PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF LYDGATE, ST ANNE

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

Activities: Parish Church within the Church of England

Classification

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

Geography

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

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Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£74,904	£81,829	-	-
2023-12-31	£67,458	£75,915	-	-
2022-12-31	£156,737	£74,060	-	-
2021-12-31	£68,812	£67,168	-	-
2020-12-31	£63,535	£64,802	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Sachin Shashikant Awale	Chair	2023-09-01
AL GILLIAN		
BARBARA ANN HODGSON		2023-06-11
Elizabeth Norah Brocklehurst		2023-03-26
Joanne Lindsey Coxon		2020-09-27
Laura Parker		2024-04-21
Lesley Michelle Greenwood		2024-04-21
Nicholas James Jones		2024-04-21
PAUL ROBERTS		2023-06-11
Rachel Louise Damianou		2025-05-11
Simon James Edge		2024-04-21
Vicky Stott		2024-04-21

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Accounts

Parish of Lydgate St. Anne in the Benefice of Saddleworth

Deanery of Oldham and Ashton

Diocese of Manchester

Sunday 11th May 2025
in Church immediately after the 11.00am service

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ending 31st December 2024

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ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING 2025
AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approval of Minutes of the Vestry Meeting April 2024 - see below
4. Election of the Church Wardens for the year 2025/2026

Item 3
2024 MINUTES - FOR APPROVAL
Present:
Rev Sachin Awale (SA) in the Chair, Anne Smith, Liz Brocklehurst, Lesley Greenwood, Julie Whitehead, Jennifer Greenwood, Margaret Schofield, Kath Kershaw, John Hodgson, Simon Edge, Gordon Whitehead, Frank Boocock, Rev Pat Gillian, Al Gillian (AL), Rachel Damianou (RD), Molly Ellis, David Marshall, Vicky Stott, Katie Lockey (KL), Laura Parker, Paul Roberts, Barbara Hodgson
Apologies:
Kath Hodges, Danos Damianou, Leanne Marshall and Sue Fleming (SF).
SA opened the Vestry Meeting, welcomed everyone and offered prayers. (Barbara Hodgson volunteered to take the minutes)
SA was in possession of the correct paperwork two nominations Barbara Hodgson and Paul Roberts. SA asked if there were any other nominations. There were none. With the agreement of all present Barbara Hodgson and Paul Roberts were duly elected to serve as Churchwardens for the coming year2024-2025.
There being no other business the Vestry meeting was formally closed.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 2025 (APCM)
Agenda

1. Opening Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the APCM held April 2024 - see below
4. Electoral Roll Officer's Report
5. Report on the proceedings of the PCC for 2024/2025 - PCC Secretary
6. Treasurer's Financial Report for year ending 31st December 2024
7. Churchwarden's Report on Fabric and Other Matters
8. Report on the proceedings of the Deanery Synod for 2024 - Deanery Synod Rep
9. Child Protection Report - Safeguarding Officer
10. Elections, appointments and charities
    i Assistant Churchwardens
    ii PCC Members - two members for three years
    iii Deanery Synod Representatives - one member for one year
    iv Charities to Support
    v Independent Examiner of the Accounts
11. Other Annual Reports

Date of next PCC meeting: Thursday May 15th 2025 Commencing at 19.00 in the Vestry
ITEM 3
2024 MINUTES - FOR APPROVAL

