

All Saints Church, Gosforth
Annual Report
And
Financial Statements
of the
Parochial Church Council
for the year ended 31 December 2021

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ALL SAINTS PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Aims and Purposes

The Parochial Church Council (referred to as 'the PCC' or as 'the Council' of All Saints Church, Gosforth, in the diocese of Newcastle) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent ('the Vicar') in promoting the whole mission of the church in the ecclesiastical parish.

The PCC has maintenance responsibilities for the Church and the Church Centre, both of which are in West Avenue Gosforth, and also for two properties adjacent to the Centre. The Church Office is located within the Church Centre.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the PCC are defined by the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 as 'to co-operate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'.

The All Saints mission statement is:

Working together as a church we are pursuing a vision to put All Saints at the heart of the wider community. Our vision is to be a vibrant, inclusive, compassionate, outward looking church with a sensitive and thoughtful approach to faith, where there is excellent pastoral care with encouragement for all, where diversity is welcomed and our worship inspires us to transform the world.

The main activities of the All Saints PCC are:-

- co-operation with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and commercial.
- the provision of regular public worship that is open to all.
- the provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation.
- the provision of pastoral work including the visiting of the sick, the elderly and the bereaved.
- the teaching of the Christian faith through sermons, home groups, youth and children's meetings and links with local schools.
- the promotion of the Christian faith through various events for the elderly, parents, children, young people and other special needs groups organised by the clergy and PCC and through the distribution of the parish newsletter and magazine.
- making known and putting into effect any provision made by the Diocesan Synod or the Deanery Synod, but without prejudice to the powers of the PCC on any particular matter.
- giving advice to the Diocesan Synod and the Deanery Synod on any matter referred to the PCC.
- raising such matters as the Council consider appropriate with the Diocesan Synod or Deanery Synod
- repairing and maintaining all church buildings, and raising the money for this purpose.
- providing proper insurance for all aspects of the parish life.
- responsibilities under the Health and Safety Act, Data Protection Act, the Food Act, Copyright Act and Child Protection Act.

Membership

Members of the PCC are ex officio, co-opted, or elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) or at the first meeting of the PCC in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During the year, the following served as members of the Council:

Ms Kath Davies was co-opted at the first meeting of the PCC following the 2021 APCM and

Incumbent	Revd Canon Andrew Shipton	From Sept. 2014
Churchwardens	Mr Paul Wilkinson	From 2021 APCM
	Mrs Christine Willoughby	From 2020 APCM
Deanery Synod representatives Until 2023 (ex-officio)	Mr Peter Brown (Lay Vice Chair)	
	Ms Diane Kirkup	
	Mrs Rosamund Place	
	Mrs Pamela Taylor	
Elected members Until 2022	Mrs Diana Lavin	
	Mrs Ethel Randall	
	Mrs Margaret Patterson	
	Mrs Lesley Ogilvie	
Elected members Until 2023	Ms Alison Wilson	
	Dr Claudia Newbegin	
	Mrs Marian Coulson-Cave	
	Mrs Felicity Shoesmith	
	Miss Edith Davison	
	Mr Joe Vera-Sanso	Resigned Jan. 2022
Elected members Until 2024	Mrs Karen Parkhouse	
	Mrs Dorothy Henderson	
	Mrs Katie Hogg	
Assistant Priest	Revd Ruth Birnie (ex-officio)	
Assistant Curate	Revd Beverley Davies (ex-officio)	
Safeguarding Officer	Ms Kath Davies, co-opted for 1 year	
Treasurer	Mr Fred Carr, co-opted for 1 year	
Secretary	Mr Nick Glover, co-opted for 1 year	

Ms Kath Davies was co-opted at the first meeting of the PCC following the 2021 APCM and continued to serve as the Safeguarding Officer. Mr Fred Carr was co-opted at the same PCC meeting, and continued to serve in his capacity as PCC Treasurer. Mr Nick Glover was also co-opted at the same meeting and continued to serve in his capacity as PCC Secretary.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. Following changes in the relevant legislation it has registered as a charitable body with the Charity Commission. The appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules.

The PCC has nominated officers responsible for Health and Safety (including disability discrimination issues) and Safeguarding (of children and vulnerable adults) who receive training and information from the diocese and cascade this to the wider PCC as appropriate. These issues are standing items on the agenda for meetings of the PCC.

The Standing Committee, comprising the Vicar, the Churchwardens, Lay Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and two elected members of the PCC, has the power to transact the business of the Council between its meetings. The Standing Committee deals with detailed operational issues concerning the deployment of resources (buildings, money and staff) within the overall strategic

framework determined by the PCC, and reports to each Council meeting. A sub-group of the Standing Committee, the Fabric Committee, deals with more detailed fabric issues. Working Groups of the PCC meet regularly and conduct business on behalf of the PCC. One or more of these groups provides feedback at each PCC Meeting. These groups act as official sub-groups of the PCC covering between them all areas of church life and mission: Pastoral, Education and Discipleship, Outreach and Communication, Mission and Justice, Social and Events. All PCC members serve on at least one of these groups, most of which also have co-opted members from the wider congregation. The groups meet approximately four to six times a year and report regularly to the PCC.

Other subcommittees include the Youth Committee, which is responsible for the work with children and young people and the Safeguarding Group, which is responsible for child protection, the care of vulnerable adults and related issues. Other time-limited sub-groups may be formed and then disbanded once their remit has been fulfilled, according to the direction of the PCC. Numerous other groups and committees operate within the auspices of the church. Whilst not formal sub-committees of the PCC, they play a valuable part in church life and their activities are explained in more detail later in the document which accompanies this report.

The major risks to which the PCC is exposed are identified and managed through the appropriate officer or sub-group (e.g. through insurances or Health and Safety assessments). One-off issues are risk-assessed as required by the PCC.

Vicar's report

Summing up, 2021 was neither straightforward nor an easy twelve months, but placing events chronologically will hopefully aid my recall and help give a perspective to the year. However, I am only too aware that this may not capture the fact that, despite a seemingly continuous daily wave of disruption, the ongoing routines of the church (worship, rotas and timetables) were upheld. (At this time, Louise Waugh, our administrator, was on furlough until April, Tricia Maylia, our Caretaker until September returning briefly in the summer, with Jamie Donaldson, the Youth Worker, from Christmas until after Easter.) Administration and practical care of the buildings for the first part of the year fell to the churchwardens, Beverley and myself which made it another extraordinary year.

