



Diocese of Peterborough, Archdeaconry of Northampton, Deanery of Brackley

**The Parish of St Peter with St James Brackley**  
(Registered Charity Number 1131151)

Annual Report and Financial Statements  
of the  
Parochial Church Council  
for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

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St Peter's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church - Pastoral, Social and Ecumenical.

### **Membership**

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

### **Incumbent**

Revd Rich Duncan

### **Permission to Officiate**

Revd Sylvia Lafford  
Revd Phillip Ball  
Revd Geoff Ball  
Revd Dave Bell

### **Lay Chairman**

Mrs Val Lynam                      from APCM 2022

### **Churchwardens**

Mrs Val Lynam                      from APCM 2022: Administrator  
Mrs Bev Lazenby                      from APCM 2022

### **Representatives on the Deanery Synod**

Mr John MacMahon                      from APCM 2021 until 2023

### **Elected Members of the PCC**

Mrs Uli Ashley	from APCM 2022 until 2024
Mr John Carter	from APCM 2021 until 2024 - Treasurer
Mrs Karen Gees	from APCM 2022 until 2025 - Secretary
Mr Steve Gees	from APCM 2022 until 2025
Mrs Liz Goddard	from APCM 2021 until 2023
Dr Tony Holden	from APCM 2021 until 2024
Mrs Rosemary Leeper	from APCM 2022 until 2025
Mrs Alison Scobie	from APCM 2021 until 2023
Mr Ben Stopher	from APCM 2021 until 2024
Mr Stuart Wright	from APCM 2022 until 2024 – moved away October 22

### **Church Attendance**

There are 147 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll as of 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022. The Average Sunday Attendance for 2022 was 99 adults and 17 children, excluding services when a baptism was held.

<b>Our Purpose:</b>	<b>Loving God, loving each other, loving Brackley</b>
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In many respects, 2022 was a hugely encouraging year in the life of St Peter's, with various signs of growth. Lots of new faces joined the church during the 12 months, with the average Sunday attendance of adults rising gradually, along with the number of children in Junior Church and Tots. 180 new Bibles were installed in the pews, Christingle services were even better attended than they were pre-covid, the congregation's planned monthly giving jumped by about 15% over the year, and there were over 2,000 new visitors to the church website. Each of these encouragements was something to give great thanks to God for. He is ultimately the one who produces growth (1 Corinthians 3:7).

These measurables are only part of the picture, of course. The growth that most glorifies God is the fruit of the Spirit (John 15:8, Galatians 3:22), which is much harder to quantify, at least in numerical terms. As we have sat under God's word, prayed, shared in the sacraments and enjoyed Christian fellowship, we hope that the Holy Spirit has been shaping us individually into people who are ever more Christ-like (Romans 8:29) and corporately into a community that increasingly resembles the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-27), so that we can be the salt and light to the town of Brackley we ought to be (Matthew 5:13-15). Growth in these areas is obviously much harder to gauge, but there have been many positive signs.

One measure is the willingness of the congregation to serve. A huge number of people continued to beaver away on various teams, rotas and committees – many entirely out of the limelight – whilst others stepped into new roles. After a couple of years of reduced activity due to the coronavirus, the Social Committee once again ran a brilliant programme of events, providing fun, funding and friendship. At the start of the year, the sides-persons rota was reformed into the Welcome Team and given a broader remit on Sundays. Notice sheets were introduced at the same time to improve communication and help the Welcome Team engage newcomers.

In our Sunday sermons, we examined the solidity of our faith through an apologetics mini-series, we saw in John's Gospel the way that belief in Jesus Christ leads to life, we revelled in the certain hope that 1 Corinthians 15 unpacks and were reminded in Exodus of God's initiative in revealing, rescuing and relating. During the week, the Bible Discussion Group and our enquirers courses (like Hope Explored and Alpha) were laid on for regular discipleship and evangelism, whilst several Brackley care homes continued to be visited on a monthly basis and Halse Chapel continued to host a monthly Communion service. Rev. Sylvia also began as chaplain of Brackley Community Hospital, with weekly visiting.

