ABERCONWY MISSION AREA

England & Wales · Charity number 1131047

Details

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Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-08-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

Objects: The promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, in the parish.

Activities: Church in Wales - tp promote mission in and engagement with the community; to seek the wellbieing of all people; to maintain services and social action within the community, to serve those in need; advancing the Christian religion through local and worldwide mission

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Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Conwy

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£683,774	£529,944	£829,888	2
2023-12-31	£566,990	£480,648	£667,773	3
2022-12-31	£419,996	£451,924	-	-
2021-12-31	£353,135	£312,004	-	-
2020-12-31	£858,169	£855,748	£568,821	0

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ANDREW ERIC STEPHEN JAMES		2021-02-08
DILYS STONE		2023-11-07
Denise Templeton		2021-02-20
Elaine Bellis		2021-02-14
HELEN BARRITT		2025-04-30
Hazel Elizabeth Leech		2021-02-11
PHILIP WILLIAMS		2026-01-22
Rev HUW BRYANT		2024-11-24
Rev Sarah Francis Hildreth-Osborn		2021-03-04
Susan Ann Buckley		2021-02-18
TRISTIAN GREENFIELD		2025-04-30
Tesni Hadwin		2021-02-11

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Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2024

The Mission Area of Aberconwy
Charity Number: 1131047

The Churches which make up the Mission Area are:

St David, Penrhyn Bay
St Hilary, Llanrhos
St Paul, Craig-y-don
All Saints, Deganwy
St Ffraid, Llansanffraid
St Cystennin, Llangwstennin
St Grwst, Llanrwst
St Martin, Eglwysbach
St Michael, Llandudno Junction

THE MISSION AREA CONFERENCE (MAC)

The members who served from 1st January 2024 until the date this report was approved were:

Mission Area Leader
Mrs Dilys Stone

Mission Area Lay Chair
Mrs Ruth Whitaker (Until October 2024)
Andrew James (From Novemebr 2024)

Mission Area Treasurer
Mrs Ann Harty

Mission Area Secretary
Mrs Mandy Groom

Mission Area Book Keeper
Mrs Helen Barritt

Mission Area Clergy
Rev Canon Juliet Fraser
Rev Canon Sarah Hildreth Osborn
Rev Grace Lomas (Until August 2024)
Rev Sue Storey
Alan McKinnell (Family Engagement Officer)
Rev Tim Hall (Pastoral Chaplain for St Pauls)
Rev Huw Bryant

Mission Area Wardens
Mrs Tesni Hadwin
Mr Philip Evans

Individual Church Elected Members of the Mission Area Conference

Doreen Owen & Steve Illidge - SHs
Philip Evans & Sally Allen - SPs
Jo Bowles - SDs
Pat Chapman & Andrew James - AS
Hazel Leech - SM & AA
Sue Buckley - SF
Denise Templeton & Elaine Bellis - SM
Ruth Whitaker - SG - Until October 2024

Mission Area Administrator
Mrs Mandy Groom

Electoral Roll Officer
Mrs Dilys Stone

BENEFICE BANKERS

NatWest
62 Mostyn Street, Llandudno

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

Sage & Co Chartered Accountants
102 Bowen Court, St Asaph

MISSION AREA LEADER ANNUAL REPORT

Last year I began by saying it had been a challenging year. We could say that every year, and it would be true in one way or another. This year has thrown up challenges of course, but I hope that the Mission Area now feels a more positive place to be, and that we are looking forward rather than just struggling through the day-to-day issues.
Staffing was a concern this time last year but rethinking about clergy deployment led Sarah Hildreth-Osborn to move in June to the churches in Deganwy, Llandudno Junction and Llanrhos, and we were very fortunate that the churches of Eglwysbach, Llansanffraid Glan Conwy and Llanrwst could welcome Huw Bryant as their new priest at the beginning of December, coming to us from Dyffryn Clwyd Mission Area. Sue Storey has continued as NSM working with St Cystennin's, Juliet Fraser has continued to oversee the Hub Church at Penrhyn Bay, and Tim Hall continues to guide and nurture the congregation at St Paul's as they pursue their vision of a center of excellence for those aged 0-25 set in an intergenerational context, and their bid to the Church Growth Fund to support this is making progress. We are fortunate to have dedicated and visionary clergy, and I would like to express my thanks to them for their commitment and service. Equally, we are very grateful to the retired clergy who support us when the team clergy are away and bring their particular skills and talents to Mission Area life.
Thanks are due to the Lay Chair, Mission Area Wardens and all the members of the MAC, who help with decision making and the smooth running of the Mission Area, and also to those involved in the administrative and practical side. We endeavor to provide resources in both Welsh and English so that we can offer bilingual services, and where appropriate promote the use of both languages in church activities, all of which helps ensure that the church is accessible and welcoming to all members of the community. Many thanks are due to all who help us with advice and translation. Those who look after our finances will be thanked elsewhere, but this is another extremely important aspect of Mission Area life, and their hard work is much appreciated. Last but definitely not least, huge thanks to Mandy in the office for all her dedicated hard work on our behalf.
You will read elsewhere in this report of all that is going on in the life of our churches, and once again we must thank every single one of our lay people who contribute to church life, whether by active involvement, by regular attendance, by prayerfully supporting us, or in any other way that they can.
We have a shared calling across the Mission Area and this should be demonstrated in our churches as we care for each other, and share ministry, resources and expertise, working together to engage with our local communities. We try to provide a variety of activities and worship opportunities across the Mission Area, and hope that people will play their part by being prepared to travel at least a short distance to take advantage of the things that are on offer. We acknowledge the importance of our churches in their local contexts while also realising that we are part of a greater whole and often need to work and worship together.

If you look at the 'bottom line' of the Mission Area Accounts it would appear that we are comfortably off in financial terms. We have been fortunate with legacies this year, as well as income from the sale and rental of surplus properties. Having produced a 5-year forecast, however, these funds are largely already allocated either for special projects or as reserves for the future, because it is clear that some of our churches may struggle financially and the benefit of the Mission Area structure is that when necessary we may be able to help them meet unexpected costs and shortfalls. We cannot be complacent on the financial front — reserves quickly disappear. There are continually issues to be dealt with in the areas of staffing, buildings and finances, and our churches need our Individual financial support as well as our practical and worshipping support and presence.
After a couple of difficult years I hope that the Mission Area can now look to growing as a people of faith, worship and love (the words on our Mission Area logo) and I make no apology for concluding with the same words that I used last year - I pray that we will be open to God's gifts of wisdom, strength and courage as he leads us and equips us in our calling to show and share the good news of his saving love.
The Diocesan Conference with the theme 'Growing Faith' was held last October with the Business Meeting on Zoom on Thursday evening and the Addresses, discussion and worship at Llanfyllin High School on Saturday.
The Business meeting included a formal Welcome to the Archdeacon of Montgomery, Report from Standing Committee, Diocesan Accounts 2023 and Annual Report of Trustees. The Diocesan Budget 2025 was presented. Changes to the Diocesan Constitution regarding co-opting members to Standing Committee were agreed. DAC Members were approved, and there were items on Spiritual Direction, Eco Church and the Growth Fund.
The Saturday meeting began with the Presidential Address from Bishop Gregory, which was followed by a presentation on Faith in Action stories from around the diocese. The Growing Faith keynote speaker was the Venerable Mones Farah, Archdeacon Missioner in the Diocese of St David's. After lunch there was Question Time with Bishop Gregory and the Venerable Mones Farah and a 'What Christian Faith Is' discussion session. The final items were on the Energy Footprint Tool and the Launch of the 2025 Diocesan Offering for RABI. You can watch and listen to the addresses and presentation on Diocesan Conference I Diocese of St Asaph

St Hilary's Church
Our retired clergy looked after us very well during our interregnum.

In early July, over forty of us enjoyed a lovely lunch at the schoolroom to welcome our new vicar Sarah, who had joined us in May. That same weekend Jelena, our organist organised one of her many concerts to raise money for Ty Gobaith & church funds.

Our 8.00am services are now held first & third Sundays, and our only evening service is held on the fourth Sunday, of the month, which is Cymun Bendigaid, where the number of attendees at both services is about twelve.
Our 11.00am service remains on average forty, although we have lost several people as we all get older, and we still enjoy coffee & fellowship at the schoolroom after the service.
We had three successful gardening evenings during the summer months, and Don Milne is still busy filling his bird feelers, and the bees are busy in the hives, producing St. Hilary's honey! Our cemetery has a beautiful and calming feeling, for a quiet walk, especially in the spring, when the grown is covered with a blanket of snowdrops & daffodils.

Our open day in September saw more people through the door, although we reduced the number of hours we were open. Don was very busy as usual, as he is our expert on the church records.

In the last twelve months, we have had a major problem with our Vestry ceiling / roof to the extent that, now when it rains, we have to have buckets catching the water!
We look forward in faith and hope, for increasing our attendance and a repaired vestry roof! Doreen
Owen People's Warden.

St Paul's Church

This year has continued with uncertainty as to the future of St Paul's in terms of a permanent incumbent being appointed. We are very grateful for the continuing ministry and support from the ReV. Tim Hall who has been of sterling help in sustaining our witness and outreach to the local community. Following a period of discernment a proposal for the future ministry has now passed through Diocesan and Church in Wales scrutiny and is in the final phases of preparation for application for funding via the Church in Wales Growth Fund The proposal is to establish St Paul's as a centre of excellence supporting young people aged 0 to 25, establishing an intergenerational church to offer spiritual and emotional support to all ages.

The Sunday service 10:30 starting time seems to have been accepted and, indeed, may be more convenient for visitors to the area. Teas and Coffees are available after the service. The monthly 1662 Communion Service on the last Thursday continues to be supported as well as our links with the Prayer Book Society. The Sunday congregation averages 35 over the year on a slightly upward trend. The mid-week service averages 10-12 and the Monthly Fellowship group is committed and supportive of the worship and hospitality of the church. The Warm Welcome Bereavement Group is well established and is under review in terms of 'marketing' and outreach. St Paul's remains popular as a venue for special services and concerts. In December we held extra services for schools and local organisations.

Maintaining the building is an ever-present challenge. Further storm damage this winter resulted in the loss of more slates. A conservation architect has identified issues with the sandstone frame for the window. We have received the insurance for the windows element to the repairs but await for advice from the diocese before we proceed with repairs. The guttering that came away above the side door was of a unique Victorian design. It has so far been impossible to replicate the broken gutters. A temporary repair has been completed; again, we await advice before further repairs can be actioned and funding sought. A carbon zero audit and separate heating audit have been completed with detailed reports received and preparations with OpenReach are in place for fibre internet and a 3Phase electricity supply feasibility study completed and costed.

The hall continues to see growth with regular group bookings. A new on-line booking system has been introduced recently which has greatly reduced the administrative work.

St David's Church

The year in St David's Hub Church during 2024 saw a continuation and some enhancements of the considerable work seen in the previous year to develop the strategy and Action Plan in place for the Hub Church concept with further facilities and events put in place.

The success seen in previous year's continued with the officers appointed and lay members of the congregation working hard to enhance the word of God within both the Church community and the local community.

Unfortunately, we lost the services of our Curate Rev Grace Lomas in July following her relocation and promotion in Swansea. However, the significant support and efforts provided by Lucy Farrar as part of her training as a Pastoral Chaplain has proved to be a great assistance to the clergy team.

The busy week in St David's continues with the Church being open for visitors and prayers on 4 weekday mornings in addition to the Friday morning and two Sunday services.

During the week there is a prayer group, two bible study groups, a Children's Hub Club and a midweek Eucharist service on a Friday.

Once a month we hold a Wellness and Healing Service and on the last Sunday in each month, a Café Church session is held in the Church Hall which is a less formal and relaxed form of worship.

During the year 2 new groups have been established which again enhances St David's action plan strategy.

Each Thursday a 'Men's Shed' group entitled locally as Jo's Shed has been set up by Alan McKinnell and a number of gentlemen meet and undertake woodworking projects. During the year they have produced such items as toys for local children's charities, love spoons and flower planters with those attending enjoying the fellowship which always seems to include home made cakes or biscuits.

Twice a month the 3C's Group (Coffee, Chat, Community) meet in the Church building. The group is very well attended by men and women and is for all members of the community to meet in fellowship. The events range from quizzes, music afternoon, crafting sessions and on a number of occasions, guest speakers attend to provide talks and presentations such as St John's Ambulance, RNLI, Community Police.

Each group sees varying people attending which results in a wide cross section of people meeting in God's house for a wide range of reasons each week.

Sunday worship is strengthening with the average number of communicants showing continued modest increase with a number of services during the year being led by the Worship Group comprising of members of the congregation.

Community support continues with the Church Hall being well used by an increased number of groups and societies with usage being seen almost every day of the week.

The North Wales branch of the Christian Motorcycle Association now hold their monthly meetings at St David's and this has resulted in some of their members attending services at the Church.

On a monthly basis a group of ladies from the community hold 'afternoon tea' in the hall and a significant sum of funds raised has been passed to various local charities.

The Community Garden continued during 2024 with veg and flowers grown which members of the congregation and members of the public can pick as they pass through the Church grounds. A group of Learning Disability students from Coleg Llandrillo also attended in the year to help with the maintenance and planting etc.

A particular highlight once again was the Carols Around the Christmas tree with once again a full Church with music provided by Beulah Brass band

Fellowship events were also held during the year with other events including a quarterly lunch, Maundy Thursday Supper, Harvest Lunch and a Christmas Lunch. There was also a very joyous buffet and quiz evening at the time of Grace's departure to celebrate her time at St David's and her wedding to Ben at the Cathedral in August.

Unfortunately, the weather once again led to the cancellation of the Outdoor Service with Beulah Brass Band in August, but the service took place inside, but the popular barbeque was provided under canopies.

The efforts and commitment of the clergy team and the lay ministry at St David's continues to be considerable and the benefit is in evidence when reviewing all the activities seen above and we are grateful to everyone who contributes and are blessed by such willing and diligent members of the St David's Church family which enhances the word of the Lord throughout Penrhyn Bay.

All Saints Church

At the beginning of 2024 we were still without our own Vicar and our services were led by several retired clergy. We are very grateful to all the retired clergy who kept us going through the interregnum. We were very pleased when we learned that the Rev Sarah Hildreth-Osborn would become Vicar of All Saints, St Hilary's and St Michaels. On 9 June at a joint service in All Saints Rev Sarah was installed as Vicar of the three churches. Sarah has brought a new and welcome enthusiasm for worship and church life and has introduced some new style services and small changes which help us all in our worship. We appreciate all she has done already and look forward to her growing and developing ministry among us.

We maintained contact with Ysgol Deganwy and welcomed the school to church at various times during the year — for a farewell concert for their headteacher, a harvest festival service and Christmas Carol Services.

During 2024 we had one baptism, three weddings and two funerals. At the annual act of Remembrance in November the Mayor of Conwy laid a wreath on the church war memorial.

We are grateful to Jeff Wright for his loyal service to API Saints. After 20 years as organist Jeff decided to retire at the end of 2024. He chose Christmas Day to be his last service. After the service there was a presentation and acknowledgement of the church's appreciation of all that Jeff had done over many years.

Mothers Union continued to meet monthly in church Although our numbers are small the meetings were well attended. We began 2024 with 10 members — three of whom are indoor members. The meetings are mostly member led, and talks have included tales of scouting, family history, quitting and a meditation afternoon. Members continued to be actively involved in church life.

All Saints Strollers continued to meet monthly and had many walks during the year, including at Llanfairfechan, Rhoscolyn on Anglesey and the Great Orme. The house group began last year and met fortnightly.

We continued to support two charities during the year. Our local charity Aberconwy Domestic Abuse Service (ADAS), and our overseas charity Kanzi Kibera Friends who support school children in one of Africa's largest urban slums, just outside Nairobi.

St Michaels and All Angles

The congregation has warmly welcomed Rev Sarah and congratulate her with becoming a Canon, a position well deserved. All feel settled with having a new priest in situ.

There is no warden due to Renee retiring. Sarah has said we need to replace her and would be happy to hear from anyone interested in taking over this role. The congregation is small, and everyone has agreed to help with warden duties and confirmed they would openly communicate with one another "teamwork".

The Zumba group needed a hall temporary for one-week last year — this coincided with the Church Open Day where coffee/tea and cake were offered. This was a successful event.

A carol service during Christmas was held along with a Makaton Choir they were well received and all hope this will be repeated this year.

We now have a Warm Hub being held every other week offering a cuppa, snack and friendship. This is well attended. At present Tania is leading this though the group are looking into a person taking charge of the catering and using part of the grant to pay a nominal fee for this service.

An event with the Choir for Good and the Makaton Choir is to be held in Church on 1st July 2025 at 7.00pm. The evening will be ticketless and based on donations.

Congregation all agreed to hold an event every few months and will put their thinking hats on for ideas.

Sarah's philosophy is look, watch, wait and see. We do need more feet in Church — this will grow over time and not overnight.

Unfortunately, two regular groups have stopped using the hall due to problems with heating and lighting. The kitchen door is a fire door and does not close — this needs to be fixed.

The Indian Orthodox Church are still utilising the Church and are very respectful. Scouts still attend regularly.

The small congregation feel positive for the future of St Michaels and All Angels Church. Sarah thanks everyone for their welcome.

St Cystennin's Church

2024 saw a fairly settled year for St Cystennin but there were changes. Simon Conway, church warden, moved away with his partner Leigh. This left us without a warden and 2 members of the congregation down too. Fortunately, Mr Joe Scarratt agreed to become church warden and is still in post, on a steep learning curve.

In May the church saw its first wedding for quite a while when Caitlin and George chose it for their ceremony. Also in May the church held a plant sale. It had been a tradition and big event pre Covid. With the departure of Mr Nick Davies and less people to help with this, it was decided to change the format and have a coffee morning with sale of plants. It went down well but was a big drain on the people helping. It has been decided not to hold one in 2025 but there will be at least one coffee morning, preferably two, during the summer months.

Rev Sue Storey has continued to visit the primary schools in Mochdre each half term to provide assemblies with a Christian theme. The schools are now amalgamating and will be on one site and called Ysgol Minafon. It is hoped that the children will be able to visit the church at some point in the summer.

St Cystennin achieved its Bronze Eco Church award during the year; the project led by Andrew Williams.

In September Mr Roy Mills, who is a local historian, hosted two mornings for the Open Doors scheme run by Cadw. Whilst visitor numbers were low, the people who came were impressed by the history of the St Cystennin holy site and the restored mediaeval glass on display.

December saw the usual services in the run up to Christmas with the addition of the local council choosing again to ask St Cystennin to host their Civic service.

2025 started out in the same vein but, on 16th March, Rev Storey arrived to take the Sunday service only to find that the church had been broken into. Someone had entered by smashing and bending up a portion of one of the plain glass leaded windows. They had then made themselves a bed with pew cushions and altar cloths in one of the box pews. Although there was a mess, mostly due to the person being wet and muddy and bleeding from cuts caused by the broken window, nothing was taken. The insurance company sorted out boarding up the window and the biohazard cleaning so the church only had to be shut for one week. We now have to wait for a faculty in order to effect repair of the window.

Congregation numbers remain low, mostly in single figures. The regulars are a loyal group who help in maintaining the churchyard and interior as well as being willing to take part in the services with reading, intercessions and providing music via blue tooth. We also have visitors, especially in the summer months, who visit repeatedly when they are in the area. St Cystennin prides itself on being welcoming, borne out by these repeat visits.

Financially the church is not in good shape, despite a legacy last year. The regular offerings do not cover outgoings and are unlikely to do so in the future, making the future of this small but lovely church uncertain.

Rev S Storey

St Ffraid's Church

In 2024 St Ffraids welcomed Tad Huw into our church family and said a fond farewell and thanks to Reverend Sarah as she continues her ministry just down the road.

The congregation continues to grow steadily and there is a feeling of positivity as we welcome new worshippers and also remember those who sadly are no longer with us.

As always there are a loyal group of parishioners actively working behind the scenes and undertaking lots of activities in sustaining the work of our church and many calendar events throughout the year.

Our Wednesday coffee stop remains the hub of organising events and new ideas and is well attended by those living in the village and beyond.

We had our annual Christmas tree exhibition with the feature this year being a knitted bobble hat tree, created by the village ladies. After Christmas the hats were distributed to charities for the homeless and Ysgol Glan Conwy to help with their fundraising.

The annual panto continues to be a sell-out, written and performed by parishioners and raised a fantastic amount of money for the church.

Cor Pobl Llan continues to go from strength to strength with 27 members meeting every week for a "sing" a cup of tea and a chat, providing a safe space and connection.

St Ffraids Mother's Union are only a small but enthusiastic group. We have welcomed speakers from the community and also joined in the World Day of Prayer in Llandudno and the Lady Day Service in St Asaph Cathedral. Last summer we had a trip to Baba to learn more about Mary Jones. We will soon be going to visit Liverpool Cathedral where our Church organist is a Tour Guide and will be showing us around.

St Ffraids church committee remain passionate in the vision for the future in ensuring both Church and Church House are sustainable, and contribute and support the local community, but acknowledging the financial challenges we face going forward.

Looking ahead we continue to hope and pray for church growth in St Ffraids and how we can best support those around us.

St Martin's Church

In St. Martin's, we end with a new start! During the Interregnum, after the departure of the Rev Ben Lines in May 2023, our strong and faithful congregation supported the church and all the clergy who stepped into the gap to provide us with regular services.

In particular, we are eternally grateful to Canon John Nice for his diligence in travelling regularly from Abergele to help us out, and also to his wife Gaynor, who stood in for our Organist Roy Kenrick during his occasional absences.

In July, last year, we were informed that there was an applicant for the post of Priest in Charge of the Valley churches. The interview took place in St. Asaph and shortly after we were informed that Father (Tād) Huw Bryant would be moving to Llanrwst, with his family, to care for our three churches. Tād Huw, his wife Reiko and their three children, Megan, Idris and Manon (a real bundle of energy!) have now settled into The Rectory in Llanrwst, and his first service with us was held on the 1s' December, following his licensing in St. Grwsts in November.

His feet have hardly touched ground since! Moving the family home, Advent and Christmas, providing three Sunday services, a visit to Reiko's family in Japan and the sad loss of Huw's mother recently, topped off by all the preparation of Lent and celebration of Easter. It's a good thing he is young and fit! We are sure that his previous congregations in Dyffryn Clwyd will be missing him greatly, and we consider ourselves incredibly fortunate that we are now in his care.

I have mentioned before that we are also very fortunate to have a strong and faithful congregation. A little small at the moment, averaging 15-20 every Sunday, but all are very hard working, especially the ladies who still run our regular Coffee Stop and other events such as Lenten Lunch, Christmas dinner in The Bee, Craft Fairs and other events. All of these. are open to all, raising valuable funds for the church, and regularly attract attendance by other villagers who may not be regular churchgoers themselves. All our helpers deserve praise of course, but perhaps no-one so much as 'Auntie' Eirlys who continues to cook up jars & jars of jams and chutneys and raises hundreds of pounds each year.

Unfortunately, though, we have to remember the sudden passing of Roy Kenrick's wife, Eirwen. One of the most enthusiastic members of our congregation, Eirwen was always foremost in helping Church events, flower arranging, and, of course, supporting Roy in his work for the church. Rev. Sarah led a marvellous celebration of Eirwen's life during which our little church managed to accommodate 250, including members of the WI, Soroptimists and members of Roy's Male Voice Choir.

We are still a Pilgrim Church on the North Wales pilgrimage route, and we regularly welcome organised parties to stop on their way, take a rest in our peaceful church and enjoy a cuppa and piece of cake provided by our ladies.