A programme of Services and activities was gradually reinstated during 2021. A flexible and creative approach was paramount as we responded to the anxieties and concerns of Centre users and others. It was abundantly clear from the outset that the re-engagement of families, young people and children would be a particular challenge. Also pastoral care, particularly in those first months required the ministry team to be creative as we sought to maintain contact with many members restricted to their homes. Unable to visit our care homes and hospitals until the autumn, Beverley, Ruth, Vic and I were glad to help by listening via a phone call or out for a stroll in the Park. It was good to visit people on their doorsteps and the church was used as a safe place for necessary meetings.

When the third National Lockdown began in January, the Government did not suspend public worship. However, after much consideration and consultation, it was decided that our Sunday services in January and February would be live-streamed onto our Facebook page. We celebrated Epiphany but did not return to worship in church until Passion Sunday, with numbers restricted to adhere to social distancing regulations. In the intervening time, Services were filmed by Peter Mitchell using a laptop two microphones and cameras. The Facebook Live set-up permitted not just livestreaming but also enabled convenience for people to view later. Peter's dedication throughout this time was much appreciated. There were also audio recordings of Evening Prayer available from 6pm on Sunday evenings on the website. We so hoped that our use of media served as a "shop window" on All Saints to generate interest in the Church by those who preferred to look online.

From January, our use of Zoom was invaluable for PCC meetings, Tuesday 'Morning Coffee' sessions, later 'Sew Knit and Natter' catch ups and 'Just Sing' on Friday mornings (with Diana Lavin and Thomas Moorin) continuing for a total of 65 weeks singing over 400 songs! Morning Prayer was zoomed, as was Café Church on February 28th, exploring Lent through an interactive 'Mission Impossible' theme. On Ash Wednesday we joined Bishop Christine as President and Preacher at a

Deanery Eucharist from St Nicholas' Gosforth. A series of reflections "It made me think: breakthroughs in my understanding" were available on our website from 6pm on Sundays throughout Lent. We also studied (on Zoom), Rowan Williams' book, "Candles in the Dark: Faith, Love and Hope in a Time of Pandemic". In addition, the Church was open on four Sunday afternoons for an hour of private prayer and reflection during which time we collected donations for the West End Food Bank.

Our 'Keeping in Touch' magazine was maintained and a well-attended online 'Shrove Tuesday Quiz' was held (thanks to Ann Cross, Marian Cave, Valerie Farthing and Diana Lavin). In March, Ros Place, with approval from the PCC, proposed and obtained a quotation for a permanent live-streaming system – flexible, with 2 portable cameras, allowing us to film from any point in the Church and enabling us to stream onto YouTube at a cost of approximately £7.5k. (We had received a grant for £3.5k.) By May, the money was raised and an order placed, by July the live-streaming was operating with the new equipment and despite teething problems we are making progress. We were most grateful to Ros for all her hard work on the project. The Parish website was updated in the early months by Beverley.

Easter

A plan for a programme of services for the Easter weekend was drawn up with outdoor singing only. All services remained subject to changes in regulations and booking was required via the Eventbrite for the 9.30 services on Palm Sunday and Easter Day.

On Palm Sunday we heard a most moving recorded drama of the passion with music organised by John Lewis. During the weekdays of Holy Week, a recorded Compline and address, (a reflection by a member of the congregation), was offered. On Maundy Thursday Holy Communion in Church was celebrated followed by a Vigil on Zoom. On Good Friday there was an outdoor service on the Green using stations to explore key parts in Holy Week. Hot cross buns were served and there were Creme Eggs for everyone. The Last Hour 'The cost of Love': reflections around the Cross followed. The Easter Vigil started outdoors on the Green called this year 'God acts in the Darkness'. Surprise 'afternoon teas in a box' for the Tuesday Tea Club members were distributed on Easter Saturday. These included Easter cards and chicks, individually wrapped scones, and cakes. Our thanks to Beverley for the idea and Elizabeth Crawford together with those who prepared them. Beverley and I prepared a special Easter service YouTube video for Archbishop Runcie School with music recorded by Diana Lavin. The Easter Morning scene, prepared by the 'Sew Knit and Natter' group was displayed in church, an electronic Easter card was sent out to young families and a Safe Service of Easter Hymns took place at Eothen House.

Spring

In April, following the death of Prince Philip, provision was made for floral tributes to be left at the Cross in the memorial garden. The church was open for personal prayer on Friday 16th April from 4.30pm, until a special service of remembrance was held at 6pm. On Saturday 17th April, the bells were tolled immediately prior to the funeral service at 3pm. Also in April a letter was received by the PCC from Elizabeth Crawford raising the issue of the need for a dishwasher in the Centre kitchen. This was installed in the autumn after many generous donations were forthcoming.

At the Annual meeting we gave thanks for the great contribution that Ros Place had made to the Church Community over the past 3 years as churchwarden. Ros served with such dedication, thoughtfulness and energy and she accomplished so much. We welcomed Christine Willoughby as churchwarden and were delighted when Paul Wilkinson agreed to continue in the role. I will give thanks for the contribution of many at the end of this report.

An event took place on May 13th which brought us not only national but also international fame. In the early hours of Thursday, thieves stole the bronze Calvary Cross from the Garden of Remembrance. The theft was discovered on Thursday morning just before Morning Prayer. Northumbria Police were informed and after raising with them the significance of the sculpture, a publicity campaign began involving articles in the press, on TV and messages on social media. Even a reward was offered. Investigations by Northumbria Police successfully tracked down our Calvary sculpture to a scrapyard in Walker and it was recovered. I was interviewed by ITV News and by BBC

Radio Newcastle. On one afternoon for 37 minutes the theft and its return were the top UK News on the BBC News Website. The story was picked up by news networks all over the world and I received messages from Australia, Canada and Nigeria as well as from all over the UK and of course Gosforth!

Until it was stolen, we did not realise its significance. In 1965, the sculptor, Frank Roper, cast the torso, arms and head separately, then welded them together. On its return we saw the welding of the head has become detached. To re-secure it, specialist welding would be needed. An able conservation specialist Graciela Ainsworth was appointed to carry out the repair. It was pointed out that a Calvary cross reinstatement event could be a valuable opportunity to involve the wider community. Future work will include uplighters, new security cameras and new plinth stonework.

