

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH THE QUINTON, BIRMINGHAM.

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Activities

Objects: Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

Activities: Regular public worship open to all.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Birmingham City
- Dudley
- Sandwell

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£170,880	£275,947	-	-
2023-12-31	£244,946	£214,549	-	-
2022-12-31	£349,637	£183,683	-	-
2021-12-31	£162,261	£167,742	-	-
2020-12-31	£203,336	£158,731	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
REVEREND RACHEL HEATHFIELD	Chair	2016-09-01
ANDREW PETER WELLS		2015-07-01
Barbara Burke		2023-04-23
CHRIS ILES		
Carole Maddock		2022-04-03
DOREEN LESLEY MORRIS BSC		2017-04-02
Darren Chatterley		2024-05-05
David Homer		2021-05-01
Elaine Lewis		2019-04-01
Emily West		2020-10-01
HEATHER IESLEY WILLIAMS		2017-02-04
John Griffith Trevor		2013-04-25
Joyce Gilkes		2019-05-23
Lisa Ann Moody		2017-04-02
Mark Heritage		2020-01-01
Michael Rivett		2024-05-05
PETER SHERWEN		2017-04-26
Sarah Coton		2019-04-28
Sharron Jane Brice		2021-05-01

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Christ Church Quinton : Annual Meeting 2025

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Parish of Christ Church - The Quinton

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry meeting) to
be held in Church 10:30am Sunday 5 May 2024

Present Chair Carole Maddock & 82 Parishioners (73 present in building and 9 online)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from: Gary Bonnick, Shannon Bonnick, Joanne McQuade, Dolly Jalal, Chris Morris, Alison Keepax

2. Appointment of Chair and Secretary for the meeting

It was suggested that Carole Maddock would chair the vestry meeting and Darren Chatterley was proposed by Carole Maddock to take minutes, and these proposals were accepted unanimously.

3. Minutes of the Vestry meeting April 2023

Accepted unanimously.

4. Election of Church Wardens

Neil Allen has come to the end of his time as church warden and therefore looking to appoint a new warden.

Two nominations had been received: -

Carole Maddock, proposed by Katie Chatterley and seconded by Richard Brice

John Trevor, proposed by Jasmine Arnold and seconded by Sharron Brice

There were no other nominations. The Chair proposed the candidates be accepted and agreed unanimously. John was thanked and declared duly elected.

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Carole thanked Neil Allen for his dedicated service within the church over the last year.

The meeting was then declared closed.

Parish of Christ Church - The Quinton

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

to be held in Church 10:30am Sunday 5 May 2024

1. Worship, Prayers and bible reading

The opening prayer is led by Carole. Carole confirms that this is the final opportunity to stand for election and therefore if you really wish to stand speak to Neil or John at the back of church during first hymn. In addition if you have an AOB please also give to Neil or John

A hymn is sung. A thanksgiving liturgy is used, and JAM go out.

Bible reading Psalms 145.

Carole reflected briefly on the bible passage as follows:

- Passage represents a hymn of praise to Lord from David
- Focuses on greatness of God and virtues, and how he provides and cares for his people.
- Easy to forget how awesome the power of our great God is. How we can take it for granted.
- Everything that we do should be for the praise of God and to bring him glory and our behaviour should be a signpost to God.
- Its beyond our ability to grasp his greatness but incumbent on us to try.
- Relevance of Old Testament that God WILL act on our behalf. When we see what he has done in the past we can be assured that he will act on our behalf

Psalm 78 expands – on how the power and greatness of God should be passed on with a focus on intergenerational ministry.

- V8 – 9: Compassion, boundless, unconditional love. What does that mean to us?
- V10-12 – Praise and speak of his mighty acts
- V14 – 18 – we are made in his image – and all made to be righteous with him who desires to love all living things, especially every human.

2. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

a Chair and Secretary

It was proposed that Carole Maddock would chair the meeting, seconded by Neil Allen and Darren Chatterley was proposed by Carole Maddock to take minutes, and these proposals were accepted unanimously.

March 2025

b Apologies were received from: Gary Bonnick, Shannon Bonnick, Joanne McQuade, Dolly Jalal, Chris Morris, Alison Keepax

Looking Back over 2023

3 Meeting & Membership

a Minutes of the APCM 23rd April 2023

Carole asks if anyone wants to comment. There were none and the minutes were therefore accepted unanimously.

b Receiving of the Electoral Roll report

Report of numbers on electoral roll, 141 members. Full names are at back on church. Lost 2 but gained 7. Purpose is to show status of attendance at church and health of the church/congregation

4 Governance & Leadership

a PCC Report 2023

PCC met May, July (August), Sept, Nov, Jan and April. Receive PCC report.

b Deanery Synod Report 2023

Next level of governance in Church of England. Our deanery is Warley and Edgbaston. Mike Sermon area dean and next level of support for Rachel. Peter has put together a report Meetings held in February, June, October.

Report tabled - accepted.

c Safeguarding report

Follow house of bishops safeguarding policy – copy at the back of church.

Joyce Gilkes is safeguarding coordinator. Phil Arnold doing DBS checking.

No referrals this year

Report Tabled and accepted

Christ Church - The Quinton

Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial

Church Meeting to be held in Church Sunday 6 April 10.30am 2025

AGENDA

1. Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry Meeting)

Purpose

a Apologies for absence	receive
b Appointment of Chair and Secretary	vote
c Minutes of 2024 APM	agree
d Election of Church Wardens	vote
Close of meeting	

2. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

a Chair and Secretary	note
b Apologies for absence	note

Looking Back over 2024

3 Meeting & Membership

a Minutes of the APCM 5 May 2024	agree
b Receiving of the Electoral Roll report	receive

4 Governance & Leadership

a PCC Report 2024	receive
b Deanery Synod Report 2024	receive
c Safeguarding report 2024	agree

5 Resources

a Fabric report (building, furniture & movable items)	note
b Old Burial Ground	note
c Financial report	receive
d Appointment of independent examiner for 2025	vote

6 Mission & Ministry

receive all

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Reports as included in the meeting

pack Questions on Looking Back

section

Looking Forward 2025-26

7 Elections

a Elections to PCC

vote

vote

b Elections to Deanery Synod

vote

b Vision and Priorities for the next year

receive

Questions on Looking Forward section

8 Any other business

3 Electoral Roll Report

This year has required the creation of a new electoral roll from scratch, in accordance with Church of England rules.

The final number on the ER for 2025 is 133 people.

Carole Maddock: Electoral Roll Officer

4a PCC Report for 2024

The PCC has met in May, July, September, November, January and March.

The PCC formed subgroups for deeper discussion with smaller numbers with a group for finance, buildings and Transforming Church action plan (TCAP). We have also focused on monitoring our TCAP and furthering our church vision. The PCC has scrutinised the finances of the church and ensured the maintenance of the building, the tower restoration project was a matter of major focus this year including focus of fundraising and was happily completed in the Autumn.

In October the PCC held an away day at St John's Westwood, to brainstorm ideas relating to our vision and our buildings

Carole Maddock Church warden

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4b Deanery Synod Report 2024

The Warley and Edgbaston Deanery met three times during 2024.

At the meeting on February 25th the main business was a finance presentation from Karen Preece Director of Finance and Sonia Hudson Finance Manager.

There are 42 dioceses in England. Birmingham is 15th from the bottom in terms of income. In 2022 the Diocese made a £1 million loss. 1.1 million was received from the Church Commissioners to help to balance the books. Half of the income comes from the Common Fund. It goes on stipends, pensions, clergy housing and the office team. Some money comes from the Archbishop's fund. We are a poor diocese having no historic investments to provide extra income but, we are a generous community compared to other dioceses. The Church of England does give us money for specific projects and for curates. In 2023 we were £1million short but churches are finding it difficult to meet their Common Fund. There is a "Strategic Investment Fund" of about £6 million that has been used to meet shortfalls but, this will only last another 2 – 3 years. This means that we have more clergy than we can afford but reducing clergy would impact our mission. There was information about how the Common Fund was calculated. The system pre 2020 was not robust enough to withstand covid. Parishes are being asked for 80% of their pre covid commitment. Common Fund raised £6 million in 2019 but only £4.6 million in 2023 but of course bills and expenses are going up.

Having said all this, Edgbaston/Warley Deanery was the best in 2023. It has the highest number of parishes giving 98% or more of their Common Fund. No parishes gave nothing. 96% of the Common Fund requested from this Deanery was received.

The Finance department can give parishes support through payroll services, bookkeeping services, generous giving advisor, parish giving scheme and resources such as posters etc.

At the meeting on 5th June 2024 the main business was to consider two resolutions to go to Diocesan Synod.

The meeting began by revisiting the Birmingham Diocesan Board of Finance presentation from our February meeting. Given the frustrations evident at that meeting following the news of the budgeted £1.6m deficit for 2024, standing committee brought the motion below to this synod to be considered to take forward to diocesan synod.

Following our last W&E deanery synod meeting and in the light of a. a rising diocesan financial annual deficit budgeted to be £1.6 million in 2024, b. low clergy morale, c. and a widespread lack of awareness at parish level that we have a significant financial problem, W&E deanery request that the diocese provide greater clarity and better engagement with parishes and deaneries concerning our financial future, so that we can properly participate in prayerful conversations that lead to a clear and understandable plan to eliminate the deficit within this financial year in order to restore morale amongst clergy and laity in the medium term. (Passed)

[NB. This item was not passed at Diocesan synod but was revisited at the February 2025 meeting of the Deanery Synod.]

We then heard from Canon Dr Andrew Smith, Director of Interfaith Relations for the Bishop of Birmingham. He spoke about mission and ministry in Presence and Engagement parishes (where 10% of the population are from other faiths).

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The second resolution was a presentation by Rev Dr Katie Stock on vexatious complaints against clergy, which recognised the unique vulnerability of clergy to such complaints and invited synod support of the following motion to be submitted to diocesan synod.

a Review current diocesan complaints policies for their suitability regarding complaints of a vexatious, malicious or querulant nature. b. Bring forward policies which incorporate best practice to ensure complaints are handled on merit and in context, with provision and guidance on how to recognise and deal with vexatious, malicious and querulant grievances. (passed)

[NB This item was deferred to a later date by the Diocesan synod.]

The meeting on 24th October was an open meeting so several members of the PCC and the Parish Environment Contacts (PECs) were in attendance in addition to the Deanery Reps. and clergy as the main item was about the environment.

Our main agenda item was the climate crisis and the Churches response and Caroline Egan, Church of England Birmingham's Assistant Environment Officer to address the subject. Retiring after forty years as a lawyer, Caroline now promotes climate action, was involved in a small way in helping draft Caroline Lucas' Climate and Ecological Emergencies Bill (now the Climate and Nature Bill) and is involved in consultations on A Rocha's Eco Diocese awards and the Church of England's renewable energy criteria. Caroline addressed some key facts about the climate and environmental crises we are facing, and why we as Christians should be front and centre in tackling it. She explored what we as churches and as individuals can do and she signposted the support now available through the Church of England Birmingham, and the types of grants available to churches.

We also heard a racial justice update from Dawn Braithwaite, who described work going on at regional and diocesan level.

We also heard from Archdeacon Jenny who spoke about progress with oversight areas and oversight ministers and the culture change which is leading to greater collaboration between parishes.

Peter Sherwen. 06/03/2025.

4c Safeguarding Report

Joyce Gilkes was once again appointed as Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator for 2024-25. Phil Arnold was given the responsibility of overseeing DBS / Identity checking, responsibility for this was taken over by Rachel Heathfield when Phil resigned.

During the year we have not had to refer any situations or concerns to the Diocesan SG team.

5a Annual Fabric Report for 2024 (APCM April 2025)

Church

Tower Project.

Work on the tower and spirelet was finally completed at the start of October 2024. The pointing work was completed to a good finish, and it is looking very smart. The whole surface of the west end

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was defrassed (loose stone rubbed off) and loose pointing scrapped out and jet washed. Some stone that was loose or weak was replaced. The whole was repointed. The bell and bell frame were cleaned and repainted. The bell cable was replaced. Some lead flashing has been replaced with lead substitute. Unfortunately, it took another month for the scaffolding to come down. There were some repairs needed to the roof and gutters which were not completed until January 2025.

Repairs and decorating.

Generally speaking, the Church is in reasonable repair but, it does need internal redecoration especially at the west end and in the gallery now that the outside work has been completed.

Electrical.

An electrical survey was conducted in 2022. Whilst everything is safe, most of the distribution boxes do not now meet the most recent standard and ought to be replaced in the not-toodistant future. There are some plug sockets that are damaged and need replacing. None of the spotlights are now working. Bulbs have not been replaced because of the difficulty in accessing them and the cost of running them at 300 watts per bulb. Hopefully they could be replaced with better lighting in the future. Lights in the office and crèche have been replaced. Thanks to a professional volunteer for this. The lightning conductors will need to be inspected in 2025.

Other work.

The doors from the porch into church have been eased. Thanks to the expert volunteers for a job well done.

Internal work.

When there has been time for the plaster to dry out, there will be a need to repair the plaster work that has been damaged by the damp and where it has fallen from the ceiling. Some plaster has fallen away from two of the windows in the main body of the Church and there is loose plaster near one of the beams. The whole Church is in need of redecoration.

General.

The usual PAT testing, fire safety survey and fire extinguisher inspections have been carried out. The boiler is serviced annually too.

The low-level gutters around church and the valleys on the porch area have all been cleaned. All outside drains have been cleaned out. Please do not put anything solid down the drains and toilets. We have had to have them rodded at times and that is an expense we can ill afford.

Churchyard, drive and car parks.

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The churchyard is a closed churchyard and so is the responsibility of Birmingham City Council who cut the grass on a regular basis. They are also responsible for trees and the wall. They have made some repairs to the wall along the drive in 2021 and in 2024. However, there are places where it is now in need of further repairs. Some areas have been repaired by volunteers. The bushes, ivy and brambles around the wall and notice board on Hagley Road have been cut back by volunteers. The drive near the Hall is in need of repair.

Stress tests on the gravestones and monuments in the church yard were carried out. All were found to be safe. Those in the Old Burial Ground were also checked. Two more have been found to be loose. With all the rain that we have had the ground has become very soft, then with all the wind, they have been loosened. There are now 14 grave stones and monuments that are in an unsafe condition. They are taped off with hazard tape around posts and there is a warning notice on the gate. The gardens were in a sorry state after the scaffolding and shuttering came down. They are gradually being brought back to a good condition thanks to volunteers. **Helping Hands** met on the 1st Saturday each month. Work was carried out to keep the Church clean and tidy. Outside we try to keep the grounds tidy and the drive and carparks clear of weeds and leaves. Bushes, brambles and ivy around the wall and notice boards are cut back. Work continues on the Old Burial Ground weeding the Primrose Bank and top bank, cutting back ivy and low branches, removing brambles, trimming around graves and keeping the paths clear. We created a "Mini Meadow" in the O.B.G. Please see the Old Burial Ground report for details. Thanks to all who have helped.

More could be done in and around Church and at the OBG if there were more volunteers. It is usually the same few people who do most of the work. Some of us are getting older and cannot do as much as we used to do!

Peter Sherwen 04/03/2025.

5b The Old Burial Ground Report

Regular maintenance of the O.B.G. has continued throughout 2024. Stress tests have been done on memorials and unsafe areas have been marked off.

There was a good show of spring flowers. However, as last year there were a variety of grasses but fewer flowering plants in the main meadow area. Wet weather delayed the cutting of the grass until late August/ early September and was finally finished in early October.

In early October a new "Mini Meadow" was started in one area of the main meadow, in an effort to re-introduce annual species of flowering plants. Many thanks to the gallant volunteers who removed the existing turf, prepared it for sowing and spread new seeds. This area has now been marked off.

Outdoor Church has continued to meet once a month on the O.B.G. and use it as a resource.

Pupils from Q.C.P.S. visited the O.B.G. as usual, to view the Commonwealth War Graves as part of their Armistice Day assembly.

The number of people able to work regularly in the O.B.G. has continued to decrease. If anyone can help, even if it's just a "one off" task, please contact me.

Susan J. Sherwen 06.03.2025.

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6 Ministries Reports

6a Ladies Guild 2024

Ladies Guild

Ladies Guild meets on the first Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in church. Many members are involved with different aspects of Christ Church life, some are members of other churches or none. All are welcome to join us.

During the year we held our annual Lent and Advent Services. We welcomed speakers for a Trip along the Silk Road, Music and the spoken word, heard about the work of Safe Families and a local councillor spoke about her work and answered questions. We enjoyed a sing along with Maddie and members shared special memories, we had a Beetle drive and were entertained by a Ukulele band. To celebrate our 68th Anniversary we had lunch in Lightwoods House, we also met up at The Stag for lunch and enjoyed our annual Afternoon Tea in church.

We joined with other members of the church for the Summer Fete and organised the Tombola.

Through the generosity of members, we were also able to raise and donate £350 to church funds, £150 to Mary Stevens Hospice and £150 to the Salvation Army for work with the homeless.

6b Pastoral Care

Our team has continued to offer support and listening and practical love to those in need. Despite constraints within the team, care has been provided. We are very grateful to the whole team who visit, shop, pray with, take home communion to and phone up for a chat.

6c Youth, Children, and family work at Christ Church

I feel one of the most exciting parts of our church is seeing our young people grow, and when I Look at some of the older ones and see how much they have grown both physically and spiritually over the years it fills me with great joy. Working in children's ministry, I feel is one of the most rewarding ministries you can be part of, the young people invariably teach you so much more than you can possibly teach them.

There is a big push in the national church for Children's work (the 30K project) and it is now recognised as one of the most important areas to invest in. We have taken up this challenge investing, as a Church, in the provision we provide for our Children and families. In the fresh expression services such as Outdoor church, 4O'clock church, Tuesday Church and Jam. We have put on training for the awareness and needs of those that are Neurodiverse. Which was well received by our children's workers, and from other churches around Birmingham. Clair and I have successfully completed a training course in children's work and have been commissioned by the bishop for this purpose.

I have been employed now by the church as the Youth, children's and family Minister, a role that I feel so privileged to take on. This allows me the time to take on work that before I was unable to

access due to work commitments. This is yet another sign of our commitment as a Church to this area of Gods Kingdom.

All the work we do to help grow our young people into the people that God wants them to be, would not be possible, however, without a group of highly talented and dedicated volunteers. I would like to thank them all for their unending commitment and love for our young people. These are the Heros that are building this part of Gods Kingdom!

Thankyou

Four O'clock Church

Four O'clock Church is a Family and Children service, running at 4 O'clock every 3rd Sunday of the month. It continues to run well with a small body of dedicated and creative volunteers, without whom it could not run. A great vote of thanks goes out to all these amazing volunteers.

The Christmas and Good Friday services were successful with between 80 to over 100 people attending both. The Nativity scene that was created at Christmas time caused a lot of admiring comments. This again was orchestrated by some of our very talented and committed volunteers.

An important part of 4'O'clock church is a rota of people to provide some light snacks as part of the service and welcome. Thank you so much to all these fantastic people who have contributed to the great welcome we can offer to these families. The provision of food for fellowship says a great deal of who we are and what we are here for.

The 4O'clock church continues to be an important part of our outreach into the surrounding community, providing a platform for young families to meet with Jesus and become a part of the Christ Church Quinton Family.

Moving forward we will be looking at the advertising and communication of this service in the community to try to grow the number of families we reach.

JAM (Jesus and Me)

JAM continues to run well led by a strong and creative team. They have created some astounding displays, and it is always a delight to see what they have been learning at the end of the 10:30 service. The Banners that have been created have really been outstanding and are a testament to the creative children's team running JAM.

Congratulations to Clair who leads the team, who has this year completed a training course for children's work and was commissioned by the bishop in the summer. She continues to equip herself undertaking another children's workers course this year

The team are fantastic working in a very small space that isn't appropriate for the work they do and it's a testament to their dedication that they continue to make it work and teach such an amazing group of young people. The children have grown in knowledge and confidence sharing their faith, it is a privilege to see them grow!

Some of the children in JAM are starting to outgrow this amazing provision and will need a more age-appropriate discipleship group. which I (Mark) intend to start up. This will take place at the same

time and will offer deeper bible study, building on the great foundation they have been given and carrying them on in their walk with God.

Outdoor church

Outdoor Church is an alternative family service occurring every 2nd Sunday of the month. This takes place outside in the Old Burial Ground, celebrating Gods creation and providing a less intimidating access to church for young families. We have had great fun worshipping outdoors creating ways to celebrate Gods glorious creation.

Even through the winter we have had a dedicated few that worship outdoors and some families come especially for Outdoor Church. In January we had over 20 members attending, young and old. This is made to happen by a great team of volunteers that turn up whatever the weather. No wrong weather just the wrong clothing!

Outdoor Church has proved particularly valuable for some of our neurodiverse members. Providing a large open space that helps them keep their anxiety levels down whilst providing a safe space to express themselves. Discussing scripture and creating responses using the natural environment has been a real highlight of this service, helping young families to grow together discussing the teachings of Jesus and growing together in the love of God in His creation.

Tuesday Church (Safe space)

We started the drop-in session on Tuesday after school on the 18th of March. It is run for years 6-11, providing a safe space for them to come to after school, to get something to eat and drink and talk with friends. I also see this as a way into 'Church', giving them the opportunity to talk about current issues and possibly leading to a more faith-based group or a Youth Alpha. On the first session we had approximately 25 young people, a few had come back from when it ran before and from the reception of the young people at this session I am expecting more to come in the coming weeks. We have purchased some bean bags, for a quiet space, that the young people could use to just be still if needed after a hectic day at school. These were purchased with monies from some generous donations from the congregation. We have a small body of volunteers with a big heart for these young people, giving generously of themselves, without whom, this wouldn't be able to run.

The plan for the near future is to start a faith-based group for all the young people that are searching, helping them to explore the Christian faith and what Jesus means to them.

Toddle Inn Report Lead by Claire Cronin

Each week we meet at Quinton Church at the back of the church on a Monday morning 9/9.30am to 11am we have between 6 and 11 children weekly.

Each week the toys are arranged out into sections a baby section, musical instruments, Cars with road map, Dolls and pushchairs, Train track, puzzles, and the bookcase where children can look at the different story books with their parents or other children. The children play where they feel led. We then have tidy up time where the children are encouraged to help. We offer the children fruit around

930 and they have toast about 1030 when they have a bible story, sing songs, and do a craft which is linked to the bible story or the time of year.

We have looked at God creation I can see, touch hear smell. We made Mother's Day cards, Christmas cards the design was the nativity story,

Harvest we spoke to the parents about the foodbank asked them if they could bring some food for our harvest service, and that we were distributing the food to Quinton foodbank. They also did a harvest poster which was shown and displayed in church.

Christmas the children learned about the Christmas story, and we had our own nativity story with the children dressed up in costumes. The children loved this and had a great time.

We now charge £2 per family this goes towards the food and craft activities. At Christmas we had a Christmas party and Santa came and gave every child a present and we played pass the parcel.

6d Brandhall Community Hub Report

God's work has been evident in 2024 through the growing connections we have made in the local community. Approximately 2500 people attended the Hub this year and many of those made the Hub part of their weekly routine. This year has been about strengthening the community that we are part of, showing the consistency of God's love.

Christ Church has been awarded a £20000 grant over two years from Lottery funding, which will go towards financing the Community Development Manager role, who continues to oversee the day-to-day management and development of the Hub, alongside a committed group of volunteers.

People come to the Hub for all sorts of reasons: to get emergency and supplementary food; to get children's clothes or uniform; to feel less isolated, and for company; to feel like they belong and have recognition; to share skills and learn new ones; to donate time and resources; and to obtain advice and support. The following projects all have a part to play in showing God's love in practical ways and by walking alongside our community.

The Food Pantry membership has increased to 84 members but has remained consistent with an average of 30 members attending each week. This is reflective of the national averages. We have applied for a grant for the Pantry to offer a second session during the evening which will open opportunities especially for our 'harder to reach' members of the community.

The Toddler2Teens clothing and the Uniform Bank remain in demand reaching many needy families. They have both received grants to improve the service they provide. The Uniform bank has refurbished and reorganized so that items can be easily found. Tots2Teens has been fitted out with shelving and storage boxes which is a huge improvement from the mountain of labeled black bags! In addition to this the Hub was awarded an additional grant of £1000 from the Hedley Foundation to purchase new underwear and socks for children in greatest need.

God's garden has been a real blessing to lots of individuals. It has provided a welcoming outdoor space to sit, chat, potter, and garden. Our volunteers have done a fantastic job renovating and maintaining it. We even had some produce for the Pantry!

The Hub has weekly activities including warm space, and 'Knit and Natter' which is well attended. This is a friendly lively group that is evolving all the time. They have been involved in sharing God's love by using their skills to bless the community and build friendships. We have also had some very successful events at Christmas, Valentines Day and Easter.

The Hub is often a place of lively debates about politics, and differing outlooks on how we exist together as a community. At times this can be very challenging to navigate, whilst respecting each other's views and opinions yet challenging and championing the Godlier view.

This year has been a year of consolidation and strengthening community relationships. Step by step the Hub continues to reach and bless the local community, showing them God's love in practical ways and continuing to sow seeds of hope.

6e World Mission Links Report for 2024

Our Mission Links. These are the individuals and organisations that the PCC has supported financially past year and we are asked to support as a Church. Our Mission Links Committee feels that this is a good spread of individuals/organisations.

The Church Mission Society is the main Anglican mission society. We have had links with **CMS** mission partners for many years. **Bev de Pinos** is our current link. She is working with the Anglican Church as a **CMS Mission Partner**. During 2022 she met Johnny Cannon de Pinos and married in September of that year. He is from **Cuenca in Ecuador**. Bev continues as a CMS Mission Partner in her new role working with the church in Cuenca. She has worked with another CMS Mission Partner on the Orchid Project which aims to provide training and work for people with disabilities.

We support **A Rocha Kenya and Colin and Roni Jackson** who are in charge there. One of the "Marks of Mission" is care for the environment and **A Rocha** is a Christian organisation that works to protect the environment and educate on environmental issues in Britain and in several other countries around the world.

The **Esperanza Foster Home** in Paraguay was set up by two of our former link missionaries and although small, has national importance as an example of good practice, indeed the President of Paraguay has visited. It is part of the Anglican Church in Paraguay. As well as Esperanza, we also support (through fund raising around Christmas) **FEISA** which is the Anglican Teacher Training College.

Christian Solidarity Worldwide advocates for Christians and others suffering persecution in various parts of the world. If one part of the body suffers then the whole of the body suffers. We feel that we

should do our part in supporting the persecuted church. On Sunday 5th November we had two short videos from CSW and we asked people to send Christmas Cards to the Persecuted Church. About 40 cards were sent and an additional £175 was sent to CSW. We have been a “Partner Church” with CSW since 2021.

Mission Links Committee make presentations in Church about our mission links including A Rocha Kenya, CMS and our Paraguayan projects.

On 21st April we gave general information about our mission Links. On 7th July we focused on A Rocha Uk, A Rocha Kenya and ECO Church. On 15th September we had a speaker from CSW. And on 3rd November we wrote Christmas cards to send to people imprisoned or persecuted for their faith with addresses supplied by CSW. Julie and Rachel produced some lovely Christmas cards which were available during Advent.

Funds were raised for mission through the sale of jams etc. at Christmas. Unfortunately, PCC were unable to be as generous in our Mission giving in 2024 as usual due to a shortfall in the general account though we did receive a generous donation of £2,000 towards our Mission Links funding. These gifts were made from General Fund.

C.M.S. (Bev Cannon.)	£1,000
C.S.W.	£1,000
Esperanza	£750
A Rocha Kenya (Colin & Roni.)	£ 500
Total	<u>£3,250</u>

In addition to these societies, Food Bank, Brandhall Hub, Children’s Society and Christian Aid were supported by the Church and congregation.

We do need more people on our committee to be our links with different societies such as CSW. Could you do this? The committee usually meets three times a year. Our aim is to keep the needs of mission worldwide before the congregation.

Peter Sherwen. 04/03/2025.

6f Quinton Foodbank report

We have seen many changes this past year. In March we became an independent charity (CIO) with a board of Trustees, two of whom are clergy. This was a positive move and means that the overall responsibility of the foodbank doesn’t fall on Christchurch PCC. It also means we have our own charity number, so applying for grants becomes much more straightforward.

