

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

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## Details

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**Other names** CHRIST CHURCH HEATON PCC

**Status** Registered

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**Registered** 2009-11-21

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## Activities

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

**Activities:** Parish church for Heaton, Bolton

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Bolton

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£117,415	£122,716	-	-
2023-12-31	£115,399	£129,763	-	-
2022-12-31	£105,832	£110,556	-	-
2021-12-31	£106,471	£116,188	-	-
2020-12-31	£90,848	£86,269	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew Graham Minors		2022-10-05
Andrew William Holmes		2022-10-05
Dr Richard Ward Newton		2022-10-05
Dr Shyamala Ariyaratnam		2022-10-05
HAZEL TATTERSALL		
Holly Bonfield		2019-04-23
Irene Morris		2022-05-15
Joan Schofield		2022-10-05
Marie Christine Syddall		2021-05-16
PETER BROCKLEHURST SYDDALL		
Pamela Ann Knight		2022-10-05
Patricia Bowie		2022-10-05
Stanley Gordon Wilson		2022-10-05

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# Accounts

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The Parish of Christ Church Heaton  
in the Deanery of Bolton  
and the Diocese of Manchester



# ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2024

To be presented at the  
Annual Parochial Church Meeting  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2024

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Members of the Parochial Church Council  
1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024

**INCUMBENT**

Revd Dave Thompson

**CURATES**

Revd Deborah Bithell  
Revd Matthew Burnell

From 30.06.24  
From 30.06.24

**CHURCHWARDENS**

Irene Morris  
Holly Bonfield  
Timothy Palmer

Until 18.06.24  
From 18.06.24

**DEPUTY WARDENS**

Holly Bonfield  
Debbie Eccles

From 18.06.24  
From 18.06.24

**TREASURER**

Andrew Minors

**GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATIVE**

Geoffrey Tattersall

**DIOCESAN SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES**

Christine Syddall  
Peter Syddall

**DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES (4 x Vacancies)**

Hazel Tattersall

**ELECTED MEMBERS (1 x Vacancy)**

Shyamala Ariyaratnam  
Holly Bonfield  
Sandy Bowie  
Cath Cole  
Debbie Eccles  
Andrew Holmes  
Sarah Hunter  
Pam Knight  
Andrew Minors  
Gai Murphy  
Richard Newton  
Joan Schofield  
Stanley Wilson  
David Youngman

From April 2024

From April 2024

From Oct 2024

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**APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS**

PCC CHAIRMAN (Ex Officio)	Revd Dave Thompson	
VICE CHAIRMAN	Irene Morris	
CHURCHWARDENS	Irene Morris Holly Bonfield Timothy Palmer	Until 18.06.24 From 18.06.24
DEPUTY WARDENS	Holly Bonfield Debbie Eccles	From 18.06.24 From 18.06.24
ASSISTANT WARDENS	Raj Ariyaratnam Peter Chapman Howard Entwistle	
TREASURER	Andrew Minors	
PATRONAGE SCHEME SECRETARY	Andrew Minors	
BOOK-KEEPER	Victoria Tattersall	
MINUTES SECRETARY	David Youngman	
ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER	Victoria Tattersall	
FREE WILL OFFERING SECRETARY	Hazel Tattersall	
GIFT AID ADMINISTRATOR	Peter Hodson	
CLERK OF WORKS	Vacant	
CENTRE MANAGER	Vacant	
CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE	Vacant	
CHILDREN'S SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE	Jane Chapman Julie Steele	
EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS	Shyamala Ariyaratnam Margaret Goudge Christine Hayes Richard Newton Heather Wilkinson Stanley Wilson	
HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER	Holly Bonfield Irene Morris	Until June 2024 From June 2024
SAFEGUARDING OFFICER	Holly Bonfield	

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**APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES**

**STANDING COMMITTEE**

Ex-Officio:	Revd Dave Thompson Irene Morris Holly Bonfield Timothy Palmer	(Chair)  Until 18.06.24 From 18.06.24
Elected by the PCC:	Andrew Minors David Youngman	

**BUILDINGS AND FABRIC COMMITTEE**

Ex-Officio:	Revd Dave Thompson Irene Morris Holly Bonfield Timothy Palmer	(Chair) Until 18.06.24 From 18.06.24
Elected by the PCC:	Holly Bonfield Andrew Minors Richard Newton Geoffrey Tattersall Hazel Tattersall Stanley Wilson David Youngman	From 18.06.24

**MISSION AND MINISTRY COMMITTEE**

Revd Dave Thompson Raj Ariyaratnam Caroline Lade Laraine Mason Adam Syddall Geoffrey Tattersall Hazel Tattersall	(Chair)
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**SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Irene Morris Revd Deborah Bithell Janet Darwell Debbie Eccles Pam Knight Gai Murphy Linda Thompson	(Chair)
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### VICAR'S REPORT

It has been very encouraging over the last 12 months to see continuing improvements in our relationships - both within the church and in the community.

The numbers attending church have continued to grow and this has been especially so in our Young Church groups. This would not occur without the commitment of all our leaders. The addition of a new young people's group - Little Fishes - has been very welcome.

It is always good for us to be able to support outside agencies and last year, Christian Aid, Urban Outreach, The Destitution Project, Bolton Lions and Fortalice amongst others have all benefited from the kindness of our congregation.

Any church has to have a balance between the spiritual and the social - the worship of God and fellowship with each other. That combination is very healthy at Christ Church with meetings of the Men's Group, Mothers' Union, the Beetle Drives, the Pop Quiz, the Pancake Party and the very successful Summer Fair mixing with the Sunday and Wednesday services, the Lent Groups, Holy Week activities and all the other various events that contribute to the worshipping life of a church.

In the middle of the year, we acquired two Curates - Deborah & Matthew - as they were ordained Deacon in Manchester Cathedral on 30 June. They have both contributed to the ministry of our church and we are looking forward to them both becoming ordained Priests in the summer.

I would like to thank my fellow clergy, Alan & Lynne; the benefice Authorised Lay Minister Jennifer; churchwardens Irene, Holly & Tim; our administrator Victoria; treasurer Andrew and organist John and the choir. The assistance of the numerous leaders and members of the various groups is invaluable as "Team Christ Church" moves forward in mission & ministry.

Working together in the name of Jesus is the key to serving God within our parish and beyond.

May God continue to be our strength and guide in 2025.

**Dave Thompson, Vicar**

### ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Since the last APCM held on 21st April 2024, the PCC has continued to hold regular meetings, having met 6 times during the year, to discuss the business and running of Christ Church ("CCH"). Despite his serious illness in the summer, the Revd Dave Thompson has guided us admirably through those meetings with his wisdom and patience, assisted ably by our Church Wardens, Irene Morris & Tim Palmer and deputy wardens, Holly Bonfield & Debbie Eccles.

Throughout the year, the PCC has dealt with its regular commitments and duties in relation to the financial affairs of CCH, and the care and maintenance of its structure and its contents, as well as the spiritual life of the church.

The typical agenda for the meetings consists of, inter alia, a finance report; correspondence received; Young Church; committee reports; safeguarding and the Vicar's Reflections. However, a considerable amount of time and attention during the year has been devoted by the PCC to the Hetlands boundary, the lease of the Scout Hut and the repair of the Choir Vestry Roof.

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Aided not least of all by the considerable efforts of the Revd Dave Thompson, the Hetlands issue is now resolved and good progress has been made with respect to the Scout Hut lease. A complete refurbishment and renovation of the choir vestry was initially mooted but, following the receipt of the views of certain members of the congregation about the anticipated costs, and further discussion by the PCC, it has been concluded that we focus, with some urgency, solely on the need to repair the roof.

The full list of PCC members is set out on page 3 of this annual report but, in summary, Harold Williams retired at last year's APCM. At that meeting, 4 people stood for re-election, viz. Shyamala Ariyaratnam, Andrew Minors, Pam Knight & Sandie Bowie and all were re-elected. Cath Cole and Holly Bonfield were proposed and both were elected. Sarah Hunter was proposed but as she was not yet on the Electoral Roll she would sit as an observer until October 2024. At that meeting it was also noted that Debbie Eccles had been co-opted during the year, bringing the total number of members, elected & ex-officio, to 22. We still have 4 vacancies on Deanery Synod. If anyone would like to fill one of these vacancies, please speak with the Revd Dave Thompson.

It was with great sadness, that shortly after the end of the year, we lost the services of Geoffrey Tattersall who had been a loyal servant to CCH and to the Church of England nationally. He will be greatly missed.

Finally, we are still without a PCC Secretary. If anyone would like to volunteer for this role, again, please speak with the Revd Dave Thompson.

**David W. Youngman PCC Minutes Secretary**

### **CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH AND CHURCH PROPERTIES**

#### **CHURCH BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS**

The PCC are committed to the repair of the choir vestry roof and the refurbishment of the choir vestry area. Plans and costs have been obtained and the PCC have decided on a flat roof with a lantern in the Centre of the roof, with a refurbishment of the toilets, kitchen, lighting and storage. The next stage is to apply for a Diocese Faculty based on the plans that have been provided by our architect.

The external high-level lighting around the church has been replaced as the existing lights were old and water had been causing the lights to fail.

The 5 yearly Quinquennial Survey was conducted, whilst there were no urgent recommendations, there were some non-urgent suggestions.

#### **CHURCH PROPERTIES**

Following the complete refurbishment off the Markland Hill property in the second half of 2023, the property was advertised at a higher rental which reflected the current market rate. A new tenant moved in during February 2024 and remained there for the rest of 2024. The property on Welbeck Road continued to be rented with no change of tenant during the year. The rent on this property was increased during the year.

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A new agent was appointed early in 2024 and this agent now oversees both properties. The rent on both properties will now, on the advice of the agent, be increased annually.

### CHURCH GROUNDS

All Seasons continue to provide the main care of our gardens and moss removing needs, along with our valued volunteer gardeners who look after some of the flower beds within the grounds.

Once again, we thank the scouts and volunteers who undertook the mass clearing of the autumn leaves following the harvest service.

A big thank you to Holly who spearheads the cleaning and continued maintenance of the remembrance garden pond.

### CHURCH CENTRE

The Centre alarm system has been upgraded to provide the same intruder protection arrangements as the Church.

We wish to thank Janet Darwell for ensuring that the Centre and Church are clean and ready for our Centre users and Congregation.

**Irene Morris - Church Warden**

**Tim Palmer - Church Warden**

### ELECTORAL ROLL

Prior to this meeting a new Electoral Roll has been created. This contains 149 names.

**Victoria Tattersall, Electoral Roll Officer**

### DEANERY SYNOD

The enlarged Bolton Deanery held 4 Synod meetings during 2024 with the Area Dean, Rev Simon Cook and the Lay Chair Mr. Keith Lewis taking the lead, ably assisted by Evelyn Weston, the Deanery Secretary.

Once again, the first meeting was held on Zoom on 6<sup>th</sup> February. The main Agenda item was entitled "Clergy Vacancies, Deployment and the Diocesan Vision" led by the Archdeacon Dr Rachel Mann. I find meetings on Zoom somewhat user unfriendly and was happy to miss the meeting as it coincided with my Grandson's birthday. The minutes show that there were many questions to the Archdeacon which she answered quite fully.

On 20<sup>th</sup> April we met at Bishop Bridgeman School and were involved in a presentation by a group of young people who had undertaken some research on "worship in school and church". This was followed by a Model Worship Session led by the Diocesan Children's Officer.

27<sup>th</sup> June Synod met here at Christ Church and after prayers and the usual formalities we were introduced to "Talkin Tables" by the founder Marjorie Hayward. She had recently returned to

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England after bereavement and was affected by loneliness and isolation. She set up a befriending Club and then in 2021 set up Talkin Tables, a scheme which started in cafes but has since also moved into churches. Each table has a trained leader who watches for new arrivals and advises them which table to go to. She told us that there were 8 groups running in Bolton at the time.

The final meeting of the year was held on 10<sup>th</sup> October at St Bartholomew's in Westhoughton. The Area Dean led an act of worship and then led a reflection on "Bolton Deanery and the Feeding of the 5,000". This was followed by a presentation from "Safe Families" and "Home for Good". 2 charities which seemed much the same as The Children's Society.

Future meetings in 2025 are on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 10<sup>th</sup> May and 24<sup>th</sup> June.

Christ Church currently has 5 seats on the Deanery Synod, only 1 of which has been filled leaving 4 vacancies. In addition, we have 2 representatives on Diocesan Synod who sit as Ex Officio members of Deanery Synod. If engaging in the Synodical government of the Church is something that you would like to explore, please speak to the Vicar.

**Peter Syddall**

### SAFEGUARDING

There has been a continuing focus for the Safeguarding role this year on keeping required documentation up to date and visible. This includes having a clear safeguarding statement both on the website and on the A Church Near You website, plus phone numbers to report any concerns to. These are in place, though we are aware that our website still needs further attention to make it easier to find policies. The Safeguarding Policy can be found on the website and on the noticeboard inside the Centre, where other policies are also to be seen - Health and Safety, Data and Lone Working.

The Safeguarding Policy and Statement are reviewed annually at the APCM. There is a 'Who's Who of Christ Church?' posted in Church and in the Centre which includes Safeguarding Lead contact details. A file containing the Safeguarding Policy and the Parish Safeguarding Guide is in the office and available for all volunteers to see.

With regard to training, there are five levels, the first three of which are relevant to volunteers here at Christ Church - Basic Awareness, Safeguarding Foundations and Safeguarding Leadership. PCC members are all required to undertake the Basic Awareness training plus have a DBS via the Church. Training for the new PCC members was addressed in 2023 and this is now needed for quite recently joined PCC members.

Basic Awareness training is available to any member of the congregation and anyone who would like to take this up (it takes around 75 minutes and is done online) is very welcome to approach me to find out more.

With regard to DBS requirement, which is now every three years (previously five), this year there will be a need to work on DBS renewals.

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Two safeguarding situations became evident during the year, which were dealt with appropriately and with the confidentiality required.

**Holly Bonfield, Safeguarding Officer**

### CHOIR

The Choir continues to sing at the 9.30. a.m. service and thoroughly enjoys being part of it. They also greatly value the social interaction with the members of the congregation in the Centre afterwards. In addition the lovely service of Evensong is held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. This quiet dignified service is a gentle end to the day.

We had a Passiontide Devotion on Palm Sunday and sang Compline during Holy Week. The service of Compline is short and peaceful and one that was used to end the day.

The services for Harvest and the Commemoration of the Departed are regular in the calendar of the Choir.

We were delighted to again be part of the Advent Carol service at the Parish Church and enjoyed singing with the augmented choir under the direction of the Choir Master there, Philip O'Connor. We do like being part of the Christmas services and really love watching the Young Church at the Christingle service. We presented our service of Nine Lessons and Carols and appreciated the readers who are part of it.

We are happy to have the help from the younger members of the Choir at the special services but we could do with more members and would very much welcome anyone who feels they would like to be involved in singing with us.

It has been lovely to have Dave as part of our services and we are very grateful for his support. We also thank Rev. David Griffiths for his taking of Evensong.

**John F. Balshaw, Organist and Choirmaster**

### CRÈCHE

The crèche meets in the choir vestry during the 9.30am Family Communion Service and is for children from birth to starting school.

We have a core group of very regular attenders and have been delighted to welcome some new faces during the year as well.

We aim to promote Christian values through play. The children enjoy listening to stories, singing songs, craft activities and playing with the toys. We try to link the activities to bible stories and an appreciation of the world around us, while also providing a welcoming environment for parents to share worries, useful tips and experiences.

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Some of the topics we have covered over the last year include Spring & New Life, Easter, Harvest, Noah's Ark, Thanking God for our Families and Christmas.

**Katie Hodgkiss & Katie Dunne**

### LITTLE FISHES

Little Fishes began in Autumn. There are five leaders in total, all of whom have up-to-date enhanced DBS checks, as per Church of England requirements.

We meet every two months to discuss our programme, which we link very closely to the Liturgy Calendar e.g. Wedding at Cana. Our children are aged 4-6 years old and are delightful.

During Advent we worked closely with the older Young Church members and joined with them in Christmas activities. We also took part in the Christmas Tree Festival at St Margaret's and, although we did not win, we were given a certificate for our entry.

Watch this space for 2025.

**Revd Deborah Bithell**

### YOUNG CHURCH

We continue to welcome a large number of children to our Sunday meetings, in which we cover an extensive number of topics since we only have a break during the month of August.

In Lent last year, we set the children and leaders a challenge to learn the Lord's Prayer in sign language, which we then demonstrated on Easter Day to the congregation. Joanna confidently led to this activity and, as the children enjoyed it so much, she is teaching us all sign language to the song that Young Church will sing on Mothering Sunday. Pauline and I find it fairly challenging!

Leading up to Easter, we discussed the events of Holy Week, particularly emphasising the Last Supper to add a greater significance for the children who were to be admitted to communion on Easter Day. Easter Day saw excited children enthusiastically searching for small Easter eggs, which we had hidden in the garden.

Following Easter, the children particularly enjoyed a code cracker quiz based on the story of "Doubting Thomas" as we covered the resurrection accounts. On April 27<sup>th</sup>, the children were encouraged to remember the words of Jesus spoken to Peter: "Feed my lambs; tend my sheep; feed my sheep."

An original way of introducing Pentecost had the children in fits of laughter as they were asked to create sandwiches using the wrong utensils! The message was to remind them of the various right ways to find God and this was reinforced with a PowerPoint presentation.

The difficult concept of the Trinity was again introduced in a memorable and amusing way using an egg that was separated into the yolk, the egg white and the shell to parallel the three parts of the Trinity. This was demonstrated in church. The children also added to the symbol of the Trinity: they drew a crown to represent God; a cross to represent Jesus, and a dove to represent the Holy Spirit.

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The remainder of the summer term focused on different stories from the New Testament. The children learned the names of the 12 disciples through a lively song; they explored the story of the healing of the 10 lepers and considered how it encouraged us all to remember to thank God, and they found out about the calming of the storm by Jesus as well as the healing of the man who was unable to walk at the pool of Bethesda.

Our contribution to the summer fair was to organise a chocolate tombola, which was very popular!

Following our break in August, we continued to explore the healing miracles of Jesus: the healing of the paralysed man, who was let down through the roof; the story of Jairus' daughter, and the healing of blind Bartimaeus.

To prepare for Harvest, the children learned about the Parable of the Sower, which we presented on Harvest Sunday through a poem as well as the song "It's Harvest Time." Once again, Young Church families generously contributed food for Urban Outreach on Harvest Sunday.

Immediately after this, we answered a request by Christian Aid via Elsie Peel to produce paper doves to encourage all to pray for peace in our world, which were displayed on a gold tree in church. This was an enormous success! A video of the children making the doves and their finished doves was created with the hymn, "Make me a channel of your peace" as a backing track. This was shared on our Facebook page at Christ Church, The Manchester Diocese website, The Christian Aid Facebook page and the Christian Aid website. The representative at Christian Aid was thrilled and admitted to shedding a tear upon watching it. Another brilliant activity - thank you to Joanna.

After this, our preparations for the Christingle service began in earnest and at the service the children sang a lively song by Graham Kendrick, "Glory to God." The children also dramatised a poem and read the lessons. The young leaders led to the prayers. It was another well-attended and atmospheric service.

Throughout the year, we ask our families to donate to the Grub Tub for Urban Outreach. In the Autumn, they helped greatly with the collection of cream crackers for Urban Outreach's "Christmas Dinner on Jesus" appeal and they also gave generously to the Bolton Lions Toy Appeal and to Fortalice. Thank you to all our families and to all in our congregation, who support these appeals.

We work as a united team as Young Church leaders and welcome our teenage helpers whenever they are able to join us. My grateful thanks go to Pauline and Alison and the vicar but especially to Joanna who gives an enormous amount of time to prepare innovative, enjoyable and memorable ways to teach our children on their Christian journey.

**Julie Steele**

### **MEN OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)**

I am pleased to report that the MCC had another active year of events and functions.

Towards the end of my report last year, we were preparing to take on the Coffee Bar duties after the 9.30 a.m. service on Mothering Sunday. Despite protestations about the strength of the coffee, no-one died (!) and my thanks are due to Adam Syddall for his organisation and help on the day.

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Subsequently, at the end of April, together with the Mothers' Union, we jointly invited the vicar to give a talk entitled, 'Half a Life in Ministry'. The event was well attended and the talk was most interesting and full of amusing anecdotes with a number of photos commemorating various memorable occasions.

The next event, in May, was a social drinks evening at Bob's Smithy, which was extremely convivial. The occasion coincided with a regular pub quiz night and we hope to replicate the event this year and submit a team for the quiz.

The social bowls evening was held at Heaton Village Club in the middle of July. Everyone involved felt that it was a great success so we are looking to hold a similar event late June or early July this year and invite other local churches to be involved.

We held our AGM on 19 September, again at Bob's Smithy, at which the members of the committee were re-elected and those who attended had a very pleasant evening.

27 people attended the annual dinner in November, at Bolton Golf Club, the highest number since 2020. The change of venue from the previous year was due to Ridgmont House being under repair and the move turned out to be an inspired decision. The food was excellent, as indeed was the service. Together with a congenial atmosphere and good company, it all made for an excellent evening despite the returning hoodoo of someone receiving a different meal to that which he had ordered!! As a consequence, we are again looking to hold this year's dinner at BGC on Friday 14 November.

On a soggy Saturday morning in November, a small but enthusiastic team of MCC volunteers tackled some of the overgrowth in the CCH gardens and we are hoping this will be a regular event.

The Renewal of Commitment service was held towards the end of January and thanks are due to Revd Dave Thompson for explaining and publicising the role of the MCC.

At the time of writing, we are preparing to stage the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party, held in the Church Centre. Hopefully, it will be as successful as last year's. Many thanks to everyone who helped and, particularly, cleared up afterwards. I would specifically like to thank Adam Syddall for all his efforts in organising such a major event.

We are also preparing to take on the Coffee Bar duties after the 9.30 a.m. service on Mothering Sunday. Once again, many thanks to Adam Syddall for arranging volunteers and to all those who helped on the day.

The committee continues to comprise myself, Adam Syddall as Honorary Secretary, Neville Beech as Honorary Treasurer with Andrew Minors, Carl Stilwell and the Revd Dave Thompson as serving members.