Particular highlights of the year included Helen Price's ever-deepening relationship with a growing number of the local schools, taking scores of assemblies, services and lessons in and for all 6 primary-aged schools during the year. The new lighting system was finally installed part-way through the year and was very well received by all. Preparations for the 800 Celebration in 2023 began in earnest in June 2022,

and we also received an unexpected boost in July when we heard we would be offered a curate in 2023.

Other particular highlights included one-off events such as the Easter Sunday all-age service, the summer picnic, the Ride and Stride event, a well-attended Light Party, and a fun new Christmas baking workshop.

There were also some incredibly hard points during 2022, especially the deaths of some beloved members of the St Peter's family, in addition to having to say goodbye to congregation members who moved away from the area. In all of this, we took comfort that the Lord weeps with those who weep. Nevertheless, there was an enormous amount to celebrate, for which we thank our gracious God. "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever" (1 Chronicles 16:34).

### **Maintenance:**

The Building Development and Maintenance Committee (BDM) has continued to manage repairs and developments to St Peter's Church under the direction of our architect. We are very grateful for those who have used their time and abilities to help to care for our church building and churchyard. The BDM currently comprises, John MacMahon (chair), John Carter, Bob Israel, Geoff Ball, Valerie Lynam, and Rev Rich Duncan. Further help is always welcome!

The Quinquennial (5 year) architect's inspection was conducted in May 2021. Extract - "The church fabric continues basically sound and in good order. There are works of maintenance required but overall, it is apparent that the church is well cared for."

All the identified "urgent works" listed in the above inspection report are now complete. Good progress has been made on the works recommended to be undertaken within the next twelve months. The repairs to the roof over the vestry, repointing to roof ridges and some sections of the gutters and downpipes de-rusted and repainted.

The outstanding inspection items (to be complete in twelve months) are:

- Regilding of wind vane, de-rusting and repainting of supporting metalwork and compass points to wind vane
- Repairs to roof over kitchen
- De-rusting and painting of gutters and downpipes
- Repairs to lead flashing and pointing to tower parapets
- Treatment of external doors with oil / beeswax
- Repairs to decorations to hall windows and seat to south transept.

The boiler failed its inspection again in 2022, is at the end of its life, and needs replacement before the next winter.

Hughes Roofing have continued to do regular maintenance on the church roofs and replaced the lost slate on the upper section of the central nave roof. The scaffolding access gave an opportunity to do other maintenance on the central and lower south facing roofs. They seem to have won the battle with the moss on the church hall roof

but have needed to do regular temporary patchwork repairs to the hall roof to keep it watertight. The renewal of the kitchen and entrance hall roof sections is now pressing.

The Chancel and Lady Chapel roofs are in fair condition with, hopefully, a further twenty years life before renewal. The guttering over the vestry and on the south aisle have been de-rusted and painted.

The condition of the churchyard wall continues to be a concern with a further 60m that will soon require rebuilding.

All the streetlights by the church are now working and we are very grateful to the Council for organising the repair.

The blocked drain by the tower is continuing to empty if only slowly. Also, the soakaway for most of the church roof water is emptying slowly and at 40 years old is at the end of its predicted life.

An initial inspection of the woodwork in the church, tower and nave roof space has identified there is active insect attack. A further inspection and quotation is planned for 2023.

An inspection of the safety of the monuments within the churchyard was complete, and unsafe monuments laid flat. The next inspection is due in 2027.

The gardening teams have done a wonderful job keeping the churchyard in excellent condition supported by the Community Payback teams for the second part of the year.

#### **Improvements:**

A new AV system was installed with a retractable screen behind the Chancel arch. This is extensively used and well received but the single screen is not visible throughout the nave. Further work is ongoing to fine tune the microphones for different voices.

The new lighting installation is complete and very well received.

Wi-Fi has been installed in the church and refinements are under way to allow streaming of the King's Coronation.

#### **Looking ahead to 2023**

- Continue to manage routine repairs.
- Support the 800 Appeal with prices for identified works.
- Plan and complete works recommended, in the architect's 2021 inspection report, as funds become available.
- Finalise heating option and obtain approval.
- Plan renewal of kitchen roof.
- Remove ivy on the new wall sections and kill the ivy, but leave in situ, and remove the ivy on the rest of the churchyard wall.

#### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Peter's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens and members elected by those of the congregation who



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

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The PCC meets on the first Thursday of the month with the exception of January and August.

There are three sub committees who are responsible for reporting to the PCC. These are:

**Buildings, Development and Maintenance** – responsible for managing projects approved by the PCC of any work that needs to be done to keep the church in good condition. Meetings are held as required.

**Finance** – responsible for managing the finances of the PCC and to support the treasurer, Mr John Carter. Meetings are held at least three times per year.

**Social Committee** – responsible for organising fund raising events which will attract not only church members but also those from the wider community. Planning meetings are held on a regular basis and they are always willing to listen to any suggestions people might have.

### Deanery Synod

Peter Cantley, the Director of Education for The Diocese of Peterborough, came to the May Deanery Synod, and talked about education in schools. There was a prayer walk around Marston St Lawrence followed by a talk from Mike Scott about features of the church for the June meeting. The September meeting was held at Middleton Cheney with a service of Holy Communion and a farewell to the Rural Dean, Carolyn Oley.

### Financial Review

Although the deficit appears to be £43,000 during the year this was helped by a transfer of £25,000 from the sale of shares in the Church House fund. It was encouraging to see a £10,000 increase in the level of standing orders committed by members of the congregation, of which there are now 68 very generous contributors. Monthly giving by standing order increased by 22% over the previous year 2021. The resumption of social events together with church hall hire fees following the pandemic in 2021 and earlier, added a welcome £10,000 to the funds, as did claiming back the VAT from HMRC (£9,500) under the government's Listed Places of Worship (LPW) Grant Scheme. This is where VAT incurred on the repairs to listed buildings can be reclaimed.

Unsurprisingly the costs of gas and electricity doubled during the year to just under £10,000, although this is not a true comparison as the church was closed for some time during 2021. Most of the administration and day-to-day running costs of the



church were largely similar to the previous year. The Parish Share, at £75,291 remains by far the largest single cost to St Peter's although the diocese has mercifully kept this the same for 2023 – the third year in a row.

The new lighting system, at £40,000 plus essential repairs, principally to the roofs, of £30,000 were the main reasons why the considerable deficit was incurred by the year end. These were planned expenditures and funded from the sale of some of the shares built up in the Church House fund. In a similar way the cost of employing our full time Children and Families Worker continues to be met from the substantial legacy (i.e. the Designated fund) left to the church in 2019.

During the year St Peter's benefited from a £9,500 donation from the FEOFFEE charity which is specifically earmarked for upkeep of the church's fabric. We are extremely grateful for this sum.

A glance at the total assets of the church reveals that there was a substantial drop in value compared with the situation at the end of 2021 viz. nearly £67,000. Following several years of substantial growth within the Church House fund, 2022 saw a small reduction in the value of this investment and, which has already been stated above, £25,000 was taken from it to finance a significant part of the new lighting scheme. Permission from the Charities Commission has already been secured to use a further £50,000 from this fund to finance further expenditure during the coming 12 months, should it be necessary.

### **Reserves Policy**

The policy regarding the General fund is to carry the balance forward to the next financial year to help meet the ever-increasing costs of running the church, meeting the Diocesan Quota (maintained again at £75,291 for 2023) and to help with major repairs and furnishings when there are insufficient funds in the Fabric and Chancel funds. The longer term aim would be to have 3 months cash reserves in the General fund in order to meet any unforeseen "emergency" costs. This equates to approximately £30,000 based on "normal" expenditure, i.e. without the present out

of pattern spending during 2022. The reality is, however, that the General fund has a virtually zero cash value although there are funds in the Fabric and Chancel funds as well as a potential £50,000 in the Church House investment fund.

### **Risk Management**

St. Peter's Church PCC has conducted and continues to conduct, risk analyses and holds insurance against property damage and third party claims up to £10 million. The PCC is also aware of the Health and Safety matters both within the Church, the Church Hall and the Church grounds and operates a vulnerable person's policy under the auspices of the Diocese and has obtained CRB checks for all who have contact with vulnerable people. To that end, a Parish Safeguarding Officer is a member of the PCC.