During the year we have had to spend a large amount on food (over £16,000) to sustain the work we do. However, we have had several successful campaigns in various supermarkets thanks to the volunteers who participate. We were blessed by a donation during the month of July when our stocks were very low. We had a surprise delivery from a company which turned out to be a full van

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load. Our Harvest donations were up this year the biggest since covid. We were also blessed by a year 12 student who collected gifts to fill up 50 shoe boxes full of presents to be given out at Christmas they were even labelled age and gender appropriate.

In the week leading up to the holidays, we were able to gift everyone an extra bag Christmas of goodies, 85 in total. This was mainly down to the reverse Advent calendars that the Brownies and Rainbows took part in.

We have fed 7,190 people this year: 4,102 adults and 3,088 children and have given out 22,772.8kg of stock in weight. This takes an enormous amount of work and time, and I can't thank the volunteers enough for this, especially the volunteers who work tirelessly behind the scenes.

We also won a grant bid that enabled us to have Anna, our Citizens Advice worker, working full time with us. This is a much-needed service to ensure people are getting the right support and advice.

The supported volunteers programme at QAC is working well and the feedback is very positive.

We had a pharmacist on site during November to administer Covid and Flu vaccines, this was taken up by a large number of clients and volunteers.

We sadly lost one of our dear volunteers back in January who died very suddenly, and this affected many of us. She is remembered very fondly.

Lastly, I would like to thank the congregation and clergy of Christchurch for the continued support and commitment to the Foodbank.

Barbara Burke (project manager)

6g Interim Minister Report

Checking back over the last year is always a good thing to do. As always, 12 months has flown by. This report intends to highlight the things that I have had particular focus on through the year, but there might be lots of "normal" stuff that doesn't get mentioned!

I was off on health leave for the last annual meeting so, it seems appropriate to thank the team who invested so much time and energy in keeping everything going when I wasn't working. Thanks to Phil and Carole for admin and practical stuff, thanks to the teaching and leading team, Andrew, Chris, Mark, Bev, Carole, Heather & Andy. Thanks for all the love, prayers and support for me at that time.

People. In August we waved goodbye to Phil who arrived at Christ Church a month before me, in 2016 and had been through different incarnations of employment at Christ Church. He was a valuable resource to us in so many ways and we celebrated all he had done for us and thanked him for all he gave to us. I admit I still call him when I need to know how something works.....!

We didn't replace Phil in the office straight away and I am grateful to Carole for temporarily stepping in and taking some of the strain. We have had a long enough pause to consider what role was needed and we are glad that Jaime has recently started with 2 mornings a week. Phil also did youthwork and we are glad to have also recently appointed Mark to do what he was doing (and some more), covering Youth, Children and Families.

Bev studied hard and was licenced as another Lay Reader for our team. Mark & Claire worked hard on the Catalyst Course and were licenced by the Bishop as Children's ministers. Well done, all of you!

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Being salt and light in our community is crucial to us as Christ Church. To be distinctively Christian and to share the goodness and love of God with all. Our regular activities are all included in this report and we are very grateful for all they do and “say” to our local community. This year we have had to focus on fund raising for the building work we had on the Tower but each event we did had the added benefit of connecting with the community around us. The Summer Fete raised a huge amount and connected with 100s of people. The Rock Choir concerts (spring and winter) both raised money but proved that we are also a great place of welcome and fun.

A significant change in governance happened this year with the change of charitable status of the Quinton Foodbank to being an independent CIO. This is very good news for the energy and support of the Foodbank. The board is now a very dedicated and useful team of 8 people. We as Christ Church must never forget that it is “ours” to support though, and Barbara who is now appointed as Project Manager, is definitely one of us, to uphold in prayer and practical support.

The Brandhall Community HUB continues to be a place of welcome and belonging for the local community. It is good for us to continue working in partnership with the other local churches (Kings Community, St Huberts Catholic and Church Central) and this shows our Christian unity and all our desires to serve others. The HUB connected with approximately 4000 people through the Food Pantry, the uniform and clothing banks, knit & natter and other social exclusion projects. This figure is phenomenal. I am grateful to Lorraine, the project manager who keeps everything running on a day to day basis.

One of my personal passions is connecting with two local schools. I am on the boards of both the church primary school (on our site) and Brandhall Primary. I am called on by both to do Christian teaching and pastoral care of staff and pupils alike. It’s a privilege to do this.

Partnership is crucial to our ministry and we are glad for the HUB partners but are also pleased to be linked with St Boniface Church as a newly formed Oversight Ministry Area for which I am responsible as Oversight Minister. This will continue to develop in significance but we are hopeful it will mean shared ministry with specific gains in mission and outreach in this area. One area we are definitely benefiting from is in the support in contemporary worship leading, being particularly grateful to Rachel & Bob who come (with others) to lead worship every month(ish).

Building up and maintaining a safe church is crucial to ministry at Christ Church. We must endeavour to be a church where people feel safe and can expect to be treated with dignity and respect. Fostering safe practice in all areas of church life and having a culture where we hold one another accountable for how we treat others continues to be a focus for me.

I feel grateful to have been called to ministry here at Christ Church (it will be 9 years this June) and I am happy (and relieved!) not to yet be called elsewhere! Thank you for being part of the continued sense of belonging I have here. Thank you for your patience when I make mistakes and thanks for loving me through the ups and downs of life.

Rachel

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church The Quinton

Financial Accounts for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endow ment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income						
Voluntary Income	98,216	995	44,006	0	143,217	218,220
Income from Investments	5,483	2,671	577	0	8,730	9,264
Activities for Generating Funds	1,239	4,428	8,510	0	14,178	11,766
Church Activities	3,554	0	1,200	0	4,754	5,696
Total income	108,492	8,095	54,293	0	170,880	244,946
Expenditure						
Church Activities	102,812	40,950	130,716	0	274,478	213,386
Costs of Generating Funds	516	308	645	0	1,469	1,163
Total expenditure	103,327	41,258	131,361	0	275,947	214,549
Net income (expenditure) resources before transfer	5,165	-33,163	-77,069	0	-105,067	30,397
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in			3,171		3,171	700
Gross transfers between funds - out			-3,171		-3,171	-700
Gains/losses on investment assets revaluation, fixed assets				674	674	1,255
						-90,000
Net movement in funds	5,165	-33,163	-77,069	674	-104,394	-58,349
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	11,189	170,533	130,783	22,312	334,818	
Income, gains, transfers in	108,492	8,095	54,293	674	171,554	
Expenditure, transfers out	103,327	41,258	131,361		275,946	
Total funds carried forward	16,354	137,370	53,714	22,986	230,424	

BALANCE SHEET

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endow ment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Fixed Assets						
Tangible Assets	9,000	0	0	0	9,000	9,000
Investments	0	0	0	22,986	22,986	22,312
	9,000	0	0	22,986	31,986	31,312
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in hand	4,603	137,370	53,735	0	195,708	295,596
Debtors	3,500	0	2,613	0	6,113	15,167
	8,103	137,370	56,349	0	201,821	310,764
Total Assets	17,103	137,370	56,349	22,986	233,808	342,076
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	749	0	2,635	0	3,384	7,258
Net Current Assets less Current Liabilities	7,354	137,370	53,714	0	198,438	303,505
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	16,354	137,370	53,714	22,986	230,424	334,818
Represented by						
(Unrestricted) General Fund	16,354				16,354	11,189
(Unrestricted) Designated funds:-						
Elaine Buchan Legacy		134,937			134,937	170,068
Flower Guild		150			150	128
Toddle Inn		785			786	338
Tower Fund (des)		1,498			1,498	0
Restricted Funds:-						
Brandhall Baby Bank			0		0	66
Brandhall Community Hub			14,855		14,855	10,548
Giving for Growth (building) projects			27,895		27,895	27,895
Discipleship Bursary			3,891		3,891	3,891
Foodbank			0		0	77,277
Memorial Garden Upkeep			4,983		4,983	5,977
Quinton Care Fund (clergy)			1,584		1,584	1,752
Womens Refuge (children)			0		0	3,105
Tower Fund (res)			505		505	271
Endowment						
Edna Hopewell Trust				22,986	22,986	22,312
Fund Totals	16,354	137,370	53,714	22,986	230,424	334,818

Approved by the PCC on (date).....

Signed on behalf of the PCC.....

INCOMING RESOURCES

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
Voluntary Income					
Planned Giving	66,154			66,154	63,315
Offerings at services	6,053			6,053	4,796
Donations and appeals	8,851	865	11,306	21,022	28,145
Foodbank income			4,164	4,164	63,572
Gift Aid	17,158		465	17,623	16,334
Grants			28,071	28,071	21,119
Other income		130		130	20,939
Voluntary Income	98,216	995	44,006	143,217	218,220
Investment Income					
Bank & Deposit a/c interest	5,476	2,671	139	8,286	9,020
Dividends			438	438	237
Ground Rent received	6			6	6
Investment Income	5,482	2,671	577	8,730	9,263
Activities for Generating Funds					
Summer Fete		3,201		3,201	
Other Fundraising	49	1,228	2,062	3,339	5,441
Hire of church for polling	500			500	50
Bible Notes	133			133	299
Tea & Coffee contributions	557			557	845
Food Pantry contributions			6,448	6,448	5,131
Activities for Generating Funds	1,239	4,429	8,510	14,178	11,766
Church Activities					
Parochial Fees	2,412			2,412	3,341
Hub rent contributions			1,200	1,200	1,200
Other Income	1,142			1,142	1,155
Church Activities	3,554		1,200	4,754	5,696
INCOME GRAND TOTALS	108,492	8,095	54,293	170,880	244,946

OUTGOING EXPENDITURE

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total	Prior year
	funds	funds	funds	funds	funds
Church Activities					
Common Fund	56,400			56,400	56,400
Mission Links Giving	1,250		2,000	3,250	3,450
Ministry expenses	557			557	1,501
Rectory costs	1,004			1,004	913
Church staff costs	15,343			15,343	21,127
Hub staff costs			13,158	13,158	8,197
Children & families worker	5,443			5,443	7,850
Youth & children's work	882			882	878
Mission & outreach work	59		514	573	2,711
Office & admin costs	3,048			3,048	3,172
Church service costs	2131	1,248		3,379	8,218
Maintenance	1,577	293	1,324	3,194	6,153
Hygiene supplies & services	1,945.07			1,945	1,720
Safety & Security	248			248	368
Insurance	3,014			3,014	2,921
Utilities	6,459			6,459	9,023
Bank Charges	86	31	16	133	79
Hall insurance	2,267			2,267	1,938
Hall utility standing charges	580			580	514
Hub- details in separate report			23,761	23,761	22,476
Foodbank expenditure			14,204	14,204	51,467
Foodbank closure transaction			67,237	67,237	0
PCC costs	521			521	360
Architectural Fees			250	250	1,950
Tower & stonework repair		39,378	8,251	47,629	0
Church Activities	102,812	40,950	130,716	274,478	213,386
Costs of Generating Funds					
Giving costs	314			314	286
Fundraising costs	53	10	3	66	285
Events costs		298	642	940	509
Bible Notes Study books	149			149	83
Costs of Generating Funds	516	308	645	1,469	1,163

EXPENDITURE GRAND TOTALS	103,327	41,258	131,361	275,947	214,549
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TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

Transfer from Womens Refuge Fund (children) to Brandhall Community Hub, as similar project work is now located there.

		2024	Prior Year transfers
IN	BCH	3171	700
OUT	Refuge	-3171	-700

FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY PCC

One Freehold Title of a local property. We receive an annual ground rent of £6	2024	2023
Estimated Market Value 1st January	9,000	9,000
Revaluation Gain (loss)	0	0
Estimated Market Value 31st December	9,000	9,000
The Edna Hopewell Trust is invested in a long term Endowment Bond.	2024	2023
Market Value 1st January	22,312	21,058
Revaluation Gain (loss)	674	1,255
Market Value 31st December	22,986	22,312

FUND MOVEMENTS

Name of Fund	1st Jan	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	31st Dec
General Fund (Unr)	11,189	108,492	103,327	16,354
Elaine Buchan Legacy (Des)	170,068	2,671	37,802	134,937
Flower Guild (Des)	128	130	108	150
Old Burial Ground (Des)	0	60	60	0
Tower Fund (Des)	0	4,785	3,287	1,498
Toddle Inn (Des)	338	448	0	786
Brandhall Baby Bank (Res)	66	0	66	0
Brandhall Community Hub (Res)	10,548	41,873	37,566	14,855
Giving for Growth bldg proj (Res)	27,895	0	0	27,895
Mission Links (Res)	0	2,000	2,000	0
Discipleship Bursary (Res)	3,891	0	0	3,891
Quinton Oldbury Foodbank (Res)	77,277	4,164	81,441	0
Memorial Garden Upkeep (Res)	5,977	577	1,570	4,983
Quinton Care Fund (Res)	1,752	100	268	1,584

Womens Refuge (Children) (Res)	3,105	0	3,105	0
Tower Fund (Res)	271	8,750	8,516	505
Edna Hopewell Trust (Endow)	22,312	674	0	<u>22,986</u>
	334,818	174,725	279,118	<u>230,424</u>

CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2024	2023
Current Account	20,405	5,198
Deposit Account	173,294	210,768
Quinton Care Fund Current Account	1,420	1,680
Church Cash in hand	222	89
Hub Cash in hand	312	584
Flower Guild Cash in hand	55	0
Foodbank	0	77,277
TOTAL CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	195,708	295,596

DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2024	2023
HMRC Debtor (Gift Aid due)	3,500	8,360
Other Debtors	0	5,303
Prepayments	2,613	1,505
TOTAL DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS	6,113	15,167

CREDITORS

	2024	2023
Utility Creditors	903	450
Other Creditors (Accounts Payable)	2,481	6,809
TOTAL CREDITORS	3,384	7,259

AGENCY COLLECTIONS

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. There were no agency balances outstanding at the end of the year. During the year the following amounts were collected in and paid out.

Diocesan Board of Finance	2,430
Personal Gifts	280

Verger services	1,150
Agency Collections	3,860

THE TOWER FUND

1st January 2024 opening balance	271
Proceeds of fundraising events to designated fund	4,785
Donations to restricted fund	8,750
Paid out for work completed	-11,803
Fund balances 31st December 2024	2,003

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR BRANDHALL COMMUNITY HUB

Brandhall Community Hub is an outreach centre based at 151 Castle Road West, Oldbury, West Midlands. It operates in partnership with other local churches. The legal responsibility rests with Christ Church the Quinton and the financial records form part of our whole church accounts, as a Restricted Fund. This extract is to assist grant funders and other interested parties.

INCOME

Donations	2,734	5,510
Grants	28,072	21,119
Fundraising	249	1,370
Food Pantry Contributions received	6,448	5,131
Rent Contributions	1,200	1,200
Other		540
TOTAL INCOME	38,702	34,870

EXPENDITURE

Project Manager	13,158	6,597
Insurance	1,550	1,504
Utilities	3,284	4,699
Rent	6,520	6,519
Waste Disposal & Cleaning	572	371
Maintenance & Repairs	1,510	1,534
I.T. & Phones	874	833
Advertising	49	50
Stationery & admin supplies	194	0
Hospitality	270	208
Equipment	2,305	0
Food Pantry expenditure	6,649	6,660
Uniform Bank	0	100
Costs of generating funds	630	77
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	37,566	29,150

Brandhall Community Hub Restricted fund balance 1st January 2024	10,548
Transfer in from Refuge fund	3,171
Excess of income over expenditure	1,136
TOTAL BRANDHALLCOMMUNITY HUB RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE 31ST DECEMBER 2024	14,855

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded and not capitalised in the financial statements in accordance with Charities Act 2011

Investments are recognised at their quoted market price.

The financial statements have been prepared using fund accounting, whereby income, expenditure, assets and liabilities are classified by fund. The types of fund classification present in these accounts are:

Unrestricted General Funds

General Funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering the aims and objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are also unrestricted, and are funds that have been set aside by the PCC for a particular purpose.

Restricted Funds

These represent grants, specific donations or legacies received which are allocated by the donor for a specific purpose. Each fund has a descriptive name.

Endowment Funds

The Edna Hopewell Trust was a legacy, invested in a trust. The capital sum cannot be accessed until the year 2086. The dividends received are to be used exclusively for the upkeep of the Memorial Garden and surrounding area.

Brandhall Baby Bank is no longer part of Christ Church the Quinton. They now operate as a separate organisation.

Quinton and Oldbury Foodbank now operate as a separate charity CIO. On 6th March 2024 the balance of the restricted fund, £67,237 was removed from our accounts.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church the Quinton, Birmingham.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2024.

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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.



Signed: 

Charanjit Singh Kattri ACIB

Retired Bank Manager 

251 Quinton Lane, Quinton, Birmingham. B32 2UD

12th February 2025

Designated funds	Restricted funds
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General funds		Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year funds	rectory	
Church Activities						ministry	722.17
Common F	56,400			56,400	56,400	120	180
Mission Gi	1,250		2,000	3,250	3,450	29.1	102
Ministry e	557			557	1,501	176.81	1004.17
Rectory co	1,004			1,004	913	129	chch staff
Church sta	15,343			15,343	21,127	87.77	1378.08
Hub staff costs			13,158	13,158	8,197	14	356.72
Children &	5,443			5,443	7,850	556.68	10700
Youth & cl	882			882	878		2908.14
Mission &	59		514	573	2,711	yc wk	15342.94
Office & ac	3,048			3,048	3,172	175.96	
Church sei	2131	1,248		3,379	8,218	705.59	
	86,117		15,672	103,037	114,417	881.55	
General funds		Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year funds	mtce	
Maintenan	1,577	293	1,324	3,194	6,153	492.64	
Hygiene su	1,945.07			1,945	1,720	184.14	
Safety & S	248			248	368	900	
Insurance	3,014			3,014	2,921	1576.78	
Utilities	6,459			6,459	9,023		
Bank Char	86	31	16	133	79	hyg	
Hall insura	2,267			2,267	1,938	351.27	ss
Hall utilit	580			580	514	811.16	116.4
Church activities				0		782.64	131.58
Professional Fees				0		1945.07	247.98
Hub-See separate report			23,761	23,761	22,476		
				0		hallut	
				0		467.97	
				0		111.95	
				0		579.92	
Foodbank expenditure			14,204	14,204	51,467		
Foodbank closure transaction			67,237	67,237	0	fdbk	
PCC costs	521			521	360	8588.47	
Architectural Fees			250	250	1,950	5616	
Tower & stonework re	39,378	8,251		47,629	0	14204.47	
Church Activities	39,702	115,043		154,745	98,969		
	86117	1248	15672	103,037	114417		
Costs of	102,812	40,950	130,715	257,782	213,386		

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church The Quinton

Financial Accounts for the Year Ended 31st December 2024

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endow ment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income						
Voluntary Income	98,216	995	44,006	0	143,217	218,220
Income from Investments	5,483	2,671	577	0	8,730	9,264
Activities for Generating Funds	1,239	4,428	8,510	0	14,178	11,766
Church Activities	3,554	0	1,200	0	4,754	5,696
Total income	108,492	8,095	54,293	0	170,880	244,946
Expenditure						
Church Activities	102,812	40,950	130,716	0	274,478	213,386
Costs of Generating Funds	516	308	645	0	1,469	1,163
Total expenditure	103,327	41,258	131,361	0	275,947	214,549
Net income (expenditure) resources before transfer	5,165	-33,163	-77,069	0	-105,067	30,397
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in			3,171		3,171	700
Gross transfers between funds - out			-3,171		-3,171	-700
Gains/losses on investment assets revaluation, fixed assets				674	674	1,255
						-90,000
Net movement in funds	5,165	-33,163	-77,069	674	-104,394	-58,349
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	11,189	170,533	130,783	22,312	334,818	
Income, gains, transfers in	108,492	8,095	54,293	674	171,554	
Expenditure, transfers out	103,327	41,258	131,361		275,946	
Total funds carried forward	16,354	137,370	53,714	22,986	230,424	

BALANCE SHEET

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endow ment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Fixed Assets						
Tangible Assets	9,000	0	0	0	9,000	9,000
Investments	0	0	0	22,986	22,986	22,312
	9,000	0	0	22,986	31,986	31,312
Current Assets						
Cash at Bank and in hand	4,603	137,370	53,735	0	195,708	295,596
Debtors	3,500	0	2,613	0	6,113	15,167
	8,103	137,370	56,349	0	201,821	310,764
Total Assets	17,103	137,370	56,349	22,986	233,808	342,076
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	749	0	2,635	0	3,384	7,258
Net Current Assets less Current Liabilities	7,354	137,370	53,714	0	198,438	303,505
Total Assets less Current Liabilities	16,354	137,370	53,714	22,986	230,424	334,818
Represented by						
(Unrestricted) General Fund	16,354				16,354	11,189
(Unrestricted) Designated funds:-						
Elaine Buchan Legacy		134,937			134,937	170,068
Flower Guild		150			150	128
Toddle Inn		785			786	338
Tower Fund (des)		1,498			1,498	0
Restricted Funds:-						
Brandhall Baby Bank			0		0	66
Brandhall Community Hub			14,855		14,855	10,548
Giving for Growth (building) projects			27,895		27,895	27,895
Discipleship Bursary			3,891		3,891	3,891
Foodbank			0		0	77,277
Memorial Garden Upkeep			4,983		4,983	5,977
Quinton Care Fund (clergy)			1,584		1,584	1,752
Womens Refuge (children)			0		0	3,105
Tower Fund (res)			505		505	271
Endowment						
Edna Hopewell Trust				22,986	22,986	22,312
Fund Totals	16,354	137,370	53,714	22,986	230,424	334,818

Approved by the PCC on (date).....

Signed on behalf of the PCC.....

INCOMING RESOURCES

	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Total funds	Prior year funds
Voluntary Income					
Planned Giving	66,154			66,154	63,315
Offerings at services	6,053			6,053	4,796
Donations and appeals	8,851	865	11,306	21,022	28,145
Foodbank income			4,164	4,164	63,572
Gift Aid	17,158		465	17,623	16,334
Grants			28,071	28,071	21,119
Other income		130		130	20,939
Voluntary Income	98,216	995	44,006	143,217	218,220
Investment Income					
Bank & Deposit a/c interest	5,476	2,671	139	8,286	9,020
Dividends			438	438	237
Ground Rent received	6			6	6
Investment Income	5,482	2,671	577	8,730	9,263
Activities for Generating Funds					
Summer Fete		3,201		3,201	
Other Fundraising	49	1,228	2,062	3,339	5,441
Hire of church for polling	500			500	50
Bible Notes	133			133	299
Tea & Coffee contributions	557			557	845
Food Pantry contributions			6,448	6,448	5,131
Activities for Generating Funds	1,239	4,429	8,510	14,178	11,766
Church Activities					
Parochial Fees	2,412			2,412	3,341
Hub rent contributions			1,200	1,200	1,200
Other Income	1,142			1,142	1,155
Church Activities	3,554		1,200	4,754	5,696
INCOME GRAND TOTALS	108,492	8,095	54,293	170,880	244,946

OUTGOING EXPENDITURE

	General	Designated	Restricted	Total	Prior year
	funds	funds	funds	funds	funds
Church Activities					
Common Fund	56,400			56,400	56,400
Mission Links Giving	1,250		2,000	3,250	3,450
Ministry expenses	557			557	1,501
Rectory costs	1,004			1,004	913
Church staff costs	15,343			15,343	21,127
Hub staff costs			13,158	13,158	8,197
Children & families worker	5,443			5,443	7,850
Youth & children's work	882			882	878
Mission & outreach work	59		514	573	2,711
Office & admin costs	3,048			3,048	3,172
Church service costs	2131	1,248		3,379	8,218
Maintenance	1,577	293	1,324	3,194	6,153
Hygiene supplies & services	1,945.07			1,945	1,720
Safety & Security	248			248	368
Insurance	3,014			3,014	2,921
Utilities	6,459			6,459	9,023
Bank Charges	86	31	16	133	79
Hall insurance	2,267			2,267	1,938
Hall utility standing charges	580			580	514
Hub- details in separate report			23,761	23,761	22,476
Foodbank expenditure			14,204	14,204	51,467
Foodbank closure transaction			67,237	67,237	0
PCC costs	521			521	360
Architectural Fees			250	250	1,950
Tower & stonework repair		39,378	8,251	47,629	0
Church Activities	102,812	40,950	130,716	274,478	213,386
Costs of Generating Funds					
Giving costs	314			314	286
Fundraising costs	53	10	3	66	285
Events costs		298	642	940	509
Bible Notes Study books	149			149	83
Costs of Generating Funds	516	308	645	1,469	1,163

EXPENDITURE GRAND TOTALS	103,327	41,258	131,361	275,947	214,549
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TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS

Transfer from Womens Refuge Fund (children) to Brandhall Community Hub, as similar project work is now located there.

		2024	Prior Year transfers
IN	BCH	3171	700
OUT	Refuge	-3171	-700

FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY PCC

One Freehold Title of a local property. We receive an annual ground rent of £6	2024	2023
Estimated Market Value 1st January	9,000	9,000
Revaluation Gain (loss)	0	0
Estimated Market Value 31st December	9,000	9,000
The Edna Hopewell Trust is invested in a long term Endowment Bond.	2024	2023
Market Value 1st January	22,312	21,058
Revaluation Gain (loss)	674	1,255
Market Value 31st December	22,986	22,312

FUND MOVEMENTS

Name of Fund	1st Jan	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	31st Dec
General Fund (Unr)	11,189	108,492	103,327	16,354
Elaine Buchan Legacy (Des)	170,068	2,671	37,802	134,937
Flower Guild (Des)	128	130	108	150
Old Burial Ground (Des)	0	60	60	0
Tower Fund (Des)	0	4,785	3,287	1,498
Toddle Inn (Des)	338	448	0	786
Brandhall Baby Bank (Res)	66	0	66	0
Brandhall Community Hub (Res)	10,548	41,873	37,566	14,855
Giving for Growth bldg proj (Res)	27,895	0	0	27,895
Mission Links (Res)	0	2,000	2,000	0
Discipleship Bursary (Res)	3,891	0	0	3,891
Quinton Oldbury Foodbank (Res)	77,277	4,164	81,441	0
Memorial Garden Upkeep (Res)	5,977	577	1,570	4,983
Quinton Care Fund (Res)	1,752	100	268	1,584

Womens Refuge (Children) (Res)	3,105	0	3,105	0
Tower Fund (Res)	271	8,750	8,516	505
Edna Hopewell Trust (Endow)	22,312	674	0	<u>22,986</u>
	334,818	174,725	279,118	<u>230,424</u>

CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

	2024	2023
Current Account	20,405	5,198
Deposit Account	173,294	210,768
Quinton Care Fund Current Account	1,420	1,680
Church Cash in hand	222	89
Hub Cash in hand	312	584
Flower Guild Cash in hand	55	0
Foodbank	0	77,277
TOTAL CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND	195,708	295,596

DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS

	2024	2023
HMRC Debtor (Gift Aid due)	3,500	8,360
Other Debtors	0	5,303
Prepayments	2,613	1,505
TOTAL DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS	6,113	15,167

CREDITORS

	2024	2023
Utility Creditors	903	450
Other Creditors (Accounts Payable)	2,481	6,809
TOTAL CREDITORS	3,384	7,259

AGENCY COLLECTIONS

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. There were no agency balances outstanding at the end of the year. During the year the following amounts were collected in and paid out.

Diocesan Board of Finance	2,430
Personal Gifts	280

Verger services	1,150
Agency Collections	3,860

THE TOWER FUND

1st January 2024 opening balance	271
Proceeds of fundraising events to designated fund	4,785
Donations to restricted fund	8,750
Paid out for work completed	-11,803
Fund balances 31st December 2024	2,003

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR BRANDHALL COMMUNITY HUB

Brandhall Community Hub is an outreach centre based at 151 Castle Road West, Oldbury, West Midlands. It operates in partnership with other local churches. The legal responsibility rests with Christ Church the Quinton and the financial records form part of our whole church accounts, as a Restricted Fund. This extract is to assist grant funders and other interested parties.

