

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF UPMINSTER

(REGISTERED WITH THE CHARITY COMMISSION 1132839)

PARISH CHURCH OF ST. LAURENCE



RECTORS REPORT AND ANNUAL FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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**Incumbent:**

Reverend Susannah M Brasier  
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**Independent examiner:**

Akosua Boachie, Chartered Certified Accountant

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## RECTOR'S REPORT 2022

**The Parochial Church Council (PCC)** of Upminster has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the fabric of the parish church and other owned property. It met six times during the year.

### PCC Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During the year 2022 the following served as members of the PCC:

*Incumbent:* The Revd Susannah Brasier

*Associate Priest:* Fr Roy Murray  
(until April 2022)

*Assistant Curate:* The Revd Catherine Towner (from November 2022, on secondment to the parish until full licensing to this parish in January 2023)

*Deanery Synod Reps:* Penny & Clive Edwards  
(Clive also Vice-Chair from May 2022)

*Churchwarden:* Jean Keen

*Churchwarden:* Cheryl Hale (from June 2022)

#### *Elected members*

Pauline Drewett

Christine Foot

Cheryl Goddard (until April 2022)

Doreen Hagan

Cheryl Hale

Lance Jackson (from April 2022)

Colin Jarvis

Nigel Lockwood

Michael Masterson

Chris Mowat (Vice-Chair – until April 2022)

Rebecca Perchard (from April 2022)

Nicholas Thomson (from April 2022)

Deborah Masterson (Co-opted)

David Chan (Co-opted)

#### *In Attendance*

Tony Bloomfield (Treasurer)

Beryl Speed (Hon. Secretary)

#### *Additional Officers*

James Helby (Assistant Treasurer)

Tony Edge (Halls Manager)

### Management & Task Groups

The PCC operates through the Standing Committee, Central Management & Finance Group (CM&FG), which incorporates the Buildings Management Group (BMG) and the Halls Management Group (HMG). There are also Project Task Groups, set up according to need.

#### **Standing Committee**

The only committee required by law consisting of the Rector, Churchwardens, PCC Secretary, Treasurer and Vice-Chair. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings subject to directions given by Council. It may approve routine expenditure up to a limit of £500 – greater only in the case of very urgent work.

#### **Central Management & Finance Group (CM&FG)**

The CM&FG consists of the Standing Committee, Project Leaders of the Project Task Groups and other members of the PCC whom the PCC wishes to attend. It oversees the routine tasks undertaken by each group and ensures that all extraordinary matters, or matters requiring PCC approval, are brought to the attention of the PCC. The CM&FG liaises with the Standing Committee regarding business requiring the attention of the PCC – namely, all matters which are part of the PCC's legal responsibilities under state and Canon Law,

matters which are extraordinary or involve substantial change, and matters involving expenditure above £500. The CM&FG may make recommendations to the PCC but these are not binding on the PCC.

#### **PCC Task Groups**

Project Task Groups are set up for specific projects as and when the Incumbent and/or the PCC believe there is a need. The PCC may delegate matters to CM&FG and/or Task Groups where legally allowed to do so and when deemed appropriate by the members of the PCC.

Members may be co-opted by PCC or CM&FG. Current Task Groups include:

**Buildings Management Group (BMG)** – to oversee the church, churchyard, Parish Office/Guild Hut and 6 Gaynes Park Road

**Halls Management Group (HMG)** – to oversee the Church Halls

**Website/Electronic Communications/IT** – to oversee website, office equipment, software, wi-fi and all associated matters

**Adventurers' Leaders** – to oversee provision for children and young people

**Personnel** – to consider the church's responsibilities as an employer

**Church Building Improvements Fundraising** – To fund raise for the proposed extension to the church building

**Electoral Roll:** At 31st December 2022, there were 134 people on the electoral roll. Our estimated 'worshipping community' is rather broader than reflected by the electoral roll.