As always, the MCC committee would appreciate any offers from anyone who would like to contribute to the work of the MCC to help maintain and organise our programme of events. At the same time, I would like to offer my thanks, and those of the committee, to everyone quietly fulfilling the many duties and roles without which CCH would not be able to thrive.

**David W. Youngman, MCC Chairman**

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### CHRIST CHURCH PLAYERS

Last year, due to a number of factors we were not able to perform our proposed Murder Mystery play and as a result it was scheduled for February 2025. Therefore as I write our dedicated cast members are hard at work learning their lines for our up and coming performance at the end of the month. By the time this report is published at the ACPM hopefully lots of you reading this will have enjoyed the fruits of their labours. If so then thank you for your support.

In advance though can I, as always, give credit to the large number of people who give of their time to make each performance run smoothly. In particular, Pam and Paul Knight who master mind the ordering, buying, and serving of a delicious meal at all four performances as well as efficiently running the box office; Judith Pearson our ever-patient director; Geoffrey Pearson who every year produces our tickets and programmes and a band of willing volunteers drawn from the congregation and friends who help out selling raffle tickets, making cakes etc without a single complaint. Also crucial are our sponsors who so generously give raffle prizes.

The Players were 'reconstituted' back in 2020 when Jeanne Lonnen produced performances of the JB Priestly play 'When We Were Married'. Since then they have performed every year with the exception 2020 and 2024 and in doing so have raised a considerable amount of money for the benefit of Christ Church as well as enabling a lot of people to have an enjoyable night out. Just how long this tradition will continue will depend on all of you reading this report as we urgently need new people to take up the baton and tread the boards with us. SO, if anyone out there fancies being part of a warm and welcoming group and enjoying the fun of rehearsals not to mention performances then please do speak to any of the cast members.

**Brenda Griffiths, Chair**

### LUNCHEON CLUB

Our Luncheon Club has continued to thrive, with an average of 40 members attending each month. As always, numbers do fluctuate, depending on the weather and members' health. We are an outreach Club, drawing the majority of our members from the local community, as well as from our own Church. It is always uplifting to see everyone enjoying themselves, with good food and fellowship. We have welcomed some new members, both from Christ Church and friends of existing members. I always try to encourage our Committee to recruit new people to join us, as sadly we have lost quite a few of our long standing members. Our charge still remains at five pounds, which it has for many years - great value considering it includes homemade soup with bread (in the summer months a ham salad), different puddings, cheese and biscuits and tea/coffee, followed by many different types of entertaining speakers. Any food we have over we distribute to members who are ill or housebound, which is always appreciated. We did not get off to a good start in January, as we had to cancel our meeting due to adverse weather conditions - snow! Our speaker was to have been Cath Cole from our Church but she is now booked in for later in 2025. Then in February, a most interesting speaker came to tell us of his days as a Customs Officer, covering many amusing incidents from his career. The following month in March we had our 'old favourites' Anne and Gordon Sharpe (Spellbound Productions) who have been coming for many years. Their film shows are always very professional, with excellent commentary from Gordon and their show this time finished on a high with their trip to Venice at carnival time - superb! They are a very talented and generous couple. Part of their fee goes to charity and they always donate one of their DVDs to our raffle, for which we are very grateful.

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Our next speaker in April was another return visit from Steve Williams, who always researches his topics thoroughly. This time it was 'Lancashire Lasses' and his talk brought back memories for many of our members, as he spoke about Gracie Fields, Bessie Braddock and Thora Hird to mention just a few. Then in May, our speaker was Sue Holden whose talk was entitled 'Bringing Law to Life with Laughter'. As the title suggests, this was an amusing take on her life as a solicitor. Next in June, we had Jackie Mafi giving us a most interesting talk entitled 'Every Photograph Tells a Story' - again well-rehearsed and entertaining.

When we recommenced in September, after the summer break, we were entertained brilliantly by Mr Roger Browne with his talk 'The Great American Song Book'. He played the piano superbly, singing many well-known American songs. He was a real hit with our members and we shall be having a return visit by him in 2025.

Unfortunately in October our speaker was taken ill but I managed to get Norman Nuttall along to tell many great anecdotes about life in the 1940's and 1950's - lots of fun and laughter! Again in November our original speaker had to cancel at the last minute due to illness but fortunately, as he has done previously, David Lloyd stepped into the breach, with his slide presentation about old Bolton and its shops. As always, he'd done so much fascinating research into Bolton's history. David is always a popular speaker and has helped us out previously at the last minute, for which we are most grateful to him.

As in 2023, our Christmas entertainment was provided by some very talented children from St Peter's Smithills Deane School. This was the highlight of our year - the children sang so beautifully and enthusiastically. Thanks to both Joanna Steele and Adele Whittingham for all the time and dedication they must have put in to produce a wonderful performance from their young children. We look forward to them coming back again in 2025.

As always, my thanks to all those who help to make our Luncheon Club so enjoyable and successful. We have been in existence now for over thirty years and this would not have been the case if it weren't for the dedicated help and support from all our volunteer helpers, who give up their time and expertise making the soups and puddings. Also my thanks must go to those who work in the kitchen, serving, clearing away and washing up, which is all essential to the smooth running of the Club. Katie Hodgkiss has joined our team and helps immensely with setting up the room beforehand and also in the kitchen. We are very grateful to her, as this is an enormous help.

There has been a change in our small Committee, with Pam Hodson resigning as Treasurer due to family commitments. She has been an excellent and efficient Treasurer over the years and we are very grateful to her for all her dedication to our Club. Fortunately however, John Balshaw has taken over her role and we are very grateful to him - I know our funds will be in safe hands with him. My husband Mike has now been put in charge of the raffle, as John did this previously. Also, a huge thank you once again to Steph, who as always oversees all the food and organises the kitchen so efficiently and cheerfully, as well as doing much shopping for our food supplies.

Thanks also once again to Committee member Janet Balshaw who is in charge of the soup - it always goes down well. Janet is also now sending Christmas cards to each member and I do the birthday cards - Pam used to do both of these tasks. We appreciate the work which Bev Hodgkiss has been doing in the kitchen each month and in view of this we have included her on our small Committee, as we have Michael Cull. It's also been nice to have the Reverend Alan Pierce doing the grace before we eat - thanks Alan.

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Finally, a huge thank you to all the hardworking Committee members and helpers for their loyal assistance and support throughout the year. Without all of these people, Luncheon Club would not be able to function successfully and give our members such a lot of pleasure.

**Pauline Cull, Luncheon Club Leader**

### THURSDAY CUBS

The Thursday cubs have had a full year of activities with numbers steady around the 21 mark, this is our preferred number to run with so we can run 3 sixes, and things can get a little chaotic once we go in excess of this number. Pack mix we have 17 boys and 4 girls.

Concerns around attendance and cubs not attending meetings, activities/events. There is a lot of work involved in planning our programme, so it can be disheartening when we've organised an activity or event and we get significant numbers dropping out. Given size of our waiting list this means there may be kids missing out who would attend every week. We plan to address this by engaging with parents more before their child joins so they are aware of the voluntary nature of what we do, the effort we put in and expectations on attendance and support.

Thursday Cubs have had another fun filled year as we seek to actively support our young people in their personal development and empower them to make a positive contribution to society. To support this, we've continued our ethos of getting the cubs out and about as much as possible with a programme of activities based on tried and tested favourites mixed with newer activities.

Too many activities to run through in detail but Christmas Panto - Dick Whittington at Bolton Little Theatre, we didn't know what to expect with Am dram, but it was a really good night with lots of fun and jokes. We enjoyed it that much that much that this Dec the District have adopted it as one of their chosen events so we'll be attending again next week to watch Robin Hood.

Early in the year we did our Aircraft Activities badge, which involved making up and painting airfix kits of spitfires, a fiddly few weeks of patience testing but the final results were surprisingly good. In February we completed a Night Hike, to raise money for Bolton Mountain Rescue, conditions were very foggy and it was good to have the support of BMR on the moors as a check point and give the Cubs hot drinks.

During summer we took part in Tracking, A-Z Challenge on Doffcocker lodge, Orienteering up at Leverhulme Park, Dam building, Firelighting and Sausage sizzle as well a visit to Smithills open farm where Farmer Bruce showed off his tractor driving skills.

Our annual summer camp is the highlight of year, giving the cubs the opportunity to sleep outside in tents for two nights and work more closely together on activities and challenges. Our Summer camp this year was a joint camp with Wednesday Cubs at Waddecar nr Preston, All the cubs camped out usual and completed a range of activities including Fire lighting, hiking, water rockets, obstacle course, crate stacking plus air rifle shooting and Archery. We even managed to squeeze in the England Switzerland quarter final game - with an the exciting penalty shoot out and lots of singing 'Footballs coming home' - unfortunately it didn't!

Autumn term saw us complete the Disability Awareness badge, we had a night of mobility aids and challenges kindly provided by Marie, we also had a had visit from the guide Dogs which we followed up a couple of weeks ago with a fundraising hike.

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We continue to try and keep the dying art of conkers alive and held our annual conker contest, with full risk assessments, in early October

The district held a Navigation Activity Fun day At Bibby's farm in October which was well attended by Thursday Cubs and very muddy.

The recent group bonfire was well attended by all sections and enjoyed by all, with another safe and fun-filled night of activities such as apple bobbing, mummy wrap, bonfire sing-song, guy building & burning and a great firework display - thanks to our parents for their kind donations of fireworks. In December the Cubs worked hard to complete the entertainers badge by putting on a Christmas show of fun Skits and Sketches, attended by the parents.

Support at District level isn't the best, with no official ADC Cubs we pull together as leaders to try and organise at least a couple of joint activities during the year.

Finally, a massive thanks to our leaders, Bruce Horrocks, Stuart Horrocks and Dan Barber as well as our adult and parent helpers, Caitlyn Horrocks, Anis Patel and Ken Gilkes without whose help running such a varied and interesting programme would not be possible.

**Neil Rothwell**

### **WEDNESDAY CUBS**

During 2024 we were at around 20-23 Cubs with just as many girls as boys for the majority of the year. We enjoyed lots of the traditional Scouting activities such as fire lighting and pioneering where we made chariots for racing. As well as our usual meetings we had a variety of people and organisations coming in to us to teach us new skills- this included a local charity who showed us how to maintain and do safety checks on our bikes. We went out on a bat walk using specialist equipment to track them, we visited the Fire Station much to delight of all the Cubs they were allowed to use the hoses and see the ladder at its highest. We have taken part in district events such as a hike at Bibby's farm with activities along the way. At Group level we have been on Camp with our Thursday Cubs over the summer to Waddacar and taken part in activities with our Beavers and Scouts, including our fabulous Group Bonfire Evening. To end the year we held our very own Christmas Fair to raise vital funds for Bolton Hospice for one of our challenge badges, a great time was had by all and we raised over £400.

**Marie Armour**

### **17<sup>TH</sup> BOLTON SCOUTS**

Over the past year, our Scout troop has grown from 12 to 23 Scouts, marking a 92% increase in membership. This expansion reflects our efforts in recruitment, retention, and providing an engaging program. Our activities, including hikes, orienteering, camping, and partnerships with local clubs such as Bolton Amateur Radio Society, Salford Astronomical Society, Go Outdoors, and Warhammer, have significantly enriched the scouting experience, fostering personal growth and leadership skills among our members.

We have also made strides in leadership development by adding an adult leader to support our expanding troop. Through regular evaluations, data analysis, and feedback from Scouts, parents,

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and leaders, we have identified areas for improvement and opportunities for further growth. The inclusion of more female Scouts has strengthened our commitment to inclusivity and diversity within the troop.

Looking ahead, we aim to continue increasing membership, expanding community partnerships, and enhancing leadership training. With the ongoing support of our church community, we will ensure that our Scouts benefit from a meaningful, enriching, and well-supported program that prepares them for future success. Thank you for your continued encouragement and dedication to our mission.

**Hareth Al-Obaidi**

### **MOTHERS' UNION**

The Mothers' Union theme for 2024 continued with "Transformation - now!". The aim of this theme was to allow us to transform ourselves, personally and spiritually, to live out our faith, transform the churches and communities we work with and to transform Mothers' Union to be relevant for 21st century life. Unfortunately, we are still struggling with our own MU branch here at Christ Church and continue, at least for now, as a relatively dormant branch with no active committee and no ongoing fundraising activities. We have been greatly encouraged by a number of new members in recent years including transfers from other branches and previously lapsed members, however, we do hope that we can continue to push the recruitment of new members and form a committee or decision making group; something that we have not done much of as a branch for a very long time.

We were very sad to lose some of our members during 2024. We thank God for their commitment to Mothers' Union and for all that they were able to offer throughout their years of membership. We would particularly like to mention here Sue Critchley and offer our special thanks for her many years of unwavering service, right until the very end.

*Prayer: "Loving Lord, who wipes away every tear from our eye, draw near to those who grieve and mourn the loss of that which is dear. In the midst of sorrow be their comfort, in the place of sadness be their hope. Amen."*

We are pleased to be able to continue to assist with Baptisms and the purchase of the Baptism books given to each family. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to Clare King who continues her role as Baptism Coordinator and we would also like to take this opportunity to thank the volunteers on the rota. We are also hugely grateful to Margaret Goudge in her position as Deanery Correspondent and to Lynne Fisher who continues in her communications and branch member liaison role. Thank you.

The triennial theme for 2025-2027 has been agreed as "Join Us, Join In!". As we move now towards a very exciting period when we celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of Mothers' Union in Britain, we have the opportunity to tell our great story to those outside the movement - and invite them to become part of our family. It is hoped that over the next three years, there will be opportunities through celebratory activities to honour the past and reflect both on our individual branch here at Christ Church Heaton, our history and key milestones as well as celebrating the heritage of Mothers' Union as a whole. However, the main focus will be the future of MU in the 21st century and what lies in front of us. To keep going, and to thrive, MU needs more members at grassroots/branch level, helping local families and the vulnerable in their communities. So will you join us and join in? We hope so!

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The Mary Sumner Prayer: *All this day, O Lord, let me touch as many lives as possible for thee; and every life I touch, do thou by thy spirit quicken, whether through the word I speak, the prayer I breathe, or the life I live. Amen.*

**Ruth Syddall, Treasurer**



## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

Registered Charity No 1132861

Financial Statements for the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL 2024</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2023</u>
Note	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and Endowments:</b>					
Voluntary income	2{a} 68,270	540	0	68810	81,299
Church activities	2{b} 17,508	0	0	17508	10,975
Activities for generating funds	2{c} 1,656	0	0	1656	6,985
Investment income	2{d} 22,771	0	0	22771	16,140
Other incoming resources	0	6,670	0	6670	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>110,205</b>	<b>7,210</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>117,415</b>	<b>115,399</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>					
Church activities	3{a} 107,469	0	0	107,469	118,032
Raising funds	3{b} 132	0	0	132	314
Support costs	3{c} 2,552	0	0	2,552	2,206
Capital expenditure	3{d} 5,893	6,670	0	12,563	9,211
Extraordinary item (Rtn part grant)	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>116046</b>	<b>6,670</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>122,716</b>	<b>129,763</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>	<b>-5,841</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-5,301</b>	<b>-14,364</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>-5,841</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-5,301</b>	<b>-14,364</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):**</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>65,000</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>-5,841</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-5,301</b>	<b>50,636</b>
Total funds brought forward	474,503	4,194	0	478,697	428,061
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>468,662</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>473,395</b>	<b>478,697</b>

\*\* See note 1.2 pg 11

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**Balance sheet as at 31st December 2024**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total this</u>	<u>Total last</u>
	<u>funds</u>	<u>income</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>year</u>	<u>year</u>
	£	£	£	£	£
<b><u>Fixed assets</u></b>					
Investment Property (Note 1.2)	404,900	-	-	404,900	404,900
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>404,900</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>404,900</b>	<b>404,900</b>
<b><u>Current assets</u></b>					
Stocks	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 6)	12,748	-	-	12,748	14,671
Investments	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 8)	72,460	4,734	-	77,194	92,386
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>85,208</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>89,942</b>	<b>107,058</b>
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)	21,447	-	-	21,447	33,261
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>63,761</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>68,495</b>	<b>73,797</b>
<b>Total net assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>468,661</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>473,395</b>	<b>478,697</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
<b><u>Funds of the Church</u> (Note 9)</b>					
Restricted income funds	-	4,734	-	4,734	4,194
Unrestricted funds	468,662	-	-	468,662	474,503
Revaluation reserve	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>468,662</b>	<b>4,734</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>473,395</b>	<b>478,697</b>

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Chairman

Andrew Minors  
Honorary Treasurer

## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of 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 main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

## Funds

### General Funds

These 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.

### Designated Funds

These are Funds designated for particular purposes by the PCC and are also unrestricted as the PCC can reassign those monies if it so desires.

### Restricted Funds

These can only be used for their stated purpose(s).

The Church has the following specific funds -

### Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Church and its environs without recourse to realising fixed assets and to enable such maintenance to be undertaken at short notice.

### Organ and Choir Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir.

A transfer from the General Fund can be made in lieu of the organists Honorarium subject to annual review

### PCC Property Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the properties at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill.

### Church Organisations Fund

To provide funds for setting up new church organisations

### Special Projects Fund

To provide funds for such individual projects as PCC decides

## Incoming Resources

### Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

#### Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

#### Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### Resources used

##### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation of the PCC.

##### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end (unless a balance payment has been committed by the PCC) as no legal liability exists.

#### Fixed assets

##### Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993

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 moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure on purchase.

##### Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

#### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

#### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

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 NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2024

Fixed Assets  
 Investment Property

	39 Welbeck Rd Heaton £	112 Markland Hill Heaton £	Total £
Value B/Fwd	169950	134950	304900
Revaluation increase 2023	50000	15000	65000
Improvements 2023	0	35000	35000
Value C/Fwd	219950	184950	404900

Basis of Valuation

The brought forward property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves marketing reports dated 28 February 2007.

Movable Church Furnishings

These are vested in the Church wardens on behalf of the PCC. They cannot be disposed of without a faculty and therefore no value is assigned to them. Expenditure on additions to such inalienable assets is written off on purchase

Land at Scout Hut, Markland Hill, Bolton

The land on which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of One Shilling per Annum. This was renewed with effect from 25 December 1988 for a further 25 years then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. As disposal of this asset is not possible for the foreseeable future, and income is effectively NIL, no value has been assigned to this property in the accounts accounts. The Scout Hut itself is not owned by the Church

## 2 Income and Endowments

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL 2024</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2023</u> <u>£</u>
<b>2{a} Voluntary income</b>					
Gift Aided Planned Giving	40,952	-	-	40,952	42,269
Other Planned Giving	1,734	-	-	1,734	2,009
Collections at services	12,163	-	-	12,163	9,479
Gift Aid Recovered	12,000	-	-	12,000	14,000
Legacies				-	11,000
Other	1,421	7,210	-	8,631	2,542
<b>Total</b>	<b>68,270</b>	<b>7,210</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>75,480</b>	<b>81,299</b>
<b>2{b} Church activities:</b>					
PCC Fees ( Weddings & funerals etc)	5,105	-	-	5,105	3,331
Parish Magazine (Sales)	-	-	-	-	-
Church Centre lettings	12,403	-	-	12,403	7,644
Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,508</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>17,508</b>	<b>10,975</b>
<b>2{c} Activities for generating funds:</b>					
Magazine (Advertising)	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising events	1,656	-	-	1,656	6,985
Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,656</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,656</b>	<b>6,985</b>
<b>2{d} Income from investments:</b>					
Bank and CCLA interest	2,729	-	-	2,729	4,521
Dividend on CCLA Funds	73	-	-	73	70
Rental income from houses	19,968	-	-	19,968	11,550
Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>22,771</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22,771</b>	<b>16,140</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>110,205</b>	<b>7,210</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>117,415</b>	<b>115,399</b>

### Other information:

All income in the year, with exception of donations towards defibrillator and new chairs for centre was unrestricted



### 3 Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2024</u> £	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2023</u> £
<b>3{a} Church Activities</b>					
Donations to outside organisations	0	0	0	0	0
Diocesan Parish Share	48,000	0	0	48,000	50,000
Clergy Working expenses	1,427	0	0	1,427	1,296
Vicarage/other ministry expenses	4,060	0	0	4,060	4,069
Salaries & wages	7,360	0	0	7,360	6,614
Miscellaneous	310	0	0	310	986
	<b>61,156</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61,156</b>	<b>62,965</b>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>					
Church running expenses	19,883	0	0	19,883	15,745
Church utility costs	9,519	0	0	9,519	18,052
Upkeep of services	166	0	0	166	387
Upkeep of churchyard	2,832	0	0	2,832	2,568
Parish Centre running costs	7,902	0	0	7,902	12,106
PCC property costs	4,129	0	0	4,129	4,231
Magazine costs	0	0	0	0	0
Cost of church administration	923	0	0	923	1,076
Organ & Choir costs	958	0	0	958	900
	<b>46,313</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>46,313</b>	<b>55,066</b>
<b>3{b} Raising funds</b>					
Fundraising/Stewardship (envelopes)	132	0	0	132	314
	<b>132</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>314</b>
<b>3{c} Support Costs</b>					
Independent Examiner	100	0	0	100	100
Professional Fees	2,143	0	0	2,143	1,752
Payroll Services	309	0	0	309	354
<b>Total Support Costs</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,552</b>	<b>2,206</b>
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>110,154</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110,154</b>	<b>120,551</b>
<b>3{d} Capital Expenditure</b>					
Church buildings	3,606	6,670	0	10,276	3,612
PCC Properties	2,286	0	0	2,286	5,599
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>5,893</b>	<b>6,670</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,563</b>	<b>9,211</b>

<b>TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>116,046</b>	<b>6,670</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>122,716</b>	<b>129,762</b>
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#### 4. Funds received as agent

<u>Description/name of party</u>	<u>Related party (Yes or No)</u>	<u>Amount received</u>		<u>Amount paid out</u>	
		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Childrens Society	No	273	236	273	236
Christian Aid	No	1,078	-	1,078	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,351</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>1,351</b>	<b>236</b>

#### 5. Paid employees

##### 5.1 Staff Costs

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Salaries and wages*	7,360	6,614
Social security costs	-	-
Unfunded Apparitor	-	-
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)	-	-
Other employee benefits	-	-
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>7,360</b>	<b>6,614</b>

\*Parish Administrator

##### 5.2 Average head count in the year

		<u>This year Number</u>	<u>Last year Number</u>
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	Administration	1	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**5.3 No Honorarium payments were paid to Apparitors from General Funds**  
There were no ex-gratia payments to employees or others

## 6. Debtors and prepayments

<u>Analysis of debtors</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Trade debtors	-	711
Prepayments and accrued income	-	2,069
Tax recoverable under Gift Aid	12,748	11,892
<b>Total</b>	<b>12,748</b>	<b>14,671</b>

## 7. Creditors and accruals

### Analysis of creditors

#### Amounts falling due within 1 year

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Trade creditors	580	3,861
Accruals and deferred income	20,867	29,400
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,447</b>	<b>33,261</b>

## 8. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Short term deposits	46,019	75,942
Cash at bank and on hand	31,175	16,444
Other	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>77,194</b>	<b>92,386</b>

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST  
CHURCH, HEATON**

I report on the accounts of the parish of Christ Church, Heaton for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of PCC and examiner

As members of the PCC 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 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.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 PCC 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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.

