

St. Margaret's Parish Church Stanford-le-Hope with Mucking

**Annual Report
and
Financial Statements
of the Parochial Church Council**

For the year ended 31 December 2022

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Administrative information

St. Margaret's is situated in The Green, Stanford-le-Hope. It is part of the Diocese of Chelmsford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St Margaret's Church, The Green, Stanford-le-Hope, Essex SS17 OEP. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission. Registration number: 1132298

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2022 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent: The Revd Thomas Rout (chairman)

Wardens: Jacqueline Feeney
Peter Goodwin

*Representatives on
the Deanery Synod:* Richard Allen
David Hamilton
Mark Wenn

Elected members: Kathleen Bienvenu
Julie Bowley (from AGM 2022)
Michael Coakley (from AGM 2022)
Jill Cooper (to AGM 2022)
Lyn Fry
Debbie Ling-Chant (to January 2023)
Ramatu Mavita (from AGM 2022)
Lilian Mitchell
Anita Nuss
Norman Pickett
Denise Wenn

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Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. At St Margaret's the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent, churchwardens, deanery synod representatives and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and to consider standing for election to the PCC.

Aims and purposes

St. Margaret's PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd Tom Rout in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the buildings and grounds of St. Margaret's, The Green, Stanford-le-Hope and our part of the churchyard at St John the Baptist, Mucking.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to build a relationship with God through Jesus Christ and to become part of our parish community at St Margaret's. The PCC maintains an overview of mission and ministry throughout the area and makes suggestions on how our ministry can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services seek to put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of Christianity. In particular, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for all people regardless of background or status.
- Missionary and outreach work.

As part of this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the buildings and grounds of St Margaret's, Stanford-le-Hope and our part of the churchyard at St John the Baptist, Mucking.

Achievements and performance

Church attendance

All are welcome to attend our regular services. The AGM of October 2022 reported, there are 107 (106 in 2021) parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance was 61 adults (61 in 2021).

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Review of the PCC year

The full PCC met eight times during the year (six in 2021), with an average attendance level of twelve (ten in 2021). The PCC 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. New members are made aware of resources available to assist them in their role.

Worship and Prayer

The PCC is keen to offer a range of services during the course of the year that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. For example, Facebook Early Morning Prayer provides a quiet, intimate and reflective environment for worship whilst opportunities are provided for people to engage in more outgoing worship such as that provided by the various musicians within our parish. We were pleased to be able to carry out our usual variety of special Christmas services, including Carols by Candlelight, Christingle, Pyjama Service and Christmas Eve Midnight Holy Communion. Our usual Good Friday services, Creative Worship and Reflective Service were able to take place, following a two year gap due to the Covid pandemic restrictions. We also began to offer a mid-week Holy Communion service on Thursdays which had an average attendance level of thirteen. We held a service of Thanksgiving and Commemoration following the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism and thanksgiving we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for the life which is now complete in this world and to commend the person into God's keeping. We have celebrated six baptisms (zero in 2021), three weddings (three in 2021), and held twenty funerals (twelve in 2021) in our church this year as well as conducting crematoria services.

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Mothers' Union

As we resumed regular meetings following Covid lockdown, 2022 was a busy year for the branch.

Rev Tom chaired our AGM for the first time and commented on the care shown to Indoor Members, keeping in touch by telephone during lockdown.

Two new members were enrolled in 2022, Barbara Elley and Linda Phillips, and in 2023 three more enrolments bring our total to 35.

Sadly Ann Thomas and Lily Russell died and are much missed. Rev Tom conducted their funeral services, offering comfort to their families and to us.

Our Branch Treasurer Jill Cooper moved to Wales and Linda Phillips offered to take on this role.

In March Jeannie Hyde-Allen was Commissioned as Branch Leader during Morning service at St Margaret's, conducted jointly by Rev Tom and Father David Rollins Deanery Chaplain.

Funds were raised by holding Coffee Mornings, Christmas Bazaar, Frugal Lunch on Ash Wednesday and as a result we were able to support Mothers' Union Appeal Funds; Away from it All, English for Women and Relief Fund.
Lent course led by members took place weekly during Lent "Say Yes to Life."

Other meetings:- Changing Pathways, First Aid at Home, Safeguarding, Unspilt Myanmar, Porridge & Pens, Seasonal Arrangement, Quiz about the Queen, English for Women, Thurrock Nature Park, etc. We enjoyed hearing interesting speakers at these meetings.

