

THE DEANERY CHURCH
OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN,
BOCKING

Parish Office:	St Mary's Church Office, Church Street, Bocking, Braintree CM7 5JY
Incumbent:	The Very Reverend Rod Reid, The Deanery, Bocking, Braintree, Essex CM7 5SR
Bank:	Barclays Bank PLC, Bank Street, Braintree, Essex.
Independent Examiner:	Jan Stobart

The Parochial Church Council (P.C.C.) of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Bocking is registered with the Charity Commission. Registered No. 1131205

ANNUAL REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
For the year ending 31st December 2023

THE DEANERY CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BOCKING

**THE ANNUAL VESTRY
and ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETINGS**

May 19th 2024

11:15am

AGENDA

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

- 1. Minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting 2023**
- 2. Election of Churchwardens (2) for one year**

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

- 1. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2023**
- 2. Matters arising**
- 3. Elections:**
 - a) Parochial Church Council members (3)**
 - b) Sides people**
 - c) Appointment of Independent Examiner**
 - d) Appointment of Responsible Officer – Safeguarding**
- 4. Reports:**
 - a) Electoral Roll Officer's report**
 - b) PCC report**
 - c) Churchwardens' Fabric report**
 - d) Church organisations' reports**
 - e) The Dean's Parish & Deanery Synod Reports**
 - f) Annual Accounts for year ending 31st December 2023**

The Church of St Mary the Virgin, Bocking
Minutes of the Annual Vestry meeting – May 21st 2023

Item	Notes
Welcome	Fr. Rod opened the meeting at 11:25 am and welcomed everyone Present: 28 Apologies: 3
1.Minutes 22.05.2022	The proposal to accept the minutes was made by Alysson Nolan and seconded by Caron Francis. There were no abstentions or votes against. All in favour.
2.Appointment of Churchwardens	Fr. Rod expressed grateful thanks for Graham's tremendous support and commitment as his permitted 6 years in Office has come to an end. He also added his appreciation of the support given by both Wardens over the past year. The appointment of Churchwardens for 2023-24: Gill Hunt and Stephen Johnson, both having been duly proposed and seconded in accordance with required procedures, were voted in by all present for the year.

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Council meeting – May 21st 2023

Item	Notes
Welcome	Fr. Rod (RR) opened the meeting at 11:34 am. Present: 28 Apologies: 3
1.Minutes 22.05.2022	The proposal to accept the minutes was made by Steve Johnson and seconded by Paul Nolan. There were no abstentions or votes against. All in favour.
2.Matters arising	Curate: Tony Everard asked whether/when a new Curate would be allocated to St.Mary's? RR said that it was unlikely to be in the near future. Helen Sherfield, will be on placement for 6 weeks later in the summer, as part of her discernment for Lay Ministry.
3. Elections	<p>a) The election of 3 members to sit on the Deanery Synod for the term 2023-2026:- Isabel Adcock, Celia Coulson and Jacqui Hogger, having been duly proposed and seconded in accordance with required procedures, were voted in by all present.</p> <p>b) The election of 3 members to sit on the PCC for the term 2023-2026:- Alysson Nolan, Paul Nolan and Graham Shaw, having been duly proposed and seconded in accordance with required procedures, were voted in by all present.</p> <p>c) The election of Sidespersons: RR thanked everyone who volunteers for this vital role. All of those who had agreed to remain on or volunteered to join the rota, were nominated by RR and seconded by Pamela Gibson and voted in by all present.</p> <p>d) The appointment of an Independent Examiner: The PCC is very grateful for the support of Jan Stobart FCCA, who has agreed to continue in the role of Independent Examiner at St. Mary's, having been nominated by RR and seconded by Sheila Johnson. There were no abstentions or votes against. All in favour.</p> <p>e) The election of the Safeguarding – Responsible Officer: Nicola Jaynes nominated by Fr. Rod and seconded by Pat Thomas. The PCC is very grateful to her for ensuring we are up to date in fulfilling our legal responsibilities as legislations changes over time. Nicola also oversees all GDPR requirements. There were no abstentions or votes against. All in favour.</p> <p>f) Following the retirement of D. Ferguson, the PCC is pleased to have secured the services of C. Barker as the architect who will carry out the forthcoming Quinquennial Inspection of the fabric of the Church.</p>
4.Reports	<p>a) Electoral Roll: As reported on p7 of the Annual Report by Monica Cook, Electoral Roll Officer, the Electoral Roll currently stands at 130, 48% of whom are resident in the Parish.</p> <p>b) Churchwardens' Fabric Report: can be found on p.5 of the Annual Report document.</p>

