



Treasurer's Report for 2023

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Ashley Kemp
PCC Treasurer
Upper Stour PCC



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Parochial Church Council of Ecclesiastical Parish of Upper Stour

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1131161

Set out on pages

n/a

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2023

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (~~other than that disclosed below~~*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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Signed:

Date:

4th MARCH 2024


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 Parish of UPPER STOUR - Financial Statement Combined Upper Stour PCC Accounts 2023 INCOME	2023 PCCdata	PCC	PCC only	PCC only	BR-E set up 2021	PCC only	Bourton
	Aggregate	Aggregate	UNRESTRICTEDs	RESTRICTEDs	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	Aggregate
	UNrestricted	RESTRICTEDs	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)
					PCC C-G ZChoir	PCC Bells	PCC Flower
Voluntary giving							
Tax efficient planned giving	21,628	0	10,109				2,667
Other planned giving	5,787	0	300				4,810
Collections at services	6,388	0	0				1,767
All other giving and voluntary receipts, including special appeals (recurring and one-off)	14,046	0	3,040				30
Gift Aid recovered	12,615	0	3,183				2,116
Legacies received (capital value)	-85	10,000	-88				10,000
Grants (include recurring and one-off)	11,270	0	1,335				400
Total voluntary giving	71,649	10,000	17,879		0	0	21,790
Activities for generating funds							
Fundraising activities (gross proceeds)	18,512	0	7,489				559
Income from investments							
Dividends, interest, income from property etc.	750	0	132		0		0
Church activities							
Fees 'retained' by PCC 2023(weddings, funerals etc.)	10,283	924	9,603			£924	360
Trading activities (gross proceeds), NOT fundraising	7,149	0	1,972				5
Other incoming resources							
Other receipts/income incl magz	20	0	0				20
Total voluntary giving	71,649	10,000	17,879		0	0	21,790
TOTAL INCOME	108,363	10,924	37,075		0	924	22,734
EXPENDITURE							
Costs of generating funds							
Costs of fundraising activities	5,586	0	2,579				0
Church activities							
Mission giving and donations	3,219	0	304				120
Diocesan parish share (incl £22529 bal2022)	59,029	0	29,545				6,996
Salaries, wages and honoraria	4,891	0	3,911				240
Clergy and staff expenses	4,882	0	4,882				0
Church expenses							
Mission and evangelism costs	1,213	0	1,089				120
Church running expenses (including governance)	15,357	0	0			0	810
Church utility bills P.O elec & phone	5,281	0	0				854
Costs of trading	3,759	0	0				0
Major capital expenditure							
Major repairs to the church building	55,556	0	0				0
Major repairs to church hall/other PCC property including redecoration	683	0	0				0
New building work to the church, church hall, clergy housing or other PCC property.	0	0	0				0
Other expenditure							
Other payments/expenditure not already listed	1,818	0	1,708				0
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	161,274	0	44,019		0	0	9,140
Gain on investments	-3,019	1,496	0		0	0	0
SURPLUS/DEFICIT	-45,930	12,420	-6,944		0	924	13,594
Transfer	0	0	0				0
REVISED SURPLUS/DEFICIT	-45,930	12,420	-6,944		0	924	13,594
PLANNED GIVERS AND LEGACIES							
Number of tax efficient planned givers @ y/e	39	0	9				7
Number of other planned givers	1	0	0				
Number of new legacies received in year	0	1	0				
CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES 31.12.22							
Current Account-Lloyds	53,386	50,716	7,116		0	570	5,955
Account-Petty Cash	0	0	0				0
UnCleared Items	0	0	0				0
Adjusted Balance..	53,386	50,716	7,116		0	570	5,955
Accounts in CBF (Int Retnd)	5,870	0	4,322		0		0
Lloyds Deposit Accs, incl RHFrancis Trust	5,213	506					718
Lloyds Deposit Share Acc(5) & Fees acc	30,353		9,365				5,247
Account Z-Ruffer CAT #0000030	4,422	15,978	0				0
RufferK Invst (Kilm)	30,543	2,400	0				0
AccountMz- NatWest	2,313	0	0				0
Account-CBF (Stmnts via Diocese)		9,497	0		4,418		0
TOTAL	132,100	79,096	20,804		4,418	570	11,920
	incl insur £1N 2022, paid out 2023				set up by BR-E 2021		
CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES 31.12.23							
Current Accounts -Lloyds	33,788	3,920	1,612		0	924	9,569
Account-Petty Cash	0	0	0				0
UnCleared Items	0	0	0				0
Adjusted Balance..	33,788	3,920	1,612		0	924	9,569
Accounts in CBF (Int Retnd) Stmnts to PCC	4,460	0	4,460		0		0
Lloyds Deposit Accs (incl Trusts)	8,662	11,224	0				10,718
Lloyds Share savingAcc(5) & Fees depst acc	21,250	0	12,302				2,237
Ruffer Account Z acc CAT #0000030	3,779	15,978	0				
Saffron BS K Acc# 107521692	23,600	2,400					
United Trst Bank 'bond' S acc# 20198888	15,000	0					
Ruffer Invst (Kilm) closed 2023	0	0	0				
Account Magz- NatWest	2,187	0	0				
Accounts-CCLA/CBF (Stmnts via Diocese)	0	10,398	0		4,838		
TOTAL	112,726	43,920	18,374		4,838	924	22,524