Marion's Catering provided a delicious Christmas Buffet, much appreciated by members.

The branch was represented at the Christmas Tree Festival in church.

We welcome everyone to come to our meetings on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays each month, now starting at 1.30pm.

Branch Secretary
Sue Lester

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The Buildings

Father we come before you in prayer. Thanking you Lord Jesus Christ. Who came into this world as a living sacrifice. For the great Salvation of all man kind. He laid down his life, satisfying your will, to love, and serve the world.

May we Father, become great examples of our Lord Jesus. So that we love and serve those that are placed around us. We are in need of our offerings of love and compassion. Give us the ability to welcome and serve, as you would today. Even if our steps are small in the communities around us. Let our hearts be filled with love for everything and everybody, throughout this wonderful world of your creation. Today we choose you. We choose life. We choose to be with others and to be there for others in our hearts, we are eternally grateful for the chance to be able to serve and to bring the light of Christ to those who wish to know you better. Thank You Heavenly Father as we Praise and Glorify your holy name.

Amen .

Mark 10 4-5 "For even the Son of man, came not to be served but to serve and give his life as a ransom for many.

As we reflect on the past year we discover that a great deal of work has been completed.

Maintenance and servicing of fire extinguishers, fire alarms, guttering between tower and nave cleaned, church floor re oiled, church hall chairs cleaned, unsightly scaffolding removed, light replaced outside hall entrance, lights on driveway repaired, organ tuned, quite a list!

The church , tower steps and bell chamber and the hall are cleaned to high standard. People tidying church after services. The grounds around our buildings are maintained to a high standard too.

A new internet cable to link the office to the church has been installed.

Flower boxes hung on rectory fence by community volunteers plus lights for lynch gate and church tower donated.

The coach house upgrading of exterior is nearing completion. We are expecting our new church notice board to be delivered and erected. Hopefully these will be in place at the time of APCM meeting.

We have a donation of materials to decorate the interior of the church hall.

We are sure you will agree that great efforts are made regularly by everyone serving the Lord.

On behalf of all our church members we give thanks to God for the precious gifts people have , which are used to keep our place of worship a place where we can meet in harmony and love. The knowledge that however BIG however SMALL when we work as a team the fruits of our labours grow a bountiful harvest.

It has been privilege to serve the Lord as Wardens this past year.

Jacqueline Feeney and Peter Goodwin.

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Tuesday Tots

We still have a good number turning up each week it does vary from week to week. Mothers and grandparents enjoy it as much as the children, with the different activities and story time with Kathleen and the customary cup of tea or coffee. The cost is still two pounds and fifty pence per session.

Anita.

Deanery Synod

Three members of the PCC sat on the deanery synod. This provided the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

Pastoral Care

Some members of our parish are unable to attend church due to sickness or age. Our clergy and other members have visited all church members who have requested it, to chat or to celebrate communion with them either at their homes or in hospital. Tom is working to set up a team dedicated to supporting these members of our church family.

Mission and Evangelism

Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. We were pleased to start our monthly Praise and Prayer afternoons in January 2022. An opportunity for the whole church family to gather to pray for the mission God has given us.

Ecumenical Relationships

We are grateful to the United Benefice of Corringham and Fobbing for all the support shown to us supporting the bereaved. We work with Corringham Evangelical, Corringham Baptist and Proximity through neighbourhood prayer walks. We continue to work with Stanford-le-Hope Methodist Church at our Easter services. We were pleased to support the local Salvation Army congregation as they made the decision to close the Stanford-le-Hope church.

Volunteers

We would like to thank all volunteers who work so hard to make our church the lively and vibrant community it is. In particular we want to mention our churchwardens Mrs Jacqueline Feeney and Mr Peter Goodwin, who have worked so tirelessly on our behalf to ensure maintenance of the buildings and smooth-running of our Sunday services.

Community

Praise and prayer meetings took place. We offer support for local schools through "Open the Book". We were pleased to welcome the community to our various activities held over the Queen's Platinum Jubilee weekend as well as the books of condolence following her death. We support the Community through Mothers' Union and use of our hall.

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Vicar's report 2022

What an eventful year it has been at St Margaret's!