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	c) Reports from Church organisations and Deanery Synod: can be found on pages 5-9 of the Annual Report.
5)Dean's Report & Review of 2022	<p>Fr. Rod's report and review can be found on pages 9&10 of the Annual Report. He expressed his sincerest thanks to members of the PCC and everyone who has worked to keep the church life at St. Mary's such a strong part of the community. He particularly wished to draw attention to the donations made in support of the people of Ukraine; to the development of the Warm Space initiative in our Hall; to the response from the local community to the Gift Day and Heritage Open Day; to the production and distribution of a Church Newsletter.</p> <p>Average attendance by members at the four meetings of the PCC held in 2022 was 60%.</p> <p>The Dean concluded by thanking everyone for their continued support and commitment to the life and service of St.Mary's.</p> <p>Question raised by TE: will you be continuing the important outreach opportunity by holding Messy Church events in partnership with St. Peter's at the Glebe Hall? RR replied that there has not been interest from anyone at St. Peter's in continuing, although he hopes to develop new links with people living on the Glebe. However, he really needs to focus on events at St. Mary's where possible but may be holding one or two events at the Glebe if interest is shown.</p>
6)Annual Accounts for the year ending Dec 31 st 2022	<p>Fr. Rod expressed his thanks to Sheila Johnson for her management of the Church's finances in her role of Treasurer and for devoting such a lot of time to complying with the requirements of the Diocesan Finance system.</p> <p>He went on to present the Annual Accounts produced by Sheila with the support of Sara Barnes, of the Diocesan Finance team, giving details of the various accounts provided at the end of the Annual Report, preceded by Independent Examiner's statement on p11.</p> <p>Total Income equalled £153,152.59 (£115,021.65 in 2021) and total expenditure was £118,945.46 (£118,472.56 in 2021). The Parish Share was paid in full at over £50,000 for the year. Investments suffered a £40,000 loss. Carry forward = £401,948.31 (£408,341.35 in 2021)</p> <p>The Adoption of the Accounts was proposed by Paul Nolan and seconded by Tony Everard.</p>
A.O.B.	<p>a) Paul Nolan raised the matter of the state of the windows and sills in both the church and the Hall. GS replied that he is trying to get a contractor to do the work on those in the Hall. He added that the floor will have annual maintenance work done by Peverel Flooring soon.</p> <p>b) Trish D-S asked whether a new Director of Music is being sought. RR replied that he has put out 'feelers' among organists and contacts across the Diocese for the time being as formal advertising is extremely expensive.</p>
Closure of the meeting	There being no further questions, Fr. Rod thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 12:20 pm.

CHURCHWARDENS' FABRIC REPORT 2023

The church is a Grade 1 listed building. Every 5 years the church is inspected by the Diocesan appointed Architect who submits a Quinquennial Inspection Report (QI) to advise the Church Wardens of measures required for the maintenance of the church fabric. This is in accordance with the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018 and subsequent amendments.

The QI dated 20/12/2023 describes the condition of the fabric of the church as "generally in very good condition apart from some minor maintenance work." The works are detailed in the report together with an estimate of cost and priority order. The estimated total cost of the recommended works is £6250 to be spent over the next 4 years. There are no urgent works required.

All items listed on the Annual Service Register e.g. inspection of lightening conductors, fire extinguishers etc. are up to date or in hand. Minor maintenance noted in the QI includes gutter cleaning, pointing, leadwork, timber treatment amongst others and some of these works have already been addressed specifically, oiling of external facing doors – ongoing, rainwater hopper cleaning, provision of water butt, Faculty Approval of the extension to the internment of Ashes plot.