1. SA formally opened the meeting.
2. Apologies
Kath Hodges, Danos Damianou, Leanne Marshall and Sue Fleming (SF).
3. Approval of the minutes of the APCM held on Sunday 26th March 2023.
No amendments had been requested. Therefore a show of hand formally accepted the minutes as an accurate account of the meeting.
4. Presentation of the Annual Report.
The report had been circulated prior to the meeting and hard copies were also made available.
SA thanked David Marshall for supplying the necessary documentation.
5. Treasurers Financial Report
AG highlighted a few items in his report. **General Overview of Income** - Fee income was down this year 2022 £6300 2023 £4500. Investments had done well. **Parish Share** - the parish had a request for 2024 from the Diocese £74024. Following a successful meeting with the Diocese, Treasurer and Churchwardens the figure for 2024 was reduced to £37000, 2025£ 38500 and 2026 £40800. The ongoing increase of 5% to take account of the rise in Clergy stipends. AG also shared that as part of the wider church family i.e. Saddleworth Team - Deanery - Diocese all Parishes are supported financially. **Mission and Evangelism** - As part of our outreach all children in Year 6 at St Anne's Primary school receive a bible and all children in Reception receive a children's bible. Whit Friday - whilst there is a cost it is also an important day when we witness our faith. **Utilities** - The cost of gas and electric has almost doubled since October. We need to try to minimise costs. All the lighting in church is now LED. This saves money but also reduces our Carbon Footprint. Other methods of generating power need to be investigated i.e. sun and wind. **Storm Damage** - Works to the church roof 2022 £3000 2023 £5000. **ECO** - The parish now has the Bronze and Silver Awards. Gold will be hard work and will be expensive. **Expenditure** - St Anne's contribution to the Team Office this year £8150. **Current balances** - Restricted - £104000 (for use on the upkeep of the church and churchyard), Unrestricted - £5000.
It was proposed that the accounts be accepted. All present in agreement.
SA thanked AG for all his work in producing the annual accounts.
6. Electoral Roll Report
RD reported that as at 31 December 2023 the roll stood at 100. At the time of this meeting it is now 108.
7. Safeguarding Report
SF has now stepped down as our Safeguarding Officer. The Safe Church Policy for Children, Young People and Adults was read to the meeting by KL. KL also indicated that she would be sending out emails to those in possession of a DBS to highlight the now mandatory training that needs to be undertaken.

8. Elections

a. Deputy Churchwardens - Two names had been proposed and seconded. Jennifer Greenwood and Anne Smith. They were duly elected to serve for the coming year 2024-2025.

b. PCC Members

David Marshall, Sue Willett, Danos Damianou and David Lloyd retire this year. There were also two other members who had resigned through the year Sam Lowe and Joan Mozdzierz. Six nominees all proposed and seconded were duly elected to serve on the PCC. Lesley Greenwood, Clive Barratt, Simon Edge, Vicky Stott, Laura Parker and Nick Jones. SA asked that all the new members be given support and help in their new roles.

c. Charities

It is the norm to select three charities each year. One local, one national and one international. The following were proposed. 1. Street Pastors (L), 2. NW Ambulance Service (L), 3. Crisis (N) and 4. Smile Train (I). Following a brief discussion 1, 3 and 4 were selected.

d. Examiner of Accounts

Mike Royal was proposed , seconded and accepted as our Independent Examiner for the 2024.

AOB None

SA thanked outgoing PCC members, Churchwardens, Deputy Churchwardens PCC Treasurer and others for their support to the parish. He also thanked the Treasurer and both Churchwardens for their work with regard to the successful outcome at the Parish Share Meeting with the Diocese in March.

First meeting of the new PCC will be held in the Vestry May 16th at 7.30pm.

There being no other business the 2024 APCM closed 13.15

2025 REPORTS AS REQUIRED BY THE CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES 2025

ITEM 4

ELECTORAL ROLL OFFICER'S REPORT

Every six years it is a legal requirement to completely revise our Electoral Roll. Everyone then needs to fill in an application to the Roll form and this has just happened. It usually results in a trimmed down roll initially. We now have 70 members ,down from 100 at the end of our last 6 year period.

52 members are resident and 18 are non-resident in the Parish. Our new Roll is displayed at the back of church.

Anyone who is 16 or over and baptized and regularly attends worship here or who lives in the Parish is eligible. It is a good record of our church members.

It would be good to see new members joining the Roll as they get involved with our church family.

If anyone wishes to take certain roles in the church, they should ideally be a member of the Roll, so it is important that as many people as possible are encouraged to join the Electoral Roll. After the APCM and throughout the year anyone not on the Roll is welcome to join at any point.

Rachel Damianou - Electoral Roll Officer

ITEM 5

PCC Secretary's Report on the Parochial Church Council May 2024 to March 25

Following the APCM in 2024 and for the 2024/2025 the new PCC met six times. A brief resume of which can read below. Attendance this year was much improved. Three meetings were chaired by the clergy with two meetings chaired by the VC and one by a churchwarden. From the members of the PCC for 2024/2025 attendance was four members six meetings, four members five meetings, one member four meetings, one member three meetings and two members one meeting. We had one resignation throughout the year and co-opted another member until the APCM in 2025. All meetings were held on Thursdays which was considered the best for all the members. The commencement time moved from 19.30 to 19.00, in January 2025 on a permanent basis, to facilitate the attendance of the clergy.