We began 2022 journeying together through Luke's gospel all the way from Christmas to Easter. We were all given a journal edition of Luke, to help us take notes and study the Bible more closely.

There were some real highlights – two of our young people were baptised in the churchyard, and a group of 6 teenage girls met to go through the CY course (Christianity Explored for youth). The same group then began to prepare for confirmation, meeting weekly from November and on into 2023. We also held our first Christmas tree festival, which helped us open the church to the community through Advent.

St Margaret's was a focal point for the local community through all the highs and lows of 2022. First in June as a place to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of the nation's beloved Queen Elizabeth II. Highlights from a weekend of events included the Jubilee Festival on Friday 3rd June and a special Jubilee service on Sunday 5th June followed by street party style lunch and Pimms and Hymns. However, the high spirits of the early summer gave way in September to grief and mourning, following the announcement of the Queen's death on Thursday 8th September. Our bells fell silent, the flag flew at half mast, and the church was opened daily with a book of condolence for members of the community to express their sentiments for a monarch set 'long to reign over us' by the King of kings Himself. Many hundreds came in, young and old alike. The climax of these days of national mourning was a special evening service of commemoration and thanksgiving on Sunday 18th September to which nearly 350 people came, including local uniformed organisations, and the Mayor of Thurrock, James Halden. Afterwards we filed down to The Green to take part in a minute's silence observed across the nation, on the eve of the Queen's funeral. The Mayor kindly bequeathed St Margaret's an official copy of the royal proclamation of the new monarch, King Charles III, which remains on display inside the church.

In 2022 we began to put our working practices on a more secure footing. Some of our regular activities were briefly paused while we conducted review of policies and procedures, at the recommendation of the Diocesan Safeguarding Team, to ensure that St Margaret's recruits leaders according to best practice, with our members given clearly defined roles in which they serve. This has been an ongoing work, as we establish what people are (and are not) responsible for in St Margaret's, to give clear lines of accountability. It makes the church a more transparent and secure environment for everyone. We are especially grateful to our parish safeguarding officer, Lyn Fry, for her help in seeing that this is carried out.

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We have a responsibility to maintain the fabric of our church, hall and grounds in good order not only for ourselves, but also for generations to come, and are particularly pleased that the outside of the coach house has now been restored and repainted, and thank Mike Coakley for his oversight of issues related to our buildings and grounds. There are a number of people who do small repair and upkeep jobs around the church and grounds, each giving of their time and talents at no cost to the church. We are increasingly reliant on people like this who volunteer their time, and thank those who often quite literally 'get their hands dirty' cleaning the church (Lily Mitchell and Jean Davies) and those who clean the hall (Kathleen Bienvenu and Angela Hall), and those who keep the grounds (Simon Wilson and David Reynolds). Are there others who might offer to help in some way?

We are increasingly trying to work as teams, with a spirit of involving people who have the necessary gifts and skills, or have a willingness to learn! Simon Wilson leads the sound and visual (screen) teams on Sunday, and is involving some of our younger people in operating the laptop. We have expanded our team of Sunday service leaders and preachers, which has brought both variety and depth to our worship. We now have a home communion visiting team bringing communion to the homes of those who can no longer gather with us in church on Sundays. We have a ministry leadership team, who initially took part in a CPAS online course with me, and have continued to meet to share together what God may be calling St Margaret's to.

There are challenges in front of us. Although covering all our expenses, including parish share, is a demanding task requiring the generosity and financial support of all our members (as recently outlined in a church service), the PCC have made a commitment to continue increasing our parish share payments incrementally, so that by 2025 we are paying parish share in full. This may avert the possibility of structural changes or cuts being imposed on us in future. In preparing the annual accounts I would like to thank our treasurer, Janice Wilkins, and Mr Alistair Taylor, who acted as independent examiner of our 2022 accounts.

The PCC have engaged thoughtfully with a number of demanding issues this year, not least pondering what the House of Bishops, along with General Synod, really mean by indications given early in 2023 that prayers of blessing for marriages outside of the lifelong, male-female marriage sanctioned by Holy Scripture may soon be authorised for use in parishes. Our PCC has valued the guidance and support of our patrons CPAS, as well as the Church of England Evangelical Council in regard to this issue, and reiterated our own commitment to the clear Biblical definition of marriage. I would thank all members of the PCC for seeking to do God's will in this, and indeed in all matters.