The Churchwardens on behalf of St. Mary's PCC

ST MARY'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP 2023

The Fellowship group has had another wonderful year welcoming church members, friends and many from the village to our monthly meetings. We had 10 meetings with a wide range of talks. In September we had a wonderful coach trip to the Norfolk coast, everyone had a fantastic time. Our sessions are open to everyone and we would love to see you, every third Thursday in the month, meeting at the Church Hall and this year's outing taking place in September.

Ann Lanham

ST MARY'S BELL RINGERS 2023

St Mary's Guild is part of the Northern District, one of five districts of The Essex Association of Church Bell-ringers which in turn is part of the Central Council of Church Bell-ringers.

We are fortunate enough to have a ring of 10 bells (the majority of village churches has 8, 6 or fewer), the heaviest of which is 18 cwt. or 914kg. They were augmented from 8 in 1973 after many years of fund-raising by the then band of ringers. Sadly, now we rarely ring the 10, usually managing 8 ringers for Sunday service and frequently insufficient attendees for our Thursday practice night. However, we gather bands for weddings and other special occasions but sometimes have to rely on help from other local towers.

While our Steeple-keeper and other ringers undertake ongoing maintenance of our bells regularly we have discovered that work by skilled bell hangers needs to be done to prevent damage, repair existing damage and to improve the "bell-handling" to help make them easier to ring. Some of the urgent work has already been done and some is planned but if we are to contract experts then the costs are prohibitive and we would need to do some serious fund-raising and may need your help. If you would like further information or want to "have-a-go" please contact our Ringing Master, Alan May, on 01376 345290, or 07935344038, or just come up and see us in the ringing room when you next hear the bells ringing. We would love to see you soon.

This last year we rang at several weddings, had welcomed visiting bands and also rang following the death of HM The Queen. Ringing practise has now become once a month on a Thursday but this has helped increase numbers, and we plan to Ring for the King, later in the year.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S REPORT 2023

It's been another successful year for the Friends of St Mary's and we continue our efforts to develop the friendship and fellowship within our community.

Friends of St Mary's activity started to return to normality and we manage to run many successful events throughout the year, including an afternoon tea accompanying the AGM, a great concert by the Rock Choir in the Church yard (on one of the hottest days of the year), an ever popular Quiz Night (special thanks to Any and Adam Galley) and a Bingo accompanied Harvest supper, where the whole evening was catered by the Friends committee.

We've been careful with the money raised, and have a fairly healthy bank balance but do have plans to spend some of it following consultation with the Dean to identify where that money would be best employed and we have made some commitments to support projects that are awaiting Faculty approval.

My vision remains for more outreach into our local community for support and involvement in our planning and activities.

I am continually grateful for the help and support of the Friends committee without whom none of this would be possible and we thank all who continue to support our fellowship and fundraising events throughout the year.

Graham Shaw
for the Executive Committee Friends of St Mary's

CHURCH HALL REPORT 2023

On the whole the Hall has been supportive of Church finances. All of our regular groups have continued throughout the year. We are grateful to the uniformed services organisations, who use our hall, who thankfully pay us for the year in advance which provides us with income in advance which helps us to manage the utility and maintenance needs of the hall. The Hall Floor was resurfaced, paid for by The Friends and we have agreed an annual maintenance contract.

We started to use recyclable consumables towards the end of the year which helped St Mary's to gain our Silver Eco Church certificate. Purchased from Kempco although they may not be the cheapest they are very efficient in delivery. We have continued to book the hall for Birthday and Baptism Parties which again is a boost to our incoming funds.

Emma Few continues to run our well attended Toddler Group, Bocking Creates meet on Sunday evening and the Friendly Friday cafe continues run by Alysson and Irene. Although these are free lets it is something we should continue which involves the whole community. Fellowship meets once a month ensuring that the hall continues with our outreach into the community.

The Heating continues to be of concern. It's continued failures are an ongoing problem. The hall management are looking for a viable alternative to the warm air system presently installed but the options are expensive and limited. We are grateful for the ongoing support of our hall customers which allows us to maintain a community space to support St Mary's.