INCOME

Donations	2,734	5,510
Grants	28,072	21,119
Fundraising	249	1,370
Food Pantry Contributions received	6,448	5,131
Rent Contributions	1,200	1,200
Other		540
TOTAL INCOME	38,702	34,870

EXPENDITURE

Project Manager	13,158	6,597
Insurance	1,550	1,504
Utilities	3,284	4,699
Rent	6,520	6,519
Waste Disposal & Cleaning	572	371
Maintenance & Repairs	1,510	1,534
I.T. & Phones	874	833
Advertising	49	50
Stationery & admin supplies	194	0
Hospitality	270	208
Equipment	2,305	0
Food Pantry expenditure	6,649	6,660
Uniform Bank	0	100
Costs of generating funds	630	77
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	37,566	29,150

Brandhall Community Hub Restricted fund balance 1st January 2024	10,548
Transfer in from Refuge fund	3,171
Excess of income over expenditure	1,136
TOTAL BRANDHALLCOMMUNITY HUB RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE 31ST DECEMBER 2024	14,855

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded and not capitalised in the financial statements in accordance with Charities Act 2011

Investments are recognised at their quoted market price.

The financial statements have been prepared using fund accounting, whereby income, expenditure, assets and liabilities are classified by fund. The types of fund classification present in these accounts are:

Unrestricted General Funds

General Funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering the aims and objectives of the charity.

Designated funds are also unrestricted, and are funds that have been set aside by the PCC for a particular purpose.

Restricted Funds

These represent grants, specific donations or legacies received which are allocated by the donor for a specific purpose. Each fund has a descriptive name.

Endowment Funds

The Edna Hopewell Trust was a legacy, invested in a trust. The capital sum cannot be accessed until the year 2086. The dividends received are to be used exclusively for the upkeep of the Memorial Garden and surrounding area.

Brandhall Baby Bank is no longer part of Christ Church the Quinton. They now operate as a separate organisation.

Quinton and Oldbury Foodbank now operate as a separate charity CIO. On 6th March 2024 the balance of the restricted fund, £67,237 was removed from our accounts.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Christ Church the Quinton, Birmingham.

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st December 2024.

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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.



Signed: 

Charanjit Singh Kattri ACIB

Retired Bank Manager 

251 Quinton Lane, Quinton, Birmingham. B32 2UD

12th February 2025

OUTGOING EXPENDITURE

	General	Designat	Restrict	Total	Prior	
	funds	ed	d	funds	year	
		funds	funds		funds	
Church Activities						rectory
Common F	56,400			56,400	56,400	ministry 722.17
Mission Gi	1,250		2,000	3,250	3,450	120 180
Ministry e	557			557	1,501	29.1 102
Rectory co	1,004			1,004	913	176.81 1004.17
Church sta	15,343			15,343	21,127	129 chch staff
Hub staff costs			13,158	13,158	8,197	87.77 1378.08
Children &	5,443			5,443	7,850	14 356.72
Youth & ch	882			882	878	556.68 10700
Mission &	59		514	573	2,711	2908.14
Office & ac	3,048			3,048	3,172	yc wk 15342.94
Church sei	2131	1,248		3,379	8,218	175.96
	86,117		15,672	103,037	114,417	705.59
						881.55
	General	Designat	Restrict	Total	Prior	
	funds	ed	d	funds	year	
		funds	funds		funds	mtce
Maintenan	1,577	293	1,324	3,194	6,153	492.64
Hygiene su	1,945.07			1,945	1,720	184.14
Safety & S	248			248	368	900
Insurance	3,014			3,014	2,921	1576.78
Utilities	6,459			6,459	9,023	
Bank Char	86	31	16	133	79	hyg
Hall insura	2,267			2,267	1,938	351.27 ss
Hall utilit	580			580	514	811.16 116.4
Church activities				0		782.64 131.58
Professional Fees				0		1945.07 247.98
Hub-See separate report			23,761	23,761	22,476	
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				0		467.97
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				0		579.92
Foodbank expenditure			14,204	14,204	51,467	
Foodbank closure transaction			67,237	67,237	0	fdbk
PCC costs	521			521	360	8588.47
Architectural Fees			250	250	1,950	5616
Tower & stonework re	39,378		8,251	47,629	0	14204.47
Church Activities	39,702	115,043		154,745	98,969	
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Costs of	102,812	40,950	130,715	257,782	213,386	

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Accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF

CHRIST CHURCH THE QUINTON

Annual Report & Financial Accounts

For The Year End 31st December 2023

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ANNUAL REPORT

Christ Church - The Quinton

Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
to be held in Church Sunday 5th May 10.30am 2024

AGENDA

1. Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry Meeting)	<u>Purpose</u>
a Apologies for absence	receive
b Appointment of Chair and Secretary	vote
c Minutes of 2023 AMP	agree
d Election of Church Wardens	vote
<i>Close of meeting</i>	

2. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

a Chair and Secretary	note
b Apologies for absence	note

Looking Back over 2022

3 Meeting & Membership

a Minutes of the APCM 3 April 2023	agree
b Receiving of the Electoral Roll report	receive

4 Governance & Leadership

a PCC Report 2023	receive
b Deanery Synod Report 2023	receive
c Safeguarding report	agree

5 Resources

a Fabric report (building, furniture & movable items)	note
b Old Burial Ground	note
c Financial report	receive
d Appointment of independent examiner for 2023	vote

6 Mission & Ministry

Reports as included in the meeting pack receive all

Questions on Looking Back section

Looking Forward 2024-25

7 Elections

	vote
a Elections to PCC	vote
b Elections to Deanery Synod	vote
b Vision and Priorities for the next year	receive

Questions on Looking Forward section

8 Any other business

Documents

Parish of Christ Church - The Quinton Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry meeting) to be held in Church Sunday 23rd April 10.30am 2023

Present Chair Rev Rachel Heathfield & 90 Parishioners (75 present in building and 15 online)

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from: - John Todd, Lyn Todd, Joyce Gilkes, Sharron Brice, Debbie Sterling, Shannon Thornton, Shirley Twigg and Gary Bonnick

2. Appointment of Chair and Secretary for the meeting

It was suggested that Rachel Heathfield would chair the vestry meeting and Carole Maddock was proposed by Rachel Heathfield to take minutes, and these proposals were accepted unanimously.

3. Minutes of the Vestry meeting April 2022

Accepted unanimously.

4. Election of Church Wardens

Lisa Moody has come to the end of her time as church warden and therefore looking to appoint a new warden.

Two nominations had been received: -

Neil Allen, proposed by Lisa Moody and seconded by Heather Williams

Carole Maddock proposed by Lisa Moody and seconded by Heather Williams

There were no other nominations. The Chair proposed these candidates be accepted on bloc and agreed unanimously. The two candidates were thanked and declared duly elected.

Rachel thanks Lisa Moody for her dedicated service within the church over the last 5-year period.

The meeting was then declared closed.

Parish of Christ Church - The Quinton
Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
to be held in Church Sunday 23rd April 10.30am 2023

1. Worship, Prayers and bible reading

The opening prayer is led by Rachel. Rachel confirms that this is the final opportunity to stand for election and therefore if you really wish to stand speak to Lisa Moody or Neil Allen during first hymn. A hymn is sung. A thanksgiving liturgy is used, and JAM go out.

Bible reading Acts 3 v 1-16

Rachel reflected on the bible passage. This was an ordinary day, an ordinary situation. The apostles giving the beggar the gift of Jesus Christ, healing. Miracles are a sign that point to Jesus. We are called to be a people who bring a taste of heaven now. We are empowered to show God's love to people now. This was Peter, a faulty, not perfect follower.

Jesus called Peter as he was fishing. After the Easter events, reaffirming his faith. God uses broken and messed up people. So that the work points to Jesus not the person themselves. God uses humility and people who will serve without promoting themselves. We look to Jesus to do extraordinary work on ordinary days. Its not about us.

Encourage us all to find our part in a church that is working right.

2. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

a Chair and Secretary

It was suggested that Rachel Heathfield would chair the meeting and Carole Maddock was proposed by Rachel Heathfield to take minutes, and these proposals were accepted unanimously.

b Apologies were received from: - John Todd, Lyn Todd, Joyce Gilkes, Sharron Brice, Debbie Sterling, Shannon Thornton, Shirley Twigg and Gary Bonnick

Looking Back over 2022

3 Meeting & Membership

a Minutes of the APCM 3 April 2022

Rachel asks if anyone wants to comment. There were none and the minutes were therefore accepted unanimously.

b Receiving of the Electoral Roll report

Report of numbers on electoral roll, 136 members. Full names are at back on church. We have lost the same number as we have gained.

4 Governance & Leadership

a PCC Report 2022

PCC met June, Sept, Nov, Jan, and March. Receive PCC report.

b Deanery Synod Report 2022

Next level of governance in Church of England. Our deanery is Warley and Edgbaston.

Report tabled - accepted.

c Safeguarding report

Joyce Gilkes is safeguarding coordinator. Phil Arnold doing DBS checking.

No referrals this year

Two training sessions this year

5 Resources

a Fabric report (building, furniture & movable items)

Christ Church The Quinton PCC Annual Report & Account 2023

March 2024

Peter Sherwen has tabled a detailed report and speaks to it. Rachel thanks Peter. It was the year of quinquennial report. Asked architect to prepare work. Already committed to a spend as elevation drawings completed. Urgent work required on tower.

Rachel says that there was a legacy from Elaine Buchan for this building, PCC did decide that we would use that money to help us with tower project, but also need to raise further money. We do need to make sure we are using the money wisely. The project for renovating buildings is massive.

Supposed to be going carbon neutral and we still have gas heating.

Need to be expanding our space, also taken in context of parish hall and caretaker's house.

If anyone is interested in developing building so that lasts, then do step forward.

Receive report and accept.

b Old Burial Ground

Sue has tabled report and Rachel thanks her.

c financial report

Doreen comes to discuss finances. The accounts are tabled. Doreen states page 4 shows legacy.

Discusses restricted and designated funds.

Also discusses the Hub costs, expenses etc.

Unrestricted funds, we did not overspend as much as we thought. The values include the parish hall and freehold so only have liquid funds of £3831.

PCC looks at this over the year. We are not in a secure position financially.

Doreen thanks people Linda Harbon, Dolly Jalal, Sarah Coton, David Homer, Mark and Bev Heritage, Peter Sherwen

Rachel thanks Doreen for all her work

d Appointment of independent examiner for 2022

Ian Woodward has said he will continue in the independent examiner role. Unanimously accepted

Bryan asks about Church Hall and insurance, Rachel – we are in dispute about insurance, we are paying a monthly amount. Still working with the insurance to come to an agreement.

Rachel confirms hall closed in early 2020 because it was not fit for use. In 2021 PCC decided not a good plan to repair.

2022 arson attack, because we stored a few things in the doorway the insurer is saying policy is voided.

Rachel, we need prayer for the situation.

6 Mission & Ministry

Various reports in the meeting pack, children's and youth work, food bank, Hub, Ladies Guild, Alpha

Phil Arnold – speak about children's and youth work. Challenges faced in early 2022 – revisioning of youth and children's work. Looking at intergeneration church as a survey found young people stay in church if they form intergenerational relationships.

4 O'clock church 1st Sunday – lot of unchurched families

JAM – 2nd and 4th Sunday's during service and meets at back of church.

3rd Sunday Outdoor Church – intergenerational service.

5th Sunday – worship for everyone

Café Church – after Covid did not really get back to what it was and hence it finished in the summer.

Toddle Inn – Monday morning – grown from strength to strength.

Rock Solid – Tuesday afternoon after school in church. Has grown over the year, some young people from bus stop came in and started coming. Now about 15 people coming in.

Phil, been into the school, did a lunch club in summer to help year 6 transition to upper school, also Phil and Rachel doing assemblies on a Tuesday in school.

There is a limit to what we can do in future without more space.

Phil thanks leaders and volunteers

Any questions? Maddie saying that ladies Guild would be happy to have younger people – good picture of intergenerational work.

Aggie – how do we inform children who do not come to church about our activities – Tuesday afternoon was simply about having lights on.

For 4 O'clock church – more demonstrative displays outside

But really, we are the best advert – we need to talk about activities.

Diane – how often do we go into school? We need more input into school.

Rachel – Good Friday – 75-80 children came, finding more and more ways to connect. The school children are part of our church congregation.

Annette – Sunday morning attendance reported to diocese – is there any way those children are reported to diocese? Rachel – they go into our mission statistics. The relationship we have with the school is very strong, we are a model of how a good school/church relationship works.

Debbie – if any leaflets can be put on the notice boards at Tesco.

Rachel – want the church to be a centre in our community.

Rachel gives thanks: -

Lisa

Neil

Doreen

Phil

Peter

Andrew, Annette, Heather, Mark, Matthew

Andy, Tracey, Bev, Carole, Sue

Emma

Helping hands crew

Creative ministry teams – 4 o'clock, jam, toddle inn, Outdoor church

Carers and service – nameless

Musicians

Readers, prayers, flowers, key holders,

Neil – thanks Rachel

Tech team – Daniel, Isaac

Reports as included in the meeting pack.

Questions on Looking Back section.

Looking Forward 2023-24

7 Elections

a Elections to PCC

For 3 years

Doreen Morris Proposer Lisa Moody, seconded Dolly Jalal

John Trevor Proposer Lisa Moody, seconded David Homer

Sarah Coton Proposer Carole Maddock seconded Lisa Moody

Barbara Burke Proposer Carole Maddock Seconded Lisa Moody

For 2 Years

Elaine Lewis Proposer Lisa Moody, Seconded Linda Homer

Emily West Proposer Carole Maddock, seconded John Todd

Unanimous

b Elections to Deanery Synod

Peter Sherwen Proposer David Homer, Seconded Greg Stephens

Neil Allen Proposer Mark Heritage, seconded Elaine Lewis

Carole Maddock Proposer Bev Heritage, seconded Ellie Gull

Unanimous

b Vision and Priorities for the next year

Growth in discipleship

Being light in our community

Intergenerational church

Church for everyone

Deepening faith together

Pastoral Care – need an update and upgrade on this – how we care for each other, how we hear about need and distribute care.

Light in community – being light – hope for the community, community events, ways of being relevant and open to community.

Brand hall Hub was hope last year, this year it is a reality – what does a partnership mean. Being partners is risky and sacrificial,

St Boniface is our partner through diocese shared youth worker, food bank, looking at this partnership.

Peace Garden – team of people keen to make a place of quiet and peace. Deb and Richard are going to spearhead.

Brand hall Hub and church building are our places of light.

Intergenerational church – children and young people are our church today.

Anna chaplaincy – resourcing spiritual journey for older people

Church as a place of welcome – place where people are valued, and everyone has something to contribute.

We must look to be gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and swift to love. Cut down on amount of judgment, no oxygen to gossip, be careful of judgment of others, we do not know what happens in other people's lives and homes, we are all sinful.

Getting the balance right

Listen to the Lord

Finish with Lord's prayer

PCC first meeting Tuesday May 30th elect a treasurer and elect a secretary.

Questions on Looking Forward section.

8 Any other business

None

3b Electoral Roll Report

The final number on the ER for 2024 is 141 people. This is 5 more than 2023.

We have lost 2 people from our 2023 list but we have gained 7 new members.

The full list of names is on display at the back of church.

Phil Arnold: Electoral Roll Officer

4a PCC Report for 2023

The PCC has met in May, July, September, November, January and April this year.

In addition, the PCC has formed various subgroups to look specifically at matters relating to Buildings, Finance, Ministry and Mission and the Transforming church Action Plan (TCAP).

It has been a busy year with work commencing on the tower restoration and several fundraising activities held to raise funds for that work. The PCC has monitored the financial position of the church and is looking for ways to improve that situation.

The Foodbank has been transferred to a CIO during the year and there are ongoing discussions about the governance of the Brandhall Community Hub.

Other discussions related to prayer ministry, pastoral care and being church in the community. During TCAP meetings it was observed that we are now actioning a number of the areas that were initially discussed, and progress is being made.

Carole Maddock, Church Warden, April 2024

4b Deanery Synod Report

The Deanery plays an important part in the life of the Church of England. Please see the Archdeacon's comments from the October meeting to understand the role of the Deanery. We need two more people to be our Synod Reps. They will also be ex officio on the PCC.

The Deanery Synod meets three times a year to discuss matters of relevance to the parishes and to hear from speakers about Church matters.

The February meeting took place online.

A presentation on Growing Disciples and Developing Leaders was shared and members gathered were invited, virtually in breakout groups, to consider five key things for the future, what is most important for growing Church of England Birmingham:

- Churches being resourced in growing confident disciples.
- Churches being resourced to form leaders for every area of life.
- Churches which encourage everyday faith which doesn't split life up.
- Churches having a plan for disciple forming.
- Christians experiencing being discipled with others and being able to pass that on. Responses around what it feels like to be growing as a disciple were discussed.

The idea of Warm Spaces was discussed in the light of the energy/cost of Living crisis.

Julia Howl who is the Deanery Environment Champion shared her presentation on responsibility on caring for creation, to fulfil the 5th mark of mission. The Church of England is taking climate crisis seriously, turning responsibility into practical actions, at an increasing pace.

The June meeting took place at Christ Church the Quinton. We heard from our two General Synod Reps Dawn Braithwaite and Guy Hordern who offered their personal reflections on February's Living in Love and Faith debate to assist us in focusing our prayers as we journey on.

We heard from Dan Mayes the C of E Birmingham Property Director and Alan Fraser about the crisis in social housing, the acute need locally and how as parishes and a diocese we can respond to this need. We heard about the current Common fund collection across the Church of England Birmingham and the projected Birmingham Diocesan Board of Finance budget deficit of between £800,000 - £1million for 2023. We heard from Julia Howl our Deanery Environmental Champion, who gave various updates and encouraged parishes to push on and achieve Eco church awards which may push the diocese over the line in achieving an Eco Diocese silver award.

The October meeting was held at St. James, Rounds Green. We had an address by Archdeacon Jenny on the role of the Archdeacon and the Deanery. The role of an Archdeacon is to give practical and pastoral support to Clergy and Parishes. The role has a lot of legality and governance about it. She spoke about what it means to be a flourishing deanery. There are 6 very different deaneries in the diocese. We can learn from each other. How we can be effective together is an ongoing challenge. It is a synodical body. There are times when it is consulted about issues. A Parish through its PCC can bring a motion to Deanery Synod and from there to Diocesan Synod and perhaps on to the General Synod of the Church of England. A deanery is parishes coming together to work together. The Parish system of the C. of E. means that wherever you are someone has oversight. There was also an address by Mark Pryce, Director of Ministry and Chaplain to the King. He spoke about his role in supporting ministers and the role of clusters and oversight areas. Andy Winmill Director of Mission Support gave a talk on his role supporting churches and helping them to discern their mission.

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Peter Sherwen. 08/04/2024

4c Safeguarding Report

Joyce Gilkes was once again appointed as Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator for 2023-24.

Phil Arnold has the responsibility of overseeing DBS / Identity checking.

During the year we have not had to refer any situations or concerns to the Diocesan SG team.

5a Annual Fabric Report for 2023(APCM April 2024)

Church

Repairs and decorating.

Generally speaking, the Church is in reasonable repair, but it does need internal redecoration especially at the west end and in the gallery.

Electrical.

There are three plug sockets that are damaged and need replacing. Most of the distribution boxes do not now meet the most recent standard and should be replaced within the next three years. None of the spot lights are now working. Bulbs have not been replaced because of the difficulty in accessing them and the cost of running them at 300 watts per bulb. Hopefully they could be replaced with better lighting in the future.

Tower Project.

Work on the tower and spirelet was begun. The whole surface of the west end was defrased (loose stone rubbed off) and loose pointing scrapped out. The bell and bell frame were cleaned and repainted.

Unfortunately, the weather turned very wet and the necessary pointing did not take place. This is due to be done in Spring 2024. The contractors reported that scaffolding will be need for this work so it is likely to be more expensive than originally estimated.

Other work.

The hatch to the roof was inspected and found to be in good order. There is other pointing and repair work needed especially around the lowest level. Some flashing above the porch needs repair. The bell rope needs to be made to work.

Internal work.

When the external work has been completed and there has been time for the plaster to dry out, there will be a need to repair the plaster work that has been damaged by the damp and where it has fallen from the ceiling. Some plaster has fallen away from two of the windows in the main body of the Church and there is loose plaster near one of the beams. The whole Church is in need of redecoration.

General.

The usual PAT testing, fire safety survey and fire extinguisher inspections have been carried out. The boiler is serviced annually too. We had many named storms in 2023. Fortunately, little damage was done but there are a few slates come loose on the roof. The low level gutters around church and the valleys on the porch area have all been cleaned. All outside drains have been cleaned out. Please do not put anything down the drains and toilets. We have had to have them rodded in the past and that is an expense we can ill afford.

Churchyard, drive and car parks.

The churchyard is a closed churchyard and so is the responsibility of Birmingham City Council who cut the grass on a regular basis. They are also responsible for trees and the wall. They have made repairs to the wall in the past and some more repairs were completed in 2021. However, there are places where it is now in need of further repairs. Some areas have been repaired by volunteers. Birmingham City Council have been contacted. They will survey the wall and report back. The bushes, ivy and brambles around the wall and notice board on Hagley Road have been cut back. The drive near the Hall is in need of repair. Stress tests on the gravestones and monuments were carried out on 4th March 2023. All were found to be safe. Those in the Old Burial Ground were also checked. Two more have been found to be loose. With all the rain that we have had the ground has become very soft, then with all the wind, they have been loosened. There are now 14 grave stones and monuments that are in an unsafe condition. They are taped off with hazard tape around posts and there is a warning notice on the gate.

Helping Hands meets on the 1st Saturday each month. Work is carried out to keep the Church clean and tidy. Outside we try to keep the grounds tidy and the drive and carparks clear of weeds and leaves. Bushes, brambles and ivy around the wall and notice boards are cut back. Work continues on the Old Burial Ground weeding the Primrose Bank and top bank, cutting back ivy and low branches, removing brambles, trimming around graves and keeping the paths clear.

More could be done in and around Church and at the OBG if there were more volunteers. It is usually the same few people who do most of the work. Some of us are getting older and cannot do as much as we used to do.

Peter Sherwen 08/04/2024.

5b Old Burial Ground Report

The regular work of maintenance of the O.B.G. has continued throughout 2023. This is principally done during the monthly “Helping Hands” sessions by church members both young and “not so young”. Additional weekday mornings are also arranged.

By late February on the bank at the bottom, the snowdrops were flowering, followed by primroses. The Reception class from Q.C.P.S. enjoyed a “Signs of Spring” walk around the churchyard and O.B.G. At the beginning of March, the wild daffodils were in bud and the O.B.G. had been opened for visits on Sundays after the 10.30 service. Stress tests were made on memorials and marked with hazard tape if found to be unsafe.

Unfortunately, Alison Wilkes, who has conducted the species survey in previous years, left the Wildlife Trust so there was no survey in 2023. The meadow area was cut at the end of August by “Patrick’s Garden Maintenance”, who did a superb job clearing around the graves. Unwanted plant growth along the school fence was also cut back. Much of the grass was also raked off, which was a bonus for those at “Helping Hands” on September 2nd. This cost £750.

Work carried on at the O.B.G. with weeding the primrose bank and trimming the hedgerow between the O.B.G. and the school and Ridgacre Road West. Brambles, ivy and tall unwanted plants were removed and overhanging branches pruned. Graves were tidied by trimming the grass around the grave edges. Posts and hazard tape marking unsafe graves were renewed.

Outdoor Church has continued to meet every month in the O.B.G. and use it as a resource. Pupils from Q.C.P.S. placed home-made poppies on the war graves as part of their Armistice Day Assembly on 10th November. Other people have been down to place memorial crosses on war graves and at the memorial wall.

As always, I would like to thank all of the volunteers who have worked in the O.B.G. over the past year to make the Nature Conservation Area such a special place. **The number of people able to work in the O.B.G. has decreased during the year, so more offers of help would be welcome. If anyone would like to join in, please contact me.**

I also appreciate the interest and encouragement expressed by church members and visitors – it’s what keeps us going!

Susan J. Sherwen 09.04.2024

5c Financial Report including the Brandhall Community HUB

See separate document.

6 Ministries Reports

6a Ladies Guild

Ladies Guild meets on the first Thursday of the month at 2.30pm in church. Why not come along and join us?

During the year we held our annual Lent and Advent Services. Welcomed speakers for an Amble through Staffordshire, The Rise and fall of Worcestershire’s Witley Court and the 1920 Flappers, some of us even

tried to dance the Charleston! We went out for lunch, had a sing along and some of the members brought along and told us about an item that holds a special meaning for them and we had a board games and skittles session. The Ukulele band had us all singing along and a poet came to read some of her poems. To celebrate our 67th anniversary we enjoyed learning about the Church's stained glass windows and as usual the annual Afternoon Tea was enjoyed by all. Meetings always leave time for refreshments and a chat with friends.

We joined with the church to celebrate the Kings coronation at the fete in May and organised the tombola and raffle.

Through the generosity of members we were also able to donate £350 to church funds, £100 to the church tower fund, £100 to the Turkey and Syria Earthquake appeal, £100 to Marie Curie cancer care and £150 to St Basil's.

Stella Woolvin April 2024

6b Pastoral Care

Our team has continued to offer support and listening and practical love to those in need. Despite constraints within the team, care has been provided. We are very grateful to the whole team who visit, shop, pray with, take home communion to and phone up for a chat.

6c Youth, Children and Families

Throughout the year we continued the pattern of youth work we started the previous year and have continuously kept what we offer fresh and adaptable to the needs of the children and young people we meet each week. In June 2023 we continued our partnership with Quinton Youth for Christ with me (Phil) joining Jack in starting a lunch club in Perryfields High School on a Monday. We have also encouraged our young people to go along to the Friday 'Diverge' nights at the Methodist Church with me and a few others from Christ Church helping out as volunteers.

The Childrens and Youth work in Christ Church is now nearing our capacity with nearly 40 young people coming on Tuesday to the Drop In, Toddle Inn with up to 15 children (Plus parents/carers) and Four O clock church being very well attended, especially at Easter and Christmas. I would go as far as saying we are now seeing more children and young people each week than we were before Covid happened. This is against the trend of many other youth work providers who since covid, it has been a very different landscape and has proven difficult to build relationships and get engagement back up. It is from us trusting God, opening our building and offering a welcoming place for people to come to that we have the relationships and engagement that we have now. So, we owe a massive thanks to God and to all the leaders and volunteers who make it happen each week!

Since last year we have changed the timing of our activities slightly with Four O Clock church moving to the 3rd Sunday of the month and Outdoor church now on the 2nd Sunday of the Month with JAM happening on the 1st and 4th Sundays. This continues the offering of youth and children's activities on every Sunday.

(Phil Arnold, April 2024)

- **Four o Clock Church**

Four O'clock Church is a Family and Children service, running at 4 O'clock every 3rd Sunday of the month. It continues to run well with a small body of dedicated and creative volunteers. The Christmas and Good Friday services were really successful with approximately 80 to over 100 people attending both.

We had a relaunch in January, creating a logo for the service, this was created by one of our talented volunteers. The relaunch also included changing to the 3rd Sunday of each month. This was to avoid the bank holidays that seemed to occur on the 1st Sunday of the month. Part of the new look 4'O'clock church was a rota of people to provide some light snacks as part of the service. Thank you so much to all of these fantastic people. The provision of food for fellowship says a great deal of who we are and what we are here for.

The 4O'clock church continues to be an important part of our outreach into the surrounding community, providing a platform for young families to meet with Jesus and become a part of the Christ Church Quinton Family.

(Leaders: Mark & Bev Heritage).

- **Toddle Inn**

Each week we meet at Quinton Church at the back of the church on a Monday morning 9/930am to 11am we have between 6 and 15 children weekly.

Each week the toys are arranged out into sections a baby section, musical instruments, Cars with road map, Dolls and pushchairs, Train track, puzzles, and the bookcase where children can look at the different story books with their parents or other children. The children play where they feel led. We then must clear away time where the children are encouraged to help. We then have toast and a bible story, sing songs, and do a craft which is linked to the bible story or the time of year. We have looked at friends of God. We had an Easter hunt and made Easter cards. We have looked at Noah where we made animal masks.