### A Note of Thanks

Many individuals have given a great deal of their time and their gifts to the life and worship of St Peter's in the last year. Particular appreciation is noted here of members of the Ministry Team; the churchwardens; all those who have supported worship; Church musicians and members of the choir; readers, Eucharistic Assistants, Intercessors and those involved in Sunday prayer ministry; bell ringers; for our Treasurer, PCC Secretary and all members of the PCC; the Administrator; the Magazine Secretary; graphic designer; magazine distributors; members of sub-committees; the Deanery Synod; those who maintain the Tower clock; those who work with our children in any way, on Sundays and other days; the Foundation Governors of Brackley Junior School; organisers of the Summer Holiday Club; those involved in Songs of Praise services in residential homes; organisers/cooks of the Sunday lunches and other parish meals; all involved in maintaining the parish web site; the Mother's Union; those who visit families seeking baptism for their children; those who visit the sick, the bereaved and the housebound; organisers of fund raising and other social events; those who have beautified the church and cared for the building and its grounds; those who have grown flowers for Mothering Sunday; those who have given support through their prayers, their help behind the scenes and many unrecognised acts of kindness and care for others.



Mrs Val Lynam - Lay Chair



Revd Rich Duncan - Vicar

**St Peter with St James, Brackley**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2022**

**Receipts & Payments Account**

	General Fund (Unr'stcd)	Designated Fund (Unr'stcd)	Fabric Fund (Restricted)	Chancel Fund (Restricted)	Appeal Fund (Unr'stcd)	Total Funds 2022 2021	
<b>Receipts</b>	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<i>Regular giving</i>							
Planned giving (note 3a)	64,547	-	-	-	-	<b>64,547</b>	54,544
Collections & others (3a)	15,600	-	9,500	-	595	<b>25,695</b>	27,269
Income tax (from gift aid)	<u>15,204</u>	-	-	-	-	<b>15,204</b>	14,165
	95,351	-	9,500	-	595	<b>105,446</b>	95,978
Transfer (from Ch Hse fund)	25,000	-	-	-	-	<b>25,000</b>	-
Insurance claim & VAT refund	13,286	-	-	-	-	<b>13,286</b>	-
Legacy receipts (3e)	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,000
Funding activities (3b/3e)	8,676	-	-	-	-	<b>8,676</b>	2,363
Receipts from activities (3c)	21,730	-	-	-	-	<b>21,730</b>	17,517
Investments (3d)	195	-	-	420	-	<b>615</b>	413
Misc receipts (3e)	<u>615</u>	-	-	-	-	<b>615</b>	670
	69,502	-	-	420	-	<b>69,922</b>	23,963
<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>164,853</u>	-	<u>9,500</u>	<u>420</u>	<u>595</u>	<b>175,368</b>	<b>119,941</b>
<b>Payments</b>							
<i>Church activities</i>							
Diocesan parish share	75,291	-	-	-	-	<b>75,291</b>	75,291
Light & heat (4a)	9,676	-	-	-	-	<b>9,676</b>	4,790
Running costs (4b)	9,434	-	-	-	-	<b>9,434</b>	5,965
Repairs & maint (4f)	9,930	-	19,952	-	-	<b>29,882</b>	45,050
New Fixtures (4f)	40,060	-	-	-	-	<b>40,060</b>	9,671
C & F Worker	-	26,454	-	-	-	<b>26,454</b>	9,227
Clergy expenses	831	-	-	-	-	<b>831</b>	933
Administration (4c)	10,280	-	-	509	-	<b>10,789</b>	10,421
Choral & music (4d)	4,410	-	-	-	-	<b>4,410</b>	3,014
Children's activities (4e)	171	-	-	-	-	<b>171</b>	-
Others (4f) *See note below	<u>8,965</u>	-	-	-	2,434	<b>11,399</b>	7,924
<b>Total payments</b>	<u>169,048</u>	<u>26,454</u>	<u>19,952</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>2,434</u>	<b>218,397</b>	<b>172,286</b>
<b>Excess of Recs/Payments</b>	<b><u>-£4,195</u></b>	<b><u>-£26,454</u></b>	<b><u>-£10,452</u></b>	<b><u>-£89</u></b>	<b><u>-£1,839</u></b>	<b><u>-£43,029</u></b>	<b><u>-£52,345</u></b>
<b>Movement of funds</b>							
Fund value at 1 Jan 2022	4,227	71,678	16,523	9,832	-	102,260	
Net receipts in the year	164,853	-	9,500	420	595	175,368	
Net payments in the year	<u>169,048</u>	<u>26,454</u>	<u>19,952</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>2,434</u>	<u>218,397</u>	
<b>Increase (Decrease)</b>	<b><u>-£4,195</u></b>	<b><u>-£26,454</u></b>	<b><u>-£10,452</u></b>	<b><u>-£89</u></b>	<b><u>-£1,839</u></b>	<b><u>-£43,029</u></b>	
<b>Fund value Jan 1st 2023</b>	<b><u>£32</u></b>	<b><u>£45,224</u></b>	<b><u>£6,071</u></b>	<b><u>£9,743</u></b>	<b><u>-£1,839</u></b>	<b><u>£59,231</u></b>	
<b>(pages 7 &amp; 11)</b>							