Ann Shaw
Church Hall Secretary

FRIENDLY FRIDAY CAFE

The first year of the Café has been a great success with numbers steadily increasing. The Café started under the banner of a 'Warm Space' and due to its popularity, the decision was made to continue as 'The Friendly Friday Café'. On average there are core group of 30 attendees each week but through word of mouth, Facebook and notices, new people have been coming along increasing the numbers.

The Café runs, every Friday from 12noon until 2.30/3pm and is free. There is a short break for Easter and a slightly longer break in the summer months. Tea/Coffee and biscuits are available throughout the session. Lunch is served from 12.30pm to 1.30pm and from 1.30 onwards fresh fruit, yogurts and a variety of cakes are available including Hot Cross Buns at Easter and Mince Pies for Christmas as well as occasionally homemade cakes. Various lunch options have been offered over the time as well as soup and rolls jacket potatoes, toasted sandwiches, beans on toast have been on the menu. Ice creams were even offered in the summer, this was a challenge due to the hot weather and not having a freezer, but were enjoyed by all.

The Café does not receive any funding but the donations given each Friday are used to buy provisions for future weeks. At the start of the year some 6th Form students from Tabor Academy visited to see what the Café offered to the community. The students eagerly assisted in getting hot drinks and serving lunch, as well as talking with those who attended. The Café continues to be popular, there is always a friendly 'buzz' in the room with much laughter and arrangements to meet the following week. This is great to hear knowing that this service is meeting a need in the community.

ST MARY'S CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER REPORT 2023/24

The Electoral Roll has been renewed in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. The Roll at April 2024 consists of a total of 134 persons.

52% (70) of these are resident in the Parish
48% (64) are non-resident

Monica Cook on behalf of St Mary's P.C.C.

BRAINTREE DEANERY

Braintree Deanery Synod is a council of church members drawn mainly from the clergy and congregations in each of the Deanery's parishes. It provides the communication link between congregations, the Diocese of Chelmsford and the Church of England nationally.

During 2023, St Mary's was represented in the House of Clergy by The Very Revd Rod Reid and in the House of Laity by Celia Coulson, Jacqui Hogger and Isabel Adcock. The Synod met three times, chaired jointly by the Area Dean, Rev'd Rod Reid, and the Joint Lay Chair, Canon John Turton.

In July, the Synod welcomed a new Lay membership (with some familiar faces) following the triennial elections of representatives in May. Rev'd Tayrina Ferguson and Rev'd Nikki Horsley joined the House of Clergy in October following their ordinations. Members congratulated them both, together with Rev'd Melanie Shillito on her ordination as priest.

Issues considered in 2023

In October, the Synod was delighted to welcome Michaela Southworth, Chief Executive and Secretary of Chelmsford Diocese, who gave a helpful and interesting presentation on giving and Diocesan finances. Synod members were encouraged to engage with the budgetary process and to feel able to propose alternative approaches. The Synod appreciated the insight into the Church's

finances provided by Ms Southworth, as well as her detailed and open assessment of the ongoing challenges facing the Diocese.

The Synod has received updates throughout the year on progress regarding the motion it passed in 2020 concerning the management of issues around lay officer conduct. By the end of 2023 it was being considered by the (General) Synod office as a potential item for referral to General Synod. It is heartening to note that even a small Synod like ours can make a difference by bringing issues of concern to the attention of the national Church. Members would like to thank Rev'd Dr Sara Batts Neale (General Synod link person for the Deanery) for advocating so effectively on our behalf.

Other issues considered by the Synod included:

- A presentation by the Friends of Essex Churches Trust.
- Safeguarding: face-to-face training sessions were arranged for those without online access. The sessions were very well received.
- Updates to each meeting on environmental matters, with many Deanery Churches either working towards an Eco Church award or having already obtained one.
- Regular reports of proceedings at Diocesan Synod and General Synod, and updates on news and events from parishes across the Deanery.

The Very Revd Rod Reid, May 2024

Membership of the Parochial Church Council

Members of the PCC are either *ex officio*, are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (ACPM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules or co-opted for a set term.