Name: Kathryn Hodgkiss FCA      Relevant professional qualification or body: ICAEW  
Address: J F Balshaw & Co, 20 Old Kiln Lane, Heaton, Bolton. BL1 5PD      Date: 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

*K Hodgkiss*

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To be presented at the  
Annual Parochial Church Meeting  
Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024

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Members of the Parochial Church Council  
1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 – 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023

**INCUMBENT**

Revd Dave Thompson

**ASSOCIATE PRIEST**

Revd Philip Burman

Until 19.12.23

**CHURCHWARDENS**

Holly Bonfield

Irene Morris

**TREASURER**

Andrew Minors

**GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATIVE**

Geoffrey Tattersall

**DIOCESAN SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES**

Christine Syddall

Peter Syddall

**DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES (4 x Vacancies)**

Hazel Tattersall

**ELECTED MEMBERS (5 x Vacancies)**

Raj Ariyaratnam

Shyamala Ariyaratnam

Sandy Bowie

Andrew Holmes

Pam Knight

Andrew Minors

Richard Newton

Joan Schofield

Harold Williams

Stanley Wilson

David Youngman

Until May 2023

From May 2023

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APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS

PCC CHAIRMAN (Ex Officio)	Revd Dave Thompson
VICE CHAIRMAN	Irene Morris
CHURCHWARDENS	Holly Bonfield Irene Morris
ASSISTANT WARDENS	Raj Ariyaratnam Peter Chapman Howard Entwistle
TREASURER	Andrew Minors
PATRONAGE SCHEME SECRETARY	Andrew Minors
BOOK-KEEPER	Victoria Tattersall
MINUTES SECRETARY	David Youngman
ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER	Victoria Tattersall
FREE WILL OFFERING SECRETARY	Hazel Tattersall
GIFT AID ADMINISTRATOR	Peter Hodson
CLERK OF WORKS	Vacant
CENTRE MANAGER	Vacant
CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE	Vacant
CHILDREN'S SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE	Jane Chapman Julie Steele
EUCCHARISTIC ASSISTANTS	Shyamala Ariyaratnam Margaret Goudge Christine Hayes Richard Newton Heather Wilkinson Stanley Wilson
EDITOR OF PARISH MAGAZINE	Vacant
HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER	Holly Bonfield
SAFEGUARDING OFFICER	Holly Bonfield

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APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

**STANDING COMMITTEE**

Ex-Officio:	Revd Dave Thompson Revd Philip Burman Holly Bonfield Irene Morris	Until 19.12.23
Elected by the PCC:	Andrew Minors David Youngman	

**BUILDING AND FINANCE (BUILDINGS AND FABRIC from Mar 2023) COMMITTEE**

Ex-Officio:	Revd Dave Thompson Revd Philip Burman Holly Bonfield Irene Morris (Chair)	Until 19.12.23
Elected by the PCC:	Andrew Minors Richard Newton Geoffrey Tattersall Hazel Tattersall Stanley Wilson David Youngman	

**MISSION AND MINISTRY COMMITTEE**

Revd Dave Thompson Revd Philip Burman Raj Ariyaratnam Caroline Lade Laraine Mason Adam Syddall Geoffrey Tattersall Hazel Tattersall	Chair	Until 19.12.23
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**SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Janet Darwell Pam Knight Irene Morris Gai Murphy Steph Oakley Judith Pearson Linda Thompson		From 04.04.23 Until 04.04.23
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**VICAR'S REPORT**

The need for reconciliation within church and community was at the heart of much of church life throughout the year and it has been good to restore relationships with local schools within the community.

It has also been encouraging to see people returning to church after Covid and for new people to get more involved in church life.

The numbers attending church have been growing as has attendance in our Young Church [Sunday School]. The strength of our young people's work is a testimony to all the hard work of the leaders and helpers.

It is good for us to be able to support outside agencies and Urban Outreach, The Destitution Project, Bolton Lions and Fortalice have all benefited from the kindness of our congregation.

The Men's Group and Mothers' Union have both met regularly (sometimes together) and increased attendance at these gatherings have been very encouraging. It was good to see increased attendances at the social and fundraising activities, including the Beetle Drive, Pop Quiz and the Pancake Party.

At the end of the year we said goodbye to Philip Burman - after 6 years as the House for Duty Priest at St.Margaret's. Philip also played a major role in life at Christ Church following the departure of Janet French at the end of 2020. His role in the Benefice will not be forgotten and he retired to Lytham with our best wishes and prayers.

I would like to thank my fellow clergy, Alan & Lynne; our ordinand Deborah; the churchwardens Irene & Holly; our administrator Victoria; treasurer Andrew and organist John and the choir. In addition, I am grateful for the assistance of all the many leaders and members of the various groups, Christ Church is very much a team that can only benefit when people work together.

Moving into 2024, we are looking forward to Deborah being ordained and our new Curate Matthew joining us. Their ordination service takes place on 30 June.

I firmly believe that they are joining a church that is moving forward in worshipping and serving the living God as Father, Son & Holy Spirit.

**Dave Thompson, Vicar**

**ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

Since the last APCM was held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023, the PCC has continued to hold regular meetings, having met 8 times during the year, to discuss the business and running of Christ Church ("CCH"). In addition, there has been one extraordinary meeting for specific discussion on the way forward with the investment property at 112 Markland Hill and one site visit to assess the boundary issues with The Hetlands.

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In his first full year with us, the Revd Dave Thompson has guided us admirably through those meetings with his wisdom and patience, assisted ably by our Church Wardens, Holly Bonfield & Irene Morris.

Throughout the year, PCC has dealt with its regular commitments and duties in relation to the financial affairs of CCH, and the care and maintenance of its structure and its contents, as well as the spiritual life of the church.

One of the major decisions that the PCC was called upon to make was with regard to the future of 112 Markland Hill, which had fallen into a state of disrepair. After intense debate, it was decided to spend c. £42,000 to repair and refurbish the property, which, consequently, has recently been put back on the rental market with positive results and an increase in its market valuation. The next project is likely to be the choir vestry, which is in need of a new roof after many years of leaks.

The full list of PCC members is set out at the beginning of this annual report but, in summary, Raj Ariyaratnam retired at the last APCM whilst Gai Murphy was elected a member. Raj was thanked for his many years of service to Christ Church. At the PCC meeting immediately following the APCM, Harold Williams was co-opted, bringing the total number of members, elected & ex-officio, to 18 with 4 vacancies. We also still have 4 vacancies on Deanery Synod. If anyone would like to fill one of these vacancies, please speak with the Revd Dave Thompson.

Finally, we are still without a PCC Secretary. If anyone would like to volunteer for this role, again, please speak with the Revd Dave Thompson.

**David W. Youngman PCC Minutes Secretary**

### **CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH AND CHURCH PROPERTIES**

#### CHURCH BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS

All church buildings, contents and grounds continue to be overseen by the Buildings and Fabric Committee of the PCC.

The leaking Choir Vestry roof remains the most significant project that the PCC is currently considering. Plans and quotes have been sought and received for the work that will be needed to repair the Choir Vestry roof and also to upgrade the Choir Vestry building.

#### Vicarage

With the arrival of the Rev Dave at the end of 2022, the Vicarage is now within the Church properties.

#### Properties

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The property on Markland Hill became vacant during 2023 and the PCC has taken the opportunity, whilst it was empty, to refurbish it ready for a new tenant in 2024.

The property on Welbeck Road continues to be rented with no change of tenant during the year.

### CHURCH GROUNDS

All Seasons continue to provide the main care of our gardens, including hedge-cutting and moss-removing needs, along with our valued volunteer gardeners who look after some of the flower beds within the grounds.

A big thank you to the Scouts and volunteers who undertook the mass clearing of the autumn leaves following the Harvest Service. They did a superb job in clearing and removing the leaves in just a few days!

The Remembrance Garden Pond has been emptied, thoroughly cleaned and refilled, with the fountain restarted - though this is a rather modest fountain! This is now maintained regularly by hand and fishing nets. All offers to get involved in this maintenance gratefully received.

The trees throughout the grounds continue to be monitored for any action needed.

### CHURCH CENTRE

With no Centre Manager, our Administrator, along with the Wardens, oversee the use and needs of the Centre. Christ Church is looking for a Centre Manager to support this and do practical jobs in the Centre on an ad hoc basis.

The number of Centre bookings continues to increase with new regular and occasional events booked. We are very well supported in both the Church and the Centre by our excellent cleaner, Janet Darwell. All these Centre bookings help us to move towards paying our Parish Share.

**Irene Morris - Church Warden**

**Holly Bonfield - Church Warden**

### ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll contains 260 names. Since the last revision, 8 names have been added, 10 names have been removed and 1 amendment has been made.

**Victoria Tattersall, Electoral Roll Officer**

### DEANERY SYNOD

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After the recent re-organisation of Deaneries within the Diocese, the Bolton Deanery met on three occasions during 2023 under the leadership of Revd Simon Cook, the new full-time Area Dean and Mr Keith Lewis, the new Lay Chair.

The first meeting was on zoom, it having been decided by the Standing Committee at the beginning of the triennium that one meeting during the winter each year should be on zoom so that members could attend at home without the need for travel. It was `attended` by the Diocesan Head of Lay Development and our Local Ministry Officer who spoke about lay development and discipleship and emphasised that the purpose of the Lay Development team was to help the laity grow and become stronger in faith and that the Foundations for Ministry, Authorised Lay Ministry and Lay Ministry training were available to all.

The second meeting was held here at Christ Church and after the Synod had elected its officers and Standing Committee, it discussed the rather unappetising and somewhat gloomy topic of closing church buildings with the Diocesan Fragile Churches Officer [I never knew that such a person existed!] and a priest who had been involved in the process of closing a church.

Fortunately, the third meeting at St Peter`s Halliwell was a much more jovial affair and was on the positive subject of Growing Churches led by Ven Mike McGurk, the Diocesan Head of Church Growth. It was for once a lively meeting.

So, notwithstanding its re-organisation the Deanery Synod is alive and well and looks forward to a perhaps more inspirational 2024.

**Geoffrey Tattersall**

### **SAFEGUARDING**

A focus for the Safeguarding role this year has been website compliance. There is a requirement to have a clear safeguarding statement both on the website and on the A Church Near You website. This includes phone numbers to report any concerns to. These are in place, though we are aware that our website still needs focusing on to make it easier to find policies, including Safeguarding.

With regard to training, there are five levels of training, the first three of which are relevant here at Christ Church - Basic Awareness, Safeguarding Foundations and Safeguarding Leadership. PCC members are all required to undertake the Basic Awareness training plus have a DBS via the Church. With nine new PCC members in November 2022, there was an immediate focus on safeguarding training for them and by March 2023, these were almost all in place.

Basic Awareness training is available to any member of the congregation and anyone who would like to take this up (it takes around 75 minutes and is done online) is very welcome to approach me to find out more.

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Safeguarding Leadership training via the Diocese has not been easy to access but those required to train to this level have either done the Diocese training or have that level of training in their employment or other volunteering roles. This will be further focused on for 2024.

With regard to DBS requirement, which is now every three years (previously five), new and renewed DBSs are planned to comply with this.

The Safeguarding Policy and Statement have both been reviewed and are on noticeboards. These will be reviewed at the APCM. There is a 'Who's Who of Christ Church?' posted in Church and in the Centre which includes Safeguarding Lead contact details. A file containing the Safeguarding Policy and the Parish Safeguarding Guide is in the office and available for all volunteers to see.

### **Holly Bonfield, Safeguarding Officer**

#### **CHOIR**

The Choir continues to sing at the 9.30. a.m. service and thoroughly enjoys being part of it. They also greatly value the social interaction with the members of the congregation in the centre afterwards. In addition the lovely service of Evensong is held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. This quiet dignified service is a gentle end to the day.

We had a Passiontide Devotion on Palm Sunday and sang Compline during Holy Week. The service of Compline is short and peaceful and one that was used to end the day.

The services for Harvest and the Commemoration of the Departed are regular in the calendar of the Choir.

We were delighted to again be part of the Advent Carol service at the Parish Church and enjoyed singing with the augmented choir under the direction of the new Choir Master there, Philip O'Connor.

We do like being part of the Christmas services and really love watching the Young Church at the Christingle service. We presented our service of Nine Lessons and Carols and appreciated the readers who are part of it. The outside carol singing was again planned but inclement weather meant it would have to be held inside. It was sung at the back of the church with only that area lit. So candles and torches were used to great effect. It was good to see so many people happy to come and join in.

We are happy to have the help from the younger members of the Choir at the special services but we could do with more members and would very much welcome anyone who feels they would like to be involved in singing with us.

It has been lovely to have Dave as part of our services and we are very grateful for his support. We also thank Rev. David Griffiths for his taking of Evensong.

### **John F. Balshaw, Organist and Choirmaster**

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**CRÈCHE**

The crèche meets in the choir vestry during the 9.30am Family Communion Service and is for children from birth to starting school.

We have a core group of very regular attenders and have been delighted to welcome some new faces during the year as well.

We aim to promote Christian values through play. The children enjoy listening to stories, singing songs, craft activities and playing with the toys. We have received some donations of toys over the last few months including a Noah's Ark snap game and some new role play equipment. We try to link the activities to bible stories and appreciation of the world around us, while also providing a welcoming environment for parents to share worries, useful tips and experiences.

**Katie Hodgkiss & Katie Dunne**

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## **YOUNG CHURCH**

Yet again, we have welcomed a large number of children to our meetings each Sunday during the 9:30 am Family Communion. Even the Bishop of Bolton remarked with amazement upon this fact! We currently have 47 names on our register, with attendance meticulously recorded each week. We now easily keep in touch with parents through our WhatsApp group.

We continue to familiarise the children with stories from the Bible and to explain the significance of important festivals within the church calendar. We use a variety of ways to make our meetings memorable.

Just before Mothering Sunday, the children continued the words "My Mum's a star because..." Many read out their thoughts and brought a few tears to the mum's eyes! Palm Sunday saw an enthusiastic dramatisation of the story and on Easter day there was a frenzied flee to the church garden following the service to find mini Easter eggs which we had hidden! Reminders of the Resurrection stories followed after which the children joined in the historic celebration of the crowning of Charles III by completing a colourful display of significant emblems from the Coronation Service, which we put up in the Church Centre. After covering the Ascension, we introduced the message of Pentecost using the colours of traffic lights to explain the message given to the disciples: red to wait; amber to be ready to go, and green to go out and preach the gospel with the help of the Holy Spirit. We then made windmills to represent the rushing, mighty wind that accompanied the arrival of the Holy Spirit. Great fun! Also in May, some children held buckets at the end of the service to collect change from the congregation for Christian Aid week. They carefully counted donated money which was £100. Thank you to all who donated!

A Parade Service sermon about Solomon saw us considering the different facets of wisdom, linking them to our daily lives. We followed this with a dramatisation of the demonstration of wisdom by Solomon when he was confronted by the two women, who each claimed to be the mother of a baby.

It is never a problem to find volunteers to act out stories or to share their ideas with us in discussions. Indeed, our children are confident when they take part in special services and will willingly answer the questions requested by Dave to be answered at the end of the service.

A real highlight of our summer meetings was the story of David and Goliath, which involved the making of catapults that were enthusiastically demonstrated in church. Harry Fielding was the most successful at moving the effectiveness of the catapults, with a broad smile upon his face!

After the story of friendship of David and Jonathan and God's friendship to us, there followed the topic of Christian Values. We listed many and discussed how we could remember their importance in our daily lives. Large posters were held up in church and we continue to remind the children of them regularly. We are gratified to hear them mention and demonstrate values of kindness and respect frequently. Several children have quietly and selflessly helped other children in our activities.

After a summer break of just three weeks, we focused on the theme of Creation, which

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was told to the children through a PowerPoint presentation and a video and consolidated with the children creating their own Creation wheel. When ill health forced Joanna's absence, Alison Perry swung into action and fully supported me as we learned the Christmas songs. Thank you so much Alison! Thank you also to Pauline, who has been a stalwart support for many years. At the Christingle service we rocked and rolled with the shepherds as they went to Bethlehem after singing a quiet carol. The prayers at the service were delivered by the children and Daisy Dunne, one of our teenage helpers, volunteered to read the Bible passage. A poem was thoughtfully read by Teddy Carruthers, one of our Year 6 boys.

Throughout the year, our families willingly give items to the Grub Tub for Urban Outreach. The clatter of tins, packets and bottles as the children drop them in on their way to the centre is carefully supervised by another teenage helper, Amelia Harrison, who read the first lesson at the Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols clearly and assuredly. Many packets of cheese biscuits and toys were given for the "Christmas Dinner on Jesus" appeal and at the Toy Service for Bolton Lions and Fortalice. Thank you, parents, for all your support with these appeals and throughout the year. Thank you to all in our Church family, who helped to ensure the success of both Christmas appeals.

So, a New Year began, and following the reading at the January Parade Service, we covered the story of Samuel with a game of "Chinese whispers" to reinforce that Eli gave the message that Samuel must give to God when he called again, and that Samuel must reply correctly. Many children had never played the game before and how they enjoyed it!

I wish to thank all our leaders, Joanna, Pauline and Alison, and our teenage helpers, Amelia, Daisy, Guenna, Amelie and Amelia for their loyal support and help and Adam for putting photos onto the Facebook page. Finally, thank you to Dave for his cheerful encouragement and for always saying "Yes" to our requests!

**Julie Steele**

### **MEN OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)**

I am pleased to report that the MCC had an active year of events and functions.

I reported upon the events of the first quarter of the year in my report last year. Subsequently, in May, the next event was a social drinks evening at Bob's Smithy at which it was good to see some new (and old) faces for an informal get together.

Towards the end of August, we held a social bowls evening at Heaton Village Club, which was attended by both young and old. Everyone involved felt that it was a great success so we are looking to hold a similar event on the evening of Thursday 4 July this year.

We held our AGM on 21 September, again at Bob's Smithy, at which the members of the committee were re-elected.

On the evening of Halloween, jointly with the Mothers' Union, we invited the Revd Chris Bracegirdle to give a talk entitled, "My Life in Ministry & Afterwards". The event in the

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Church Centre was well attended and highly illuminating, reflecting Chris's eloquence and ease of public speaking.

Two dozen men attended the annual dinner in November, at Ridgmont House, which was a pleasing four more than the previous year. It turned out to be a very enjoyable evening of good food and good company, and this year everyone received the meal they had ordered!

It was good to revive the brief Renewal of Commitment service towards the end of January and thanks are due to Revd Dave Thompson for explaining and publicising the role of the MCC. With Lent arriving very early this year, the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party, held in the Church Centre, quickly followed. Over 100 tickets were sold for the event and a number of additional people paid at the door on the night. Over £400 was raised for Christ Church funds, a record for this event, compared to £290 with 75 people in attendance in 2023, which itself was a record. Thanks to all those who attended and special thanks to those who helped in what was a very busy kitchen. Thanks, in particular, are due to Aubrey Chapman and Laraine Mason (who is now an honorary MCC member!) for performing the chef duties. Thanks are also due to the entire extended Syddall family for all their hard work ahead of the party, on the night and clearing up afterwards. However, I would, once again, like to record my personal thanks to Adam Syddall for preparing not just one but two quizzes and for all his huge efforts in organising such a successful event.

At the time of writing, we are preparing to take on the Coffee Bar duties after the 9.30 a.m. service on Mothering Sunday. Once again, many thanks to Adam Syddall for arranging volunteers and to all those who helped on the day.

The committee continues to comprise myself, Adam Syddall as Honorary Secretary, Neville Beech as Honorary Treasurer with Andrew Minors, Carl Stilwell and the Revd Dave Thompson as serving members.

As always, the MCC committee would appreciate any offers from anyone who would like to contribute to the work of the MCC to help maintain and organise our programme of events. At the same time, I would like to offer my thanks, and those of the committee, to everyone quietly fulfilling the many duties and roles without which CCH would not be able to thrive.

**David W. Youngman, MCC Chairman**

### **CHRIST CHURCH PLAYERS**

It's a pleasure to report that the Players 2023 Murder mystery was another success, with full and lively audiences at each of the 4 performances, and a net profit of over £3,000 . We were however saddened by the death of Martin's wife Sue after a well fought battle against cancer. Sue was a long-standing member of our church, who for many years had been staunch supporter of the Players helping backstage and giving us much encouragement. We give thanks for her and for all she was and did and continue to remember her and Martin, Jenny and Katie in their loss. As a result of the Players

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success, we have been able from our funds to give a cheque for £50.00, in memory of Sue to a charity of Martin's choice, £760.00 to the Destitution Project in Bolton, and to date, £5,000.00, to church funds.

As always, the success of productions is not just down to members of the cast. Rather it depends on a large number of people behind the scenes. In particular, Pam and Paul Knight who with their usual aplomb master minded all the ordering, buying, and serving of a delicious meal at all four performances as well as efficiently running the box office; Judith Pearson our ever-patient director; Martin Miller and Geoffrey Pearson who as always erected and organised the set; and a band of willing volunteers drawn from congregations and friends who sold raffle tickets, helped out front and backstage, made cakes, served food, and washed and cleared up etc without a single complaint. Also crucial were all our sponsors who so generously gave raffle prizes; and of course, everyone who came and set about solving the murder.

Plans were well in place to put on another Murder Mystery this coming year during the first week in May, but unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances, this production has had to be postponed until February 2025. However, with the hard work of our dedicated cast member and supporters in all guises we are hoping once again to be able to bring enjoyment to a lot of people albeit later than we had planned.

