

PARISH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, GREAT MEOLS

Annual report of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ending

31st December 2023

The principal function of the PCC is “to promote, in the parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical.” The PCC members are also Trustees, and, therefore, stewards both of the mission and the resources of the Church, ensuring that it is solvent, well-run and delivering its charitable outcomes. In addition, the PCC is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Church Centre.

PCC members were:

Vicar	Revd. Canon Gillian Rossiter
Readers	David Moss Lesley Young
Churchwardens	Adele Sedgwick Martin Hodson
Representatives on Deanery Synod	Lesley Young Claire Barnard, Daniel Branch, Eunice Moss Sheena Wilson
Pastoral Worker	Chris Branch Andy Liston (from October) Alex Calvert (from October)
Elected members	Steve Austin (Treasurer) Gill Childs Rowan Connell Sue Dutton (Secretary) Jean Hodgson Hazel Moon Clare O’Connell Steve Symes (Assistant Treasurer)

The PCC met on six occasions in 2023, only once having to resort to a virtual meeting while the Standing Committee met together on five occasions.

Although all coronavirus guidance had eased we continued to air on the side of caution due to the increasing numbers of covid and flu. The PCC monitored this decision throughout the year and from May it was agreed that masks were no longer

required, and the chalice was reintroduced for dipping of wafers. We continue to offer hand gel before communion and have not yet reinstated the use of the shared chalice.

The finances of the church are a constant worry especially this year with increased costs of energy and the work we are about to start on the East Wall. Our Parish Share increases annually, this year being more than £87,600. It is always hoped that Planned Giving will provide the resources to cover this as any shortfall means dipping into our reserves. Despite the ever-increasing costs of energy and the ongoing running of the church, St John's is probably in a better financial position than many churches and we are thankful for the incredibly support we receive from so many people not just our church members, but also the wider community.

St John's continues to grow as the heart of the local community, together with links with the neighbouring churches of St Catherine's, St Andrew's, and St Hildeburgh's and of course St Chad's in Leasowe.

Members of the local community who are not members of our church community have continued to help with the making and delivering of soup and sandwiches to the housebound, joined in church activities, donated, and washed and ironed clothes for the Swap Shop at St Chads, donated pyjamas at Christmas, together with financial contributions to the causes we support. We are extremely thankful for all this support.

All our volunteers were invited to our Coronation lunch in May, a perfect example of 'Everyday Faith' being extended beyond our church into the community, and everyone enjoyed being in the fellowship of the church.

Links with Great Meol's Primary have also continued, and the children have enjoyed Easter and Christmas Experiences organised by our church volunteers together with Harvest Festival and Christmas Concerts organised by school in church. They joined with the Community Choir in October for their annual concert raising £600 for the Air Ambulance. Pupils who are School Ambassadors have visited to see how we organise our Soup & Sandwich deliveries and will be coming back again to actually pack the bags and deliver them.

Children have also enjoyed an evening of Pancake Fun on Shrove Tuesday, a Childrens Coronation Event, Messy Church, a week-long Holiday Club, and a Youth weekend, sleeping over in the church.

Numbers attending our Monday Café and Young at Heart group continue to increase both offering food, friendship and a 'Warm Space'. The Café has hosted several special events including a fund-raising Cake Sale, and a 'Vision' Café to share ideas on what we can do to engage more people with the church. The Men's Breakfast was re-introduced in September and the ladies held a Curry Night

The Meol's Community Choir performed a very moving Passion play on Palm Sunday and St Hildeburgh's hosted the Lent Lunches this year, while at St John's we had an Easter Labyrinth: Journey to Jerusalem.

Meetings with the architect and stone mason in March 2022 defined exactly what repair work was needed to the East wall but unfortunately gaining approval took so long that the PCC decided to postpone the work till Spring 2023. Steve Gee took over the overseeing of this project. By the time the formal contract had been agreed and signed the work eventually started in June. On the plus side this gave us more time to fund raise, however, it also meant an increase in cost as building materials continue to soar

Our thanks to Steve Gee for monitoring this project and to Steve Symes for overseeing all the other repairs and maintenance of the fabric of the church including the upgrading of our Router and Network in church which enabled us to introduce a Card Reader for on-line payments.

