



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

**From** 01/01/2022 **Period start date To** 31/12/22 **Period end date**

**Charity name:** The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Alsager

**Charity registration number:** 1131298

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
<b>Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document</b>	Para 1.17	The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church, Alsager exists to: 1. Enable the church to play its part in God's mission to his world; 2. Co-operate with the minister in sharing leadership; 3. Ensure legal compliance with charity law and ecclesiastical law, in particular in the areas of finance, employment and appointments; 4. Care for the buildings and churchyard so that they may be best suited for the purpose of the church's ministry and mission; 5. Be a channel of consultation within the wider Church through its synodical structures on matters that affect the Church locally and nationally.
<b>Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.</b>	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Regular public worship open to all; the provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation; pastoral work including visiting the sick and the bereaved; teaching of Christianity through sermons; courses and small groups; taking of religious assemblies in schools and for schools in the church worship space; the provision of youth clubs, children's clubs and a parent/carer and toddler group both with a Christian Ethos; Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and meetings and the distribution of literature; Promoting the whole mission of the Church through provision of activities for senior citizens, parents and children and other fellowship/worship groups; supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.
<b>Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit</b>	Para 1.18	No

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
<b>Policy on grant making</b>	Para 1.38	
<b>Policy on social investment including program related investment</b>	Para 1.38	
<b>Contribution made by volunteers</b>	Para 1.38	
<b>Other</b>		

**Achievements and Performance**

	SORP reference	
<b>Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.</b>	Para 1.20	<p>Full details are available in our Annual Report which can accessed at <a href="http://www.christchurchalsager.uk/annual-report.html">http://www.christchurchalsager.uk/annual-report.html</a></p> <p>The first day of the year started with 162,572 new covid cases for England, the highest daily figure reported. A stark reminder that we were still living with covid. Fortunately, the omicron variant proved to be relatively mild for most adults. On 27th January the 'Plan B' measures were lifted in England bringing an end to the mask mandate.</p> <p>Meanwhile our church services were relocated into the Church Hall while the Church was being decorated following water damage.</p> <p>In March 2022 the cost of living crisis started to bite and we began to consider what else we could do to support our community. Phrases like "heating or eating" and "warm spaces" became commonplace. Christ Church has a fantastic hospitality team which was already doing great work providing hot meals and warm spaces through Big Breakfast and Messy Church. We also introduced Tea on Tuesday on 26th April which has gone from strength to strength since then supporting many families.</p> <p>Through the ups and downs of 2022 and in the early months of 2023 we are starting to glimpse the</p>

		<p>Lord's gift of 'beauty instead of ashes', with many new faces arriving at Christ Church and joining in with the life of the church. There is new anticipation of 'the oil of joy' being poured out on our community.</p> <p>Grants to our mission partners locally and overseas were essential for the communities they support.</p>
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#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

<b>Achievements against objectives set</b>	Para 1.41	
<b>Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set</b>	Para 1.41	
<b>Investment performance against objectives</b>	Para 1.41	
<b>Other</b>		

#### Financial Review

<b>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</b>	Para 1.21	Receipts: £190,513, payments £203,487. Net assets: £123,731	
<b>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</b>	Para 1.22	It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds (if possible) of approximately 3 months average expenditure	
<b>Amount of reserves held</b>	Para 1.22	£50,000	
<b>Reasons for holding zero reserves</b>	Para 1.22		
<b>Details of fund materially in</b>	Para 1.24	None	

<b>deficit</b>			
<b>Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern</b>	Para 1.23	Expected reduction of grant income; reduced fees income.	

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Donations from congregation, fees and grants.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Reduction in principal sources of income.
Other		

### Structure, Governance and Management

<b>Description of charity's trusts:</b>		
<b>Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)</b>	Para 1.25	PCCs are governed by two Measures: the <b>PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCILS (POWERS) MEASURE 1956</b> as amended ( <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukcm/Eliz2/4-5/3/contents">http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukcm/Eliz2/4-5/3/contents</a> ) and the CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES as amended. ( <a href="https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukcm/2019/1/schedule/3">https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukcm/2019/1/schedule/3</a> )
<b>How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)</b>	Para 1.25	Body corporate (see S3 of Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 above)
<b>Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees</b>	Para 1.25	The Vicar is appointed to post and is a trustee ex-officio, as is the Curate. The wardens are elected by a meeting of parishioners and electoral roll members and as such are ex-officio members. Deanery Synod members are elected by a meeting of electoral roll members and as such are ex-officio members. All others are elected by a meeting of electoral roll members.