Geoff Templeton, Churchwarden, with the support of Siân Quick, Churchwarden, Roy Kenrick, Church Organist and the congregation of St. Martin's, Eglwysbach

St Grwst's Church

2024 proved to be a year of many changes for St Grwst's but despite this the church was constantly busy with activities, not forgetting the focus on worship and mission.
The Sunday service remained at 9.45am with many significant services for "special days".
Key changes for St Grwst's were a change of incumbent, the resignation of the treasurer and the end of the contract for the Business Development Manager. Each one having a significant effect on the day to day running of the church which was compounded by the lack of church wardens.
The church continued to be used by copious outside organisations; a benefit of the usable space created by the reordering. These groups included the recorder group until their dissolution in the summer, Llanrwst historical society, gong bath, yoga, crystal bowls, BeaVer camp and Ysgol Bro Gwydir.
Throughout the year there were events which made full use of available grants bringing the community into the church and provided much needed income. These included summer activities aimed at children which extended our presence within the community and contributed to building a stronger connection and rapport with residents and visitors and brought a number of new regular supporters of our space.
The Harp Festival, which included three concerts, and a workshop invited visitors to listen to Welsh musicians and interact with the harp instrument. It allowed us to display St Grwst's Church as venue for arts and musical events, which has encouraged enquiries for future bookings.
The Dafydd ap Sciencyn weekend festival with fascinating talks and a mediaeval banquet proved a great success and provided an opportunity to sell branded gifts.
Funding was obtained for a "warm hub" however with a lack of willing volunteers this did not proceed.
Guided tours of the church followed by refreshments continued to be valuable source of income attracting groups coming from far and wide.
The key "in house" events were the Flower Festival, a huge success with thirty-five displays from various local organisations, businesses, and individuals. The theme was Past, Present and Future. A large number of the general public came to view over a 3-day period and the festival closed with a special service on Sunday afternoon. The Christmas Tree Festival was also a success though, not as many displays as usual but the ones that came were very varied. The displays were lovely giving a real Christmassy feeling for all the services and events over the Christmas period. There was plenty of laughter at the Barnados Fashion Show not as well supported as previous occasions, but everyone enjoyed the excellent show and refreshments.
Paned a Sgwrs remains an integral part of St Grwst's week with regulars and visitors joining together to chat over coffee and enjoy wonderful cake. We face challenges of increasing volunteers for this and to grow attendance.

The Rev Canon Sarah and Gwenda have been running "Happy Saturdays "for three years, for children and young people with special needs, meeting on Saturday afternoons once a month. The experiences they have encountered are endless, coming through the door was a huge achievement for some who now come through the door with big smiles on their faces to greet us, smells, acoustics, space, shapes are just a few. Mixing and socialising with their peers, having barbecue's, art and craft based on religious themes, taking part in a Nativity play. Due to the Rev Canon Sarah moving, she and Gwenda have made the decision to relocate "Happy Saturdays," and this will be confirmed along with details at a later date.
Monthly "Open Table" services and meeting moved to Llandudno Junction with the change of incumbent.
Following the departure of the business development officer, support was provided on a temporary Community Engagement Offices. Attending advertising and facilitating the October half term activities. Making various grant claims and applications. Current activities include leaflets promoting St Grwst as a community space, which will be distributed along the Conwy Valley. New signage being designed for the church. An interactive screen ordered with audio and visuals Of items inside the church and information available to visitors when there are no stewards available. A summer programme of activities is currently being prepared and connections with Llanrwst Town Teams have been made which enables links with other community groups in Llanrwst. Funding has been granted for a permanent Community Engagement officer, but it has to be decided on the key objectives and tasks for this role before any recruitment can commence.
Throughout the year the activities have been managed by a small, resolute team, the only official officer being the secretary, this has proved challenging for all concerned, who work exceedingly hard. With the resignation of the treasurer, financial management has been minimal locally with two church members dealing with day-to-day issues, supported by the Parish Office. Church warden duties are shared among 3 or 4 individuals, but this is not sustainable.
During the interregnum, the team worked well together supported by the Mission Area Leader, to keep things ticking over and we were fortunate to have the service of retired clergy throughout the period.
The arrival of Tad Huw in November for the start of Advent brought changes in worship and new experiences, which have continued into 2025. The introduction of the Sound Bath has brought "non regular" church goers into church to enjoy the meditation experience.
Lent began with the "Quiet Day" enjoyed by ten people, and it is hoped that this can be offered again. Holy Week was exceptionally busy filled with a variation of concerts and liturgy.
The Easter Vestry/Annual Meeting, chaired by the Mission Area Leader, was only attended by nine church members despite the distribution of many invites. Notwithstanding numerous requests there was no formal appointment of Church Wardens or Treasurer.

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA ELECTORAL ROLL APRIL 2025

At the time of writing the total on the Roll is 305 — an increase of 9 from last year. There has been quite a turnover with new members and those who have moved away or sadly died.

It is important that the Roll is kept up to date throughout the year, so I would be grateful if churchwardens could continue to be aware of 'regulars' who haven't yet signed up and also let me know about names that should be removed from the Roll for whatever reason.

The current breakdown of numbers by church is as follows:

	This Year	Last Year
All Saints	38	33
St Cystennin's	11	12
St David's	45	44
St Ffraid's	21	21
St Grwst's	31	31
St Hilary's	74	71
St Martin's	23	24
St Michael's	11	12
St Paul's	50	47

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year-end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC will consider the level of reserves that it is prudent for Aberconwy Mission Area to have. Consideration will be given to redundancy liabilities, lease agreements and any other significant factors that should be taken into account were any part of the Aberconwy Mission Area to close. This will be reviewed every three years.

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on: *(Date)* 16/10/2025

and signed on its behalf by : *(Signature)* Dilys Stone

(Name) Dilys Stone

Statement of Financial Activities		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds	2023 Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	302,682	31,916	75,919	410,517	405,085
Income from charitable activities	4	13,790	-	-	13,790	18,577
Other trading activities	5	108,662	6,636	10,629	125,926	129,378
Investments	6	15,035	1,040	6,030	22,105	9,854
Other income	7	111,436	-	-	111,436	4,096
Total income		**551,604**	**39,592**	**92,578**	**683,774**	**566,990**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	8	5,923	5,513	138	11,574	4,697
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	414,966	33,288	70,117	518,370	475,611
Other expenditure	10	-	-	-	-	340
Total expenditure		**420,889**	**38,801**	**70,255**	**529,944**	**480,648**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		**130,715**	**791**	**22,323**	**153,830**	**86,342**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in		3,000	695	133	3,828	789
Gross transfers between funds - out		(75)	(3,000)	(753)	(3,828)	(789)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets		991	1,291	6,003	8,285	4,856
Net movement in funds		**134,632**	**(223)**	**27,706**	**162,115**	**91,198**
Total funds brought forward		**430,002**	**73,282**	**164,488**	**667,773**	**576,575**
Total funds carried forward		**564,634**	**73,060**	**192,194**	**829,888**	**667,773**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		564,634			564,634	430,002
Designated						
High Interest Account			50,867		50,867	48,569
Llanrwst Church House Account			4,637		4,637	5,449
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault			7,738		7,738	7,169
Chancel Repair Fund			9,818		9,818	9,096
Asbestos removal			-		-	3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account				7,433	7,433	9,301
Churchyard Fund				1,123	1,123	623
SADBF Grants for Children's services				1,435	1,435	1,514
Bursary Conducting Student				1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account				-	-	50
Money Manager				5,868	5,868	5,801
Music Fund				6,451	6,451	6,451
Organ Fund				5,401	5,401	6,032
Parish Share				47,900	47,900	47,900
Roof Fund				14,433	14,433	14,156
St Mary's Churchyeard Account				(316)	(316)	342
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church				21,293	21,293	20,187
Church House				16,153	16,153	13,820
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund				4,953	4,953	4,589
Chancel Repair Fund				4,564	4,564	4,407
Hassocks				-	-	695
Restricted Donation				354	354	354
ACS				36,991	36,991	17,534
CGProj				139	139	392
Diggle				1,225	1,225	1,285
InsRet				1,830	1,830	1,830
LFFund				1,067	1,067	1,122
MemRep				43	43	43
RainGard				42	42	89
CL14				6,525	6,525	4,170
Flowers				19	19	113
Mfloor				200	200	200
Ukraine				200	200	269
Refurb				140	140	140
Aber CS				150	150	-

Christian Aid			10	10	-
Hall Kitchen			996	996	-
Church Hall Repairs			-	-	-
JWK			4,434	4,434	-
All Saints Restricted Fund			60	60	-
	564,634	**73,060**	**192,194**	**829,888**	**667,773**

Balance sheet	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2024 Total funds	2023 Prior year total funds
Fixed assets						
Investments	14	56,104	17,556	35,186	108,846	100,912
		56,104	**17,556**	**35,186**	**108,846**	**100,912**
Current assets						
Debtors	15	15,571	250	523	16,343	10,091
Cash at bank and in hand		509,255	70,558	159,470	739,282	581,031
		524,825	**70,808**	**159,993**	**755,626**	**591,122**
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16	16,295	15,304	2,985	34,584	24,261
		16,295	**15,304**	**2,985**	**34,584**	**24,261**
Net current assets less current liabilities		**508,530**	**55,504**	**157,008**	**721,042**	**566,861**
Total assets less current liabilities		**564,634**	**73,060**	**192,193**	**829,888**	**667,773**
Total net assets less liabilities		**564,634**	**73,060**	**192,193**	**829,888**	**667,773**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		564,634	-	-	564,634	430,002
Designated						
High Interest Account		-	50,867	-	50,867	48,569
Llanrwst Church House Account		-	4,637	-	4,637	5,449
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault		-	7,738	-	7,738	7,169
Chancel Repair Fund		-	9,818	-	9,818	9,096
Asbestos removal		-	-	-	-	3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account		-	-	7,433	7,433	9,301
Churchyard Fund		-	-	1,123	1,123	623
SADBF Grants for Children's services		-	-	1,435	1,435	1,514
Bursary Conducting Student		-	-	1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account		-	-	-	-	50
Money Manager		-	-	5,868	5,868	5,801
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Restricted Donation		-	-	354	354	354
ACS		-	-	36,991	36,991	17,534
CGProj		-	-	139	139	392
Diggle		-	-	1,225	1,225	1,285
InsRet		-	-	1,830	1,830	1,830
LFFund		-	-	1,067	1,067	1,122
MemRep		-	-	43	43	43
RainGard		-	-	42	42	89
CL14		-	-	6,525	6,525	4,170
Flowers		-	-	19	19	113
Mfloor		-	-	200	200	200
Ukraine		-	-	200	200	269
Refurb		-	-	140	140	140
Aber CS		-	-	150	150	-
Christian Aid		-	-	10	10	-

Hall Kitchen	-	-	996	996	-
Church Hall Repairs	-	-	-	-	-
JWK	-	-	4,434	4,434	-
All Saints Restricted Fund	-	-	60	60	-
Funds of the church	**564,634**	**73,060**	**192,194**	**829,888**	**667,773**

Cash Flow Statement

	Note	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	18		
Cash generated from operations			**153,875**
Investing activities			
Rental income, dividends and interest received		4,376	
			4,376
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			**158,251**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			581,031
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			**739,282**

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity's presentational currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

1.4 Incoming resources

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

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

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

Grant income is recognised on receipt unless income is received in advance at the year-end and the performance criteria relate to a future accounting period.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.7 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	193,521	-	7,702	201,223	229,103
Legacies receivable	70,902	-	-	70,902	55,958
Grants receivable	38,259	31,915	68,217	138,391	120,023
	302,682	**31,915**	**75,920**	**410,517**	**405,084**

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	13,790	-	-	13,790	18,577
	13,790	**-**	**-**	**13,790**	**18,577**

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	21,034	1,406	3,431	25,870	26,059
Other funds generated	138	-	485	623	1,022
Rental income	65,639	40	6,653	72,331	71,238
Publication sales	1,323	-	-	1,323	324
Sundry income	1,671	5,190	60	6,921	5,672
Printing income	1,489	-	-	1,489	714
Share rebate	17,369	-	-	17,369	24,349
	108,662	**6,636**	**10,629**	**125,926**	**129,378**

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment income	1,728	-	652	2,380	2,359
Bank interest	2,157	1,040	278	3,475	2,395
Rental income	11,150	-	5,100	16,250	5,100
	15,035	**1,040**	**6,030**	**22,105**	**9,854**

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	4,096
Sale of fixed assets	111,436	-	-	111,436	
	111,436	**-**	**-**	**111,436**	**4,096**

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of generating resources	280	-	-	280	147
Costs of fund raising	5,643	5,513	138	11,294	4,551
	5,923	**5,513**	**138**	**11,574**	**4,697**

9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
2001 - Diocesan share	236,439	-	-	236,439	215,178
2101 - Clergy expenses	9,285	-	-	9,285	11,040
2104 - Clergy expenses - equipment	-	-	-	-	799
2145 - Parsonage - water	1,461	-	-	1,461	1,868
2149 - Parsonage - other expenses	1,034	-	-	1,034	278
2150 - Clergy - telephone/ mobile/ interent	-	-	-	-	91
2201 - Assistant clergy fees/ expenses	-	-	-	-	-
2340 - Maintenance of services	3,319	-	153	3,473	4,511
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	3,845	-	-	3,845	3,625
2342 - Music & performance expenses	238	-	631	869	1,382
2345 - Costs of Copyright License	1,750	-	-	1,750	1,967
2401 - Costs of meetings	-	-	-	-	110
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	348	4	-	352	361
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	1,588	-	-	1,588	1,590
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	2,514	-	-	2,514	3,927
2405 - Office and general expenditure	1,283	-	6	1,289	1,037
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	11,541	13,517	-	25,058	43,635
2407 - Depreciation	351	-	-	351	351
2408 - Leasing and Hire purchase charges	1,085	-	-	1,085	2,043
2409 - Professional Fees	6,005	3,360	-	9,365	7,594
2410 - IE/Audit and accountancy fees	-	-	-	-	-
2412 - Trustee training and development	-	-	-	-	460
2413 - Trustee expenses	-	-	-	-	90
2414 - Trustee Other Costs	10	-	-	10	-
2415 - Gifts to individuals	534	-	-	534	155
2423 - Admin/ staff expenses	-	-	-	-	170
2425 - Admin/ Staff Other Costs	-	-	-	-	-
2450 - MA/LMA Central costs	-	-	-	-	-
2501 - Church operating costs - insurance	11,413	-	-	11,413	11,438
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	14,754	-	-	14,754	18,387
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	10,594	-	-	10,594	30,250
2504 - Church operating costs - water	615	-	-	615	708
2505 - Church operating costs - other	793	400	-	1,193	1,156
2506 - Church operating costs - oil/LPG	1,596	-	-	1,596	1,793
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	15,678	-	-	15,678	5,487
2509 - Church Cleaning	4,030	-	-	4,030	3,864
2510 - Church operating costs - tel/mob/internet	-	-	-	-	150
2511 - Church operating costs - fire equipment	1,252	-	-	1,252	577
2601 - Churchyard management costs	306	-	2,131	2,437	7,541
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	4,822	-	1,360	6,182	5,294
2603 - Church hall operating costs - electric	12,055	1,414	2,228	15,697	4,593
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	4,878	3,371	1,096	9,345	3,200
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	3,638	321	1,499	5,458	5,647
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	7,443	-	23,891	31,335	1,098
2607 - Church hall costs - tel./mob./internet	618	-	-	618	442
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	513	286	375	1,174	893
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	424	-	752	1,176	818
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	5,743	200	1,329	7,272	5,779
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	2,403	451	2,377	5,231	3,028
2613 - Other property - insurance	-	-	368	368	356
2614 - Other property - electricity	-	-	-	-	888
2619 - Other property - compliance costs	947	-	-	947	431
2641 - Churchyard grass cutting	12,732	-	1,900	14,632	13,895
2642 - Churchyard structural repairs	3,486	-	-	3,486	1,209
2643 - Churchyard memorial costs	-	-	-	-	634
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	6,848	4,945	-	11,793	5,310
2801 - Children & young people activity costs	347	5,021	79	5,446	3,301
2804 - Cost of church publications	187	-	-	187	99
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	220	-	-	220	290
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	153	-	-	153	616
2807 - Cost of maintaining websites and social	243	-	-	243	355
2901 - Support of diocesan projects	270	-	-	270	950
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	1,296	-	29,332	30,629	28,656
2903 - Support of UK charities	1,229	-	540	1,769	965
2904 - Support of international mission & projects	810	-	69	879	3,252

	414,966	33,288	70,117	518,370	475,611

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
3001 - Purchase of assets for church purposes	-	-	-	-	340
3004 - Loans received repayments	-	-	-	-	-
3005 - Loss on sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	340

11 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2023- none).

12 Employees

There were three employees during the year (2023 - three).

13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 – none).

14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	£
At 1 January 2024	100,912
Additions / reallocations	
Valuation changes	7,934
At 31 December 2024	**108,846**
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2024	**108,846**

15 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Gift Aid	16,343	10,091
	16,343	**10,091**

16 Creditors

	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£
Accruals	34,584	24,261
	34,584	**24,261**

17 Fund movement by type

	Balance brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains/losses	Balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted						
General fund	430,002	551,604	(420,889)	2,925	991	564,634
Designated						
High Interest Account	48,569	34,362	(32,759)	695		50,867
Llanrwst Church House Account	5,449	5,230	(6,042)			4,637
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault	7,169				569	7,738
Chancel Repair Fund	9,096				722	9,818
Asbestos removal	3,000			(3,000)		-
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account	9,301	595	(2,463)			7,433
Churchyard Fund	623	1,000	(500)			1,123
SADBF Grants for Children's services	1,514		(79)			1,435
Bursary Conducting Student	1,080					1,080
Memorial Account	50			(50)		-
Money Manager	5,801			67		5,868
Music Fund	6,451					6,451
Organ Fund	6,032		(631)			5,401
Parish Share	47,900					47,900
Roof Fund	14,156	278				14,433
St Mary's Churchyeard Account	342		(658)			(316)
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church	20,187				1,106	21,293
Church House	13,820	16,489	(14,156)			16,153
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund	4,589				364	4,953
Chancel Repair Fund	4,407				157	4,564
Hassocks	695			(695)		-
Restricted Donation	354					354
ACS	17,534	48,588	(29,182)	50		36,991
CGProj	392	100	(354)			139
Diggle	1,285		(60)			1,225
InsRet	1,830					1,830
LFFund	1,122	451	(506)			1,067
MemRep	43					43
RainGard	89		(55)	8		42
CL14	4,170	5,100	(2,745)			6,525
Flowers	113	60	(153)			19
Mfloor	200					200
Ukraine	269		(69)			200
Refurb	140					140
Aber CS	-	600	(450)			150
Christian Aid		10				10
Hall Kitchen		16,010	(15,014)			996
Church Hall Repairs		3,000	(3,000)			-
JWK		57			4,377	4,434
All Saints Restricted Fund		240	(180)			60
	667,773	**683,774**	**(529,944)**	**0**	**8,285**	**829,888**

18 Cash generated from operations

			2024
			£
Surplus for the year			153,713
Adjustments for:			
Net Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities			(3,908)
Movement in working capital:			
Increase in trade and other receivables			(6,253)
Decrease in trade and other payables			10,323
			0
Cash generated from operations			**153,875**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA CONFERENCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers 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 Commissioners (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 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 you as 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 matter has come to my attention:

Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
have not been met.

(Signature) K Morgan

(Date) 16/10/2025

(Name) *Ms Kerry Morgan*

(Qualification) *BA (Hons) FCA*

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ABERCONWY MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1131047

Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

The Mission Area of Aberconwy
Charity Number: 1131047

The Churches which make up the Mission Area are:

St David, Penrhyn Bay
St Hilary, Llanrhos
St Paul, Craig-y-don
All Saints, Deganwy
St Ffraid, Llansanffraid
St Cystennin, Llangwstennin
St Grwst, Llanrwst
St Martin, Eglwysbach
St Michael, Llandudno Junction

THE MISSION AREA CONFERENCE (MAC)

The members who served from 1st January 2023 until the date this report was approved were:

Mission Area Leader
Rev Sam Erlandson (Until 30.09.2023)
Mrs Dilys Stone (From 07.11.2023)

Mission Area Lay Chair
Mr Andrew James (Until October 2023)
Mrs Ruth Whitaker (From November 2023)

Mission Area Treasurer
Mrs Ann Harty

Mission Area Secretary
Mrs Mandy Groom

Mission Area Book Keeper
Mrs Helen Barritt

Mission Area Clergy
Rev Sam Erlandson (Until 30.09.2023)
Rev Sarah Hildreth Osborn
Rev Juliet Fraser
Rev Ben Lines (Until 31.07.2023)
Rev Sue Storey
Rev Grace Lomas
Alan McKinnell (Family Engagement Officer)
Rev Tim Hall (Pastoral Chaplain for St Pauls)

Mission Area Wardens
Mrs Tesni Hadwin
Mr Philip Evans

Individual Church Elected Members of the Mission Area Conference

Doreen Owen
Don Milne
Philip Evans
Pat Hay
Jo Bowles
Pat Chapman
Elaine Bellis
Sue Buckley
Denise Templeton
Ruth Whitaker
Andrew James
Hazel Leech
Renee Williams
Mrs Tesni Hadwin

Mission Area Administrator
Mrs Mandy Groom

Electoral Roll Officer
Mrs Dilys Stone

BENEFICE BANKERS

NatWest
62 Mostyn Street, Llandudno

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

Sage & Co Chartered Accountants
102 Bowen Court, St Asaph

MISSION AREA LEADER ANNUAL REPORT

2023 was a challenging year for the Aberconwy Mission Area. As we looked to get back on track after the pandemic we found ourselves entering a time of uncertainty as we lost Revd Ben Lines and Revd Sam Erlandson from our clergy team. That left five of our nine churches without a permanent priest and the Mission Area without a leader, with added uncertainty about the future of St Paul's. It is a great credit to our clergy (especially the retired clergy who have been so supportive to our congregations) and to the people of our churches that our church life is still so positive and fruitful.
I would like to express again our thanks for and recognition of Ben and Sam's ministry among us, and also reiterate how much we appreciated the presence and contribution of their families. We wish them all well.
There are still serious issues to be dealt with, including those of staffing, buildings and finances, but if we can continue to grow as a people of faith and prayer I hope that with God's good grace we will find our way through.
A meeting I attended recently was reminded of God's care, describing it as the practice of the ideal shepherd — presence, protection and provision. We are called to reflect those characteristics in the world and so I pray that we will be open to God's gifts of wisdom, strength and courage as he leads us and equips us in our calling to show and share the good news of his saving love.

Summary Report from the Mission Area Conference
There have been four MAC meetings since the last Easter Vestry Meeting.
Members of the MAC are the responsible Charity Trustees, and all members have been informed about this through the Trustees Guide available through the Diocese.
Nick Davies resigned as MA Warden and Philip Evans replaced him, and Dilys Stone was appointed Interim Mission Area Leader following the departure of the Revd Sam Erlandson.
Andrew James stepped down as Lay Chair and was succeeded by Ruth Whittaker.