In May, a Code of Conduct for PCC members and those who hold responsibility was brought to the PCC. This was as a result of people, on occasion, becoming less tolerant and thoughtful in their communications, particularly in e-mails (especially over the last difficult 16 months). The PCC affirmed that no-one must ever feel intimidated or anxious in their church role.

Once again, in May, we supported the Christian Aid collection, raising money for the world's poorest by making donations. The total raised by gifts rather than house collection, was a staggering £2565 - a magnificent achievement. Our thanks to Lesley Atkinson for overseeing the week. From 17th May it was possible to meet again indoors and with reduced restrictions, from 23rd May, it was possible once again, to hold parish breakfast in the Centre, remaining seated in groups of 6. After Zooming during April, Evolution Youth Group was able to meet in person at the end of May.

The bell-ringers were able to resume normal activities again at the end of June. Numbers in church were restricted until 21st June. The Tuesday Service of Holy Communion started on 15th June. Little Saints toddler group reopened on Tuesday 22nd June. In July, Ann Cross promoted a sponsored walk around the parish boundary (maps and description provided) in order to raise funds for major cancer charities in the North East.

Summer

In the summer, the significant importance of the Green was highlighted as an outdoor social, performance and practice area. A picnic was organised on the church green on July 4th. The weather was glorious and there was the opportunity to relax in the open air, enjoy the moment, exchange news and views and feel normal. We appreciated a variety of music played by the Semitones, who were openly grateful to have an audience, having been confined to practising since March 2020. We wrote messages of gratitude for positive experiences during the pandemic and lockdowns, a set of messages pegged up in church afterwards and left on display. Safety was maintained. Chairs were placed in socially-distanced groups so individuals could monitor their own movement and distance. The All Saints Centre defibrillator was deployed for effective use one summer night by a member of the Tennis Club. The following Sunday, the long-awaited and eagerly anticipated Pet Service was held on the church green (having been marked into suitably distanced family spaces), the sound system had been set up and a banner provided by the Evolution Youth Group had been strung at the entrance. Diana Lavin and Thomas Moorin provided music for the service. Beverley Davies and Jamie Donaldson were ready to welcome families with their pets. Despite the torrential rain, the owners were interviewed and each pet blessed.

Around thirty attended Dorothy Henderson's beautiful garden on a sunny Sunday afternoon at the end of July to enjoy the delicious cakes and strawberry cream scones. The Handlebards' performance of Macbeth on the Church Green in August was a great success. The event had been postponed for a year due to Covid restrictions. There were contingencies for bad weather but happily the sun shone. Our thanks to Ros Place for arranging this event (significantly well supported by the wider community).

Autumn

On 5th September we were delighted to welcome Bishop Mark to confirm four candidates from All Saints. Congratulations to Sadie McCabe, Joyce Jennings, Mina Corso and Imogen Longstaff. We marked a day of real celebration with our first hymn singing in church for over a year (behind masks of course!), and a slightly more formal service – as well as meeting Bishop Mark and the candidates over coffee and cake in the Centre after the service.

A Hub Church Model was explored during this time, heralding a possible change in our relationships with surrounding parishes beyond St Hugh's, with All Saints providing help and support. This could have led to the creation of a Hub Team. However, it later seemed that with the failure of the diocese to gain the support of the National Churches Strategic Investment Board in its bid for funding, the concept of hub churches was less certain.

Planning a music concert programme was possible in the autumn and gradually groups returned to the Centre after the summer break. On Sunday 19th September the street carnival band Meze Mundo launched our 'Music on the Green' project. On Sunday October 17th Heaton Voices sang to an audience. We were also able to host four world-class musicians for recitals at All Saints in the autumn, three piano soloists, and the fourth a guitarist. A new choir was started, led by Diana Lavin on a Tuesday afternoon, meeting in the Centre from October 12th from 4-5pm. A variety of genres to suit all tastes would be planned.

It was good to sing together again in church in September despite continued use of facemasks. School Harvest Services went ahead in October and the number of Home Communion services increased once these were possible. At our Harvest Service this year we were joined by our uniformed organisations. A humorous but powerful sketch about climate change was delivered as we remembered the COP26 conference in Glasgow in November. Prayers were also offered from Greta Thunberg's speech and the Beatles song 'Imagine' was 're-imagined' by Diana Lavin. We returned to taking Services in Eothen in November but could not do so in Moorfield House. School visits became possible once more and we welcomed over 200 children into church during November. I conducted assemblies every Friday and Beverley every two weeks in Archbishop Runcie School. We were also invited to conduct the Harvest Service in Archibald school. At the beginning of term comfort packs for Mums, prepared by the Mothers' Union to take home on their child's first day, were distributed at Archbishop Runcie School.

As regulations were eased, the Covid Risk Assessments for Church and the Centre had to be re-done by the clergy and churchwardens. Whereas before we were working to government regulations, it became the responsibility of the Churchwardens and PCC to set the regulations. Track and Trace was suspended but mask wearing in church continued to be the norm. In the Centre, all returning groups had to undertake a risk-assessment. All social events were expected to take great care. We were grateful for Charlie Mussett for his advice throughout the year.

As in previous years, the All Saints clergy were in charge of the Remembrance Day Service in Gosforth Park which again was attended by hundreds. Beverley largely organised the event, liaising with councillors, the military and uniformed groups. Beverley led the Service. It went very smoothly, thanks to careful preparation. Beverley and I also devised and led a Remembrance Service with the Lord Mayor of Newcastle at Kenton Hall, which was live streamed to Care Homes across the north east and Yorkshire.

During October there were four face-to-face discussion sessions to consider the book 'Walk Humbly' by Samuel Wells. On 12th December, the church Amnesty International Group met again in the Centre to recommence their writing of greetings cards.

The Renewal and Funding Group was formed in the summer to look at how we could best begin to deliver the All Saints Vision for the next five years. The group wrestled with a number of issues such as how are we to attract and retain newcomers? How do we involve more members of the congregation in the active life of the church in various roles? Also, how do we work to raise our profile in the wider community? The group looked at our current strengths and weaknesses and identified

three priority areas on which to focus our efforts. First, to consider how best All Saints can encourage families and children back into church. We sought feedback on how people might suggest ways this could be done. Second, rebuilding our volunteer base. The group were clear that many areas of our life that we took for granted are no longer happening or are being retained by a very small group of dedicated volunteers. We need more people to sign up to the many opportunities there are/will be for both regular and occasional support to help build our church community. Last of all, widening our funding base, particularly in the context of a drop in giving and a shortfall in funding. At our services on Advent Sunday we publicised our work so far and gave the congregation the opportunity to give their voice by responding to questionnaires. The group will continue to meet in 2022 to consider our new plans and action them.

