



PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. THOMAS WITH ST. NICHOLAS

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

Background

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical in the ecclesiastical parish. It also has responsibility for the worship of our congregations in St Thomas' Church, Bidbury Lane and St Nicholas Church, Belmont Grove and for the maintenance of these buildings.

Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting [APCM] in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

Rector : The Revd. Max Cross

Wardens: Ann Partridge
Tracey Smith

Deputy Wardens: Sandra Matthews
Mike Tritton

Representatives

of the Deanery Colin Hawkes

Synod: Nicky Quick

Elected Members:

Colin Hawkes
Christine Hirsch
Jacqueline Mason
Sandra Matthews
Ann Partridge
Margaret Payne
Elaine Pearce
Nicky Quick
Jean Robins
Tracey Smith
Mike Tritton
Mike Turner
Laura Turner

Committees

Standing and Finance Committee

Oversees the strategic and financial aspects of the work of the church and carries out the business of the PCC between meetings, subject to any direction given by the Council. It approves the agenda for the PCC meetings prepared by the church wardens.

It is also responsible to the PCC for the appointment, salary and working conditions of employment of all paid staff except staff engaged by the Fabric Committees

World Mission Committee

Responsible to the PCC for Parish' involvement in world mission. It takes the lead in educating the parish and promoting its' response concerning special missionary projects.

St Thomas Fabric Committee

Responsible to the PCC for the care and maintenance of St Thomas Church and churchyard, its' preservation and insurance and for the ornaments and equipment used and contained therein.

St Nicholas Fabrice Committee

Responsible to the PCC for the management, care, maintenance and preservation of St Nicholas Church Centre together with the ornaments and equipment therein, also insurance, letting conditions and charges and employment of staff.

Church Attendance

At the 2023 Annual Meeting there were on the Electoral Roll.

The practice to relay church services on line from the 9am Sunday service and weekly has continued to be popular.

Attendance at Messy Sunday has continued to increase and remains very popular.

NOTES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

1 STAFF COSTS

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
	£	£
Salaries	10,660	11,047
	<u>10,660</u>	<u>11,047</u>

2 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>Dec 22</u>	<u>IN</u>	<u>USED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u> <u>Dec 23</u>
	£	£	£	£
<u>Church Funds</u>				
World Mission	1,696	5042	5,500	1,238
St Thomas Fabric	4,603	539	-	5,142
St Nicholas Fabric	-	-	-	-
Rector's Fund	4,944	35	50	4,929
Total Restricted Funds	<u>11,243</u>	<u>5,616</u>	<u>5,550</u>	<u>11,309</u>

3 DEBTORS

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Tax Recoverable	604	1,782
	<u>604</u>	<u>1,782</u>

4 LIABILITIES: DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Refurbishment	-	12,000
Diocese	-	18,176
Creditors for goods and services	-	458
Other creditors	765	144
	<u>765</u>	<u>30,778</u>

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Members/Trustees of the Parochial Church Council of
St Thomas' Church with St Nicholas' Church Centre, Bedhampton**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended
31 December 2023

Responsibilities and basis report

As the charity's 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 charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the
Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the
Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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;

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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