MAY 16 2024

Discussed. Overview of roles to be filled. Safeguarding Policy read. Bequests of Mrs D Hudson and Mr R Darlington.. Stone plaque suffragettes placement. DBS process. Sub-committees. Lychgate lights

Decisions. Officers selected. VC Mr N Jones. Hon PCC Sec Mrs B Hodgson. Hon Treasurer Mr A Gillian. (Mr C Barratt to shadow). Electoral Roll Officer Mrs R Damianou. Safeguarding Officer Mrs K Lockey. Standing Committee Incumbent, VC, Cows, Secretary, Treasurer and Mrs J Coxon. Team Council Reps CWs and Mrs E Brocklehurst. Deanery Synod Mrs E Brocklehurst (elected for three years in May 2023). CTiS Mrs L Greenwood Mrs J Coxon. Sidesmen Mr F Boocock, Mrs S Cosgrove, Mr D Damianou, Mrs R Damianou, Mrs M Ellis, Mrs L Heyes, Mrs G Morton, Mrs E Roebuck, Mrs P Thompson. Sub-committees Fabric Mr P Roberts, Mr S Edge, Mr D Damianou, Mr S Rigby. Worship Rev P Gillian, Mr A Gillian, Mrs E Brocklehurst, Mrs R Damianou, Mrs A Smith. Social and Fundraising Mr P Roberts, Mrs L Greenwood, Mrs L Parker, Mrs V Stott. Stone plaque suffragettes permission not given. Safeguarding Policy approved.

JULY 11 2024

Discussed. Fabric - works to Parish Hall Roof, electrics to Lychgate, radiator in church (north wall), lighting around church. Finance. Stewardship Campaign. Eco - next steps. MAP update. Car parking on Wednesday evenings. Pastoral Care. Planning permission Stockport Road (erection of dwelling). Dates of PCC meetings.

Decisions. Pastoral Care visits to be requested via RD and EB. Parking to be monitored. PCC to continue to meet Thursday evenings.

SEPTEMBER 19 2024

Discussed. Financial situation. Stewardship. Team Council and Parish Profile. Safeguarding Dashboard. MAP. Electrical wiring (faculty). Quinquennial Inspection (QI). Sacristan duties. Clive Barratt letter of resignation.

Decisions. BH to review current Parish Profile. EB to arrange MAP Group. PR to plan QI and contact DAC re faculty. CB's resignation created casual vacancy pursue a replacement (co-opt).

NOVEMBER 14 2024

Discussed. Fabric windows quote, radiator. Safeguarding. New Diocesan Dashboard. Love Lydgate Steering Group. Christmas Fayre. Stewardship. Sum up machine. MAP. Junior Church banner. Welcome Directory. Recruitment of Team rector process. Team issues Patronage Board, Parish Representative on interview panel. LCA Parish hall Agreement. DEC appeal.

Decisions. Windows quote accepted, agreement to look at top window. Simon Edge to be PCC rep on Love Lydgate Steering Group. Sum up machines to be taken around at the offertory. Welcome Directory agreed that St Anne be listed. BH to amend parish Profile and deliver o Team Office with form 34. Paul Roberts to be Parish Rep. EB to be Patronage Board member. Parish Hall Agreement signed and extended for 15 years. Collection for DEC (two Sundays and two Wednesdays to be announced prior) plus £50 from the PCC.

JANUARY 16 2025

Discussed. Fabric. Social and Fundraising Christmas Fayre results. Stewardship Campaign seems positive. Use of QR code for giving. Trinitas Insurance renewal. Safeguarding - Code of Practice and review of policy, document storage, use of social media. MAP. Deanery Synod. Request for new rooflight in small room at the Parish Hall. Inclement weather.

Decisions. QR code to be pursued. BH to be named contact for social media. Safeguarding Policy reviewed and approved in readiness for APCM. Policy for inclement weather/emergency closing of church to be brought to next PCC (March).

MARCH 13 2025

Discussed. Fabric - stone bench, hall roof lantern. Finance. Stewardship. ECO. Annual accounts. Works to graveyard. Grants re radiators. Heat source pump information. Deanery - Emerging Diocesan Strategy and Focal Leader Team. Whit Friday. Fire Safety, Inclement weather/emergency policies and risk assessments. MAP.