Fund raising events to pay for the wall dominated the year including a Patronal Take-away Tea, a Parish Barbecue in July, a Jigsaw Sale, Buy a Brick, and Martin and Natalie's sponsored walk. 37 miles round perimeter of the Wirral peninsular, a staggering 77,748 steps, all in one day! They were joined on the day by Rowan (dressed as the Church Wall), Sarah and the O'Connell family and more than £2,300 was raised by them all.

Other fundraising has continued and throughout the year we have been able to support Tanzanian Church (£600), SAT-7 (£600), the Bible Society (£500) and Childrens Society (£600). Carols on the Green raised £250 for MIND, £600 was raised for the Air Ambulance, £1,485 for KIDS CONNECT and £300 towards the earthquake appeal.

At our APCM in May Tim Smith stepped down as Church Warden and we welcomed Martin Hodgson to succeed him and to support Adele. Tim was thanked for his hard work and dealing with the ever-changing rules of Covid to keep us all safe within the church environment. In June we said goodbye to our curate Reverend Francis as she completed her training and moved on to pastures new. Then in October we were pleased to welcome both Andy Liston and Alex Calvert to our Pastoral team and celebrated their licensing with a Bring and Share lunch.

2023 continued to provide challenges for everybody at St John's but it is thanks to Rev Gillian's leadership, with the support of the Ministry team, the Wardens, Adele and Martin, the PCC, and the army of ready volunteers that we continue to strengthen our church community at St John's and its impact on our wider community by being a 'Place of Welcome' and sanctuary.

You can keep up to date with all that goes on at St John's at the website www.stjohnsmeols.co.uk

Sue Dutton

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Cash assets							
COIF Deposit Parson	17,013	33,896	0	0	50,909	70,083	72,342
Bank current account and cash	13,550	0	0	0	13,550	13,550	14,801
	31,429	33,896	0	0	65,325	83,633	87,143
Other monetary assets							
Debtors	1,101	0	0	0	1,101	6,900	0
Investment assets							
COIF Legacy Reserve current value	98,047	0	0	0	98,047	87,253	0
Liabilities							
Accruals	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,158
Deferred income	0	0	0	0	0	0	22,695
	0	0	0	0	0	0	23,853

Signed on behalf of all the Trustees
Reverend Gillian Rossiter (PCC Chairman)

Date

Section A Receipts and Payments

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund Keightley Trust	Restricted fund East Wall Repairs	Restricted fund External storage	2023 Total funds	2022 Total funds
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Receipts							
Voluntary income		68,125		1,935		70,060	72,242
Activities for generating funds		36,934		13,680		50,614	27,807
Income from investments		3,171	5,147			8,318	4,944
Income from Church activities		3,793				3,793	6,501
Other income resources		3,124				3,124	7,110
Total	1	115,147	5,147	15,615	0	135,909	118,604
Investment disposals		0	0	0	0	0	25,000
Total receipts		115,147	5,147	15,615	0	135,909	143,604
Payments Church activities							
Total payments	2	133,818	3,186	41,373	7,149	185,526	125,653
Net (payments) receipts		-18,671	1,961	-25,758	-7,149	-49,617	17,951
Deferred income 2022 carried forward to 2023		-14,460		7,450	7,010	0	22,695
Transfers between funds		-18,447		18,308	139	0	0
Cash funds last year end		83,047	19,029			102,076	61,430
Cash funds this year end		31,469	20,990	0	0	52,459	102,076

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Cash funds						
CBF Deposit Funds	17,513	20,990	0	0	38,503	79,518
Bank current account and cash	13,956	0	0	0	13,956	16,844
	31,469	20,990	0	0	52,459	96,362
Other monetary assets						
Debtors	1101	0	0	0	1,101	6,900
Investment assets						
CCLA Legacy Reserve current value	98,047	0	0	0	98,047	87,253
Liabilities						
Accruals	0	0	0	0	0	-1,186
Deferred income	0	0	0	0	0	-22,695
	0	0	0	0	0	-23,881

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Reverend Gillian Rossiter (PCC Chairman)