### **Brenda Griffiths, Chair**

### **LUNCHEON CLUB**

Once again we have had another enjoyable and successful year, in which we had an average of 41 members coming per month. Sadly we have lost a few of our regulars but have gained several new members. Most of these are from the local community, which is good to see, as we are an outreach club. As well as Christ Church people, we are always looking to attract new members, either by word of mouth or distributing our programmes. We feel that we give value for money, as we are still able to keep the cost to £5 for our usual lunch of soup, pudding, cheese and biscuits and in the summer months ham salad instead of soup. Also, we have a variety of interesting speakers which I organise. We are always delighted to see everyone enjoying both the food and the fellowship. We always manage to have soup over, despite giving second helpings to those who would like it and we distribute this to members who are ill or housebound, which is always much appreciated.

As always, I have tried to organise a variety of speakers/entertainment throughout the year. We began 2023 with an 'old favourite' Mr David Lloyd, showing us photographs of old Bolton and talking about how times were back then. He's always a popular speaker and engenders lots of reminiscences and questions from our members. David stepped into the breach once again in May, when the original speaker was ill and this time talked about future plans for Bolton.

In February we had an excellent talk and slide presentation from Geoffrey Pearson, telling us about the Rotary project which they support, sending wheelchairs to Africa. This was a very heart-warming and emotional talk, showing us slides of when he and Judith took these wheelchairs out to Africa and presented them both to adults and

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children. It made us aware of what a wonderful project this was, giving mobility and independence to those who had been unable to get around due to disability.

For our March meeting, once again we welcomed Anne and Gordon Sharpe (Spellbound Productions). They are a wonderful couple, who have been coming to us for a good many years. Their films are always very professional and interesting, with excellent soundtracks. This time, their main film was about their trip to Alaska.

Then in April, another favourite – a return visit from Matt and Yvonne, with part 2 of their 'American Adventure on Wheels.' As previously, their talk was fascinating, covering all the places they had visited in their RV.

In June, we were given a talk by Mr Stephen Sanders, about his role when he was a toastmaster and Stephen looked very smart dressed up in his full toastmaster regalia. The anecdotes he told were very witty and everyone could certainly hear him with his distinctive delivery.

After our summer break, we had an amusing talk by Mr Stephen Freeborn, telling us tales from when he worked as a pharmacist. He has written a book entitled 'Keep on Taking the Tablets – the Weird, Wonderful and Downright Wacky World of the Pharmacist'. His delivery of anecdotes from this book was hilarious and he brought along copies which we were able to purchase at the end.

Our next speaker in contrast, Mr Philip Caine, entertained us with his talk entitled 'Barrow to Baghdad and Back Again – My Career Story'. This was a fascinating insight into his past life and the many jobs he had taken on. Philip's life experiences and time in Asia and the Middle East are the inspiration for his thrillers, copies of which he brought with him and members were able to purchase signed copies.

In November, once again I was let down at the last minute due to illness. After numerous phone calls, I managed to get the speaker who we are also having next year (Steve Williams) and I was very grateful to him for coming at such short notice. He gave the talk 'Unsung Lancastrians' (which we were due to have in 2024) which was excellent and I'm sure his next talk will be just as good.

Then in December, the highlight of our year was having a choir from St Peter's Smithills Dean entertain us with their Christmas performance. Their singing was beautiful and a big thank you to both Joanna Steele and Adele Whittingham for all their hard work and dedication putting the performance together - it gave our members a lot of pleasure. We hope they will be able to come again in 2024.

Now to our Luncheon Club outing in May. Our last coach trip was before lockdown so it was wonderful to get back to having one again. This time, Pam kindly volunteered to organise a trip to Barton Grange, with a cruise along the canal and then a very enjoyable lunch at the Flower Bowl. Afterwards, we could wander around the garden centre with its many stalls and have a cup of tea. We were blessed with good weather, which made it even more pleasurable. Everyone said how much they had enjoyed it – our grateful thanks to Pam for organising this trip out.

As always, my thanks for all those helped to make our Luncheon Club so enjoyable and successful. Obviously, a huge thank you to all those volunteer helpers, who give up their

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time and expertise preparing the soups and puddings. Also thanks to all those who work in the kitchen, serving, clearing away and washing up which are all essential to the smooth running of the Club. Thank you to the hard working Committee - small in number but large in effort. A huge thank you especially to Steph who oversees all the food and organises the kitchen so efficiently and cheerfully, arranging both the soup and sweet rotas and also doing the shopping for food supplies. Thanks also to Committee member Janet Balshaw, in charge of the soup which is always delicious and Elsie Aldred who prepares the cheese and biscuits which are greatly appreciated. A very important member of our small Committee is Pam Hodson - we are very lucky to have such an efficient and reliable Treasurer. Not only does she collect and distribute the money but also prices out the food and makes sure that our finances are kept in impeccable order. She now also sends out birthday cards to each member and at our Christmas meeting she distributes Christmas cards to everyone. We are very grateful to John Balshaw for his expertise selling raffle tickets - our funds have grown thanks to all his effort. Also grateful thanks to his daughter Katie, who now helps to set up and lay the tables and dismantle them afterwards. This is a great help to me and my husband Mike, who also helps with the raffle and setting up the room. All these volunteers enable our Luncheon Club to flourish so successfully. A huge thank you to all our volunteers for their assistance and support throughout the year.

**Pauline Cull, Luncheon Club Leader**

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## **BEAVERS**

2023 was a fun filled year.

We celebrated Chinese New Year, did a number of hikes including night hikes, we baked, we cooked, we visited Pets at Home, we had Easter Bingo, we went geocaching, we did fire lighting, we had ice cream at Smithills Farm after a hike, we had a taekwondo lesson in the hut, we had a water fight, we painted rocks and did axe throwing, we had a whole group bonfire night, we went to Bibbys for a Pirate Picnic and again in October for a Spooky Halloween Picnic, we had a Simmer Camp and to end 2023 on a high, we had a Christmas Sleepover at Gullivers World.

As well as all that we covered the criteria for the following badges;

- health and well being badge
- experiment badge
- Animal Friend badge
- Communicator badge
- Adventure badge
- Nights Away badges
- Air Activities badge
- International badge
- Disability badge
- Faith badge

Now we look forward to our 2024 adventures.

## **Adele Twist**

### **17<sup>TH</sup> BOLTON SCOUTS**

The Scouts section of 17<sup>th</sup> Bolton Scouts have had a rather active year, with many hiking adventures around the area such as up to Winter Hill, navigating around Smithills Estate and a canal walk to the Middlebrook.

We have also brushed up on basic skills, such as fire-lighting and campsite preparation, which helped the Scouts when we did a camp at the hut and travelled to Blackpool as part of our Summer Camp.

They have also been introduced to Shooting and Archery this year and I hope with a new Scout Leader, these skills will be built on.

On a personal note, it has been a joy to be part of this group and Church and it has been unfortunate due to personal family circumstances that I have had to step down from the role of Scout Leader.

All the best for the future.

## **Edward Orlinski**

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## **MOTHERS' UNION**

The Mothers' Union theme for 2023 builds on its triennial theme of an evolving response to the world around us with a gradual progression from "Transformation - Now!" to "Transformation in Action" "Where would the Anglican Communion be without the Mothers' Union? At home and across the world the Mothers' Union offers the love and hope of Christ, helping to transform communities through teaching, prayer and pastoral care and by working with others to stop violence, injustice and hunger." - Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York.

We are delighted that our own MU branch is mirroring this theme of action. At the start of the year we had 37 members but during the course of the year, a number of other members joined us, mostly either transfers from other branches or previously lapsed members, however, we welcomed a brand new member and it is hoped that we will make this official at the Mothering Sunday service next year with a push on recruitment of new members, something that we have not done as a branch for a very long time. On a sad note, we lost several of our members in 2022. We thank God for their commitment to Mothers' Union and for all that they were able to offer throughout their years of membership.

For the first time since 2019, we had an exciting programme of events during 2023, made possible through the incredible support offered to us by Rev'd Dave Thompson (also a member of our branch!). These included a hugely positive re-launch meeting in January to discuss ideas for the future and a very well attended "Strawberries and Cream" event in the sunshine in the Vicarage garden in May, attended by members and other parishioners (including 2 children!) and which we hope will become a regular annual event. Margaret Goudge kindly opened up her beautiful garden for us again in the summer and hosted a cream tea event, raising over £220 for the MU "Away From It All" campaign - the first major fundraising event we have held since before Lockdown. Our heartfelt thanks to Margaret for organising this wonderful event. We held a joint event with the MCC in October and look forward to collaborating with them for events in 2024. These events all took place on the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month where one fell and we hope to continue this as a minimum next year.

Our successful Knitting Club continues to run each month; a wonderful social event for those that attend and we hope that this will continue to grow. Projects have included sending items such as hats and blankets to the neonatal unit at Royal Bolton Hospital. We are pleased to be able to continue to assist with Baptisms and the purchase of the Baptism books given to each family. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to Clare King who continues her role as Baptism Coordinator and we would also like to take this opportunity to thank the volunteers on the rota. We are also hugely grateful to Margaret Goudge in her position as Deanery Correspondent which involves a huge amount of work behind the scenes, liaising with other branches, passing on information from our Diocesan office, regularly attending a wide number of events on our behalf and much more. We would also like to offer an enormous thank you to Lynne Fisher who continues to keep us all in the loop via email with MU news, details about current fundraising activities and projects and much more.

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Prayer: Loving Lord, unite us together as Mothers' Union in our shared vision of a world where everyone prospers and God's love is shown through our lives of faithful action, as we reach out as your hands across the world. Amen. "Let us run with determination the race that lies before us. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end." Hebrews 12:1-2

**Ruth Syddall, Treasurer**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST  
CHURCH, HEATON**

I report on the accounts of the parish of Christ Church, Heaton for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of PCC and examiner

As members of the PCC 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 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.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 PCC 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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.

Name: Kathryn Hodgkiss FCA      Relevant professional qualification or body: ICAEW  
Address: J F Balshaw & Co, 20 Old Kiln Lane, Heaton, Bolton. BL1 5PD      Date: 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

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# Accounts

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended 31 December 2022 (Cont.)

**Financial Review**

2022 saw similar levels of overall income to 2021. There had been a modest increase to voluntary giving during the year however this tailed away. Another near 12 months of interregnum won't have helped the situation. The arrival of a new Vicar in November is great news and will have a positive impact for 2023. Income from use of the Centre showed a good increase following refurbishment, income from weddings etc showed a small increase.

There were two unrestricted legacies of £2,000 each. We are grateful for these generous donations.

Both properties continue to be let and are a valuable source of income.

Gift Aid will be claimed on all personal donations where possible.

A grant of £1,250 was received from the Diocese in support of energy costs. This grant was supplied to all parishes.

Funds from the closure of the Women's Guild and ABC totalling £3,112 were received and have been set aside in a designated fund to be used to establish/re-establish future church organisations. Further ways of giving are being investigated.

In an effort to capture all ways of giving and as fewer people carry cash, a terminal was installed in December to facilitate contactless giving. This should prove useful to capture income from visitors/one off services.

Though these are difficult times given the increased cost of living, I would urge everyone to review their giving and make a small increase if possible. It currently costs around £1,000 per week to run our church. This is set to increase significantly due to the rise in energy costs.

Overall expenditure was lower than in 2021 due mainly to lower capital expenditure. Day to day running costs were similar to 2021 though the full effect of energy price rises hasn't yet been fully felt as there had been a fixed rate deal in place.

A total of £52,500 was paid towards our Parish Share which represents 54.4% of the amount requested. This represents an increase on the amount paid last year.

A portion of the Lottery Grant, £1,400, was returned to the Lottery as it had not been utilised for the purpose for which it had been granted.

The net result for 2022 is a shortfall of income over expenditure of £4,724 (i.e. a loss).

At the year end the total fund balances stood at £428,061, a decrease of £4,724. Of the total fund balances all bar approximately £4,400 are unrestricted.

Andrew Minors  
Honorary Treasurer

30 April 2023



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

Registered Charity No 1132861

Financial Statements for the period 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL 2022	TOTAL
	funds	funds	funds		2021
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and Endowments:</b>					
Voluntary income	2(a) 70,827	2,800		73,627	81,103
Church activities	2(b) 16,326			16,326	10,401
Activities for generating funds	2(c) 0	0		0	435
Investment income	2(d) 15,879			15,879	14,532
Other incoming resources				0	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>103,032</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>105,832</b>	<b>106,471</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>					
Church activities	3(a) 99,496	307		99,803	98,908
Raising funds	3(b) 132	0		132	438
Support costs	3(c) 412	0		412	392
Capital expenditure	3(d) 4,764	4,045		8,809	16,450
Extraordinary item (Rtn part grant)	1,400			1,400	0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>106,204</b>	<b>4,351</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110,556</b>	<b>116,188</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>	<b>-3,172</b>	<b>-1,551</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-4,724</b>	<b>-9,716</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>-3,172</b>	<b>-1,551</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-4,724</b>	<b>-9,716</b>
Transfers between funds			0	0	0
Other recognised gains/(losses):			0	0	
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>-3,172</b>	<b>-1,551</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-4,724</b>	<b>-9,716</b>
Total funds brought forward	426,840	5,945	0	432,785	442,501
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>423,667</b>	<b>4,394</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>428,061</b>	<b>432,785</b>

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Balance sheet as at 31st December 2022

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total this</u>	<u>Total last</u>
	<u>funds</u>	<u>income</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>year</u>	<u>year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
<b><u>Fixed assets</u></b>					
Investment Property (Note 1.2)	304,900			304,900	304,900
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>304,900</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>304,900</b>	<b>304,900</b>
<b><u>Current assets</u></b>					
Stocks				-	-
Debtors (Note 6)	13,035			13,035	14,043
Investments				-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 8)	133,282	4,394		137,676	148,733
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>146,317</b>	<b>4,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150,710</b>	<b>162,775</b>
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)	27,550			27,550	34,890
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>118,767</b>	<b>4,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>123,161</b>	<b>127,885</b>
<b>Total net assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>423,667</b>	<b>4,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>428,061</b>	<b>432,785</b>
Represented by:					
<b><u>Funds of the Church</u></b> (Note 9)					
Restricted income funds		4,394		4,394	5,945
Unrestricted funds	423,667			423,667	426,840
Revaluation reserve				-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>423,667</b>	<b>4,394</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>428,061</b>	<b>432,785</b>

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

*D. J. Thompson*

Chairman

*Andrew Minors*

Andrew Minors  
Honorary Treasurer

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Address: J F Balshaw & Co, 20 Old Kiln Lane, Heaton, Bolton. BL1 5PD      Date: 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2023

*K Hodgkiss*

## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of 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 main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

## Funds

### General Funds

These 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.

### Designated Funds

These are Funds designated for particular purposes by the PCC and are also unrestricted as the PCC can reassign those monies if it so desires.

### Restricted Funds

These can only be used for their stated purpose(s).

The Church has the following specific funds -

### Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Church and its environs without recourse to realising fixed assets and to enable such maintenance to be undertaken at short notice.

### Organ and Choir Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir.  
A transfer from the General Fund can be made in lieu of the organists Honorarium subject to annual review

### PCC Property Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the properties at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill.

### Church Organisations Fund

To provide funds for setting up new church organisations

### Special Projects Fund

To provide funds for such individual projects as PCC decides

## Incoming Resources

### Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

#### Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

#### Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### Resources used

##### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation of the PCC.

##### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end (unless a balance payment has been committed by the PCC) as no legal liability exists.

#### Fixed assets

##### Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993

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 moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure on purchase.

##### Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

#### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

#### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Fixed Assets  
Investment Property

	39 Welbeck Rd Heaton	112 Markland Hill Heaton	Total
	£	£	£
Value B/Fwc	169950	134950	304900
Revaluation	0	0	0
Value C/Fwc	169950	134950	304900

Basis of Valuation

The property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves marketing reports dated 28 February 2007.

Movable Church Furnishings

These are vested in the Church wardens on behalf of the PCC. They cannot be disposed of without a faculty and therefore no value is assigned to them. Expenditure on additions to such inalienable assets is written off on purchase

Land at Scout Hut, Markland Hill, Bolton

The land on which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of One Shilling per Annum. This was renewed with effect from 25 December 1988 for a further 25 years then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. As disposal of this asset is not possible for the foreseeable future, and income is effectively NIL, no value has been assigned to this property in the accounts accounts. The Scout Hut itself is not owned by the Church

Expenditure on Church Property

At 31 December 2022 the PCC had approved expenditure of approximately £5000 not yet incurred

## 2 Income and Endowments

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>TOTAL 2022</u> £	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2021</u> £
<b>2{a} Voluntary income</b>					
Gift Aided Planned Giving	43,831			43,831	46,054
Other Planned Giving	1,436			1,436	1,721
Collections at services	8,761			8,761	3,904
Gift Aid Recovered	11,550			11,550	11,750
Legacies	4,000			4,000	2,000
Other	1,250	2,800		4,050	15,674
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,827</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>73,627</b>	<b>81,103</b>
<b>2{b} Church activities:</b>					
PCC Fees ( Weddings & funerals etc)	5,669			5,669	5,490
Parish Magazine (Sales)	-			-	-
Church Centre lettings	7,149			7,149	4,883
Other	3,508			3,508	29
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,326</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,326</b>	<b>10,401</b>
<b>2{c} Activities for generating funds:</b>					
Magazine (Advertising)				-	-
Fundraising events	-			-	435
Other				-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>435</b>
<b>2{d} Income from investments:</b>					
Bank and CCLA interest	1,406	-		1,406	58
Dividend on CCLA Funds	73	-		73	74
Rental income from houses	14,400	-		14,400	14,400
Other				-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,879</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,879</b>	<b>14,532</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>103,032</b>	<b>2,800</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>105,832</b>	<b>106,471</b>

### Other information:

All income in the year, with exception of donations towards refurbishment of kitchen in Centre, organ fund and defibrillator was unrestricted

### 3 Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2022</u> £	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2021</u> £
<b>3(a) Church Activities</b>					
Donations to outside organisations				0	0
Diocesan Parish Share	52,500			52,500	50,000
Clergy Working expenses	286			286	0
Vicarage/other ministry expenses	363			363	142
Salaries & wages	6,350			6,350	7,593
Miscellaneous	295			295	504
	<u>59,793</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>59,793</u>	<u>58,239</u>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>					
Church running expenses	16,288			16,288	14,590
Church utility costs	6,629			6,629	4,845
Upkeep of services	257			257	299
Upkeep of churchyard	1,787			1,787	5,452
Parish Centre running costs	9,944			9,944	10,107
PCC property costs	2,642			2,642	2,221
Magazine costs	0			0	0
Cost of church administration	807			807	1,381
Organ & Choir costs	1,350	307		1,657	1,772
	<u>39,703</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>40,010</u>	<u>40,669</u>
<b>3(b) Raising funds</b>					
Fundraising/Stewardship (envelopes)	132			132	438
	<u>132</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>438</u>
<b>3(c) Support Costs</b>					
Independent Examiner	100			100	100
Professional Fees	0			0	0
Payroll Services	312			312	292
<b>Total Support Costs</b>	<u>412</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>412</u>	<u>392</u>
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<u>100,040</u>	<u>307</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>100,347</u>	<u>99,737</u>
<b>3(d) Capital Expenditure</b>					
Church buildings	4,764	4,045		8,809	8,045
PCC Properties	0			0	8,406
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<u>4,764</u>	<u>4,045</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>8,809</u>	<u>16,450</u>
Lottery grant part returned	1,400			1,400	0
<b>TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE</b>	<u>106,204</u>	<u>4,351</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>110,556</u>	<u>116,188</u>

#### 4. Funds received as agent

<u>Description/name of party</u>	<u>Related party (Yes or No)</u>	<u>Amount received</u>		<u>Amount paid out</u>	
		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Childrens Society	No	236	166		
Christian Aid	No				
<b>Total</b>		<b>236</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

#### 5. Paid employees

##### 5.1 Staff Costs

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Salaries and wages*	6,200	7,328
Social security costs		-
Unfunded Apparitor	150	265
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)		
Other employee benefits	-	-
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>6,350</b>	<b>7,593</b>

\*Parish Administrator

##### 5.2 Average head count in the year

		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	Administration	1	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

5.3 Honorarium payments totalling £150 were paid to Apparitors from General Funds as there was no matched fee income  
There were no ex-gratia payments to employees or others

## 6. Debtors and prepayments

<u>Analysis of debtors</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Trade debtors	350	1,008
Prepayments and accrued income	130	0
Tax recoverable under Gift Aid	12,555	13,035
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,035</b>	<b>14,043</b>

## 7. Creditors and accruals

### Analysis of creditors

	<u>Amounts falling due within 1 year</u>	
	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Trade creditors	3,589	1,692
Accruals and deferred income	23,961	33,198
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,550</b>	<b>34,890</b>

## 8. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Short term deposits	106,606	105,223
Cash at bank and on hand	31,069	43,510
Other	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>137,676</b>	<b>148,733</b>

## 9. Church funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

\*R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and UR - unrestricted

Fund names	Type R or UR *	Purpose and Restrictions	Fund	Income	Exp	Transfers	Transfers	Gains and	Fund
			balances brought forward			In	out	losses	balances carried forward
			£	£	£	£		£	£
General Fund	UR	Unrestricted fund for use on the general purposes of the PCC.	16,265	103,032	-98,292		-3,112	-	17,893
Organ & Choir Fund	UR	Designated for maintenance of the organ and support for the choir. A transfer from General Funds can be made in lieu of organists <u>honorarium reviewed annually.</u>	19,209	-	-1,350	-	-	-	17,859
Organ & Choir Fund	R	Funds restricted by the respective donors for maintenance of the organ and support for the <u>choir.</u>	3,001	1,500	-307	-	-	-	4,194
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance	UR	Designated for the maintenance of the Church and associated grounds and <u>buildings.</u>	8,521	-	-5,397		0		3,124
PCC Property Fund	UR	Representing value of 2 properties	304,900						304,900
PCC Property Maintenance Fund	UR	Designated for maintenance 2 <u>properties</u>	4,531	-	-1,166		0		3,366
Special Projects Fund	UR	Designated for such Special Projects as PCC <u>decides</u>	73,414						73,414
Church Organisations Fund	UR	Designated for set up of future organisations	-			3,112			3,112
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance	R	Restricted funds donated for specific projects	2,945	1,300	-4,045	-			200
<b>Total Funds</b>			<b>432,785</b>	<b>105,832</b>	<b>-110,556</b>	<b>3,112</b>	<b>-3,112</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>428,061</b>