Ex Officio Members

Rev. Roderick Reid	Dean of Bocking
Rev. Dr. Ian Mitchell	Associate Priest
Gillian Hunt	} Churchwardens May 2023-24
Stephen Johnson	
Isabel Adcock	} Deanery Synod & Diocesan Synod Rep
Celia Coulson	
Jacqui Hogger	
Sheila Johnson	Treasurer
Nicola Jaynes	Safeguarding Officer
Alysson Nolan	Assistant Safeguarding Officer
Joanna Mallows	PCC Secretary

Elected Members

Alysson Nolan	} until May 2026
Paul Nolan	
Graham Shaw	
Monica Cook	} until May 2025
Ann Shaw	

The PCC operates through meetings of all its members and through Standing Committee meetings occasionally between PCC meetings. This committee consists of the Priest in Charge, the Wardens, the Treasurer and PCC Secretary. It has power to transact business of the Council between meetings.

PCC Meetings

The Church Council met 6 times for business meetings during 2023, with a 60% average attendance. All PCC members are required to complete Church of England Safeguarding courses. Financial matters, Safeguarding matters, maintenance of the Church building, special events and outreach activities are among regular agenda items for discussion.

The Church

We continue to be dedicated to using St Mary's Church in the most creative ways we can to worship God and draw others to him through the ministries of stewardship, prayer, teaching and welcome, whilst continuing to develop our overseas link with the Parish of St Mary's Newala and other aspects of the wider Church.

General Finance

In the year 2023, we again met our obligations to the Diocese and parish in full and as usual, the Gift Aid Scheme has continued to benefit our work considerably. We are grateful to those who have completed a Gift Aid Declaration for their giving and to all who contribute regularly and generously through Standing Orders and Weekly Envelopes. If you are a Tax Payer we cannot afford for you not to be in the Gift Aid Scheme!

Dean Rogers Million Penny Fund

St Mary's Church continues to be grateful to the Dean Rogers Million Penny Fund for the payment of the Insurance Premium, details of which are included in the accounts. In what has been a very difficult year, not least financially, these funds were even more important.

Grateful Thanks

The P.C.C. wishes to thank the many, too numerous to mention by name, whose hard work and dedication has meant another successful year for St Mary's Church. We continue to thrive and flourish only because so much is done by so many people in a huge variety of ways and we truly value the contributions made by each and every one. Without so much being done to clean and decorate the Church, provide flowers, music, singing, bells, pastoral care, ministry to the sick and bereaved, take minutes, make coffee, soup and many other meals our parish and its fellowship would be the poorer.

The Dean's Reflections

What a joy it has been to look back over 2023 at St Mary's. As I will go on to share, there have been so many highlights from the last year to celebrate but none of them would have happened without you. Behind every good Vicar is a team of people who give so much of their time and energy to make these events and special occasion what they are. I want to start by saying thank you from the bottom of my heart for all that people have offered to support the life, worship and outreach at St Mary's. It is a real testament to you that so many people step up and take part, and that our reputation within the area and beyond is so high.

Part of our role as a church is to encourage one another in faith, and to support others in discovering and deepening theirs. How wonderful then last year to launch Stepping Stones. A series of weekly evening sessions where we had the chance to talk about all sorts of things from church to our faith. It culminated in hosting a joyful, if rather wet, Confirmation Service led by Bishop Roger. It was truly unforgettable! These stepping stones sessions will continue into 2024.

Another key focus for last year was building on our Eco Church success. After celebrating our Bronze Award from A Rocha in late Summer, by year's end we had also achieved a Silver Award too. So much hard work has gone into being more environmentally aware, and friendly, from bug houses and work with Junior Church to also running a number of Wildlife Walks through the local area to name just a few areas. There will be more on this through 2024 as well.

For me, part of being at St Mary's is of course the joy of Mass and worshipping together but also living that faith out day by day. At times, that prompts us to be even more of a presence within the parish and wider community. We have our regular monthly Fellowship meetings, in the Summer we had a Mindfulness Trail that was used by all ages, and we have also seen our Friendly Friday Café continue to go from strength to strength. Often welcoming 30-40 people each time. While it is completely free, the donations given have consistently met the costs and I am delighted at its success. A particular thanks to those who give up nearly every Friday to plan for, then cook and run those sessions. The impact of the café is being widely felt, and will only grow, I am sure.