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I would close by thanking especially the church wardens for their help and support over the past year. It has been a huge encouragement to me personally, working with Peter Goodwin and Jackie Feeney because they have such a positive attitude and vision for what God is able to do in and through St Margaret's, and have always tried to help me do what is best for the church. I know that the church family will join me in thanking them for carrying out their responsibility with such diligence and dedication.

As we look to elect new officers to PCC, deanery synod and church wardens, may I urge us all to nominate and support those people whom we are confident have the qualities we recently learnt about in Titus – people who possess obvious godly character (1:6-8), who are clearly committed to God's truth (1:9), and who unite around the gospel (3:12-14) rather than divide (3:10). For preparing the electoral roll, and for administration of the nominations forms, our thanks go to Pat Pickett.

May we serve God in the joy and unity of Holy Spirit in the coming year,

Tom

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Safeguarding

St Margaret's church Incumbent and PCC is committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults within the community and to ensure that the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance are in place to promote a safer culture in our Church and maintain a safer environment for all. As the church has continued to open activities after Covid restrictions were lifted, we have applied the Safer Recruitment and People Management Policy and Procedures to the various roles. PCC agreed the appointment of four Persons of Responsibility for upholding the Safer Recruitment policy in appointing volunteers to roles, producing role descriptions, and reviewing roles at agreed intervals. Following the raising of a safeguarding concern in July 2022, we received Recommendations from Diocese Safeguarding Team. This required an immediate response by PSO for action to be integrated with the Safeguarding plan, with further reports to Diocese Safeguarding Team in three, six, and then twelve months.

Training and Development

Safer Recruitment and People Management training was completed by PORs prior to their appointment.

Safeguarding training at Basic and Foundation levels is continual as roles are appointed and by volunteers in established roles. The group sessions for these by PSO assisted by Richard Allen as technical support, were attended by some volunteers, with individuals doing them independently online with completion date recorded by PSO. The present system for contacting volunteers is not satisfactory and improvement is in PSO Safeguarding plan.

All PCC members and leaders of activities with substantial contact with children, young people or vulnerable adults are required to do the Domestic Abuse Awareness course. Some have completed this. PSO will monitor and assist those who still need to complete it.

Denise Wenn continues as Lead Recruiter and Evelyn Fry as Additional Recruiter. From March 2023 DBS ID checks can be completed online making the safer recruitment process smoother for applicants and Recruiters. Less documents are required – just a passport for a Basic check or Passport and Driving Licence for Standard/Enhanced checks. Address check completed digitally. We will also be able to continue verifying documents manually.

Objectives for year 2023 -2024

- Improve method of communication with volunteers for Safeguarding Training.
- Complete register of all church roles and volunteers holding those roles.
- Maintain records of where Safeguarding Training is required and when achieved.
- Continue applying Diocese Recommendations received July 2022 and complete the 12 month report to DST in September 2023.

Evelyn Fry PSO

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Financial review

Total receipts on ordinary unrestricted funds were £93,441 and are detailed in the financial statements. In 2021 this figure was £61,557 and is an increase of 52% (£63,537 in 2020 and £128,015 in 2019). Voluntary income during the year excluding tax recoverable was £46,144 and in 2021 was £42,977, (£40,901 in 2020 and £66,084 in 2019). A further £8,106 was received from Gift Aid (£7,081 in 2021).

£79,443 was spent from unrestricted funds to provide the Christian ministry from St. Margaret's Church, including the contribution to the diocesan parish share, which largely provides the stipends and housing for the clergy. The PCC paid a part Parish Share of £36,000. In 2021 this figure was £24,000 (£30,000 in 2020 and £65,490 in 2019).

The result for the year was a net movement in funds of £13,930. After transfers to other funds the balance carried forward at 31 December 2022 for unrestricted funds was £38,440.

It is our policy to invest our funds balances with the COIF Charities Investment Fund.

Approved by the PCC on 24th April 2023 and signed on their behalf by Tom Rout (Priest in Charge) and Peter Goodwin (Church Warden).

Signed _____
Tom Rout

Signed _____
Peter Goodwin

Independent examiner's report to the PCC of St. Margaret's Parish Church Stanford-le-Hope with Mucking for the year ended 31 December 2022

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The members of the PCC consider that an audit is not required for this year (under the Charities Act 2011) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011);
- follow the procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Church and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the members of the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 130 of the Act); and
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Accounting Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP 2005), issued in March 2005, UK Accounting Standards and the Charities Act 2011.