Agendas are weighted with practical matters, but an effort is made to focus firstly on mission and ministry. The Mission Area Action Plan is now being looked at in conjunction with Strategic Resilience targets, and also has to be revised in view of the vacancy situation. Michael Harvey was invited to deliver a session on Being an Inviting Church in June — follow up on this has perhaps been less than might have been hoped for. Other topics discussed include Mission Area services, Lent, involvement with schools, and prayer resources
Finance is always on the agenda, relating to Mission Area funds, share payments, or individual churches. We were fortunate this year to receive a substantial grant from the Strategic Resilience Fund, which came with extra targets for churches to address. Our Treasurer and Bookkeeper are diligent in their management of the accounts and in the assistance they offer to the churches. They meet with Treasurers to agree share payments, but also support them in their roles and responsibilities, especially when there are new treasurers in post.
Clergy vacancies arose with the departure of Revd Ben Lines and Revd Sam Erlandson. Ben's post was advertised but there were no applicants. Subsequent proposals regarding possible re-organisation of Mission Areas and uncertainty about the future of St Paul's delayed further action. In the event no changes to MA boundaries were proposed but discussions regarding clergy deployment resulted in the creation of the posts of Deganwy/Llanrhos/Llandudno Junction and Glan Conwy/Eglwysbach/Llanrwst. Although the MAC were not directly involved in these discussions they were kept up to date as matters progressed.
Safeguarding is an important issue. MAC members have been encouraged to take the training modules so that all are up to date. Also, Tesni Hadwin, MA Warden, will be available to deliver an overview of safeguarding to church committees so that everyone is aware of the need for a culture of safeguarding in all aspects of church life.
The Buildings/Property forum has met a couple of times, and it is hoped this will be of use in sharing experiences and acquired knowledge on the day to day maintenance of our church buildings and halls. The MAC has to approve Faculty applications which range from electric sockets to roof repairs and much in between. A concern raised that wardens etc. do not always have the skills needed to oversee building projects or to seek funding will be looked at in the future. There are also properties that are let or being put up for sale and the MAC is required to be aware of and approve any actions taken.
Thanks must go to all the MA Officers and the members of the MAC for the part they play in contributing to and overseeing the mission and governance of the Mission Area.

St Hilary's Church
We started the year with business as usual, with services at 8.00 am / 11.00am/ & 6.00pm, many funerals and our summer season of Holy Baptisms almost every Sunday at 12.45pm.
We have over seventy on the Electoral Roll and about forty of our regular congregations cross the busy road each Sunday after the service for tea / coffee /biscuits and fellowship! Every few months we also enjoy lunch.
Each Monday during Lent, soup lunches were held in the schoolroom. They were very well supported and we donated a generous amount to charity.
In June we enjoyed our usual concert by our organist Jelena and her pupils. It was lovely to be able to present a cheque to Ty Gobaith for £500.
September saw the shock departure of Rev Sam!
He didn't want a leaving "Do" so we decide to have a surprise Sunday lunch for him as it was his birthday the following day!
With the loss of Rev Sam and Karen we have also lost our Sunday school.
The 8.00am & 6.00pm services were also threatened with being cancelled. We were able to retain 8.00am Eucharist on the first & third Sunday, a healing service on the first Sunday at 6.00 pm and Cymun Bendigaid at 6.00pm on the third Sunday. Tim Faulkner came to the rescue of the 8.00am congregation and now reads morning prayer, on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month, so as not lose the regular worshippers who generally walk to church.
Three Mondays during December and January we joined forces with the schoolroom committee and hosted "Community Warm Hobs"
We have been well supported by our retired priests and look forward to a bright 2024.

St Paul's Church

The Anglican church has a well-established tradition of worship. The Anglican church was once known as the church of the prayer-book. As many other churches have modernised and have abandoned the book of common prayer, St Paul's is still proudly drawing from the rich tradition and wisdom of this liturgy. Along with the glorious choral music, our worship has a rich, transcendence to it which creates a luminous experience. St Paul's is affiliated with the Prayer Book Society and we offer a unique opportunity in North Wales by providing a monthly 1662 communion service.

The 3rd Sundy in the month continues to be a 'family service'. We have 'lost' the Bodafon children as our connection there has been somewhat severed by the recent clergy changes. However, we are continuing to look at how to expand this service through 'specials' (Mothering Sunday for example) and not only do we adapt the sermon slot on this particular Sunday into more of a child friendly talk but we are exploring creating a more accessible way for people to access the service, if they are unused to our complex variety of books and pieces of paper!

The choir has also lost the children but remains strong and totally committed and we are exploring new ways to recruit children.

Our pastoral care is strong and not clergy dependent. We have Home Communions to the housebound and the elderly taken by our pastoral assistants, as well as Clergy, and we experience pastoral love and care within and throughout the church community.

We have also seen a good amount of support for the Conwy food bank, from people donating regularly to this, to people delivering the food to the bank. This is all faith-in- action. The church hall is really busy and we are exploring ways to increase footfall from the hall into the church and the 3rd Saturday in the month table top sale linked to a church Open Morning is part of this strategy.

We worked very hard this Christmas in welcoming four schools into our church. We need to keep building on this and it hopefully won't be long before we will be seeing some good fruit coming from this. The Christmas season was made even busier by hosting the Air Ambulance Christmas Concert and the Blind Veterans Carol Service. Our own 'Darkness to Light' Service and Carol Service also showed a resurgence of people following COVID.

Following Rev Sam's move to St David's College, Tim agreed to join us and was commissioned in November by Archdeacon Andy, to be Pastoral Chaplain of St Paul's. This may seem a rather enigmatic title, but Tim felt it appropriate in the very particular circumstances St Paul's found itself in at the time. Given the turbulence of the previous few months with discussions about a Church Plant connected with Hope Street Wrexham, the sense of uncertainty over the forms of worship and leadership that would follow, there needed to be a period of stability and a period of prayer and discernment to listen to both the congregation and to God!

Tim led us through a process to identify our strengths and weaknesses and opportunities as a church and this led to the formulation of a Vision/Mission/Values statement. Following this in the New Year we entered into a period of prayer and discernment anchored around a prayer group on a Thursday evening. From this came a sense of specific direction which we are exploring together.

As a church we are confident that we can begin to bring focus to our current situation even though there are considerable uncertainties and as a consequence we have made some significant strides in terms of having our own 'agency'. An example of this was moving the time of the Sunday Service from 9.45 to 10.30 and having coffee and croissant as part of our welcome from 10am. We have also relaunched live-streaming our services and main events via Facebook Live in order to support those who struggle to come to church each week and to increase our visibility in the community. We have updated and increased numbers on our Electoral Roll with 8 new members signing up, bringing our total to 47.

A clear strength and opportunity we identified was the Choral Tradition and over Easter we have been able to see the wonderful fruit from the ministry of the choir. The "journey to the Cross" service of music and meditation was moving and powerful and we received so many comments about how the service had a profound personal impact. The Easter Morning Service was rich with music and the singing uplifting.

We are committed to our formal pattern of worship to serve our current congregation. We see this as a given --- the foundation of our work together to fulfil our future ministry and outreach into the community. We remain realistic about our 'resource' capacity to achieve these intentions but as we commit to prayer from within the church family we are confident we will begin to see how God brings about what we believe he has been revealing to us.

We are only too aware of stewardship responsibilities for our buildings and for our place within the MA and these are really important. However God has called us to serve him in this community and extend His Kingdom. When the early Church appointed Stephen (Acts 6) they were in exactly the same situation as we are. Knowing there were increasing demands on practical things to be done as well as preaching and prayer, the Apostles identified the gifts of leadership they needed to fulfil all these various responsibilities. I encourage each of us to prayerfully discern what God has called us to do within His Church, for us to agree together and 'commission' leaders into these ministry roles and then respect and support each other as we outwork these various ministry areas.

We are in a good place! We do have consistency and stability with our worship and ministry. We have a committed congregation with a heart to serve each other and the community. We may not be able to see how the ministry will fully shape up but if we remain faithful to the Gospel, faithful in prayer and witness. We have so much to look forward to and to get excited about!

St David's Church

The year in St David's Hub Church during 2023 saw a consolidation of the considerable work seen in the previous year where foundations were laid down to develop the strategy and Action Plan in place for the Hub Church concept with further facilities and events put in place.
The success seen in 2022 continued with the officers appointed and lay members of the congregation working hard to enhance the word of God within both the Church community and the local community.
The busy week in St David's continues with the Church being open for visitors and prayers on 4 weekday mornings in addition to the 2 Sunday services. During the week there is a prayer group, two bible study groups, a Children's Hub Club and a midweek Eucharist service on a Friday.
Once a month we hold a Wellness and Healing Service and on the last Sunday in each month, a Café Church session is held in the Church Hall which is a less formal and relaxed form of worship.
Each group sees varying people attending which results in a wide cross section of worshippers at the Hub each week.
Sunday worship is strengthening with the average number of communicants on the rise and with a number of services during the year being led by the Worship Group comprising of members of the congregation.
Community support and involvement continues with the Church Hall being well used by various groups and societies.
The Community Garden established in 2022 has been further developed with the number of raised beds increased and also access pathways laid for disabled access and one of the raised bed set up specifically for wheelchair access. A group of Learning Disability students from Coleg Llandrillo also attend regularly to help with the maintenance and planting etc.
A particular highlight once again was the Carols Around the Christmas tree with once again a full Church with music provided by Beulah Brass band.

Fellowship events were also held during the year including an afternoon tea for the Kings Coronation with other events including a quarterly lunch, Desert Island Disc evening and a Maundy Thursday supper. Unfortunately the weather led to the cancellation of the Outdoor Service in August but the service took place inside and the popular barbeque was provided under cover.
Towards the end of 2023 we were pleased to welcome Lucy Farrar who is in training as a Pastoral Chaplain with St David's as her base and we wish her well.
There is a great deal of hard work undertaken by the clergy team and the lay ministry at St David's and the benefit is in evidence when reviewing all the activities seen above and we are grateful to everyone who contributes and are blessed by such willing and diligent members of the St David's Church family which enhances the word of the Lord throughout Penrhyn Bay.

All Saints Church

2023 has been a mixed year for All Saints. Rev Ben left us in the summer. Our congregation numbers stayed the same throughout 2023 and a good number stayed for coffee after the services.
The patterns of services remained the same. The Sunday services continued to be well attended. We still had a small but faithful congregation attending the Wednesday Eucharist.
Members of the congregation were active in the life of the church — on the readers and prayer rotas, arranging the flowers for church, cleaning the church, providing music in the services and providing refreshments after the service.
We maintained contact with Ysgol Deganwy and welcomed the school to church for their Harvest service in October.
During 2023 we had one wedding, one funeral and two baptisms.
In November we hosted a short service of Remembrance when a wreath was laid on the church War Memorial by the Mayor of Conwy.
All Saints Strollers had many and varied walks during the year, including walks at Pennant Melangell, around Llanfairfechan nature reserve and Moelfre.
We continued to support two charities during the year. Our local charity was Aberconwy Domestic Abuse Service (ADAS), a specialist agency for victims and survivors of domestic abuse. Our overseas charity was Kanzi Kibera Friends. They support school children in one of Africa's largest urban slums, just outside Nairobi. By helping to enhance their education, they hope to break the cycle of poverty and assist them in fulfilling their potential.
We would like to thank the clergy of the Mission Area and the many retired clergy who took services and enabled us to continue with our usual services in 2023.

St Cystennin's Church

The congregation of St Cystennin's continues to be a small but loyal group. There have been some new people joining us and a significant few have left.
A few weeks after Easter in 2023 Nick Davies, church warden, told us he was leaving both his role as church warden and the church itself.
After advice was sought from Sam, MA leader at that time, a new church warden Simon Conway, was appointed in September 2023. Simon and his partner Leigh had become regular members. Sadly, in February 2024, they relocated to another area of Wales so the role of church warden was once more vacant. This has now been resolved as Joe Scarratt and Gill Anderson have put themselves forward to share the role of church warden between them. They both work full time so feel they will be able to cover for each other in the duties required.
Edward Jones stepped down as treasurer at the end of December after five years in post and has been succeeded by Roy Mills. Edward took on the role at a difficult time in St Cystennin and steered the treasurers role through it all, especially the many changes to the accounting systems made by the diocese. Grateful thanks go to him for all the work he has done for the church. Thanks too, to Roy as he takes on the role.
The plant sale in May 2023 was a success but it was felt the work involved in putting it on was becoming too onerous for the people available to do it. Therefore, this year it will be run as a coffee morning with a sale of plants during shorter hours.
July saw a visit by 30 plus members of Deganwy History Society, hosted by Roy. Their request was to be made aware of social history of some of the people buried in the churchyard with reference to gravestones. They enjoyed the visit, including seeing inside the church which many had not done before. There is an interesting report of the visit on their website.

Roy Mills hosted two Saturday mornings in September with the Open Doors initiative. He set up two photographic displays; one of the church, the other about the railway and station in Mochdre. There were a fair few visitors and he provided talks on interesting features in the church and graveyard.
Links with Glanwydden were reinforced when Rev Sue was asked to lead the village Remembrance Day commemoration at their memorial. The church also had a stall at the Glanwydden Christmas fair at the Queen's Head.
Weekly Sunday services at 9.30am have continued throughout the year.
In addition the church hosted the usual carol service in December; ably and wonderfully led by the Cantamus choir. Refreshments provided by the congregation afterwards were much appreciated.
A civic service also took place at the beginning of December for Mochdre Community Council. This was very well attended. Mr Stephen Price, our local county councillor was present and has also become a repeat visitor to church services.

A Crib service on Christmas Eve afternoon had an interesting, different congregation of people, many of whom turned out to be locals.
We trialled a monthly 4pm Sunday service in the Autumn, ending with a family service in December. Due to the dark nights and cold, it was decided not to hold these again until the Spring. They will restart in May.
Rev Sue has forged links with the local infant and junior schools and now does assemblies with a Christian theme each half term on both sites. She has also attended community events involving both the Mochdre pensioners and school PTA fundraisers.
There have been several baptisms and funerals in the last year and there will be a wedding in May 2024.
Despite the growth of interaction with the community and some new worshippers, St Cystennin has very slender financial reserves and these are not being replenished in full by the regular giving. This is due to the very few people who give regularly and not because of a lack of generosity.

St Ffraid's Church

St Ffraid's continues to have a small but loyal congregation and we are gradually attracting new worshippers.
We began the year by hosting a Mission Area Event in the form of a Rush Bearing Service with particular focus on the legend of St. Ffraid. This was once a regular Service and it would be good to revisit it in the future.
The Service of Remembrance in Glan Conwy alternates between the Welsh Chapel and St Ffraid's and 2023 saw a full Church here where the knitted poppies were once more on display and beautifully arranged in front of the repaired east wall.
We had a Christmas tree exhibition again and this time the village ladies had also knitted squares which were attached together to form a very effective tree. "Cor Pobol Llan" performed at the Nativity and Carol Service which was very well attended by young and old and ended with mulled wine and mince pies. The choir now rehearses in the Church regularly and has also performed at other village events. They have been well received and their singing has attracted new choir members.
St Ffraid's members continue to hold regular and popular fundraising events which also benefit the community as a whole. In September our Mothers' Union Leader decided that it was time she stepped down after 49 years. A special meeting and Service was led by Rev. Sarah which was attended by members from other branches. We have been lucky to have gained another enthusiastic leader in her place and new members are joining us.
Financial challenges remain a priority for St Ffraids going forward but we are hopeful of a positive outcome.

St Martin's Church

This year held quite a shock for us in St. Martin's, when our Vicar, Ben Lines decided that he needed to quit the Ministry of the Church in Wales. This also left St. Michael's and All Saints without a resident member of the clergy. We sorely miss Ben, Catrin and the boys and wish them all the very best in their new lives.

We have, however, been extremely fortunate that the retired Canon John Nice has 'adopted' us during the interregnum of hoping for a new full time incumbent. Since Ben left in early May, John has diligently attended nearly every Sunday 2pm service in St. Martin's giving us a regularity of service and Holy Eucharist, which of course, our Sunday Worship team cannot provide on the odd occasion when John is unable to attend.

John and his wife Gaynor have faithfully travelled all the way from what should be a restful retirement in Abergele whatever the weather. Gaynor has even been drafted in to provide coverage on our organ if Roy Kenrick happens to be absent. Geoff is exceedingly grateful that he does not have to play 'DJ' on our recalcitrant CD player!

Unfortunately, the departure of Ben and family has caused a disruption, not just to our church services, but to our relationship with the local community. Ben was in regular contact with the village school and frequently brought the children along the village street to experience worship in a church environment. He organised the school Nativity play which filled the church with proud parents, organised a village Easter Egg hunt, and was the first Vicar we have ever experienced dressed up in an inflatable Christingle suit!!!

We are very fortunate to have a strong and faithful congregation. A little small at the moment, averaging 15-20 every Sunday, but all are very hard working, especially the ladies who still run our regular Coffee Stop and other events such as Lenten Lunch, Christmas dinner in The Bee, Craft Fairs and other events. All of these are open to all, raise valuable funds for the church, and regularly attract attendance by other villagers who may not be regular churchgoers themselves.

All our helpers deserve praise of course, but perhaps no-one so much as 'Auntie' Eirlys who continues to cook up jars and jars of jams and chutneys and raises hundreds of pounds each year.

We are still a Pilgrim Church on the North Wales pilgrimage route, and we regularly welcome organised parties to stop on their way, take a rest in our peaceful church and enjoy a cuppa and piece of cake provided by our ladies. Unfortunately, we seem to have been bypassed by Michaela Strachan and her crew!

At the time of writing this report (April, 2024) it appears that there is change afoot in the Aberconwy Mission Area. We in St. Martin's Church hope that the MA and Diocese will be guided with God's help to provide us all with the care that we need.

Geoff Templeton, Churchwarden, with the support of Siân Quick, Churchwarden, Roy Kenrick, Church Organist and the congregation of St. Martin's, Eglwysbach

St Grwst's Church

It is with great joy that another year on from Covid St Grwst's has continued to be able to welcome, in many and various ways, groups and individuals, in through her doors!

Our weekly Panad a Sgwrs is a winner with many local people and over recent weeks we have begun to see a few new faces as the Spring tourist trade begins to pick up. It is a joy to be able to welcome people, regular and newcomer, into the beautiful space and to be able to offer hospitality and a warm welcome. The Yoga Group and Recorder group continue to make use of the building on a weekly basis (although not at the same time of course!!).

Monthly gatherings such as The Historical Society, have very much made their home here, inviting a wide range of guest speakers. St Grwst's featured very much during the Dafydd ap Seincyn Festival, Autumn 2023, hosting a couple of very interesting talks and a mediaeval banquet. The Church will also be part of the Festival again this year.

Other monthly gatherings, such as Happy Saturdays and Open Table continue to provide an opportunity for people to get together, share faith and support one another. Happy Saturdays has a great connection, through the art work that's produced, with seasonal Sunday worship - a great way for those who come to feel part of the life of the Church.

Our annual Flower Festival and Christmas Trees Festival continue to enable us to draw together many strands of the community into events which many enjoy.

Along with these events listed above, we've enjoyed local school visits, we celebrated All Saints Day with a two hour story and activity session followed by sausage sandwiches. We've hosted choirs and various other performers!

It has been a busy year in the life of St Grwsts, and long may that life and activity grow and flourish!

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA ELECTORAL ROLL APRIL 2024

At the time of writing the total on the Roll is 301 — a small increase on last year's figure, although I believe there are several new applications still in the pipeline.

It is important that the Roll is kept up to date throughout the year, so I would be grateful if churchwardens could continue to be aware of 'regulars' who haven't yet signed up and also let me know about names that should be removed from the Roll for whatever reason.

The current breakdown of numbers by church is as follows:

	This Year	Last Year
All Saints	37	38
St Cystennin's	12	10
St David's	44	42
St Ffraid's	22	23
St Grwst's	31	31
St Hilary's	71	71
St Martin's	24	23
St Michael's	12	10
St Paul's	48	44

CHRISTIAN AID REVIEW 2023

For more than 75 years Christian aid has worked tirelessly to end poverty worldwide being the official agency of 41 sponsoring Churches in Britain and Ireland.

They work with local partners and communities to fight injustice, respond to humanitarian emergencies, campaign for change, and help people claim the services and rights to which they are entitled. They stand with people of all faiths and none.

Our local committee is made up of representatives from most of our Churches and Chapels in and around Llandudno and comes under the umbrella of Cytun.

The 2023 C/Aid week appeal focused on Malawi and we raised £1,008.25 from our 4 coastal churches towards the combined total of £4,311.68. This was up considerably from 2021s combined total of £2,868.33, mostly due to the Pandemic recovery. During the week, the towns' Churches/Chapels hold their own coffee mornings in addition to envelope donations. A combined coffee morning was also held at St. John's in September raising £424.14.

This years C/Aid week 12th -18th May, is focusing on Burundi where malnourishment and poverty affect more than 70% of the population, pushing them to the edge of survival. Donation envelopes will be in the Churches to give out on May 12th and our gifts will ensure that like Aline, whose story we follow, more people in Burundi get the skills and knowledge they need to push back against the inhumanity of poverty. Do come along to a united C/Aid week service probably on May 12th where we can learn more about Burundi and share fellowship. There will also be a C/A Week daily devotional to use if you wish at the back of our Churches.

There are lots of ideas for fundraising, a film and worship resources on the C/Aid website.

ANNUAL REPORT ABERCONWY CARE AND SHARE 2024

Aberconwy Care and Share had another busy year but unfortunately one in which we were short of volunteers to deliver the shopping to our families, many of which do not have transport themselves and find it difficult or impossible to carry heavy bags on the bus if they come to St Michaels and All Angels Church to pick it up when we open each month for our families. We are continuing to try to recruit new volunteers as needed and have reached out to our neighbouring Mission Area in our endeavour to find more help, this will be an ongoing priority for us in the year ahead. However, financially we have been blessed with various grants and on-going regular donations of money and food that has meant that we have been able to provide the food on the usual monthly regular basis as well as being able to respond to emergencies requests. In addition we have been able to boost the shopping with extras during the school holidays which are an especially difficult time financially for families with the children home from school all day, and we were able to buy an extra treat for Mothering Sunday, Advent Calendars, and Easter Eggs for the children under 16. We owe a big thank you to our Treasurer Alison Foxall and our Secretary Julie Regan for the hard work that they do. Julie has had another successful year in procuring the recent grants, and thanks to our churches for their continued support especially from the Harvest Festivals Services with money and food donations gratefully received. Please see below the number of families we help and the number of volunteers we have.

Number of Recipients/Families — 44

Adults – 56 children —84

Volunteers -18

We give thanks for all the hard work of our faithful volunteers and look forward to welcoming more to come and join us in the near future.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year-end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC will consider the level of reserves that it is prudent for Aberconwy Mission Area to have. Consideration will be given to redundancy liabilities, lease agreements and any other significant factors that should be taken into account were any part of the Aberconwy Mission Area to close. This will be reviewed every three years.