\* Note: The deficit in the Appeal Fund was due to start-up costs of consultancy and printing material.

**St Peter with St James, Brackley**  
**Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2022 (contd)**

**Statements of Assets & Liabilities**

*Investment assets*

The General Fund investment is invested in £4% Consolidated Stock (yielding £1 during the year) taken out in 1954/5. The Chancel fund investment is invested in CBF Church of England Investment Fund Income Units (yielding £406 during the year). The Church House fund investment is invested in CBF Church of England Investment Fund Accumulation Shares. Movements during the year were as follows:-

	CBF Deposit fund	General fund (Unrestr'ctd)	Chancel fund (Restricted)		CBF Ch Hse fund (Permanent endowment)	Total
	£	£	£	Units	£      Units	£
Market value 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2022	14,587	379	15,996	684	131,741    2,258	162,703
Purchases at cost (transfer)					-25,000    -471	-25,000
Net gain annual revaluation	616	15	-1,875	-	-11,976    -	-13,220
<b>Market value 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2022</b>	<b><u>15,203</u></b>	<b><u>394</u></b>	<b><u>14,121</u></b>	<b><u>684</u></b>	<b><u>94,765</u>    <u>1,787</u></b>	<b><u>124,483</u></b>

*Other Assets retained for Church use*

Significant Church equipment comprises:-

- a) Yamaha clavino – original cost £3,504, b) Hilltop Audio/Visual system £25,490
- c) Henry Jones organ – original cost not known. d) HSE Lighting system £39,429. All have been fully written down, so no depreciation is included in these accounts.

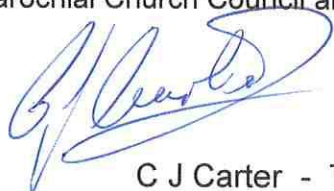
St James churchyard, ("closed" since approximately 1937), is owned by the PCC but nominally maintained by the local council and constitutes an asset of the Church although no value has been estimated for this. The church has been looking, possibly, to develop the site but it currently appears not to be a viable proposition.

A loan of £50,000 was made from the Church House fund, some 25 years ago, in 1998, with the permission of the Charity Commissioners, to help the financing of the extension and has now, after revaluations, been repaid, the total fund now being available. (See page 11).

*Analysis of net assets by fund*

	Gen Fund £	Des Fund £	Fab Fund £	Chanc Fund £	App Fund £	Chu Hse Fund £	CBF Dep Fund £	Total 2022 £
Investment								
Fixed assets	394	-		14,121	-	94,765	15,203	124,483
Current Assets	32	45,224	6,071	9,743	-1,839	-	-	59,231
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b><u>426</u></b>	<b><u>45,224</u></b>	<b><u>6,071</u></b>	<b><u>23,864</u></b>	<b><u>-1,839</u></b>	<b><u>94,765</u></b>	<b><u>15,203</u></b>	<b><u>183,714</u></b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:-



C J Carter - Treasurer

Date: 31/3/23



**1. Accounting policy**

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments (R & P) basis which is recommended when gross income is less than £250,000.