#### **Review of the Year**

2022 saw a greater return to 'normality' following two years of Covid-related disruptions.

The worship of St Laurence remains central to its mission and ministry. We were grateful for the ministry of Fr Roy Murray, our Associate Priest and continue to appreciate Deborah Masterson, our Pastoral Assistant. It has been a joy to welcome The Revd Catherine Towner as Assistant Curate.

During 2022, services were held in person but Sunday Evening services continued on Zoom for the most part.

The church was open every day and continues to be appreciated by those who come to visit – especially those seeking a place of peace at a difficult time.

Numbers of baptisms, weddings and funerals increased again after reduced numbers during the pandemic. We also resumed regular Parade Services and a normal schedule for Christmas and Easter.

*Footsteps*, a monthly service for pre-school children, continues, as does Adventurers' (Sunday School). We also resumed the preparation of children for First Communion. Many thanks to those who make all these initiatives possible.

We continue to take the welfare of children and vulnerable adults seriously. Thanks go to Katie Bowman who continued to provide invaluable service as Parish Safeguarding Representative during 2022.

Pastoral care also remains key to the life and purpose of the church. It has been good to be able to resume more regular visiting and Home Communions, and to have had several new people join the team taking Holy Communion to people at home.

During Lent we undertook the 'Living in Love and Faith' course on Zoom, jointly with a number of other parishes in Havering Deanery.

The PCC met at various points during the year. Jean Keen continued to provide invaluable service as Churchwarden and it was marvellous that Cheryl Hale joined her as a second Churchwarden. Colin Jarvis has provided important help and back-up as an 'Assistant Churchwarden' – a role in which Colin continued after the APCM – and Chris Mowat and then Clive Edwards continued to offer valuable support as Vice-Chairs of the PCC.

We continue to be very grateful to Tony Bloomfield, assisted by James Helby, for his considerable and conscientious work as PCC Treasurer. The accounts show a total income of £209,025 and expenditure of £222,335 (restricted and unrestricted funds plus the Restoration Appeal Fund) giving a deficit of £13,310. There was a deficit of £6,136 in our Restoration Appeal Fund due to expenses incurred on consulting architects for both Quinquennial Repairs and the Buildings Improvement Project, and there will be considerable expenditure on repairing the building in 2023. On unrestricted funds, we had a deficit of £3,971. Income from renting out our halls returned to levels even higher than before the Covid restrictions took effect, and we invested a further £6,496 in improving the halls facilities. As in prior years, Planned giving continues to drift downwards despite a stewardship campaign during the year. We continue to meet our Quota obligations in full. Restricted funds showed a deficit of £3,203, largely as we used our endowment for education to support a donation in line with the objectives of that fund. The value of our investments decreased by £5,581 in a very volatile year, but they each continued to pay good income.

Nigel Lockwood continues to oversee our IT and electronic communications and has been progressing a number of important projects.

David Chan became our Director of Music in January 2022; sadly his time with us came to an end in December 2022 but we remain grateful for what was achieved during his time here, and grateful to Nigel Lockwood who has once again assumed the role of Acting Director of Music.

The Building Improvements Project continued to be on the agenda and the PCC formally approved the new plans for this project and progress towards 'Phase 1' has begun to be made.

The SLUGS (St Laurence Upminster Gardening Squad) continued to work extremely hard to keep the churchyard in order and to provide a pleasant and relaxing space for the community to visit.

The social life of the church is resuming following pandemic restrictions and it was a great joy to hold celebratory meals for the Platinum Jubilee, Patronal Festival and Harvest.

'Charity of the Month' continues and we also continued to collect for the Harold Hill Foodbank and to fundraise for The Children's Society – particular thanks must go to Penny Edwards, her family and the Children's Society Committee for their work.

Members of the congregation also provided many and various kinds of support to others in the local community through the year – volunteering at the Foodbank, ordering groceries for others, keeping in touch with the housebound, and so on.