Harvest we spoke to the parents about the foodbank and the food pantry and asked them if they could bring some food for our harvest service, and that we were distributing the food to Quinton foodbank and the Brandhall pantry. Christmas the children learned about the Christmas story, and we had our own nativity story with the children dressed up in costumes. The children loved this and had a great time. We are now charging a donation of £2 this goes towards the food and craft activities. At Christmas toys were donated from Toys for Brum, these were wrapped, and Santa came and gave every child a present and then the children had a Christmas party and we played pass the parcel.

(Leaders: Claire Cronin).

- **Outdoor Church**

At Outdoor Church we have continued to enjoy God's creation and using it to worship God, to know God and learn more about Him. In 2023 we continued to meet monthly on the 3rd Sunday of the month although this changed to the 2nd Sunday towards the end of the year, which meant we had less of a time constraint and not needing to hurry back for communion. We have had great fun and enjoyment from being in the OBG and being able to witness the changes that happen throughout the year plus being able to realise how God has created the seasons and all the plants and animals to work together for the good of us and the world. One of the highlights of the year was making our own bug hotels to take home to give a home to all the bugs that live in our gardens just like God looks after us.

(Leaders: Phil Arnold, Mark & Bev Heritage, Jo Mcquade, Sue Sherwen, Theresa Lewis).

- **JAM (Jesus and Me)**

This year has seen JAM grow, we have up to 12 children each JAM session. The children vary in age from 2 up to 12. Each session we try and follow the same readings as the rest of church. We have prayers and a story, followed by a craft - all related to the reading or theme.

During the year, the children have created banners for Harvest, Christmas and Easter. These banners have been hung in church for the benefit of the whole congregation. We have also managed to clear the room in which we run JAM and get labelled boxes for craft items and resources. We try and keep each craft on file, so we have a record of what we have done, what went well and what needed tweaking.

We meet on the 1st and 4th Sunday running alongside outdoor church on the 2nd and 4 o'clock church on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Each session we have 3 JAM leaders with one of us leading and 2 other helpers. We have a rota, this has details of the reading and what the theme of the service is, and whether it is Morning prayer or Communion. This helps us to keep timings right.

We are very grateful to all those who offer their time, enthusiasm, kindness, and hard work to the flourishing of our young people and sustaining of our JAM group.

(Leaders: Sharron Brice, Claire Cronin).

- **QCC Drop In (Rock Solid)**

Drop In has continued to grow throughout the year with new young people coming most weeks. It has been great to get a couple more volunteers and to see the relationships grow with the young people. Each week is different and brings different challenges, with the ever-changing lives of teenagers. Some of the highlights from the year has been a few young people asking about the Bible having started reading it. Diane led an activity with some of the young people in singing some Hymns at the front of church. Each week we are now getting up to 40 young people and over the course of the year over 60 different young people came to Drop In. From Drop In, in partnership with Jack from Quinton Youth for Christ, we were able to build relationships with young people from Perryfields High School and in June 2023 we started going in every Monday lunchtime to provide a lunch club and a space for them to escape the craziness of school.

(Leaders: Phil Arnold, Jack Jones & Diane Gallivan)

6d Tower Fund

We have received some generous donations to the ongoing appeal for the essential maintenance that is required to the Tower and Spirelet.

We have held several fundraising events that have been thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.

Here is a summary of what we have achieved so far:-

Our afternoon tea event raised £555

The Organist Entertains raised £661

A craft evening in December raised £215

Sales of stained-glass window cards, crafts, knitted goods, crosses etc around Christmas time £235

At the end of 2023 the income total for the Tower Fund was £5364

We have paid out for phase one of the work, plus architect fees £5093

Fund balance £271 on 31/12/2023

Since then, 2024 to date we have received more donations from our generous congregation.

The Rock Choir and Booksale event proceeds were almost £2,000 which was amazing!

There is more work to do on the tower and spirelet, and the final cost is not yet known. It is likely to be far more than originally anticipated. We need to keep on raising funds for this essential work to our precious building.

Thank you again for your efforts and participation in our fundraising events, and to those who have donated.

Fund balance 17/04/2024 £6,000

Doreen Morris April 2024

6e Brandhall Community HUB

During 2023 Kath Tranter continued to be seconded by Kings Community Church to oversee the project. Christchurch secured Lottery Funding to finance a Community Development Manager to take the Hub on the next stage of its journey. It has been exciting to see how the Hub is growing and developing, and we are aiming to secure another two years of Lottery funding for this next stage.

The membership of Food Pantry has grown with 35-37 members attending each week. Three of the Pantry members are now also volunteering, and three members have been baptised. The Pantry was successful in gaining a grant to supplement its ongoing costs.

In 2023 we registered as a 'Warm Welcome Space' again, securing a grant to cover the day-to-day running costs. As a result of the Warm Space, we have had several new people start attending the Hub.

The toddler2teens clothing and the Uniform Bank are in constant demand reaching many needy families.

The Hub has many weekly activities including 'Knit and Natter' which has grown significantly during 2023. This is a friendly lively group that is evolving all the time. They have been involved in sharing Gods love by using their skills to bless the community and advertise what we do at the Hub.

We have also had some very successful events including The Grand Opening, Clothing open days, Christmas Cafe, and a joint Prayer Walk. Step by step we are reaching and blessing the local community showing them Gods love in practical ways, sowing seeds of hope.

Lorraine Webster (HUB Manager) April 2024

6f Mission Links Report for 2022

These are the individuals and organisations that the PCC has supported financially in the past year and we are asked to support as a Church. Our Mission Links Committee feels that this is a good spread of individuals/organisations.

The Church Mission Society is the main Anglican mission society. We have had links with **CMS** mission partners for many years. **Bev de Pinos** is our current link. She is working with the Anglican Church as a **CMS Mission Partner**. During 2022 she met Johnny Cannon de Pinos and married in September of that year. He is from **Cuenca in Ecuador**. Bev continues as a CMS Mission Partner in her new role working with the church in Cuenca. She has worked with another CMS Mission Partner on the Orchid Project which aims to provide training and work for people with disabilities.

We support **A Rocha Kenya and Colin and Roni Jackson** who are in charge there. One of the "Marks of Mission" is care for the environment and **A Rocha** is a Christian organisation that works to protect the environment and educate on environmental issues in Britain and in several other countries around the world.

Birmingham Diocese has for many years had a special relationship with the **Anglican Church in Malawi**. All the churches in the Diocese are asked to support the **Malawi link**.

The **Esperanza Foster Home** in Paraguay was set up by two of our former link missionaries and although small, has national importance as an example of good practice, indeed the President of Paraguay has visited. It is part of the Anglican Church in Paraguay. As well as Esperanza, we also support (through fund raising around Christmas) **FEISA** which is the Anglican Teacher Training College.

Christian Solidarity Worldwide advocates for Christians and others suffering persecution in various parts of the world. If one part of the body suffers then the whole of the body suffers. We feel that we should do our part in supporting the persecuted church. On Sunday 5th November we had two short videos from CSW and we asked people to send Christmas Cards to the Persecuted Church. About 40 cards were sent and an additional £175 was sent to CSW. We have been a “Partner Church” with CSW since 2021.

Mission Links Committee make presentations in Church about our mission links including A Rocha Kenya, CMS and our Paraguayan projects. Funds were raised for mission through the sale of jams etc. at Christmas. Unfortunately, PCC were unable to be as generous in our Mission giving in 2023 as usual due to a shortfall in the general account.

In addition to these societies, Food Bank, Brandhall Hub, Children’s Society and Christian Aid were supported by the Church and congregation.

Church Christmas Card. A Church Christmas Card with a picture of the Nativity from a window in Church was produced and was available in November.

We do need more people on our committee to be our links with different societies such as CSW. Could you do this? The committee usually meets three times a year. Our aim is to keep the needs of mission worldwide before the congregation.

Peter Sherwen. 11/03/2024.

6g Foodbank Report

We have had another busy year at foodbank, facing lots of challenges not least trying to keep on top of stock. Last year we fulfilled **2349** vouchers feeding **3619** adults and **2748** children. We were able to bless families with Christmas parcels in the week leading up to the festive season we managed to give out 70 of these in total. To give an idea of stock, we took in 35038.54kg last year and we gave out 35066.8kg.

We have a wonderful team of volunteers who work tirelessly to serve those who are struggling and without whom this work would not happen. Last year we partnered with the Queen Alexander College and we have a supported volunteer every week where they gain work experience for six weeks. This is going well, and the volunteer team are very supportive of whoever is placed.

In July we had a year five class attend (on a non-foodbank day) where we set up everything as we would on a normal session. They were split into groups and given practical tasks to learn about the work we do. The feedback was very positive and the school would like to visit again.

In addition to providing food donations, we facilitate a couple of agencies during our Wednesday sessions that help clients with debt, heating, benefit advice etc. We are in the process of securing funding for a permanent worker to be present for both the Wednesday and Friday sessions to help and advise clients.

Barbara Burke (Project Lead) April 2024

6h Transforming Church Action Plan(TCAP) Report

This report summarises some of the progress towards our TCAP in the first year of this 5 year plan.

Area of Focus 1: Loving and serving our community

Both Brandhall Community Hub and Quinton Foodbank are well established and meeting huge needs within our community. A Fundraising and social event group meets regularly and has organised very successful events, such as the Coronation Fete, Afternoon Tea, Organ Recital, Book Sale and Concert. We have welcomed the community to church for Stained Glass Summer, The Memorial Tree and Carols round the Tree.

Area of Focus 2: Worship and Witness

Sunday Services continue to be well attended, with new people joining. Outdoor Church is well established and continuing, 4 o'Clock Church has been re-launched. The Jesus and Me group (JAM) is well established and thriving. We continue to have a regular on-line congregation.

Thursday's monthly Holy Communion has a regular congregation.

A large group of young people meet every Tuesday after school at the Drop In Session (formerly Rock Solid). Toddle Inn continues to thrive.

We held Baptisms in the pool on 27 August 2023. Three congregation members were confirmed on 19 November 2023.

We have purchased and now use crockery mugs to avoid paper waste and save some money.

The Old Burial Ground (OBG) team continues to work hard in this wildlife conservation area.

Area of Focus 3: Discipleship and Leadership

A small-group co-ordinator has been appointed and an audit of groups completed. A new group (hospitality group) has met and a Knit and Natter group has been established at the Hub. Men's breakfasts have happened and been very well attended.

The following courses have been run: "How to Hear God" (Lent Course 2023), "Saints Alive" (June/July 2023), "Romans" (September – November 2023, "And I Will Bless Them" (Lent Course 2024)

We have held Sermon Series on "Romans", "What is Church?" and "Prayer".

7 people completed the Diocesan "Servant Leadership" course in 2023. New people have joined the leading and preaching team.

Bev Heritage became a Reader-in-Training.

Some of our young people were involved in the music at 10:30 on 9 April 2023 and 30 August 2023

Heather Williams (on behalf of TCAP group) - March 2024

6i Interim Minister's Report

The document known as TCAP (Transforming Church Action Plan) began as a bit of a chore, demanded by the diocese. However, it has become such a useful tool for us (and me personally) as we set our face onto what is the driving force in making our church the best it can be for the people within the congregations and well as those who live in our parish. It has, as its title, become transformational in helping us focus on what is necessary for growth. See the TCAP report for more detail.

A lot has happened this year, as always, and I wanted to highlight just a few things that have been important and memorable, as well as highlight things to you that may be behind the scenes and not so visible.

Presence in the community

We have had a number of events that have drawn people in from our neighbourhood. Some have had the additional benefit of raising funds, others have opened up the church building as a place of welcome. Events have included the afternoon tea, the stained-glass window weekend, the Coronation festival, the Organist Entertains evening and the book sale and Rock Choir concert. We aim to be “a light” to our community, serving those in our neighbourhood, especially those in need. Primarily we do this through our Food Bank, which is held twice weekly at St Boniface Church, and through the daily work at the Brandhall Community HUB (formally Paul and Barnys). The physical needs of people are met through these projects as are the social needs of loneliness and isolation.

Our Christmas bereavement project – the memorial tree outside of church had its fourth year this year and continued to meet a need for people to remember their lost loved one. We met and spoke with approximately 200 people from the community through this work.

Partnership

The continued theme of “better together” proliferated in our ministry this year. We have partnered closely with our neighbour church Kings Community, not only in the HUB work but also in worship with shared services at Easter and Harvest, with fellowship and friendship deepened with shared meals. The HUB is all about partnership, and as we work together with KCC, St Huberts Catholic Church, Church Central, Sandwell Churches Link, we recognise we couldn't do this alone, and we now wouldn't want to. Partnership is friendship and its always good to be with friends!

The Trussell Trust is a crucial partner for our Food Bank, giving us vital legal and practical support and this year has assisted the Food bank to transfer to independent charitable status, moving away from being a sub-charity under the governance of Christ Church PCC. This will give the Food Bank greater flexibility of movement and ability to respond to need, and means it is governed by a small group of trustees totally committed, single-focus to it's work.

I work as a partner to 2 local schools (Quinton Primary and Brandhall Primary) in terms of governance and worship, working with them on their Christian curriculum and holding special workshops, like the one in advent that many church members participated in. Other local schools come and visit our beautiful building through the year.

QYFC is our partner in youthwork, with Jack Jones working with Phil Arnold on youth drop-in and schools work. We are also now officially in partnership via the diocese of Birmingham with St Boniface being linked as an “oversight area”. This coming year we will work together on numerous projects to do things that are better done together. We are very grateful for their sharing of musical skill in leading a few services throughout the year.

Faith & worship

Of course, our core ministry of bringing people in to closer relationship with God is our joy and delight. We have had people affirm and confirm their faith through the baptisms (pool and font!) and confirmation at St Giles Church. Seven people completed the 9-month long servant -leadership course and has resulted in new people stepping forward into leadership roles.

Our youth and children's work continues to grow, bucking the post-Covid trend of so many other churches. We will be keeping this growth going by continually monitoring what we are offering and investing where we can to maintain this. Our young people are the church of today and our investment in the church of tomorrow. Deeper teaching sessions and the development of small groups has been key to growing individual faith, through Saints Alive, the Romans and Lent courses.

Key to our church worship is communication – if people can't hear what we say, we have a problem. So the upgrade of the sound system has been an on-going work and as technology increases we can do more things, but it gets more complex. I am grateful for the huge amount of time Phil has invested in getting this to work, on a very limited budget, and correcting things that seem to go wrong.

I am grateful for being called as minister to Christ Church Quinton.
Thank you for your continued support and love.

Rev Rachel Heathfield April 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity (The Parachial Church Council Of The Ecclesiastical Parish Of Christ Church The Quinton) for the year ended 31 / 12 / 2023.

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011. 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 of the Act.

The charity's gross income did not exceed £250,000 this year but I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified fellow member of the ACCA.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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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8 April 2024

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Notes	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment Funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary Income	(2a)	104,456	18,403	95,360	-	218,220	338,863
Income from Investments	(2b)	8,783	-	481	-	9,264	2,643
Activities for Generating Funds	(2c)	3,411	-	8,356	-	11,766	2,955
Church Activities	(2d)	3,956	-	1,740	-	5,696	5,175
Total income		120,605	18,403	105,937	-	244,946	349,637
Expenditure on:							
Church Activities	(3a)	120,868	1,769	90,749	-	213,386	177,502
Costs of Generating Funds	(3b)	1,079	-	83	-	1,163	6,181
Total expenditure		121,947	1,769	90,833	-	214,549	183,683
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		-1,342	16,634	15,104	-	30,397	165,954
Transfers:							
Gross transfers between funds - in	(4)	-	-	700	-	700	1,350
Gross transfers between funds - out		-	-	-700	-	-700	-1,350
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains/losses on investment assets		-	-	-	1,255	1,255	-3,296
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		-90,000	-	-	-	-90,000	-
Net movement in funds		-91,342	16,634	15,104	1,255	-58,349	162,658
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		102,531	153,899	115,678	21,058	393,166	230,508
Total funds carried forward		11,189	170,533	130,783	22,312	334,818	393,166

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	At 31/12/2023 £	At 31/12/2022 £
Fixed assets							
Tangible Assets	(5)	9,000	-	-	-	9,000	99,000
Investments	(6)	-	-	-	22,312	22,312	21,058
		9,000	-	-	22,312	31,312	120,058
Current assets							
Cash At Bank And In Hand	(7)	-8,790	170,533	133,854	-	295,596	271,785
Debtors	(8)	11,507	-	3,661	-	15,167	4,508
		2,716	170,533	137,514	-	310,764	276,293
Liabilities							
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	(9)	527	-	6,732	-	7,258	3,185
		527	-	6,732	-	7,258	3,185
Net current assets less current liabilities		2,189	170,533	130,783	-	303,505	273,108
Total assets less current liabilities		11,189	170,533	130,783	22,312	334,818	393,166
Liabilities		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities		11,189	170,533	130,783	22,312	334,818	393,166
Represented by							
Fund Totals		11,189	170,533	130,783	22,312	334,818	393,166

Approved the PCC on:

16 April 2024

Signed on the PCC's behalf by:



NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Summary of Accounting Policies

General Information and basis of preparation

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

Assets:

Consecrated and benefice property

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded and not capitalised in the financial statements in accordance with Charities Act 2011.

Fixed Assets

Depreciation has been provided on church equipment on a straight-line method based on the estimated economic life of the asset, which 4 Years in the case of Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment.

Investments

Investments are recognised at their quoted market price. Unrealised gains or losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value.

Funds:

The financial statements have been prepared using fund accounting. Whereby income, expenditure, assets & liabilities are classified by fund. The 2 types of fund classification present in these accounts are:

1. **Unrestricted Funds** (General & Designated):
 - a. General Funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering the aims and objectives of the charity.
 - b. Designated Funds are funds that have been set aside by the PCC for a particular purpose from the general fund.
2. **Restricted Funds** represent grants, donations and legacies received which are allocated by the donor for a specific purpose.

The purpose of funds held by the charity are set out in notes to the financial statements.

2. Incoming Resources

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
2a. Voluntary Income					
Planned Giving	63,315	-	-	63,315	71,149
Collections At Services	4,796	-	-	4,796	4,250
Donations & Appeals	20,011	632	7,502	28,145	13,681
Foodbank - Giving & Donations	-	-	63,572	63,572	16,473
Foodbank - Grants	-	-	-	-	24,000
Gift Aid	16,334	-	-	16,334	29,179
Legacies	-	17,771	-	17,771	153,496
Grants	-	-	21,119	21,119	26,635
Other Income	-	-	3,168	3,168	-
Voluntary Income total	104,456	18,403	95,360	218,220	338,863

2b. Investment Income

Bank & Deposit Account Interest	8,777	-	244	9,020	2,036
Dividends	-	-	237	237	607
Other Income	6	-	-	6	-
Income from Investments total	8,783	-	481	9,264	2,643

2c. Activities for Generating Funds

Fundraising	3,361	-	2,425	5,786	2,455
Hire	50	-	-	50	500
Other income	-	-	5,930	5,930	-
Activities for Generating Funds total	3,411	-	8,356	11,766	2,955

2d. Church Activities

Parochial Fees	3,891	-	-	3,891	3,999
Other Income	65	-	1,740	1,805	1,176
Church Activities total	3,956	-	1,740	5,696	5,175

3. Expended Resources

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
3a. Church Activities					
Common Fund	56,400	-	-	56,400	71,952
Charitable Giving	3,450	-	-	3,450	4,650
Ministry Expenses & Costs	1,053	-	400	1,453	853
Rectory Costs	913	-	-	913	2,068
Church Staff Costs	21,127	-	-	21,127	19,408
Hub Staff Costs	-	-	8,197	8,197	4,249
Children & Families Work - Wages	7,850	-	-	7,850	7,500
Youth Work	376	90	-	466	129
Mission & Outreach Work	294	-	1,734	2,028	724
Children & Families Work	340	-	-	340	358
Children Work	-	41	714	755	560
Community Work	-	-	-	-	139
Office & Admin Costs	2,939	-	-	2,939	3,436
Church Service Costs	8,277	174	-	8,451	2,987
Maintenance & Improvements	877	264	5,012	6,153	3,971
Cleaning & Hygiene	1,720	-	-	1,720	1,526
Insurance	2,921	-	-	2,921	2,781
Safety & Security	368	-	-	368	413
Church Utilities	9,023	-	-	9,023	4,502
Hall - Maintenance & Improvements	-	-	-	-	2,915
Hall - Insurance	1,938	-	-	1,938	-
Hall - Utilities	514	-	-	514	498
Church Activities	-	-	4,548	4,548	-
Other Expenditure	127	-	-	127	155
Professional Fees	360	1,200	750	2,310	155
	120,867	1,769	21,355	143,991	135,929
Brandhall Hub - Insurance	-	-	1,504	1,504	262
Brandhall Hub - Utilities	-	-	4,046	4,046	1,414
Brandhall Hub - Rates	-	-	653	653	-
Brandhall Hub - Rent	-	-	6,519	6,519	3,387
Brandhall Hub - Cleaning & Hygiene	-	-	371	371	309
Brandhall Hub - Other Running Costs	-	-	2,384	2,384	313
Brandhall Hub - Safety & Security	-	-	239	239	-
Brandhall Hub - Renovation	-	-	-	-	8,711
Brandhall Hub - Activities	-	-	2,212	2,212	3,671
	0	0	17,928	17,928	18,067
Foodbank - Running Costs	-	-	34,619	34,619	1,341
Foodbank - Office Costs	-	-	16,848	16,848	277
Foodbank - Food	-	-	-	-	9,561
Foodbank - Equipment	-	-	-	-	214
Foodbank - Other Costs	-	-	-	-	12,116
	0	0	51,467	51,467	23,509
Church Activities total	125,746	564	51,192	177,502	155,309

3b. Costs of Generating Funds

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
Giving Costs	280	-	6	287	326
Fundraiser Costs	-	-	3	3	18
Events Fundraising Costs	-	-	-	-	226
Regular Fundraising Costs	282	-	-	282	247
Fundraising Costs	518	-	74	591	184
Coffee Shop - Insurance	-	-	-	-	1,108
Coffee Shop - Utilities	-	-	-	-	988
Coffee Shop - Rent	-	-	-	-	1,630
Coffee Shop - Other Overheads	-	-	-	-	1,453
Total Costs of Generating Funds	1,079	-	83	1,163	6,181

4. Transfers Between Funds

	Note	General	Designated	Restricted	Total
Brandhall Baby Bank Restricted to Brandhall Community Hub Restricted	1	-	-	(700) 700	-
		-	-	-	-

- 1** £700 transferred from the restricted Brandhall Baby Bank Fund to Brandhall Community Hub Restricted as a contribution to building overheads.

5. Fixed Assets For Use By PCC

		Parish Hall Building	Freehold Title	Total
Cost or Valuation	At 1st January 2023	90,000	9,000	9,000
	Additions	-	-	-
	Revaluation Gain / (Loss)	(90,000)	-	-
	At 31st December 2023	-	9,000	9,000
Depreciation	At 1st January 2023	-	-	-
	Charge for the year	-	-	-
	Disposal	-	-	-
		-	-	-
Net Book Value	At 31st December 2023	-	9,000	9,000

6. Investments

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Market Value – 1 st January	21,058	24,353
Additions	—	—
Revaluation gain / (loss)	1,255	(3,296)
Market Value – 31st December	22,312	21,058

7. Cash at Bank & in Hand

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
<u>Church:</u>		
Current Account	5,198	35,383
Deposit Account	210,768	169,400
Quinton Care Fund	1,680	1,680
Church – Petty Cash	89	200
Church – Food Pantry	584	-
	218,319	206,663
<u>Foodbank</u>		
Foodbank – Current Account	77,277	64,821
Foodbank – Petty Cash	-	301
	77,277	65,122
Total Cash At Bank & In Hand	295,596	271,785

8. Debtors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
HMRC Debtors	8,360	4,173
Other Debtors	5,303	288
Total Debtors	13,663	4,461
Prepayments	1,505	47
Total Debtors & Prepayments	15,167	4,508

9. Creditors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Utilities	450	1,175
Other Creditors	4,337	785
Accounts Payable	1,075	-
Agency Collections	1,397	1,224
Total Creditors	7,259	3,184
Deferred Income	—	—
Total Creditors & Deferred Income	7,259	3,184

10. Unrestricted Fund Movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer s	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
Unrestricted							
General - General Fund	102,531	120,605	121,947	-	-90,000	-	11,189
Sub-totals	102,531	120,605	121,947	-	-90,000	-	11,189
Designated							
EBL - Elaine Buchan Legacy	153,496	17,771	1,200	-	-	-	170,068
Flowers - Flowers	20	221	114	-	-	-	128
MC - Children's Work (Monday Club)	118	32	150	-	-	-	-
OBG - Old Burial Gound	264	-	264	-	-	-	-
TI - Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)	-	378	41	-	-	-	338
Sub-totals	153,898	18,402	1,769	-	-	-	170,534

Unrestricted Fund Purposes:

General Fund:

- Available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering its aims and objectives.

Designated Funds:

- **Elaine Buchan Legacy** – Towards the decorating and renovation of the church building.
- **Flowers** – A designated fund towards the costs of flowers at services.
- **Children's Work** – Previously designated funds towards the Monday Club, now more generally held for Children's Work at Christchurch.
- **Old Burial Ground** – A designated fund for the cost of maintaining the Old Burial Ground.
- **Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)** – Contributions towards the costs & activities of the Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) group.

11. Restricted Fund Movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances Carried forward
Restricted						
Brandhall Baby Bank	1,449	0	683	-700	-	66
Brandhall Community Hub	4,128	34,870	29,150	700	-	10,548
Building Projects	27,895	0	0	-	-	27,895
Discipleship Bursary	3,891	0	0	-	-	3,891
Foodbank	65,172	63,572	51,467	-	-	77,277
Memorial Garden Upkeep	6,171	481	675	-	-	5,977
Quinton Care Fund	1,817	1,500	1,565	-	-	1,752
QQ Msnl	2,000	0	2,000	-	-	0
Refuge (Children In Need)	3,105	0	0	-	-	3,105
Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)	50	150	200	-	-	0
Tower Restoration Fund	0	5,364	5,093	-	-	271
Sub-totals	115,678	105,937	90,833	-	-	130,782
Endowment						
Edna Hopewell Trust	21,058	-	-	-	1,255	22,312
Sub-totals	21,058	-	-	-	1,255	22,312

Restricted Fund Purposes:

- **Brandhall Baby Bank** –Previously received grant funding for the provision of a Baby Bank.
- **Brandhall Community Hub** –Donations and Grants for this newly created project, previously known as The Coffee Shop.
- **Building Project** –Towards a building project on the site of the ex-caretaker's house.
- **Coffee Shop** –Now closed.
- **Foodbank** – Donations towards the costs of operating the foodbank.
- **Memorial Garden Upkeep** –Dividends received towards the upkeep of the Memorial Garden.
- **Mission Links** –A donation to be used to support our Mission Link partners.
- **Quinton Care Fund** –A clergy controlled fund for those in need in the community.
- **QQ Msni** –A gift to be used for quinquennial needs, or missional work.
- **Refuge (Children in Need)**–For craft resources for children in a Women's Refuge.
- **Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)** –Donations towards the costs & activities of the Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) group.

12. Agency Collections

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during in the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. The following balances were held in those agency collections at year end:

	Total
Agency: BDBF - Parochial Fees	956
Agency: Service: Foodbank	140
Agency: Christian Solidarity Worldwide	201
Agency: Vergers – Parochial Fees	100
	1,397

13. Agency Collections – Collections for External Causes

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during in the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. The PCC runs several events through the year to raise money for external causes. The following amounts were collected during in the year and paid out to those charities / persons.