Last year we also continued to play an active role in the national Heritage Weekends with events in church being well supported. We had an 'Out of this World' weekend in March with a host of space themed events that saw us reach out into the community and welcome many who had never been to St Mary's before. It was an opportunity to offer something that often you would need to go to London for, instead it was in our own community, and wonderfully I am still getting questions about when the next event will be.

Alongside our regular pattern of weekday and Sunday services we have shared in wonderful events often hosted by the Friends of St Mary's from the Quiz to a Rock Choir performance, as well as the Harvest Supper to a special Christmas Concert with Bocking Concert Brass. May Day and the Flower Festival were once again hugely successful and perfectly timed for the Coronation of King Charles III which we also marked with a celebratory service and Cream Tea/Picnic. Sadly, the weather was rather British about it all and instead of being outside we gathered in the Hall, but it was great fun no less.

St Mary's for me is about the people and the welcome we offer not least to those new to the church and the area. It is also a blessing to welcome those on placement with us. Through the long Summer months, it was a real joy to have Helen Sherfield with us as part of her training for Licensed Lay Ministry. Leading and preaching at services as well as getting to really know many of you. I know from Helen it was very impactful for her too and she loved her time with us. I am sure we can welcome her back very soon.

Of course, in the last year we have also had a significant number of people from the parish or those deeply connected to the parish, that have passed away. We remember with thanks; Gwen Nicholls, Rob Few, Bernard Meech, Bob Ferdinando, Fr Charles Danes, Christopher Surrey, June Blackwood, Eddie Burton, Peter Smith, Fred Bowler and Peter Hopkins. May they continue to rest in peace and rise in glory.

To conclude, I could not be happier to be your Incumbent, your Dean, and was therefore delighted that after some nine years it was made official in November when the new Archdeacon, The Revd Kate Peacock joined us to lead Mass, as well as collate and induct me into post. Serving this church, this community and you is a daily joy. As we take another step to celebrating 10 years since I became your Dean, I look forward to the adventures that lie ahead, a journey we take together.

The Very Revd Rod Reid, Dean of Bocking, May 2024

NOTES ON THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER FOR THE ACCOUNTS WHICH FOLLOW

We are grateful to Jan Stobart who is our Independent Examiner.

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Parochial Church Council
of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Bocking
(Charity number 1131205)**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Mary the Virgin, Bocking for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees 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 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 Trust 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.



J Stobart FCCA
19 Westfield Drive, Coggeshall, Essex CO6 1PU
27th March 2024

The Deanery Church of St Mary the Virgin Bocking
Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Fund	Fund Balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
Buildings - Buildings Capital	1,600.24	—	—	—	—	—	1,600.24
Choir - Choir Fund	240.00	40.00	—	—	—	—	280.00
Hall - Church hall	(10,258.30)	14,334.00	12,579.86	200.00	—	—	(8,304.16)
DeanRoger - Dean Rogers Million Pennies Fund	112,268.55	15.00	95.67	—	(137.00)	—	112,050.88
Fabric - Fabric Fund	244,756.48	—	—	(10,000.00)	16,710.53	—	251,467.01
Fellowship - Fellowship Fund	155.00	4,060.22	2,250.00	(200.00)	—	—	1,765.22
Flowers - Flower Fund	819.71	1,126.78	1,526.55	—	—	—	419.94
Mission - Funds collected on behalf of other charities	253.53	—	—	—	—	—	253.53
Grants - Grants and Donations	17,992.69	—	—	(235.00)	—	—	17,757.69
Retreats - Parish Retreats * Outings	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
General - General fund	34,120.41	84,525.12	120,387.33	10,235.00	—	—	8,493.20
Totals	401,948.31	104,101.12	136,839.41	—	16,573.53	—	385,783.55