Our relationships with other churches in the Deanery and Churches Together continue to be important and it was good to hold the joint Good Friday march and service again.

Joanne Chapman continued as Parish Administrator and James Allen as Publicity Officer. We thank them all for their hard work. Carole Billings retired from her work as Halls' Bookings'

Secretary after a decade of faithful service and has been succeeded by Becky Perchard.

Our parish magazine, *Gridiron*, was produced bi-monthly; we thank Arlette Wiggins, Joanne Chapman and our regular contributors for their efforts. *Gridiron* remains an important tool in connecting with the wider parish as well as with the church community.

I would like to thank everyone who has come together to ensure that worship of God and love of neighbour have remained priorities as we continue to adjust to both the joys and challenges of post-pandemic life.

*The Revd Susannah Brasier, Rector and Chair of the PCC*

**PCC of Upminster**  
**Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022**

*All numbers in £*

	Note	Year ended 31 December	
		2022	2021
<b>Fixed Assets</b>			
Tangible fixed assets	5	3,197	3,197
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Charity & endowment trusts	10	90,453	96,034
Debtors and prepayments	7	16,421	17,288
Short term deposits		333,084	348,517
Cash at bank and in hand		46,187	39,533
		<u>395,692</u>	<u>405,338</u>
<b>Liabilities : Amounts falling due within one year</b>	8	<u>12,916</u>	<u>9,252</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>382,776</b>	<b>396,086</b>
<b>Less - Liabilities : Amounts falling due after one year</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>		<b><u>476,426</u></b>	<b><u>495,317</u></b>
<b><u>FUNDS</u></b>			
Unrestricted - General		130,048	137,103
Unrestricted - Property reserve	9	<u>72,100</u>	<u>72,100</u>
<b>Total Unrestricted</b>		<b>202,148</b>	<b>209,203</b>
Restricted		66,377	72,077
St Laurence Church Restoration Appeal Fund		207,901	214,037
		<u>476,426</u>	<u>495,317</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf on



Chairman



Member

The notes on pages 7 to 14 form part of these accounts

PCC of Upminster

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2022

<i>All numbers in £</i>		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Restoration Appeal Fund	Total Funds 2022	2021
	Note					
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>						
Incoming resources from donors	2a	77,984	5,238	5,956	89,178	78,654
Other voluntary incoming resources	2b	13,470	-	2,086	15,556	4,405
Income from ancillary activities	2c	85,178	-	-	85,178	46,503
Other incoming resources	2d	10,468	1,000	740	12,208	8,662
Income from Investments	2e	3,240	2,058	1,607	6,905	5,111
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>190,340</b>	<b>8,296</b>	<b>10,389</b>	<b>209,025</b>	<b>143,335</b>
<b>RESOURCES USED</b>						
Grants	3a	-	10,238	-	10,238	1,817
Activities directly relating to the work of the Church	3b	178,136	1,231	16,525	195,892	185,401
Fundraising and publicity	3c	-	30	-	30	30
Church management and administration	3d	16,175	-	-	16,175	10,687
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES USED</b>		<b>194,311</b>	<b>11,499</b>	<b>16,525</b>	<b>222,335</b>	<b>197,935</b>
<b>NET INCOMING (OUTGOING) RESOURCES</b>						
		<b>(3,971)</b>	<b>(3,203)</b>	<b>(6,136)</b>	<b>(13,310)</b>	<b>(54,600)</b>
<b>Balances B/F 1st January 2022</b>		209,203	72,077	214,037	495,317	538,654
		205,232	68,874	207,901	482,007	484,054
Other recognised gains:						
Gains/(losses) on charity funds	10	(3,084)	(2,497)	-	(5,581)	11,263
<b>Balances C/F 31st December 2022</b>		<b>202,148</b>	<b>66,377</b>	<b>207,901</b>	<b>476,426</b>	<b>495,317</b>
<b>Represented by:-</b>						
General funds		77,762	28,210	-	105,972	113,146
Property reserve	9	72,100	-	-	72,100	72,100
Charity/endowment funds	10	52,286	38,167	-	90,453	96,034
Restoration Appeal Fund	11	-	-	207,901	207,901	214,037
		<b>202,148</b>	<b>66,377</b>	<b>207,901</b>	<b>476,426</b>	<b>495,317</b>