10. Transactions with trustees and related parties

Trustee remuneration and benefits

The following trustees received remuneration from the Church solely for duties carried out as Apparitor:

Geoffrey & Judith Pearson £50

The Following Trustee received indirect benefit:

None

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# Accounts

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in the Deanery of Bolton  
and the Diocese of Manchester



# ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021

To be presented at the  
Annual Parochial Church Meeting  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022

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Members of the Parochial Church Council  
1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 - 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

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INCUMBENT  
Vacant

ASSOCIATE PRIEST  
Rev Philip Burman

**CHURCHWARDENS**

Mrs Irene Morris  
Mr Timothy Palmer  
Mr Geoffrey Pearson

Until 16.05.21  
Resigned 17.03.21  
From 16.05.21

TREASURER

Mr Andrew Minors

**GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATIVE**

Mr Geoffrey Tattersall

**DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES**

Mrs Hazel Tattersall  
Mr Andrew Minors  
Mrs Christine Syddall  
Mr Peter Syddall  
Mr Geoffrey Tattersall

Nov 2020 – May 2023  
May 2021 – May 2023  
May 2021 – May 2023  
May 2021 – May 2023  
May 2021 – May 2023

**ELECTED MEMBERS (Resigned)**

Mr William Nightingale  
Mrs Norma Gibbons

Resigned 16.05.21  
Resigned 12.09.21

**ELECTED MEMBERS (Current)**

1. Mr Adam Syddall
2. Vacant
3. Vacant
4. Vacant
5. Vacant
6. Vacant
7. Dr Raj Ariyaratnam
8. Mr Peter Hodson
9. Mrs Caroline Lade
10. Mrs Laraine Mason
11. Mrs Holly Bonfield
12. Mrs Sue Critchley
13. Mr David Youngman
14. Mrs Judith Pearson
15. Vacant

Apr 2019 – May 2022  
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APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS

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PCC CHAIRMAN (Ex Officio)	Rev Philip Burman
VICE CHAIRMAN	Mr Peter Hodson
CHURCHWARDENS 16.05.21)	Mrs Irene Morris (Until
17.03.21)	Mr Timothy Palmer (Resigned
	Mr Geoffrey Pearson (From 16.05.21)
ASSISTANT WARDENS	Dr Raj Ariyaratnam Mr Peter Chapman Mr Howard Entwistle
TREASURER	Mr Andrew Minors
PATRONAGE SCHEME SECRETARY	Mr Andrew Minors
BOOK-KEEPER	Mrs Jocelyn Walsh
MINUTES SECRETARY	Mrs Laraine Mason
ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER	Miss Victoria Tattersall
FREE WILL OFFERING SECRETARY	Mrs Hazel Tattersall
GIFT AID ADMINISTRATOR	Mr Peter Hodson
CLERK OF WORKS	Vacant
CENTRE MANAGER	Vacant
CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE	Vacant
CHILDREN'S SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE Steele	Mrs Jane Chapman & Mrs Julie
SERVICES' ADMINISTRATOR	Vacant
EDITOR OF PARISH MAGAZINE	Vacant
HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER	Mrs Holly Bonfield
SAFEGUARDING OFFICER	Mrs Holly Bonfield

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APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

**STANDING COMMITTEE**

Ex-Officio: Rev Philip Burman  
Mr Geoffrey Pearson

Elected by the PCC: Mrs Holly Bonfield  
Mr Andrew Minors  
Mr David Youngman

**BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Ex-Officio: Rev Philip Burman  
Mrs Irene Morris (Until 16.05.21)  
Mr Geoffrey Pearson (Chairman  
from 16.05.21)

Elected by the PCC: Mrs Holly Bonfield  
Mrs Sue Critchley  
Mr Peter Hodson  
Mr Andrew Minors (Chairman to  
16.05.21)

Mrs Hazel Tattersall  
Mr David Youngman

**MISSION AND MINISTRY COMMITTEE**

Rev Philip Burman Chairman  
Dr Raj Ariyaratnam  
Mrs Norma Gibbons (Resigned 12.09.21)  
Mrs Caroline Lade  
Mrs Laraine Mason  
Mrs Irene Morris (Until 16.05.21)  
Mr Adam Syddall  
Mr Geoffrey Tattersall  
Mrs Hazel Tattersall

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

Mrs Sue Critchley

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Mrs Judith Pearson

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**ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

Since the last APCM was held on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2021 the PCC has held very regular meetings, special Section 11 meetings dealing specifically with the vacancy arising from the departure of the Rev Janet French and even an extraordinary meeting to approve the Rev Philip Burman's licence being extended.

We have been blessed to have been led in these meetings by the Rev Philip Burman and to have had Geoffrey Pearson as our Church Warden this year, both of whom who have steered us through the challenges we have faced.

Once again the PCC has faced some difficult (and at times lengthy!!) meetings during the year when dealing with the repercussions of both the pandemic and the interregnum. Balancing the safety of our parishioners in line with the Government guidelines, along with providing the opportunity to worship when permitted, has not been an easy task. Fortunately, we have a very strong team who have continued to face the challenges head on and dealt most admirably with the various risk assessments etc required. As a result we are gradually moving back to "normal".

As we are increasingly moving away from Covid we have been able to meet in person and have not had to rely on Zoom meetings. This makes for far more productive discussion and debate.

A PCC sub-group dealing with the vacancy met several times to discuss the way forward as we await the appointment of a new incumbent and to prepare the Parish Profile for submission to the Diocese. When in vacancy there is a statutory process, contained in the Patronage (Benefices) Measure 1986, which must be followed to fill vacancies in benefices, and that statutory process has strict time limits. We had Zoom meetings with St Margaret's Halliwell as we prepared the Profile and also when dealing with the requirements of Section 11 of the aforementioned Measure.

The Rev Philip Burman has also led a new Mission and Ministry group which has met several times to discuss our regular church services, special services for Christmas etc and other events, notably the celebrations for the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Christ Church in July 2021.

The Church of England proposals for Mission Communities have been widely discussed during our meetings and we have been mindfully taking great interest in what the changes may mean for our own parish.

In addition to these matters the PCC has also dealt with its "more normal" commitments and duties in relation to the financial affairs of the church, and the care and maintenance of its structure and its contents. For example: our properties have continued to be managed and maintained; the choir vestry roof has been repaired, and discussions are under way about a new roof; tree surgeons have been engaged to carry out essential work within our grounds and the Vicarage and grounds will be looked after during the interregnum.

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PCC members also give their services as Treasurer, Gift Aid Administrator, Safeguarding Officer, Website and Facebook Administrator, Free Will Offering Admin, Mentoring, Chorister, Intercessor and Lesson reading, Eucharistic Assistant, assisting with Mothers Union and Men of Christ Church, Assistant Wardens and Warden Emeritus, and then there is ad hoc tidying, cleaning, gardening and sweeping paths, not forgetting Snow Patrol.

Also this year PCC members have interviewed and appointed Victoria Tattersall as the new Parish Administrator. Our social committee has organised several social events too.

Following last year's APCM there remain several vacancies to be filled on both PCC and Deanery Synod. There are presently 10 PCC members and 5 Deanery Synod members. Elections for new members will take place after the APCM. Would you think about joining us?

**Laraine Mason, Minutes Secretary**

**CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH AND CHURCH PROPERTIES**

What a strange year. A Pandemic, within an interregnum, with restrictions, both voluntary and compulsory, fluctuating throughout the year.

Having said that, I am so grateful for the help from all aspects within Christ Church.

Our priest in charge, Rev. Philip Burman, has been a great inspiration to us all, during our continued interregnum, so too all our retired clergy.

A huge "Thank you" to all the clergy who have helped us over the past year.

Over the past twelve months we have tried to improve many aspects of the Church Building and Christ Church Parish Centre. We have had to do an emergency repair to the Church Vestry roof, to ensure it is fit for purpose now, but long term we need a complete new roof structure.

The Christ Church Parish Centre has had a new fitted kitchen, with upgraded fridge and dishwasher, and the main centre floor has been sanded and re-varnished. All funding coming from a National Lottery Grant. I had hoped to re-launch the Christ Church Parish Centre with a large social event in June.

The Christ Church Gardens, prior to the pandemic were in a poor state, with many areas overgrown and with years of leaf mould on the ground. Many areas have been completely cleared, with new planting and a "Plant A Rose Appeal", to restock the front gardens was very successful, with over 65 new roses being added to the rose beds at the front of the Church.

There was concern about the state of the trees within the boundaries and a comprehensive survey highlighted many potential hazards, which are being systematically dealt with on a prioritised basis.

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We are so fortunate to have so many parishioners willing to help in so many ways, mainly in the background, who usually do this work unsung. I would particularly like to thank John Balshaw and Carolyn Wilson for leading our voices playing the organ; the choir for leading the singing in many of our services; Julie and Joanna Steele, Janet Balshaw, Katie Balshaw and others for their work within Young Church; all the Church Administrators, led by Stan Wilson; the ladies who provide our Church Building with regular floral displays; our Parish Administrators, Jocelyn and Victoria; Arnold Tyson for his constant support in keeping tabs on all minor defects and getting them fixed. Janet Darwell, who has kept both Church and Centre in order, with regular deep cleans, especially during the Pandemic.

And especially Judith, my wife, for being constantly behind me, and a great calming influence.

In particular I would like to thank Irene Morris, for her amazing work during the pandemic, her constant support when I am not here, along with her husband, Stephen, who weekly arrange the books in the pews before every Sunday service.

My thanks also go to all the Assistant Wardens and Sides persons, who help with the running of the regular services here, having to adapt to the constant change in regulations and service modifications to keep us all safe.

Over the past twelve months we have held, all within the current relevant regulations, a Summer Family Fun Day (September 4), a number of Church Services in the garden including a Celebration of the Church's 125 Anniversary (July 18), every event with social distancing. We were involved in running a successful Murder Mystery Play (October 7 - 9), with three performances, set over three days.

We celebrated Harvest, with a luncheon after the Sunday Service.

Following all our special Christmas Services we arranged mulled wine and mince pies.

I will now take a breath, apologising to anyone I have missed out, I am very sorry, you are all so important to the life of Christ Church.

**Geoffrey Pearson, Church Warden**

## **ELECTORAL ROLL**

The Electoral Roll contains 265 names. Since the last revision, 3 names have been added, 8 names have been removed and one amendment has been made.

**Victoria Tattersall, Electoral Roll Officer**

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### **DEANERY SYNOD**

The Standing Committee met twice in February and April (both by Zoom) but the whole synod only met once in May. This was the final meeting of the old synod prior to Pastoral Reorganisation of the deaneries. It took place in Bolton Parish Church. The celebrant was Ian Anthony, the longest serving priest in the deanery, and the preacher was Chris Bracegirdle, the retiring Area Dean.

At the meeting in February finance was discussed. Only 4 parishes had paid their parish share in full (Christ Church was not one of them) and the deanery overall had paid 64% of what had been asked. David Brae was appointed part time priest at St Peter's Halliwell & part time Town Centre Missioner. The Town Centre work needs funding of about £2000. The committee agreed that the Deanery should take this on.

In summer the diocese was split into 7 new deaneries with each forming Mission Communities within. The original groupings were very quickly amended and Christ Church is now with St Peter's Bolton, St Philip's, St Peter's Halliwell, West Bolton Team, St Stephen's and St Chad's. The inaugural meeting of the new synod was held in July. There were further meetings in September and October. The October meeting was held at Bishop Bridgeman's School when 2 pupils gave a presentation followed by a discussion on how the new deanery should move forward.

### **Hazel Tattersall**

### **SAFEGUARDING REPORT**

There was a short gap in 2021, when Pam Knight stepped down, having carried out the Safeguarding role for 5 years. Thanks to Pam for her very useful handover. I took on the role in August 2021, and the following actions have been taken:

All members of the PCC have undertaken the Basic Awareness training - this is the level they are asked to do by the Diocese. The new Parish Administrator and the Choir Leader have also undertaken Basic Awareness. Sunday School leaders have completed Basic Awareness and Safeguarding Foundations (the next level). Helpers at Sunday School completing Basic Awareness is in progress. As is Safeguarding Training for Eucharistic Administrators.

All leaders are required to undertake 3 levels. The third level is more difficult to access and will be completed as soon as practical. I understand those needing to do this are Sunday School Leaders, Church Warden and Safeguarding Lead.

DBS checks are required for all relevant volunteers at Church. There is no actual expiry date for a DBS. The Diocese currently opts for 5 years but will move to three years in January 2023. A start has been made on these DBS checks.

In addition, Safeguarding and Health and Safety Policies have been generated and ratified by PCC and are visible in Church and the Centre. Previous policies were out of date. These will be reviewed annually. I have also generated a Who's Who

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including Safeguarding Lead and this is posted in Church and the Centre. Safeguarding Lead contact details are now in the Newsletter. A file containing the two Policies and the Parish Safeguarding Guide is in the office and available for all volunteers to see.

**Holly Bonfield, Safeguarding Officer**

## **CHOIR REPORT**

As for many of the groups of the Church family, 2021 was a strange year for the Choir. We managed some services in December, 2020, including a much reduced Carol Service. We did enjoy joining in with an outdoor Carol singing which was a lovely occasion appreciated by everyone there.

The early months of 2021 were without any choral singing. When outdoor singing was allowed in May, Rev. Burman and I decided to have an afternoon 'Songs of Praise' in the Church garden, which was well attended and much enjoyed after such a long time without singing. This was repeated in June and in July, there was one to celebrate the Church's 125 years. On this Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> July, singing was allowed again in church and the Choir sang at the 9.30a.m. service, something which we have continued to do and greatly enjoy.

On Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> August, we sang the first evensong since March, 2020. As we are still in the interregnum, it was decided that evensong would be held only on the second and fourth Sundays in the month and the 11.15.a.m. sung Eucharist service would be cancelled.

We have been delighted to be singing regularly again and were very pleased that the Advent Carol Service with the Parish Church Choir was reinstated. It was strange to be singing socially distanced but after wondering whether this would happen this year, was a special occasion. It was also a delight to be part of the Christingle service and a joy to do a Nine Lessons service again. It was decided to repeat the outdoor Carol singing which took place in one of the worst evenings for weather, possible. It was thus held in church. It was brilliant to see so many people there on such a dreadful evening.

We are so very grateful to Rev. Philip Burman for his wonderful support and ideas this last year. We would also like to thank our warden, Geoffrey Pearson, for his continuing support.

**John F. Balshaw, Organist and Choirmaster.**

## **CRÈCHE**

The crèche meets during the 9.30am Family Communion Service and is for children from birth to 3 years old. We were delighted to be able to re-start in September and while many of the children we had previously have now moved up to the older group,

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we have welcomed some new faces over the last few months and are delighted to now have 7 children on our register. Since Christmas we have moved into the Choir vestry which is giving us much more room and flexibility, and will give us the capacity to increase numbers further over the next few months.

**Katie Hodgkiss & Katie Dunne**

## **YOUNG CHURCH**

Following the enforced long break due to Covid we were keen to resume Young Church meetings in September 2021. After a Saturday “welcome back” party for families we were delighted to see a large number of children bounding up the stairs to the centre! Due to problems with the Vestry roof, Janet decided to include the Vestry group of small children with the older children in the Centre group. We ensured that our themes were adapted to include all the ages. Indeed, the enforced joining together has proved so successful that we have decided to keep all the children together.

Our first theme was the “Prodigal Son” as the errant son was “welcomed back” and we emphasised that God will always do the same for us if we forget Him. The message was enforced with the acting of a lively drama with many actions which the children thoroughly enjoyed. Also we learnt a lively chorus, “Jesus never, never, turned anyone away.” Our Warden heard us as we sang and he too enjoyed it. I suggested that we sang a “Harvest Samba” at our Harvest Festival service which the children sang with gusto, also delivering the Prayers and Readings. The congregation were also invited to sing the Samba. At Harvest Festival, Rev Philip Burman told the story of the “Feeding of the Five Thousand.” Blank faces could be observed so the following week we covered this in detail, again dramatising it. Hallowe’en fell on a Sunday and we used the traditional Pumpkins in a different way by having a short prayer for each part of the Pumpkin face. Many children brought their carved Pumpkins and they then read the Prayers at the end of the service.

Christmas activities had to be started in early November. We chose the theme, “Jesus is the Light of the World” and Joanna suggested that we made a large candle poster bearing on its main part, illustrations from the Christmas story which the children drew and coloured themselves and were then stuck on. The flame was made by the children drawing around and cutting out their hands from gold paper. The poster was photographed and formed the front of the Parish Christmas Card and was then displayed in church over Christmas.

Our theme was continued at the Christingle Service where we sang, “Like a Candle Flame” and “Love Shine a Light” and once again prayers and readings were delivered by the children. On our final session before Christmas we had a noisy, happy time playing games with tempting edible prizes!

After Christmas we discussed the story of the visit of the Wise Men in depth and this led Julie to discover in preparation, that Esther, a character rarely mentioned but who has a book to herself in the Old Testament used Myrrh as a face moisturiser! After covering the story of the Flight to Egypt and singing “When I needed a neighbour” to link with the holy family being refugees as many are today, we

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introduced the story of Esther linking the bravery she showed to the children's lives today particularly regarding the reporting of bullying.

As I write, we are preparing to take part in the service on Mothering Sunday with original art and reflections on the Mums of the children, to sing on Palm Sunday and display in church illustrations by the children featuring the cross over Easter. We shall provide the usual Easter eggs for the children on Easter Day perhaps including an Easter quiz!

We are very fortunate to have the "up to date" ideas, computer skills and practical suggestions from Joanna, who as an experienced teacher in St Peter's C. of E. Primary School can inject innovative ways to keep our children engaged. We also welcomed Alison Perry and teenager, Meghan Shore to our team.

We have many children within our Young Church and strive always to make them feel an important part of our church family. Some visiting clergy have commented on the large number of children who are in our group.

I wish to thank all the leaders, Janet Balshaw, Pauline Cull, Joanna Steele, Alison Perry and teenagers Meghan Shore and Emilia Harrison. A particular and huge thank you to Rev Burman for all his support and encouragement. He often joins us for a short time on Sundays and we really appreciate the interest which he shows.

**Julie Steele**

### **MEN OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)**

Our activities and social events this year were almost entirely wiped out by the pandemic in 2021. We were unable to organise our regular annual dinner in February due to lockdowns and there was a feeling that any best laid plans throughout the year would be at the mercy of future lockdowns which did occur.

That said, in 2021 the Men of Christ Church maintained a presence of fellowship and general support for others in the church family through many guises.

At the time of writing, we have just hosted the 2022 annual parish pancake party which catered for the largest number of parishioners of all ages seen for some years which was truly heartening. We will be looking to re-introduce our events with renewed vigour throughout the rest of 2022. My thanks to the other current committee members, David Youngman, Neville Beech, Andrew Minors, Geoffrey Pearson and Peter Hodson.

**Adam Syddall, MCC Secretary**

### **MOTHERS' UNION**

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Mothers' Union's 2021 theme was "Rebuilding hope and confidence", one which indeed has been both timely and pertinent amidst the global pandemic and has been reflected here too in our own Christ Church Heaton branch throughout another challenging year. The branch has continued to tick along despite government restrictions and without an official committee. We had 45 paid up members in 2021, a reassuring increase on 2020, with a number of lapsed members paying subs.

Whilst restrictions meant that many did not attend church on Mothering Sunday in 2021, Mothers' Union put together small posies for all ladies that were there across all services that day which were very gratefully received. We also sent a bespoke Mothering Sunday card and bookmark out to all our members. For the first half of the year, no baptisms took place at Christ Church due to Covid; however it has been truly heart-warming that there have been a staggering number in the latter part of 2021. Mothers' Union continues to support Baptisms at Christ Church through sidesperson duties, bible readings and the purchase of the Baptism books given to each family. Our sincere thanks to Clare King for her extraordinary assistance with both organising the rota and taking on the responsibility of these tasks at the majority of these services herself. We are truly grateful Clare! Thanks also go to all the volunteers on the rota and we continue to pray that more will join.

Our Knitting Club successfully relaunched in the autumn for the first time since the onset of the pandemic and we look forward to being able to meet on a monthly basis in 2022. We were once again able to help Fortalice via the MU "Just Up Your Street" Project. Our donation at Christmas enabled them to purchase exciting new playroom resources for children of all ages including a karaoke machines, torches and lots of arts and crafts provisions. Despite not being able to resume face to face branch meetings, we sent a special custom designed CCHMU Christmas card out to all our members. Mothers' Union both on a global scale, centrally in the UK and in particularly within our own Manchester Diocese continues to engage with its members in new and exciting ways across its digital channels. This year has seen virtual council meetings, zoom meetings, online carol concerts, live streams of services and much more.

Following the restructuring of the Deaneries, Bolton and Walmsley united in 2021 to form a new Bolton Deanery which now has 11 MU branches instead of 4. We are hugely grateful to Sue Critchley who not only provides us with regular email communications of MU news, updates and information but who continues in her role as Deanery Correspondent. She really is at the heart of all that we do and does so with unfailing enthusiasm and unrivalled levels of organisation. Thank you Sue!

At the time of writing, a wonderful social event took place in early February which was our first official meet up since the pandemic. There was a children's play area, a huge array of delicious cakes and a lively game of Bingo. Thanks to all those who helped make this such a lovely occasion. A Deanery "Getting to know you" afternoon tea is in the diary for Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2022 at St Augustine's Church and we are thrilled to announce that our first Deanery Festival Service will take place at Christ Church Heaton on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July. More details to follow and we look forward to welcoming you to this and other events during the course of 2022.

**Ruth Syddall and Sue Critchley**

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## **CHRIST CHURCH PLAYERS**

As for so many 2021 was difficult for the Players as we were unable to perform our usual February play. However, not to be deterred and to help keep our brains active, we agreed that, if Covid precautions were favourable, we would undertake 3 performances of the Murder Mystery Death by Delivery in the Autumn.