At the November PCC Andrew Cole presented a proposal that we should support a Gosforth Branch of Tyneside Welcomes with the aim of enabling the resettlement of a refugee family. This would involve providing support, finding a residential property, getting local authority agreement and fund raising for a period of two years. Andrew reported that a local committee has been formed and good progress is being made, with local contacts made and good progress with fund raising. In November Hannah Marshall prepared afternoon teas in aid of the project. This will be an important project for 2022.

Advent and Christmas

A popular Advent Carol Service was held with fine singing by the choir followed by mulled wine. Three thousand Christmas cards were printed and distributed along with a note advertising our Christmas Fair and the community support project. The Fair proved to be a successful event with many visitors attracted both to the stalls in the Centre and the organ music, refreshments and model railway display in the church. We raised over £1700 - no mean feat in 2 hours - and it was a wonderful community event. Our grateful thanks go to the Fair mastermind - Dorothy Henderson! Local schools had to cancel their in-church services at the last minute (Covid reasons), however, Newcastle School for Boys recorded their Carol Service privately in Church. There was singing around the Parish on Tuesday 14th December at Moorfield's House, Eothen House, and Kenton Lodge. After Christmas carol singing on the green, a Christingle Service was held on the 19th December - with those baptised over the past 3 years invited. On Christmas Eve, the Crib Service (led by Ruth Birnie) and Stuart Henderson proved popular. The 4pm outdoor service, with about 200 attendees, was successful in that it attracted many who may not have felt comfortable at a formal service. Although 250 tickets had been allocated for the 6.30pm service, the actual attendance was nearer to 170. The Midnight Service was attended by around 40. In all, approximately 495 attended services on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. The Christmas lights at the top of the Tower that have served us well for the past 7 years were used once again!

Many losses

Very sadly we lost dear members of our community and reflections on their lives appeared in 'Keeping in Touch'. Among them were in February Bill Shaw, a true gentleman, modest and self-effacing, and friendly and welcoming, with that twinkle in his eye. The loss of David Hide was such a great blow. David had been Reader at All Saints since the 1970's being first licenced in 1954 and had played a prominent role as Diocesan Secretary for 22 years David was renowned for his generosity and kindness, for his clarity of thought and speech, and his beautifully crafted sermons. We were all deeply shocked by the death of Dee Matthews and with the loss of Chris Matthews. We would all acknowledge that they have left a huge hole in the life of our church. Both Dee and Chris were great givers and doers. Both were so respected and admired, hard-working, unfaltering and approachable, indeed, friends to many of us. The loss of Constance was also sorely felt. Faithful and ever hard working, Constance took part in bible study and discussion groups, was an intercessor, reader, tea maker and provider. She served on the Church Council and on the Deanery Synod. Lilian Henderson who died in April was a faithful member of the congregation for many years, and was famous for her scones which she regularly distributed at parish breakfast. Always unassuming, she made no claims for herself. Our hearts went out to the many loved ones in their grief.

Youth Work

Jamie Donaldson was appointed during March 2020 (but was unable to start work till September) at which time his 6 months' probation period had been interrupted by the two lockdowns when he was furloughed. Jamie's probationary period came to an end in the summer and his work with All Saints ended on 16th July. Our thanks to him for his contribution to our life. Since September, our Evolution Youth Group has been overseen by sessional youth workers from 'Youth for Christ'. The Youth Committee met to discuss a new appointment and design a new job description in November and December.

Other notable events

There were 11 weddings, 3 baptisms, 23 funerals and 3 burial of ashes during the year. A number of Weddings and Funerals were broadcast through YouTube. We were reminded in October of the important work that the Eco Group has done to make us aware of not using plastic. The Safeguarding Committee produced a flow chart that helped us understand how to obtain DBS and how best to raise an issue of concern. This was published on our website and is also available as a hard copy. During the year there was a discussion about Archbishop Runcie School Admissions Policy and 3 proposals were debated by the Governors: to retain the church qualification as at present, to extend the church qualification to all Christian churches in Gosforth or to drop any church qualification and make the school simply a neighbourhood school. The consultation began in December. The replacement of the lighting bollards outside the west end with LED ground lights was successfully completed at the end of the year and a web designer identified to help develop a new website. Keith Kennils stepped down from his role as our insurance representative. He had fulfilled the role since 2004 and we are grateful for all his attention and advice. John Lewis signed his contract to become Director of Music. A major Parish Self-Review document for the Diocese was completed (also one for St Hugh's) in the autumn and Katie Hogg became our Vulnerable and Young Persons Advocate.

St Hugh's

Beverley and I took on the responsibility for looking after the maintenance the building, with the help of Stuart Henderson.

Services resumed in March. On Easter Sunday the congregation was joined by members of Coxlodge Methodist Church. There was interest in new lettings during the year of the building space; not necessarily coming to fruition, but a number did, which meant that by the end of the year the building was used 6 days a week. After June the toddler group and ballet class restarted. During July and August and part of September we were delighted to offer St Hugh's as an NHS covid vaccination Centre for the area. Beverley oversaw a community event at St Hugh's on Saturday 17th July after local businesses, as well as local residents were contacted.

The church building went under a quinquennial inspection in July. The first baptism for two years took place on Sunday 11th July. The Liberdade Community Development Trust, the Disability Arts Organisation who run Gosforth Civic Theatre started using the church two days a week from September. First we kept in touch with the elderly congregation by phone and by letter and news sheets earlier in the year but were able to visit later in the year. Sadly two long standing members of the church died. Beverley visited Abbey Court Care Home, and children and staff from Regent Farm School were welcomed into the church. We were grateful to Canon Syd Connolly and Canon Richard Hill who covered a number of Services on Sundays. Our thanks also to Stuart as a financial assistant and to Fred Carr for the annual financial report.