## **PCC of Upminster**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2022**

#### **1.Accounting Policies**

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Upminster is a registered charity, number 1132839.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Church Accounting Regulations (2006) in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current FRS102 Charities Statement of Recommended Practice 2019. However, as a smaller charity as defined by FRS102 (income less than £500,000) reliefs have been applied, notably no cash flow statement is provided.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets which are shown at market value. 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 affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

#### **Funds**

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC.

Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted. The Restoration Appeal Fund is separately disclosed and is a material designated fund.

Restricted funds comprise endowments and legacies and the income generated on these investments which is to be only expended on the restricted purpose as specified by the donor.

#### **Incoming Resources**

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under covenant is recognised when received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement of the amount due.

Income from Halls is recognised in the period for which the rental services were paid for.

Income for rental of our property at 6 Gaynes Park Road is recognised in the period for which the rental service is paid for.

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Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the underlying income is received.

All other income is accounted for when received.

#### **Resources used**

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC. The diocesan quota is accounted for when paid.

## **PCC of Upminster**

### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont)**

#### **Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by section 10 of the Charities Act 2011. No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

Equipment used within the church premises is written off as expenditure when purchased.

Property held by the PCC is accounted for at historic cost.

#### **Current assets**

Amounts owing to and collectable by the PCC are shown as debtors.

Short term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the COIF Church of England funds or at the NatWest bank or Hodge Bank, authorised and regulated by FCA and PRA.

Charity and endowment trusts are held at the market value at the balance sheet date as provided by the Fund Managers.

**PCC of Upminster**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont)**

*All numbers in £*

<b>2. Incoming resources</b>	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Restoration App Fund</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>2a Incoming resources from donors</b>					
Planned Giving:					
Covenants, gift aid & small donations	53,041	-	1,200	54,241	50,244
Tax recovered/recoverable	14,525	-	525	15,050	13,586
Uncovenanted	4,255	-	-	4,255	5,360
Other collections	3,236	-	3,196	6,432	3,969
Charity collections	-	5,238	-	5,238	1,832
Sundry donations & for special purposes	2,927	-	1,035	3,962	3,663
	<b>77,984</b>	<b>5,238</b>	<b>5,956</b>	<b>89,178</b>	<b>78,654</b>
<b>2b Other voluntary incoming resources</b>					
Legacy	13,470	-	1,000	14,470	2,933
Fund Raising	-	-	1,086	1,086	1,472
	<b>13,470</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,086</b>	<b>15,556</b>	<b>4,405</b>
<b>2c Income from ancillary activities</b>					
Magazine and book stall	1,201	-	-	1,201	1,279
Church hall income	83,977	-	-	83,977	45,224
	<b>85,178</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>85,178</b>	<b>46,503</b>
<b>2d Other incoming resources</b>					
Fees to PCC	10,116	-	-	10,116	8,287
Churchyard maintenance	(1,000)	1,000	-	-	375
Other income	1,352	-	740	2,092	-
	<b>10,468</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>12,208</b>	<b>8,662</b>
<b>2e Income from investments</b>					
Deposit interest and income from trusts	3,240	2,058	1,607	6,905	5,111
	<b>3,240</b>	<b>2,058</b>	<b>1,607</b>	<b>6,905</b>	<b>5,111</b>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>190,340</b>	<b>8,296</b>	<b>10,389</b>	<b>209,025</b>	<b>143,335</b>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont)