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on:

(Date) 08/10/2024

and signed on its behalf by :

(Signature)

(Name) DILYS STONE

Statement of Financial Activities		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2023 Total funds	2022 Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	326,966	29,778	48,341	405,085	292,550
Income from charitable activities	4	18,049	-	528	18,577	19,252
Other trading activities	5	115,999	4,419	8,960	129,378	99,480
Investments	6	3,115	1,657	5,081	9,854	7,459
Other income	7	-	-	4,096	4,096	1,255
Total income		**464,129**	**35,854**	**67,007**	**566,990**	**419,996**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	8	4,597	-	100	4,697	5,397
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	394,177	27,721	53,713	475,611	444,955
Other expenditure	10	-	-	340	340	1,571
Total expenditure		**398,774**	**27,721**	**54,153**	**480,648**	**451,924**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		**65,355**	**8,133**	**12,854**	**86,342**	**(31,928)**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in		175		614	789	6,244
Gross transfers between funds - out		(614)	-	(175)	(789)	(6,244)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets		1,305	1,598	1,952	4,856	(10,263)
Net movement in funds		**66,221**	**9,732**	**15,246**	**91,198**	**(42,191)**
Total funds brought forward		**363,782**	**63,551**	**149,242**	**576,575**	**618,766**
Total funds carried forward		**430,002**	**73,282**	**164,488**	**667,773**	**576,575**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		430,002			430,002	363,782
Designated						
High Interest Account			48,569		48,569	43,720
Llanrwst Church House Account			5,449		5,449	2,163
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault			7,169		7,169	6,465
Chancel Repair Fund			9,096		9,096	8,202
Asbestos removal			3,000		3,000	3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account				9,301	9,301	14,577
Churchyard Fund				623	623	623
SADBF Grants for Children's services				1,514	1,514	1,751
Bursary Conducting Student				1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account				50	50	50
Money Manager				5,801	5,801	6,046
Music Fund				6,451	6,451	2,843
Organ Fund				6,032	6,032	7,517
Parish Share				47,900	47,900	47,900
Roof Fund				14,156	14,156	14,743
St Mary's Churchyeard Account				342	342	983
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church				20,187	20,187	19,120
Church House				13,820	13,820	5,262
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund				4,589	4,589	4,137
Chancel Repair Fund				4,407	4,407	3,973
Church Building Repairs				-	-	(4,651)
Hassocks				695	695	695
Restricted Donation				354	354	354
ACS				17,534	17,534	11,931
CGProj				392	392	1,433
Diggle				1,285	1,285	1,285
InsRet				1,830	1,830	1,830
LFFund				1,122	1,122	1,239
MemRep				43	43	43
RainGard				89	89	187
Boiler				-	-	-
CL14				4,170	4,170	3,519
ChLig				-	-	10
Flowers				113	113	295
Mfloor				200	200	200

Ukraine			269	269	269
Refurb			140	140	-
Aber CS			-	-	-
Libya			-	-	-
RichRun			-	-	-
Turkey			-	-	-
	430,002	**73,283**	**164,488**	**667,773**	**576,575**

Balance sheet	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2023 Total funds	2022 Prior year total funds
Fixed assets						
Investments	14	55,464	16,265	29,183	100,912	96,407
		55,464	**16,265**	**29,183**	**100,912**	**96,407**
Current assets						
Debtors	15	9,390	200	501	10,091	12,550
Cash at bank and in hand		387,393	58,834	134,805	581,031	495,092
		396,783	**59,034**	**135,306**	**591,122**	**507,642**
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16	22,244	2,017	-	24,261	27,474
		22,244	**2,017**	**-**	**24,261**	**27,474**
Net current assets less current liabilities		**374,539**	**57,018**	**135,306**	**566,861**	**480,169**
Total assets less current liabilities		**430,002**	**73,283**	**164,489**	**667,773**	**576,575**
Total net assets less liabilities		**430,002**	**73,283**	**164,489**	**667,773**	**576,575**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		430,002	-	-	430,002	363,782
Designated						
High Interest Account		-	48,569	-	48,569	43,720
Llanrwst Church House Account		-	5,449	-	5,449	2,163
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault		-	7,169	-	7,169	6,465
Chancel Repair Fund		-	9,096	-	9,096	8,202
Asbestos removal		-	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account		-	-	9,301	9,301	14,577
Churchyard Fund		-	-	623	623	623
SADBF Grants for Children's services		-	-	1,514	1,514	1,751
Bursary Conducting Student		-	-	1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account		-	-	50	50	50
Money Manager		-	-	5,801	5,801	6,046
Music Fund		-	-	6,451	6,451	2,843
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Church Building Repairs		-	-	-	-	(4,651)
Hassocks		-	-	695	695	695
Restricted Donation		-	-	354	354	354
ACS		-	-	17,534	17,534	11,931
CGProj		-	-	392	392	1,433
Diggle		-	-	1,285	1,285	1,285
InsRet		-	-	1,830	1,830	1,830
LFFund		-	-	1,122	1,122	1,239
MemRep		-	-	43	43	43
RainGard		-	-	89	89	187
Boiler		-	-	-	-	-
CL14		-	-	4,170	4,170	3,519
ChLig		-	-	-	-	10
Flowers		-	-	113	113	295
Mfloor		-	-	200	200	200
Ukraine		-	-	269	269	269

Refurb	-	-	140	140	-
Aber CS	-	-	-	-	-
Libya	-	-	-	-	-
RichRun	-	-	-	-	-
Turkey	-	-	-	-	-
Funds of the church	**430,002**	**73,283**	**164,488**	**667,773**	**576,575**

Cash Flow Statement

	Note	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	**18**		
Cash generated from operations			**73,628**
Investing activities			
Rental income, dividends and interest received		12,311	
			12,311
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			**85,939**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			495,092
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			**581,031**

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity's presentational currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

1.4 Incoming resources

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

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

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

Grant income is recognised on receipt unless income is received in advance at the year-end and the performance criteria relate to a future accounting period.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.7 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	224,613	-	4,490	229,103	229,126
Legacies receivable	55,958	-	-	55,958	5,000
Grants receivable	46,395	29,778	43,850	120,023	58,424
	326,966	**29,778**	**48,341**	**405,085**	**292,550**

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	18,049	-	528	18,577	19,252
	18,049	**-**	**528**	**18,577**	**19,252**

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	25,976	-	83	26,059	33,566
Other funds generated	1,022	-	-	1,022	4,568
Rental income	62,327	270	8,641	71,238	50,902
Publication sales	324	-	-	324	251
Sundry income	1,288	4,149	236	5,672	9,050
Printing income	714	-	-	714	1,144
Share rebate	24,349	-	-	24,349	
	115,999	**4,419**	**8,960**	**129,378**	**99,480**

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment income	1,740	-	619	2,359	2,025
Bank interest	1,375	807	213	2,395	334
Rental income	-	850	4,250	5,100	5,100
	3,115	**1,657**	**5,081**	**9,854**	**7,459**

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	-	-	4,096	4,096	1,255
	-	**-**	**4,096**	**4,096**	**1,255**

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of generating resources	147	-	-	147	145
Costs of fund raising	4,451	-	100	4,551	5,252
	4,597	**-**	**100**	**4,697**	**5,397**

9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
2001 - Diocesan share	215,178	-	-	215,178	192,043
2101 - Clergy expenses	11,040	-	-	11,040	8,921
2104 - Clergy expenses - equipment	799	-	-	799	-
2145 - Parsonage - water	1,868	-	-	1,868	2,070
2149 - Parsonage - other expenses	278	-	-	278	-
2150 - Clergy - telephone/ mobile/ interent	91	-	-	91	-
2201 - Assistant clergy fees/ expenses	-	-	-	-	219
2340 - Maintenance of services	4,247	-	265	4,511	4,612
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	3,625	-	-	3,625	3,350
2342 - Music & performance expenses	185	-	1,197	1,382	1,415
2345 - Costs of Copyright License	1,692	-	275	1,967	1,590
2401 - Costs of meetings	110	-	-	110	-
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	361	-	-	361	684
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	1,578	-	12	1,590	3,146
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	3,927	-	-	3,927	4,617
2405 - Office and general expenditure	883	154	-	1,037	1,906
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	17,501	26,133	-	43,635	14,269
2407 - Depreciation	351	-	-	351	153
2408 - Leasing and Hire purchase charges	2,043	-	-	2,043	1,085
2409 - Professional Fees	7,594	-	-	7,594	4,960
2410 - IE/Audit and accountancy fees	-	-	-	-	1,950
2412 - Trustee training and development	460	-	-	460	-
2413 - Trustee expenses	90	-	-	90	-
2415 - Gifts to individuals	155	-	-	155	10
2423 - Admin/ staff expenses	170	-	-	170	-
2425 - Admin/ Staff Other Costs	-	-	-	-	120
2450 - MA/LMA Central costs	-	-	-	-	730
2501 - Church operating costs - insurance	11,438	-	-	11,438	8,383
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	18,387	-	-	18,387	11,861
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	30,250	-	-	30,250	19,914
2504 - Church operating costs - water	708	-	-	708	567
2505 - Church operating costs - other	977	36	144	1,156	1,208
2506 - Church operating costs - oil/LPG	1,793	-	-	1,793	1,049
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	4,442	-	1,045	5,487	10,650
2509 - Church Cleaning	3,864	-	-	3,864	3,815
2510 - Church operating costs - tel/mob/internet	90	60	-	150	-
2511 - Church operating costs - fire equipment	577	-	-	577	99
2601 - Churchyard management costs	6,125	-	1,416	7,541	11,314
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	4,337	-	957	5,294	8,380
2603 - Church hall operating costs - electric	1,928	983	1,682	4,593	5,294
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	2,279	(196)	1,117	3,200	7,190
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	3,701	603	1,342	5,647	5,015
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	884	148	66	1,098	6,937
2607 - Church hall costs - tel./mob./internet	442	-	-	442	446
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	476	302	115	893	1,532
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	684	-	134	818	4,965
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	4,627	-	1,152	5,779	3,234
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	-	-	3,028	3,028	306
2613 - Other property - insurance	-	-	356	356	-
2614 - Other property - electricity	888	-	-	888	-
2619 - Other property - compliance costs	72	144	215	431	-
2641 - Churchyard grass cutting	7,995	-	5,900	13,895	1,775
2642 - Churchyard structural repairs	313	-	896	1,209	45
2643 - Churchyard memorial costs	-	-	634	634	-
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	2,073	(1,096)	4,332	5,310	64,887
2801 - Children & young people activity costs	1,265	450	1,586	3,301	3,774
2804 - Cost of church publications	99	-	-	99	1,212
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	290	-	-	290	60
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	616	-	-	616	-
2807 - Cost of maintaining websites and social	355	-	-	355	-
2901 - Support of diocesan projects	950	-	-	950	250
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	3,169	-	25,487	28,656	9,607
2903 - Support of UK charities	845	-	120	965	1,538
2904 - Support of international mission & projects	3,012	-	240	3,252	1,797
	394,177	**27,721**	**53,713**	**475,611**	**444,955**

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
3001 - Purchase of assets for church purposes	-	-	340	340	-
3004 - Loans received repayments	-	-	-	-	1,224
3005 - Loss on sale of fixed asset	-	-	-	-	347
	-	**-**	**340**	**340**	**1,571**

11 Members
None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year (2022- none).

12 Employees
There were three employees during the year (2022 - three).

13 Related party transactions
There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 – none).

14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	**£**
At 1 January 2023	96,407
Additions / reallocations	
Valuation changes	4,505
At 31 December 2023	**100,912**
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2023	**100,912**

15 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Gift Aid	10,091	12,550
	10,091	**12,550**

16 Creditors

	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£
Accruals	24,261	27,474
	24,261	**27,474**

17 Fund movement by type

	Balance brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains/losses	Balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted						
General fund	363,782	464,129	(398,774)	(440)	1,305	430,002
Designated						
High Interest Account	43,720	30,586	(25,737)	-		48,569
Llanrwst Church House Account	2,163	5,269	(1,983)			5,449
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault	6,465				704	7,169
Chancel Repair Fund	8,202				894	9,096
Asbestos removal	3,000					3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account	14,577	1,147	(6,422)			9,301
Churchyard Fund	623					623
SADBF Grants for Children's services	1,751	83	(321)			1,514
Bursary Conducting Student	1,080					1,080
Memorial Account	50					50
Money Manager	6,046		(245)			5,801
Music Fund	2,843	5,000	(1,392)			6,451
Organ Fund	7,517	161	(1,645)			6,032
Parish Share	47,900					47,900
Roof Fund	14,743	213	(800)			14,156
St Mary's Churchyeard Account	983		(641)			342
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church	19,120				1,067	20,187
Church House	5,262	15,045	(6,486)			13,820
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund	4,137				452	4,589
Chancel Repair Fund	3,973				434	4,407
Church Building Repairs	(4,651)	8,983	(4,332)			-
Hassocks	695					695
Restricted Donation	354					354
ACS	11,931	30,491	(24,887)			17,534
CGProj	1,433		(1,041)			392
Diggle	1,285					1,285
InsRet	1,830					1,830
LFFund	1,239	176	(293)			1,122
MemRep	43					43
RainGard	187	711	(821)	12		89
Boiler	-	12		(12)		-
CL14	3,519	4,250	(3,599)			4,170
ChLig	10			(10)		-
Flowers	295	115	(297)			113
Mfloor	200					200
Ukraine	269					269
Refurb		140				140
Aber CS		240	(690)	450		-
Libya		85	(85)			-
RichRun		20	(20)			-
Turkey		135	(135)			-
	576,575	**566,990**	**(480,648)**	**-**	**4,856**	**667,773**

18 Cash generated from operations

			2023
			£
Surplus for the year			86,093
Adjustments for:			
Net Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities			(12,311)
Movement in working capital:			
Increase in trade and other receivables			2,460
Decrease in trade and other payables			(3,213)
			600
Cash generated from operations			**73,628**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA CONFERENCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers 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 Commissioners (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 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 you as 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 matter has come to my attention:

Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
have not been met.

The following matters should be drawn to your attention in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached:

We raised our concern in relation to record keeping last year and expected to see improvement this year. However, we have been unable to vouch all of our sample to the source documentation. Whilst we have received reasonable explanations from the Treasurer to satisfy testing requirements, we would hope to see a greater retention of source documentation moving forward.

(Signature) K Morgan
(Date) 08-10-24

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ABERCONWY MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1131047

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

The Mission Area of Aberconwy
Charity Number: 1131047

The Churches which make up the Mission Area are:

St David, Penrhyn Bay
St Hilary, Llanrhos
St Paul, Craig-y-don
All Saints, Deganwy
St Ffraid, Llansanffraid
St Cystennin, Llangwstennin
St Grwst, Llanrwst
St Martin, Eglwysbach
St Michael, Llandudno Junction

THE MISSION AREA CONFERENCE (MAC)

The members who served from 1st January 2022 until the date this report was approved were:

Mission Area Leader
Rev Sam Erlandson

Mission Area Treasurer
Mrs Ann Harty

Mission Area Book Keeper
Mrs Helen Barritt

Mission Area Wardens
Mrs Tesni Hadwin
Mr Nick Davies

Mission Area Lay Chair
Mr Andrew James

Mission Area Secretaries
Mrs Mandy Groom

Mission Area Clergy
Rev Sam Erlandson
Rev Sarah Hildreth Osborn
Rev Juliet Fraser
Rev Ben Lines
Rev Sue Storey
Rev Grace Lomas

Individual Church Elected Members of the Mission Area Conference

Doreen Owen
Don Milne
Philip Evans
Pat Hay
Jo Bowles
Pat Chapman
Sue Buckley
Denise Templeton
Joan Williams
Andrew James
Hazel Leech

Mission Area Administrator
Mrs Mandy Groom

Electoral Roll Officer
Mrs Dilys Stone

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MAL Report, Rev Sam Erlandson

May I begin this report by sincerely thanking everyone from across the Mission Area for your faithfulness and hard work. Being a Christian in the 21st Century is not easy, and I fear may become more difficult. However, when Jesus is at the centre of what we do and who we are, all things are possible. A sincere but humble faith is all we need to move mountains, and this is what we see across the whole of the Mission Area. Thank you so much.

2022 has been a most exciting year for the life of the mission area. What we are seeing at the moment is a modest growth in numbers across the mission area, and a great depth of growth in church health, when we consider where we were coming out of the pandemic. We are seeing more people engage with bible study and private devotion through our numerous study sessions throughout Lent and Advent and within our church house groups. We are seeing over a hundred children engage in children's activities. Schools are returning to church for celebration and education, prayer groups are meeting to pray. Social activities are returning to our calendars. Please do not forget that at the beginning of the pandemic, there were more than a few people who were certain that COVID would be the end of the church. This is truly the church of the resurrection, and this is what we are seeing.

But what about numbers on a Sunday? What about the figures in our bank accounts? This is not to be taken for granted. We can hold all the coffee mornings we like, but if it is not converting into an active faith in Jesus Christ, what is the point? We can have all the prayer groups we like, but if we don't have the money to pay for trained and qualified leaders or for the upkeep of the building the prayer group meets in, what is the point? These are extremely valid concerns.

I don't have a magic wand for either these, unfortunately. But what I do know is that for a plant to grow, it needs strategic planting and thoughtful nurturing. Growth can only come from health. If we want our churches to grow, it will not be found with gimmicks that will entertain people in. Church growth will be found when our roots are firmly planted in the gospel, fed with love, through a life of devotion and prayer. The same can also be said for finances.

Whilst we need the devotion, love, and prayer from you, as MAL, I will be overseeing the strategic planting and Andrew, our new MAC Chair, will be overseeing the financial strategy. I cannot, for sure, say what the future has in store for the Aberconwy Mission Area. Everything is uncertain these days, but I do have hope that if we faithfully follow in the ways of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, he will not lead us astray. Stay close to Jesus, and we will be fine!

A gaf fi ddechrau'r adroddiad hwn drwy ddiolch yn ddiffuant i bawb o bob rhan o'r Ardal Genhadaeth am eich ffyddlondeb a'ch gwaith caled. Nid yw bod yn Gristion yn yr 21ain Ganrif yn hawdd, ac rwy'n ofni y daw'n anoddach. Fodd bynnag, pan fydd Iesu yng nghanol yr hyn a wnawn a phwy ydym ni, mae pob peth yn bosibl. Ffydd ddidwyll ond gostyngedig yw'r cyfan sydd ei angen arnom i symud mynyddoedd a dyma a welwn ar draws yr Ardal Genhadaeth gyfan. Diolch yn fawr iawn.

Mae 2022 wedi bod yn flwyddyn gyffrous iawn i fywyd yr ardal genhadol. Yr hyn yr ydym yn ei weld ar hyn o bryd yw twf cymedrol mewn niferoedd ar draws yr ardal genhadol, a thwf dwfn iawn yn iechyd yr eglwys. Pan fyddwn yn ystyried lle roeddem yn dod allan o'r pandemig. Rydym yn gweld mwy o bobl yn cymryd rhan mewn astudiaeth feiblaidd ac ymroddiad preifat trwy ein sesiynau astudio niferus trwy gydol y Grawys a'r Adfent ac o fewn ein grwpiau tai eglwys. Rydym yn gweld dros gant o blant yn cymryd rhan mewn gweithgareddau plant. Mae ysgolion yn dychwelyd i'r eglwys ar gyfer dathlu ac addysg. Mae grwpiau gweddi yn cyfarfod i weddïo. Mae gweithgareddau cymdeithasol yn dychwelyd i'n calendrau. Peidiwch ag anghofio, ar ddechrau'r pandemig, bod mwy nag ychydig o bobl a oedd yn sicr mai COVID fyddai diwedd yr eglwys. Dyma Wir eglwys yr atgyfodiad a dyma beth rydyn ni'n ei weld.

Ond beth am niferoedd ar ddydd Sul? Beth am y ffigurau yn ein cyfrifon banc? Ni ddylid cymryd hyn yn ganiataol. Gallwn gynnal yr holl foreau coffi rydyn ni'n eu hoffi, ond os nad yw'n troi'n ffydd weithredol yn Iesu Grist, beth yw'r pwynt? Gallwn gael yr holl grwpiau gweddi yr ydym yn eu hoffi, ond os nad oes gennym yr arian i dalu am arweinwyr hyfforddedig a chymwysedig neu am gynnal a chadw'r adeilad y mae'r grŵp gweddi yn cyfarfod ynddo, beth yw'r pwynt? Mae'r rhain yn bryderon hynod ddilys.

Does gen i ddim hudlath ar gyfer y rhain chwaith, yn anffodus. Ond yr hyn yy wyf yn ei wybod yw, er mwyn i blanhigyn dyfu, mae angen plannu strategol a meithrin meddylgar. Dim ond o iechyd y gall twf ddod. Os ydym am i'n heglwysi dyfu, ni cheir ef â gimigau a fydd yn diddanu pobl i mewn. Ceir twf eglwysig pan blannir ein gwreiddiau'n gadarn yn yr efengyl, wedi'u bwydo â chariad, trwy fywyd o ddefosiwn a gweddi. Gellir dweud yr un peth am gyllid.

Er bod arnom angen yr ymroddiad, y cariad, a'r weddi gennych chi, fel MAL, byddaf yn goruchwylio'r plannu strategol a bydd Andrew, ein Cadeirydd MAC newydd, yn goruchwylio'r strategaeth ariamol. Ni allaf, yn sicr, ddweud beth sydd gan y dyfodol i Ardal Genhadol Aberconwy, mae popeth yn ansicr y dyddiau hyn, ond y mae gennyf obaith, os dilynwn yn ffyddlon yn ffyrdd ein Harglwydd a'n Gwaredwr Iesu Grist, na fydd yn arwain. ni ar gyfeiliorn. Arhoswch yn agos at Iesu, a byddwn yn iawn!

St Hilary's Church

Exploring Faith:

Faith has to be central to everything we do. The church needs to be a Jesus centred community. Whilst we are also an institution, and therefore need administration and finance, whilst we are a volunteer organisation, and therefore will need management and training, whilst we are guardians of historic buildings, we are first and foremost the body of Christ. Jesus will always be at the centre of our community and our faith must be of first concern even if it means forsaking any of the above.

We have been looking to develop and explore our faith in St Hilary's in a number of ways. We have continued with the Daily Bible Pledge. This is now with the added daily commentary offered not only on WhatsApp, but also on our Facebook page. We are also planning to hold a get-together at the end of each book for a coffee and informal chat about the book we have just finished.

We will also be setting up, this month, a St Hilary's house group. This will be a good opportunity for informal discussion, prayer, and worship. This will accompany the monthly men's group and the online women's group run by the clergy wives. These can be great opportunities to gently grow and explore our faith. They can also be excellent opportunities to invite new people to explore faith. For some, church may well be too much at first. A smaller, more informal group may well give be more comfortable for some to come to faith.

We are also holding slightly more intense groups twice a year, as a mission area, at lent and advent to get our teeth stuck into deeper study of scripture and discipleship. It is always good to see people from St Hilary's who are willing to engage with this and there is always room for more.

Exploring worship:

St Hilary's is now offering quite a range of worship throughout the month. Each Sunday we have an 8am service, an 11am, and a 6pm. We have diversified our services, which two years ago were straight forward Eucharists each week. We now have a monthly family service, which is seeing a growing number of children and families engaging with, a monthly informal eucharist, a monthly healing service, and a monthly Cymun Bendigaid.

We are learning more and more contemporary hymns. The choice of hymns causes contention nearly every Sunday at the 11am. Please be respectful that at St Hilary's, we have a mixture of modern and traditional worship. We tend to go for modern on the 1st and 3rd and traditional on the 2nd and 4th. Please keep in mind that your favourites may not be everyone's favourites and I cannot please all the people all the time.

The Cymun Bendigaid has developed in as much as the sermon is now in Welsh also, therefore making this service entirely Welsh. One or two of the congregation cannot speak Welsh, however. I therefore print my sermon off in English for them to read, should they wish to.

We also hold a monthly 'Come and Sing' session in conjunction with St David's church. This is a good time to explore some new music to sing during worship, but also a good opportunity to explore our faith by reflecting on the words we are singing also.

It also great to have on board some new people offering themselves to come on the readers rota, we have new people who have come on the intercessions rota and we have licensed two new worship leaders this year. It is great to have these people coming forward to offer themselves for the leading of worship in the church.

A further opportunity later this year will be a mission area pilgrimage to Holywell. This is currently being planned by the mission area clergy and will, hopefully, be taking place in the Summer. All would be very welcome to come along to this day.

Sharing Christ's love

This is where our faith becomes action. This is what the letter of James is almost entirely about. Without this, all the above is dead. We are now taking home communion to the housebound regularly. It is great that people have come forward to help with this. This was a target from last year. If any of you knows of anyone who would appreciate home communion, please let me know, and I would gladly take them the sacrament. The housebound have a habit of not bothering the Rector because they think I am busy. I want to be busy with looking after people.

I have noticed how much more the Conwy foodbank seems to be filling up more regularly, and people from St Hilary's engaging with the Aberconwy care and share, this is much appreciated. Jeanette does a great amount of work for the Christian Aid, and it has been good to see St Hilary's support for this. It is fantastic that we can book in, once again, one of Jelena's concerts. This will play a huge part in welcoming new people into St Hilary's church and an opportunity to get the community together for something joyful and fun. Not only that, but they raised much needed funds for Ty Gobaith.