Our Thanks

In conclusion I must first pay tribute to and thank all those who have given so much, voluntarily, to the mission and ministry of All Saints throughout 2021 including those I have already named. Peter Brown – our wise PCC Vice-Chair; Fred Carr – our dedicated Treasurer; Nick Glover – our committed PCC Secretary; to the Standing Committee of the PCC and the PCC itself. Lesley Atkinson for her overseeing many activities for the young, Charlie Mussett for his Covid-19 Risk Assessments and Centre Risk Agreements; Ann Shaw who single handed produced our Christingles; Pam Taylor and

Ann Cross who maintained regular contact with many who may have felt isolated; Paul Wilkinson, Christine Willoughby and Ros Place, our churchwardens who have worked immensely hard as the goalposts moved during the year. Chris Bolland has again been generous with his time and attention to our fees; Tom Barber, our new missions' secretary and Kath Davies our parish Safeguarding Officer who has kept us up to date with policy and training. There is also the choir and bell ringers. Additionally I think of those who kept the grounds tidy such as Keith Davies who cut the grass, all who acted as stewards, counted our collections, and served coffee at Parish Breakfast and many more.

I would like to thank Louise Waugh for her dedication and persistence along with John Lewis for his energy and imagination. I am very grateful to Tricia for her work as verger and caretaker and I pay tribute to the Ministry Team: to Beverley for her dedication and resilience in pursuing initiatives; to Ruth for taking a full part in the services and for following up individuals and also to Vic for maintaining contact with so many together with his contributions to our worship.

Two of my quotes from last year's report seem a fitting conclusion here: 'We finished the year tired but more hopeful' and 'The essential issues of the human condition don't go away ... we have a Gospel to share ... we are well-placed to do this'. I am looking forward to 2022.

Andrew Shipton

Congregation and PCC Meeting Details

There were 220 members on the Electoral Roll on 31 December 2021 (222 on 31 December 2020). The average Sunday attendance counted in October 2021 was 112 (81 in October 2020). Services in church were suspended during the Coronavirus lockdown period from January until the end of March. Attendance numbers were much reduced because of restrictions due to space and caution among many. Online services continued throughout the year and were appreciated.

The PCC met 6 times in 2021; the first two meetings of the year being successfully held over Zoom. The average attendance was 78% (68% in 2020.) The PCC regularly receives reports from the its working groups and the Fabric committee, in particular, has provided a great deal of valuable and relevant material. Regular reports have also been received from the Deanery Synod. It was only possible to hold one Open PCC meeting on a Sunday morning, rather than the two that were planned.

Finance

The Coronavirus pandemic has continued to have a significant effect on All Saints finances in 2021, income and expenditure both being much lower than in other years.

The accounts show a deficit of £1,700 for 2021 before taking account of the gain of £7,244 in the market value of our investments. The accounts at the end of 2020 showed a surplus of £9,506 before taking into account an investment gain of £3,576.

Income

Total income, excluding legacies and grants increased from £191,092 in 2020 to £219,915 in 2021, the increase being due to the recovery of hall rent and church service collections after the coronavirus pandemic.

Planned Giving

There were 137 members in our Planned Giving scheme at 31 December 2021 compared with 141 at the end of 2020, the reduction being caused by deaths and parishioners who have relocated for family or employment reasons having exceeded new members joining during 2021. Planned Giving decreased by £2,439 (£108,963 in 2020, £106,524 in 2021).

Donations

Donations in 2021 totalled £15,021 which included £5,979 donated for particular purposes, the remaining £9,042 being from general ad hoc donations.

Tax Recovery

For 2021 we have claimed a GASDS allowance of £3,904 giving an income of £976. This is much less than the maximum GASDS allowance of £8,000 that we have claimed in previous years due to the large reduction in charity and general donations. GASDS and the gift aid recovered on Planned Giving and donations increased from £27,037 in 2020 to £28,462 in 2021.

Grants

During 2021 we were awarded two grants of £7,526 and £2,194 by Newcastle City Council for loss of business.

Expenditure

98% of expenditure is on activities related to the work of the church. The Parish Share and clergy costs support ministry at All Saints and elsewhere in the diocese. Church costs provide for worship at ordinary and special services. Expenditure on the All Saints Centre assists the mission of the church in the community at large.

Expenses for the year totalled £240,135 compared with £194,029 in 2020. As the expenditure this year is still affected by Coronavirus, comparison of individual category expenditure is not appropriate.

Livestream in the Church and a dishwasher in the Centre kitchen were paid for entirely by donations from parishioners.

Properties

In order to comply with the Financial Reporting Standard FRS 102 and the Charities Act 2011, the houses were re-valued at the date of transition to FRS 102 of 1 January 2015 with assigned values as follows:

- Old Clergy House - £210,000
- Verger's House - £225,000

The properties have now been re-valued at 31 December 2021 as follows:

- Old Clergy House - £225,000
- Verger's House - £240,000

Accurate valuation of the two properties is difficult as they are in the grounds of the Church with no vehicular access and are in an area of large expensive properties.

A review of average prices in the Gosforth area and in Tyne & Wear generally shows that there has been a small increase in property prices between 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2021. Each property has therefore been increased in value by £15,000 (approximately 7% increase).

Rents

The All Saints Centre continued to be used by a variety of different organisations and private parties except for a Coronavirus lockdown during January until March 2021. For the remainder of the year it has been used on and off by a small number of organisations. Rents received totalled £18,223 (£13,163 in 2020).

The Old Clergy House was occupied throughout the year. £9,000 was received in rent against expenses of £3,188.

The Verger's House was occupied most of the year. £9,540 was received in rent against expenses of £1,267.

Mission Giving

The PCC continued to support the work of the worldwide church by dedicating open plate cash collections at services to our Mission of the Month.

Donations to the Mission of the Month charities are underwritten by the PCC to guarantee that each charity receives a sum equal to 5% of All Saints previous year's planned giving and associated gift aid. During normal years, donations from the congregation have exceeded the underwritten amount so the underwriting guarantee was not relevant. During 2021 donations from the congregation have been significantly lower than usual, in some months zero. For this reason, the underwriting guarantee was reduced to 3% during January to March 2021.

Donations paid to charities totalled £12,639 (£8,958 in 2020) of which £996 was contributed from church funds to comply with the underwriting guarantee to Mission of the Month charities. £5,228 was collected at funerals and other events using the church.

McMahon Permanent Endowment Fund

Income from this fund was £549 which has been kept together with the £44 held over from 2020 to be carried over into 2022.

The Youth Project

The Youth Worker project income was £15,591 and the expenditure was £8,140 giving a surplus for the year of £7,541.