	Total
Earthquake Appeal	265
Personal Gifts	420
Childrens Society	55
	740

14. Accounts Extract Relating to 151 Castle Road West (Brandhall Community Hub, previously The Coffee Shop)

Income	2023	From other funds	2022
Donations	5,509		600
Grants	21,119		23,261
Fundraising	1,370		0
Food Pantry Contributions	5,131		0
Rent Contributions	1,200		705
Sundry	540		0
Total Income	34,870		24,566
Expenditure			
Project Manager costs	6,597	1,600	2,249
Insurance	1,504		1,184
Utilities	5,771		1,727
Rent	6,519		3,387
Waste disposal & cleaning	371		309
Maintenance	1,294		8,211
Advertising	50	250	0
Hospitality	208		0
Food Pantry set up	2,112	400	3,671
Food Pantry expenditure	4,548		0
Uniform Bank	100		0
Fundraising costs	77		0
Total Expenditure	29,150	2,250	20,738
		31,400	
Excess of income over expenditure	5,720		3,828
Brought forward balance	4,128		0
Transfers in from other funds	700		300
Closing Balance	10,548		4,128

Accounts

Christ Church - The Quinton
Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
to be held in Church Sunday 23rd April 10.30am 2023

AGENDA

1. Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry Meeting) **Purpose**

- | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|---------|
| a | Apologies for absence | receive |
| b | Appointment of Chair and Secretary | vote |
| c | Minutes of 2022 AMP | agree |
| d | Election of Church Wardens | vote |
| | <i>Close of meeting</i> | |

2. Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- | | | |
|---|-----------------------|------|
| a | Chair and Secretary | note |
| b | Apologies for absence | note |

Looking Back over 2022

3 Meeting & Membership

- | | | |
|---|--|---------|
| a | Minutes of the APCM 3 April 2022 | agree |
| b | Receiving of the Electoral Roll report | receive |

4 Governance & Leadership

- | | | |
|---|---------------------------|---------|
| a | PCC Report 2022 | receive |
| b | Deanery Synod Report 2022 | receive |
| c | Safeguarding report | agree |

5 Resources

- | | | |
|---|---|---------|
| a | Fabric report (building, furniture & movable items) | note |
| b | Old Burial Ground | note |
| c | Financial report | receive |
| d | Appointment of independent examiner for 2022 | vote |

6 Mission & Ministry

- | | | |
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| | | receive all |
| | <i>Reports as included in the meeting pack</i> | |

Questions on Looking Back section

Looking Forward 2023-24

7 Elections

- | | | |
|---|---|---------|
| | | vote |
| a | Elections to PCC | vote |
| b | Elections to Deanery Synod | vote |
| b | Vision and Priorities for the next year | receive |

Questions on Looking Forward section

8 Any other business

Documents

1. AMP 2022 Minutes

**Parish of Christ Church the Quinton
Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry Meeting) held on
Zoom and in Church
Sunday 3rd April 2022 at 10.30am**

Present: Chair Rev Rachel Heathfield & 71 parishioners (50 present in the building and 21 online).

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from: - C Iles, B Iles, C Maddock

2. Appointment of Chair & Secretary for the meeting

It was suggested that Rachel Heathfield would chair the Vestry Meeting and Jo Jennings was proposed by Rachel Heathfield to take minutes, and these proposals were accepted unanimously

3. Minutes of the vestry meeting May 2021.

Accepted unanimously.

4. Election of Church Wardens

Two nominations had been received: -

Neil Allen was proposed by Annie Bonnick and seconded by Boliver Forrest

Lisa Moody was proposed by Boliver Forrest and seconded by Manny Grewal

There were no other nominations. The Chair proposed these candidates were accepted en bloc and agreed unanimously. The two candidates were thanked and declared duly elected.

The meeting was then declared closed

Parish of Christ Church, The Quinton

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Sunday 3rd April 2022 at 10.30am in church and online

1. Worship, prayers and bible reading

The opening prayer was led by Rachel and a hymn was sung. A thanksgiving liturgy was used, and the bible reading was taken from Colossians 2: 6-15.

Rachel reflected on why we meet together every week, what are the motivations to come. We are here because of what Jesus has done for us. We have nowhere else to go when the big questions of life hit us. The cross is the place where the answers to life's questions are found, we need to be reminded of this. This reading speaks into what and where we are heading as a Church. We are to meet and learn together so that we grow strong in our faith and to constantly be rooted in Jesus and keeping our focus on Him. Life will throw us challenges and difficulties but focussing on Jesus gives us the strength to carry on. We are in a spiritual battle, one in which the enemy would love to divert our attention from Jesus, but through Jesus 'death and resurrection our relationship with God is secure and we can resist anything the enemy throws at us. This message of the love and security of God needs to be shared and not kept to ourselves. We remember who Jesus is and we're thankful because we are complete in Him. Through baptism we are united, once dead in our sins, now risen and united with Christ in his death and resurrection. Because of God we are raised to life with Jesus.

2a. Appointment of Chair and Secretary

Rachel Heathfield was appointed as chair of the APCM and Jo Jennings as secretary. This was accepted unanimously.

2b. Apologies for absence:

All apologies were noted in the minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting.

Looking Back over 2021

Last year we were still in the midst of Covid, not an awful lot has changed although we do now have increased freedom. Rachel reminded us that at the end of 2021, levels of resilience had plummeted. 2021 for church leaders particularly was a much harder year than 2020. Despite these difficulties we as a church have survived.

3 Meeting and Membership

3a. Minutes of the APCM 27th May 2021

The following errors were noted: -

Incorrect attendance numbers in building and online, 27 and 27 does not add up to 51. Corrected figures 27 in building, 24 online.

Page 5 of the 2021 minutes, the £10,000 loan was from restricted funds not unrestricted funds.

With these amendments it was agreed that they were correct. Proposed by Rachel Heathfield that the minutes should be accepted as a correct record of the meeting. This was accepted unanimously

3b. Electoral Roll Report:

There are currently 136 names on the electoral roll (there were 129 on the roll previously). The full report was made available in the document previously sent out.

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

4. Governance and Leadership

4a. PCC Report 2021:

The PCC report was made available in the pack sent out previously.
PCC met throughout the year.

4b. Deanery Synod Report 2021:

The Deanery Synod report was made available in the pack previously sent out.

Rachel Heathfield proposed that these reports were accepted. This was unanimously accepted.

4c. Safeguarding Report

- Joyce Gilkes is willing to continue as our Parish Safeguarding co-ordinator
- Phil Arnold continues in his role of checking DBS's and official identity checker under role of communications officer
- We were informed of one incident but this did not need a referral

Rachel Heathfield proposed that the report was accepted. This was unanimously accepted.

5. Resources

5a. Fabric Report:

The fabric report was made available in the pack sent out. Peter Sherwen along with the church wardens are the people responsible for keeping oversight of the fabric of the Church building and maintenance.

This year is our Quinquennial inspection where an architect will come and look closely at our building and advise on works required.

Thanks were recorded to Peter Sherwen for all his hard work.

5b. Old Burial Ground Report

The Old Burial Ground report was made available in the pack sent out.

Sue Sherwen continues to work in the upkeep of the old burial ground.

Outdoor church has made significant use of the old burial ground. It is hoped that more people will join outdoor church in the spring and summer months.

Thanks were recorded to Sue Sherwen for her continued work with the old burial ground.

5c. Financial Report including Coffee Shop:

Doreen talked us through the headline figures.

We have a number of restricted funds which are our blessings, these are healthy funds.

These restricted funds are designated funds that are allocated for a specific purpose.

General funds or unrestricted funds include regular giving and donations, grants received, gift money received, legacies and church activities. These general funds cover a wide variety of expenditure including maintenance of the building, the common fund etc.

Doreen summarised our financial position. This does not look very good. Available use of £6,096 is insufficient and therefore we must try to increase income and reduce expenditure. The PCC will monitor our progress throughout the year. Contrary to popular belief we do not receive extra income from anywhere, therefore we must think carefully about how we increase income and reduce expenditure.

A question was asked about the payments to the common fund in 2021. The payment for 2020 was considerably less, why was the 2021 payment considerably more.

Doreen responded that we agreed to pay our allocated funds to the common fund however this was the year that the Pre School closed and we were responsible for considerable costs. The diocese therefore reduced our contribution as we could not cover both.

Rachel explained that the common fund was used for her stipend and additional benefits from the diocese that we can tap into to help us when necessary.

Coffee shop – it looks like we received much more money into the coffee shop despite the shop closing due to covid. A number of grants were received in 2021 to cover the cost of closing the coffee shop through Covid lockdowns. This year is significantly less as we have not been given any additional grants.

A question was asked about gift aid, were people being asked about gift aiding their giving?

Doreen responded that we are claiming gift aid from people eligible as this boosted our income.

We will be receiving a very substantial legacy shortly; this has been put on one side to help the long term vision of the church. It is not being used to cover the day to day costs of running the church. Despite this substantial legacy we cannot become complacent about our day to day finances.

Acceptance of the Finance report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously

5d. Appointment of independent examiner for next year

The legacy that we have been given takes us over a threshold and we cannot use Chris Foy as our independent examiner for the next year. A new independent examiner has been put in place for the coming year. This will be Ian Woodward of Ian Woodward Accounting.

The financial report and accounts were accepted unanimously

A hymn was sung, and Rachel led us in a thanksgiving prayer.

6. Mission and Ministry

6a. Ladies Guild

Ladies guild have begun to meet again post Covid. This is a good group which serves a lot of the women in the church. It now meets in church with a varied programme and is thriving.

Thanks recorded to Stella for keeping the group going even in the difficulties of a pandemic.

6b. Pastoral Care

The pastoral care team have done a fantastic job in caring for those in our parish. Rachel expressed her thanks to the team for their support in providing pastoral care. There are a number of opportunities to serve within this team. If anyone feels led to join the team, please get in touch with Rachel.

6c. Youth, Children and families

As a church we have done the best we can over a very difficult year. Opportunities to meet outdoors during the pandemic were taken and contact maintained with families and children as best as we could. Youth work has been a bit sketchy since the relaxation of rules. We are researching and thinking about what we can provide for young people. Café Church has been paused for now until we can identify what the young people in our parish would like from the church.

40CC and Outdoor Church are initiatives that are doing well.

Our uniformed organisations have all relocated to other venues since the closure of the parish hall.

A new initiative started in the form of a new parent and toddler group. Toddle Inn serves families in the community as a place to meet other parents and enjoy time together. There are a good number of families who attend.

Rock solid, our group for children in Years 6-9 now meets as an after school club in church.

6d. Coffee Shop Report

The Coffee Shop closed in March 2020 and remains closed apart from foodbank. The coffee shop has become difficult for ministry and outreach and therefore has remained closed. Rachel has had a number of conversations with other organisations to see how we can work ecumenically together to do more and better work in the community.

6e. Mission links:

We continue to support our mission partners; Bev Richardson in Paraguay, Arocha, Esperanza Children's home and toy library, Christian Solidarity Worldwide and Malawi.

Quinton Youth for Christ are going through a time of transition and so we have stopped our giving until they have a clear vision of where the organisation is going.

We have also supported Standing Tall and Lets Feed Brum.

Thanks were recorded to the Mission Links Committee.

We have been asked to pray for Bev Richardson who was married the day before the meeting.

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

The thanksgiving liturgy was said again by all.

6f. Interim Minister's Report:

As a church we have done really well through these difficult times; we have more than survived, thriving in many areas. We had to take small steps as we unlocked and connected with people, taking into account anxiety and worries about returning.

As interim minister, Rachel was tasked with three tasks:

Christ Church Pre School - Within 4 days of Rachel's licensing the pre-school closed due to a number of circumstances. It was felt that this was God's plan as it would not have survived the pandemic.

The Coffee Shop – the pandemic caused the Coffee Shop to close but there was a desire to see it thrive once again. Last year an enormous amount of work was done in this area to get it back to helping and supporting the people of Brandhall. This work continues with conversations with other organisations to form an ecumenical partnership to serve the community.

Finance and building – We were unaware that the parish hall would close and a pandemic was on its way. The hall continues to deteriorate with no clear decision on its future. This year we will focus on how we use our buildings to build God's kingdom here in Quinton. The big thing we have been doing is the TCAP document; what we do as a church, what we dream to do and how we get there. Our sermon series on vision helped us to come up with an action plan and this has helped form our thinking for the TCAP document. This has been the focus of Rachel's work this year.

Questions on looking back section:

No questions were asked.

Looking Forward 2022-2023

7. Elections:

7a. Elections to PCC (4x3yr terms):

The following nominations had been received: -

Mike Shenton

Nominated: Sarah Coton

Seconded: Sharron Brice

Joyce Gilkes
Bev Heritage

Nominated: Lisa Moody **Seconded:** Phil Arnold
Nominated: Sue Hamilton **Seconded:** Claire Cronin

Thanks were recorded for those stepping down: Pearl Coton, Sarah Coton, Elaine Lewis, Joyce Gilkes

A fourth vacancy will be filled during the year. As there were no further nominations, no vote was necessary and those standing for PCC were declared duly elected

7b. Vision and Priorities for the next year

Our priorities for last year was a growth of church in numbers, in discipleship and in faith. In setting the vision and priorities for this year we have produced a TCAP document which has identified four areas; growth in discipleship, being a light for our community, intergenerational church, church for everyone.

Growth in discipleship – we are going to be finding more time to do life together. Church services continue to help us grow and learn together but we also want to find ways of doing other aspects of life together. Small groups, home groups, project groups and short courses will be put in place to facilitate doing life together. There should be something for everyone.

Being a light to our community – this is a theme that continually came up in our vision process. How can we as a church show God's love and commitment to us as a community? We already do this through many activities such as 4 o'clock church, the light trail, memorial tree, foodbank collection, occasional offices. The Church is a light to the community, we need to ensure that we continue to be that light and a beacon to our parish. The Coffee Shop will be under this banner as we take a partnership approach ensuring that it becomes functional to the outreach to our community by becoming a hub for people to come in and for us to go out. We intend to develop an outdoor space for people to come and rest, to find a welcome space to find peace and learn about God's love for the community.

Intergenerational church – we need to have a shift in our thinking about how we become an intergenerational church. Instead of providing for sections of people we will work together to include all people as an intergeneration community church, creating an atmosphere and culture where all belong together. We need to create a culture where everyone is welcome, especially those who are not like us. Everyone has a place no matter who or where they are. We need to find ways to do this, there is a lot of education to do around that.

These four areas are our priorities for this year.

Questions on looking forward section:

No questions were asked

The thanksgiving liturgy was said by all.

Thank yous:

Rachel thanked the following people for supporting her and the church during the year:

Lisa Moody
Neil Allen
John Trevor
Boliver Forrest
Doreen Morris
Pete and Sue Sherwen
Jo Jennings
Phil Arnold
Emma Legg

Finn Heathfield
Jackie Floyd
Stewards, prayer ministry, coffee makers
Heather Williams, Chris Iles, Mark Heritage
Matthew Strong

Lisa thanked Rachel on the church's behalf, for all her hard work for the church and the community. She works tremendously hard and we are grateful for her leadership.

The thanksgiving liturgy was used again

8. Any Other Business:

Thanks were expressed from Alison Keepax about the warm welcome that she and other new members of the congregation had received.

First PCC meeting Tuesday 21st June 7.30pm, this meeting will elect a treasurer and a secretary.

The meeting closed with a song, a prayer and a blessing.

3b Electoral Roll Report

The final number on the ER for 2023 is 136 people. This is the same as 2022.

We have lost 9 people from our 2022 list but we have gained 9 new members.

The full list of names is on display at the back of church.

Phil Arnold : Electoral Roll Officer

4a PCC Report for 2022

The PCC has met in June, September, November, January and March.

The PCC formed sub groups for deeper discussion with smaller numbers with a group for finance, buildings, ministry and mission. We have also focussed on writing our TCAP (Transforming Church Action Plan) and forming our church vision. The PCC has scrutinised the finances of the church and ensured the maintenance of the building. Discussions have been held around the governance of Foodbank, Oversight ministry in the deanery, the new Brandhall project and mission giving.

Carole Maddock PCC Secretary

4b Deanery Synod Report

The Synod has met throughout the year in July, November and February.

The main focus for the Deanery at this time continues to be the diocesan restructuring agenda of Oversight Areas. This means how local churches relate to one another, potentially share resources and work together more meaningfully as partners in an area. Other areas of discussion have been about DAC, Climate and environmental issues, how the new Bishop will be chosen and responses to Living in Love and Faith and "From Lament to Action"

Lisa Moody Deanery Synod Member

4c Safeguarding Report

Joyce Gilkes was once again appointed as Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator for 2022-23.

Phil Arnold was given the responsibility of overseeing DBS / Identity checking.

During the year we have not had to refer any situations or concerns to the Diocesan SG team.

5a Annual Fabric Report for 2022(APCM April 2023)

Church

Gutters and Drains

The low level gutters around church and the valleys on the porch area have all been cleaned. All outside drains have been cleaned out. The sewer has had to be pumped out or rodded twice. There are tree roots in the sewer and when inappropriate materials are flushed they can get caught and block the sewer.

Repairs and decorating.

Generally speaking, the Church is in reasonable repair but it does need internal redecoration especially at the west end and in the gallery. The west end wall in the balcony is quite damp and there has been some water ingress in times of heavy rain.

Electrical.

The electric installation was inspected. One plug socket was found faulty and has been taped up prior to replacing. Most of the distribution boxes do not now meet the most recent standard and should be replaced within the Quinquennium.

The lightning conductors were inspected and improved to the latest standard. These should be inspected every 2 ½ years

Quinquennial Inspection.

Our Church Architect has carried out the Quinquennial inspection. The main finds are that the west end spirelet is in need of repair. The metal work in the bell tower needs painting. There is other pointing and repair work needed especially around the lowest level. Plaster work and redecoration is needed.

General.

The usual PAT testing, fire safety survey and fire extinguisher inspections have been carried out. The boiler is serviced annually too. We had several named storms in February 2022. Fortunately, little damage was done but some **plaster/mortar has come loose** and fallen from around two of the stained glass windows and a slate has come loose on the south eastern roof.

Churchyard, drive and car parks.

The churchyard is a closed churchyard and so is the responsibility of Birmingham City Council who cut the grass on a regular basis. They are also responsible for trees and the wall. They have made repairs to the wall in the past and some further repairs were completed in 2021. However, there are places where it is now in need of further repairs. Some areas have been repaired by volunteers. **A crab apple tree was planted to commemorate the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee.**

Gravestones and monuments.

Stress tests on the gravestones and monuments were carried out on 1st March 2022. A cross on top of a monument near the church entrance was loose and fell when only a moderate pressure was applied. Those in the Old Burial Ground are also checked. Two more have been found to be loose. With all the rain that we had in February 2022, the ground had become very soft, then with all the wind, they had been loosened. There are now **14 grave stones** and monuments that are in an **unsafe condition**. They are taped off with tape around posts and there is a warning notice on the gate.

Work Parties.

Helping Hands has started to meet again to look after the church and grounds on the first Saturday in the month. 10 am to 1 pm. Work in the OBG has continued. Thanks go to all who have helped in anyway during these difficult times.

2023 update.

The following work, highlighted in the QI report is planned for 2023.

Work on the west end. Pointing of the spirelet and any other areas on the west end that require it. Pointing of the coping stones on the north and south sides above the west end wall. Defrassing as necessary. Repair and repaint metal work supporting the bell. Check the condition of the access hatch to the roof on the south facing roof near the spirelet.

Other outside work on the Church. Defrass walls to the north, south and east elevations as necessary. Low level pointing needed in places especially around the buttresses and removal of inappropriate cement pointing. Some pointing needed in places around the north extension. (office) Stonework and pointing needed around some windows.

Internal work. After 1) has been completed there will be a need to repair the plaster work that has been damaged by the damp and where it has fallen from the ceiling. Some plaster has fallen away from two of the windows in the main body of the Church and there is loose plaster near one of the beams.

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Stress tests on the gravestones and monuments were carried out on 4th March 2023. No further problems were found.

Helping Hands. Work to clear sticks and litter from the churchyard, cutting back the bushes, ivy and brambles around the wall and notice board on Hagley Road and tidying the carparks plus work in the O.B.G. is just some of the work carried out on the 1st Saturdays in February and March 2023.

Peter Sherwen 12/03/2023.

5b Old Burial Ground Report

The regular work of maintenance of the O.B.G. has continued throughout 2022 and into 2023. This is principally done during the monthly “Helping Hands” sessions by church members both young and “not so young”. Additional weekday mornings are also arranged.

“Outdoor Church” has continued to meet on the west side mown by the council, while still exploring the rest of the site for some activities.

The O.B.G. was open on several Sundays in March and April 2022 for people to view the wild daffodils. Year 4 pupils from Q.C.P.S. used the area for science work. More snowdrops and celandine were planted and Honesty and Red Campion started to flower on the bank by the school wall. Everything seemed to be going well.

However, on April 28th the grass on the west side by the memorial wall had been mown as usual by council employees. **Unfortunately, the eastern consecrated side which is the conservation area had also been cut, apart from the area marked off for spring bulbs.** This was despite an arrangement with the council not to do so from June 2015 and clearly displayed information notices stating that this area was mown once a year in late summer by the Wildlife Trust. Francesca Haines (Bereavement Officer) was informed and responded quickly. A brief apology was received from Mike Keavy the Grounds Maintenance Manager.

May 7 th “The Big Rake-Off” was held, when fourteen people (+ 1 dog) did a wonderful job raking off all of the mown grass.

June 14 th the **Annual Species Survey** by Alison Wilkes from the Wildlife Trust found that: The growth of the grasses had not been adversely affected by the early mowing. However, **the variety of flowering plants was considerably reduced. There was no sign of our two “Common Spotted Orchids”**. Perennials should grow back, but annuals such as Yellow Rattle would not have flowered and produced seed for the following year.

Work was continued by a small number of church members over July, August and September. I am very grateful to Carole Maddock for organising an amazing team of colleagues who came and did a huge variety of jobs just in one afternoon on September 21 st .

The grass in the meadow area became extremely long, but unfortunately for various reasons, we were unable to get it cut professionally this year. Small areas were cut and raked by hand, including the spring bulb area. More Yellow Rattle seed was planted to inhibit the growth of grasses and make space for the annual flowers that will hopefully return. A significant number of the graves were tidied over the following months. **It is not possible to cut the whole meadow area as required, by our small number of volunteers. Getting a contractor in to mow the meadow area professionally is likely to cost £500 or £600.**

During the autumn and winter stress tests have been made on memorials and marked with hazard tape if found to be unsafe.

On November 11 th teachers and pupils from Q.C.P.S. came down to the Commonwealth War Graves in the O.B.G. as part of their Armistice Day activities. This highlights how important it is to keep the O.B.G. accessible as a significant place for community history as well as nature conservation.

2023

Work continued in and around graves during January and February. By late February on the bank at the bottom, the snowdrops were flowering, followed by primroses. The Reception class from Q.C.P.S. enjoyed a “Signs of Spring” walk around the churchyard and O.B.G. At the beginning of March, the wild daffodils were in bud and the O.B.G. has been opened for visits on Sundays after the 10.30 service.

As always, I would like to thank all of the volunteers who have worked in the O.B.G. over the past year and make the Nature Conservation Area such a special place. If anyone would like to join in, please contact me. I also appreciate the interest and encouragement expressed by church members and visitors – it’s what keeps us going!

Susan J. Sherwen 11.03.2023

5c Financial Report including the Coffee Shop

See separate document

6 Ministries Reports

6a Ladies Guild

Previously known as Ladies Evening Guild we voted in 2021 to change to meeting in the afternoon, usually on the first Thursday of each month 2.30pm – 4.30pm at the back of Church. All ladies of any age are welcome, and you do not need to attend church to join. We try to have a varied programme, outside speakers, activities organised by the committee, meals out and Lent and Advent services. At some meetings we have a sales table, card sales and a raffle to help us make donations to different groups and charities.

In 2022 we held our two services, heard about a City in Music (Birmingham), An Amble through Worcestershire, Brush Strokes work with refugees and a visit from a poet who read us some of her poems. We had a Flower arranging demonstration, a beetle drive, visited Lightwoods House and heard about its history, had Afternoon Tea in a box and meals at The Stag and Halesowen Golf Club to celebrate our 66th anniversary. We joined with the church to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee and raised £247 for church funds with the Tombola. We also gave a donation of £300 to church expenses and donations to Lightwoods House and Brush Strokes.

Do come along and join us. We pay an annual subscription of £7 in September and monthly subs of £1 except when a meal out or special occasion.

Stella Woolvin, March 2022

6b Pastoral Care

Our team has continued to offer support and listening and practical love to those in need. Despite constraints within the team, care has been provided. We are very grateful to the whole team who visit, shop, pray with, take home communion to and phone up for a chat.

6c Youth, Children and Families

Since last year the work with young people has continued to develop from where we were at initially after the covid restrictions. The work is still hampered by the limited space we have available both on a Sunday morning and during the week. However, we have done well to put on and offer what we have. During the year we developed a plan to offer young people something for every Sunday during the month which is as follows:

1st Sunday: Four o Clock Church

2nd Sunday: JAM (Jesus and Me)

3rd Sunday: Outdoor Church

4th Sunday: JAM (Jesus and Me)

5th Sunday: 10:30am is Worship for Everyone

(Phil Arnold, April 2023)

- **Four o Clock Church**

This is a service for young families, that runs on the 1st Sunday of every month, at 4.00 clock for about 1 hour. It is a lively, vibrant, and creative time to come together, for the purpose of introducing young families to JESUS.

The format usually consists of:

- A time of creative crafts for all ages.
- Refreshments and snacks for the children and tea and coffee for adults.
- A time for sharing stories from the Bible.

Highlights of 2022

We created an Easter Tomb, constructed from wooden pallets. With lighting at night-time. There were figures of angels and Mary. There were also pictures on logs telling the story leading up to Easter. A stone was constructed that was rolled away on Easter Morning. Three crosses were made to remind us of Good Friday in addition to this there were lots of Easter activities also that took place inside the church and on the church grounds.

There has been a Light Party, where we had sparklers outside on the Church ground, fun food and games.

We created a great Nativity Scene (with lights) outside the church. This session was well attended. The main event was creating this Nativity scene, at the front of the church. The stable and figures were created by a member of the local community, which we decorated with lights. Other crafts and activity also took place inside the church.

We have a core group of people who attend on a regularly basis and are not from Christ Church Quinton.

(Leaders: Rachel Heathfield, Mark & Bev Heritage).

- **Toddle Inn**

Has continued to meet every Monday morning during term time and is still a place for young families to come and have a safe place to play and for the parents to meet other parents and share experiences. There is a good team of people who help make this happen, but it is hard work. Towards the end of the year nearly all the Toddle Inn toys were destroyed in the hall fire but thanks to the generosity of the community they have been able to replace many of the toys and continue to provide this much need ministry to young families.

(Leaders: Ellie Gull, Claire Cronin).

- **Outdoor Church** has continued to grow in 2022. Every month we have had a different theme ranging from talking about bread and Jesus being the bread of life, one month we used things we found in nature to purify water and turn muddy water into clear water and in February we talked about lent and had pancakes together outside. Outdoor church brings another way we can learn about and worship God through nature. God created this earth, so it is only right that we use it to know him more and Outdoor Church does that. Every month we have between 10 and 25 people come out with us (Depending on the weather) and every time people have responded with how much they have enjoyed being outside experiencing Gods creation together. *(Leaders: Phil Arnold, Mark & Bev Heritage, Jo Mcquade, Sue Sherwen, Theresa Lewis).*

- **JAM (Jesus and Me)**

Jesus and Me meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month during the 10:30am service. Each time they meet in the creche/entrance of the church building, and they have some teaching through crafts and activities which are always linked to the readings and talk that are being shared in the main 10:30 service. They are then given the opportunity to share what they have done at the end of the service. It was first started in September and has continued since. The activities have ranged from painting a large tree for Harvest to smaller crafts. It is well attended by the children and young people and has brought young people into church on a Sunday morning who since covid had chosen to stay at home. *(Leaders: Sharron Brice, Claire Cronin, Sue Arthur, Theresa Lewis).*

- **Rock Solid**

We restarted Rock Solid in November 2021 so was still very fresh in last years report but this year it has grown exponentially and adapted to the needs of the young people throughout the year. We started the year with 5-6 young people aged from Year 6 to year 9, each week we provided snacks, played some games which were themed and followed by a time of questions and chatting about that theme. However, towards the end of the year in October time we had Jack from Quinton Youth for Christ join the team of volunteers and one week some young people from Perryfields school saw the lights on and asked if they could use the toilet. They then asked what was going on and if they could stay inside for a bit as it was cold and raining, to which we said yes, they then saw that food and snacks were available and from then on, they popped in every week before having to leave early to catch their bus. Towards the end of the year a few would then choose to get a later bus and stayed till the end of the session. At the last few sessions in December, we had between 10 and 15 young people coming in to church every Tuesday. The session has adapted to this influx and is now more of a drop in with led games and a space for young people to talk.