To our delight we were indeed able to perform this to 3 audiences with each good naturedly talking their part in solving the murder, while enjoying a substantial supper/afternoon tea. Each performance not only provided much enjoyment and laughter but also enabled us to make a profit of £2556.01 for the benefit of the church. From this we have already paid for the cost of the new dishwasher in the Church Centre and for the new crockery etc.

As always, the outcome of what we do is not just down to members of the cast, though they continued to perform to their usual high standard while having a lot of fun. We are indebted to Pam Hodson for sorting out the licence and administration, for masterminding the amazing refreshments that we all enjoyed and for recruiting and working so hard together with all those members of the congregation who so willingly gave of their time to serve the food and clear up afterwards; to all who made cakes etc., to John Balshaw and Christine Heyes for front of house and backstage; to Julie and Peter Steele who brilliantly managed the box office; to Martin Miller and Geoffrey Pearson for, yet again, erecting and organising the set, to Judith Pearson for her patience and unfailing encouragement as director; to all our supporters who, making up our audiences, are crucial to all the fun and success; and last but not least to all our sponsors who so generously gave raffle prizes. Another real team effort.

As Covid 19 seems yet to be defeated and the future remains uncertain, the Players are intending, all being well, to host 3 more Murder Mystery sessions in May. Provisional dates are Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> Friday 6<sup>th</sup> in the evening with a matinee on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>. Please put the dates in your diary - we would love to see you there.

Last of all, we are as always looking to welcome new members to the Players as cast members, backstage or in any other roles. So please do, if you feel able to, come and join us and help us to maintain the Players success and in so doing to help raise much needed funds to keep our church going in 2022.

**Brenda Griffiths, Chair**

## **CHRIST CHURCH LUNCHEON CLUB**

Obviously, due to Covid, we had to cancel the six meetings we would have had from January to June and we recommenced in September. I was delighted that, despite all the restrictions, we had a good attendance and members were all delighted to be with us once again. We did ask that all wore masks when first entering and we

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ensured that there was plenty of ventilation. I had sent a letter to each member, asking if, instead of ringing in apologies, each person rang me to book in. As usual, the tables were spread out, and we felt that we had done as much as we could to ensure it was safe for our members. Over the period September to December, we had 153 members dining, making an average of 38 per session. This is a bit lower than previously, but in the present circumstances a good number. We have welcomed some new members, both from Christ Church and friends of existing members. I always try and encourage our committee to recruit new people to join us, as sadly we have lost quite a number of our longstanding members.

Our charge still remains at £5, which I feel is good value for homemade soup with bread, pudding, cheese and biscuits, tea/coffee and entertainment. For our September meeting, we had a most fascinating talk by Mrs Winifred Conway, about her life spent as an English teacher in a remote part of Turkey in the 1960s. Then in October, we had another visit by Anne and Gordon Sharpe (Spellbound Productions). Their films are always very professional and interesting - this time all about their trip to the Canadian Rockies. They are a very generous and talented couple. Part of their fee goes to charity and they donated 3 DVDs of their trip - one for the raffle and another for Judith Lewis (who originally booked them when in charge). Then in November, we had a return visit from Matt and Yvonne - a delightful and talented duo, who entertained us with seasonal music. Usually in December we have the children from Beech House, but due to restrictions this was not possible, so instead I arranged for Anne Haslam, from Opera 74, to entertain us with seasonal songs and songs from shows. She was accompanied by John Balshaw and interspersed by Christmas poems read by Janet Balshaw. Grateful thanks to both John and Janet for stepping into these roles. They were much enjoyed by all and made up for the disappointment of not having the children this time.

As always, I have many thank yous to make, to those who enable our Luncheon Club to function so successfully. Obviously, a huge thanks for all those Christ Church volunteers who give up their time and expertise when preparing the soups and puddings. Also, a big thanks to all those who work in the kitchen, serving, clearing away and washing up, which are all essential to the smooth running of our Club. Very sincere thanks to Steph Oakley - you are a star! She organises the kitchen so efficiently and cheerfully - without her our Club would not function as it does. Besides all this Steph now arranges the sweet rota and has taken over from Elsie Aldred, getting the cheese and bread supplies. What would we do without her? Thanks to Elsie for all the years she has shopped for us and we are glad that she is still staying on the Committee and helping out in the kitchen. Also, many thanks to Janet Balshaw who is in charge of the soup and for the lovely graces she has sung at each meeting. Our members have very much enjoyed joining in with these. We're all most grateful to our Treasurer Pam Hodson - so efficient and reliable, collecting and distributing the money and keeping our finances in such impeccable order. We have also appreciated her, at times, helping out with the food when required. Thank you Pam for all you do for our Luncheon Club.

Sadly Kathleen Dobb has had to resign from our Committee, due to health reasons. We have much to thank her for - she has been organising the raffle for a good many years. This is of great benefit to us, as the money raised pays for the rental of the Church Hall and our members enjoy having a 'flutter'! In addition, Kathleen has sent out birthday cards and Christmas cards to each member, as well as get well cards. I

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had taken this role over but Pam had now said she will take charge of this, as she has the up to date list of members' birthdays. In recognition of all Kathleen's work for this Club, we made a presentation to her at our meeting, as a token of our appreciation for all that she has done. We are delighted that she is now coming to our meetings as a member.

John Balshaw has now taken over Kathleen's role of doing the raffle, for which we are very grateful. I must express my thanks to my husband Mike, without whose help I could not continue in my role. He helps get out all of the crockery and cutlery etc and puts up the tables, which we then lay according to my seating plan. Thanks also to Katie Balshaw, who also helps with this task and to the members who help put the tables and chairs away.

All these volunteers enable our Luncheon Club to flourish so successfully. Our sincere thanks to all those involved.

### **Pauline Cull, Luncheon Club Leader**

### **MESSY CHURCH**

Unfortunately we have not been able to host any messy church sessions over the last 12 months due to the pandemic. We look forward to being able to restart our sessions when we can do safely, and have lots of exciting ideas around themes and activities.

### **Katie Hodgkiss, Messy Team**

### **WEDNESDAY CUBS**

During 2021 we finally began to get back to Scouting, however for the first term we had limited numbers and stayed exclusively outside from April until September. The weather was quite kind to us mostly, so we were able to use different locations around the Hut, we did a number of activities which included; scavenger hunts around the Doffcocker lodge, a caterpillar hunt at Rivington and orienteering at Moss Bank Park. After Summer we were able to return indoors if we needed and our numbers began to rise, with 20 Cubs (5 girls and 15 boys). The Cubs enjoyed the programme, we had hikes, learned how to tie knots in pioneering, tried out powered/manual wheelchairs, crutches, and an array of other mobility equipment to complete their disability awareness badge. They also completed their entertainer badges which saw them put on amazing displays of talents, they played instruments, told jokes, mimed and much more. Our young leaders put on their takeover night and the Cubs completed their Skaters activity badge which they loved! As well as all of this we had our annual Group Bonfire party, with food and fireworks, a Christmas trip to the skating rink with our Thursday Cubs (the Skater badge meant at least they knew how to fall properly!) and we had our first sleepover in over 18 months just before Christmas which was amazing. We went for a hike, came back to a movie night with food and hot chocolate to end a strange but brilliant first year back.

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**Marie Armour**

**17<sup>TH</sup> BOLTON SCOUTS**

Since taking over the Scouts in September I have increased numbers attending to 15 and have the same on a waiting list, we have enjoyed activities such as night hikes over Winter Hill, pioneering using just basic poles and ropes plus improving their basic cooking skills. We have also had a mini camp in the hut, so as a group they can bond together because they come from various backgrounds and schools from around Bolton and not locally.

Plans going forward for the Scouts involve a full day at Bibbys Scout camp to celebrate St George's day, achieving their creative badge which involves learning how to sew, cook and make games out of old cereal boxes. We will shortly also be starting our Challenge Award badge and be looking at the local area and researching the local environment, politics and charities which help Bolton.

**Edward Orlinski**



## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

Registered Charity No 1132861

Financial Statements for the period 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>funds</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL 2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
Note	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and Endowments:</b>					
Voluntary income	2{a} 70,623	10,480		81,103	69,779
Church activities	2{b} 10,401			10,401	4,577
Activities for generating funds	2{c} 435	0		435	1,556
Investment income	2{d} 14,532			14,532	14,935
Other incoming resources	0			0	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>95,991</b>	<b>10,480</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>106,471</b>	<b>90,848</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>					
Church activities	3{a} 98,128	780		98,908	81,913
Raising funds	3{b} 438	0		438	166
Support costs	3{c} 392	0		392	371
Capital expenditure	3{d} 8,915	7,535		16,450	3,831
Extraordinary item (Creditor w/back)	0			0	-12
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>107,872</b>	<b>8,315</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>116,188</b>	<b>86,269</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>	<b>-11,881</b>	<b>2,165</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-9,716</b>	<b>4,579</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>-11,881</b>	<b>2,165</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-9,716</b>	<b>4,579</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>			0	0	0
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>			0	0	
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>-11,881</b>	<b>2,165</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-9,716</b>	<b>4,579</b>
Total funds brought forward	438,720	3,781	0	442,501	437,922
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>426,840</b>	<b>5,945</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>432,785</b>	<b>442,501</b>

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**Balance sheet as at 31st December 2021**

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>income</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Total this</u> <u>year</u> £	<u>Total last</u> <u>year</u> £
<b><u>Fixed assets</u></b>					
Investment Property (Note 1.2)	304,900			304,900	304,900
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>304,900</b>	-	-	<b>304,900</b>	<b>304,900</b>
<b><u>Current assets</u></b>					
Stocks				-	-
Debtors (Note 6)	14,043			14,043	15,338
Investments				-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 8)	142,788	5,945		148,733	137,936
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>156,830</b>	<b>5,945</b>	-	<b>162,775</b>	<b>153,274</b>
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)	34,890			34,890	15,673
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>121,940</b>	<b>5,945</b>	-	<b>127,885</b>	<b>137,601</b>
<b>Total net assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>426,840</b>	<b>5,945</b>	-	<b>432,785</b>	<b>442,501</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
<b><u>Funds of the Church</u> (Note 9)</b>					
Restricted income funds		5,945		5,945	3,781
Unrestricted funds	426,840			426,840	438,720
Revaluation reserve				-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>426,840</b>	<b>5,945</b>	-	<b>432,785</b>	<b>442,501</b>

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Chairman

Andrew Minors  
Honorary Treasurer

## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of 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 main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

## Funds

### General Funds

These 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.

### Designated Funds

These are Funds designated for particular purposes by the PCC and are also unrestricted as the PCC can reassign those monies if it so desires.

### Restricted Funds

These can only be used for their stated purpose(s).

The Church has the following specific funds -

### Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Church and its environs without recourse to realising fixed assets and to enable such maintenance to be undertaken at short notice.

### Organ and Choir Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir.

### PCC Property Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the properties at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill.

### Youth Work Fund

To provide funds for employment of a Youth Worker and associated costs

### Special Projects Fund

To provide funds for such individual projects as PCC decides

## Incoming Resources

### Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

#### Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

#### Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### Resources used

##### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation of the PCC.

##### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end (unless a balance payment has been committed by the PCC) as no legal liability exists.

#### Fixed assets

##### Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993

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 moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure on purchase.

##### Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

#### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

#### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2021

Fixed Assets  
Investment Property

	39 Welbeck Rd Heaton	112 Markland Hill Heaton	Total
	£	£	£
Value B/Fwc	169950	134950	304900
Revaluation	0	0	0
Value C/Fwc	169950	134950	304900

Basis of Valuation

The property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves marketing reports dated 28 February 2007.

Movable Church Furnishings

These are vested in the Church wardens on behalf of the PCC. They cannot be disposed of without a faculty and therefore no value is assigned to them. Expenditure on additions to such inalienable assets is written off on purchase

Land at Scout Hut, Markland Hill, Bolton

The land on which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of One Shilling per Annum. This was renewed with effect from 25 December 1988 for a further 25 years then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. As disposal of this asset is not possible for the foreseeable future, and income is effectively NIL, no value has been assigned to this property in the accounts accounts. The Scout Hut itself is not owned by the Church

Expenditure on Church Property

At 31 December 2021 the PCC had approved expenditure of approximately £5000 not yet incurred

## 2 Income and Endowments

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL 2021</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2020</u> <u>£</u>
<b>2{a} Voluntary income</b>					
Gift Aided Planned Giving	46,054			46,054	48,052
Other Planned Giving	1,721			1,721	1,236
Collections at services	3,904			3,904	2,650
Gift Aid Recovered	11,750			11,750	12,625
Legacies	2,000			2,000	1,000
Other	5,194	10,480		15,674	4,217
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,623</b>	<b>10,480</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>81,103</b>	<b>69,779</b>
<b>2{b} Church activities:</b>					
PCC Fees ( Weddings & funerals etc)	5,490			5,490	2,423
Parish Magazine (Sales)				-	906
Church Centre lettings	4,883			4,883	1,249
Other	29			29	
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,401</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10,401</b>	<b>4,577</b>
<b>2{c} Activities for generating funds:</b>					
Magazine (Advertising)				-	1,556
Fundraising events	435			435	
Other				-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>1,556</b>
<b>2{d} Income from investments:</b>					
Bank and CCLA interest	58			58	458
Dividend on CCLA Funds	74			74	78
Rental income from houses	14,400			14,400	14,400
Other				-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,532</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,532</b>	<b>14,935</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>95,991</b>	<b>10,480</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>106,471</b>	<b>90,848</b>

**Other information:**

**All income in the year, with exception of grant & donation towards refurbishment of kitchen in Centre was unrestricted**

### 3 Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2021</u> £	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2020</u> £
<b>3{a} Church Activities</b>					
Donations to outside organisations				0	0
Diocesan Parish Share	50,000			50,000	40,000
Clergy Working expenses	0			0	579
Vicarage/ministry expenses	142			142	3,481
Salaries & wages	7,593			7,593	6,513
Miscellaneous	504			504	434
	<b>58,239</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>58,239</b>	<b>51,007</b>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>					
Church running expenses	14,590			14,590	12,381
Church utility costs	4,845			4,845	3,323
Upkeep of services	299			299	203
Upkeep of churchyard	5,452			5,452	1,940
Parish Centre running costs	10,107			10,107	9,509
PCC property costs	2,221			2,221	1,432
Magazine costs	0			0	444
Cost of church administration	1,381			1,381	688
Organ & Choir costs	992	780		1,772	986
	<b>39,889</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40,669</b>	<b>30,906</b>
<b>3{b} Raising funds</b>					
Fundraising/Stewardship (envelopes)	438			438	166
	<b>438</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>166</b>
<b>3{c} Support Costs</b>					
Independent Examiner	100			100	100
Professional Fees	0			0	0
Payroll Services	292			292	271
<b>Total Support Costs</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>371</b>
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>98,957</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>99,737</b>	<b>82,450</b>
<b>3{d} Capital Expenditure</b>					
Church buildings	509	7,535		8,045	2,363
PCC Properties	8,406			8,406	1,467
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>8,915</b>	<b>7,535</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,450</b>	<b>3,831</b>
Creditor Write back				0	-12
<b>TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>107,872</b>	<b>8,315</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>116,188</b>	<b>86,269</b>

#### 4. Funds received as agent

<u>Description/name of party</u>	<u>Related party (Yes or No)</u>	<u>Amount received</u>		<u>Amount paid out</u>	
		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Childrens Society	No	166		166	
Christian Aid	No				
<b>Total</b>		<b>166</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>-</b>

#### 5. Paid employees

##### 5.1 Staff Costs

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Salaries and wages*	7,328	6,463
Social security costs		-
Unfunded Apparitor	265	50
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)		
Other employee benefits	-	-
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>7,593</b>	<b>6,513</b>

\*Parish Administrator

##### 5.2 Average head count in the year

		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	Administration	1	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

**5.3 Honorarium payments totalling £265 were paid to Apparitors from General Funds as there was no matched fee income**

**There were no ex-gratia payments to employees or others**

## 6. Debtors and prepayments

<u>Analysis of debtors</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,008	0
Prepayments and accrued income	0	4,656
Tax recoverable under Gift Aid	13,035	10,681
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,043</b>	<b>15,338</b>

## 7. Creditors and accruals

### Analysis of creditors

#### Amounts falling due within 1 year

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Trade creditors	1,692	723
Accruals and deferred income	33,198	14,950
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,890</b>	<b>15,673</b>

## 8. Cash at bank and in hand

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	£	£
Short term deposits	105,223	105,168
Cash at bank and on hand	43,510	32,768
Other	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>148,733</b>	<b>137,936</b>

## 9. Church funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

\*R - restricted income funds, including special trusts, of the charity; and UR - unrestricted funds

<u>Fund names</u>	<u>Type R or UR *</u>	<u>Purpose and Restrictions</u>	<u>Fund balances brought forward</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Exp</u>	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers out</u>	<u>Gains and losses</u>	<u>Fund balances carried forward</u>
			£	£	£	£		£	£
General Fund	UR	Unrestricted fund for use on the general purposes of the PCC.	26,144	95,991	-95,871	0	-10,000	-	16,265
Organ & Choir Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for maintenance of the organ and support for the choir. An annual transfer from General Funds is made in lieu of organists honorarium.	20,202	-	-992	-	-	-	19,209
Organ & Choir Fund	R	Funds restricted by the respective donors for maintenance of the organ and support for the choir.	3,781	-	-780	-	-	-	3,001
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance (formerley Fabric Fund)	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for the maintenance of the Church and associated grounds and buildings.	11,724	-	-3,203		0		8,521
PCC Property Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds representing value of 2 properties	304,900						304,900
PCC Property Maintenance Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for maintenance 2 properties	2,337	-	-7,806	10,000	0		4,531
Special Projects Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for such Special Projects as PCC decides	73,414						73,414
Youth Work Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for costs of Youth work provision	-						-
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance	R	Restricted funds donated for specific projects	-	10,480	-7,535	-			2,945
<b>Total Funds</b>			<b>442,501</b>	<b>106,471</b>	<b>-116,188</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>-10,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>432,785</b>

**10. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

**Trustee remuneration and benefits**

**The following trustees received remuneration from the Church solely for duties carried out as Apparitor:**

Geoffrey & Judith Pearson £50

**The Following Trustee received indirect benefit:**

None

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST  
CHURCH, HEATON**

I report on the accounts of the parish of Christ Church, Heaton for the year ended 31 December 2021.

**Respective responsibilities of PCC and examiner**

As members of the PCC 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 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.

**Basis of independent examiner's report**

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 PCC 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**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.

Name: Kathryn Hodgkiss FCA      Relevant professional qualification or body: ICAEW  
Address: J F Balshaw & Co, 20 Old Kiln Lane, Heaton, Bolton. BL1 5PD      Date: 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2022

*K Hodgkiss*

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# Accounts

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in the Deanery of Bolton  
and the Diocese of Manchester



# ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020

To be presented at the  
Annual Parochial Church Meeting  
Sunday 16 May 2021

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\*\*\*VICAR AND CHAIRMAN

Rev Janet French

\*\*\*ASSOCIATE PRIEST

Rev Philip Burman

\*\*\*READERS

YEAR ELECTED

\*\*\*CHURCHWARDENS

Mrs Irene Morris

2020

Mr William Nightingale

2020

TREASURER

Vacant

\*\*\*GENERAL SYNOD REPRESENTATIVE

Mr Geoffrey Tattersall

\*\*\*DEANERY SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES 2017 - 2020 (2 VACANCIES)

Mrs Laraine Mason

2017

Mr Adam Syddall

2017

Mrs Hazel Tattersall

2017

Mrs Caroline Rodden  
(2 Vacancies)

2019

2017 - 2020

**Mr Peter Hodson**

**2017**

**2019 - 2020**

**Mr Peter Ault**

**2019**

**Mrs Christine Hayes**

**2019**

**Mr Stephen Leyland**

**2019**

**2019 - 2021**

**Mrs Holly Bonfield**

**2019**

**Mrs Julie Steele**

**2019**

**Mr Peter Steele**

**2019**

**Mr Andrew Minors**

**2019**

**Mr David Youngman**

**2019**

**Mr Raj Ariyaratnam**

**2019**

APPOINTMENT OF OFFICIALS AND COMMITTEES FOR 2019 -2020

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PCC CHAIRMAN (Ex Officio)	Rev Janet French
VICE CHAIRMAN	Mrs Irene Morris
CHURCHWARDENS	Mrs Irene Morris Mr William Nightingale
ASSISTANT WARDENS	Mr Peter Chapman Dr Raj Ariyaratnam Mr Howard Entwistle
TREASURER	Mr Andrew Minors
PATRONAGE SCHEME SECRETARY	Mr Andrew Minors
<b>BOOK-KEEPER</b>	Mrs Jocelyn Walsh
<b>PCC SECRETARY</b>	Mrs Jocelyn Walsh/Mrs Laraine Mason
<b>ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER</b>	Miss Victoria Tattersall
FREE WILL OFFERING SECRETARY	Mrs Hazel Tattersall
GIFT AID ADMINISTRATOR	Mr Peter Hodson (acting)
<b>CLERK OF WORKS</b>	Vacant
CENTRE MANAGER	Vacant
CHRISTIAN AID REPRESENTATIVE	Vacant
<b>CHILDREN'S SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVE</b>	Mrs Jane Chapman & Mrs Julie Steele
SERVERS ADMINISTRATOR	Vacant
EDITOR OF PARISH MAGAZINE	Mrs Kathryn Ford
HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER	Vacant
CHILD PROTECTION OFFICER	Mrs Pamela Knight
 <i>STANDING COMMITTEE</i>	
<b>Ex-Officio:</b>	The Vicar, Churchwardens
<b>Elected by the PCC:</b>	Adam Syddall, Andrew Minors,
 <b>BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>	
<b>Chairman:</b>	Rev Janet French
Churchwardens:	Mrs Irene Morris Mr William Nightingale
Elected by the PCC:	Mrs Hazel Tattersall Mr Peter Hodson Mrs Holly Bonfield Mr David Youngman

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**VICAR'S REPORT**

2020 was perhaps the strangest year we have all experienced, not least me, your vicar. For me, it came on the tail of recovering from a car crash the Sunday before Christmas 2019 when someone decided their vehicle needed to be in exactly the same place as mine. My journey from Christ Church to St Margaret's that morning was well and truly thwarted!

Then in early 2020, came Coronavirus. Firstly we were banned from offering the chalice. The churches closed a short while later and the clergy were expected to celebrate Communion by themselves in the church.