The Deanery Church of St Mary the Virgin Bocking
Statement of Financial Activities - summary
For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Total income	84,525.12	14,334.00	5,242.00	—	104,101.12	153,152.59
Total expenditure	120,387.33	12,579.86	3,872.22	—	136,839.41	118,945.46
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	16,710.53	(137.00)	—	16,573.53	(40,600.17)
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(35,862.21)	18,464.67	1,232.78	—	(16,164.76)	(6,393.04)
Gross transfers between funds - in	10,235.00	200.00	—	—	10,435.00	5,315.80
Gross transfers between funds - out	—	(10,000.00)	(435.00)	—	(10,435.00)	(5,315.80)
Net movement in funds	(25,627.21)	8,664.67	797.78	—	(16,164.76)	(6,393.04)
Total funds brought forward	34,120.41	236,098.42	131,729.48	—	401,948.31	408,341.35
Total funds carried forward	8,493.20	244,763.09	132,527.26	—	385,783.55	401,948.31
Unrestricted						
General fund	8,493.20	—	—	—	8,493.20	34,120.41
Designated						
Buildings Capital	—	1,600.24	—	—	1,600.24	1,600.24
Church hall	—	(8,304.16)	—	—	(8,304.16)	(10,258.30)
Fabric Fund	—	251,467.01	—	—	251,467.01	244,756.48
Restricted						
Choir Fund	—	—	280.00	—	280.00	240.00
Dean Rogers Million Pennies Fund	—	—	112,050.88	—	112,050.88	112,268.55
Fellowship Fund	—	—	1,765.22	—	1,765.22	155.00
Flower Fund	—	—	419.94	—	419.94	819.71
Funds collected on behalf of other charities	—	—	253.53	—	253.53	253.53
Grants and Donations	—	—	17,757.69	—	17,757.69	17,992.69

The Deanery Church of St Mary the Virgin Bocking

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by fund)

As at: 31 December 2023

		Balance	Previous balance
Investments			
6420: Dean Rogers Million Penny - Asset			
Dean Rogers Million Pennies Fund	Restricted	112,035.88	112,172.88
		112,035.88	112,172.88
6450: CBIFS 11362.08 Units 608264001S - Asset			
Fabric Fund	Designated	251,467.01	234,756.48
		251,467.01	234,756.48
	Investments	363,502.89	346,929.36
Cash at bank and in hand			
6501: Bank current account - Asset			
Buildings Capital	Designated	1,600.24	1,600.24
Choir Fund	Restricted	280.00	240.00
Church hall	Designated	(8,304.16)	(10,258.30)
Dean Rogers Million Pennies Fund	Restricted	15.00	95.67
Fabric Fund	Designated	—	10,000.00
Fellowship Fund	Restricted	1,765.22	155.00
Flower Fund	Restricted	419.94	819.71
Funds collected on behalf of other charities	Restricted	253.53	253.53
Grants and Donations	Restricted	17,757.69	17,992.69
General fund	Unrestricted	8,493.20	34,120.41
		22,280.66	55,018.95
	Cash at bank and in hand	22,280.66	55,018.95
	Grand Total	385,783.55	401,948.31