Decisions. Agreed draft annual accounts. Fire Safety Policy, Fire Risk Assessment and Inclement Weather/Emergency policies adopted.

Barbara Hodgson Hon PCC Secretary

ITEM 6

STATEMENT OF ANNUAL ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2024 - The statement of accounts can be found in a separate document.

ITEM 7

CHURCHWARDENS REPORT ON FABRIC AND OTHER MATTERS

Firstly both Paul and I wish to thank everyone who has over the last 12 months contributed in whatever way to the life of the Anglican Church here at Lydgate St Anne. We of course want our thanks to be shown to Rev Pat. Considering that she 'retired' on her 70th birthday in May and being granted the Bishop's Licence to Officiate, we have seen very little change. Rev Pat continues to serve and live out her ministry among us and among all those living, worshipping or being educated in the Parish. To Assistant Wardens, Sidesmen/women,

Sacristan team, readers, intercessors, organists, our PCC and sub-committees, Junior Church leaders, wedding and baptism co-ordinators, vergers, the sexton, the long list of those who provide hospitality after services and special functions, to the even longer list of volunteers who deliver our Easter and Christmas cards, to all our Church Officers, Pastoral Care Team, the list goes on. A special thanks to our Electoral Roll Officer, Rachel, who this year has had the task of preparing the new roll which is required every six years. To all of you we thank you for your ministry. We thank Jane in the Team Office for being at the centre of all seven parishes here in the Saddleworth Benefice and for ensuring we have a priest to lead our Eucharist services and for being the conduit for communication team wide. To Rev Philip Brierley , Rev Chris Ford, Rev Hilary Edgerton, Rev Daniel Ramble and of course Bishop Mark for being with us this year. Lastly and by no means least we thank Rev Sachin whose workload within the team was somewhat increased this year. It takes teamwork to ensure that all that happens, all that is planned and all we achieve here. No matter the part you play we are all members of the body of Christ. To function we need you all and we are thankful to each and everyone of you.

Now to the fabric part of the report. The following work has been accomplished during the period ending 18 April 2025.

Parish Hall.

As a result of water ingress in the vicinity of the gents toilet ceiling, a significant area of the hall roof has been re-felted, some drainage issues have been addressed, potential water ingress points have been resealed, coping stones have been removed and replaced, and the facia board and guttering at the rear of the hall has been replaced at a cost of **£8,388.00.** Additionally two gentlemen namely Brian and Jack have repointed a significant area of the outer wall at no cost to church. Hence, many thanks to them for their generosity and time, and thank you to the LCA for their financial support regarding this work.

NB. In order to maintain the hall in a good state of repair more repointing is required on the inner faces of the perimeter walls, predominantly on the south side. The side fire doors also require some minor adjustments to the locking mechanism. Additionally blockages in the drains need attending to, and a small length of guttering above the kitchen window needs to be cleared. Steps are being taken to accomplish this work.

Church.

A leaking radiator in church has been replaced at a cost of **£444.00.**

Three windows at the west end of church have been repointed at a cost of **£760.00.**

The brickwork on the inner walls of the topmost level of the church tower has been repointed, which cost **£1,350.00.** (The contractor involved also tidied up the tower and made several other improvements which we greatly appreciate).

The church notice board was kindly replaced by Philip Clarke with no charge for his labour. So once again many thanks from us to Philip, and also many thanks to the proprietors of "The Roebuck" for providing the new blue sign housed within it.

The stone bench overlooking Manchester which was vandalised towards the end of 2024 has also been restored thanks to Al and a member of the community at no cost, so once again many thanks for your endeavours.

The electricity supply to the Lychgate was restored courtesy of "Love Lydgate" which enabled the lychgate lights to be used, and steps are currently being taken to apply for a

faculty to enable four Holly bushes on Stockport Road to be illuminated in December 2025. Once again this will be paid for by "Love Lydgate".
Additionally on several days working parties have tackled mainly regular maintenance needs within the church yard area especially, and members of the congregation should also be thanked for their endeavours on Saturday mornings when they have cleaned the woodwork inside church. A big thank you also to Gordon for his hard work in the graveyard, and his renovation of a small wall which he has uncovered and is currently restoring.

Quinquennial Inspection.