A. P. R. Taylor

Alastair Taylor FCCA
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Statement of financial activities
for the year ended 31 December 2022

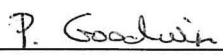
	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022 Total Funds	2021
		£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources						
Voluntary income	2(a)	54,250	295		54,545	50,059
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	30,051			30,051	11,178
Income from investments	2(c)	99			99	472
Church activities	2(d)	9,041			9,041	1,487
Other incoming resources	2(e)					
Total incoming resources		93,441	295		93,736	63,196
Resources expended						
Fundraising trading costs	3(b)	3,551		270	3,821	157
Church activities	3(a)	75,892	93		75,985	54,690
Governance costs	3(c)					550
Total resources expended		79,443	93	270	79,806	55,397
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		13,998	202	(270)	13,930	7,799
Gross transfers between funds		-			-	
Net incoming/outgoing resources before other recognised gains & losses		13,998	202	(270)	13,930	7,799
Other recognised gains/(losses)						
Gain on investment asset						
Net movement in funds		13,998	202	(270)	13,930	7,799
Total funds brought forward 1 January		24,442	3,364	2,322	30,128	22,329
Total funds carried forward 31 December		38,440	3,566	2,052	44,058	30,128

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Balance sheet
as at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Fixed assets					
Investments		<u>2,052</u>		<u>2,322</u>	
			2,052		2,322
Current assets					
Debtors	5	6,782		7,070	
Bank and cash		<u>39,158</u>		<u>29,627</u>	
		45,940		36,697	
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	<u>3,934</u>		<u>8,891</u>	
Net current assets			<u>42,006</u>		<u>27,806</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			44,058		30,128
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	7		-		-
Total net assets			<u>44,058</u>		<u>30,128</u>
Parish funds					
Unrestricted	8		38,440		24,442
Restricted	8		3,566		3,364
Endowment	8		<u>2,052</u>		<u>2,322</u>
			<u>44,058</u>		<u>30,128</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 24th April 2023 and signed on its behalf by Tom Rout (Priest in Church) and Peter Goodwin (Church Warden)

Signed 
Tom Rout – Priest in Charge

Signed 
Peter Goodwin – Church Warden

The notes on pages 16 to 24 form part of these accounts.

St. Margaret's Parish Church Stanford-le-Hope with Mucking
Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 December 2022

1. Accounting policies

a) Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 2005.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention; investment assets are shown at cost. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

b) Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established. St Margaret's has two such funds – The Elizabeth Davidson Fund, managed by COIF, the interest of which is paid into the General Fund. The second is the Tithe Chancel Fund, managed by the Diocese.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund.

Unrestricted funds are general funds as well as unrestricted funds designated for a particular use by the PCC, which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

c) Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received, on an annual basis, usually at the end of the year. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

d) Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that created a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

e) Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993.

Movable church furnishings held by the rector and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2010 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £5,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £5,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

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2. Incoming resources

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
2(a) Voluntary income					
Planned giving	35,692	-	-	35,692	33,895
Tax recoverable	8,107	-	-	8,107	7,081
Collections	5,866	-	-	5,866	3,519
Gift days	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	-	-	-	-	-
Donations, appeals etc.	4,585	295	-	4,880	5,564
Other voluntary income	-	-	-	-	-
	54,250	295	-	54,545	50,059
2(b) Activities for generating funds					
Fetes & other general fundraising	6,158	-	-	6,158	348
Magazine & bookstall income	-	-	-	-	-
Hall/Car Park rental income	23,893	-	-	23,893	10,830
	30,051	-	-	30,051	11,178
2(c) Income from investments					
Dividends and interest including tax recoverable	99	-	-	99	472
2(d) Income from church activities					
Weddings & funerals	9,041	-	-	9,041	1,487
	9,041	-	-	9,041	1,487
2(e) Other incoming resources					
Insurance claim	0	-	-	0	0
Refund	-	-	-	-	-
	0	-	-	0	0
Total incoming resources	93,441	295	-	93,736	63,196