The Deanery Church of St Mary the Virgin Bocking

Analysis of income and expenditure
Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Income and endowments						
Donations and legacies						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	16,289.68	—	—	—	16,289.68	14,509.90
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	9,728.22	—	400.00	—	10,128.22	9,603.35
0301 - Loose plate collections	4,891.55	—	—	—	4,891.55	4,070.38
0410 - Giving through church boxes	983.42	—	—	—	983.42	845.44
0550 - Donations appeals etc	5,409.17	—	240.86	—	5,650.03	13,365.73
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	—	—	—	—	—	22,883.52
0701 - Legacies	—	—	—	—	—	25,000.00
08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants	1,140.00	—	—	—	1,140.00	2,675.00
0901 - Other funds generated	5,783.85	—	3,202.02	—	8,985.87	2,125.00
Donations and legacies Totals	44,225.89	—	3,842.88	—	48,068.77	95,078.32
Income from charitable activities						
1101 - Fees for weddings and funerals	18,367.67	—	—	—	18,367.67	18,111.00
1110 - Activities to generate funds	697.45	—	1,164.37	—	1,861.82	9,092.72
1210 - Bookstall sales to promote objectives	—	—	—	—	—	6.50
1230 - Church hall lettings - objectives	—	14,334.00	—	—	14,334.00	14,959.25
Income from charitable activities Totals	19,065.12	14,334.00	1,164.37	—	34,563.49	42,169.47
Other trading activities						
0910 - General Fundraising	8,195.72	—	234.75	—	8,430.47	1,736.22
1220 - Bookstall sales - fund raising	6.75	—	—	—	6.75	7.10
Other trading activities Totals	8,202.47	—	234.75	—	8,437.22	1,743.32
Investments						
1001 - Dividends	7,020.64	—	—	—	7,020.64	6,982.01
1002 - DRMPF Contribution to Insurance Costs	6,000.00	—	—	—	6,000.00	7,133.00
Investments Totals	13,020.64	—	—	—	13,020.64	14,115.01
Other income						
1201 - Church shop	11.00	—	—	—	11.00	46.47
Other income Totals	11.00	—	—	—	11.00	46.47
Income and endowments Grand totals	84,525.12	14,334.00	5,242.00	—	104,101.12	153,152.59
Expenditure						
Raising funds						
1730 - Costs of fetes & other events	1,691.48	—	1,084.55	—	2,776.03	745.75
Raising funds Totals	1,691.48	—	1,084.55	—	2,776.03	745.75

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Total Last year
Expenditure on charitable activities						
1830 - Giving - relief and development agencies	25.00	—	—	—	25.00	25.00
1850 - Home mission	137.70	—	2,345.67	—	2,483.37	3,630.16
1910 - Ministry parish share etc	56,234.04	—	—	—	56,234.04	47,959.56
2001 - Assistant staff costs	280.00	—	—	—	280.00	40.00
2002 - Playgroup leader costs	—	—	—	—	—	900.00
2130 - Parsonage house expenses	800.40	—	—	—	800.40	288.00
2301 - Church running - insurance	7,307.63	—	—	—	7,307.63	6,726.86
2310 - Church office - Phone & internet	1,619.80	—	—	—	1,619.80	1,142.01
2311 - Church office Photocopier	4,240.20	—	—	—	4,240.20	4,467.86
2320 - Organ / piano tuning	956.00	—	—	—	956.00	408.00
2330 - Church maintenance	1,685.42	—	—	—	1,685.42	618.40
2331 - Cleaning	844.80	—	—	—	844.80	682.20
2340 - Upkeep of services	3,054.58	—	442.00	—	3,496.58	4,161.11
2341 - Director of Music & organists	5,680.00	—	—	—	5,680.00	7,700.00
2345 - Bellringers	100.00	—	—	—	100.00	100.00
2360 - Administration	982.60	—	—	—	982.60	1,121.17
2362 - Fees paid to Diocese	24,167.00	—	—	—	24,167.00	13,465.00
2370 - Visiting speakers / locums	253.00	—	—	—	253.00	212.80
2401 - Church running - electric	8,946.24	—	—	—	8,946.24	2,802.32
2410 - Church running - gas	295.00	—	—	—	295.00	—
2501 - Magazine expenses	585.00	—	—	—	585.00	385.00
2521 - Hall Running - Cleaning	—	2,091.75	—	—	2,091.75	1,918.68
2530 - Hall running - electricity	—	1,950.00	—	—	1,950.00	1,723.00
2540 - Hall running - gas	—	2,322.44	—	—	2,322.44	5,875.71
2560 - Hall running - maintenance	—	4,578.86	—	—	4,578.86	2,138.75
2580 - Hall running - water	—	453.11	—	—	453.11	(2,527.45)
2590 - Hall running - heating and lighting	—	763.70	—	—	763.70	1,351.54
2601 - Governance costs examination/audit fee	190.00	—	—	—	190.00	—
2830 - Hall + interior and exterior decorating	311.44	420.00	—	—	731.44	10,518.76
2840 - Other PCC property upkeep	—	—	—	—	—	365.27
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	118,695.85	12,579.86	2,787.67	—	134,063.38	118,199.71
Expenditure Grand totals	120,387.33	12,579.86	3,872.22	—	136,839.41	118,945.46