We have also been able to reach out to some charities through our social activity. Our harvest lunch received a speaker from the charity Compassion. It was wonderful to see that some have been able to sponsor a child through Compassion, and that some were able to give a one-off donation We are also holding a number of lent lunches this year in aid of Water Aid. On top of this we are collecting for Water Aid under the 'Jars of Change' scheme. It is wonderful that we are able to support so much from our G small church with a big heart'.

A tremendous vote of thanks must also go out to all those who help maintain and do marvellous work in the church yards. Our church yard is an asset to this church. Through it, we are a beacon to care for wildlife. Our wildflowers are exemplary and the habitats, food, and shelter they provide for insects. But also, the birdlife and the regular commitment to keep the feeders full. Along with the St Hilary's beehives, and the production of St Hilary's Honey. This is a true example of the stewardship of the planet, and something which I know we are planning on developing with our local church school.

St Paul's Church

Exploring Faith:

Our journey of faith never finishes in this lifetime. Whether we are brand new to Christian faith or have been coming to church for many a decade, there is always another step along the journey we can take. We have had some interesting opportunities to explore our faith as church over that past year. As well as a mission area bible study course, in Advent, following the diocesan study course Faith, Hope, and Love, we have also had a series of talks on the Eucharist after the Thursday service, which was well attended throughout, and a further mission area bible study course, in Lent, following Tom Wright's book Lent for Everyone: Matthew 's Gospel I have been really encouraged with the questions and the conversations surrounding these study courses, which seems to have encouraged others to open up a little bit about their faith and relationship with God and the church. I have also been encouraged with the take-up of people coming to the men's group, the way in which the St Paul's fellowship is being run, and the online ladies fellowship, all of which seems to be encouraging people to reflect on their faith, ask questions, and explore.

It is really encouraging to see how people are growing in confidence with the use and views of scripture. Some of my most joyful moments have been when people have stopped to talk about their views of a biblical character or the events preceding or proceeding a biblical event. Much is speculation, but this is where some deep biblical reflections can be made.

Exploring worship:

The Anglican church has a well-established tradition of worship. The Anglican church was once known as the church of the prayer-book. As many other churches have modernised and have abandoned the book of common prayer, St Paul's is still proudly drawing from the rich tradition and wisdom of this liturgy. Along with the glorious choral music our worship has a rich, transcendence to it which creates a numinous experience. Last year St Paul's affiliated with the Prayer Book Society. Since then, we have offered a unique opportunity in North Wales by providing a monthly 1662 communion service. This has even encouraged the North Wales branch of the Prayer Book Society to hold two of their quarterly services in St Pauls, and we look forward to seeing then-I again.

We have also developed the 3rd Sunday of the month a little further to help incorporate the children from Bodafon school. It is quite routine now to have children from the school reading and leading intercessions in church on the 3rd Sunday. It is also wonderful to see them growing in confidence as they tackle the traditional language of the prayer book, and as they are getting better at projecting and reading in public. These will be skills of great use for them later in life. We have also adapted the sermon slot on this particular Sunday into more of a child friendly talk, still with some pertinent remarks helpful for the adults listening too.

We have, from this, been able to encourage some of these children to get involved with the music of the church. It was a great joy to welcome eight children into the choir on Septuagesima. These children will now sing with the choir on the third Sunday of the month, and we look forward to seeing that increase as time progresses. I know they are already working hard for Mothering Sunday. It was also great to receive Cor Bodafon into our church for the nine lessons and carols. This is a good tradition worth pursuing.

We continue to develop and publish a weekly Seven Minute Service in term time, where we use a wider range of readers from the pupils at Bodafon. This year we have also developed more staff input, as the seven-minute service now features within the RE scheme of work for the term, resulting in more work from the children being displayed during the production. This continues to get a good viewer rating.

Sharing Christ's love

This is where our faith becomes action. This is what the letter of James is almost entirely about. Without this, all the above is dead. Since the days of lockdown, we have been able to re-establish Home Communions to the housebound and the elderly. I am really pleased to say that two pastoral-assistants have come on board this year. They will assist me in taking communion to those at home and assisting me with the organisation of baptisms. I am very grateful for this help and glad that we now have a good team offering pastoral love and care to those on the fringes of the church community.

We have also seen a good amount of support for the Conwy food bank, from people donating regularly to this, to people delivering the food to the bank, this is all faith-inaction, The support of the RNLI at the nine lessons and carols, the support and links with the local school and Springfield nursery, the choral scholarships for some of our younger musicians, our support for Christian aid. We worked very hard this Christmas in welcoming four schools into our church. We need to keep building on this and it hopefully won't be long before we will be seeing some good fruit coming from this.

We have also welcomed Cor Meibion Maelgwn in twice over the summer to sing to American cruise liner tourists. We look forward to welcoming them with the school choir, and an American choir for a concert in church.

We have also had three children's outreach events this year. The Easter treasure hunt, the Summer family fun day, and the October Light Party. All of which saw an overwhelming number of children. These events are great at establishing some connections with younger families in the community. Hopefully, this will begin to show fruit to our membership in church.

Thank you also for the way in which you have embraced my family and I into your family. I genuinely enjoy being the Rector of St Paul's, it brings me life, and although I know I overwork at times, please know it is out of enjoyment in vocation you are enabling in allowing me to serve you.

St David's Church

In July 2022 our Hub Church welcomed Rev Grace Lomas as Curate at St David's, Grace quickly settled into the life of the Hub Church and was immediately a great asset to our worship, fellowship, Pastoral visiting and teaching. The family of St David's have really taken to Grace and appreciate the contribution she makes.

We also welcomed Alan McKinnetl as the All-Age Engagement Officer and along with his wife Jean they have become such valuable hard working and dedicated members of our Hub Team.

Jo Bowles has been in training with us too as Pastoral Chaplin and has been an active member of our new Worship Team who have been putting together and leading our monthly family non-Eucharist 11.00am service.

As a team here we have established an extended pattern of worship in Penrhyn Bay and are working together to achieve the vision of the Hub Church and the MA Action Plan.

In addition to the traditional Sunday and Friday services, we now have the Church Open an additional 3 mornings per week for prayer and fellowship.

A Children's Hub Club has been established since last September and meets every Tuesday during term time with upward of 20 children and their parents or grandparents in attendance every week.

On Tuesday's evenings there is a Bible Study Meeting and one Sunday per month we hold a Café Church service in the Church Hall which is a less formal service with a different vibe to the traditional service, with live music, scripture readings and prayers. We have regularly run a selection of Bible Study courses during this last year, e.g., Hope Explored, study of the letter of James, Gospel of Mark, the Welling being Course which looked at our physical, mental and Spiritual wellbeing and how scripture can help us establish a healthy pattern of life based on Faith Hope and Love. Advent and Lent courses, and the Bible Society Bible study course. These has been attended by about 16 regulars each Tuesday Evening and we have had some engaging discussions and it has encouraged them to read the bible regularly at home.

Activity in the Church Hall has returned post Covid, and we have a busy weekly diary with the halt bookings now being managed by Alan McKinnon which enables him to engage with the groups to grow links with the Church. This was highlighted at the Christmas Carol Service where Beulah Brass Band provided the music to a packed Church and a big group of young people from the Gateway Club wanted to take part and sang us out with Jingle Bells.

The Community Garden also developed further during the year with raised beds growing fruit and vegetables being established which are available and are harvested by members of the community. We continue to see students from Llandrillo College supporting the project. The group come along with them.

Teacher to help with weeding and planting and to help with other maintenance of the garden and to have their own input into how it will develop.

Another highlight was the Afternoon Tea celebration for the Queens Jubilee in June which saw a huge number of people from the Community enjoying a wonderful afternoon of refreshments, music and fellowship organised and provided by members of the congregation.

It was also good to see a return to fellowship events among the congregation following the pandemic with a Fish and Chip Supper, Quiz with Cheese and Wine, Sunday lunches and the much-loved Christmas Winter Warmer meal.

In summary, we have seen a year of expansion of the clergy team, number and type of services, community involvement and events, community engagement and a much-enhanced energy level which has resulted in St David's Church having a higher profile in the Community and engaging with far more people in God's work in Penrhyn Bay

As a congregation we are extremely grateful for the hard work, commitment and drive of the Clergy Team led by Rev Juliet who have been responsible for such a positive and joyous change in Church life in Penrhyn Bay.

The team hold a Monday morning meeting to plan and pray together and discussed ways in which we could re-energise the spiritual life of the church, and to this end we quickly established prayer groups, and bible study. In addition, during our sermons we regularly speak about discipleship and the gifts of the Spirit to encourage everyone to take ownership of our worship and praise and to come forward to take an active part. This has resulted in additional people reading the scripture for us and writing and leading intercessions occasionally. We also encourage people to use our WhatsApp prayer App to share prayers or prayer requests. All our meetings begin and end in prayer and we encourage everyone to engage in our prayer groups and if they cannot attend to send in their prayers or pray at the same time we meet in their own home.

We have made use of email groups and our WhatsApp group as well as our Facebook page to ensure that everyone knows what is going on and have encouraged our congregation to come forward to offer their time and gifts to the work of the church. Some have now responded to our request to write and lead our Intercessions, and some have helped with Hub Club (subject to the usual DBF an Safeguarding procedures) This is something that we have been working on this year to encourage others to help in whatever way they can, we also appreciate those who volunteer to make the refreshments after our services.

At our annual vestry meeting we were able to fill all the posts for 'officers' except Treasurer, as Gordon Kirkpatrick who has held this rote for many years has now retired, we are grateful for all his hard work over the years and are now prying for a suitable replacement to be found.

We feel that we have laid a good foundation on which we can build on over the next year, thanks be to God.

All Saints Church

It has been a year of growth for us at All Saints. Our congregation numbers have grown, alongside a growth in the depth of our community and sense of shared discipleship. We now have a well-attended monthly walking group, a weekly home group and increasing numbers staying after a service to enjoy fellowship. We have also seen growth in our financial situation and have been able to increase the money we are giving away to local and international causes. Whilst all of that is exciting, the discernment of how to best use the resources we have been blessed with is at the forefront of our minds in this New Year.

We have had initial conversations with an architect as we explore the best use of our building and the resourcing of the increasing number of children, we have attending our Sunday services. We await their initial ideas as we discern the best way forward as a church community.

We are grateful to God for his provision, for all those that serve faithfully and pray that we would continue to be faithful to Jesus in all we say and do as we seek to fulfil the call to be 'a place of hope on the hill' (Matthew 4:14-16).

St Michael's and All Angels

Times are challenging for us at St Michaels Church. Our Sunday congregation remains small, but faithful, with the addition of 2 new people who have joined us over the East year. We are thankful for the provision of our church building and the thriving 'Adventurers' Toddler group we have on a Monday morning. We now have over 90 families on our database whom we have been privileged to have contact with, with an average weekly attendance of 16 families. The question of 'what next' reigns supreme in our thinking.

The issue we are facing in St Michaels Church is that of resource. We have dwindling financial resources, amid rising costs, and a limited number of people who are able and willing to be involved in the ministry of the church. There is huge gospel potential in St Michaels and Llandudno Junction is a large, growing community that lacks a thriving church of any denomination.

We look to God, as we discern the next steps forward for us as a church as we seek to become and sanctuary, a place of encounter with Jesus (Psalm 96:5-7).

St Cystennin's Church

Due to personal circumstances, Rev Sue Storey was absent from September to the end of 2022. The congregation at St Cystennin would like to express their thanks to the clergy in the Aberconwy MA who stepped in and enabled them to have their usual services while Sue was away.

2022 was the first year when life returned to fairly normal after the Covid pandemic. Having got used to the restrictions we now had to remember what life was like before. The chalice in communion was reinstated at the Easter Eucharist, at the request of the congregation after the Bishop gave us the go ahead. It remains optional however.

This return to normality allowed some outside events to restart. A plant sale in May proved very successful and attracted quite a crowd. There was also an open day in the summer when the church registers and records were on display. In September the church took part in the Open Doors scheme, ably facilitated by Roy Mills.

In late Autumn St Cystennin hosted a civic service which was well attended and enjoyed by those taking part, raising the church profile in the community.

The Carol service, which has always been a firm fixture in Mochdre, took place on 15th December with the now well-known mega raffle.

Rev Juliet Fraser managed to make contact with the local school while Sue was away, and Rev Sam Erlandson showed a group of children around the church. It is hoped to build on this and maintain and improve this link in the future.

As part of the outreach of the church into the surrounding community two new benches were purchased for the graveyard and one more has since been donated.

Many people, both locals and holidaymakers spend time sitting in the peaceful surroundings of the churchyard. The old benches were getting unsafe to use. The benches were commissioned from a local craftsman and used sustainable timber. A plaque has been added to one by the church congregation. This is in memory of a faithful member of the church, known to all as Betty Jam. She died in 2020 during lockdown. It seemed appropriate that she have a proper memorial in the place she loved.

St Cystennin is working towards a bronze eco award, and this is being led by Andrew Williams.

2022 was a difficult year in many ways but the congregation, small in number but loyal and proactive, have kept things going and proved resilient.

St Ffraid's Church

At St Ffraids we have continued with our weekly pattern of worship, we have seen a couple of new people come along and join us. We have seen a significant reduction in numbers since just before Covid and sadly this has not picked up.
We have continued to hold Funerals, although we've had no Weddings or Baptisms this past year.
Church House continues to host a weekly Morning, open to all in the Community. Church House also hosts regular Bingo sessions which prove very popular and various other events take place there, many of which are fund raising opportunities for the Church. For the first time since Covid there was the Village Pantomime a great fund raising opportunity but also great to get the community together,
Mothers Union continues to meet on the 2nd Tuesday each month, Speakers are invited and in September, Advent and Lent I go and share something seasonal with the group.
Although St Ffraids congregation faces huge challenges, they are not unaware of the difficulties before them. Hopefully a way can be found to look to the future with hope, discovering new and different ways to be the church in the village.

St Martin's Church

It has been a year of consolidation for us at St Martins Church. Our Sunday attendance is steady, and we continue to serve our village community faithfully. It has been a privilege to see the growth of the Monday Craft Club and see them be generous in serving causes outside of the village. Thursday coffee stop continues to serve the community and the recent Friday lunch club, which is connected to the church, is proving to be invaluable to those who would otherwise be isolated. We are proud to say, that if the church was to close, the village would most certainly notice. We continue to develop our relationship with our church school and are proud of their recent, wonderful Estyn report. Rev'd Ben continues to serve on the Governing Body alongside one other church representative, takes a weekly service in school and the school attend church once a month for a service.
We are indebted to so many who give so much to serve the church and we look forward to continuing in our faithful pilgrimage (Psalm 84:4-5) as God's people gathered in Eglwysbach.

St Grwst's Church

At St Grwsts we have continued with our regular pattern of worship focused on the Eucharist.
We have seen new people take up the rolls of reading and leading the prayers and since Christmas we now have a new server. With flexible seating has come the opposite to explore worship in new ways. Although some people have questioned the changes, over time they have valued viewing worship in a different way.
Funerals have continued to take place at St Grwsts with only one wedding this year and 2 Baptisms.
We have begun Bible studies which will follow the academic year. People have gathered from both churches and the opportunity to learn from each other has been very enjoyable and at times challenging and it's been wonderful to hear that people want more!
Happy Saturdays continues with great joy and enthusiasm. Storytelling and craft form the focus for our monthly sessions, enjoyed by all who attend.
Regular weekly input continues in Ysgol Llanddoged. School have been on visits to St Grwsts which will continue to be a part of school life. The contribution of the children in 'Gwasanaeth' is always a revelation and opens up many interesting conversations. It is a joy to be a support to the staff at school as they continue to explore federalisation is the Church School in Ysbyty Ifan.
Continued contact with Ysgol Dyffryn Conwy is growing I have been involved in setting up a support group for those students who attend school who identify as LGBT+. Moving forward this may well lead to further input in the school.
Although there is still much to do the inroads that have been made in the community give us a good foundation on which to continue building in the year to come.

Activities at St Grwst's

The last year has seen a range of events taking place in St Grwst's Church.

We hosted some grant funded yoga and tai chi sessions organised by Golygfa Gwydir. out of which regular Tuesday and Thursday yoga classes have developed from 0M Yoga North Wales. Llanrwst Historical Society have continued to hold their monthly meetings here. Cartrefi Conwy organised a number of Singing for Health sessions during the year, but these have now returned to their previous venue of Hafan Gwydir. The Dyffryn Conwy U3A Recorder Group meet twice a month for recorder practice. We have continued to offer guided tours to groups, primarily these are Merched y Wawr and Women's Institute groups, but we have also welcomed church and chapel groups, as well as members of the Furniture History Society and the Welsh Historic Houses group. We have welcomed visits from all the Year 7 learners at Ysgol Dyffryn Conwy and worked with a Year 8 Drama class and the Head of Drama to produce a video on Peopling the Past. In early April we held a Breakfast Event in aid of Ukraine. then recently invaded by Russia. We have hosted a constituency surgery for the local MS Janet Finch-Saunders. We held a Fish & Chip Supper with a quiz and have continued to hold the weekly Panad a Sgwrs coffee mornings every Thursday, which now have a regular clientele, and which have brought annual income in of around £3,000. We have also hosted one of the Frugal Lunches, organised by Llanrwst Churches Together. We have held a number of concerts - Stainer's Crucifixion with Cör Cymysg Dyffryn Conwy, a male voice choir concert with Cör Meibion Bro Aled, a concert with mixed choir The Harmony Singers, and, working with Conwy County Borough Council, were the venue for one of a series of Winter Sounds concerts, with The Trials of Cato and Gwilym Bowen-Rees, which involved specialist lighting and sound. Finally, just before Christmas, we hosted a sell-out performance from CöRwst — a local choir which last performed at the Eisteddfod in 2019. We also hosted an overnight camp for members of the 1st Gwydyr Cub Scouts from Betws-y-Coed who bedded down on the floor in their sleeping bags! We have also held our annual Flower Festival, and Christmas Tree Festival, both events enjoying great local support, more recently, we have been holding Warm Hubs on Tuesdays for which we have received funding. We also hosted a flag-making workshop (featuring Debra Drake, a finalist in the Great British Sewing Bee 2022) organised by Ffiwsar.

In May 2022 we started opening the building without having stewards on duty all the time, from 10am to 4pm daily, subject to other events taking place. This has led to an increase in the number of people coming into the building, from 7,378 in 2021 to 21,162 in 2022.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year-end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC will consider the level of reserves that it is prudent for Aberconwy Mission Area to have. Consideration will be given to redundancy liabilities, lease agreements and any other significant factors that should be taken into account were any part of the Aberconwy Mission Area to close. This will be reviewed every three years

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on: *(Date)* 18th OCTOBER 2023

and signed on its behalf by : *(Signature)*

(Name) TEGWI HADWIN.

MISSION AREA WARDEN

Statement of Financial Activities		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2022 Total funds	2021 Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	235,430	31,839	25,281	292,550	273,045
Income from charitable activities	4	19,252	-	-	19,252	15,583
Other trading activities	5	80,249	6,531	12,701	99,480	49,435
Investments	6	3,116	116	4,227	7,459	7,455
Other income	7	1,255	-	-	1,255	7,618
Total income		**339,302**	**38,485**	**42,208**	**419,996**	**353,135**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	8	5,247	-	150	5,397	1,351
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	343,037	34,858	67,061	444,955	306,452
Other expenditure	10	1,571	-	-	1,571	4,200
Total expenditure		**349,855**	**34,858**	**67,211**	**451,924**	**312,004**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		**(10,553)**	**3,627**	**(25,002)**	**(31,928)**	**41,131**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in		3,756		2,488	6,244	1,142
Gross transfers between funds - out		(280)	(921)	(5,043)	(6,244)	(1,142)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets		(5,351)	(1,720)	(3,193)	(10,263)	8,813
Net movement in funds		**(12,427)**	**987**	**(30,751)**	**(42,191)**	**49,945**
Total funds brought forward		**376,209**	**62,564**	**179,993**	**618,766**	**568,821**
Total funds carried forward		**363,782**	**63,551**	**149,242**	**576,575**	**618,766**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		363,782			363,782	376,209
Designated						
High Interest Account			43,720		43,720	37,643
Llanrwst Church House Account			2,163		2,163	5,534
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault			6,465		6,465	7,223
Chancel Repair Fund			8,202		8,202	9,164
Asbestos removal			3,000		3,000	3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account				14,577	14,577	14,196
Churchyard Fund				623	623	5,943
SADBF Grants for Children's services				1,751	1,751	2,588
Bursary Conducting Student				1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account				50	50	50
Money Manager				6,046	6,046	6,046
Music Fund				2,843	2,843	5,203
Organ Fund				7,517	7,517	16,152
Parish Share				47,900	47,900	47,900
Roof Fund				14,743	14,743	14,722
St Mary's Churchyeard Account				983	983	1,094
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church				19,120	19,120	21,362
Church House				5,262	5,262	12,856
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund				4,137	4,137	4,622
Chancel Repair Fund				3,973	3,973	4,439
Church Building Repairs				(4,651)	(4,651)	2,375
Hassocks				695	695	695
Restricted Donation				354	354	335
ACS				11,931	11,931	8,864
CGProj				1,433	1,433	1,950
Diggle				1,285	1,285	1,722
Garden				-	-	-
InsRet				1,830	1,830	1,830
JFDons				(0)	(0)	10
LFFund				1,239	1,239	643
MemRep				43	43	43
RainGard				187	187	291
Wall				-	-	2,984
Boiler				-	-	-
CL14				3,519	3,519	-

Candles			-	-	-
ChLig			10	10	-
Cleaning			-	-	-
Flowers			295	295	-
Mfloor			200	200	-
Ukraine			269	269	-
	363,782	63,551	149,243	576,575	618,766

Balance sheet	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2022 Total funds	2021 Prior year total funds
Fixed assets						
Investments	14	54,509	14,667	27,230	96,407	105,958
		54,509	**14,667**	**27,230**	**96,407**	**105,958**
Current assets						
Debtors	15	6,470	1,190	4,890	12,550	13,320
Cash at bank and in hand		326,225	50,682	118,185	495,092	518,812
		332,695	**51,872**	**123,075**	**507,642**	**532,132**
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16	23,422	2,989	1,063	27,474	19,324
		23,422	**2,989**	**1,063**	**27,474**	**19,324**
Net current assets less current liabilities		**309,273**	**48,883**	**122,013**	**480,169**	**512,808**
Total assets less current liabilities		**363,782**	**63,550**	**149,243**	**576,575**	**618,766**
Total net assets less liabilities		**363,782**	**63,550**	**149,243**	**576,575**	**618,766**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		363,782	-	-	363,782	376,209
Designated						
High Interest Account		-	43,720	-	43,720	37,643
Llanrwst Church House Account		-	2,163	-	2,163	5,534
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault		-	6,465	-	6,465	7,223
Chancel Repair Fund		-	8,202	-	8,202	9,164
Asbestos removal		-	3,000	-	3,000	3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account		-	-	14,577	14,577	14,196
Churchyard Fund		-	-	623	623	5,943
SADBF Grants for Children's services		-	-	1,751	1,751	2,588
Bursary Conducting Student		-	-	1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account		-	-	50	50	50
Money Manager		-	-	6,046	6,046	6,046
Music Fund		-	-	2,843	2,843	5,203
Organ Fund		-	-	7,517	7,517	16,152
Parish Share		-	-	47,900	47,900	47,900
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RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund		-	-	4,137	4,137	4,622
Chancel Repair Fund		-	-	3,973	3,973	4,439
Church Building Repairs		-	-	(4,651)	(4,651)	2,375
Hassocks		-	-	695	695	695
Restricted Donation		-	-	354	354	335
ACS		-	-	11,931	11,931	8,864
CGProj		-	-	1,433	1,433	1,950
Diggle		-	-	1,285	1,285	1,722
Garden		-	-	-	-	-
InsRet		-	-	1,830	1,830	1,830
JFDons		-	-	(0)	(0)	10
LFFund		-	-	1,239	1,239	643
MemRep		-	-	43	43	43
RainGard		-	-	187	187	291
Wall		-	-	-	-	2,984
Boiler		-	-	-	-	-
CL14		-	-	3,519	3,519	-
Candles		-	-	-	-	-