(Leaders: Phil Arnold, Jack Jones, Annie Bonnick & Diane Gallivan)

6d Brandhall Community HUB (Formerly “The Coffee Shop”)

At this meeting in 2022 the tiny idea about working in partnership with other churches to make mission in the Brandhall area more effective and efficient was just beginning. God has worked through a small but dedicated team to make this happen and the HUB is now fruitfully working to further the kingdom through practical outreach in Brandhall.

Extensive building modifications and renovations have been completed – a much needed downstairs toilet, new space for fridges and freezers for the Pantry project, installation of washing machine and dryer for the Uniform bank, reconfiguration of stud-walls in the stairway and a new kitchen. We are grateful for a voluntary team “The MADD Men” from Christ Church Ware visited twice to work very hard for free as well as Waites offering their service free as a community project.

The Uniform Bank, Baby Bank and Pantry project are now installed and in action.

The HUB was officially opened on the 1st April 2023 by the Mayor of Sandwell and the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of the West Midlands.

Please pray that God will guide the management group on how to secure funding for this project and enable efficient governance for the long-term good of the ministry carried out there.

Rachel Heathfield April 2023

6e Mission Links Report for 2022

Our Mission Links. These are the individuals and organisations that the PCC has supported financially each year in the past and we are asked to support as a Church. Our Mission Links Committee feels that this is a good spread of individuals and organisations at home and overseas. The Church Mission Society is the main Anglican mission society. We have had links with CMS mission partners for many years. Bev Richardson is our current link. She was working with the Anglican Church as a CMS Mission Partner in Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay. During 2022 she met Johnny Cannon de Pinos and married in September. He is from Cuenca in Ecuador. Bev continues as a CMS Mission Partner in her new role working with the church in Cuenca.

We support A Rocha Kenya and Colin and Roni Jackson who are in charge there. One of the “Marks of Mission” is care for the environment and A Rocha is a Christian organisation that works to protect the environment and educate on environmental issues in Britain and in several other countries.

Birmingham Diocese has for many years had a special relationship with the Anglican Church in Malawi. All the churches in the Diocese are asked to support the Malawi link. The Esperanza Foster Home in Paraguay was set up by two of our former link missionaries and although small, has national importance as an example of good practice, indeed the President of Paraguay has visited. It is part of the Anglican Church in Paraguay. As well as Esperanza, we also support (through fund raising around Christmas) FEISA which is the Anglican Teacher Training College who run the Toy Library.

Christian Solidarity Worldwide advocates for Christians and others suffering persecution in various parts of the world. If one part of the body suffers then the whole of the body suffers. We feel that we should do our part in supporting the persecuted church. In 2021 we became a "Partner Church" with CSW. We also support "Standing Tall" "which aims to help homeless people into accommodation and "Let's feed Brum" which helps to feed homeless people.

Mission Links Committee have made presentations in Church about our mission links including A Rocha Kenya, CMS and our Paraguayan projects. In November we had a presentation from Keith Davies representing C. S. W. There was an Easter edition of the Mission Links newsletter. Funds were raised for mission through the sale of jams etc. at the Jubilee and at Christmas. Unfortunately, PCC were unable to be as generous in our Mission giving in 2022 as usual due to a shortfall in the general account. (We aim to give away 10% of general income) We were very sad to lose Mike Shenton who did so much to keep the needs of the persecuted church in our minds and in our prayers. Mike was our link person with CSW. We do need another person on our committee to be our link with CSW. Could you do this? The committee usually meets three times a year. Our aim is to keep the needs of mission worldwide before the congregation.

Please keep praying for our Mission Links and the Church worldwide.

Peter Sherwen. 29/03/2023.

6f Alpha

"I discovered a relationship with God through Jesus", "I feel more loved", "It strengthened my faith", "I made new friends", "I found a new purpose for life", "I was filled with the Holy Spirit for the first time in my life", "I feel more at peace".

These are just a few comments/reflections from the 14 people who began the eleven-week Alpha Course last September and all completed the whole course ending in November. I think it is fair to say that as leaders of the course, Lynn, Mark, Bev and Bob felt blessed not only to be facilitating the course, but by the trust, love, joy and fellowship that we all experienced. To share people's journey of faith is a true privilege.

Each session began with fellowship, sharing a meal kindly cooked by members of our own congregation, something that everyone appreciated. It is amazing what God can do when we work together as part of the family of God!

Lynn Todd March 2023

6g Foodbank Report

The Quinton and Oldbury Foodbank has been part of Christ Church ministry for over 10 years now. This year has been a busy year, we saw Carol Dealey our long-standing volunteer retire back in May. She was put forward for the community inspiration awards and she won her category Good Neighbour Award. A few of us were able to go and celebrate with her. We also had a celebration with volunteers to celebrate coming up to our tenth year. We had around 40 volunteers for an afternoon tea. The local Councillor came along with area manager from Trussell.

The demand for the provision of emergency and crisis food increased hugely through lockdown and the need to streamline our organisation for efficiency reasons was considered in Summer 2022. This led to the closure of the Friday session at the (then) Coffee Shop and the centralisation of all food storage and delivery of both sessions at St Boniface Church. This coincided with a change in project leadership which has again, since then changed.

The PCC and project management is currently in discussion with Trussell Trust regarding the best way to future-proof the Foodbank with effective governance. We remain hugely grateful to all volunteers who have worked so hard through this challenging year and to the continued generosity of those who give food week after week.

Barbara Burke (Project Lead) & Rachel Heathfield (Chair of Trustees) April 2023

6h Interim Minister's Report

My way of looking back over the year just gone is to go back through my diary and see what featured in meetings and engagements. This year there have been a number of priorities and exciting events, such as the Jubilee Festival and the opening of the Brandhall Community HUB, as well as sad ones such as the Queen's death a few months after we celebrated her jubilee. In addition, I re-read last year's report to see what was going on then, and sadly, there are many things that haven't made any progress at all, in fact feel a little bit regressive. But we mustn't lose heart! God's timing is always good.

Church life – post lockdown, we are regaining weddings and baptisms, although we are still not at pre-covid numbers for these services. Funerals in church have also dramatically slowed down. We have had sermon series on the resurrection, prayer and had a summer in "kingdom parables". We have had short courses "The Bible Course", "Simply Good News" and "How to hear God". We are delighted that Revd Annette Hanny has joined our ministry team, but happy-sad that Jo Jennings left us after ordination to have her curacy at St John Harborne.

In May a group of leaders and potential leaders gathered to watch a live stream of a national leadership conference at HTB in London. This launched an exciting stream of work for this year with leadership development and training investment being high on my list of priorities. We have been following the "Servant Leadership" course provided by the diocese and have seen individuals step into new and bold areas of leadership in church.

The Transforming Church Action Plan (TCAP) is now complete, and we will be sharing it more widely over the coming months. This sets our path of travel for the next few years, with mission and outreach for the glory of God and the furtherance of his kingdom being the core of all our objectives.

The issue of our buildings has not changed favourably in the year. We had hoped to change the use of the Caretakers house in our favour in partnership with the school. This has not happened and will not now happen. The hall has not found a new purpose and then suffered an arson attack in September which has left it even less useful than it was before. It is of highest priority for me to move forward on these over the next 12 months. We are about to embark on some important work on the church building, particularly on the tower, which will need imaginative fundraising, but we must progress on this to preserve the building. I look forward to having your support for this.

Rev Rachel Heathfield April 2023

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CHRIST CHURCH THE QUINTON

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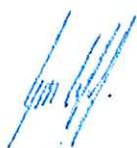
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The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified fellow member of the ACCA.

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

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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.



Ian Woodward BA Hons FCCA

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57 High Street, Rowley Regis, West Midlands, B65 0EH

12 April 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Notes	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment Funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary Income	(2a)	116,414	153,516	68,934	-	338,863	154,077
Income from Investments	(2b)	2,036	-	607	-	2,643	711
Activities for Generating Funds	(2c)	2,955	-	-	-	2,955	-
Church Activities	(2d)	4,470	-	705	-	5,175	7,473
Total income		125,875	153,516	70,246	-	349,637	162,261
Expenditure on:							
Church Activities	(3a)	125,746	564	51,192	-	177,502	155,309
Costs of Generating Funds	(3b)	2,747	-	3,434	-	6,181	12,433
Total expenditure		128,493	564	54,626	-	183,683	167,742
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		(2,618)	152,952	15,620	-	165,954	(5,482)
Transfers:							
Gross transfers between funds - in	(4)	1,300	50	-	-	1,350	1,467
Gross transfers between funds - out		(50)	-	(1,300)	-	(1,350)	(1,467)
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains/losses on investment assets		-	-	-	(3,296)	(3,296)	(1,720)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(1,368)	153,002	14,320	(3,296)	162,658	(7,201)
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		104,199	897	101,059	24,353	230,508	237,709
Total funds carried forward		102,831	153,899	115,379	21,058	393,166	230,508

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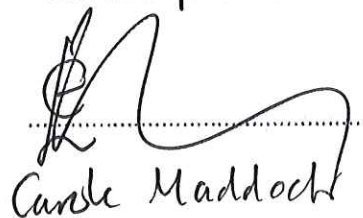
BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	At 31/12/202 2 £	At 31/12/202 1 £
Fixed assets							
Tangible Assets	(5)	99,000	-	-	-	99,000	99,000
Investments	(6)	-	-	-	21,058	21,058	24,353
		99,000	-	-	21,058	120,058	123,353
Current assets							
Cash At Bank And In Hand	(7)	396	153,899	117,490	-	271,785	107,155
Debtors	(8)	4,508	-	-	-	4,508	-
		4,904	153,899	117,490	-	276,293	107,155
Liabilities							
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	(9)	1,073	-	2,112	-	3,185	-
		1,073	-	2,112	-	3,185	-
Net current assets less current liabilities		3,831	153,899	115,379	-	273,108	107,155
Total assets less current liabilities		102,831	153,899	115,379	21,058	393,166	230,508
Liabilities		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities Represented by Fund Totals		102,831	153,899	115,379	21,058	393,166	230,508

Approved the PCC on:

13 April 2023

Signed on the PCC's behalf by:



Candie Maddoch

PCC Secretary

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Summary of Accounting Policies

General Information and basis of preparation

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

Assets:

Consecrated and benefice property

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded and not capitalised in the financial statements in accordance with Charities Act 2011.

Fixed Assets

Depreciation has been provided on church equipment on a straight-line method based on the estimated economic life of the asset, which 4 Years in the case of Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment.

Investments

Investments are recognised at their quoted market price. Unrealised gains or losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value.

Funds:

The financial statements have been prepared using fund accounting. Whereby income, expenditure, assets & liabilities are classified by fund. The 2 types of fund classification present in these accounts are:

1. **Unrestricted Funds (General & Designated):**
 - a. General Funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering the aims and objectives of the charity.
 - b. Designated Funds are funds that have been set aside by the PCC for a particular purpose from the general fund.
2. **Restricted Funds** represent grants, donations and legacies received which are allocated by the donor for a specific purpose .

The purpose of funds held by the charity are set out in notes to the financial statements.

2. Incoming Resources

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
2a. Voluntary Income					
Planned Giving	71,149	-	-	71,149	66,033
Donations & Appeals	8,961	20	4,700	13,681	24,390
Gift Aid	29,179	-	-	29,179	13,796
Grants	2,874	-	23,761	26,635	12,981
Collections At Services	4,250	-	-	4,250	2,088
Legacies	-	153,496	-	153,496	5,000
Foodbank - Giving & Donations	-	-	16,473	16,473	
Foodbank - Grants	-	-	24,000	24,000	29,789
Voluntary Income total	116,414	153,516	68,934	338,863	154,077

2b. Investment Income

Bank & Deposit Account Interest	2,036	-	-	2,036	25
Dividends	-	-	607	607	686
Income from Investments total	2,036	-	607	2,643	711

2c. Activities for Generating Funds

Fundraising	2,455	-	-	2,455	-
Hire	500	-	-	500	-
Activities for Generating Funds total	2,955	-	-	2,955	-

2d. Church Activities

Parochial Fees	3,999	-	-	3,999	
Other Income	471	-	705	1,176	
Church Activities total	4,470	-	705	5,175	7,473

3. Expended Resources

3a. Church Activities

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
Common Fund	71,952	-	-	71,952	71,952
Charitable Giving	400	-	4,250	4,650	9,041
Mission & Outreach Work	552	-	171	723	
Youth Work	82	47	-	129	2,717
Community Work	139	-	-	139	
Children & Families Work	285	72	-	358	
Toddle Inn	63	365	-	428	420
Church Service Costs	2,907	80	-	2,987	6,840
Church Staff Costs	26,908	-	-	26,908	21,646
Office & Admin Costs	3,436	-	-	3,436	3,106
Ministry Expenses & Costs	853	-	-	853	
Rectory Costs	2,068	-	-	2,068	
Insurance	2,781	-	-	2,781	13,532
Church Utilities	4,502	-	-	4,502	
Cleaning & Hygiene	1,526	-	-	1,526	
Safety & Security	413	-	-	413	
Maintenance & Improvements	2,656	-	1,315	3,971	6,184
Professional Fees	155	-	-	155	230
Other Expenditure	155	-	-	155	-
Hall - Utilities	498	-	-	498	3,622
Hall - Maintenance & Improvements	2,915	-	-	2,915	
	125,246	564	5,736	131,546	133,057
Brandhall Hub - Staff	-	-	4,249	4,249	-
Brandhall Hub - Insurance	-	-	262	262	-
Brandhall Hub - Utilities	-	-	1,414	1,414	-
Brandhall Hub - Rates	-	-	-	-	-
Brandhall Hub - Rent	-	-	3,387	3,387	-
Brandhall Hub - Cleaning & Hygiene	-	-	309	309	-
Brandhall Hub - Other Running Costs	-	-	313	313	-
Brandhall Hub - Renovation	500	-	8,211	8,711	-
Brandhall Hub - Activities	-	-	3,671	3,671	-
Brandhall Baby Bank	-	-	132	132	606
	500	-	21,948	22,448	606
Foodbank - Running Costs	-	-	1,341	1,341	
Foodbank - Office Costs	-	-	277	277	
Foodbank - Food	-	-	9,561	9,561	11,711
Foodbank - Equipment	-	-	214	214	
Foodbank - Other Costs	-	-	12,116	12,116	
	-	-	23,508	23,508	11,711
Church Activities total	125,746	564	51,192	177,502	155,309

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
Coffee Shop - Insurance	37	-	1,071	1,108	
Coffee Shop - Utilities	395	-	593	988	11,955
Coffee Shop - Rent	876	-	754	1,630	
Coffee Shop - Other Overheads	438	-	1,016	1,453	
Giving Costs	326	-	-	326	
Fundraising Costs	657	-	-	657	478
Fundraiser Costs	18	-	-	18	
Costs of Generating Funds total	2,747	-	3,434	6,181	12,433

4. Transfers Between Funds

	Note	General	Designated	Restricted	Total
Foodbank Restricted Fund to General Fund	1	1,000	—	(1,000)	—
Brandhall Baby Bank Restricted to General Fund	2	300	—	(300)	—
General Fund to Designated Flower Fund	3	(50)	50	—	—
		<u>1,250</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>(1,300)</u>	<u>—</u>

- 1 £1,000 transferred from restricted Foodbank Fund to General Fund as a contribution to building overheads for 2022.
- 2 £300 transferred from the restricted Brandhall Baby Bank Fund to General Fund as a contribution to building overheads.
- 3 £50 transferred from General Fund to the designated Flower Fund.

5. Fixed Assets For Use By PCC

		Parish Hall Building	Freehold Title	Total
Cost or Valuation	At 1st January 2022	90,000	9,000	99,000
	Additions	—	—	—
	Revaluation Gain / (Loss)	—	—	—
	At 31st December 2022	90,000	9,000	99,000
Depreciation	At 1st January 2022	—	—	—
	Charge for the year	—	—	—
	Disposal	—	—	—
	At 31st December 2022	—	—	—
Net Book Value	At 31st December 2022	90,000	9,000	99,000

6. Investments

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Market Value - 1 st January	24,353	26,073
Additions	—	—
Revaluation gain / (loss)	(3,296)	(1,720)
Market Value - 31 st December	21,058	24,353

7. Cash at Bank & in Hand

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
<u>Church:</u>		
Current Account	35,383	18,943
Deposit Account	169,400	36,797
Quinton Care Fund	1,680	1,880
Church - Petty Cash	200	357
Church - Coffee Shop	—	20
	206,663	57,997
<u>Foodbank</u>		
Foodbank - Current Account	64,821	49,133
Foodbank - Petty Cash	301	25
	65,122	49,158
Total Cash At Bank & In Hand	271,785	107,155

8. Debtors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
HMRC Debtors	4,173	—
Other Debtors	47	—
Total Debtors	4,220	—
Prepayments	288	—
Total Debtors & Prepayments	4,508	—

9. Creditors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Utilities	1,175	—
Other Creditors	785	—
Agency Collections	1,224	—
Total Creditors	3,185	—
Deferred Income	—	—
Total Creditors & Deferred Income	3,185	—

10. Unrestricted Fund Movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances Carried forward
Unrestricted						
General - General Fund	104,199	125,875	128,493	1,250	-	102,831
Sub-totals	104,199	125,875	128,493	1,250	-	102,831
Designated						
Elaine Buchan Legacy	-	153,496	-	-	-	153,496
Flowers	-	20	50	50	-	20
Children's Work (Monday Club)	268	-	149	-	-	118
Old Burial Gound	264	-	-	-	-	264
Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)	365	-	365	-	-	-
Sub-totals	897	153,516	564	50	-	153,899

Unrestricted Fund Purposes:

General Fund:

- Available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering its aims and objectives.

Designated Funds:

- Elaine Buchan Legacy – Towards the decorating and renovation of the church building.
- Flowers – A designated fund towards the costs of flowers at services.
- Children's Work – Previously designated funds towards the Monday Club, now more generally held for Children's Work at Christchurch.
- Old Burial Ground – A designated fund for the cost of maintaining the Old Burial Ground.
- Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) – Contributions towards the costs & activities of the Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) group.

11. Restricted Fund Movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances Carried forward
Restricted						
Brandhall Baby Bank	1,881	-	132	(300)	-	1,449
Brandhall Community Hub	-	24,566	20,738	-	-	3,828
Building Projects	27,895	-	-	-	-	27,895
Coffee Shop	2,011	500	2,511	-	-	-
Discipleship Bursary	4,000	-	109	-	-	3,891
Foodbank	49,158	40,523	23,508	(1,000)	-	65,172
Memorial Garden Upkeep	6,878	607	1,315	-	-	6,171
Mission Links	4,250	-	4,250	-	-	-
Quinton Care Fund	1,880	-	62	-	-	1,818
QQ Msnl	-	4,000	2,000	-	-	2,000
Refuge (Children In Need)	3,105	-	-	-	-	3,105
Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)	-	50	-	-	-	50
Sub-totals	101,059	70,246	54,626	(1,300)	-	115,379
Endowment						
EHT - Edna Hopewell Trust	24,353	-	-	-	(3,296)	21,058
Sub-totals	24,353	-	-	-	(3,296)	21,058

Restricted Fund Purposes:

- Brandhall Baby Bank – Previously received grant funding for the provision of a Baby Bank.
- Brandhall Community Hub – Donations and Grants for this newly created project, previously known as The Coffee Shop.
- Building Project – Towards a building project on the site of the ex-caretaker's house.
- Coffee Shop – Now closed.
- Foodbank – Donations towards the costs of operating the foodbank.
- Memorial Garden Upkeep – Dividends received towards the upkeep of the Memorial Garden.
- Mission Links – A donation to be used to support out Mission Link partners.

- Quinton Care Fund –A clergy controlled fund for those in need in the community.
- QQ Msni –A gift to be used for quinquennial needs, or missional work.
- Refuge (Children in Need)–For craft resources for children in a Women's Refuge.
- Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) –Donations towards the costs & activities of the Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) group.

12. Agency Collections

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during in the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. The following balances were held in those agency collections at year end:

	Total
Agency: BDBF - Parochial Fees	879
Agency: Service: Foodbank	35
Agency: Ministers - Parochial Fees	190
Agency: Vergers - Parochial Fees	120
	<u>1,224</u>

13. Agency Collections – Collections for External Causes

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during in the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. The PCC runs several events through the year to raise money for external causes. The following amounts were collected during in the year and paid out to those charities / persons.

	Total
Ukraine	215
Leaving Collection Jo	593
	<u>808</u>

14. Accounts Extract Relating to 151 Castle Road West (Brandhall Community Hub), previously The Coffee Shop)

	Coffee Shop Restrict ed Fund	Brandha II Commu nity Hub Restrict ed Fund	CCQ General Fund	CCQ Mission al Fund	Foodba nk Restrict ed Fund	Baby Bank Restrict ed Fund	Totals 2022	2021
Income/Transfers In								
Donations		600		4000			4600	48
Contributions to Rent		705					705	347
Grants	500	23261					23761	12981
Foodbank Income					40523		40523	29789
Transfers In		300	1000				1300	
Total	500	24866	1000	4000	40523	0	70889	43165
Expenditure/Transfers Out								
Insurance	148	1184	37				1369	1278
Rent	754	3387	876				5017	6520
Utility Bills	1105	1415	395				2915	1340
Phones, IT, Admin	119	312	87				518	1333
Project Staff Costs		2249		2000			4249	
Cleaning		80					80	
Waste Disposal	385	229	351				965	
Renovation/Set Up Costs		11382	250				11632	
Food Pantry Franchise Fee		500					500	
Foodbank Expenditure					23508		23508	12711
Baby Bank Expenditure						132	132	605
Other grant funded outreach								1831
Fundraising costs			18				18	243
Transfers Out					1000	300	1300	
Total	2511	20738	2014	2000	24508	432	52203	25861

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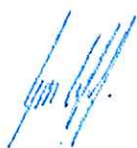
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- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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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12 April 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Notes	General funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment Funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary Income	(2a)	116,414	153,516	68,934	-	338,863	154,077
Income from Investments	(2b)	2,036	-	607	-	2,643	711
Activities for Generating Funds	(2c)	2,955	-	-	-	2,955	-
Church Activities	(2d)	4,470	-	705	-	5,175	7,473
Total income		125,875	153,516	70,246		349,637	162,261
Expenditure on:							
Church Activities	(3a)	125,746	564	51,192	-	177,502	155,309
Costs of Generating Funds	(3b)	2,747	-	3,434	-	6,181	12,433
Total expenditure		128,493	564	54,626	-	183,683	167,742
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		(2,618)	152,952	15,620	-	165,954	(5,482)
Transfers:							
Gross transfers between funds - in	(4)	1,300	50	-	-	1,350	1,467
Gross transfers between funds - out		(50)	-	(1,300)	-	(1,350)	(1,467)
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains/losses on investment assets		-	-	-	(3,296)	(3,296)	(1,720)
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use		-	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(1,368)	153,002	14,320	(3,296)	162,658	(7,201)
Reconciliation of funds							
Total funds brought forward		104,199	897	101,059	24,353	230,508	237,709
Total funds carried forward		102,831	153,899	115,379	21,058	393,166	230,508

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

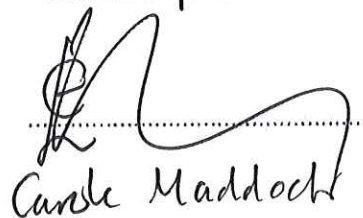
BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	At 31/12/202 2 £	At 31/12/202 1 £
Fixed assets							
Tangible Assets	(5)	99,000	-	-	-	99,000	99,000
Investments	(6)	-	-	-	21,058	21,058	24,353
		99,000	-	-	21,058	120,058	123,353
Current assets							
Cash At Bank And In Hand	(7)	396	153,899	117,490	-	271,785	107,155
Debtors	(8)	4,508	-	-	-	4,508	-
		4,904	153,899	117,490	-	276,293	107,155
Liabilities							
Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year	(9)	1,073	-	2,112	-	3,185	-
		1,073	-	2,112	-	3,185	-
Net current assets less current liabilities		3,831	153,899	115,379	-	273,108	107,155
Total assets less current liabilities		102,831	153,899	115,379	21,058	393,166	230,508
Liabilities		-	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets less liabilities Represented by Fund Totals		102,831	153,899	115,379	21,058	393,166	230,508

Approved the PCC on:

13 April 2023

Signed on the PCC's behalf by:



Candie Maddoch

PCC Secretary

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

1. Summary of Accounting Policies

General Information and basis of preparation

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

Assets:

Consecrated and benefice property

Consecrated and benefice property is excluded and not capitalised in the financial statements in accordance with Charities Act 2011.

Fixed Assets

Depreciation has been provided on church equipment on a straight-line method based on the estimated economic life of the asset, which 4 Years in the case of Fixtures, Fittings & Equipment.

Investments

Investments are recognised at their quoted market price. Unrealised gains or losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value at the year end and their carrying value.

Funds:

The financial statements have been prepared using fund accounting. Whereby income, expenditure, assets & liabilities are classified by fund. The 2 types of fund classification present in these accounts are:

1. **Unrestricted Funds (General & Designated):**
 - a. General Funds are available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering the aims and objectives of the charity.
 - b. Designated Funds are funds that have been set aside by the PCC for a particular purpose from the general fund.
2. **Restricted Funds** represent grants, donations and legacies received which are allocated by the donor for a specific purpose .

The purpose of funds held by the charity are set out in notes to the financial statements.

2. Incoming Resources

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
2a. Voluntary Income					
Planned Giving	71,149	-	-	71,149	66,033
Donations & Appeals	8,961	20	4,700	13,681	24,390
Gift Aid	29,179	-	-	29,179	13,796
Grants	2,874	-	23,761	26,635	12,981
Collections At Services	4,250	-	-	4,250	2,088
Legacies	-	153,496	-	153,496	5,000
Foodbank - Giving & Donations	-	-	16,473	16,473	
Foodbank - Grants	-	-	24,000	24,000	29,789
Voluntary Income total	116,414	153,516	68,934	338,863	154,077

2b. Investment Income

Bank & Deposit Account Interest	2,036	-	-	2,036	25
Dividends	-	-	607	607	686
Income from Investments total	2,036	-	607	2,643	711

2c. Activities for Generating Funds

Fundraising	2,455	-	-	2,455	-
Hire	500	-	-	500	-
Activities for Generating Funds total	2,955	-	-	2,955	-

2d. Church Activities

Parochial Fees	3,999	-	-	3,999	
Other Income	471	-	705	1,176	
Church Activities total	4,470	-	705	5,175	7,473

3. Expended Resources

3a. Church Activities

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
Common Fund	71,952	-	-	71,952	71,952
Charitable Giving	400	-	4,250	4,650	9,041
Mission & Outreach Work	552	-	171	723	
Youth Work	82	47	-	129	2,717
Community Work	139	-	-	139	
Children & Families Work	285	72	-	358	
Toddle Inn	63	365	-	428	420
Church Service Costs	2,907	80	-	2,987	6,840
Church Staff Costs	26,908	-	-	26,908	21,646
Office & Admin Costs	3,436	-	-	3,436	3,106
Ministry Expenses & Costs	853	-	-	853	
Rectory Costs	2,068	-	-	2,068	
Insurance	2,781	-	-	2,781	13,532
Church Utilities	4,502	-	-	4,502	
Cleaning & Hygiene	1,526	-	-	1,526	
Safety & Security	413	-	-	413	
Maintenance & Improvements	2,656	-	1,315	3,971	6,184
Professional Fees	155	-	-	155	230
Other Expenditure	155	-	-	155	-
Hall - Utilities	498	-	-	498	3,622
Hall - Maintenance & Improvements	2,915	-	-	2,915	
	125,246	564	5,736	131,546	133,057
Brandhall Hub - Staff	-	-	4,249	4,249	-
Brandhall Hub - Insurance	-	-	262	262	-
Brandhall Hub - Utilities	-	-	1,414	1,414	-
Brandhall Hub - Rates	-	-	-	-	-
Brandhall Hub - Rent	-	-	3,387	3,387	-
Brandhall Hub - Cleaning & Hygiene	-	-	309	309	-
Brandhall Hub - Other Running Costs	-	-	313	313	-
Brandhall Hub - Renovation	500	-	8,211	8,711	-
Brandhall Hub - Activities	-	-	3,671	3,671	-
Brandhall Baby Bank	-	-	132	132	606
	500	-	21,948	22,448	606
Foodbank - Running Costs	-	-	1,341	1,341	
Foodbank - Office Costs	-	-	277	277	
Foodbank - Food	-	-	9,561	9,561	11,711
Foodbank - Equipment	-	-	214	214	
Foodbank - Other Costs	-	-	12,116	12,116	
	-	-	23,508	23,508	11,711
Church Activities total	125,746	564	51,192	177,502	155,309

	General Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Year Total	Last Year Total
Coffee Shop - Insurance	37	-	1,071	1,108	
Coffee Shop - Utilities	395	-	593	988	11,955
Coffee Shop - Rent	876	-	754	1,630	
Coffee Shop - Other Overheads	438	-	1,016	1,453	
Giving Costs	326	-	-	326	
Fundraising Costs	657	-	-	657	478
Fundraiser Costs	18	-	-	18	
Costs of Generating Funds total	2,747	-	3,434	6,181	12,433

4. Transfers Between Funds

	Note	General	Designated	Restricted	Total
Foodbank Restricted Fund to General Fund	1	1,000	—	(1,000)	—
Brandhall Baby Bank Restricted to General Fund	2	300	—	(300)	—
General Fund to Designated Flower Fund	3	(50)	50	—	—
		1,250	50	(1,300)	—

- 1 £1,000 transferred from restricted Foodbank Fund to General Fund as a contribution to building overheads for 2022.
- 2 £300 transferred from the restricted Brandhall Baby Bank Fund to General Fund as a contribution to building overheads.
- 3 £50 transferred from General Fund to the designated Flower Fund.

