iranian Bibles					320	640	
Communion wafers & wine 23		175				175	15
Setting up 'The Well' 22				537	537	1,074	
Hope Exhibition 22		427				427	
Holiday Club 22		299					
Christmas Eve Outside (animals) 22		200					
Sparkles 22		251					
CPAS DBS checks 23		6				6	54
Christian resources 23		1,229				1,229	57
Resources for mission 22		137				137	590
Data protection 23		35				35	35
Independent examiner 23		75				75	50
Men's breakfast 22		100				100	-
Sunday refreshments 22		64				64	
Defibrillator costs 23				1,650	1,650	1,650	
Churchyard maintenance 23				4,605	4,605	9,210	6,982
Vicarage council tax & water		3,182				8,926	3,081
Other expenses 23		90				90	
		11,768	-	16,972	18,709	47,449	17,800
Mission giving and donations 5f							
Barchester Fund		1,540				1,540	1,540
OMF International		1,500				1,500	2,280
Open Doors		1,500				1,500	1,050
Manchester City Mission		1,500				1,500	1,050
Mission Aviation Fellowship		1,500				1,500	1,050
Bishop Julian retirement fund		25				25	50
Shevington in Bloom		30				30	30
St Anne's School Toast				120		120	120
		7,595	-	120	-	7,715	7,170

Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St Anne's Church, Shevington, Parish Church Council.

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 4.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees confirm that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

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 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 you as trustees concerning any 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 they are limited to those matters set out in the statement below. Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

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