Date

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR END 31 DECEMBER 2023

2 Payments

	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund Keightley Trust	Restricted fund East Wall Repairs	Restricted fund External storage	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1 Receipts						
Voluntary income						
General collections open plate	2,918				2,918	2,634
Planned giving envelopes	2,920				2,920	2,647
Planned giving standing orders	48,445				48,445	50,151
Gift Aid	11,842		1,935		13,777	11,810
Legacies	2,000				2,000	5,000
	<u>68,125</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,935</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>70,060</u>	<u>72,242</u>
Activities for generating funds						
Church Hall lettings	5,122				5,122	4,300
Donations, café ,and funds raised paid over to various Charities on page 3	27,447		13,680		41,127	23,507
Donations East Wall designated fund	4,365				4,365	0
	<u>36,934</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13,680</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>50,614</u>	<u>27,807</u>
Income from investments						
Deposit interest	3,171				3,171	478
Deposit account /investment income	0	5,147			5,147	4,466
	<u>3,171</u>	<u>5,147</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,318</u>	<u>4,944</u>
Income from Church activities						
Weddings and funerals	3,793	0	0	0	3,793	6,501
Other income resources						
Church holiday deposits received	3,009				3,009	7,000
Barclays loyalty bonus	115				115	110
	<u>3,124</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,124</u>	<u>7,110</u>
Total receipts	<u>115,147</u>	<u>5,147</u>	<u>15,615</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>135,909</u>	<u>118,604</u>

3 Funds

4 Receipts

The Keightley Trust Fund represents income from CDF income and other sources.
 Church of England Board of Finance with total value of £1,000,000 (2022: £1,000,000)
 The capital investment fund is included in these accounts.
 The income from the fund is to be used for educational and mission purposes within the Parish.

5 East Wall repairs, designated fund within the unrestricted fund

Compliance: —
 Donations received: 12,000
 Expenditure allocated: 12,000
 Balance at 31/12/23: 0

6 East Wall repairs and external storage: restricted funds

	East Wall	External Storage	Total
Donations, grant receipts	25,000	1,000	26,000
Expenditure	11,373	1,146	12,519
Balance at receipt	13,627	100	13,727
Unrestricted fund transfer	13,627	100	13,727
Balance at 31/12/23	0	0	0

2 Payments

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	£	£	£	£	£	£
Church activities						
Missionary and charitable giving						
Overseas:						
Tanzanian church	600				600	600
Home:						
Bible society	500				500	0
Air Ambulance	600				600	0
SAT	600				600	600
MIND	250				250	2,625
Ukraine	0				0	1,250
Kids Connect	1,485				1,485	0
Children's Society	600				600	873
Earthquake appeal	300				300	0
	4,935	0	0	0	4,935	5,948
Parish share	87,646				87,646	85,093
East Wall repairs and external storage	0		41,373	7,149	48,522	0
East Wall repairs designated fund	12,600				12,600	0
Church running costs, insurance , power ,water	13,119				13,119	8,040
Church maintenance and repairs	923				923	3,728
Weddings & funeral fees to Chester DBF	2,166				2,166	3,556
Staff costs organist	1,360				1,360	1,670
Vicar's expenses	225				225	0
Keightley Trust expenses	0	3,186			3,186	2,543
Kitchen and soup/sandwiches expenses	4,962				4,962	2,802
Printing & stationery	1,347				1,347	1,372
Upkeep of services	494				494	427
Training and mission	30				30	30
Bank charges	744				744	619
Sum up commission	24				24	0
Sundries	1,741				1,741	2,432
Church holiday hotel deposit paid	1,200				1,200	7,215
Presents and donations	302				302	178
Total payments	133,818	3,186	41,373	7,149	185,526	125,653

3 Funds

a Keightley Trust : Restricted

The Keightley Trust Fund represents income from CBF Investment Fund held by Chester Diocesan Board of Finance with market value of £155,501 (£142,023 as at 31/12/2022). The capital investment is not therefore included in these accounts. The income from the fund is to be used for Educational and mission purposes within the Parish.

b East Wall repairs :designated fund within the unrestricted fund

Comprises ---

Donations received	12,600
Expenditure allocated	12,600
Balance at 31/12/23	£0

b East Wall repairs and external storage: restricted funds

	East Wall	External Storage	Total
Donations, grant received	23,065	7,010	30,075
Expenditure	41,373	7,149	48,522
Shortfall of receipts	18,308	139	18,477
Undesignated fund transfer	18,308	139	18,477
Balance at 31/12/23	£0	£0	£0

Name: Robert Smith FCA

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees of Parish of St John The Baptist , Great Meols

On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2023	Charity no	113062
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Set out on pages One to Five