5. Fixed Assets For Use By PCC

		Parish Hall Building	Freehold Title	Total
Cost or Valuation	At 1st January 2022	90,000	9,000	99,000
	Additions	—	—	—
	Revaluation Gain / (Loss)	—	—	—
	At 31st December 2022	90,000	9,000	99,000
Depreciation	At 1st January 2022	—	—	—
	Charge for the year	—	—	—
	Disposal	—	—	—
	At 31st December 2022	—	—	—
Net Book Value	At 31st December 2022	90,000	9,000	99,000

6. Investments

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Market Value - 1 st January	24,353	26,073
Additions	—	—
Revaluation gain / (loss)	(3,296)	(1,720)
Market Value - 31 st December	21,058	24,353

7. Cash at Bank & in Hand

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
<u>Church:</u>		
Current Account	35,383	18,943
Deposit Account	169,400	36,797
Quinton Care Fund	1,680	1,880
Church - Petty Cash	200	357
Church - Coffee Shop	—	20
	206,663	57,997
<u>Foodbank</u>		
Foodbank - Current Account	64,821	49,133
Foodbank - Petty Cash	301	25
	65,122	49,158
Total Cash At Bank & In Hand	271,785	107,155

8. Debtors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
HMRC Debtors	4,173	—
Other Debtors	47	—
Total Debtors	4,220	—
Prepayments	288	—
Total Debtors & Prepayments	4,508	—

9. Creditors

	This Year Total	Last Year Total
Utilities	1,175	—
Other Creditors	785	—
Agency Collections	1,224	—
Total Creditors	3,185	—
Deferred Income	—	—
Total Creditors & Deferred Income	3,185	—

10. Unrestricted Fund Movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances Carried forward
Unrestricted						
General - General Fund	104,199	125,875	128,493	1,250	-	102,831
Sub-totals	104,199	125,875	128,493	1,250	-	102,831
Designated						
Elaine Buchan Legacy	-	153,496	-	-	-	153,496
Flowers	-	20	50	50	-	20
Children's Work (Monday Club)	268	-	149	-	-	118
Old Burial Gound	264	-	-	-	-	264
Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)	365	-	365	-	-	-
Sub-totals	897	153,516	564	50	-	153,899

Unrestricted Fund Purposes:

General Fund:

- Available for use at the discretion of the PCC in delivering its aims and objectives.

Designated Funds:

- Elaine Buchan Legacy – Towards the decorating and renovation of the church building.
- Flowers – A designated fund towards the costs of flowers at services.
- Children's Work – Previously designated funds towards the Monday Club, now more generally held for Children's Work at Christchurch.
- Old Burial Ground – A designated fund for the cost of maintaining the Old Burial Ground.
- Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) – Contributions towards the costs & activities of the Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) group.

11. Restricted Fund Movements

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances Carried forward
Restricted						
Brandhall Baby Bank	1,881	-	132	(300)	-	1,449
Brandhall Community Hub	-	24,566	20,738	-	-	3,828
Building Projects	27,895	-	-	-	-	27,895
Coffee Shop	2,011	500	2,511	-	-	-
Discipleship Bursary	4,000	-	109	-	-	3,891
Foodbank	49,158	40,523	23,508	(1,000)	-	65,172
Memorial Garden Upkeep	6,878	607	1,315	-	-	6,171
Mission Links	4,250	-	4,250	-	-	-
Quinton Care Fund	1,880	-	62	-	-	1,818
QQ Msnl	-	4,000	2,000	-	-	2,000
Refuge (Children In Need)	3,105	-	-	-	-	3,105
Toddle Inn (Stay & Play)	-	50	-	-	-	50
Sub-totals	101,059	70,246	54,626	(1,300)	-	115,379
Endowment						
EHT - Edna Hopewell Trust	24,353	-	-	-	(3,296)	21,058
Sub-totals	24,353	-	-	-	(3,296)	21,058

Restricted Fund Purposes:

- Brandhall Baby Bank – Previously received grant funding for the provision of a Baby Bank.
- Brandhall Community Hub – Donations and Grants for this newly created project, previously known as The Coffee Shop.
- Building Project – Towards a building project on the site of the ex-caretaker's house.
- Coffee Shop – Now closed.
- Foodbank – Donations towards the costs of operating the foodbank.
- Memorial Garden Upkeep – Dividends received towards the upkeep of the Memorial Garden.
- Mission Links – A donation to be used to support out Mission Link partners.

- Quinton Care Fund –A clergy controlled fund for those in need in the community.
- QQ Msni –A gift to be used for quinquennial needs, or missional work.
- Refuge (Children in Need)–For craft resources for children in a Women's Refuge.
- Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) –Donations towards the costs & activities of the Toddle Inn (Stay & Play) group.

12. Agency Collections

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during in the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. The following balances were held in those agency collections at year end:

	Total
Agency: BDBF - Parochial Fees	879
Agency: Service: Foodbank	35
Agency: Ministers - Parochial Fees	190
Agency: Vergers - Parochial Fees	120
	<u>1,224</u>

13. Agency Collections – Collections for External Causes

Any third-party funds received by the PCC during in the year have been excluded from the accounts and put through agency collections. The PCC runs several events through the year to raise money for external causes. The following amounts were collected during in the year and paid out to those charities / persons.

	Total
Ukraine	215
Leaving Collection Jo	593
	<u>808</u>

14. Accounts Extract Relating to 151 Castle Road West (Brandhall Community Hub), previously The Coffee Shop)

	Coffee Shop Restrict ed Fund	Brandha II Commu nity Hub Restrict ed Fund	CCQ General Fund	CCQ Mission al Fund	Foodba nk Restrict ed Fund	Baby Bank Restrict ed Fund	Totals 2022	2021
Income/Transfers In								
Donations		600		4000			4600	48
Contributions to Rent		705					705	347
Grants	500	23261					23761	12981
Foodbank Income					40523		40523	29789
Transfers In		300	1000				1300	
Total	500	24866	1000	4000	40523	0	70889	43165
Expenditure/Transfers Out								
Insurance	148	1184	37				1369	1278
Rent	754	3387	876				5017	6520
Utility Bills	1105	1415	395				2915	1340
Phones, IT, Admin	119	312	87				518	1333
Project Staff Costs		2249		2000			4249	
Cleaning		80					80	
Waste Disposal	385	229	351				965	
Renovation/Set Up Costs		11382	250				11632	
Food Pantry Franchise Fee		500					500	
Foodbank Expenditure					23508		23508	12711
Baby Bank Expenditure						132	132	605
Other grant funded outreach								1831
Fundraising costs			18				18	243
Transfers Out					1000	300	1300	
Total	2511	20738	2014	2000	24508	432	52203	25861

Accounts

Christ Church Quinton
Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council to the Charity Commission
From start 2021 to year end 2021

Aim and purposes

Christ Church Quinton is a congregation of the Church of England, and a lively, friendly group of Christians who are looking to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ and to serve him in our neighbourhood (the parish of Christ Church The Quinton, Birmingham City, Dudley MBC and Sandwell MBC, and the world).

Objectives and Activities

We provide spiritual and pastoral support to all, through the provision of 2 regular Sunday services, and a full range of mid-week meetings. Work with children and young people is a priority at Christ Church and we have a part time youth worker. Work with children goes on at various times, not just on Sunday morning.

We also rent premises in the Brandhall part of the parish. It is run by Christ Church and has been a centre for service to the community in Brandhall and Quinton. However, during the pandemic through 2020 and into 2021, the activities formally held there all ended except for the Trussell Trust Food Bank. The centre undertook consultation with users and is currently reimagining its future as a Community Hub.

As a church we want to be there for people at all times of life. However, at key times our church can be involved in a special way, with services for the birth of a child, with weddings and with funerals.

Baptism and Thanksgivings

We regularly offer baptisms and thanksgiving services. We help families to decide which service is more suitable, and we want to make it an enjoyable and accessible experience

Weddings

We love conducting weddings in our beautiful church. We offer support and guidance through the legalities. We also offer marriage preparation to couples aimed to enrich their relationship before the big day.

Funerals

We have clergy who regularly take funerals either in church or in crematoria. We work with funeral directors and families to celebrate the life of loved ones and offer Christian hope for the future. We are keen to support families at a difficult time by offering ongoing pastoral support and twice a year we invite bereaved families into church for a memorial service.

Worship and Prayer

We have two regular services every Sunday.

8.30am Service - A traditional Holy Communion service.

10.30am Service - A contemporary service, with Holy Communion twice a month, with youth and children's activities.

We have evening services across the year:

A monthly 4pm service for families, with activities, worship and food.

A pattern of healing service and memorial services at 6.30pm.

There are regular times of prayer during the week and Home Groups that meet for Bible Study and prayer.

Deanery Synod 4 members of the congregation are elected to attend the regular meetings of the Deanery Synod and provide reports to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is provided by both the clergy and a team of licensed lay people who have received appropriate training

Mission and Evangelism is supported locally through START and ALPHA courses. We also support mission worldwide through regular giving shared equally between Church Missionary Society in Paraguay, Quinton Youth for Christ, A Rocha Kenya, the Birmingham Diocesan Malawi link, Esperanza Foster Home Paraguay (via SAMS Ireland), Christian Solidarity Worldwide.

Volunteers

Many of the church members volunteer their time, both on a Sunday, and throughout the week enabling the activities and mission of the Church.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members at Christ Church the Quinton is set out in the Church Representation Rules, and consists of the Incumbent and Assistant Priest, The Church Wardens, the 3 Readers and 4 Deanery Synod members. Also 12 members elected from the congregation at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

The Parochial Church Council 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 every 2 months, and as well as the regular business of the Church (reports from

Deanery Synod, Fabric Committee, Mission Links sub-committee, Youth and Children's work, Finance Committee and work on the Old Burial Ground), PCC also considers its responsibilities and activities such as The Food Bank, The General Data Protection Regulations, Redevelopment of the old Caretakers House and Disabled Toilets, developed a Conflict of Interests policy, approved the Memorial Garden policy. In addition the council has complied with its duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Membership of the PCC for 2021

Rev. Rachel Heathfield – Interim Minister (Priest in Charge)

Rev. Andrew Wells – Assistant Priest

Lisa Moody – Church Warden & Deanery Synod Rep

John Trevor –Deanery Synod Rep

Peter Sherwen – Deanery Synod Rep

Jo Jennings – Deanery Synod Rep

Mark Heritage - Reader

Chris Iles – Reader

Heather Williams – Reader

Doreen Morris - Treasurer

Carole Maddock - Secretary

Joyce Gilkes – Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Tracey Straker

Elaine Lewis

Sarah Coton

Pearl Coton

Neil Allen (Church Warden)

Emily West

Sharron Brice

David Homer

Julie Reid

Financial Review

Total Receipts on unrestricted funds were £162,261. Total expenditure was 167,742.

Reserves Policy It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on deposit (if possible) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments equivalent to £40,000 to cover emergency situations which arise from time to time. This reserve had been diminished over a number of years and we are still financially recovering from both Covid 19 pandemic and the loss of income from our Parish Hall which closed in January 2020.

Administrative information

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The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church The Quinton, Birmingham

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

	GENERAL UNRESTRICTED FUND	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	2021 TOTALS	2020
RECEIPTS					
Planned Giving	66,033	0	0	66,033	66,247
Loose plate and contactless giving	2,088	0	0	2,088	1,887
Donations and other giving	7,320	1,000	10,025	18,345	29,454
Donations to Organ Fund	0	0	4,528	4,528	0
Donations to Coffee Shop	23	0	0	23	1,479
Grants to Coffee Shop	9,669	0	3,312	12,981	32,963
Donations to Foodbank	0	0	29,789	29,789	34,796
Donations to Quinton Care (Clergy) Fund	0	0	1,493	1,493	820
Gift Aid Received	12,601	0	1,196	13,796	23,569
Other receipts	2,631	0	0	2,631	683
Legacy Received	5,000	0	0	5,000	4,000
Investment income	25	0	686	711	1,018
Receipts from Church Activities	4,842	0	0	4,842	6,422
TOTAL RECEIPTS	110,233	1,000	51,028	162,261	203,336
PAYMENTS					
Common Fund	71,952	0	0	71,952	56,743
Church Running expenses	12,532	1,000		13,532	18,000
Outreach - Quinton Care (Clergy) Fund	0	0	1,020	1,020	500
Outreach - Babybank	0	0	606	606	560
Outreach - Toddle Inn	0	420	0	420	617
Outreach - Foodbank	0	0	11,711	11,711	6,358
Other Outreach	1,697	0	0	1,697	777
Worship resources	1,942	0	0	1,942	4,522
Parish Office costs	3,106	0	0	3,106	281
	21,646	0	0	21,646	14,665
Cost of Generating Funds	478	0	0	478	1,559
Mission Giving	9,041	0	0	9,041	6,097
Organ purchase	3,702	0	4,898	8,600	0
Hall running costs	3,622	0	0	3,622	3,414
Coffee shop costs	19	0	11,936	11,955	13,445
Church repairs and maintenance	5,604	100	480	6,184	824
PCC Governance Expenses	230	0	0	230	245
2020 Pre-school cessation charges				0	30,126
TOTAL PAYMENTS	135,572	1,520	30,651	167,742	158,732
Excess/Deficit of Receipts over Payments before transfers	-25,339	-520	20,377	-5,482	44,605
Transfers between funds					
Children in Need rent allowance	347		-347	0	
Foodbank donation	1,000		-1,000	0	
Organ Fund	-120		120	0	
Excess/Deficit of Receipts over Payments	-24,112	-520	19,150	-5,482	45,480

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2021					
FIXED ASSETS		2020		2021	
Parish Hall Building and Fixtures		90,000		90,000	
Freehold Title (Property)		9,000		9,000	
Endowment Shareholding-Edna Hopewell Trust		26,073		24,353	
		125,073		123,353	
CURRENT ASSETS					
Deposit Account		36,092		36,797	
Current Account		41,783		18,943	
HSBC (for Children in Need) now closed		1,800		0	
Foodbank Current Account		30,916		49,133	
Quinton Care Fund - Clergy		1,407		1,880	
Cash Floats		639		402	
		112,636		107,155	
TOTAL ASSETS		237,709		230,508	
LIABILITIES		0		0	
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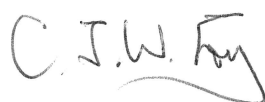
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The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church The Quinton, Birmingham

Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 31st December 2021

	GENERAL UNRESTRICTED FUND	DESIGNATED FUNDS	RESTRICTED FUNDS	2021 TOTALS	2020
RECEIPTS					
Planned Giving	66,033	0	0	66,033	66,247
Loose plate and contactless giving	2,088	0	0	2,088	1,887
Donations and other giving	7,320	1,000	10,025	18,345	29,454
Donations to Organ Fund	0	0	4,528	4,528	0
Donations to Coffee Shop	23	0	0	23	1,479
Grants to Coffee Shop	9,669	0	3,312	12,981	32,963
Donations to Foodbank	0	0	29,789	29,789	34,796
Donations to Quinton Care (Clergy) Fund	0	0	1,493	1,493	820
Gift Aid Received	12,601	0	1,196	13,796	23,569
Other receipts	2,631	0	0	2,631	683
Legacy Received	5,000	0	0	5,000	4,000
Investment income	25	0	686	711	1,018
Receipts from Church Activities	4,842	0	0	4,842	6,422
TOTAL RECEIPTS	110,233	1,000	51,028	162,261	203,336
PAYMENTS					
Common Fund	71,952	0	0	71,952	56,743
Church Running expenses	12,532	1,000		13,532	18,000
Outreach - Quinton Care (Clergy) Fund	0	0	1,020	1,020	500
Outreach - Babybank	0	0	606	606	560
Outreach - Toddle Inn	0	420	0	420	617
Outreach - Foodbank	0	0	11,711	11,711	6,358
Other Outreach	1,697	0	0	1,697	777
Worship resources	1,942	0	0	1,942	4,522
Parish Office costs	3,106	0	0	3,106	281
	21,646	0	0	21,646	14,665
Cost of Generating Funds	478	0	0	478	1,559
Mission Giving	9,041	0	0	9,041	6,097
Organ purchase	3,702	0	4,898	8,600	0
Hall running costs	3,622	0	0	3,622	3,414
Coffee shop costs	19	0	11,936	11,955	13,445
Church repairs and maintenance	5,604	100	480	6,184	824
PCC Governance Expenses	230	0	0	230	245
2020 Pre-school cessation charges				0	30,126
TOTAL PAYMENTS	135,572	1,520	30,651	167,742	158,732
Excess/Deficit of Receipts over Payments before transfers	-25,339	-520	20,377	-5,482	44,605
Transfers between funds					
Children in Need rent allowance	347		-347	0	
Foodbank donation	1,000		-1,000	0	
Organ Fund	-120		120	0	
Excess/Deficit of Receipts over Payments	-24,112	-520	19,150	-5,482	45,480

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2021					
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Freehold Title (Property)		9,000		9,000	
Endowment Shareholding-Edna Hopewell Trust		26,073		24,353	
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CURRENT ASSETS					
Deposit Account		36,092		36,797	
Current Account		41,783		18,943	
HSBC (for Children in Need) now closed		1,800		0	
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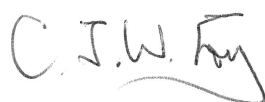
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Christ Church - The Quinton

Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting
to be held on Zoom and in Church Thursday 27th May 2021 at 7.30pm

AGENDA

Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry Meeting)

Purpose

- | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---------|
| 1 | Apologies for absence | receive |
| 2 | Appointment of Chair and Secretary | vote |
| 3 | Minutes of 2019 meeting | agree |
| 4 | Election of Church Wardens | vote |
| <i>Close of meeting</i> | | |

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- | | | |
|---|------------------------------------|------|
| 1 | Worship, prayers and bible reading | note |
| 2 | Chair and Secretary | note |
| 3 | Apologies for absence | note |

Looking Back over 2020

4 Covid 19 Response & impact

note

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| 4.1 | Infection control – practicalities |
| 4.2 | Operations - building closure/opening, pastoral care, finance |
| 4.3 | Ministry and worship |

5 Meeting & Membership

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| 5.1 | Minutes of the APCM 28 th October 2020 | agree |
| 5.2 | Receiving of the Electoral Roll report | receive |

6 Governance & Leadership

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|-----|---------------------------|---------|
| 6.2 | PCC Report 2020 | receive |
| 6.3 | Deanery Synod Report 2020 | receive |
| 6.4 | Safeguarding report | agree |

7 Resources

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|-----|---|---------|
| 7.1 | Fabric report (building, furniture & movable items) | note |
| 7.3 | Old Burial Ground | note |
| 7.4 | Report to Charity Commission | note |
| 7.5 | Financial report including Coffee Shop | receive |
| 7.6 | Appointment of independent examiner for 2021 | vote |

8 Mission & Ministry

- | | | |
|-----|---|---------|
| 8.1 | Ministries report (including Refuge Report) | receive |
| 8.2 | Coffee Shop report | receive |
| 8.3 | Mission Links report | receive |
| 8.4 | Interim Minister's report | receive |

Questions on Looking Back section

Looking Forward 2021-22

9 Elections

9.1 Elections to PCC (4 x 3yr terms, 1 x 1yr terms)

9.2 Vision and Priorities for the next year

vote

vote

receive

Questions on Looking Forward section

10 Any other business

Closing prayer and blessing

Looking Back over 2020

Covid 19 Response & impact

I have decided to start this meeting by setting the context that has affected almost everything that was done during the last 12 months, namely the global pandemic that was caused by the Coronavirus. All of our activities in ministry and mission have been impacted by the restrictions we have had to make in order to keep people safe. We had to make some decisions based on a little bit of information, and some decisions based on well documented science. Either way we cannot forget the impact this has had on this year and will no doubt have for many years to come.

*This is my report as priest in charge of Christ Church at this time. **Revd Rachel Heathfield May 2021***

4.1 Infection control – practicalities

This has been the main driver in all things – to reduce infection and to thus protect people. This has meant numerous risk assessments, developing across the year; changes in practice for how we meet together and how we care for one another. It has affected occasional offices – especially with the postponement of all baptisms and weddings and with the increased number of funerals conducted with reduced numbers of mourners.

4.2 Operations - building closure/opening, pastoral care, finance

Building closure was imposed on us at the end of March by the Church of England. We very quickly adopted zoom as our online method of gathering for worship. We were allowed to reopen at the beginning of July which we did, with a carefully monitored number in the building due to the assessment of a safe, socially distanced congregation. In July and August we maintained 2 different services, one in person and one on zoom. In September we launched the online live stream of the worship in church. In November we closed the building again for the second lockdown, this time instructed by Church of England Birmingham. The building reopened for December but in early January, the threat of the new variant of the virus was so strong, the PCC made the decision to close the building again, (third lockdown) this time live streaming from the church without a congregation present in the building. Funerals continued in building throughout the second and third lockdown. This third lockdown ended on May 2nd 2021.

During the first part of the first lockdown we tried to maintain our administrator and her workload from home, but it became obvious that we needed to furlough her and we turned to volunteers to answer the phone (transferred to a mobile) and monitor emails. Thanks to both Linda Harbon for the first shift and to Ellie Gull for the second. We furloughed Emma our cleaner during the early part of lockdown, bring her back with reduced hours later in the year. We also put Phil Arnold on furlough for a percentage of his hours as the youthwork was so limited, bringing him back in September extending his job description to include elements of children's work and the technical work.

Pastoral Care has continued during these 3 phases of lockdown and re-emerging, with our team doing a wonderful job of telephoning and writing, providing practical help where needed and prayer support throughout. There has been an increase in bereavement in the community with almost 75 funerals conducted between March 20 and March 21. Those who have been able to access services online, both with the interactivity of zoom and the benefit of watching the services streamed, has been a good way of keeping up with people, although there are a good number who we have not seen or heard from. Throughout the year, a weekly email has been sent out and a

printed version sent to those not online to keep people connected, informed and encouraged.

Finance is covered in the specific report, but it has not been so terrible as we may have predicted. We have been able to recover some reserves, payback a transfer we had to make from a restricted fund, born the increased cost of hand sanitizer and other covid-necessary products and have completed 3 necessary and long-awaited maintenance projects. This has been due to the generosity of individual gifts, grants, money saved through the furlough of staff, and reduced costs.

4.3 Ministry and worship

The steep learning curve that everyone went on to get themselves on zoom and then onto online streaming has been phenomenal. We had to make a decision of what platform we were going to favour and the combination of interactivity and real-time worship (as opposed to pre-recorded services) have been exactly the right thing for us at Christ Church. We remain indebted to both Phil Arnold and Finn Heathfield for their hard work in completing both the physical equipment installation and the platform/software management required to keep us worshipping online. I am strongly of the opinion we will never lose this new method of church worship. It has been widely used both on Sundays and in our funeral ministry and at the one wedding we conducted in the year, connecting families in the Caribbean, into Africa and across to India.

Our weekly midweek Morning Prayer on zoom has been a real highlight, and again, something that will remain. Every Wednesday we have had at least 30 people in the meeting, some weeks that being more like 50. We have met every day during both Holy Weeks and every day during Thy Kingdom Come in 2020.

This year has been less than ideal to minister in groups. Some of our homegroups have met, some have met rarely or not at all, Ladies Evening Guild has not met (although special thanks to Stella for maintaining good contact with the membership throughout), Third Tuesday Prayers has not happened.

Ministry among children has been hit-and-miss. Maintaining child attention on zoom was difficult for Sunday worship at the beginning and we worked hard producing print-at-home activities each week, but it was difficult to assess the success of this. In September we launched a distanced, in-church, Sunday afternoon meeting, but this was kyboshed by the second lockdown, so we started a zoom gathering which more successful. Its been hard! Phil has worked very hard with the teenagers online but engagement has been patchy and getting them to talk has been tough. Teenagers have felt the lack of going out and meeting people as keenly as everyone else.

There have been 4 highlights of community engagement this year. One was the Light Trail at Halloween time, with a trail around a small part of the parish to see light displays in gardens. We had over 100 people engage with the trail. Another highlight was with the Memorial Tree at Christmas with over 300 knitted love hearts being labelled and placed on the tree for a lost loved one. At Christmas we also set an Advent Trail, with a new walking route each week of advent to see displays and read the nativity narrative together; 75 booklets were taken (our only way of gauging who went round). Finally, we opened the church for the weekend of Mothers Day, inviting people to come and spend a moment of stillness remembering our mothers, both lost, separated by covid or just deeply missed. Again, I think we had about 100 visitors through church that weekend. All of these activities were engaged with by people who would not call themselves members of Christ Church.

We have been blessed as a church this year to see Jo Jennings take on a different role from normal after her acceptance to train for ordained ministry. She is doing a “mixed mode” course at Trinity Bristol which means half learning in lectures and half learning in parish. We are fortunate to have her here, doing her parish based learning with us. Its not been an easy start with restrictions but Jo is resilient and flexible. She has just put into action her first mission based project by re-starting our much needed (and greatly missed) toddler work. We look forward to more over the next year!

There will be time for specific thanks later but I want to thank everyone for coming along with us through a really difficult time. You have all been so supportive and adaptable to change and have embraced the unexpected and difficult in extraordinary ways. Thank you for being kind to your neighbours and for praying so fervently for the Lord to have mercy. You really are fabulous.....

Parish of Christ Church the Quinton
Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners (Vestry Meeting) held on
Zoom and in Church
Thursday 8th October 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Chair Rev Rachel Heathfield & 77 parishioners (21 present in the building and 56 online).

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from:- D Stirling, B Iles, C Iles, J Floyd

2. Appointment of Chair & Secretary for the meeting

It was suggested that Rachel Heathfield would chair the Vestry Meeting and Sue Hamilton was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and these proposals were accepted unanimously

3. Minutes of the vestry meeting 2019.

Acceptance was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

4. Election of Church Wardens

Two nominations had been received:-

John Trevor was proposed by Lisa Moody and seconded by Bev Heritage

Lisa Moody was proposed by Bev Heritage and seconded by Dolly Jalal

There were no other nominations. The Chair proposed these candidates were accepted en bloc and agreed unanimously. The two candidates were therefore declared duly elected.

The meeting was then declared closed

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1. Worship, prayers and bible reading

A thankfulness liturgy and a bible reading of James 1 v2-4 was shared by all in

attendance.