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<b>Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees</b>	Para 1.51	
<b>The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works</b>	Para 1.51	The Parochial Church Council Of Christ Church, Alsager is part of the Diocese of Chester within the Church of England
<b>Relationship with any related parties</b>	Para 1.51	The Parochial Church Council Of Christ Church, Alsager is a member of Churches together in Alsager. The Parochial Church Council Of Christ Church, Alsager has a Memorandum of Understanding with the local Methodist Circuit regarding services at Oakhanger.
<b>Other</b>		

**Reference and Administrative details**

<b>Charity name</b>	The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church, Alsager
<b>Other name the charity uses</b>	PCC of Christ Church, Alsager
<b>Registered charity number</b>	1131298
<b>Charity's principal address</b>	Christ Church Office 35 Church Road, Alsager Stoke on Trent ST7 2HS

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity				
	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Daran Ward	Vicar/Chair		Bishop of Chester
2	Rev Sr. H Kemball	Curate		Bishop of Chester
3	Dr D L Fidal	Church Warden Vice-chair	Jan - April	Parishioners and Members of the Electoral Roll of the Parish
4	Mrs J Askew	Church Warden		As above
	Mr R Hewitt	Church Warden	May - Ded	As above
5	Mrs S Jones	Deanery Synod Rep		Members of the Electoral Roll of the Parish
6	Mr J Masters	Deanery Synod Rep	Jan - March	As above

7	Mrs Debbie Preston	Deanery Synod Rep (DSR)	Whole year; DSR May - Dec	As above
8	Mrs A Ward	Deanery Synod Rep		As above
9	Mrs B Steel	Treasurer		As above
10	Mrs R White	Secretary	Whole year; Secretary (Jan-March)	As above
11	Mrs J Newman	Secretary	May -Dec	As above
12	Mrs S Fidal		Jan - April	As above
13	Mr S Parnell		Jan - April	As above
14	Mr K Belicki		Jan - April	As above
15	Mrs I Belicki	Co-opt	Jan - April	As above
16	Mrs R Davies		Jan - Feb	As above
17	Mr M Holland			As above
18	Mr G Chatterley			As above
19	Mr S Roberts			As above
20	Mrs J Warren MBE, DL			As above
21	Mrs A Chatterley			As above
22	Mr C Follett		May - Dec	As above
23	Ms G Bowers		May - Dec	As above
24	Ms M Johnson	Co-opt	May - Dec	As Above

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Rev Daran Ward (church and immediate surroundings, and church drive held on trust for parishioners. Held ex-officio as incumbent)		
Dr D L Fidal, Mrs J Askew (plate, ornaments and other movable goods of the church on trust for parishioners. Held ex-officio as church wardens)		

**Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others**

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

**Additional information (optional)**

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Exemptions from disclosure**

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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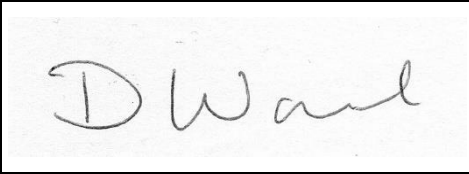
**Other optional information**

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**Declarations**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rev Daran Ward	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date		



**Christ Church Alsager**

# **Accounts for 2022**

**Prepared for the**

**Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

**Sunday 30th April 2023**

# **Independent Examiner's Report To the PCC of Christ Church, Alsager**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 3-6.

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- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act and
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## **Basis of independent examiner's report**

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## **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
  - to to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed ..... 