All numbers in £

3. Resources used	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Restoration App Fund	Total Funds	2021
3a Charitable Giving					
Church overseas: missionary societies	-	385	-	385	-
Church overseas: other	-	-	-	-	248
Home charities - other	-	4,853	-	4,853	1,482
Home charities - church	-	-	-	-	87
Education	-	5,000	-	5,000	-
	-	10,238	-	10,238	1,817
3b Activities directly relating to the work of the Church					
Diocesan quota	89,678	-	-	89,678	89,755
Clergy and support staff expenses	688	-	-	688	577
Fees for weddings and funerals	6,264	-	-	6,264	6,369
Church running expenses	19,702	-	-	19,702	14,947
Church maintenance	3,165	-	4,410	7,575	2,673
Professional fees	-	-	11,276	11,276	-
Organ maintenance	-	-	839	839	825
Education	-	292	-	292	327
Upkeep of churchyard	382	939	-	1,321	1,534
Salaries and honoraria	18,578	-	-	18,578	13,959
Church halls costs	32,183	-	-	32,183	26,371
Church halls improvements	6,496	-	-	6,496	27,234
Donations	1,000	-	-	1,000	800
Other	-	-	-	-	30
	178,136	1,231	16,525	195,892	185,401
3c Fund raising and publicity					
Publicity for church and fund raising events	-	-	-	-	-
School prizes	-	30	-	30	30
	-	30	-	30	30
3d Church management and administration					
Stationery, postage, sundries	9,063	-	-	9,063	5,634
Rental property costs	7,112	-	-	7,112	5,053
	16,175	-	-	16,175	10,687
<b>Total resources used</b>	<b>194,311</b>	<b>11,499</b>	<b>16,525</b>	<b>222,335</b>	<b>197,935</b>

**PCC of Upminster****Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022 (cont)***All numbers in £*

	2022	2021
<b>4. Staff costs</b>		
Salaries and honoraria	22,555	16,909

During the year remuneration was paid to a Director of Music, his Assistant, Halls Secretary and the Administrative Assistant to the Rector. The remuneration paid to the Halls Booking Secretary is included in the Halls Expenditure. No person earned £40,000 or more.

**5. Fixed assets for use by the PCC**

<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>	Freehold Land and Buildings	Total
6 Gaynes Park Road Upminster at cost	3,197	3,197
	<u>3,197</u>	<u>3,197</u>

Depreciation is not provided on the freehold buildings and no impairment has been recognised.

**6. Analysis of net assets by fund**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Restoration Appeal Fund
Fixed assets	3,197	-	-
Current assets	159,581	28,210	207,901
Current liabilities	(12,916)	-	-
Charity/endowment funds	52,286	38,167	-
Fund balance	<u>202,148</u>	<u>66,377</u>	<u>207,901</u>

<b>7. Debtors</b>	2022	2021
Prepayments	-	1,271
Gift Aid recoverable from HMRC	15,041	13,565
Other debtors	1,380	2,452
	<u>16,421</u>	<u>17,288</u>

Gift Aid receivable is due from HMRC from 1 January 2021 and the cash was received in January 2023.

<b>8. Liabilities : amounts falling due within one year</b>	2022	2021
Accruals and deferred income	12,916	9,252
	<u>12,916</u>	<u>9,252</u>

Accruals reflect expenses related to 2022 and settled after the balance sheet - the entire balance was settled in January 2023.

**9. Property Reserve - not restricted**

The PCC have agreed to set aside funds for major repairs to PCC property

	2022	2021
Opening balance		
Property maintenance expense	72,100	72,100
Closing balance	-	-
	<u>72,100</u>	<u>72,100</u>

**10. Charity & Endowment Trusts**

The restricted funds include the following charities;

- a) Frith (charity registration 262008) created in 1610 to provide bread for the poor of the parish. The PCC received £39 of income from this Trust in 2022. The balance of this trust at 31 December was £1,311 and was invested in the COIF Charities Investment Fund. The PCC intend to close this trust and distribute the balance (£2,433 including accumulated income at 31 December 2022) to a local charity in line with the objectives of the trust.
- b) Boyce (charity registration 310907) created in 1869 to advance youth membership of the choir. The PCC received £49 of income from this Trust in 2022. The balance of this trust at 31 December was ~~£2,158~~ <sup>£1,636</sup> and was invested in the COIF Charities Investment Fund. The PCC intend to close this trust and distribute the balance (£3,036 including accumulated income at 31 December 2022) to a local charity in line with the objectives of the trust.