Legacies

Credit has been taken in the accounts for legacies from Elayne Nanette Thorburn and Mary Elizabeth Willetts and donations in memory of Marjorie McCain, Lilian Henderson, Margaret and John Calvert, Christopher Denys and Ann Deidre Matthews.

Expenditure from the Legacies Fund in 2020 was £19,062 for the cost of stonework pointing of the Church Centre and access lighting on the path at the north end of the church.

Bank Balances and Reserves

Bank balances and cash at 31 December 2021 totalled £104,700 compared with £100,177 at the end of 2020. £20,566 is in the Legacies fund, £51,156 is held for the Gloria Smith fund that finances the Youth Worker project and £5,971 is held in other funds for particular purposes. The remaining £27,007 (increased from £16,127 in 2020) is held in the General Income fund, together with the £10,440 due from debtors, to meet the amount of £15,319 due to the creditors and to provide working capital.

The Legacy fund has reduced from £62,556 in 2020 to £57,327 in 2021.

The Future

All Saints has substantial cash reserves but many of these are held in the Legacies fund and in the Gloria Smith fund. The low level of the General Income fund has been of particular concern for some time. In 2021 the General Income fund liquid reserves increased by £5,641 to £24,029 which is still a very low level considering that this is the fund that has to provide the resources for the all of the day-to-day transactions such as Parish Share, Clergy housing cost, salaries, energy costs, insurance, office supplies, Church, Church Centre and properties maintenance.

In 2021 there has been a significant surplus generated from the rents of the 2 houses and the surplus generated by the Centre rent was still significant, if reduced. Hopefully these rents' surpluses can be maintained during 2022. In 2022, the Parish Share is staying the same at £111,505. Hopefully the Planned Giving will hold up well enough during 2022 to at least maintain the General Income fund liquid reserves at its current level. New members are desperately required by the Planned Giving fund to offset the loss of donors through death, moving away or other reasons. A Renewal and Funding group has been formed to review the future finances of All Saints.

This together with other fund-raising activities and control of costs by ensuring best value for purchases and other expenses will hopefully allow the General Income fund to grow to a more comfortable level.

Acknowledgements

The PCC wish to express their gratitude for the generous legacies that have been received, to thank the many donors to the various appeals that have been made, and to pay tribute to all those members of the congregation who contribute regularly to the finances of All Saints or give of their time and talents to support its many activities.

On behalf of the Council

Andrew Shipton

Vicar, Chair of the Council
3 April 2022

**Independent Examiner's Report
For The Year Ending 31 December 2021**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 15 to 26.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view' which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

Date 4 April 2022

**D Bulmer BA(Hons) ACA
For and on behalf of Haines Watts, Chartered Accountants**

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Statement of Financial Activities
For the year ended 31 December 2021

		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	MacMahon Permanent Endowment fund £	Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
Income and Endowments	Note					
Voluntary income	2(a)	153,977	22,861	-	176,838	163,238
Trading activities	2(b)	36,763	-	-	36,763	31,703
Income from charitable activities	2(c)	12,572	2,075	-	14,647	4,568
Other income	2(d)	7,840	223	-	8,063	1,935
Income from investments	2(e)	1,576	548	-	2,124	2,091
Total income and endowments		212,728	25,707	-	238,435	203,535
Expenditure						
Raising funds	3(a)	1,318	-	-	1,318	707
Church activities	3(b)	217,438	21,379	-	238,817	193,322
Total expenditure		218,756	21,379	-	240,135	194,029
Net income / (expenditure) before investment gains		(6,028)	4,328	-	(1,700)	9,506
Net gains on investments		4,539	-	2,705	7,244	3,576
Net movement in funds		(1,489)	4,328	2,705	5,544	13,082
Gain on revaluation of fixed assets		30,000	-	-	30,000	-
Total funds brought forward at 1 January 2021		515,944	52,799	18,909	587,652	574,570
Total funds carried forward at 31 December 2021		544,455	57,127	21,614	623,196	587,652

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Balance sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Fixed assets					
Properties	6		465,000		435,000
Investments	7		58,375		50,214
			<u>523,375</u>		<u>485,214</u>
Current assets					
Debtors and other amounts receivable	8	10,440		10,334	
Bank balances and cash in hand		104,700		100,177	
		<u>115,140</u>		<u>110,511</u>	
Creditors falling due within one year	9	<u>15,319</u>		<u>8,073</u>	
Net current assets			99,821		102,438
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>623,196</u>		<u>587,652</u>
Net assets			<u><u>623,196</u></u>		<u><u>587,652</u></u>
Funds					
Unrestricted - General Funds	10		86,983		88,472
Unrestricted - Revaluation Reserve			457,472		427,472
Restricted	10		57,127		52,799
MacMahon Permanent Endowment	10		21,614		18,909
Total funds	11		<u><u>623,196</u></u>		<u><u>587,652</u></u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 3 April 2022 and signed on its behalf

Andrew Shipton

Vicar, Chair of the Council
3 April 2022

1. Accounting Policies

Basis of financial statements and assessment of going concern

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations Act 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions and under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2019 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law.

The significant accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented unless otherwise stated.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about All Saints' ability to continue as a going concern. Overall funds are still substantial despite having had significant costs, particularly for the Church heating system, the Church decoration and lighting and the Church bells refurbishment over the last 5 years.

Funds

Unrestricted or general funds are funds that are not subject to any restriction regarding their use and are available for application for the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are restricted funds.

Restricted funds are funds that are subject to specific trusts as to how they may be used, which may be declared by the donors, or on their authority (as in the case of a public appeal) but still within the objects of the Church. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Permanent endowment funds are restricted funds which represent monies or other assets given with the specific instruction that only the income from them may be spent and that the capital must be retained permanently.

Income and Endowments

Voluntary income

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the donations are received.

Legacies are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount is quantifiable and its receipt is reasonably certain.

Trading activities

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised on an accruals basis when the Church is entitled to the rent.

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Income from investments

Investment income is earned through holding assets for investment purposes. It includes dividends and interest. Where it is not practicable to identify investment management costs incurred within a scheme with reasonable accuracy the investment income is reported net of these costs. It is included when the amount can be measured reliably. Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method and dividend income is recognised as the charity's right to receive payment is established.

Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold. Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on the revaluation of investments at the balance sheet date.

Expenditure

Church activities

The Diocesan Parish Share is accounted for when paid. All of the Parish Share due for 2021 was paid in 2021. Mission Giving and donations are accounted for when paid or when awarded if that award carries a binding obligation on the PCC.