Name: ..... Derek Nyland

Address: ..... Flat 38, Homeshire House

..... Sandbach Road South Alsager

Date: ..... 26 February 2023

<b>Receipts</b>		<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Congregational Giving	A	129,471	114,631
Gift Aid Recovered	A	24,350	27,331
Grants	B	25,496	24,604
Income from Church Activities	C	16,412	9,628
PCC/Other Fees		16,464	13,124
Miscellaneous	D	15,620	1,196
<b>Total Receipts</b>		<b>227,814</b>	<b>190,514</b>

<b>Payments</b>		<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Parish Share		69,667	68,132
Salaries	E	70,076	72,721
Clergy / Staff Expenses	F	4,634	5,003
Cost of Ministry / activities	G	13,763	6,676
Church Running Expenses	H	37,678	31,928
Utilities	I	7,064	5,449
Mission Giving and Donations	J	12,946	12,380
Miscellaneous	K	1,235	1,200
<b>Total Payments</b>		<b>217,062</b>	<b>203,488</b>

Note 1

<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Current Account	10,476	123,211
Business Reserve Account	55,119	N/A
CCLA Account	21,706	21,424
60DN account	50,000	
Accounts Receivable	0	0
Cash and unrepresented cheques	41	101
<b>Total</b>	<b>137,341</b>	<b>144,737</b>

Note 2

<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Agency Collections	2,858	21,005
Accounts Payable	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,858</b>	<b>21,005</b>

<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
	<b>134,484</b>	<b>123,731</b>

<b>Receipts</b>	227,814	
<b>Payments</b>	-217,062	
<b>Excess (deficit) to date</b>		10,751
<b>Opening balance</b>		123,731
<b>Closing balance</b>		<b>134,483</b>

<b>Represented by Funds</b>	<b>2022</b>
Unrestricted	126,059
Designated	
Restricted	8,161
<b>Total</b>	<b>134,221</b>

## Further Analysis - Receipts

### (A) Congregational / other Giving

	2022			2021	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Standing Orders	85,504	0	2,040	87,544	92,137
Gift-Aid Envelopes	200	0	0	200	78
Non Gift Aid S/O	5,166	0	1,325	6,491	7,473
Non Gift-Aid Envelopes		0	0	0	120
Plate	1,890	0	0	1,890	1,454
Messy Church Collection	315	0	0	315	83
Coffee and Communion Collection	10	0	0	10	0
One-off Gifts - GA	22,375	0	0	22,375	9,169
One-off Gifts - non-GA	7,168	0	0	7,168	2,224
All other giving	886	0	52	938	573
Churchyard donations	0	0	2,540	2,540	1,320
<b>Total</b>	<b>123,514</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,957</b>	<b>129,471</b>	<b>114,631</b>
<b>Tax refund on Gift Aid</b>	<b>24,350</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24,350</b>	<b>27,331</b>

### (B) Grants

	2021			2020	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Recurring Grants	1,050	0	0	1,050	1,050
Youth / Children's Grant	0	0	20,000	20,000	17,500
Other (One-off) Grants	3,546	0	0	3,546	1,500
Church Yard	0	0	0	0	0
CJRS grant (furlough scheme)	0	0	0	0	3,654
Bibles for Children	0	0	900	900	900
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,596</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,900</b>	<b>25,496</b>	<b>24,604</b>

### (C) Receipts from church activities

	2022			2021	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Hall Hire	7,988	0	0	7,988	5,286
Magazine	275	0	0	275	300
Note 3 Solar Feed-in	4,288	0	0	4,288	2,638
Cherubs	596	0	0	596	311
BB@C	3,200	0	0	3,200	1,094
F2F	65	0	0	65	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,412</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,412</b>	<b>9,628</b>

### (D) Miscellaneous

	2022			2021	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Sales	170	0	0	170	194
Earmarked Income	0	0	0	0	314
Interest	400	0	0	400	11
Pension contribution repayments	203	0	0	203	533
Note 2 Insurance payment	14,747	0	0	14,747	0
Sundry - Other	100	0	0	100	144
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,620</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15,620</b>	<b>1,196</b>



## Further Analysis - Payments

### (E) Salaries / Associated Costs

	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Salaries	35,612	0	34,464	70,076	72,721
Pension backpayment	0	0	0	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>35,612</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>34,464</b>	<b>70,076</b>	<b>72,721</b>