**2. Funds**

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Permission has been given by FEOFFEE to utilise their donation for general expenditure on the fabric of the church if needed (see below). The current value of the General fund is shown as a nominal £32.

Restricted funds are those funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and these are:-

a) **Fabric fund** which normally only receives money from the FEOFFEE charity and can be used for repairs, acquisitions, replacements and renewals or maintenance of the church buildings, their contents, fixtures and fittings including organ, heating, lighting etc.

b) **Chancel fund**, which is restricted and used for any expenses relating to the Chancel. All of the income from the Chancel Fund investment account (£420 in 2022) goes to this fund and 1/7<sup>th</sup> of the insurance cost (£509) comes from it.

c) **Church House fund**, a permanent endowment fund, came from the proceeds of the sale of the church house property in June 1997 for £59,950, £50,000 of which was used to help finance the building of the extension. The value of this fund is now £94,764 and permission was granted by the Charities Commission that £25,000 may be utilised from this fund for other church costs, such as the new lighting system. Permission has now been granted to utilise a further £50,000 should it be required for additional costs in the coming year.

d) **“Designated fund”** is a fund into which the 2019 legacy of £187,225 has been placed so that it could be identified for the growth and protection of St Peter’s into the future. A portion of the repairs and maintenance were paid from this fund which now stands at £45,224. Future costs of the Children & Families Worker will come from this fund.

**St Peter with St James, Brackley**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2022 (contd)**

**3. Receipts Analysis**

	General Fund (Unr'stcd)	Designated Fund (Unr'stcd)	Fabric Fund (Restricted)	Chancel Fund (Restricted)	Appeal Fund	Total Funds	
	£		£	£	£	2022	2021
<b>3 a) Voluntary receipts</b>						£	£
Standing orders (gift aid)	60,572	-	-	-	-	<b>60,572</b>	49,342
Weekly envelopes (G A)	1,998	-	-	-	-	<b>1,998</b>	3,215
Non G A envelopes & SO's	1,977	-	-	-	-	<b>1,977</b>	1,987
Other "casual" G A	1,760	-	-	-	-	<b>1,760</b>	1,500
Collections inc Good Box	7,398	-	-	-	-	<b>7,398</b>	5,031
Donations inc Sum Up	6,442	-	9,500	-	595	<b>16,537</b>	20,738
Income tax (G A refund)	15,204	-	-	-	-	<b>15,204</b>	14,165
	<u>95,351</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>595</u>	<b>105,446</b>	95,978
<b>3 b) Funds generating activities</b>							
Social events	6,743	-	-	-	-	<b>6,743</b>	724
Film Shows	-	-	-	-	-	<b>-</b>	-
Sunday lunches	1,140	-	-	-	-	<b>1,140</b>	1,521
Others (tea/coffe etc)	793	-	-	-	-	<b>793</b>	118
	<u>8,676</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>8,676</b>	2,363
<b>3 c) Church activities receipts</b>							
Weddings/funerals	9,087	-	-	-	-	<b>9,087</b>	8,828
Assigned fees to diocese	4,315	-	-	-	-	<b>4,315</b>	5,045
Hire of church hall	3,825	-	-	-	-	<b>3,825</b>	987
Church mag (total receipts)	2,882	-	-	-	-	<b>2,882</b>	2,374
Children's activities	1,621	-	-	-	-	<b>1,621</b>	283
	<u>21,730</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>21,730</b>	17,517
<b>3 d) Investments</b>							
Dividends	-	-	-	420	-	<b>420</b>	406
Interest	195	-	-	-	-	<b>195</b>	7
	<u>195</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>420</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>615</b>	413
<b>3 e) Other receipts</b>							
Transfer (from Ch Hse Fund)	25,000	-	-	-	-	<b>25,000</b>	-
Insurance Claim	3,775	-	-	-	-	<b>3,775</b>	-
Office (copying)	-	-	-	-	-	<b>-</b>	-
VAT refund	9,511	-	-	-	-	<b>9,511</b>	-
Miscellaneous	615	-	-	-	-	<b>615</b>	670
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	<b>-</b>	3,000
	<u>38,901</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>38,901</b>	3,670
<b>Total receipts</b>	<u>£ 164,853</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£ 9,500</u>	<u>£ 420</u>	<u>£ 595</u>	<b>£ 175,368</b>	<b>£119,941</b>