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

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	<u>68,125</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,935</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>70,060</u>	<u>72,242</u>
Activities for generating funds						
Church Hall lettings	5,122				5,122	4,300
Donations, café ,and funds raised paid over to various Charities on page 3	27,447		13,680		41,127	23,507
Donations East Wall designated fund	4,365				4,365	0
	<u>36,934</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>13,680</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>50,614</u>	<u>27,807</u>
Income from investments						
Deposit interest	3,171				3,171	478
Deposit account /investment income	0	5,147			5,147	4,466
	<u>3,171</u>	<u>5,147</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,318</u>	<u>4,944</u>
Income from Church activities						
Weddings and funerals	3,793	0	0	0	3,793	6,501
Other income resources						
Church holiday deposits received	3,009				3,009	7,000
Barclays loyalty bonus	115				115	110
	<u>3,124</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,124</u>	<u>7,110</u>
Total receipts	<u>115,147</u>	<u>5,147</u>	<u>15,615</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>135,909</u>	<u>118,604</u>

3 Funds

4 Receipts and Payments

The Keightley Trust Fund represents income from CDF income and other sources. The Keightley Trust Fund is a charitable fund established for the purpose of providing financial support to the church and its activities. The income from the fund is used for the purpose of providing financial support to the church and its activities.

5 East Wall repairs designated fund within the unrestricted fund

Compliance	—
Donations received	12,500
Expenditure allocated	(12,500)
Balance at 31/12/23	0

6 East Wall repairs and external storage: restricted funds

	East Wall Repairs	External Storage	Total
Donations, grant receipts	25,000	1,000	26,000
Expenditure	(11,373)	(1,146)	(12,519)
Transfer of receipts	15,373	100	15,473
Unrestricted fund transfer	(15,373)	(100)	(15,473)
Balance at 31/12/23	0	0	0

2 Payments

	2023	2023	2023	2023	2023	2022
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted fund Keightley Trust	Restricted fund East Wall Repairs	Restricted fund External storage	Total funds	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Church activities						
Missionary and charitable giving						
Overseas:						
Tanzanian church	600				600	600
Home:						
Bible society	500				500	0
Air Ambulance	600				600	0
SAT	600				600	600
MIND	250				250	2,625
Ukraine	0				0	1,250
Kids Konnect	1,485				1,485	0
Children's Society	600				600	873
Earthquake appeal	300				300	0
	4,935	0	0	0	4,935	5,948
Parish share	87,646				87,646	85,093
East Wall repairs and external storage	0		41,373	7,149	48,522	0
East Wall repairs designated fund	12,600				12,600	0
Church running costs, insurance , power ,water	13,119				13,119	8,040
Church maintenance and repairs	923				923	3,728
Weddings & funeral fees to Chester DBF	2,166				2,166	3,556
Staff costs organist	1,360				1,360	1,670
Vicar's expenses	225				225	0
Keightley Trust expenses	0	3,186			3,186	2,543
Kitchen and soup/sandwiches expenses	4,962				4,962	2,802
Printing & stationery	1,347				1,347	1,372
Upkeep of services	494				494	427
Training and mission	30				30	30
Bank charges	744				744	619
Sum up commission	24				24	0
Sundries	1,741				1,741	2,432
Church holiday hotel deposit paid	1,200				1,200	7,215
Presents and donations	302				302	178
Total payments	133,818	3,186	41,373	7,149	185,526	125,653

3 Funds

a Keightley Trust : Restricted

The Keightley Trust Fund represents income from CBF Investment Fund held by Chester Diocesan Board of Finance with market value of £155,501 (£142,023 as at 31/12/2022). The capital investment is not therefore included in these accounts. The income from the fund is to be used for Educational and mission purposes within the Parish.

b East Wall repairs :designated fund within the unrestricted fund

Comprises ---

Donations received	12,600
Expenditure allocated	12,600
Balance at 31/12/23	£0

b East Wall repairs and external storage: restricted funds

	East Wall	External Storage	Total
Donations, grant received	23,065	7,010	30,075
Expenditure	41,373	7,149	48,522
Shortfall of receipts	18,308	139	18,477
Undesignated fund transfer	18,308	139	18,477
Balance at 31/12/23	£0	£0	£0

Name: Robert Smith FCA

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees of Parish of St John The Baptist , Great Meols

On accounts for the year ended	31 December 2023	Charity no	113062
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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

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