ChLig	-	-	10	10	-
Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-
Flowers	-	-	295	295	-
Mfloor	-	-	200	200	-
Ukraine	-	-	269	269	-
Funds of the church	**363,782**	**63,551**	**149,243**	**576,575**	**618,766**

Cash Flow Statement

	Note	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	18		
Cash generated from operations			**(21,375)**
Investing activities			
Rental income, dividends and interest received		(2,345)	
			(2,345)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			**(23,720)**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			518,812
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			**495,092**

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity's presentational currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

1.4 Incoming resources

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

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

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

Grant income is recognised on receipt unless income is received in advance at the year-end and the performance criteria relate to a future accounting period.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.7 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	217,740	-	11,386	229,126	186,943
Legacies receivable	5,000	-	-	5,000	12,500
Grants receivable	12,690	31,839	13,895	58,424	73,602
	235,430	**31,839**	**25,281**	**292,550**	**273,045**

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	19,252	-	-	19,252	15,583
	19,252	-	-	**19,252**	**15,583**

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	29,391	-	4,175	33,566	12,863
Other funds generated	1,478	-	3,090	4,568	6,006
Rental income	46,175	120	4,607	50,902	19,591
Publication sales	251	-	-	251	105
Sundry income	1,810	6,411	830	9,050	10,869
Printing income	1,144	-	-	1,144	-
	80,249	**6,531**	**12,701**	**99,480**	**49,435**

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment income	1,644	-	381	2,025	2,335
Bank interest	197	116	21	334	20
Rental income	1,275	-	3,825	5,100	5,100
	3,116	**116**	**4,227**	**7,459**	**7,455**

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	1,255	-	-	1,255	7,618
	1,255	-	-	**1,255**	**7,618**

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of generating resources	145	-	-	145	-
Costs of fund raising	5,102	-	150	5,252	1,351
	5,247	-	**150**	**5,397**	**1,351**

9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
2001 - Diocesan share	192,043	-	-	192,043	126,675
2101 - Clergy expenses	8,921	-	-	8,921	8,820
2145 - Parsonage - water	2,070	-	-	2,070	3,955
2201 - Assistant clergy fees/ expenses	219	-	-	219	-
2340 - Maintenance of services	4,592	-	20	4,612	2,594
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	3,350	-	-	3,350	3,660
2342 - Music & performance expenses	631	-	784	1,415	2,710
2345 - Costs of Copyright License	1,590	-	-	1,590	-
2401 - Costs of meetings	-	-	-	-	50
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	630	-	55	684	131
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationery	3,146	-	-	3,146	3,296
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	4,617	-	-	4,617	4,010
2405 - Office and general expenditure	1,906	-	-	1,906	2,484
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	14,269	-	-	14,269	10,122
2407 - Depreciation	153	-	-	153	140
2408 - Leasing and Hire purchase charges	1,085	-	-	1,085	912
2409 - Professional Fees	4,960	-	-	4,960	5,295
2410 - IE/Audit and accountancy fees	1,950	-	-	1,950	1,860
2415 - Gifts to Individuals	-	-	10	10	-
2425 - Admin/ Staff Other Costs	120	-	-	120	-
2450 - MA/LMA Central costs	730	-	-	730	-
2501 - Church operating costs - insurance	8,383	-	-	8,383	8,015
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	11,861	-	-	11,861	6,021
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	19,914	-	-	19,914	18,251
2504 - Church operating costs - water	567	-	-	567	576
2505 - Church operating costs - other	1,156	-	52	1,208	1,181
2506 - Church operating costs - oil/LPG	1,049	-	-	1,049	-
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	7,630	-	3,020	10,650	5,788
2509 - Church Cleaning	3,035	-	780	3,815	1,800
2511 - Church operating costs - fire equipment	99	-	-	99	-
2601 - Churchyard management costs	7,890	-	3,425	11,314	9,942
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	6,868	-	1,512	8,380	1,847
2603 - Church hall operating costs - electric	932	2,875	1,488	5,294	3,884
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	1,210	4,357	1,623	7,190	3,054
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	3,367	500	1,148	5,015	2,010
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	2,829	1,274	2,834	6,937	3,570
2607 - Church hall costs - tel./mob./internet	446	-	-	446	409
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	474	267	792	1,532	878
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	1,229	(291)	4,027	4,965	1,788
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	2,509	-	725	3,234	5,421
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	-	-	306	306	1,265
2641 - Churchyard grass cutting	1,025	-	750	1,775	-
2642 - Churchyard structural repairs	45	-	-	45	-
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	7,740	25,878	31,270	64,887	44,198
2801 - Children & young people activity costs	412	-	3,362	3,774	1,303
2804 - Cost of church publications	1,212	-	-	1,212	546
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	60	-	-	60	186
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	-	-	-	-	1,765
2901 - Support of diocesan projects	250	-	-	250	418
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	992	-	8,614	9,607	4,478
2903 - Support of UK charities	1,520	-	18	1,538	1,145
2904 - Support of international mission & projects	1,350	-	447	1,797	-
	343,037	**34,858**	**67,061**	**444,955**	**306,452**

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
3003 - Loans made	-	-	-	-	4,200
3004 - Loans received repayments	1,224	-	-	1,224	-
3005 - Loss on sale of fixed asset	347	-	-	347	-
	1,571	-	-	1,571	4,200

11 Members
None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

12 Employees
There were no employees during the year (2021 - none).

13 Related party transactions
There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 – none).

14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	£
At 1 January 2022	105,958
Additions / reallocations	
Valuation changes	(9,551)
At 31 December 2022	**96,407**
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2022	**96,407**

15 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Gift Aid	12,550	13,320
	12,550	**13,320**

16 Creditors

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Accruals	27,474	19,324
	27,474	**19,324**

17 Fund movement by type

	Balance brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains/losses	Balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted						
General fund	376,209	339,302	(349,855)	3,476	(5,351)	363,782
Designated						
High Interest Account	37,643	31,955	(25,878)			43,720
Llanrwst Church House Account	5,534	6,531	(8,980)	(921)		2,163
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault	7,223				(758)	6,465
Chancel Repair Fund	9,164				(962)	8,202
Asbestos removal	3,000					3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account	14,196	381	(460)	460		14,577
Churchyard Fund	5,943		(320)	(5,000)		623
SADBF Grants for Children's services	2,588	316	(1,152)			1,751
Bursary Conducting Student	1,080					1,080
Memorial Account	50					50
Money Manager	6,046					6,046
Music Fund	5,203		(2,360)			2,843
Organ Fund	16,152	74	(8,709)			7,517
Parish Share	47,900					47,900
Roof Fund	14,722	21				14,743
St Mary's Churchyeard Account	1,094		(571)	460		983
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church	21,362				(2,242)	19,120
Church House	12,856	6,597	(14,148)	(43)		5,262
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund	4,622				(485)	4,137
Chancel Repair Fund	4,439				(466)	3,973
Church Building Repairs	2,375	7,141	(14,167)			(4,651)
Hassocks	695					695
Restricted Donation	335	19				354
ACS	8,864	11,290	(8,224)			11,931
CGProj	1,950	1,478	(1,995)			1,433
Diggle	1,722		(438)			1,285
Garden	-	750	(750)			-
InsRet	1,830					1,830
JFDons	10		(10)	(0)		(0)
LFFund	643	596				1,239
MemRep	43					43
RainGard	291		(104)			187
Wall	2,984		(4,268)	1,285		-
Boiler	-	4,910	(4,910)			-
CL14	-	3,825	(306)			3,519
Candles	-	10	(10)			-
ChLig	-	3,030	(3,020)			10
Cleaning	-	500	(780)	280		-
Flowers	-	355	(63)	3		295
Mfloor	-	200				200
Ukraine	-	716	(447)			269
	618,766	**419,996**	**(451,924)**	**0**	**(10,263)**	**576,575**

18 Cash generated from operations

			2022
			£
Surplus for the year			(32,177)
Adjustments for:			
Net investment income recognised in statement of financial activities			2,345
Movement in working capital:			
Increase in trade and other receivables			770
Decrease in trade and other payables			8,150
			-463
Cash generated from operations			**(21,375)**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA CONFERENCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers 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 Commissioners (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 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 you as 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 matter has come to my attention:

Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act
have not been met.

The following matters should be drawn to your attention in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached:

We raised our concern in relation to record keeping last year and expected to see improvement this year. However, we have been unable to vouch all of our sample to the source documentation. Whilst we have received reasonable explanations from the Treasurer to satisfy testing requirements, we would hope to see a greater retention of source documentation moving forward.

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(Date) 19-10-23

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ABERCONWY MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1131047

Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

The Mission Area of Aberconwy
Charity Number: 1131047

The Churches which make up the Mission Area are:

St David, Penrhyn Bay
St Hilary, Llanrhos
St Paul, Craig-y-don
All Saints, Deganwy
St Ffraid, Llansanffraid
St Cystennin, Llangwstennin
St Grwst, Llanrwst
St Martin, Eglwysbach
St Michael, Llandudno Junction

THE MISSION AREA CONFERENCE (MAC)

The members who served from 1 January 2021 until the date this report was approved were:

Mission Area Leader
Rev Sam Erlandson

Mission Area Lay Chair
Mr Frank Prescott

Mission Area Treasurer
Mrs Ann Harty

Mission Area Secretaries
Mrs Mandy Groom

Mission Area Book keeper
Mrs Helen Barritt

Mission Area Clergy
Rev Sam Erlandson
Rev Sarah Hildreth-Osborne
Rev Juliet Fraser
Rev Ben Lines
Rev Sue Storey

Mission Area Wardens
Mrs Tesni Hadwin
Mr Nick Davies

Individual Church Elected Members of the Mission Area Committee

Doreen Owen
Don Milne
Philip Evans
Pat Hay
Jo Bowles
Pat Chapman
Andrew James
Hazel Leech
Sue Buckley
Denise Templeton
Joan Williams

Mission Area Administrator
Mrs Mandy Groom

BENEFICE BANKERS

NatWest
62 Mostyn Street, Llandudno

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

Sage & Co Chartered Accountants
102 Bowen Court, St Asaph

MAL Report, Rev Sam Erlandson

I cannot believe another year has passed by. These past few years have been extremely difficult, but we are still here, and there is still a lot to be thankful for. It is so important to remind ourselves of God's good blessings in difficult times. Even when we seem to be lost, even when we don't understand what He is doing, or why, He is still there, working His purpose out.

Can I begin by thanking everyone for all their hard work and commitment throughout 2021-2022. Throughout such difficult times, we have managed to stay together, and keep the show running, and this thanks to the commitment of our elected officers, who carry out specific work, our volunteers, who give so freely of their time, talent, and energy, to all the congregations, for all they give in both time and money, and of course for the faith we all share in Jesus Christ our Lord. It is our faith which is most important and our faith which will see us through anything. Thank you all, so much.

2021-2022 has not been an uneventful year in the life of Aberconwy Mission Area. We have had a large, diocesan review, which saw the visitation of three members of the diocesan office looking at our overall church population, finances, and buildings. This resulted in several recommendations to be made both across the Mission Area and in the individual churches. One of which was the commissioning of St David's Church, Penrhyn Bay to become a diocesan mission hub. This was commissioned on the 17th of October by Bishop Gregory. This is overseen by the Archdeacon with a specific lead priest (Rev Juliet Fraser moved from Deganwy and Llandudno Junction) and will eventually have a curate and an all-age engagement officer join the staff. Grace Lomas has been appointed curate and Alan McInlock as the all-age engagement office. We look forward to their arrival.

Other targets from the review are now being incorporated into a Mission Action Plan. The draft of which will be included in this vestry report. It is important to note that this is only a draft, the deadline for submission to the Bishop is in June, and he may well like to make changes to it. The final version will be published once approved by the Bishop.

It was with sadness to say farewell to the Rev'd Godfrey, as he moved to his new parish in the diocese of Plymouth. This is how the new opportunity for St David's church came about. As Rev Juliet now focuses on St David's, we have had the wonderful opportunity of welcoming Rev Sue Storey to the mission area as she takes responsibility and oversight of St Cystennin's. Earlier in 2022, we also welcomed Rev Ben Lines to be Priest in Charge of All Saints, St Michael's, and St Martin's.

We have also been making increased efforts regarding the Welsh language across the mission area. Improvements since last year include, increased the number of Welsh services, especially in St Grwsts, both agenda and minutes to the MAC are in Welsh as well as English, the weekly email going out to the Mission Area is now in Welsh as well as English, May's magazine also had an article in Welsh for the first time in a while. This report for the mission area Easter Vestry is also in Welsh. We will look to continue to build upon this.

This year has also seen the launch of our new website aberconwy.church which is still being added to. As a mission area, we held an Advent bible study following Bishop Gregory's book, Advent Book of Days, as well as our usual Lenten bible study following Bishop Cottrell's book, The Things He Carried. We also sent out an Advent Candle and prayer card to everyone in the mission area.

St Hilary's Church

Exploring Faith I have been encouraged with the take-up of people coming to the men's group, the way in which and the online ladies fellowship, and the discussions which happen on whatsapp around the daily readings from the daily bible pledge, all of which seems to be encouraging people to reflect on their faith, ask questions, and explore. The daily bible pledge continues to make a positive mark on the life of St Hilary's. When it was first launched, over two thirds of the congregation pledged to partake in daily bible readings. We hand out introductory leaflets each time we begin a new book. The Archdeacon came to preach to us on Ecclesiastes. About a dozen are a part of the WhatsApp discussion group. Finally, and most impressively, we had over dozen people approach us to ask for a bible; either because they didn't have one, or the one they had wasn't easily readable. It would be good to develop this a bit further, and to have a refresher Sunday, to repledge people, especially if they have fallen off the wagon, which is easily done. We have also introduced a monthly come and sing with St David's congregation. These have proved to be very popular and have pulled in a large amount of people who wouldn't normally engage with traditional bible study. Whilst not wanting to lose the informality, song, and fun of the evening, it is my intention to tie in a tad more biblical teaching to these events.

Exploring worship: Last year, we mentioned in the annual reports, the need to reach out to baptism families. Since then, we have introduced a monthly family service. This is a very free-flowing style of service, which is, hopefully, relevant to young families and new-comers. This has been difficult to get off the ground, but we are beginning to see some take-up from families connected with Bodafon school. I think we need to continue with this, as I feel we are on the brink of getting something well established, but perhaps also need to pray about what else we can offer. The mission area is planning a holiday club in May, and Mrs Erlandson and I are beginning to clarify a vision of some more children's work we can do. We have also established a healing service once a month in the evening. This seems to have attracted a good amount of people and is offering a huge resource to the mission area for those who need reconciliation, healing, and fulfilment during hard times. Because of the nature of this service, it is unlikely to attract a regular following, and will most likely be used by people as and when they feel they need it.

Sharing Christ's love I have noticed how much more the Conwy foodbank seems to be filling up more regularly, and people from St Hilary's engaging with the Aberconwy care and share, this is much appreciated. Jeanette does a great amount of work for the Christian Aid, and it has been good to see St Hilary's support for this. It is fantastic that we can book in, once again, one of Jelena's concerts. This will play a huge part in welcoming new people into St Hilary's church and an opportunity to get the community together for something joyful and fun. A tremendous vote of thanks must also go out to all those who help maintain and do marvellous work in the church yards. Our church yard is an asset to this church. Through it, we are a beacon to care for wildlife. Our wildflowers are exemplary and the habitats, food, and shelter they provide for insects. But also, the birdlife and the regular commitment to keep the feeders full. Along with the St Hilary's beehives, and the production of St Hilary's Honey. This is a true example of the stewardship of the planet, and something which I know we are planning on developing with our local church school.

St Paul's Church

The relaxation of restrictions has meant that attendance has increased and people are more comfortable joining in events in church. We have seen our Story Time Café restart with renewed interest and the Fellowship has also begun its regular cycle of meetings and provision of post-service refreshments.

The Rector continues to engage positively with Bodafon School and children are encouraged to play an active part in one of our Sunday services each month. We have joined the Prayer Book Society as a corporate member — the first in the Province — and now provide a Holy Communion service following the 1662 Book of Common Prayer on the last Thursday of the month. This has seen an increase in attendance from people over the wider area who enjoy the traditional Anglican rite.

Last summer we established a rainbow garden within the church grounds. This has proved to be popular for people to visit and sit quietly in contemplation and remembrance of loved ones. It was recently used for photographs following a wedding ceremony in church.

The choir continues to provide an excellent role in our worship and it is hoped that some new choristers will join later in the year. It is good to record that we are almost back to full strength following the restrictions.

The re-roofing of the chancel is almost complete and we now turn our attention to the replacement of our boiler system and associated flues which are no longer compliant with current standards.

We have very recently secured the services of a first rate caretaker for church and hall. We look forward to cleaning issues being more regularly carried out than during the past year or so. Philip C Evans and Sally Allan

St David's Church

As for all the churches in the Mission Area, the year started off in lockdown, with the disappointment and difficulties that the pandemic brought, but the year progressed quite dramatically as the months passed and ended up as an year of significant changes for St David's.

The early months saw little activity or events and with the Church Hall also closed, the restrictions curtailed fellowship and mission significantly.

The changes started as we heard the disappointing news of the departure of Rev. Godfrey, as his calling took him to a new role in Gosport.

Godfrey had been with us for around 9 years and we had seen his life develop both in the Church and in his personal life.

We were not able to have the big celebration party as we would have wished to hold due to the restrictions, but did have a lovely service with his family and were able to present farewell gifts to them all to wish them well in their new life in Hampshire. We do miss him and Melisa and of course the gorgeous little Angela.

However, Godfrey did leave us with a Vision Statement which he formulated from within a small working group congregation members, which set out a plan and strategy for St David's to enhance its community involvement and grow the church in Penrhyn Bay. Our disappointment was however soon tempered with the announcement that St David's had been chosen as one of the three Diocesan Hub Churches to be established and that Rev. Juliet Fraser was to join us as our vicar and Hub Church Leader.

We all knew Rev Juliet well and the whole congregation were very comfortable with her and she quickly settled into her role as our leader and the initial uncertainty of what a Hub Church entailed was quickly formulated.

Rev Juliet has brought a new energy and direction to St David's, based on the Vision Statement that Rev Godfrey left us with, but enhanced it with her own ideas and thoughts of how to see the growth that we all desire and hope for.

We have seen new types of services which include a weekly Prayer Group, monthly 'Café Church' services in the Church Hall with singing (accompanied by either guitar or steel drum or videos) and even a puppet show for children in the lead up to Christmas with the Archdeacon being one of the puppeteers.

The regular Sunday worship has included more music and congregation involvement and probably a more relaxed worship.

All Saints Church

In the last year we have said goodbye to Rev'd Juliet and welcomed Rev'd Ben as our new Priest in Charge. Rev'd Ben had served his curacy in All Saints so was familiar to the congregation ensuring a smooth transition.

It has been wonderful to see people returning to church over the last year and wonderful to welcome new people into our church family. We have seen a steady growth in our Sunday attendance, Due to the need arising we now have activities for children each Sunday and we continue to explore diversity in our styles of worship. We are awaiting a faculty to install 2 TV screens which will continue to enhance our worship. We are committed to exploring further alterations to the church building to offer more flexibility.

Christmas and Easter afforded us opportunity to run outreach events. We ran our Advent Trail for the second year with more people from the local community involved. This culminated in an outdoor crib service. We made further use of the outdoor space with an Easter Nature Trail.

We welcomed Ysgol Deganwy's eco council to church to audit our garden and plan potential improvements. We hope to work closer with the school over the coming year and to develop our outside space.

We are thankful to God for all his is doing in our midst and we look forward to the next year as we allow ourselves to be led by the Holy Spirit.

St Michael's and All Angels

In the last year we have said goodbye to Rev'd Juliet and welcomed Rev'd Ben as our new Priest in Charge. Rev'd Ben had served his curacy in St Michaels so was familiar to the congregation ensuring a smooth transition.

This last year has seen many of the community groups return to using the hall providing some much-needed income for the church, although our finances remain very fragile due to the small number who attend on a Sunday. We are a small but faithful group.

In November 2021 we launched Adventurers, a group for 0-3's and their carers and we currently have 40 children registered who have attended at least once. It has been wonderful to meet so many new people and see the building open and bustling with activity. Out of Adventurers there have been 2 outdoor, outreach events, one at Easter and one at Christmas. Small steps in the right direction to make connections in the community.

It has been joyous to see the return of baptisms, many of which were delayed due to the pandemic. We also had a wedding and baptism in one in August 2021. Having Adventurers to invite families along to has been a great next step for a continued relationship.

There are many challenges ahead for St Michaels but we are grateful to God for leading us this far and we trust him with the future.

St Cystennin's Church

St Cystennin continues to have a small but loyal and active congregation plus a varied group of occasional visitors, most of whom come to the area on holiday or to visit relatives and have some previous connection with the church.
Our weekly 9.30am Sunday service continues. Sadly, we no longer have a regular organist but are learning how to access music on line.
Efforts have been made over the winter to tidy up the church and make it more welcoming. A new table cloth has been purchased for the refreshments area and we have gained a white altar frontal from St Asaph church: Ours was basically beyond repair and they were no longer using it. Advertising of services and events is happening online and Facebook as well as on posters locally, thanks to church members. The churchyard is being maintained by the efforts of one of our members and this is much appreciated. Two new benches have been purchased for the churchyard as we know it is used by many walkers, cyclists and locals.
The church is starting to revive the events that were popular before Covid and provided useful links to Mochdre and the surrounding villages. We start with a plant sale on 14th May.
We have a few members who have not returned to worshipping with us for various reasons. Contact is being maintained with them and home communion offered to two ladies who can no longer manage to come do to age and infirmity.
Plans to reach out into the community are ongoing but need to take into account the small number of people available to action them.
I would like to thank all at St Cystennin for the warm and generous welcome I have received since coming there last October. Rev. Sue Storey

St Ffraid's Church

Since the reopening of St Ffraids after the change in Covid 19 regulations we have seen a big change in the attendance of parishioners. We have lost a number of our regular worshippers which has been very sad but on a positive note we have achieved a small increase of new members to the congregation

We continue to provide a focus for our community with a number of events held regularly to promote social integration, but also to help with much needed funds in sustaining our ability to meet our commitments.
Over the last couple of months we have been able to start work on the east wall due to some generous donations and we hope we will see completion of the work by June this year.
Since the Mission Area review last year we have seen the creation of an action plan further building on our community assets with a focus on proclamation and inclusion.
St Ffraids has seen some wonderful artistic expressions and displays at the important church calendar events, with a magnificent cascade of knitted poppies for Remembrance Sunday, created by our newly formed crafters group; our traditional Christmas tree exhibition and a beautiful display at Easter.
Easter day service welcomed the baptism of Isabella into the Church family which in the words of the Rev Sarah "this has made my Easter day complete"

St Martin's Church

It has been a positive year in St Martin's. We have welcomed the tentative return to 'normality' and the removal of COVID restrictions. Despite that everything seems to be distinctly fragile. It has been wonderful to be able to welcome back our regular worshippers and see some new people join/return to church worship.
We have seen the appointment of Rev'd Ben Lines as Priest in Charge which has inevitably bought some changes to our pattern of worship. We now have monthly family services which have enabled us to welcome new people into church. We have made the transition to using a screen to facilitate our worship. There have been several highlights throughout the last year; the well-attended Christingle service, Carols by Candlelight and a church open day and Easter Egg Hunt.
This year we have seen the return of the weekly Coffee Stop in the Village Hall and it has been great to see people gathering to chat over a paned and a slice of cake. We have seen the start of the Monday club, a weekly group for people to gather, chat and create, All wonderful opportunities to meet new people and extend a hand of friendship and love.
Our partnership with Ysgol Eglwysbach has grown with Rev'd Ben now taking weekly services in the school and serving as part of the Governing Body. The whole school attends church on the first Thursday of the month.
A positive year, but not without it's challenges. We are grateful to God for his hand of blessing upon us. We continue to place our trust in God for the future and ask the Holy Spirit to lead us into the next chapter of ministry for us.