Bourton UNRESTRICTED (nearest £)	Bourton RESTRICTED (nearest £)	Bourton RESTRICTED (nearest £)	Bourton RESTRICTED (nearest £)	Bourton Restricted (nearest £)	Kilm'ton Aggregate (nearest £)	Kilm'ton UN-RESTRICTED (nearest £)	Kilm'ton RESTRICTED (nearest £)	Kilm'ton RESTRICTED (nearest £)	Stourton Aggregate (nearest £)
Bells	Tower	Churchyard	Fabric				Churchyard	Tower/Bldg	
2,667					2,985	2,985			1,864
4,810					0	0			0
1,767					960	960			2,082
30					655	655			9,236
2,116					945	945			5,644
				10,000	3	3			0
400					785	785			8,500
11,790	0	0	0	10,000	6,333	6,333	0	0	27,326
559					2,719	2,719	0	0	0
0				0	46	46			0
360					160	160			0
5					20	20			0
20					0	0			0
11,790	0	0	0	10,000	6,333	6,333	0	0	27,326
12,734	0	0	0	10,000	9,278	9,278	0	0	27,326
0					370	370		£0.00	48
120					0	0			1,587
6,996					6,996	6,996			6,996
240					0	0			740
0					0	0			0
120					0	0			0
810					1,959	1,959			7,712
854					2,316	2,316			788
0					0	0			0
0					0	0			55,556
0					0	0			0
0					0	0			0
0					0	0	0	0	110
9,140					11,641	11,641	0	0	73,536
0	0	0	0	0	-3,019	-3,019	0	0	0
3,594	0	0	0	10,000	-5,382	-5,382	0	0	-46,210
3,594				10,000	0	0	0	0	0
					-5,382	-5,382	0	0	-46,210
					4				7
					1				0
					0				0
5,955	0	0	0	0	1,384	1,384		0	74,933
					0	0			0
5,955	0	0	0	0	1,384	1,384	0	0	74,933
					1,548	1,548			0
5,247				718	5,000	4,495	505		0
					5,247	5,247			5,247
					0	0			0
					32,943	£30,543		2,400	0
					0	0			0
					0	0			0
11,202	0	0	0	718	46,122	43,217	506	2,400	80,180
9,569	0	0	0	0	125	125	0	0	11,834
					0	0	0	0	0
9,569	0	0	0	0	125	125	0	0	11,834
					0	0			0
2,237				10,718	7,836	7,331	506		0
					2,237	2,237			2,237
					0	0			0
					26,000	23,600	0	2,400	0
					0	0			15,000
					0	£0		0	0
					0	0			0
11,806	0	0	0	10,718	36,199	33,293	506	2,400	29,071

Stourton	Stourton	Stourton	Stourton	Stourton	Stourton	Zeals	Zeals	Zeals	Zeals	Zeals
UN-RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	Aggregate	UnRestricted	Restricted	RESTRICTED	RESTRICTED
(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)	(nearest £)
Bells	Stourton	Organ	Roof	Masonry				Flower	Bells	Churchyard
1,864						4,003	4,003			
0						677	677			
2,082						1,578	1,578			
9,236						1,085	1,085			
£5,644						727	727			
0						0	0			
8,500						250	250			
27,326	0	0	0	0	0	8,320	8,320	0	0	0
0						7,746	7,746			
0						424	571			
0						160	160			
0						0	0			
0						0	0			
27,326						8,320	8,320			
27,326						16,797	16,797			
48						2,589	2,589			
1,587						1,208	1,208			
6,996						6,996	6,996			
740						0	0			
0						0	0			
0						4	4			
7,712						4,876	4,876			
788						1,323	1,323			
0						0	0			
55,556						0	0			
0						683	683			
0						0	0			
110						0	0			
73,536						17,679	17,679			
0	0	0	0	0	0	1,496	0	0	0	0
-46,210	0	0	0	0	0	614	-882	0	0	0
0						0				
-46,210						614	-882	0	0	0
						12				
						0				
						0				
27,091	268	0	0	47,573	0	14,085	11,840	433	1,811	0
						0	0	0	0	0
						0	0	0	0	0
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						0				
						0				
5,247						5,247	5,247			
						20,400	4,422	0	1,802	
						0				
						0				
						5,079				
32,338	268	0	0	47,573	0	44,810	21,509	433	3,613	0
11,082	752	0	0	0	0	13,643	11,399	433	1,811	0
						0	0	0	0	0
						0	0	0	0	0
11,082	752	0	0	0	0	13,643	11,399	433	1,811	0
						0				
						1,332	1,332			
2,237						2,237	2,237			
						19,757	3,779		1,802	
15,000										
						5,561				
28,319	752	0	0	0	0	42,530	18,748	433	3,613	0

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