Rachel reflected that this year has been a rollercoaster, we have lost:- people, jobs, dreams, hopes, plans. The Church has lost:- the hall, people we love, activities we value, plans for 180th Anniversary. James talks about how trials bring joy. A proven psychological phenomenon that if we look for how trials can grow us, we will grow. He addresses the church family, we grow because we are in community and face things together because of our faith, the ultimate belief that Jesus has done what is needed for our redemption and salvation. What happens? Maturity (like in Ephesians and joy, not happiness but joy that true inner contentment. Prayers were said in light of this for the church, during a difficult season and that we might see clearly who we are in Christ and who we are as a church during this time.

2. Appointment of Chair and Secretary

Rachel Heathfield was willing to continue as chair of the APCM. It was also suggested that Sue Hamilton continue as Secretary for the APCM. This was accepted unanimously.

3. Apologies for absence:

All apologies were noted in the minutes of the Annual Vestry Meeting.

4. Minutes of the APCM 2019

The following errors were noted:-

- a) Under point 11 Joyce's surname should be spelled Gilkes
- b) Under point 13 The Monday club meets on Monday
- c) Support for Monday Club was from Emma and Dolly

With those amendments it was proposed by Rachel Heathfield that the minutes should be accepted as a correct record of the meeting. This was accepted unanimously

5. Electoral Roll Report:

There are currently 128 names on the electoral roll (there were 120 on the roll previously). As this year was not a year of full revision with a number of names having been removed the overall number indicated growth overall. The full report was available on Page 7 of the pack made available both electronically and hard copy in advance of the meeting

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

6. PCC Report:

The report was submitted by Rachel Heathfield as chair of the PCC as Bob Iles, the PCC Secretary had stood down. The full report was available on Page 7 of the pack made available both electronically and hard copy in advance of the meeting.

Thanks were expressed to those demitting from the PCC.

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

7. **Deanery Synod Report:**

The Deanery Synod report was prepared by Lisa Moody. It was noted in particular that the Edgbaston and Warley Deaneries were being amalgamated and that there were interviews on the following day for a full-time area Dean and our prayers were requested.

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

8. **Elections:**

8.1 **Elections to PCC (4x3yr terms, 1x1yr term):**

The following nominations had been received:-

Doreen Morris	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	Bev Heritage
Emily West	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	Bev Heritage
Carole Maddock	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	Bev Heritage
Tracy Straker	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	David Gallivan
Neil Allen	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	Bev Heritage

Tracy Straker had agreed to take up the one-year term and following clarification that it is possible to stand for PCC immediately after demitting, as there were no further nominations, no vote was necessary and those standing for PC were declared duly elected

8.2 **Elections to Deanery Synod (4 places):**

Lisa Moody	Nominated:	Boliver Forrest	Seconded:	Mark Heritage
John Trevor	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	David Gallivan
Joanne Jennings	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	David Gallivan
Peter Sherwen	Nominated:	Lisa Moody	Seconded:	David Gallivan

As there were no further nominations, no vote was necessary and the those standing for Deanery Synod were declared duly elected.

Heather Williams expressed congratulations to the members of the new PCC on behalf of the congregation.

8.3 **Appointment of Stewards:**

A list of stewards was available on page 8 of the pack.

It was noted that Sue Sherwen and Heather Williams were available as assistants if required but often had other roles in the service so were not on the regular rota.

There was a need for more people to help and that there were temporary stewards on the list currently due to the current COVID restrictions on numbers in the church buildings for services.

Thanks were expressed to all on the list for their involvement in this area of ministry.

9. Reports and updates:

It was noted that a number of reports had been prepared for the expected APCM meeting in March, however it had not been possible to go ahead with this meeting following the national lockdown.

9.1 Mission links:

A report was included on page 9 of the pack. The new PCC would review the financial situation with respect to mission giving going forward.

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

9.2 Fabric Report:

A report was available on page 10-11 of the pack prepared for March 2020. It was noted that it has been possible to replace the carpet in church during the lockdown but other things had, of necessity, been put on hold. The next quinquennial survey is due in 2022 and a number of items would need to be addressed in advance of that.

Thanks were expressed to Peter and Sue Sherwen for all the hard work on the fabric of the church buildings and grounds and to all those who had helped with the Parish Hall over the years. Thanks were also expressed to those who involved in Helping Hands for their hard work in the church buildings on the monthly Saturday morning sessions.

Acceptance of the report was proposed by Rachel Heathfield and accepted unanimously.

9.3 Ministries Report:

The report looked at 4 particular areas, mentioning specific areas below.

9.3.1 Children and Young people

- Junior church
- Monday club
- Café church
- Rock Solid
- Uniformed organisations – Brownies, Rainbows and Guides

9.3.2 Fellowship and activities

- Ladies Evening Guild
- Knit and Natter

- Elderly people groups

9.3.3 Serving the Church

- Flower Guild
- Welcomers and refreshments
- Communion assistants
- Helping Hands
- OBG
- Home groups
- Alpha etc
- Prayer ministry
- Pastoral care
- Finance Team
- Music group and organists
- Sound and vision

9.3.4 Outreach and mission

- Women's Refuge (Children in need)
- Food Bank
- Bereavement group
- Monday Club
- Midweek groups with the elderly

There are no individual reports from the groups this year for obvious reasons. Some have been particularly affected by the hall closure (LG, MonClub, uniforms). Some of these groups have found alternative solutions to meeting in the hall and some are currently meeting on Zoom. Plans will still need to be put in place about how we operate post covid need to be creative about how we operate post covid

There is an amazing number of things for people to be involved in and when we re-open there will be plenty of new opportunities. There will be a need for a team to become apprentices under the best to take us forward, in particular the following areas were noted.

- Online presence, meeting and greeting, follow up, social media, tech.
- Fundraising - special events, special projects
- Buildings - h&s, maintenance, development. New generation needed!

Please volunteer!

The Thankfulness Liturgy was shared again by all in attendance.

9.4 **Safeguarding Report - Compliance and provision - Parish Safeguarding Lead,**

- We take Safeguarding very seriously and it is a standing item on every PCC meeting. It involves all vulnerable people, elderly, children and those at any risk.
- We have kept our policy up to date with new additions from the House of Bishops.
- Joyce Gilkes is willing continues to be our Parish Safeguarding co-ordinator with Rachel in support.

Rachel proposed that Joyce continues as our Safeguarding lead noting that she is very well qualified for this role. This was unanimously accepted.

9.5 Noting of Report to Charity Commission:

The report for 2019 was written by Bob Iles, we report our activities to them in retrospect. All members of the PCC are trustees. A copy of the report is available in the APCM pack on Page 11.

10. Financial Report:

The report had been prepared by Doreen Morris, PCC Treasurer, however due to issues on Zoom it was read by Rachel. The details contained in the report are contained in the APCM pack on Page 14.

Copies of the Finances were also available by e-mail or hard copies. A report on 2020 to date will also be sent out by e-mail which shows the picture is looking better despite the difficulties faced this year.

Questions sent in advance:-

1. The Hall is listed as a fixed asset of £90K. Even before closure, was it really worth this?
A : its insured value is for £702K
2. Was Gift aid claimed? Is there anyway of making this process more timely and regular?
A : we are indebted to both John Kilminster and to Elaine Buchan who did a lot of the work for this. Unfortunately, we have not yet found replacement workers! But yes, we claimed the amount and we are working on how to collect in future. Finance committee were working out an easier method pre lockdown.
3. Restricted fund for coffee shop. Is this the best way of keeping that money? Would it be better to be within General Fund?
A : much of the money is gifts or grants specifically given for the work and purpose of the coffee shop. We have to keep it clearly separate for the work there
4. Giving for Growth project monies, what is happening with them?
A: The project was initiated just before Jenny left, due to current circumstances, the discussions with the School about the Caretaker's house cannot be actioned at present. Some of the money was given with no specific project attached and can therefore be diverted to other projects. Where a specific project was named by the giver they will be asked whether they are willing to reallocate these to other projects or whether they require the donation to be returned if it becomes clear that the project cannot be progressed. It was noted that there is still a need for suitable toilet provision for disabled users.
5. What is the situation with the Coffee Shop rent given the closures due to Covid?
A: A grant has been given by Sandwell Council during lockdown so the rent can be paid during 2020

Acceptance of the Finance report was proposed by Rachel and accepted unanimously

10.1 Receiving of independently examined financial statement

Acceptance of the Finance report was proposed by Rachel and accepted unanimously

10.2 Appointment of independent examiner for next year

Thanks were expressed to Chris Foy for his work as Independent Examiner for both the main church accounts and for all his work on the Preschool accounts. Chris has expressed his willingness to be used again

Rachel proposed the appointment of Mr Chris Foy as Independent examiner for 2020-2021 and this was accepted unanimously.

The Thankfulness Liturgy was shared again by all in attendance.

11. Coffee Shop AGM:

11.1 Coffee Shop Report:

A report on the Coffee Shop activity was available on page 15 of the booklet

In addition to the report it was noted that the lack of an Accessible toilet was an issue for the building.

11.2 Coffee Shop Financial Report:

The financial details are contained within the main financial report. In 2017 and 2018 expenditure exceeded income but in 2019 income increased and turned this around. There were two gifts received totalling around £12k. Thanks were commended and prayers sought for the work and workers in the Coffee shop, especially in the current circumstances of social distancing and with the increased busyness of Foodbank.

Acceptance of the Coffee Shop report and Coffee shop Finance report was proposed by Rachel and accepted unanimously

12 Interim Minister's Report:

A copy of the report was available in the booklet on page 16.

The issues noted in particular were the departure of Rev Jenny Arnold in March 2019, the interregnum and appointment of Rev Rachel Heathfield as Interim Minister in Jan 2020 following the end of her curacy in December 2019. Her role was to focus on two areas of the ministry of Christ Church in particular, the Pre-school and the Coffee Shop.

With the events related to the Parish Hall, the Pre-school closed on Jan 22nd, which was not the sense at the time of taking the role. The value of the Pre-school over many years was noted, the Ofsted report rated it Outstanding and the staff were commended as were Jenny, Bob Iles, Richard Brice and latterly Sarah Coton for their hard work on behalf of the PCC for Pre-school.

Thanks was also expressed to Stella and her team who had worked with young people over many years in Monday Club which meet in the Parish Hall. The uniformed organisations, Karate club and Ladies Guild all need to find new homes.

Rachel went on to speak about “Build on the Past, Reimagine the future”., a message that Bev Richardson, our CMS Link partner had heard this message and knew she must convey to us.

Over the next few months we would focus on Ephesians and in particular Rachel highlighted Eph 4v1 “Live a life worthy of your calling”

Thanks in particular were expressed to Bob Iles for all his work on Pre-school and GDPR, to the Church Wardens and senior stewards as keyholders for their work during the pandemic. Rachel also thanked the pastoral care team, particularly Chris Iles for all they are doing in the current circumstances. Thanks were also expressed to the Steering Group for their work in the interregnum and to everyone who has helped in the making the church covid secure, to the floor sweepers, coffee makers, toilet cleaners, as every task has helped in the ministry.

The Thankfulness Liturgy was shared again by all in attendance.

13. Any Other Business:

It was noted that the Parish Administrator Jen had been placed on furlough. Rachel thanked those who had been assisting her in some of the additional admin tasks resulting from the pandemic, to Linda Harbon and Ellie Gull, to all delivering newsletters and post to those shielding, Sharron Brice, Andrew Brice and Sophie, Lynn Todd, Debbie Sterling, Mildred, Anne Crumpton, Claire Cronin, Andrew Johnston & Maddie Cattell.

During the current situation, the IT team have been looking into upgrading the IT provision in the building.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed in prayer

Electoral Roll Report

The final number on the ER for 2021 is 129 people.

This is one more than last year.

The full list of names is on display at the back of church.

PCC Report for 2020

In the cycle this meeting relates to, from when the last APCM was due (Spring 2020) the PCC has only met

September, November, January (twice -once as an emergency, once scheduled) and March.

There was also an initial meeting with our consultant from CofE Birmingham who will assist in our Transforming Church Action Plan (TCAP) where we begun to talk about our identity as a church.

All issues of Covid implications were discussed and finances scrutinised. Safeguarding policy was updated to include the reporting of serious issues. The updating of the administrators role was discussed and a new way forward approved. The future of the Parish Hall was “held” but during lockdown decisions were difficult to make due to lack of professional assessment of the building state. Discussion about whether to buy a new organ was held.

Deanery Synod Report

The Synod did not meet this year.

The new “super deanery” was finalised and the new full time area dean (Rev Mike Sermon, formerly of Blackheath) was appointed.

Safeguarding Report

Joyce Gilkes was once again appointed as Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator.

Phil Arnold was given the responsibility of overseeing DBS / Identity checking during the absence of an administrator.

In September, the identifying and reporting of serious incidents was delegated to the Diocesan Secretary.

Our policy has been reviewed and agreed.

There has been one incident reported under the guidance of the Diocesan safeguarding Lead.

Annual Fabric Report for 2020 (May 2021)

Church

The low level gutters around church and the valleys on the porch area have all been cleaned. All outside drains have been cleaned out. Some of the toilet windowsills have been repaired and painted. Much of the work planned for 2020 such as internal decorating was put on hold due to the pandemic.

The doors between the main part of the Church and the porch still need easing.

Generally speaking, the Church is in good repair but it does need internal redecoration especially at the west end and in the gallery. The west end wall in the balcony is quite damp and there has been some water ingress in times of heavy rain. The ridge on the roof above this area was re-mortared some years ago and appears sound so where the water is getting in is uncertain. Some high level stone work is in need of repair and the stone work all around the Church needs “defrassing” (brushing off loose material). Drain surrounds repairs and low level pointing is still outstanding.

Our Church architect has retired and we are in the process of appointing someone else. We will consult with the architect about the stonework and water ingress in the balcony.

Thanks to generous donations from members of the congregation the carpet at the back of Church and in the aisles has been replaced.

The Ladies’ toilet has been refurbished to make it more accessible with baby change facilities and both toilets are now for anyone to use. (NB it is not fully accessible as this would have involved opening up the doorways)

The usual PAT testing, fire safety survey and fire extinguisher inspections have been carried out and the alarm system repaired. Additional electric sockets were put in at the back of Church for use with the coffee bar.

Parish Hall.

Despite considerable efforts to maintain the Parish Hall, it has had to be closed (in January 2020) due to safety issues. Its future is yet to be decided.

Churchyard, drive and car parks.

The churchyard is a closed churchyard and so is the responsibility of Birmingham City Council who cut the grass on a regular basis. They are also responsible for trees and the wall. They have made repairs to the wall in the past, however there are places where it is now in need of further repairs. (Completed 14/5/21) The council have done extensive work on the large trees near the drive and we have trimmed back many of the shrubs and saplings. We have repaired some holes in the drive. Stress tests are carried out annually on the remaining grave stones and monuments. All in the church yard appear to be safe.

Work Parties.

Helping Hands has not been able to meet but there have been some “socially distanced” work parties keeping the grounds tidy and getting the church “Covid Safe” and ready for reopening. Thanks go to all who have helped in anyway during this difficult year.

Peter Sherwen 05/05/2021.

“Old Burial Ground” Report to Christ Church A.P.C.M. May 27th 2021

January 2020. The correlation between the relevant entries in “Memorial Inscriptions 2006” by Pauline Page B.M.S.G.H, with Plot Numbers listed in the Church Burial Registers was finally completed. This should make it easier to locate individual graves. Snowdrops and primroses appeared in the Primrose Bank.

Most of 2020 has been a difficult year in terms of the regular maintenance of the site. Ongoing restrictions following the outbreak of Covid19 limited the number of people able to work in the O.B.G. In addition, staff from the Wildlife Trust were furloughed soon after “lockdown” and did not return. Some were made redundant. Consequently, there was no official Species Survey conducted, and **the meadow area was not machine-cut** in late summer as usual.

March. Daffodils began flowering and on the **8th the O.B.G. was opened for visitors - the only time this was possible during the current year.**

June. An informal survey made by Peter and Sue Sherwen in June showed an increase in the variety of plants and grasses. Our one **Common Spotted Orchid** also re-appeared. Deep-rooted ivy and brambles plus building debris were dug out of the earth bank by the school wall. It was planted later with Cotoneaster and Honesty (re-located from the edge of the car park) and Red Campion from the end of the Primrose Bank.

July - October. A limited amount of maintenance work was continued by a small group of volunteers following social distancing guidelines. Grass in the meadow area was cut by hand and raked off. More overhanging branches along boundaries were removed and hedges pruned. Some graves were cleared of grass, tall weeds and brambles. Weeds and leaves were also cleared from the paths.

November - December. English bluebells were planted at the far end of the Primrose Bank. Artificial poppies made by pupils at Q.C.P.S. to commemorate 75 years since the end of WWII were placed by Yr. 5 near the four Commonwealth War Graves. Alison Wilkes from the Wildlife Trust sent best wishes for the church's 180th birthday and hoped to resume visits to the O.B.G. in 2021.

Nature does not stop just because human activity has been curtailed and in some ways it actually thrived in our absence. The west side of the site normally "close-mown" by the council had a profusion of Ox-eye daisies and grasses in the summer. Cutting was later resumed. Bees, butterflies and other insects were noted. The badgers were particularly busy all over the site and a self-confident young fox was seen several times.

Final Note. The original proposal to develop the east side of the O.B.G. as a "Nature Conservation Area" was approved by the P.C.C. on **May 26th 2011**

Susan J. Sherwen 05.05.2021.

Christ Church Quinton

Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council to the Charity Commission

Aim and purposes

Christ Church Quinton is a congregation of the Church of England, and a lively, friendly group of Christians who are looking to grow in relationship with Jesus Christ and to serve him in our neighbourhood (the parish of Christ Church The Quinton, Birmingham City, Dudley MBC and Sandwell MBC, and the world).

Objectives and Activities

We provide spiritual and pastoral support to all, through the provision of 2 regular Sunday services, a full range of mid-week meetings and a Coffee Shop located in Brandhall.

The Coffee Shop is run by Christ Church and is a centre for service to the community in Brandhall and Quinton. This is a lovely place to come for a coffee and chat, or to get involved in the many activities which take place.

Work with children and young people is a priority at Christ Church and we have a dedicated youth worker. Work with children goes on at various times, not just on Sunday morning.

As a church we want to be there for people at all times of life. However, at key times our church can be involved in a special way, with services for the birth of a child, with weddings and with funerals.

Baptism and Thanksgivings

We regularly offer baptisms and thanksgiving services. We help families to decide which service is more suitable, and we want to make it an enjoyable and accessible experience

Weddings

We love conducting weddings in our beautiful church. We offer support and guidance through the legalities. We also offer marriage preparation to couples aimed to enrich their relationship before the big day.

Funerals

We have clergy who regularly take funerals either in church or in crematoria. We work with funeral directors and families to celebrate the life of loved ones and offer Christian hope for the future. We are keen to support families at a difficult time by offering ongoing pastoral support and twice a year we invite bereaved families into church for a memorial service.

Worship and Prayer

We have two regular services every Sunday.

8.30am Service - A traditional Holy Communion service.

10.30am Service - A contemporary service, with Holy Communion twice a month, with youth and children's activities.

We have evening services across the year:

A monthly 4pm service for families, with activities, worship and food.

A pattern of healing service and memorial services at 6.30pm.

There are regular times of prayer during the week, a monthly Prayer evening and Home Groups that meet for Bible Study and prayer

Deanery Synod 4 members of the congregation are elected to attend the regular meetings of the Deanery Synod and provide reports to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Pastoral Care

Pastoral care is provided by both the clergy and a team of licensed lay people who have received appropriate training

Mission and Evangelism is supported locally through START and ALPHA courses. We also support mission worldwide through regular giving shared equally between Church Missionary Society in Paraguay, The Church Army (Torbay Mission Centre) Quinton Youth for Christ, A Rocha Kenya, the Birmingham Diocesan Malawi link, Esperanza Foster Home Paraguay (via SAMS Ireland), Christian Solidarity Worldwide.

Volunteers

Many of the church members volunteer their time, both on a Sunday, and throughout the week enabling the activities and mission of the Church.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members at Christ Church the Quinton is set out in the Church

Representation Rules, and consists of the Incumbent and Assistant Priest, The Church Wardens, the 2 Readers and 4 Deanery Synod members. Also 12 members elected from the congregation at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

The Parochial Church Council 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 every 2 months, and as well as the regular business of the Church (reports from

Deanery Synod, Fabric Committee, Mission Links sub-committee, Youth and Children's work, Finance Committee and work on the Old Burial Ground). PCC also considers its responsibilities and activities such as The Food Bank, The General Data Protection Regulations, Redevelopment of the old Caretakers House and Disabled Toilets, developed a Conflict of Interests policy, approved the Memorial Garden policy. In addition the council has complied with its duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

This year there had to be special consideration of the safety of the parish hall due to its continuing problem with water ingress which led to its temporary closure for surveys in December 2019. Unfortunately, due to the closure of the hall, the Pre-School became financially unviable and was forced to close in January 2020. It was then decided that the Parish Hall needed to remain closed until its problems were rectified or a more permanent decision was made.

Membership of the PCC for 2020

Rev. Rachel Heathfield – Interim Minister (Priest in Charge)

Rev. Andrew Wells – Assistant Priest

Lisa Moody – Church Warden & Deanery Synod Rep

John Trevor – Church Warden & Deanery Synod Rep

Peter Sherwen – Deanery Synod Rep

Jo Jennings – Deanery Synod Rep

Mark Heritage - Reader

Chris Iles – Reader
Heather Williams – Reader
Doreen Morris - Treasurer
Carol Maddock - Secretary
Joyce Gilkes – parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator
Melrose Brown
Maddie Cattel
Gina Grewal
Tracey Straker
Elaine Lewis
Sarah Coton
Pearl Coton
Neil Allen
Emily West

Financial Review

Total Receipts on unrestricted funds were £136,499. Restricted funds of £66,838 were held and are detailed in the financial statements.

Reserves Policy It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on deposit (if possible) which equates to at least three months unrestricted payments equivalent to £40,000 to cover emergency situations which arise from time to time. This reserve had been diminished over a number of years deficit budget. This caused a financial problem (Jan 2020 so not included in the financial statement ending Dec 19) when we were faced with a large redundancy bill after the closure of the Pre School. However, due to gifts and financial management advice from Church of England Birmingham we were able to pay these unexpected bills.

Administrative information

Jen Tyler Stephens – Church Administrator, Christ Church The Quinton, Hagley Road West, Birmingham B32 1AJ Tel 0121 422 2031

Financial Report including the Coffee Shop

See separate document

Ministries Report

This year there are no reports from individual ministries.

Most of what was done by the church is included in the section "Covid response and impact".

However, we look to the future and trust that God will be with us as we come out of lockdown and make progress in our "joining in with God" in his mission to the world.

Coffee Shop Report

The Coffee shop closed at the beginning of the first lockdown and remained closed for regular business until the present time due to the limitations of size to take due regard of social distancing recommendations. The Office upstairs that is used by Quinton Youth for Christ has also not been used, with Ben and Phil working mostly from home (when they weren't furloughed).

However, it has remained busy on every Friday of lockdown due to the Foodbank. That ministry has been overwhelmed with donations at peak lockdown and have been busy most weeks with callers and deliveries. The need for help with the most basic of things has been huge during this year, especially for those who lost their income and who had a gap before any universal credit began, and for those families seeking asylum for whom their Home Office cases/appeals totally ground to a halt. As ever, the generosity of the people of Christ Church has been incredible. Thank you.

Women's Refuge (Children in Need) Report

Since mid-March 2020 it has not been possible for our team of volunteers to run art and craft sessions with the children & young people in the Refuge due to the pandemic. However, after discussion both Rachel and Lynn felt that it was important for them to receive some help.

To this end Lynn has been liaising with staff at the Refuge on a regular basis to keep a check on how many children and young people are in residence. Sadly, the last 12 months has seen a big increase in their number. Lynn has been sourcing and delivering craft packs along with instructions to the Refuge throughout the year. On several occasions specific requests were made by the staff, and happily we were able to fulfil those requests, for example reading books and activity books. Every child in the Refuge received a Christmas gift and an Easter Egg.

At Christmas, we were blessed to be able to provide perfumes and toiletries for all the women in the Refuge as Brandhall School very kindly had a collection from their pupils. Some women and children wrote to us thanking us for making their Christmas special as they felt that someone cared.

May 2021 saw the end of our 3 year grant, but we are hopeful that our new grant application will be successful.

Please keep the women and children and the volunteers in your prayers as we begin to plan for the future in the light of the pandemic.

Lynn Todd
20.5.21

Mission Links Report for 2020. APCM May 2021

Our Mission Links. These are the individuals and organisations that the PCC has supported financially each year in the past and we are asked to support as a Church. Our Mission Links Committee feels that this is a good spread of individuals and organisations at home and overseas.

The Church Mission Society is the main Anglican mission society. We have had links with **CMS** mission partners for many years. **Bev Richardson** is our current link. She is working with the Anglican Church as a **CMS Mission Partner** in Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay.

Quinton Youth for Christ works in the local area with children, schools and churches. Phil Arnold who heads up our young people's work works for **QYfC** as well as **Christ Church**.

We support **A Rocha Kenya and Colin and Roni Jackson** who are in charge there. One of the "Marks of Mission" is care for the environment and **A Rocha** is a Christian organisation that works to protect the environment and educate on environmental issues in Britain and in several other countries.

Birmingham Diocese has for many years had a special relationship with the **Anglican Church in Malawi**. All the churches in the Diocese are asked to support the **Malawi link**.

The **Esperanza Foster Home** in Paraguay was set up by two of our former link missionaries and although small, has national importance as an example of good practice, indeed the President of Paraguay visited recently. It is part of the Anglican Church in Paraguay. As well as Esperanza, we also support (through fund raising around Christmas) **FEISA** which is the Anglican Teacher Training College who run the **Toy Library**.

Christian Solidarity Worldwide advocates for Christians and others suffering persecution in various parts of the world. If one part of the body suffers then the whole of the body suffers. We feel that we should do our part in supporting the persecuted church.

Mission Links Committee didn't meet in 2020 but we have tried to keep our links going especially with Bev Richardson who is very good at keeping in touch. All mission societies have taken a financial hit during the pandemic and other countries are in a much worse position with Covid than the UK. Please keep praying for our Mission Links and the Church worldwide.

Peter Sherwen. 05/05/2021.

Interim Minister's Report

In November 2019 I was appointed as Interim Minister – a new form of incumbent level role in the Church of England that gives the parish time to consider necessary and agreed tasks before discerning the next long-term minister.

There were 3 main interim tasks when I was appointed.

To consider how to get the Pre-School on a safe footing (financially and in governance), to consider the future for the Coffee Shop and to help the church to regain financial stability.

Never did I consider that the first of these tasks would be completed within 4 days of being inducted....albeit in a completely unforeseen way. And never did I consider that the closure of the preschool would have come about because of the instability of the parish hall, giving us a very different issue to consider.

However, neither did I ever consider that within a week of moving into the Rectory at Quinton, the whole country would go into lockdown and that all “normal” would grind to a halt.

I had no alternative but to hold us together for this extraordinary year, encouraging us to bear with one another, to go outside of our own comfort zones and to enter new and unknown territory in all senses. I have tried with all my strength to do this.

As for the interim tasks however, I am faced with having to reconsider what they look like, both post covid, but also post hall-closure.

We have been given a rough estimate for exploring the water ingress in the hall and to explore what the issues with drainage is. This estimate (just to survey) is approximately £15,000. The rough estimate to then renovate the building to modern standards is at conservative guess £100,000 but that is at the bottom end of standards.

We still need to consider with humility and openness what God wants us to do with the Coffee Shop. It was established as a place from which to do mission and community outreach and has had a history of doing so. But this year life has changed in so many ways. So we need to now work out what is possible there as well as working out what God is up to, and is the Coffee Shop the viable building to do it in. Or perhaps God is wanting us to re-imagine what that place could be used for, for the bringing of his kingdom, or perhaps for us to enter into partnership for its best and most efficient use.

We are enormously blessed with the range of buildings that we have that were all special gifts in their time. We celebrated our 180th service thanking God for all that has been in the last 180 years. But now we need to think about the future, even the next 180 years. Covid has forced us to reimagine our ministry and now it's as if we have to reimagine our buildings for the future. This includes the site at Christ Church, and ALL our buildings - rectory, hall, coffee shop – how do they fulfil God's mission here in Quinton?

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Elections and “Looking forward” section will be verbally presented at the meeting.