All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Consecrated land and buildings and movable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by Chapter 2, Section 10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are accounted for as unalienable property unless consecrated. In the case of unalienable property acquired prior to 1 January 2001 there is insufficient information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, individual items under £2000, or the repair of moveable church furnishings acquired before 1 January 2001 is written off.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is normally depreciated on a straight line basis over three years. Individual items of equipment with a net cost of £2,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Houses

The Old Clergy and Verger's Houses are valued in the accounts as at the 31 December 2021 market value.

Investments

Investments are stated in the balance sheet at their market value on 31 December 2021.

Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at the balance sheet date in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less a provision for any amounts which may prove uncollectable.

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Pension fund

For eligible salaried employees the PCC participates in the Church of England Pension Builder Classic Scheme (PB Classic), within the Church Workers Pension Fund.

The PB Classic is a type of defined benefit scheme invested in line with the Church of England ethical investment policies. The assets of the PB Classic are held separately from those of the employer.

The PCC is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities as each employer is exposed to actuarial risks associated with the current and former employees of the other entities participating in the scheme. For schemes like this FRS 102 requires the PCC to account for the Scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme and recognise costs on the basis of contributions actually payable to the Scheme in the year.

The PCC contributes 5% of basic salary and employees contribute a minimum of 3.5% of basic salary, 0.5% being for life insurance cover. The contributions in 2021 totalled £1,325 (2020 - £961) and there were no contributions outstanding at year end.

A valuation of the scheme is carried out once every three years. The most recent scheme valuation was carried out as at 31 December 2019. This showed a funding deficit of £4.8 million. At the most recent annual review, the Board chose to grant a discretionary bonus of 3% following improvements in the funding position. over 2021.

All Saints had 2 active members and 0 deferred members in the PB Classic Scheme at 31 December 2021.

Reserves

Reserves are held to cover liabilities shown in the balance sheet, future projects and to meet unexpected demands. The trustees aim to maintain overall reserves of cash and investments at a level which equates to 3 months of average expenditure while maintaining a positive balance of cash in the General Income fund.

Cash flow statement

The PCC have taken advantage of the exemption conferred by FRS 2 to dispense with the requirement to prepare a cash flow statement as the income is less than £500,000.

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2. Income and Endowments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds Youth project £	Other funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving	96,290	10,234	-	106,524	108,963
Donations	9,042	-	5,979	15,021	6,984
Income tax recoverable	24,652	2,297	1,513	28,462	27,037
Furlough	5,473	2,838	-	8,311	7,811
Legacies and gifts in memoriam	8,800	-	-	8,800	1,425
Grants	9,720	-	-	9,720	11,018
	153,977	15,369	7,492	176,838	163,238
2(b) Trading activities					
All Saints' Centre lettings	18,223	-	-	18,223	13,163
Rent of Old Clergy House	9,000	-	-	9,000	9,000
Rent of Verger's House	9,540	-	-	9,540	9,540
	36,763	-	-	36,763	31,703
2(c) Income from charitable activities					
Fundraising and other events	4,306	-	-	4,306	809
Fees	8,266	-	2,075	10,341	3,759
	12,572	-	2,075	14,647	4,568
2(d) Other income					
Costs recovered - expenses, insurance claim and office charges	7,840	-	-	7,840	1,630
Subscriptions and travel costs recovered	-	223	-	223	305
	7,840	223	-	8,063	1,935
2(e) Income from investments					
Dividends	918	-	548	1,466	1,391
Bank interest received	658	-	-	658	700
	1,576	-	548	2,124	2,091
Total income and endowments	212,728	15,592	10,115	238,435	203,535

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3. Expenditure		Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2021 Total funds £	2020 Total funds £
3(a) Raising funds					
Planned giving renewal expenses		-	-	-	70
Fundraising costs		1,318	-	1,318	637
		<u>1,318</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,318</u>	<u>707</u>
3(b) Church activities					
Ministry: Parish Share		111,505	-	111,505	111,505
Clergy housing costs		4,109	-	4,109	3,741
Clergy expenses		1,213	-	1,213	1,061
Church: Altar requisites, vestments etc		1,170	-	1,170	1,112
Cleaning, repairs and maintenance		3,200	-	3,200	1,160
Window repair		-	-	-	2,130
Livestream		848	7,648	8,496	-
Light and heat		3,049	-	3,049	2,224
Insurance		7,286	-	7,286	7,630
Organist, choir, music etc		3,177	1,347	4,524	3,920
Centre: Cleaning, repairs and maintenance		22,837	-	22,837	9,712
Stonework pointing		16,320	-	16,320	-
Access path lighting		2,742	-	2,742	2,962
Dishwasher		-	3,128	3,128	-
Insurance		1,953	-	1,953	2,051
Light and heat		4,439	-	4,439	3,709
Caretaker costs		7,217	-	7,217	7,086
Misc. Mission and education		872	20	892	701
Youth worker project		-	8,140	8,140	5,385
Old Clergy House expenses		3,188	-	3,188	1,773
Verger's House expenses		1,267	-	1,267	1,417
Church Office		17,145	-	17,145	16,327
Independent Examiners' costs		1,084	-	1,084	776
Mission Giving shortfall		995	-	995	3,527
Other costs		1,822	1,096	2,918	3,413
		<u>217,438</u>	<u>21,379</u>	<u>238,817</u>	<u>193,322</u>
Total expenditure		<u>218,756</u>	<u>21,379</u>	<u>240,135</u>	<u>194,029</u>

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4. Mission giving

The PCC continues to dedicate open plate collections to the Mission of the Month.