Later we were permitted to do Communion or other service in our homes and to share these online with our congregations and communities.

Thus began my earnest study of videoing & editing techniques.

The results were initially shared with the weekly e-news I began producing at the beginning of lockdown and later were uploaded to YouTube on my Revvy Jay channel.

2020 has certainly been an interesting year!

My retirement from ministry was announced and my final service took place on 1<sup>st</sup> November. Fortunately it was the final week before we were due to be in Lockdown2 with the churches closing again for services. I felt it was somewhat apt to be celebrating my final Sunday in the Benefice on All Saints - as I have met so many lovely people here whom I shall miss.

I attended the APCM's for St Margaret's. My final meeting of the year was Christ Church APCM's on Weds 28 Oct which took place in the parish centre and simultaneously on zoom. These were the meetings that should have taken place in April/May of 2020 but were postponed because of the situation with coronavirus. I set up a further meeting on 9 November on zoom at which Tim was elected as churchwarden at Christ Church. I am grateful to Tim for standing for this role and offer him my prayers. Tim has completed the year long Diocesan course, Foundations for Faith' and has been a regular with us mainly, before coronavirus, at our 8am service.

I must express my gratitude to our Associate Priest, Philip who has been a tremendous support, as well as to our 'retired' clergy David, Alan and Lynne offering their much valued help too.

We have been blessed too, with our churchwardens in 2020 Irene and William, who remain in post until 31.1.2021. William, as you know works many Sundays at the Cathedral which makes his giving us his service on his Sundays off so much more an act of dedication.

Irene has been an amazing churchwarden, always working in the background and a wonderful help and support.

It is Irene who provided, produced and set out our socially distanced church.

My thanks go too, to John and our choir and organists, to Jocelyn for her admin support, Janet D for her welcoming support, as well as to the leaders and helpers of our many groups and organisations. As well as to all of you who have kindly shared with us in this 'almost a decade' of ministry.

There are too many to mention by name - your ministry no less special. Thank you.

My retirement, after almost a decade in post, was set for 11 December 2020 and I thank you for the many, many cards, well-wishes, prayers and gifts. I will continue to remember so many of you fondly and offer you my prayers as I hope we can count on yours in this new stage of our lives.

To God be the Glory.

As we go our separate ways,

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We give You thanks, for all our days;  
And as we part, we do so knowing,  
In our hearts, Your Love is a-glowing.

**Amen.**

**Janet**

**The Rev Janet French**

**Vicar, Christ Church Heaton & St Margaret's Halliwell 2011-2020**

**ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

The PCC has met, or had Zoom meetings, 13 times during 2020 to discuss the business and running of Christ Church. Unfortunately the Church and Centre have been closed for a lot of 2020, although we did open for services briefly between August and November.

The APCM was held at the end of October, instead of April, and for the first time was a joint in person and Zoom meeting. We elected 6 new members to the PCC - Laraine Mason, Peter Hodson, Adam Syddall, Caroline Lade, Raj Ariyaratnam and Norma Gibbons. A new Churchwarden, Tim Palmer, was appointed at a special meeting in November, and William Nightingale stepped down. Our thanks to William for his service to Christ Church. Rev Janet French retired in December and we wish her every success in the future.

Due to extremely generous donations from the Women's Guild, Luncheon Club, Tea Dance funds and members of the congregation we have been able to refurbish 50 of the Parish Centre chairs in a variety of colours and buy some more chairs with arms, now 12. These brighten up the Hall tremendously and we are very grateful to Janet Darwell, Steph Oakley and Jocelyn Walsh for the research/implementation and Peter Walsh for taking apart and replacing the chair pads and backs. There are still 41 chairs which need recovering, in due course, but we have made a good start.

The PCC decided not to produce a Christmas card this year due to pandemic restrictions, but hopefully we will be able to send out one at the end of 2021. We held our first Open Air Carol Service in December, idea courtesy of Tim Palmer, which was very successful and there are hopes this will be repeated.

**Jocelyn Walsh, PCC Secretary (up to October 2020)**

I took over as PCC Secretary from Jocelyn Walsh who stood down after the APCM which was held in October 2020, and have prepared the minutes for 6 meetings since then.

The PCC has faced some difficult (and at times lengthy!!) meetings during this last year when dealing with both the repercussions of the pandemic and the retirement of The Rev Janet French in December 2020. Balancing the safety of our parishioners in line with the Government guidelines, along with providing the opportunity to worship when permitted, has not been an easy task. Fortunately we have a very strong team who have faced the challenges head on and dealt most admirably with the various risk assessments etc required. Irene Morris, our outgoing Church Warden, is to be applauded for her most valuable input and commitment here and for guiding our new Church Warden, Tim Palmer, when he took on this role.

I am looking forward to being part of the Christ Church family as we face the fresh challenges ahead. Not only are we (hopefully) moving out of Covid, we are also now in vacancy following the Rev Janet French's retirement. I wish her and Larry a long and happy retirement together. We have already had meetings with our Area Dean, The Rev Canon Dr Chris Bracegirdle, and our Archdeacon, The Ven Jean Burgess, as we formulate our own road map towards the appointment of a new incumbent here

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at Christ Church. As this will very possibly co-incide with the implementation of Mission Communities within the Diocese we are certainly facing interesting times ahead.

In addition to these matters the PCC has also dealt with its “more normal” commitments and duties in relation to the financial affairs of the church, and the care and maintenance of its structure and its contents. For example, our properties have continued to be managed, the choir vestry roof has been repaired, tree surgeons have been engaged to carry out essential work within our grounds and the Vicarage will be looked after during the interregnum. Our Treasurer, Andrew Minors, has done sterling work in keeping on top of our finances in these precarious times, keeping us fully apprised of our financial situation at all our meetings. He too should be applauded.

I would also like to thank Jocelyn for the help she has given me since I took over this role and the entire PCC for their continued support of our Church, and the hard work they undertake in this capacity.

Following last year’s APCM there remained several vacancies to be filled: 6 on PCC and 4 on Deanery Synod. William Nightingale is no longer Church Warden but is now on the PCC. Therefore there are 5 PCC vacancies to be filled together with 4 on Deanery Synod. There may be more vacancies arising by the time of the next APCM to be held on 16th May 2021, after the 9.30am service. Please could you consider whether you would like to become a member?

**Laraine Mason, PCC Secretary**

**CHURCHWARDENS REPORT ON THE FABRIC, GOODS AND ORNAMENTS OF THE CHURCH AND CHURCH PROPERTIES**

**CHURCH BUILDINGS AND CONTENTS**

Whilst the church and church centre buildings remain in a relatively good state of repair, the programme of suggested repairs, upgrades or enhancements from the 2018 Quinquennial Report have not yet progressed beyond the more urgently required action.

**VICARAGE**

The vicarage did not require any major repairs that were the responsibility of the PCC.

**CHURCH PROPERTIES**

We have tenants in the two properties. The PCC are currently undertaking some general repair work to one of the properties.

The work on the scout hut lease and arrangements continue to make progress, but is not as yet finalised, with the scout association remaining an important and key part of the outreach and mission of the church.

**CHURCH GROUNDS**

As you are all aware, the land to the rear of the car park continues to be developed. The PCC intend to erect a border fence along the north and east sides of the car park when the development work is completed.

**CHURCH CENTRE**

Unfortunately we still have a vacancy for centre manager, therefore we continue to utilize the wardens, PCC members, and volunteers to ensure that the centre continues its purpose within the Church community. We thank all the people who have helped to keep the centre functioning. We would like to thank Jocelyn Walsh for her work in co-ordinating the business of the centre and working with us on the all matters related to the church and centre business.

Irene Morris - Church Warden

William Nightingale - Church Warden

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**ELECTORAL ROLL**

There are 268 names recorded on the Electoral Roll for 2020.

**Victoria Tattersall, Electoral Roll Officer**

**MAGAZINE**

Unfortunately due to the pandemic the Christ Church magazine was only produced for January and February in 2020. We hope to resume deliveries at the earliest opportunity but have to follow government guidelines.

We generally deliver 170 magazines throughout the Parish each month and encourage Parishioners who pick up a single magazine from Church each month to pay £6 in advance for the year. We would also encourage all Parishioners to take one complimentary magazine to any new neighbour in their area as a way of introducing themselves.

Thanks are expressed to our many dedicated distributors, who do an excellent job, the Parishioners for buying the magazine, Katherine Ford, our editor, our advertisers and many others who offer help and support to all aspects of the magazine. Without you all this wouldn't be possible. Philip Burman will be meeting with Kathryn after lockdown to discuss the magazine going forward and to express his appreciation for all she has done.

**DEANERY SYNOD**

Deanery Synod has met twice this year. The first meeting in January was organised by the Diocese to explain the reasoning behind Deanery Reorganisation. Jean Burgess, the Archdeacon of Bolton and Helen Platt attended from the Diocese and didn't seem to convince anyone of the merits of the plan. The plan is for the existing 20 deaneries of the diocese to regroup and form 7 large deaneries with 3 fulltime Area Deans. The scheme is designed to save money (the diocese is over £2M in debt) and to help cope with the reduction in the number of stipendiary clergy. This is due to lack of funds to train and pay them. The second meeting was held in November via Zoom. The meeting discussed Mission Communities which are to be set up under Deanery Reorganisation. The meetings planned for June and September were cancelled due to the Coronavirus.

**Hazel Tattersall**

**CHILD PROTECTION CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT**

This is my last report as Safeguarding Officer; I will step down from the role at the end of January, after being in the role for 5 years.

Records of all volunteers are up to date, with people attached to various church groups having a current DBS certificate. According to regulations I understand there is no official expiry date for a DBS certificate, but some organisations do recommend that they are renewed from time to time. The new Safeguarding Officer could maybe check the Diocesan policy on this when they take over the role.

The Diocese recommended in 2017 that all PCC members should be DBS checked. Most members had completed this by March. However I understand that some PCC members have now left, and other people have joined. As things resume after Covid restrictions are lifted new members will need to complete a DBS check with the new Safeguarding Officer.

**Pam Knight - Safeguarding Officer**

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**CHOIR REPORT**

The year 2020 will be remembered for what did not happen within the church! Sadly, the Choir's last service of Evensong was on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March and we have not sung Evensong since.

In October, we learnt that it would be possible to sing again in church, as long as certain criteria were met. John and Holly worked out a way that we could sing and this was presented to the PCC. As a result, we sang at the Service of Remembrance at the end of October, socially distanced and behind visors and at Janet French's last service.

There then followed the lockdown in November. In December, discussion took place with Rev. Philip Burman and the PCC and it was decided that the Choir would present at short Carol Service in the afternoon of Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> December. Which we did and very much enjoyed and thank the members of the congregation who attended.

On the Sundays during Advent, the Choir sang hymns during the 9.30.a.m. service, again socially distanced and behind visors.

On Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December, the Choir, with John at the keyboard, joined parishioners outside the church for carols by candlelight. An event which was greatly enjoyed by everyone present. We thank Tim Palmer for all his support in arranging this.

We are once more in lockdown and there are no services or singing in churches. I really hope that in the near future we can resume our services and once more sing in our place in the Chancel.

Our thanks go to Irene Morris, who has helped us so much with organising things so we could sing and to Rev. Burman for his encouragement and the services we shared.

**John F. Balshaw - Organist and Choirmaster.**

**CRECHE**

The crèche meets during the 9.30am Family Communion Service and is for children from birth to 3 years old. We had 7 children on the register at the start of 2020 and have very much missed seeing them since the lockdown. We look forward to being able to restart the creche when it is safe to do so and will be very glad to welcome back our babies and toddlers who will have grown considerably since we last saw them!

**Katie Hodgkiss & Katie Dunne**

**YOUNG CHURCH 4 - 7 YEARS OLD**

Sadly the report for the Young Church is very short. Our last meeting was on Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2020, following the stories of Lent and we have not been able to meet since that date. I have seen some of the children in the services held when the church reopened at 9.30.a.m. I really hope that during this year, we will be able to resume our Young Church activities.

**Janet Balshaw**

**YOUNG CHURCH - CENTRE GROUP**

Since the end of last year's report, we were only able to meet a few times, during which we focused on activities for Mothering Sunday. When the restrictions are lifted and we are allowed to return to church safely, we shall resume our Young Church meetings with renewed enthusiasm and will be keen to extend a warm welcome to all our children as we guide them on their journey of faith. In the meantime, we continue to pray for all our families and for children everywhere.

God bless.

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**Julie Steele, Pauline Cull and Joanna Steele**

**CHRIST CHURCH ABC GROUP (ADULTS BABIES AND CHILDREN)**

Christ Church ABC Group runs on Wednesday afternoons during school term time from 1.30pm until 3pm and welcomes parents and carers with children under school age.

The ABC team consists of Jane Chapman, Heather Lowe, Lesley Youngman & Janet Balshaw. Each week we encourage parents & carers to chat and make new friends while the children play and participate in craft activities. Everybody joins in the singing to end the session. We provide refreshments for Parents/carers and for the children; a drink and a "healthy" snack which is served by our volunteer coffee bar helpers.

There were 47 families on the register for 2019 -2020. The families tell us that they enjoy the intimate, friendly nature of the group. Many families have come back to the group with their subsequent children.

We only managed to hold 7 ABC Group sessions in 2020, at the start of the year. We remain hopeful that we will be able to start up again in the autumn and we very much look forward to welcoming back our existing families and reaching out to new **Adults Babies & Children**. We feel privileged to continue to provide a link between the local community and the church and to maintain the tradition of having a group for **Adults, Babies and Children** at Christ Church.

**Jane Chapman**

**MEN OF CHRIST CHURCH (MCC)**

Thankfully, the MCC was able to organise one or two events early in the year before Covid-19 closed down all social activity across the UK.

The year began, as always, with the annual Renewal of Commitment service in January. The annual dinner took place, once again, at Bob's Smithy on 19<sup>th</sup> February and was well attended, with twenty-four people participating, including five members of the congregation of St. Margaret's and our clergy. It was an excellent event, with good food and wise company, thoroughly enjoyed by all. Thanks are due especially to Adam Syddall for his efforts in arranging it. Unfortunately, it has not yet been possible to organise a similar event for 2021 but, perhaps, we may be able to reinstate an autumn date, as in earlier years.

The MCC again manned the kitchen for the Pancake Party on Shrove Tuesday. Thanks, in particular are due to Geoffrey Pearson and Aubrey Chapman for performing the chef duties and also to Judith Pearson and Jane Chapman for helping out along with the Rev. Janet French and Larry. The timing of the event had been brought forward, resulting in an afternoon start. The event was sparsely attended but everyone there enjoyed their time.

The MCC AGM was unable to be held because of Covid-19 regulations and no committee meetings could be held but the committee continues to comprise Adam Syddall as Honorary Secretary, Neville Beech as Honorary Treasurer with Andrew Minors, Peter Hodson and Geoffrey Pearson as serving members.

As always, the MCC committee would appreciate any offers from anyone who would like to contribute to the work of the MCC to help maintain and organise our programme of events. At the same time, I would like to offer my thanks, and those of the committee, to everyone quietly fulfilling the many duties and roles without which CCH would not be able to thrive.

**David Youngman (MCC Chairman)**

**MOTHERS UNION**

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The Christ Church Heaton Mothers' Union branch has continued through testing times in its long history. We are confident the branch will emerge from this latest time of trial with renewed vigour as we look to celebrate 120 years in existence in 2021.

2020 was always going to be challenging. The simultaneous resignation at the end of 2019 of so many of our experienced and dedicated committee left the very existence of the branch in doubt. But, after a meeting with the Bolton Archdeaconry President, Ruth Taylor, it was decided that with the support of Revd. Janet French, we could continue as a branch with just a treasurer in situ.

The branch had 37 paid up members in 2020 (2019: 56). There were 1,331 members in the Manchester Diocese.

The Mothers' Union are committed to supporting Baptisms at Christ Church through sidesperson duties, bible readings and the provision of the Baptism books given to each family. Our thanks to Clare King for organising the rota so diligently.

The Mothers' Union theme for 2020 was "Building Hope and Confidence". Our less structured programme of occasional meetings meant our first get together followed the Wednesday MU Corporate Communion in February. The vicar gave a talk based on Menas, an Egyptian saint portrayed in an early Coptic Icon and the enjoyable and informative talk was followed by a 'bring and share' lunch.

The Bolton Deanery Festival Service was held on February 13th at St Matthew's, Little Lever and our Knitting Club met on February 28<sup>th</sup> with a good turnout. Little did we know this would be our last physical gathering of 2020.

CCH MU has continued to be active despite the onset of the pandemic. Through the "Just Up Your Street" Project we helped Fortalice purchase materials for their new Art Therapy sessions for which they were most grateful. We also gave many knitted items, made during lockdown, to Fortalice and to the neonatal unit at the Royal Bolton Hospital.

A booklet of Lockdown Poems and photos was produced by the Manchester office after members were invited to write and submit items. The Lockdown Poetry videos were viewed by over 1,500 people on YouTube.

A Carol Service was produced by Mary Sumner House and the Manchester Diocesan MU Thursday Prayers, relayed once a month via Youtube, help unite us all through prayer. Prayer is very much at the heart of everything that we do.

My sincere thanks must go to Sue Critchley who agreed to continue as the Deanery Correspondent for our branch. Sue's enthusiasm, guidance and prayers have been a great support to me and she provides a constant stream of ideas and communications from central 'HQ' to all our members. Sue attended the Zoom AGM and Autumn Council for Manchester Diocese on October 17<sup>th</sup>. A new Constitution for the Diocese has been drawn up and members were emailed copies and asked to vote for its approval. To keep everyone informed "MU Live" is now available on the Mothers' Union website. But much more than that, Sue is at the heart of our branch network and quite remarkably keeps track of all our members' birthdays and anniversaries.

For 2021, we can only hope and pray for others to join the MU Committee. It is an exciting opportunity to re-imagine the branch in its 120<sup>th</sup> year.

**Ruth Syddall and Sue Critchley**

### **CHRIST CHURCH PLAYERS**

The production of Holiday at Home in Feb 2020 was another success for the Players. They received their best review yet from Bolton Amateur Theatre Society and again each night performed to sell out audiences. We were delighted to welcome two new

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players Carol Cleary and Paul Whitney who, making their stage debuts, added welcome new dimensions to our cast and performances.

Such success comes only with a lot of hard work and set against that of the cast is that of all the people who give of their time and effort. Not least are Geoffrey Pearson and Martin Miller who again designed and built a wonderful set, Judith Pearson who so expertly directed the play; 'backstage' staff Christine, Carol, Sue, David and James who prompted, managed the lighting, sound effects and props; Pam Hodson who as always manages our finances but also works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure there are refreshments in the interval and carries out all our admin; parishioners who kindly sell programmes, raffle tickets and serve the refreshments; Peter and Julie Steele who masterminded the box office while Peter stood in as front of house at short notice. It becomes increasingly difficult to find people willing to help with these jobs and yet without them, the Players ability to raise a substantial amount of money each year for church funds would not be possible. So - if anyone fancies 'treading the boards' or would be prepared to give up a couple of hours at our next performance to give us a hand we would be delighted to see them. Just speak to any cast member. Meanwhile, we are pleased to announce that as a result of our success we have been able to make a donation to church of £2,000.

Since February 2020 however, the world and our access to it has been rocked by the Coronavirus pandemic and so 2021 will be a quite different one for the Players. We will not be able to stage a production in February. However, we are planning - if conditions re the virus improve and restrictions are lifted - that we will be able to host 2 Murder Mystery sessions - one afternoon and one evening - at which the audience enjoy afternoon tea/supper, the cast perform the 'play' and the audience have to guess 'Who Did It!' Exactly when that will be is still a movable feast though initial plans are for May. And then of course there is still the possibility of another play in 2022!

**Brenda Griffiths - Chair**

### **CHRIST CHURCH WOMEN'S GUILD**

I'm going to start by sending you all a virtual hug from the Christ Church Guild.

This last year for everyone has been a rather difficult one, as you can imagine we had to cancel all of our planned talks and trips so on paper the Guild hasn't really got much to report in the form of events, however we did manage to contribute to the amazing chairs in the Church Centre. The Guild would like to thank Jocelyn, Janet Darwell and Jocelyn's amazing husband Peter for the organising of the recovering, the taking apart and putting back together of the chairs they look amazing and the colours just lift your heart. I would also like to report that the committee members have all done their utmost to keep in touch with our members and non-members to try to raise spirits by a wave, a phone call, a socially distanced chat etc.

My thanks as always go to the whole committee without these amazing people who give up their time the guild wouldn't be able to run and support our church family and it's at times like these you realise why keeping our groups running is so important.

May God bless you all and we look forward to seeing you soon.

**Stephanie Oakley**

### **CHRIST CHURCH LUNCHEON CLUB**

This year, due to Covid, we have had only two meetings in January and February, with an average attendance of 40 per meeting. Although sadly we have lost some of our members, we did gain others as a result of advertising our Luncheon Club at St

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Margaret's Church. The new chairs in the Centre have proved to be of great benefit to us and in view of this we decided to make a donation of £102 towards their cost.

In January, we welcomed Elaine Taylor as our speaker, who gave us a most interesting talk on the history of Rivington Gardens, both past and present. She is a very eloquent and knowledgeable speaker and being of local interest her talk stimulated lots of questions.

In complete contrast for our February meeting, we had musical entertainment with a group called Travelling Strings. This was a 'first' for us and most appreciated by our members who joined in with some of the songs.

As always, although this has been such a curtailed year, thanks must go to all the volunteers who ensure the success of our Club. The lynchpin of our kitchen is Steph Oakley - always so efficient and cheerful, organising the soup and sweet rotas, aided by Janet Balshaw in charge of the soup. Janet always starts our meetings with a sung grace which is much appreciated. Thanks also to Elsie Aldred, in charge of cheese and bread. Furthermore, thanks must go to all the members of Christ Church who help our Luncheon Club, either by making soup or puddings or working in the kitchen. You are all very valued, as without your help this Luncheon Club would not be able to carry on. I do hope that when we eventually return to 'normality' you will all continue to support us.