This five yearly inspection took place on 17th January, but the report has not been received to date due to the heavy workload of the Architect concerned. However we are sure that the report will indicate that the "Capronnier" stained glass windows at the east end of church will require remedial work to secure them in place. This report is vital to enable us to prioritise remedial work, and we will continue to press for its production.

Additional maintenance .

We have recently noticed that the Lychgate is in need of some remedial work, as tiles have slipped or are missing, there is a build-up of algae on the woodwork, the guttering is warped and broken, and some woodwork is showing signs of rot. Appropriate steps are currently being taken to address these problems however. We also still need to repair or replace several small windows in the area of the rear kitchen and toilet extension which we will endeavour to attend to.

Barbara Hodgson and Paul Roberts Churchwardens.

ITEM 8

REPORT ON THE DEANERY SYNOD PROCEEDINGS 2024

This year has seen a focus on the church's vision for the future in Manchester Diocese, particularly with a shift to equipping lay church members to support ordained clergy. We have discussed 'Growing the church for all generations', the development of Focal Leaders at churches (not necessarily an ordained person) and 'Our Emerging Strategy' which focuses on four areas: Growing younger, Church planting & revitalisation, Developing mission leaders and Parish Renewal. There have also been updates on Safeguarding reporting and communications and advice on moving to using the new A Rocha UK online toolkit for applications for awards. Monthly newsletters have been shared with the congregation via the St Anne's Church and St Anne's families WhatsApp groups.
There have been some changes to the Authorised Lay Ministry scheme to make it more easily accessible. Areas for focus are: Children & Families, Community Outreach & Social Justice, Ecology & Creation, Mission & Evangelism, Pastoral Outreach & Listening, Prayer & Spirituality, Worship & Liturgy and Youth Work. Liz Brocklehurst will be taking the Worship and Liturgy course in 2025. The Diocese also runs EQUIP courses regularly to help all develop skills for ministry. In March, Rachel Damianou and Liz attended a session about 'Intergenerational Ministry'.

Liz Brocklehurst - Deanery Synod Rep

ITEM 9

SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS REPORT Our Safeguarding Policy Promoting a Safer Church is in line with guidance from the Diocese and is available for viewing on the notice board at the

back of church along with the Referral Flow Chart stating what to do if there is a case of suspected child abuse.
The parish Safeguarding Handbook is on the notice board and is also available on the website along with a safeguarding statement.

Parish Dashboard

As a parish we have made good progress with the parish dashboard requirements. We have a little more work to do on the risk assessments however most actions are either complete or near completion. Thank you to everyone that has been involved in contributing to this.

Child Registration details

The recommendations regarding the registration of all children attending Junior Church are in place and each parent/guardian is asked to complete a registration form for their child. All information is updated regularly to ensure the safety of the children in our care.

Volunteer Details

We currently have enough volunteers to be able to run junior church every week. Youth group and crèche are currently not running.
A completed application form, two references and a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate are held for each volunteer. All DBS certificates are renewed every 3 years and our current volunteers have completed online Basic and Foundation Safeguarding Training. Information on our volunteers is kept in a locked safe.

PCC members

It is a requirement that all PCC members have a DBS check completed every three years. As they are trustees of a charity overseeing work with children and adults at risk, they have safeguarding responsibilities. All existing PCC members have a valid DBS check.
PCC members are also required to complete two online learning courses about safeguarding and one about domestic abuse which need to be renewed every three years.

Katie Lockey Parish Safeguarding Officer

TEAM VICAR'S REPORT

As we journey through the year 2024, we are reminded of the continuous call to serve in unity, compassion, and faith, even in the midst of change. In the spirit of 1 Corinthians 12:12-14, we reflect on how, despite the shifts within our clergy, we remain one body in Christ, each part essential to the whole.
In June 2024, we experienced the retirement of our beloved Rector, Canon Revd. Sharon, whose years of faithful leadership continue to influence the life of this benefice. Her ministry was a testimony to the power of servant leadership, and we are thankful for the legacy she has left in our hearts and our community.
The year 2024 also brought the retirement of Revd. Godfrey Adams in December. We are deeply grateful for his many years of ministry among us and for the love and care he showed to the congregation. In addition, Revd. Mike Donmall and Revd. Pat Gillian have transitioned to serving as PTO clergy. We thank God for their continued involvement and the wisdom they bring to our shared ministry.
As we move forward, we are in a time of vacancy, and soon the process of appointing a new Rector will begin. Though we face this transition, we trust in God’s timing and provision as we seek the right person to lead us into the next chapter of our ministry. We are thankful for the support we continue to receive from the wider church, particularly from The Right

Reverend Prof. David Walker, Bishop of Manchester, and The Right Reverend Mark Davis, Bishop of Middleton. Their leadership and guidance, along with that of Archdeacon Karen Smeeton and Area Dean Daniel Ramble, have been invaluable during this period.