		<i>From Special Collections £</i>	<i>From Church Funds £</i>	<i>Total paid 2021 £</i>		<i>Total paid 2020 £</i>
Mission of the Month						
January	Cedarwood Trust	350	-	350	Cedarwood Trust	737
February	NIDAS	325	-	325	NIDAS	500
March	Friends of Murambinda Hospital, Zimbabwe	1,380	-	1,380	Friends of Murambinda Hospital, Zimbabwe	699
April	Church Mission Society	460	41	501	Church Mission Society	496
May	uS	384	117	501	uS	496
June	Cornerstone	476	25	501	Cornerstone	496
July	Mission to Seafarers	193	308	501	Mission to Seafarers	496
August	PCDC	259	242	501	PCDC	496
September	Northumbria Deaf Church	391	110	501	Northumbria Deaf Church	496
October	Walking With	581	-	581	Walking With	496
November	Shelter Box	435	66	501	Shelter Box	496
December	West End Refugee Service	414	87	501	West End Refugee Service	496
				<u>6,644</u>		<u>6,400</u>
Other donations						
Easter Day	Smile for Life	-	-	-	Smile for Life	-
Christingle	Children's Society	133	-	133	Children's Society	289
Christmas Eve	Christians Against Poverty	246	-	246	DEC	164
	Destiny Streetworx	246	-	246	Destiny Streetworx	164
Christmas Day	Caritas Baby's Hospital	142	-	142	Caritas Baby's Hospital	75
	Other charities	5228	-	5,228	Other charities	966
				<u>5,995</u>		<u>1,658</u>
				<u>12,639</u>		<u>8,058</u>

Note

The amounts listed above are considered to be direct income for the charities concerned and only pass through All Saints' bank account for recording purposes. Therefore these amounts are not included in either the income or the expenditure in these accounts. Any addition from church funds listed is included under miscellaneous expenditure.

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5. Staff costs

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	25,898	22,656
Social security costs *	-	-
Pension costs	1,325	961
Organists' fees	3,067	2,575
	<u>30,290</u>	<u>26,192</u>

* Employer National Insurance has a £2,000 allowance.

The PCC has employed a part-time administrator and a part-time caretaker throughout 2021 and a part-time children's and youth worker until 16 July 2021. The Fees paid to organists are also shown.

£8,311 was received from the Government as furlough benefits for the administrator, caretaker and the children's and youth worker.

6. Fixed assets

	At 1 Jan. 2021	Revaluation	At 31 Dec. 2021
	£	£	£
Properties at net book values	<u>435,000</u>	<u>30,000</u>	<u>465,000</u>

The properties comprise the All Saints' Centre (previously called the Church Hall), which has been written off in previous years, and the two adjacent houses, the Verger's House and the Old Clergy House. The Verger's House is valued at £240,000 and the Old Clergy House at £225,000, an increase of approximately 7% compared with the last valuation at 1 January 2015

The title to the land on which the All Saints' Centre and the two houses are situated is vested in the Church Commissioners.

All office equipment is fully depreciated or, in the case of individual items costing less than £2000, written off on acquisition.

7. Investments

These comprise 2,493 shares (2020 - 2,451) in the Central Board of Finance of The Church of England Investment Fund and are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. Their cost was £15,194 (2020 - £14,276).

	£
Market value at 1 January 2021	50,214
Dividends reinvested	917
Unrealised gains	<u>7,244</u>
Market value at 31 December 2021	<u>58,375</u>

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8. Debtors and other amounts receivable

	2021	2020
	£	£
Prepayments	1,543	1,367
Income tax recoverable	3,584	4,590
Other debtors	5,313	4,377
	<u>10,440</u>	<u>10,334</u>

9. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021	2020
	£	£
Creditors for goods and services	12,071	2,183
Accruals	3,148	5,702
PAYE and national insurance contributions	100	188
	<u>15,319</u>	<u>8,073</u>

10. Analysis of net assets between funds

Fund balances at 31 December 2021 are represented by :

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	MacMahon Permanent Endowment fund	Total funds
	£	£	£	£
Properties	465,000	-	-	465,000
Office equipment	-	-	-	-
Investments	36,761	-	21,614	58,375
Net current assets	42,694	57,127	-	99,821
	<u>544,455</u>	<u>57,127</u>	<u>21,614</u>	<u>623,196</u>

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11. Statement of funds

	Balance 01-Jan-21 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Revaluation/ Investment gains £	Balance 31-Dec-21 £
Permanent endowment	18,909	-	-	2,705	21,614
Restricted Funds					
Music development	1,060	875	1,347	-	588
Gloria Smith fund	43,705	15,591	8,140	-	51,156
Donations and fundraising for specific purposes	7,990	8,692	11,892	-	4,790
Income from Permanent Endowment	44	549	-	-	593
Total restricted funds	52,799	25,707	21,379	-	57,127
Unrestricted					
General income					
Properties*	435,000	-	-	30,000	465,000
Cash Deposits	18,388	203,434	199,694	-	22,128
Legacies fund	62,556	9,294	19,062	4,539	57,327
	515,944	212,728	218,756	34,539	544,455
Total funds	587,652	238,435	240,135	37,244	623,196

* Included in the Properties fund is a Revaluation Reserve of £457,472 (£427,472 in 2020)

MacMahon Permanent Endowment Fund

Under the Will of Alice Mary MacMahon, who died on 6 April 1966, this fund is held on trust to apply the income of the fund in the maintenance, repair and upkeep of the fabric of the church and the churchyard.

Gloria Smith Fund

This represents the monies raised less expenditure to date for the Youth Project.

Donations and fundraising for other specific purposes

This comprises donations, fundraising and grants for specific items such as the refurbishment of the Church and All Saints' Centre and its equipment.

Income from Permanent Endowment

Income from the MacMahon fund is credited to this fund. Costs in connection with maintenance as defined above are charged against it to the extent that the available income allows.

Music Development Fund

This provides funds for improvements to music for worship including the funding of an Organ Scholar.

11. Statement of funds (continued)

Legacies Fund

Legacies are often accompanied by instructions as to the use of the monies. Alternatively an attempt may be made to match a legacy with the purchase of a specific item or the funding of specific expenditure that results in something of a permanent nature. The balance of the fund held represents the value of legacies and gifts in memoriam received without specific instructions as to their use. This is used for significant capital projects associated with the Church or Church Centre. 75% of the bank interest earned in 2021 has been allocated to the Legacies fund and 25% to the General Income fund.

The resulting position is as set out in the following table:

	General income £	Legacies fund £	Total unrestricted funds £
Properties	465,000	-	465,000
Investments	-	36,761	36,761
Net current assets	22,128	20,566	42,694
	<u>487,128</u>	<u>57,327</u>	<u>544,455</u>

12. Related party transactions

Expenses payable to the Revd Canon Andrew Shipton and the Revd Beverley Davies amounted to £1,213. The Revd Canon Andrew Shipton has occupied a house attached to his appointment since September 2014. Costs borne by the PCC in connection with the Vicarage during 2021 totalled £4,109. No allowances for expenses incurred in the course of work for the church were paid to any other member of the PCC during 2021.