St Grwst's Church

As with all church's St Grwst's has been building back up over the past year. Week by week numbers have been good with Bi-lingual services each Sunday. Unfortunately we don't have a regular organist but have recently welcomed Mrs Christine Williams who plays once a month for us.
The Church is now being used by a number of groups and it was a joy, during Lent to have our Lent course there. Life is so much more pleasant when you have a comfy chair, a kitchen and a 100! We hold a regular Panad a Sgwrs (Coffee Morning) every Thursday which is well supported and very much appreciated by those who come along.
Recently we began a group for people with Learning Difficulties. We had our first session on Holy a Saturday which went really well and we have plans for walks and a picnic for future sessions. Those who attended created a great bit of Easter art depicting the cross and the empty tomb which was put up in church on Easter Day.
Relations continue to grow with the schools in town and also our Church School in Llanddoged. Ysgol Dyffryn Conwy used the church to record their Christmas concert and Ysgol Llanddoged have been in and experienced Baptism and a Wedding. Just prior to the Easter break the whole school came and we walked our way through the Easter Story - a great experience.
Open Table continues to have its home in St Grwsts. We are very much a gathered community coming from across the Diocese and from various Christian backgrounds. Collectively those who attend would all say how much they value time spent together, worshipping together at the Eucharist and encouraging one another.
We thank God for what has been and together, with him, we'll embrace what is to come!

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA ELECTORAL ROLL APRIL 2022

Following the complete renewal of the Roll, the number signed up at the closing date was 276. This is a decrease from the figure of 357 which was the total of the old Roll. Since the closing date I already have received 6 more completed forms, which can be added after the Easter Vestry meeting, and I would encourage any others who have not yet signed up to do so as soon as possible.
This is often the pattern when a Roll is completely renewed, as members miss the forms, forget, are unaware that they have to renew, and those who should no longer be on the Roll are removed. It is important that the Roll is kept up to date throughout the year, so I would be grateful if churchwardens could please try to get any 'regulars' who haven't yet done so to sign up, encourage new members of congregations to enrol in due course, and also let me know about names that should be removed from the Roll for whatever reason.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year-end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC will consider the level of reserves that it is prudent for Aberconwy Mission Area to have. Consideration will be given to redundancy liabilities, lease agreements and any other significant factors that should be taken into account were any part of the Aberconwy Mission Area to close. This will be reviewed every three years

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on: 18.10.22 *(Date)*

and signed on its behalf by : *(Signature)*

ANDREW E.C. JAMES *(Name)*

Statement of Financial Activities		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2021 Total funds	2020 Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	207,462	37,474	28,110	273,045	635,258
Income from charitable activities	4	14,779	-	804	15,583	8,879
Other trading activities	5	34,464	5,871	9,100	49,435	122,686
Investments	6	7,085	4	366	7,455	82,949
Other income	7	5,500	-	2,118	7,618	8,397
Total income		**269,290**	**43,348**	**40,497**	**353,135**	**858,169**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	8	1,351	-	-	1,351	958
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	248,774	46,654	11,025	306,452	854,790
Other expenditure	10	4,200	-	-	4,200	-
Total expenditure		**254,326**	**46,654**	**11,025**	**312,004**	**855,748**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		**14,964**	**(3,305)**	**29,473**	**41,131**	**2,421**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in				1,142	1,142	5,562
Gross transfers between funds - out				(1,142)	(1,142)	(5,562)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets		3,893	1,722	3,198	8,813	(2,804)
Net movement in funds		**18,857**	**(1,584)**	**32,671**	**49,945**	**(383)**
Total funds brought forward		**357,351**	**64,147**	**147,322**	**568,821**	**569,204**
Total funds carried forward		**376,209**	**62,564**	**179,993**	**618,766**	**568,821**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		376,209			376,209	357,351
Designated						
High Interest Account			37,643		37,643	42,570
Llanrwst Church House Account			5,534		5,534	6,912
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault			7,223		7,223	6,464
Chancel Repair Fund			9,164		9,164	8,201
Printing & Publicity Materials			-		-	-
Asbestos removal			3,000		3,000	-
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account				14,196	14,196	13,028
Churchyard Fund				5,943	5,943	943
SADBF Grants for Children's services				2,588	2,588	2,611
Bursary Conducting Student				1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account				50	50	50
Money Manager				6,046	6,046	6,046
Hall Repairs				-	-	-
Music Fund				5,203	5,203	1,483
Organ Fund				16,152	16,152	15,379
Parish Share				47,900	47,900	47,900
Restricted Fund				(0)	(0)	1,142
Roof Fund				14,722	14,722	13,331
WiFi				-	-	-
St Martin's Roof Appeal Fund				-	-	-
St Mary's Churchyeard Account				1,094	1,094	1,099
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church				21,362	21,362	19,320
Church House				12,856	12,856	13,993
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund				4,622	4,622	4,030
Chancel Repair Fund				4,439	4,439	3,875
Church Building Repairs				2,375	2,375	1,020
Hassocks				695	695	545
Restricted Donation				335	335	450
ACS				8,864	8,864	-
Afghan				-	-	-
CGProj				1,950	1,950	-
Diggle				1,722	1,722	-
Garden				-	-	-
InsRet				1,830	1,830	-
JFDons				10	10	-

LFFund			643	643	-
MemRep			43	43	-
RainGard			291	291	-
Wall			2,984	2,984	-
	376,209	62,564	179,993	618,766	568,821

Balance sheet	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	2021 Total funds	2020 Prior year total funds
Fixed assets						
Investments	14	59,148	16,387	30,423	105,958	96,895
		59,148	**16,387**	**30,423**	**105,958**	**96,895**
Current assets						
Debtors	15	13,320	-	-	13,320	11,579
Cash at bank and in hand		323,065	46,177	149,571	518,812	462,835
		336,385	**46,177**	**149,571**	**532,132**	**474,415**
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16	19,324	-	-	19,324	2,489
		19,324	**-**	**-**	**19,324**	**2,489**
Net current assets less current liabilities		**317,061**	**46,177**	**149,571**	**512,808**	**471,926**
Total assets less current liabilities		**376,209**	**62,564**	**179,994**	**618,766**	**568,821**
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Restricted Donation		-	-	335	335	450
ACS		-	-	8,864	8,864	-
Afghan		-	-	-	-	-
CGProj		-	-	1,950	1,950	-
Diggle		-	-	1,722	1,722	-
Garden		-	-	-	-	-
InsRet		-	-	1,830	1,830	-
JFDons		-	-	10	10	-
LFFund		-	-	643	643	-

MemRep	-	-	43	43	-
RainGard	-	-	291	291	-
Wall	-	-	2,984	2,984	-
Funds of the church	**376,209**	**62,564**	**179,993**	**618,766**	**568,821**

Cash Flow Statement

	Note	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	18		
Cash generated from operations			**39,708**
Investing activities			
Rental income, dividends and interest received		16,268	
			16,268
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			**55,977**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			462,835
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			**518,812**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentational currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

1.4 Incoming resources

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

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

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

Grant income is recognised on receipt unless income is received in advance at the year-end and the performance criteria relate to a future accounting period.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.7 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	180,123	410	6,410	186,943	191,500
Legacies receivable	5,500	-	7,000	12,500	13,900
Grants receivable	21,839	37,064	14,700	73,602	429,858
	207,462	**37,474**	**28,110**	**273,045**	**635,258**

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	14,779	-	804	15,583	8,879
	14,779	**-**	**804**	**15,583**	**8,879**

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	12,065	-	798	12,863	7,747
Other funds generated	1,805	-	4,201	6,006	2,089
Hall rental income	18,146	-	1,445	19,591	11,794
Publication sales	105	-	-	105	338
Sundry income	2,342	5,871	2,656	10,869	99,311
Printing income				-	1,406
	34,464	**5,871**	**9,100**	**49,435**	**122,686**

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment income	1,972	-	363	2,335	71,749
Bank interest	14	4	3	20	470
Rental income	5,100	-	-	5,100	10,731
	7,085	4	366	7,455	82,949

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	5,500	-	2,118	7,618	8,397
	5,500	-	2,118	7,618	8,397

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of generating resources				-	30
Costs of fund raising	1,351	-	-	1,351	928
	1,351	-	-	1,351	958

9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
2001 - Diocesan share	126,675	-	-	126,675	134,587
2101 - Clergy expenses	8,820	-	-	8,820	9,392
2145 - Parsonage - water	3,955	-	-	3,955	3,494
2340 - Maintenance of services	2,594	-	-	2,594	3,417
2341 - Costs of vergers, organists and choir	3,660	-	-	3,660	4,050
2342 - Music & performance expenses	1,751	-	959	2,710	2,551
2401 - Costs of meetings	50	-	-	50	-
2402 - Bank and Credit Card Charges	116	-	15	131	30
2403 - Cost of printing, post and stationary	2,886	410	-	3,296	2,494
2404 - MA - telephone/mobile/internet	4,010	-	-	4,010	2,418
2405 - Office and general expenditure	2,484	-	-	2,484	4,033
2406 - Admin/Staff Salary	10,122	-	-	10,122	9,846
2407 - Depreciation	140	-	-	140	41
2408 - Leasing and Hire purchase charges	912	-	-	912	1,982
2409 - Professional Fees	5,295	-	-	5,295	1,800
2410 - IE/Audit and accountancy fees	1,860	-	-	1,860	8,764
2501 - Church operating costs - insurance	8,015	-	-	8,015	2,580
2502 - Church operating costs - electricity	6,021	-	-	6,021	7,930
2503 - Church operating costs - gas	18,251	-	-	18,251	5,314
2504 - Church operating costs - water	576	-	-	576	10,615
2505 - Church operating costs - other	1,081	-	100	1,181	185
2508 - Church repairs and maintenance	5,553	-	235	5,788	4,005
2509 - Church Cleaning	1,800	-	-	1,800	25,388
2601 - Churchyard management costs	8,907	-	1,035	9,942	921
2602 - Church hall operating costs - other	1,569	68	210	1,847	3,355
2603 - Church hall operating costs - electric	2,621	879	383	3,884	11,152
2604 - Church hall operating costs - gas	641	1,085	1,328	3,054	3,881
2605 - Church hall operating costs - insurance	2,010	-	-	2,010	3,758
2606 - Church hall costs - repairs/maintenance	2,328	691	551	3,570	4,684
2607 - Church hall costs - tel./mob./internet	409	-	-	409	17,685
2608 - Church hall operating costs - water	237	166	475	878	376
2609 - Church hall - equipment repair & renewal	1,788	-	-	1,788	513
2611 - Church hall operating costs - cleaning	4,710	-	711	5,421	3,117
2612 - Other property repairs/maintenance	1,265	-	-	1,265	603
2701 - Major building repairs and renovations	-	43,353	845	44,198	547,650
2801 - Children & young people activity costs	-	-	1,303	1,303	6,840
2804 - Cost of church publications	546	-	-	546	578
2805 - Cost of mission & evangelism	186	-	-	186	161
2806 - Other costs of parish mission work	1,765	-	-	1,765	742
2901 - Support of diocesan projects	418	-	-	418	1,607
2902 - Support of church charities & projects	1,784	-	2,694	4,478	2,249
2903 - Support of UK charities	964	-	181	1,145	-
	248,774	46,654	11,025	306,452	854,790

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
3003 - Loans made	4,200	-	-	4,200	-
	4,200	-	-	4,200	-

11 Members
None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

12 Employees
There were no employees during the year (2020 - none).

13 Related party transactions
There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 – none).

14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	£
At 1 January 2021	96,896
Additions / reallocations	
Valuation changes	9,062
At 31 December 2021	105,958
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2021	105,958

15 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Gift Aid	13,320	11,579
	13,320	11,579

16 Creditors

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Accruals	19,324	2,489
	19,324	2,489

17 Fund movement by type

	Balance brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains/losses	Balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted						
General fund	357,351	269,290	(254,326)		3,893	376,209
Designated						
High Interest Account	42,570	38,426	(43,353)			37,643
Llanrwst Church House Account	6,912	1,512	(2,890)			5,534
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault	6,464				759	7,223
Chancel Repair Fund	8,201				963	9,164
Printing & Publicity Materials	-	410	(410)			-
Asbestos removal		3,000				3,000
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account	13,028	1,168				14,196
Churchyard Fund	943	5,000				5,943
SADBF Grants for Children's services	2,611		(23)			2,588
Bursary Conducting Student	1,080					1,080
Memorial Account	50					50
Money Manager	6,046					6,046
Hall Repairs	-	288	(288)			-
Music Fund	1,483	5,000	(1,280)			5,203
Organ Fund	15,379	600	(969)	1,142		16,152
Parish Share	47,900					47,900
Restricted Fund	1,142			(1,142)		(0)
Roof Fund	13,331	1,511	(120)			14,722
WiFi	-					-
St Martin's Roof Appeal Fund	-					-
St Mary's Churchyeard Account	1,099		(5)			1,094
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church	19,320				2,042	21,362
Church House	13,993	2,233	(3,370)			12,856
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund	4,030				592	4,622
Chancel Repair Fund	3,875				564	4,439
Church Building Repairs	1,020	2,200	(845)			2,375
Hassocks	545	150				695
Restricted Donation	450		(115)			335
ACS		11,281	(2,416)			8,864
Afghan		181	(181)			-
CGProj		1,950				1,950
Diggle		2,000	(278)			1,722
Garden		750	(750)			-
InsRet		1,830				1,830
JFDons		110	(100)			10
LFFund		643				643
MemRep		43				43
RainGard		576	(285)			291
Wall		2,984				2,984
	568,821	**353,135**	**(312,004)**	**-**	**8,813**	**618,766**

18 Cash generated from operations

			2021
			£
Surplus for the year			40,882
Adjustments for:			
Net investment income recognised in statement of financial activities			(16,268)
Movement in working capital:			
Increase in trade and other receivables			(1,741)
Decrease in trade and other payables			16,835
Cash generated from operations			39,708

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The PCC considers 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 Commissioners (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 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 you as 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

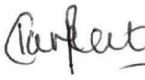
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
   a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
   b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met

In my opinion, the following matters should be drawn to your attention in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Not all transactions have been vouched to source documentation; appropriate explanations have not been provided but some items have not been vouched to the source documents. Given the passing of time not all items can be vouched or recallled. We would expect to see a greater retention of source documentation given the nature of the income and expenses in the accounts.

In some circumstances we cannot confirm if income is in the correct fund, whilst we have no reason to believe it is incorrectly allocated we feel we should draw this to your attention. These issues do not apply to all churches within the mission area but are specific to cetain churches.

(Signature) 

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ABERCONWY MISSION AREA

England & Wales - Charity number 1131047

Accounts

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

The Mission Area of Aberconwy
Charity Number: 1131047

The Churches which make up the Mission Area are:

St David, Penrhyn Bay
St Hilary, Llanrhos
St Paul, Craig-y-don
All Saints, Deganwy
St Ffraid, Llansanffraid
St Cystennin, Llangwstennin
St Grwst, Llanrwst
St Martin, Eglwysbach
St Michael, Llandudno Junction

THE MISSION AREA CONFERENCE (MAC)

The members who served from 1 January 2020 until the date this report was approved were:

Mission Area Leader
Rev Sam Erlandson

Mission Area Treasurer
Mrs Ann Harty

Mission Area Book keeper
Mrs Helen Barritt

Mission Area Wardens
Mrs Tesni Hadwin
Mr Nick Davies

Mission Area Lay Chair
Mr Frank Prescott

Mission Area Secretaries
Mrs Ann Milne
Ms Karen Giles
Mrs Mandy Groom from 09.03.2021

Mission Area Clergy
Rev Noel Cater (retired during year)
Rev Godfrey Chigumira
Rev Sarah Hildreth-Osborne
Rev Juliet Fraser
Rev Ben Lines

Readers
Mr Michael Clutton (now passed away)
Mr Alan Price
Mr Keith Livesey

Individual Church Elected Members of the Mission Area Committie

Doreen Owen
Don Milne
Philip Evans
Pat Hay
Phil Williams
Pat Chapman
Andrew James
Hazel Leech
Mabel Roberts (retired 2021)
Sue Buckley
Elaine Bellis
Denise Templeton
Janet Pierce
Bleddyn Hughes
Trefina Roberts

Mission Area Administrator
Mrs Mandy Groom

BENEFICE BANKERS

NatWest
62 Mostyn Street, Llandudno

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS

Sage & Co Chartered Accountants
102 Bowen Court, St Asaph

MAL Report, Rev Sam Erlandson

It really has been something of an interesting start to the life of the mission area. Moving job, house and a new addition to the family can be some of the most stressful moments in life but compiling them altogether and throw in a pandemic lockdown, we really are under pressure. However, despite some of these difficulties, be the grace of God, I think we are moving positively in the right direction. From establishing a good culture of reflective practice amongst the clergy, to establishing the importance of prayer amongst the mission area conference, to discerning God's will for the mission area, we are certainly laying some healthy foundations for a positive future.

The clergy are now committed to spending some time each week to sharing best practice and theologically reflecting together, whilst either following a book or a leadership course. The mission area conference has had workshops on prayer and discernment along with a mission area prayer day, which took place online, to an extended period of prayer leading to the discernment of God's will for the mission area. After a consultation process, we discerned God is calling us to focus on faith, worship and faith in action and have constructed the strapline; Aberconwy MA, God's living church: exploring faith and worship, sharing Christ's love with the community.

The next steps now will involve putting this into action. We will need to use tools such as our SWOT analysis and mission targets to begin turning this in action for the mission area. The individual church committees will be expected to take this vision and plan a course of action based on their specific contexts. But you will not be left to fend for yourselves. Lots of help and support will be given to enable this.

This will be pre-empting the review which should have taken place back in February. Rather than the reviewers coming up and dictating a lot of this process to us, hopefully we will have already gone through the early stages and can take a larger directive in the outcomes of the review scheduled for July.

As well as this we have also had to go through some basic governance across the mission area. The mission are trustees are now all up to date along with a formal list of mission area reps from each church. The mission area conference also attended a governance training day to go through area employees, so they are now being legally pain along with a legal contract. We have also set up the relevant structures within the mission area to ensure a smooth running, the establishment of the executive committee, the shared ministry team, the financial forum and the buildings forum.

St Hilary's Church

First it was the interregnum then COVID19 and lockdowns, now it is "Track & Trace" and seating plans at every service. After the first four months in lockdown, we started fighting back with "Reflections, Readings and Music" from 11:00am until 3:00pm each Sunday.

Our new vicar joined us in this strange world, and we are privileged to have his lovely young family with us quite often on a Sunday, where two-year-old Ieuan is a great help to me marshalling the communicants during the Eucharist service.

Sam has increased the number of 8:00am services to every Sunday to give people more choice. Approximately 40% of the congregation has now signed up for Gift Direct which is a great benefit as it reduces the need for collecting, counting and banking.

Our Harvest donations were given to the Food Bank and Aberconwy Domestic Abuse. Christmas and Easter services were all well attended, even though the numbers had to be restricted. In our lovely peaceful cemetery Don and Ann can be found most days feeding the birds or installing bird boxes and soon we may have a beehive or two.

In the not-to-distant future, we look forward to weddings, baptism, singing in church and hopefully having a chat over coffee after the service.

St Paul's Church

It has been a challenging year, but we have striven to strategically grow our way out of lockdown. This year has seen the completion of the repair work done to the church hall. This is now available for hire as soon as restrictions allow. The local nursery has already used it for Easter clubs and have shown interest in Whit and Summer breaks too. There is also a promising long-term contract of hire with the local nursery, which ought to bring in stable income for the hall as well as building good links with a community group.

The work on the roof is underway. We are overcoming some of the setbacks surrounding this, and we are extremely grateful for the generous financial support from the congregation and pray for continued support for this over the coming months. We are also in the process of re-positioning the ambry and lamp to the high altar thanks to a generous benefactor from the congregation on this too. Future works will include car park, guttering, repointing and the biggest of all – boilers. Despite the expense of this, the visibility and sanctuary our building offers so many is more than worth it.

During lockdown we were able to keep our congregation and church alive and active through several pioneering projects. The technical standards and production standards have risen sharply ensuring we produce high quality worship not only within the church, but online also. We have also delivered African Violets (St Paulias') to the congregation to celebrate an important anniversary on the feast of St Paul, we have sent home an afternoon tea in a bag and sent home a good news bible to every member of the congregation, as well as supporting the mission area project to deliver a holding cross to everyone during lent. This has all been important work in keeping the community together.

St David's Church

The past 12 months has, as for all the churches in the Mission Area, been the strongest and probably most challenging known in living memory due to the pandemic.

The Church has been closed for services for most of the year and the Church Hall is still closed since the lockdown in March 2020.

Unlike some churches, we did not have the skills and facilities to hold online services live. However, we maintained contact with the congregation by the way of a twice weekly emailed and hand delivered newsletters and service sheets and a video message from Rev Godfrey.

When we have returned to socially distanced services in our church, we have had pleasing numbers attending and by now are back up to the two services on Sunday and also a Friday service.

Sadly, we lost some long serving and loyal members of the congregation due to death and relocation and some are unable to attend due to ill health and shielding and they are greatly missed.

Happily, we have seen some new congregation members join us regularly and it is pleasing to see new faces. We are working to set in place a strategy and plan to raise the profile of St David's in the community to encourage more people to join us. We really do need to increase numbers attending, lower age profile and encourage involvement in the church family in Penrhyn Bay.

We truly hope that with God's guidance we shall have a much fuller report and provide details of a more active Church year in the 2022 annual report.

All Saints Church

The doors to All Saints have been closed, as have all church doors for a considerable length of time over the past year. However, we have been active as a church in our community, but in a different way.

We have managed to provide a Service of Worship every week. Some of these services have been via Zoom, where we have been able to offer a celebration of Holy Eucharist by means of 'Spiritual Commitment'. In addition, we have been able to video services either in church building, though more often, outside which have been made available on our Facebook page and our website. In addition, we have offered a Mid-week Service of Prayer and Reflection.

We have been blessed with the ministry of our curate Rev. Ben Lines and his wife Catrin, who is a gifted musician, and fluent Welsh speaker, they both have been generous with their spiritual gifts which have further enhanced our services. They have provided an additional Contemporary Sunday Service on video each Sunday, which has been available on our Facebook page and YouTube site. We have, by means of I.T. been able to reach out into our communities and the services have been well received by those who are already members of our congregations, and those who are on the fringes or our church family. We have, therefore, been able to engage in worship throughout the Church year and also to introduce a more contemporary style of worship too, which has been welcomed, and added an alterative dimension to our worship. We are extremely encouraged by the response during what has been a very challenging time for all.

During lockdown we were closed from March until a brief opening at Harvest and Christmas then closed again until Mothering Sunday.