**Cash in bank accounts**

Location Account no.	Barclays 43960404	Lloyds 0060124	Lloyds 7140379	CBF 628032001D	Total
Funds at 1 Jan 2022	5,313	82,260	100	14,587	<b>102,260</b>
Gross receipts in 2022	109,677	64,481	595	616	<b>175,369</b>
Gross payments in 2022	<u>81,351</u>	<u>137,047</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<b>218,398</b>
Increase/(Decrease) in cash	£28,326	-£72,566	£595	£616	<b>-£ 43,029</b>
<b>Funds at 31 Dec 2022</b>	<b>£ 33,639</b>	<b>£ 9,694</b>	<b>£ 695</b>	<b>£ 15,203</b>	<b>£ 59,231</b>

**St Peter with St James, Brackley**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31st December 2022 (contd)**

**4. Payments Analysis**

	General Fund (Unr'stcd)	Designated Fund (Unr'stcd)	Fabric Fund (Restricted)	Chancel Fund (Restricted)	Appeal Fund (Unr'stcd)	Total Funds	
						2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>4 a) Energy costs</b>							
Gas	4,269	-	-	-	-	4,269	1,815
Electricity	5,407	-	-	-	-	5,407	2,975
	<u>9,676</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,676</u>	<u>4,790</u>
<b>4 b) Church running costs</b>							
Cleaning (inc windows)	2,976	-	-	-	-	2,976	1,042
Altar requisites	240	-	-	-	-	240	352
Churchyard maintenance	692	-	-	-	-	692	2,048
Organ/piano tuning/maintce	1,502	-	-	-	-	1,502	311
Others	4,024	-	-	-	-	4,024	2,212
	<u>9,434</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,434</u>	<u>5,965</u>
<b>4 c) Administration</b>							
Insurance	3,053	-	-	509	-	3,562	2,944
Print, post & stationery	3,310	-	-	-	-	3,310	4,464
Administration	2,966	-	-	-	-	2,966	2,137
Telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ind examiner's fee	756	-	-	-	-	756	756
Bank charges	195	-	-	-	-	195	120
	<u>10,280</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,789</u>	<u>10,421</u>
<b>4 d) Choral &amp; music</b>							
Choir	-	-	-	-	-	-	110
Music fees	4,410	-	-	-	-	4,410	2,904
	<u>4,410</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,410</u>	<u>3,014</u>
<b>4 e) Children's activities</b>							
1st Steps, J C, Hol Club	171	-	-	-	-	171	-
	<u>171</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>171</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>4 f) Other payments</b>							
Parish share	75,291	-	-	-	-	75,291	75,291
Assigned fees (weds, funs)	4,315	-	-	-	-	4,315	5,044
Fees to verger & other clergy	2,566	-	-	-	-	2,566	1,707
Clergy expenses	831	-	-	-	-	831	933
Fund raising costs	1,524	-	-	-	2,434	3,958	-
Charity giving	560	-	-	-	-	560	1,173
C & F Worker	-	26,454	-	-	-	26,454	9,227
New fixtures	40,060	-	-	-	-	40,060	9,671
Repairs, maintenance	9,930	-	19,952	-	-	29,882	45,050
	<u>135,077</u>	<u>26,454</u>	<u>19,952</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,434</u>	<u>183,917</u>	<u>148,096</u>
<b>Total payments</b>	<u>£ 169,048</u>	<u>£ 26,454</u>	<u>£ 19,952</u>	<u>£ 509</u>	<u>£ 2,434</u>	<u>£ 218,397</u>	<u>£ 172,286</u>

**5. Trustees and Related Parties**

Only one of the Trustees (the Administrator) received any remuneration (£2,128.50) from the PCC during the current year.

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year.



**Independent Examiners Report  
to the PCC of St Peter with St James, Brackley**

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I report to the members on my examination of the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 9 to 13.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act") and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ("the Regulations").

I report in respect of my examination of the PCC'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.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission and to be found in the Church guidance. The examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 on whether the financial statements present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Date: 05/04/2023