### (F) Staff Expenses

	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Working Expenses of the Vicar	493	0	0	493	152
Youth Worker Expenses	508	0	51	559	437
Children's Worker Expenses	120	0	0	120	68
Administrator Expenses	18	0	0	18	0
Vicarage Expenses	3,292	0	0	3,292	3,787
Support & Training Costs	135	0	0	135	559
Curate's expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Other expenses	18	0	0	18	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,583</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>50.94</b>	<b>4,634</b>	<b>5,003</b>

### (G) Ministry /activities

	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Youth	2,174	237	323	2,734	1,685
Children	1,542	0	1,385	2,927	1,143
Children - Bibles for Schools	76	0	900	976	1,001
Messy Church	1,645	0	0	1,645	222
Cherubs	307	0	0	307	20
Upkeep of Services	1,326	0	174	1,499	1,081
Discipleship	0	0	0	0	411
BB@C	2,749	0	0	2,749	1,055
Ministry & Mission	329	0	123	451	54
Evangelism (Alpha)	475	0	0	475	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,622</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>2,905</b>	<b>13,763</b>	<b>6,676</b>

### (H) Running Expenses

	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Note 2 Church Maintenance	15,831	0	0	15,831	768
Church Insurance	3,490	0	0	3,490	3,459
Churchyard Maintenance	5,795	0	2,683	8,478	2,549
Church Major repairs		0	0	0	15,452
Hall Maintenance	1,211	0	0	1,211	1,333
Hall Insurance	1,440	0	0	1,440	1,356
Cleaning Supplies	807	0	0	807	438
Payroll /Bank Charges	810	0	0	810	1,046
IT/ tech Equipment	2,218	0	0	2,218	423
Phones and Internet	1,029	0	0	1,029	1,263
Admin Supplies	589	0	0	589	1,285
Media Publicity	70	0	0	70	258
Other equipment	284	0	0	284	633
Oakhanger Insurance	1,122	0	0	1,122	1,345
Governance charges	300	0	0	300	320
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,996</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,683</b>	<b>37,678</b>	<b>31,928</b>

(I) Utilities	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Church Electricity/Gas	3,334	0	0	3,334	2,921
Church Water	160	0	0	160	143
Hall Electricity	2,893	0	0	2,893	1,752
Hall Water	319	0	0	319	303
St Luke's Electricity	232	126	0	358	329
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,938</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7,064</b>	<b>5,449</b>

Note 4 (J) Mission Support (Far Out) / Grants to Individuals	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
UCB	1,870	0	0	1,870	1,700
Oakhanger Project	1,870	0	0	1,870	1,700
Wycliffe Bible Translators	1,870	0	0	1,870	1,700
CSW	1,870	0	0	1,870	1,700
Icfem Mission	1,720	0	0	1,720	1,850
Tear Fund	1,720	0	0	1,720	1,850
PCF Gateway Trust	1,720	0	0	1,720	1,850
<b>Sub- total</b>	<b>12,640</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,640</b>	<b>12,350</b>
Hardship fund	106	150	50	306	30
Grants to Individuals	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,746</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>12,946</b>	<b>12,380</b>

(K) Miscellaneous	2022				2021
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Earmarked Expenditure	0	0	0	0	315
Deanery Expenses	0	0	0	0	0
Trading costs	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of Fundraising	34	0	0	34	106
Sundry - Other	1,201	0	0	1,201	779
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,235</b>	<b>1,200</b>

Note 1 During 2022, an interest earning bank account was opened alongside the current account, transfers in and out are made to aid cashflow.

Note 2 The Insurance claim payment to cover redecoration of the Church was received late in 2021 and held until the redecoration was completed in January 2022. These two lines show income from the insurance payout and payment of redecoration

Note 3 2021 figure accounts for only 9 months reading. The final reading for 2021 is seen in 2022 figures

Note 4 In 2021, a higher amount than was budgeted was paid to 3 early in the year. In 2022 amounts paid ensured that each charity received the same amount over the 2 years (2021 & 22)

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