The restricted funds also include the following endowment trusts;

- c) Miss G.K. Wright (deceased), a perpetual endowment for the upkeep of the churchyard. The PCC received £418 of income from this Trust in 2022. The balance of this trust at 31 December was £7,738 and was invested in the M&G Charifund (£7,215) and the M&G Charibond (£523).
- d) Ms Rona England Bequest, created by a legacy in 1994 for educational purposes. The PCC received £1,552 of income from this Trust in 2022 and incurred expenses of £5,225. The balance of this trust at 31 December was £27,482 and was invested in the M&G Charifund.

The unrestricted funds include the following endowment:

- e) Miss C F Whitehead Trust, created by a legacy in 1961 and available for use at the discretion of the PCC. The PCC received £2,954 of income from this Trust in 2022. The balance of this trust at 31 December was £52,286 and was invested in the M&G Charifund.

**Fund Values**

	2022	2021
Frith Fund Value at 31/12	1,311	1,484
Boyce Fund Value at 31/12	1,636	1,851
Wright Fund Value at 31/12	7,738	8,226
England Bequest Value at 31/12	27,482	29,103
<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>38,167</b>	<b>40,664</b>
Whitehead Trust Value at 31/12	52,286	55,370
<b>Charity &amp; endowment trusts</b>	<b>90,453</b>	<b>96,034</b>
Unrealised gain/(loss) for the year	(5,581)	11,263

**PCC of Upminster****Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2022 (cont)****11. St. Laurence Church Restoration Appeal Fund**

The St Laurence Church Restoration Appeal includes funds for the repairs and maintenance of the church fabric, repairs and maintenance of the organ, tower and bells, and a historic bequest for repairs and maintenance of the church and the organ.

A Church Building Improvement Project is ongoing and funds related to this and related expenses are included within the Repairs & Maintenance Fund.

All numbers in £

<b>Income and Expenditure</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
<b>Repairs &amp; Maintenance fund</b>		
Fund Raising	1,086	1,472
Donations and other income	9,273	5,115
Expenditure	(15,686)	(10)
	<b>(5,327)</b>	<b>6,577</b>
<b>Organ fund</b>		
Income	-	37
Expenditure	-	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Bequest for Organ fund</b>		
Income	30	37
Expenditure	(839)	(825)
	<b>(809)</b>	<b>(788)</b>

There was no income or expenditure in the other Restoration Appeal funds.

	<b>31 December</b>	
Balances by fund	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Repairs & Maintenance fund	62,454	67,781
Organ Fund	-	-
Bells & Tower fund	199	199
Bequest for Church Fabric	133,375	133,375
Bequest for Organ	11,873	12,682
	<b>207,901</b>	<b>214,037</b>

Repairs & Maintenance Fund includes £35,631 raised for the Building Improvement Project. Funds raised in 2022 were £6,174 and costs incurred were £3,600 arising from consulting architects' fees.

**12. Financial Commitments.**

There are no financial commitments for the coming year at 31 December 2022.

**13. Events after the Balance Sheet date**

Repairs related to the Quinquennial Inspection commenced in March 2023. The expenses relating to this will be recognised in 2023.

**PCC of Upminster**  
**Independent Examiners Report to the PCC**

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022,  
which are set out on pages 6 to 14.

**Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the Examiner**

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

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

**Basis of Independent Examiners Statement.**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an 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 requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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