Our Harvest Festival was well attended and although we were unable to decorate the Church in the usual way, we were still able to contribute to the work of our local food bank. In addition, our Curate Ben ran a marathon during lockdown to raise money to support them. We are very aware and concerned about the financial impact that the virus has had on our Local families, those who have lost their jobs, or whose jobs have been very unreliable. We are, therefore, in talks with the local council and schools to pursue the possibly of us working together to provide shopping for families who may not meet the criteria of the Food Bank. Although we have missed meeting up for fellowship with our regular congregation, we have also missed the interaction that we have with the groups who use our Café area but have kept in touch.

We have also kept in touch with those who do not have access online by delivering Service Booklets, Pew News, Advent and Lent Devotions and Holding Crosses. Regular telephone calls too have kept us in touch, so that the Pastoral care of all has been maintained.

We have maintained our outreach to the local school offering online services and gifting a book to the children for Christmas, along with a 'Christingle in a Bag'.

Our building continues to be in good order, and all the usual fire, electrical and boiler checks have been maintained. As we are not able to use our Service Books, we have installed a wide-screen T.V., and our services are shown via PowerPoint.

We installed a 'Easter Garden' at the beginning of Holy Week. As our church is located in an area popular with walkers, many people pass by each day. We thought that it would be a good act of witness to install the garden together with a Prayer Request Bix for those who pass by. The spring has seen us beginning the development of a garden that is left, in part, to grow wild, and be a place where people can come in and sit and watch birds on the feeders, pick herbs and sped time in quiet contemplation. We also plan to invite the local school children to come along and bring bug hotels and learn more about the nature that is all around us, and about our creator God.

Our Bible Study Group and our Prayer Group have both been held on Zoom and have grown slightly during lockdown.

Our congregation numbers have increased, and we had a particularly positive and uplifting Christmas and Easter Services – we were filled to our current capacity. We feel that we have learnt a lot during lockdown which is going to stand us in a good stead once we are able to get out and about again, it has given us a sense of drive and further commitment to continue our mission to build up the kingdom.

Our challenge coming out of lockdown is going to be to discern which of the new things we have done should we keep, and which will we have to think of dropping to enable us to continue to provide the services and support we have been offering in the new way.

St Michael's and All Angels

The last year has been a challenging for everyone, for many this has been the most difficult year they have experienced. It certainly has been for our church, the most challenge year that anyone remembers. However, we feel that we have stood up to the challenge is so many positive ways.

During lockdown we were closed from March until a brief opening at Harvest and Christmas then closed again until Mothering Sunday.

We have not only missed meeting up for worship and fellowship with our regular congregation, but we have also missed the interaction that we have with the eleven groups who use our Community Hall. However, although our doors have been closed, we have still maintained the church presence within our community. We have been able to worship together online by means of our live and recorded Zoom services. In addition to our Sunday online video services, we have filmed a Mid-week Reflection. This has enabled to retain a worshiping community here in Llandudno Junction, as our Services are then loaded onto our Facebook page and website.

We have increased our input on our Facebook page and also our Mission Area website has been updated and is now maintained by a dedicated member of our Mission Area. We have, therefore, been able to engage in worship throughout the church year and enabled to introduce a more contemporary style of worship too, which has been welcomed, and added a freshness to out worship.

We have also kept in touch with those who do not have access online by delivering Service Booklets, Pew News, Advent and Lent Devotions and Holding Crosses. Regular telephone calls too have kept us in touch, so that the Pastoral Care of all has been maintained. In addition, we have remained in contact with our community groups, but to date, we do not know when they will be able to return to out hall. However, due to the generosity of our congregation in financial and practical support, we are hopeful that as we come out of lockdown, we will be able to maintain a positive church presence here, not just in our church building, but within a wider community.

We have maintained our outreach to the local school offering online services and gifting a book to the children for Christmas.

We have also made a stronger connection with the local council, and Rev. Juliet Fraser has been aske to take up the Pastoral role of 'Pastor' to the new Mayor.

Our building continues to be in good order, and all the usual fire, electrical and boiler checks have been maintained, and we have installed an additional security camera.

We are in the process of looking into the possibility of working with the local council and community centre to provide a 'hub' to distribute bags of shopping to local families who are experiencing increased financial pressure. We will or course continue to support our local Food Bank, and what we aim to offer will an addition to their work, and not in competition with it.

We have benefited considerably by the work of our Curate Rev. Ben Lines and his family. Ben has brought with him a considerable experience in a 'free church', and has excellent I.T. skills, which he uses to enhance the presentation of our online worship, which we continue to offer and plan to expand once we are able to work together again. In addition, his wife, a gifted musician, and fluent Welsh speaker, has been generous with her gifts to further enhance our Services

Our Julian Prayer group has continued to meet on Zoom, as has our 'Bible Briefs' – our bible study group and our 'Prayer for Growth' – prayer group. Our Bible Briefs and Prayer for Growth groups have both grown in the last year.

Our congregation numbers have remained as per the previous year, and we are very much looking forward to being able to get out into our community and welcome back our community groups. We feel that we have learnt a lot during the lockdown which is going to stand us in good stead once we are able to get out and about again, it has given us a sense of drive and further commitment to build up the kingdom here in Llandudno Junction.

St Cystennin's Church

Over the last 12 months St Cystennin's has seen a few changes. We have had significant roof and window repairs done to the church last autumn 2020. Permission was given to J N Davies Stonemasons and the profits gift aided back to the church leaving the church in a stronger financial position. We also have had a new Treasurer – Edward Coleman Jones who is in the banking financial business enabling with his great expertise has helped pull us back on track financially. We have not been able to fund raise for the Church due to the pandemic. Although we are only a few, we remain confident and united for the future of the Church as we have an inspiring leader in Godfrey who encourages us greatly to work together and come up with new ideas such as moving into the local community of Mochdre with our Church Stall in the car boot sale and selling plants every weekend, and ideas for the school in Mochdre etc. we are still getting over our sad loss of Betty Jam who sadly passed away last summer aged 92 years, she worked hard in the church and made many hundreds of different kinds of jams to sell for fundraising for the church and also the surrounding community, she is sorely missed by us all. Overall, the Church generally feels uplifted and united and quietly confident for the future looking forward to the next 3 to 5 years ahead, and to worship in our beautiful church.

St Ffraid's Church

As with all other churches across the Mission Area, St Ffraid's faced the challenge of 2020 with a good degree of resolve and a determination to help and support one another and the local community.

On March 23rd, as the first national lockdown was announced the church building doors were closed but, as ever, the church community sprang into action!

The Mission and Ministry of the church family in Glan Conwy has continued but very differently; all worship transferred over to Zoom, and a new weekly Newsletter has been the tool by which we have kept people together. We met each Sunday on Zoom, and all the major festivals were kept during the year. When it came to re-opening last summer each effort was made to make sure that that happened safely and securely. It was good to be open for our Christmas Eve Eucharist and to see some familiar faces again. Some people were however concerned about being back in Church together and opted to stay away. However, over time they will grow in confidence and will be among us.

Many things took place in Glan Conwy that involved serving the local community, details of which can be obtained at a later date from the Church Warden. The church building doors may well have been closed but the church has been busy; members of the congregation have kept in touch with one another and have been there for each other in practical ways. The church community in Glan Conwy has certainly shown itself as a community that cares and has compassion and wants to bring hope and practical help to the people locally. Avenues will be explored to make sure this continues to happen when we are permitted to open.

Although the church community has been active during the last 12 months we do hope, sometime soon, to have the Church building open to the public again so we can invite people to worship with us and find new and innovative ways of serving the wider community through the use of Church House.

St Martin's Church

Life has been difficult for a small rural church such as St Martin's during the past year, but nowhere near so difficult as it has been for many; so, although we may have had our usual routine disrupted by COVID19 and its many restrictions, let us remember friends, relations and so many other people who have experienced personal tragedies.

Like so many other places of worship we have complied with the restrictions regarding social distancing: Roy and Geoff, having surveying backgrounds, efficiently portioned off the church pews with yards of black and yellow tape (red and white not approved!) with the result that we could accommodate up to 43 persons for a service. Then after all that effort, including the removal or all items such as soft furnishings, books, prayer sheets and so on, we had to cope with private prayer only and finally total closure.
At long last, we were able to reopen for worship, but then came the surprise that Sarah had asked to be relieved of her responsibility for St Martin's. we have been more that fortunate that our team in the Mission Area have come together to provide us with the ongoing clerical and pastoral care. We now have a rota which means we are visited by Sam, Ben, Juliet and Godfrey.
We are also blessed with a faithful congregation, and all the regulars have returned to our Sunday service, which we now hold at 2pm. The variety of preachers is inspiring and has even encouraged some previously stray sheep to return to the fold. Congregational singing is still not allowed of course, but Sam has inspired us with a couple of solos, so Roy and Geoff are now entertaining the congregation with a couple of hymns and getting their voices back into shape for when their Male Voice Choirs can restart.

Still a long way to go before normality returns (if ever) but we are so grateful to all involved in the Mission Area for their support – isn't that what its all supposed to be about?

St Grwst's Church

As with all other churches across the Mission Area St Grwst's faced the challenge of 2020 with a good degree of resolve but also frustration. On March 23rd, as the first national lockdown was announced, we received the keys back from the Contractor who has been overseeing the capital work on the building. All the work, bar the subsequent snagging, was now complete and we were back in charge of the building again. Obviously, the great plans we had had have to be put of the back burner for now but, as soon as we get the green light, we will be back up and running again, providing a much-improved building for people to explore.

The Mission and Ministry of the church family in Llanrwst has continued but very differently. All worship transferred over to Zoom very quickly, and a new weekly Newsletter has been the tool by which people have retained a sense of togetherness. Over the months of lockdown, the list of those receiving the Newsletter has grown somewhat. On Zoom, it was great to welcome, week by week, people from across the Mission Area. During tricky times it gave us an opportunity to get to know each other as well as Zoom allows. We met each Sunday, and all the major festivals were kept during the year.

When it came to re-opening last summer every effort was made to make sure that that happened safely and securely. It was good to be open for our Christmas Eve Eucharist to which we invited a group of 6 singers who let 4 carols from the Rood-Loft – they made for a great touch to the service. Zoom has been a great way to stay connected and to pray together although we do long for the day when we can be back together in the flesh.

Just into lockdown phone numbers were distributed if anyone needed to have a chat and people from church very kindly helped with shopping and obtaining prescriptions for others and generally kept an eye on people to make sure everyone was doing ok. Some people got involved with the local Foodbank, assisting with that on a Wednesday and The Rector became one of the referees for the Foodbank. This provided very basic contact with people who perhaps wouldn't normally have had reason to speak to anyone from the Church.
The church building doors may well have been closed but the church has been busy! Although the church community has been active during the past 12 months we do hope, sometime soon, to have the Church building open to the public again so we can use for good and for God's glory a building beautifully renewed.

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA ELECTORAL ROLL APRIL 2021

The total number on the Roll for the churches in the Mission Area is 359. This is a decrease of 4 from last year, although I am aware of 2 more applications in progress for St Paul's, 2 for St Grwst's and 1 for St Hilary's. It has been quite difficult to keep up to date this year with churches closed and many still not returned to regular worship, and we have sadly lost several members who have died during the year.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The receipts and payments for the year, and the assets and liabilities at the year-end are shown in the statements of account which accompany this report.

RESERVES POLICY

The MAC will consider the level of reserves that it is prudent for Aberconwy Mission Area to have. Consideration will be given to redundancy liabilities, lease agreements and any other significant factors that should be taken into account were any part of the Aberconwy Mission Area to close. This will be reviewed every three years

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on: *(Date)* 7th December, 2021

and signed on its behalf by : *(Signature)* F. R. Prescott

(Name) FRANK RONALD PRESCOTT

LAY CHAIR

Statement of Financial Activities

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	3	221,322	391,615	22,321	635,258	530,018
Income from charitable activities	4	7,666	-	1,213	8,879	15,757
Other trading activities	5	29,067	92,481	1,139	122,686	139,437
Investments	6	31,942	14,742	36,266	82,949	17,796
Other income	7	8,397	-	-	8,397	7,659
Total income		**298,393**	**498,838**	**60,938**	**858,169**	**710,667**
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	8	958	-	-	958	81,024
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	275,288	525,182	54,320	854,790	593,516
Other expenditure	10	-	-	-	-	-
Total expenditure		**276,246**	**525,182**	**54,320**	**855,748**	**674,540**
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		**22,147**	**(26,345)**	**6,618**	**2,421**	**36,127**
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in		4,562		1,000	5,562	19,889
Gross transfers between funds - out		(1,000)		(4,562)	(5,562)	(19,889)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Gains / losses on investment assets		(3,103)	-	300	(2,804)	4,455
Net movement in funds		**22,605**	**(26,345)**	**3,356**	**(383)**	**40,582**
Total funds brought forward		**334,746**	**90,492**	**143,966**	**569,204**	**528,622**
Total funds carried forward		**357,351**	**64,147**	**147,322**	**568,821**	**569,204**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		357,351			357,351	334,746
Designated						
High Interest Account			42,570		42,570	82,532
Llanrwst Church House Account			6,912		6,912	7,960
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault			6,464		6,464	-
Chancel Repair Fund			8,201		8,201	-
Printing & Publicity Materials			-		-	-
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account				13,028	13,028	13,224
Churchyard Fund				943	943	943
SADBF Grants for Children's services				2,611	2,611	4,950
Bursary Conducting Student				1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account				50	50	50
Money Manager				6,046	6,046	6,046
Hall Repairs				-	-	-
Music Fund				1,483	1,483	4,153
Organ Fund				15,379	15,379	14,741
Parish Share				47,900	47,900	47,900
Restricted Fund				1,142	1,142	3,552
Roof Fund				13,331	13,331	40,950
WiFi				-	-	362
St Martin's Roof Appeal Fund				-	-	5,533
St Mary's Churchyeard Account				1,099	1,099	483
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church				19,320	19,320	-
Church House				13,993	13,993	-
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund				4,030	4,030	-
Chancel Repair Fund				3,875	3,875	-
Church Building Repairs				1,020	1,020	-
Hassocks				545	545	-
Restricted Donation				450	450	-
		357,351	**64,147**	**147,322**	**568,821**	**569,204**

Balance sheet

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Fixed assets						
Investments	14	55,005	14,665	27,225	96,895	38,774
		55,005	**14,665**	**27,225**	**96,895**	**38,774**
Current assets						
Debtors	15	11,579	-	-	11,579	3,414
Cash at bank and in hand		293,255	49,482	120,098	462,835	529,343
		304,835	**49,482**	**120,098**	**474,415**	**532,758**
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16	2,489	-	-	2,489	2,328
		2,489	**-**	**-**	**2,489**	**2,328**
Net current assets less current liabilities		**302,346**	**49,482**	**120,098**	**471,926**	**530,430**
Total assets less current liabilities		**357,351**	**64,147**	**147,323**	**568,821**	**569,204**
Total net assets less liabilities		**357,351**	**64,147**	**147,323**	**568,821**	**569,204**
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
General fund		357,351	-	-	357,351	334,746
Designated						
High Interest Account		-	42,570	-	42,570	82,532
Llanrwst Church House Account		-	6,912	-	6,912	7,960
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault		-	6,464	-	6,464	-
Chancel Repair Fund		-	8,201	-	8,201	-
Printing & Publicity Materials		-	-	-	-	-
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account		-	-	13,028	13,028	13,224
Churchyard Fund		-	-	943	943	943
SADBF Grants for Children's services		-	-	2,611	2,611	4,950
Bursary Conducting Student		-	-	1,080	1,080	1,080
Memorial Account		-	-	50	50	50
Money Manager		-	-	6,046	6,046	6,046
Hall Repairs		-	-	-	-	-
Music Fund		-	-	1,483	1,483	4,153
Organ Fund		-	-	15,379	15,379	14,741
Parish Share		-	-	47,900	47,900	47,900
Restricted Fund		-	-	1,142	1,142	3,552
Roof Fund		-	-	13,331	13,331	40,950
WiFi		-	-	-	-	362
St Martin's Roof Appeal Fund		-	-	-	-	5,533
St Mary's Churchyeard Account		-	-	1,099	1,099	483
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church		-	-	19,320	19,320	-
Church House		-	-	13,993	13,993	-
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund		-	-	4,030	4,030	-
Chancel Repair Fund		-	-	3,875	3,875	-
Church Building Repairs		-	-	1,020	1,020	-
Hassocks		-	-	545	545	-
Restricted Donation		-	-	450	450	-
Funds of the church		**357,351**	**64,147**	**147,322**	**568,821**	**569,204**

Cash Flow Statement

	Note	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities	19		
Cash generated from operations			**(71,064)**
Investing activities			
Rental income, dividends and interest received		4,556	
			4,556
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			**(66,508)**
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			529,343
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			**462,835**

1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The charity's presentational currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

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

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

1.4 Incoming resources

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

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

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

Grant income is recognised on receipt unless income is received in advance at the year-end and the performance criteria relate to a future accounting period.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

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

1.7 Financial instruments

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

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

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

Basic financial assets

Basic financial liabilities

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

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	185,867	615	5,018	191,500	222,718
Legacies receivable	13,900	-	-	13,900	3,000
Grants receivable	21,555	391,000	17,303	429,858	304,300
	221,322	**391,615**	**22,321**	**635,258**	**530,018**

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Fees for occasional offices	7,666	-	1,213	8,879	15,757
Choral scholarship	-	-	-	-	-
	7,666	**-**	**1,213**	**8,879**	**15,757**

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	7,452	-	295	7,747	34,492
Other funds generated	1,930	159	-	2,089	5,166
Hall rental income	10,470	480	844	11,794	45,203
Publication sales	338	-	-	338	3,265
Sundry income	7,470	91,841	-	99,311	50,638
Printing income	1,406	-	-	1,406	674
	29,067	**92,481**	**1,139**	**122,686**	**139,437**

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Investment income	20,872	14,665	36,212	71,749	2,084
Bank interest	339	77	54	470	712
Rental income	10,731	-	-	10,731	15,000
	31,942	**14,742**	**36,266**	**82,949**	**17,796**

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	8,397	-	-	8,397	-
Sale of fixed assets				-	2,790
Funeral income				-	3,711
Council grant				-	1,000
Burial of ashes				-	158
	8,397	**-**	**-**	**8,397**	**7,659**

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Costs of applying for grants	-	-	-	-	76,075
Costs of generating resources	30	-	-	30	143
Costs of fund raising	928	-	-	928	4,806
	958	**-**	**-**	**958**	**81,024**

9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	134,587	-	-	134,587	189,635
Clergy expenses	9,392	-	-	9,392	7,494
Parsonage - water	3,494	-	-	3,494	2,827
Maintenance of services	3,212	205	-	3,417	4,913
Costs of vergers, organists & choir	4,050	-	-	4,050	7,503
Music and performances	2,487	-	64	2,551	4,815
Costs of meetings	-	-	-	-	-
Bank charges	30	-	-	30	69
Printing, post & stationery	2,084	410	-	2,494	7,179
Parish - telephone/internet	2,056	-	362	2,418	3,686
Office expenses	4,033	-	-	4,033	4,499
Parish administrator	9,846	-	-	9,846	13,205
Leasing & HP charges	41	-	-	41	752
Professional fees	1,982	-	-	1,982	19,491
Audit & accountancy fees	1,800	-	-	1,800	1,800
Church costs - insurance	6,420	-	2,344	8,764	9,925
Church costs - electricity	2,580	-	-	2,580	7,834
Church costs - gas	7,930	-	-	7,930	17,177
Church costs - rates & water	5,314	-	-	5,314	605
Church costs - other	10,615	-	-	10,615	3,051
Church costs - repairs	186	-	(1)	185	8,613
Cleaning	4,005	-	-	4,005	1,220
Churchyard management	19,855	-	5,533	25,388	10,593
Church hall - other	921	-	-	921	1,457
Church hall - electric	2,193	-	1,163	3,355	6,172
Church hall - gas	10,567	261	323	11,152	2,192
Church hall - insurance	2,350	974	557	3,881	4,654
Church hall - repairs	806	1,656	1,295	3,758	11,143
Church hall - water	3,128	466	1,089	4,684	1,110
Church hall - cleaning	6,297	207	11,181	17,685	4,709
Other PCC property costs	378	-	-	378	7,220
Major building repairs	89	247	177	513	204,473
Young people activity costs	3,018	-	99	3,117	13,301
Parish lay workers	603	-	-	603	837
Church publications	1,770	520,755	25,125	547,650	2,008
Mission & evangelism	1,830	-	5,009	6,840	131
Parish mission work	578	-	-	578	330
Support - diocese projects	161	-	-	161	240
Church charities support	742	-	-	742	568
External charities support	1,607	-	-	1,607	5,768
World Mission giving	2,249	-	-	2,249	317
	275,288	**525,182**	**54,320**	**854,790**	**593,516**

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
				-	-
	-	-	-	-	-

11 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

12 Employees

There were no employees during the year (2019 - none).

13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2019 – none).

14 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments
Cost or valuation	£
At 1 January 2020	38,774
Additions / reallocations	57,776
Valuation changes	345
At 31 December 2020	**96,895**
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2020	**96,895**

15 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£
Gift Aid	11,579	3,414
	11,579	**3,414**

16 Creditors

	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£
Accruals	2,489	2,328
	2,489	**2,328**

17 Post balance sheet events

As a direct consequence of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, and in accordance with UK government guidelines, church buildings were closed to the public in March 2020 for an indeterminate period. At the date of the approval of the accounts it has not been possible to quantify or ascertain with any certainty the financial impact of COVID-19. No adjustments have been made to any of the figures as a result of the pandemic.

18 Fund movement by type

	Balance brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains/losses	Balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted						
General fund	334,746	298,393	(276,246)	3,562	(3,103)	357,351
Designated						
High Interest Account	82,532	480,794	(520,755)			42,570
Llanrwst Church House Account	7,960	2,764	(3,812)			6,912
Archdeacon Hugh Jones Vault		6,464				6,464
Chancel Repair Fund		8,201				8,201
Printing & Publicity Materials		615	(615)			-
Restricted						
Capel Garmon Restricted Account	13,224	531	(727)			13,028
Churchyard Fund	943	-	-			943
SADBF Grants for Children's services	4,950	-	(2,339)			2,611
Bursary Conducting Student	1,080	-	-			1,080
Memorial Account	50	-	-			50
Money Manager	6,046	-	-			6,046
Hall Repairs	-	1,500	(1,500)			-
Music Fund	4,153	-	(2,670)			1,483
Organ Fund	14,741	-	(64)		701	15,379
Parish Share	47,900	-	-			47,900
Restricted Fund	3,552	100	-	(2,510)		1,142
Roof Fund	40,950	901	(27,469)	(1,051)		13,331
WiFi	362	-	(362)			-
St Martin's Roof Appeal Fund	5,533	-	(5,533)			-
St Mary's Churchyeard Account	483	1,052	(436)			1,099
RBCIW - Capel Garmon Parish Church		19,320				19,320
Church House		27,214	(13,221)			13,993
RBCIW - Chancel Repair Fund		4,030				4,030
Chancel Repair Fund		4,277			(401)	3,875
Church Building Repairs		1,020				1,020
Hassocks		545				545
Restricted Donation		450				450
	569,204	**858,169**	**(855,748)**	**-**	**(2,804)**	**568,821**

19 Cash generated from operations

	2020
	£
Surplus for the year	2,421
Adjustments for:	
Net Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(65,481)
Movement in working capital:	
Increase in trade and other receivables	(8,165)
Decrease in trade and other payables	161
Cash generated from operations	**(71,064)**

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

ABERCONWY MISSION AREA PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The PCC considers 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 Commissioners (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 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 you as 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 matter has come to my attention:

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
   a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
   b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or

2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Whilst carrying out the independent examination of Aberconwy Mission Area, the following issues have come to my attention:

As part of our testing, there were some bank accounts that we could not verify the closing postion. These will be verifed during the next year.

(Signature)

(Date)

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