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3. Resources expended

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
3(a) Church activities					
<u>Missionary and charitable giving</u>					
Planned donations / Tithe grants	137	0	0	137	338
	137	0	0	137	338
<u>Ministry</u>					
Parish share costs	36,000	0	0	36,000	24,000
Clergy expenses	498			498	120
	36,498	0	0	36,498	24,120
<u>Establishment costs</u>					
Rectory cost	(413)	0	0	(413)	915
<i>Church building</i>					
Running costs	11,226			11,226	6,486
Maintenance costs	2,706			2,706	3,166
Diocesan Loan Interest	0	0		0	0
Service upkeep	1,492	93		1,492	883
<i>Hall building</i>					
Running costs	10,059			10,059	2,758
Maintenance costs	328			328	295
	25,398	93		25,491	14,503

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3. Resources expended (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
3(a) Team costs					
Resource	3,908		-	3,908	6,089
Local Global	135		-	135	0
Young People	114		-	114	0
	<hr/> 4,157		-	<hr/> 4,157	<hr/> 6,089
Other costs					
Wages	9,600		-	9,600	9,600
Other people costs	102	-	-	102	40
Sundry costs			-		-
	<hr/> 9,702		-	<hr/> 9,702	<hr/> 9,640
	<hr/> 75,892	<hr/> 93	<hr/> -	<hr/> 75,985	<hr/> 54,690
3(b) Fund-raising trading costs					
Fundraising & advertising	3,551			3,551	157
Magazine & bookstall					
	<hr/> 3,551		-	<hr/> 3,551	<hr/> 157
3(c) Governance costs					
Independent examiner's fees	0			0	550
Other recognised gains/(losses)					
Weddings & Funerals					-
	<hr/> 550			<hr/> 550	<hr/> 550
Total resources expended	<hr/> 79,443	<hr/> 93		<hr/> 79,536	<hr/> 55,397

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4. (a) Staff costs

	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
Salaries	9,600	9,600
Social Security Costs	0	0
Payroll Processing Costs	466	463
Wages & NI	<u>10,066</u>	<u>10,063</u>

The average number of employees was 1.
No employee received emoluments of £60,000 or above.

(b) Payments to PCC members

A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to their services as a member of the PCC.

5. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Tax Recoverable	5,184	7,081
Voluntary income	1,598	-
LPOW Grant	-	-
Refund	-	-
	<u>6,782</u>	<u>7,081</u>

6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Independent examiner's fees	-	550
Charities	-	-
Parish Share	-	-
Weddings & Funerals	3,122	8,341
Other creditors	812	-
	<u>3,934</u>	<u>8,891</u>

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7. Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

2022	2021
£Nil	£Nil

8. Funds

The restricted funds comprise the following:

- a) *Flower Fund. This relates to funds specifically for the purchase of Flowers for decoration of the church building.*
- b) *St Margaret's Church Building Fund. This relates to funds specifically for the improvement of the church building, currently a disabled accessible toilet, new kitchen and relocation of the clergy vestry.*
- c) *Buildings Maintenance Fund. This fund relates to funds specifically for improvements and maintenance of the Buildings and Grounds.*

The endowment funds comprise the following:

- d) *The Elizabeth Davidson Fund. This is managed by COIF; the interest from the endowment is used for Children's work.*

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8. Funds (continued)

There are also three designated funds as detailed below, in addition to the General Fund, that are part of unrestricted funds. The designated funds have been designated for a particular use by the PCC. All unrestricted funds can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

Fund movements

	Balance at 01/01/2022 £	Incoming resources £	(Resources expended) £	Transfers £	Balance at 31/12/2022 £
Unrestricted Funds					
Buildings Maintenance	6,380	0	0	0	6,380
Rector's Discretionary	861	-			861
General Fund	17,201	93,441	(79,443)		31,199
	24,442	93,441	(79,443)	-	38,440
Restricted Funds					
Buildings Maintenance Fund	2,124	274	-	-	2,398
Flower Fund	1,240	20	(92)		1,168
	3,364	294	(92)	-	3,566
Endowment Funds					
The Elizabeth Davidson Fund	2,322		(270)		2,052
	2,322	-	(270)	-	2,052

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8. Analysis of net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Investment fixed assets	-	-	2,052	2,052	2,322
Current assets	42,374	3,566		45,940	36,697
Liabilities				-	
-falling due within one year	(3,934)	-	-	(3,934)	(8,891)
-falling after one year	-		-	-	-
	38,440	3,566	2,052	44,058	30,128