Pam Hodson has been an integral part of our Club - so efficient in dealing with our finances. We are very fortunate to have such a stalwart treasurer and we thank her for her many years of service to the Club. Likewise Kathleen Dobb, who organises and distributes our raffle each meeting. She also sends out birthday cards to each member, which have been especially appreciated this year. Also, as we have not had our Christmas meeting, where each member receives a Christmas card, we have distributed these cards, along with a 2021 programme, as a way of keeping in touch. I did write a letter to each member which I sent out in the summer, explaining what we thought the future holds for our Luncheon Club. Obviously, things have changed, so at the present time we do not know when we will be able to recommence meetings. In the meantime, I try to keep in touch by phone with as many members as I can. I know they all miss the camaraderie of our Club and are looking forward to the time when we shall be able to meet up again.

**Pauline Cull - Luncheon Group Leader**

## **MESSY CHURCH**

We only managed one Messy Church session prior to the pandemic which was on February 19<sup>th</sup> 2020 and was based around the theme of 'The Sower'. This session was well attended with 21 children present. In total we have 41 children on the register. We look forward to being able to restart our sessions when we can do safely, and have lots of exciting ideas around themes and activities.

**Katie Hodgkiss - Messy Team**

## **BROWNIES**

Brownies only met four times in 2020. We had intended to do some work on the Be Well theme but we only got as far as planting some bulbs. There are not many girls in the Brownie Pack at the moment but they are lovely girls and very keen. If Brownies are to continue at Christ Church we do need some new helpers. Judith Newton finished helping at Brownies last summer and I cannot thank her enough for all the help and support she has given me over the last fifteen years. Thank you.

**Hazel Tattersall.**

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**WEDNESDAY CUBS**

In 2020 Wednesday Cubs had 20 members, 15 boys and 5 girls coming from as far as Adlington. Although the year was brief we still managed to have quite the start, the Cubs enjoyed a variety of activities including pancake making to celebrate Pancake Day, as you can imagine this went down well! We also celebrated Chinese New Year, where we tried various foods, played games and even had items of clothing and decorations brought in by one of our parents, who taught us about traditions in China on New Year.

In our team building night, we had the Cubs create their own pack night, where they chose activities and stuck to a budget to run the night. We had planned to let each group run their night, but unfortunately we had to close before this happened.

At the beginning of March we entered two teams in the district swimming gala and all of the Cubs did amazingly and showed great sportsmanship.

We also celebrated world book day where we spoke of our favourite stories, acted out parts from books and tried to guess which character other people were playing. This would have been the start of our reading badge, but unfortunately we never got round to finishing it. Hopefully we will pick up where we left off and get back to doing what we loved very soon!

**Marie Armour**



## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

Registered Charity No 1132861

Financial Statements for the period 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY

		<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>
Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and Endowments:</b>				
Voluntary income	2{a}	67,668	2,111	
Church activities	2{b}	4,577		
Activities for generating funds	2{c}	1,556		
Investment income	2{d}	14,935		
Other incoming resources		0		
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>88,737</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>				
Church activities	3{a}	81,793	120	
Raising funds	3{b}	166		
Support costs	3{c}	371		
Capital expenditure	3{d}	1,719	2,111	
Extraordinary item (Creditor w/back)		-12		
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b>84,038</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>		<b>4,699</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>0</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments		0	0	0
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>4,699</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>				<b>0</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>				<b>0</b>
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>4,699</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>0</b>
Total funds brought forward		434,022	3,900	0
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>438,721</b>	<b>3,781</b>	<b>0</b>

\*Creditor write back



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VITIES

**TOTAL 2020**   **TOTAL 2019**  
£                      £

69,779	98,784
4,577	12,113
1,556	3,225
14,935	15,207
0	0
<b>90,848</b>	<b>129,328</b>

81,913	100,720
166	275
371	304
3,831	0
-12	
<b>86,269</b>	<b>101,299</b>

4,579	28,030
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437,922	409,892
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**442,501**                      **437,922**

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## Balance sheet as at 31st December 2020

	<u>Unrestricted funds</u>	<u>Restricted income funds</u>	<u>Endowment funds</u>
	£	£	£
<b><u>Fixed assets</u></b>			
Investment Property (Note 1.2)	304,900		
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>304,900</b>	-	-
<b><u>Current assets</u></b>			
Stocks			
Debtors (Note 6)	15,338		
Investments			
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 8)	137,936		
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>153,274</b>	-	-
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)	15,673		
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>137,601</b>	-	-
<b>Total net assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>442,501</b>	-	-
<b>Represented by:</b>			
<b><u>Funds of the Church</u> (Note 9)</b>			
Restricted income funds		3,781	
Unrestricted funds	438,720		
Revaluation reserve			
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>438,720</b>	<b>3,781</b>	-

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

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Rev Janet Fren

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<u>Total this</u> <u>year</u> £	<u>Total last</u> <u>year</u> £
304,900	304,900
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304,900	304,900
-	-
15,338	16,897
-	-
137,936	120,239
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153,274	137,137
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15,673	4,114
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137,601	133,022
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<b>442,501</b>	<b>437,922</b>
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3,781	3,900
438,720	434,022
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<b>442,501</b>	<b>437,922</b>
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## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of 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 main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

## Funds

### General Funds

These 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.

### Designated Funds

These are Funds designated for particular purposes by the PCC and are also unrestricted as the PCC can reassign those monies if it so desires.

### Restricted Funds

These can only be used for their stated purpose(s).

The Church has the following specific funds -

### Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Church and its environs without recourse to realising fixed assets and to enable such maintenance to be undertaken at short notice.

### Organ and Choir Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir.  
A transfer from the General Fund is made in lieu of the organists Honorarium.

### PCC Property Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the properties at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill.

### Youth Work Fund

To provide funds for employment of a Youth Worker and associated costs

### Special Projects Fund

To provide funds for such individual projects as PCC decides

## Incoming Resources

### Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal

entitlement and the amount due.

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#### Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

#### Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### Resources used

##### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation of the PCC.

##### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end (unless a balance payment has been committed by the PCC) as no legal liability exists.

#### Fixed assets

##### Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993

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 beneficed buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure on purchase.

##### Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

#### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

#### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2018

Fixed Assets  
Investment Property

	39 Welbeck Rd Heaton	112 Markland Hill Heaton	Total
	£	£	£
Value B/Fwd	169950	134950	304900
Revaluation	0	0	0
Value C/Fwd	169950	134950	304900

Basis of Valuation

The property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves marketing reports dated 28 February 2007

Movable Church Furnishings

These are vested in the Church wardens on behalf of the PCC. They cannot be disposed of without a licence and therefore no value is assigned to them. Expenditure on additions to such inalienable assets is shown on purchase

Land at Scout Hut, Markland Hill, Bolton

The land on which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout Group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of One Shilling per Annum. This was renewed with effect from 25 December 1988 for a further 25 years then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. As this asset is not possible for the foreseeable future, and income is effectively NIL, no value has been assigned to this property in the accounts. The Scout Hut itself is not owned by the Church

Expenditure on Church Property

At 31 December 2020 the PCC had no approved expenditure not yet incurred



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## 2 Income and Endowments

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL 2020</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2019</u> <u>£</u>
<b>2{a} Voluntary income</b>					
Gift Aided Planned Giving	48,052			48,052	50,374
Other Planned Giving	1,236			1,236	1,345
Collections at services	2,650			2,650	8,847
Gift Aid Recovered	12,625			12,625	13,750
Legacies	1,000			1,000	20,000
Other	2,106	2,111		4,217	4,468
<b>Total</b>	<b>67,668</b>	<b>2,111</b>	-	<b>69,779</b>	<b>98,783</b>
<b>2{b} Church activities:</b>					
PCC Fees ( Weddings & funerals etc)	2,423			2,423	3,363
Parish Magazine (Sales)	906			906	901
Church Centre lettings	1,249			1,249	7,849
Other				-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,577</b>	-	-	<b>4,577</b>	<b>12,113</b>
<b>2{c} Activities for generating funds:</b>					
Magazine (Advertising)	1,556			1,556	2,082
Fundraising events				-	916
Other				-	226
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,556</b>	-	-	<b>1,556</b>	<b>3,225</b>
<b>2{d} Income from investments:</b>					
Bank and CCLA interest	458			458	726
Dividend on CCLA Funds	78			78	81
Rental income from houses	14,400			14,400	14,400
Other				-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,935</b>	-	-	<b>14,935</b>	<b>15,207</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>88,737</b>	<b>2,111</b>	-	<b>90,848</b>	<b>129,328</b>

### Other information:

All income in the year, with exception of donation towards refurbishment of chairs in Centre was unrestricted

### 3 Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2020</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2019</u>
				£	£
<b>3{a} Church Activities</b>					
Donations to outside organisations				0	140
Diocesan Parish Share	40,000			40,000	48,000
Clergy Working expenses	579			579	1,187
Vicarage/other ministry expenses	3,481			3,481	3,357
Salaries & wages	6,513			6,513	6,450
Miscellaneous	434			434	392
	<b>51,007</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>51,007</b>	<b>59,527</b>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>					
Church running expenses	12,381			12,381	12,891
Church utility costs	3,323			3,323	3,663
Upkeep of services	203			203	565
Upkeep of churchyard	1,940			1,940	3,005
Parish Centre running costs	9,509			9,509	13,940
PCC property costs	1,432			1,432	1,122
Magazine costs	444			444	2,903
Cost of church administration	688			688	1,480
Organ & Choir costs	866	120		986	1,624
	<b>81,793</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>81,913</b>	<b>100,720</b>
<b>3{b} Raising funds</b>					
Stewardship (envelopes)	166			166	275
	<b>166</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>275</b>
<b>3{c} Support Costs</b>					
Independent Examiner	100			100	100
Professional Fees				0	0
Payroll Services	271			271	204
<b>Total Support Costs</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<b>82,331</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>82,450</b>	<b>101,299</b>
<b>3{d} Capital Expenditure</b>					
Church buildings	252	2,111		2,363	0
PCC Properties	1,467			1,467	0
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<b>1,719</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,831</b>	<b>0</b>
Creditor Write back	-12			-12	0
<b>TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE</b>	<b>84,038</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>86,269</b>	<b>101,299</b>

#### 4. Funds received as agent

<u>Description/name of party</u>	<u>Related party (Yes or No)</u>	<u>Amount received</u>		<u>Amount paid out</u>	
		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Childrens Society	No		272		272
Christian Aid	No		1,067		1,067
<b>Total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,339</b>

#### 5. Paid employees

##### 5.1 Staff Costs

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Salaries and wages*	6,463	6,350
Social security costs		-
Unfunded Apparitor	50	100
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)		
Other employee benefits	-	-
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>6,513</b>	<b>6,450</b>

\*Parish Administrator

##### 5.2 Average head count in the year

		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	Administration	1	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

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**There were no ex-gratia payments to employees or others**

## **6. Debtors and prepayments**

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## **7. Creditors and accruals**

### **Analysis of creditors**

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Bank loans and overdrafts	-	-
Trade creditors	14,473	1,881
Accruals and deferred income	1,200	2,233
<b>Total</b>	<b>15,673</b>	<b>4,114</b>

## **8. Cash at bank and in hand**

	<b><u>This year</u></b>	<b><u>Last year</u></b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Short term deposits	105,168	104,723
Cash at bank and on hand	32,768	15,513
Other		-
<b>Total</b>	<b>137,936</b>	<b>120,236</b>



## 9. Church funds

Details of material funds held and movements during the CURRENT reporting period

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<b>Youth Work Fund</b>	<b>UR</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds designated for costs of Youth <u>work provision</u></b>	-	0	
<b>Church Buildings &amp; Grounds maintenance</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Restricted funds donated for specific projects</b>	-	2,111	-2,111
<b>Total Funds</b>			<b>437,922</b>	<b>90,848</b>	<b>-86,269</b>

<u>Transfers In</u> £	<u>Transfers out</u>	<u>Gains and losses</u> £	<u>Fund balances carried forward</u> £
	-3,600	-	26,144
-	-	-	20,202
-	-	-	3,781
	0		11,724
			304,900
3,600	0		2,337

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<b>3,600</b>	<b>-3,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>442,501</b>
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**10. Transactions with trustees and related parties**

**Trustee remuneration and benefits**

**The following trustees received remuneration from the Church solely for duties c.**

**None**

**The Following Trustee received indirect benefit:**

**None**

**carried out as Apparitor:**



**Report to the Trustees/  
members of**

**The Parochial Church Council of Christ Church Heaton**

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

**31<sup>st</sup> December 2020**

**Charity  
number**

**1132861**

**Set out on pages**

**7 to 17**

**Respective  
responsibilities of  
Trustees and Examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. 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;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of independent  
Examiner's report**

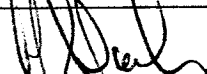
My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**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; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Signed:**



**Date:**

**25<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**Name:**

**Anthony J Slack**

**Address:**

**50, Devonshire Road, Heaton, BOLTON BL1 4PQ**



## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON

Registered Charity No 1132861

Financial Statements for the period 1st January 2020 to 31st December 2020

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL 2020</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2019</u>
Note	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income and Endowments:</b>					
Voluntary income	2{a} 67,668	2,111		69,779	98,784
Church activities	2{b} 4,577			4,577	12,113
Activities for generating funds	2{c} 1,556			1,556	3,225
Investment income	2{d} 14,935			14,935	15,207
Other incoming resources	0			0	0
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>88,737</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>90,848</b>	<b>129,328</b>
<b>Expenditure:</b>					
Church activities	3{a} 81,793	120		81,913	100,720
Raising funds	3{b} 166			166	275
Support costs	3{c} 371			371	304
Capital expenditure	3{d} 1,719	2,111		3,831	0
Extraordinary item (Creditor w/back)	-12			-12	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>84,038</b>	<b>2,231</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>86,269</b>	<b>101,299</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before investment gains/(losses)</b>	<b>4,699</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,579</b>	<b>28,030</b>
Net gains/(losses) on investments	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<b>4,699</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,579</b>	<b>28,030</b>
Transfers between funds			0	0	0
Other recognised gains/(losses):			0	0	
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>4,699</b>	<b>-120</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,579</b>	<b>28,030</b>
Total funds brought forward	434,022	3,900	0	437,922	409,892
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>438,721</b>	<b>3,781</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>442,501</b>	<b>437,922</b>

\*Creditor write back

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF CHRIST CHURCH HEATON**  
Registered Charity No 1132861

**Balance sheet as at 31st December 2020**

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>income</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> £	<u>Total this</u> <u>year</u> £	<u>Total last</u> <u>year</u> £
<b><u>Fixed assets</u></b>					
Investment Property (Note 1.2)	304,900			304,900	304,900
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>304,900</b>	-	-	<b>304,900</b>	<b>304,900</b>
<b><u>Current assets</u></b>					
Stocks				-	-
Debtors (Note 6)	15,338			15,338	16,897
Investments				-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 8)	137,936			137,936	120,239
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>153,274</b>	-	-	<b>153,274</b>	<b>137,137</b>
<b><u>Current Liabilities</u></b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 7)	15,673			15,673	4,114
<b>Net current assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>137,601</b>	-	-	<b>137,601</b>	<b>133,022</b>
<b>Total net assets/(liabilities)</b>	<b>442,501</b>	-	-	<b>442,501</b>	<b>437,922</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>					
<b><u>Funds of the Church</u> (Note 9)</b>					
Restricted income funds		3,781		3,781	3,900
Unrestricted funds	438,720			438,720	434,022
Revaluation reserve				-	-
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>438,720</b>	<b>3,781</b>	-	<b>442,501</b>	<b>437,922</b>

Signed by two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Rev Philip Burman  
Chairman

Andrew Minors  
Honorary Treasurer

## Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of 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 main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

## Funds

### General Funds

These 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.

### Designated Funds

These are Funds designated for particular purposes by the PCC and are also unrestricted as the PCC can reassign those monies if it so desires.

### Restricted Funds

These can only be used for their stated purpose(s).

The Church has the following specific funds -

### Church Buildings and Grounds Maintenance Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Church and its environs without recourse to realising fixed assets and to enable such maintenance to be undertaken at short notice.

### Organ and Choir Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the Organ and support of the Choir. A transfer from the General Fund is made in lieu of the organists Honorarium.

### PCC Property Funds

To provide funds for the maintenance of the properties at Welbeck Rd and Markland Hill.

### Youth Work Fund

To provide funds for employment of a Youth Worker and associated costs

### Special Projects Fund

To provide funds for such individual projects as PCC decides

## Incoming Resources

### Voluntary income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income tax recoverable on gift aided donations is recognised when the donation is recognised.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

#### Income from investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due.

#### Gains and losses on investments

Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### Resources used

##### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation of the PCC.

##### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The parish share or diocesan quota is accounted for when paid. Any share unpaid is not accrued at the year end (unless a balance payment has been committed by the PCC) as no legal liability exists.

#### Fixed assets

##### Consecrated land and buildings and moveable church furnishings

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993

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 moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure on purchase.

##### Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £4,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

#### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December.

#### Current assets

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provision.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

CHRIST CHURCH, HEATON  
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2018

Fixed Assets  
Investment Property

	39 Welbeck Rd Heaton	112 Markland Hill Heaton	Total
	£	£	£
Value B/Fw	169950	134950	304900
Revaluation	0	0	0
Value C/Fw	169950	134950	304900

Basis of Valuation

The property values are in accordance with Bairstow Eves marketing reports dated 28 February 2007.

Movable Church Furnishings

These are vested in the Church wardens on behalf of the PCC. They cannot be disposed of without a faculty and therefore no value is assigned to them. Expenditure on additions to such inalienable assets is written off on purchase

Land at Scout Hut, Markland Hill, Bolton

The land on which the Scout Hut was built was leased to the 17th Bolton (Christ Church Heaton) Scout group on 31 December 1963 for 25 years at a rent of One Shilling per Annum. This was renewed with effect from 25 December 1988 for a further 25 years then by counterpart lease dated 21st December 1994. As disposal of this asset is not possible for the foreseeable future, and income is effectively NIL, no value has been assigned to this property in the accounts accounts. The Scout Hut itself is not owned by the Church

Expenditure on Church Property

At 31 December 2020 the PCC had no approved expenditure not yet incurred

## 2 Income and Endowments

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL 2020</u> <u>£</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2019</u> <u>£</u>
<b>2(a) Voluntary income</b>					
Gift Aided Planned Giving	48,052			48,052	50,374
Other Planned Giving	1,236			1,236	1,345
Collections at services	2,650			2,650	8,847
Gift Aid Recovered	12,625			12,625	13,750
Legacies	1,000			1,000	20,000
Other	2,106	2,111		4,217	4,468
<b>Total</b>	<b>67,668</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>69,779</b>	<b>98,783</b>
<b>2(b) Church activities:</b>					
PCC Fees ( Weddings & funerals etc)	2,423			2,423	3,363
Parish Magazine (Sales)	906			906	901
Church Centre lettings	1,249			1,249	7,849
Other				-	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,577</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,577</b>	<b>12,113</b>
<b>2(c) Activities for generating funds:</b>					
Magazine (Advertising)	1,556			1,556	2,082
Fundraising events				-	916
Other				-	226
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,556</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,556</b>	<b>3,225</b>
<b>2(d) Income from investments:</b>					
Bank and CCLA interest	458			458	726
Dividend on CCLA Funds	78			78	81
Rental income from houses	14,400			14,400	14,400
Other				-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,935</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,935</b>	<b>15,207</b>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>88,737</b>	<b>2,111</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90,848</b>	<b>129,328</b>

### Other information:

All income in the year, with exception of donation towards refurbishment of chairs in Centre was unrestricted

### 3 Expenditure

	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>Endowment</u> <u>funds</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2020</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>2019</u>
				£	£
<b>3(a) Church Activities</b>					
Donations to outside organisations				0	140
Diocesan Parish Share	40,000			40,000	48,000
Clergy Working expenses	579			579	1,187
Vicarage/other ministry expenses	3,481			3,481	3,357
Salaries & wages	6,513			6,513	6,450
Miscellaneous	434			434	392
	<u>51,007</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>51,007</u>	<u>59,527</u>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>					
Church running expenses	12,381			12,381	12,891
Church utility costs	3,323			3,323	3,663
Upkeep of services	203			203	565
Upkeep of churchyard	1,940			1,940	3,005
Parish Centre running costs	9,509			9,509	13,940
PCC property costs	1,432			1,432	1,122
Magazine costs	444			444	2,903
Cost of church administration	688			688	1,480
Organ & Choir costs	866	120		986	1,624
	<u>81,793</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>81,913</u>	<u>100,720</u>
<b>3(b) Raising funds</b>					
Stewardship (envelopes)	166			166	275
	<u>166</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>275</u>
<b>3(c) Support Costs</b>					
Independent Examiner	100			100	100
Professional Fees				0	0
Payroll Services	271			271	204
<b>Total Support Costs</b>	<u>371</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>371</u>	<u>304</u>
<b>Total General Expenditure</b>	<u>82,331</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>82,450</u>	<u>101,299</u>
<b>3(d) Capital Expenditure</b>					
Church buildings	252	2,111		2,363	0
PCC Properties	1,467			1,467	0
<b>Total Capital Expenditure</b>	<u>1,719</u>	<u>2,111</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,831</u>	<u>0</u>
Creditor Write back	-12			-12	0
<b>TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE</b>	<u>84,038</u>	<u>2,231</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>86,269</u>	<u>101,299</u>

#### 4. Funds received as agent

<u>Description/name of party</u>	<u>Related party (Yes or No)</u>	<u>Amount received</u>		<u>Amount paid out</u>	
		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Childrens Society	No		272		272
Christian Aid	No		1,067		1,067
<b>Total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,339</b>

#### 5. Paid employees

##### 5.1 Staff Costs

	<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Salaries and wages*	6,463	6,350
Social security costs		-
Unfunded Apparitor	50	100
Pension costs (defined contribution scheme)		
Other employee benefits	-	-
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>6,513</b>	<b>6,450</b>

\*Parish Administrator

##### 5.2 Average head count in the year

		<u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
		<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
The parts of the charity in which the employees work	Administration	1	1
<b>Total</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

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## **7. Creditors and accruals**

### **Analysis of creditors**

#### **Amounts falling due within 1 year**

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## **8. Cash at bank and in hand**

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Youth Work Fund	UR	Unrestricted funds designated for costs of Youth <u>work provision</u>	0						0
Church Buildings & Grounds maintenance	R	Restricted funds donated for specific projects	-	2,111	-2,111	-			0
<b>Total Funds</b>			<b>437,922</b>	<b>90,848</b>	<b>-86,269</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>-3,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>442,501</b>