We are also incredibly grateful to the clergy team, including those PTO clergy from the Deanery, who have stepped in and continued to serve faithfully. Their presence has ensured that our worship life remains strong, even in the face of limited clergy availability.

Our midweek services have become an even greater focus in the past year. We have introduced a common theme across all our services, creating a sense of continuity and unity in our worship. This shift has led to a slight increase in attendance at our midweek services, which has been a positive development. Our midweek service leaders and coordinators have played a significant role in this, and we are deeply thankful for their commitment and dedication. Their efforts in providing a welcoming and enriching space for prayer and reflection have truly strengthened our community.

Additionally, we have continued to build upon our intergenerational work, bringing together people of all ages in worship, fellowship, and service. I especially appreciate our volunteers and leaders who have helped to foster this connection between generations, creating opportunities for learning, support, and mutual care.

Our ministry would not be possible without the dedicated service of our Churchwardens, Assistant Churchwardens, Authorised Lay Ministers (ALMs), Sidespersons, Parish Administrator Jane Ratcliff, and our many volunteers. Their tireless efforts in ensuring the smooth running of our churches, through worship, pastoral care, and administration are deeply appreciated. Their faithfulness and commitment have been a great blessing to our benefice, and we give thanks to God for each one of them.

The apostle Paul reminds us in Philippians 1:3-6:

"I thank my God every time I remember you, in all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

This spirit of partnership in the gospel has been evident in the way we have come together as a community. We are united in our mission, serving alongside one another with joy and gratitude. Despite the challenges, we have seen the fruits of our labour in the positive and encouraging responses from our congregation.

As we continue to navigate this period of change, we are reminded of the words of Hebrews 10:24-25:

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Let us continue to support one another, to build up the body of Christ, and to press forward in the work God has called us to do.

We are grateful for each person who has played a role in the life of this benefice—whether through prayer, service, or support. Together, we will continue to grow in faith and service, always looking to Christ as our guide and strength.

With gratitude and blessings,
Revd. Sachin S Awale

ITEM 11
OTHER ANNUAL REPORTS

WORSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

The worship committee is a sub-committee of the PCC and focuses on the worship and services at St Anne's. Membership is not restricted to the PCC, and it would be fruitful if members of the congregation joined to give a wider perspective on our worship. We encourage the children to be involved in the services by taking part with readings and intercessions. We are always looking for more people to volunteer to lead the prayers and to read the weekly readings for us so please give it some thought and volunteer.

Service of the Word is held on the first Sunday of the month and we now have three lay leaders Al, Rachel, and Liz who between them lead these services on a rota basis. We are always on the lookout for other people who after some training would be able to join this team leading services.

This year we have been able to take Home Communion to two ladies at Old Mill House and it was nice to hear while visiting that they have family connection with St Anne's school (grandchildren/great grandchildren attending). We also take "Home Communion" to others in our community on a regular basis but please let us know if there are any other people who would like us to call.

We have continued with the Diocesan Initiative of Belonging, Believing, Becoming, and the information collected from our congregation was used to form our Mission Action Plan (MAP) which shows the way we see our parish moving forward in the coming weeks, months, and years. Our progress is reported back to our congregation on a regular basis during a Sunday service.

January saw us attend the annual CTIS Service and this year it was held at Christ Church Friezland.

We held the Team Ash Wednesday Service at St Anne's which was well attended by all churches.

Our Lent Appeal this year was for Water Aid and the Junior church children helped Launch the appeal during the Sunday morning service.

In June we said good-bye to Sharon who retired, and a Team Service and celebration was held at Holy Trinity Church and School in Dobcross.

In July we held a service to celebrate "St Anne" our patron saint and as per "our tradition" flowers were taken out by members of our congregation to members of our community who were housebound, bereaved or just needed cheering up.

We also held our annual All Souls service which was well attended, and our Pastoral Group were there talking and handing out information cards to the families that attended.

In November we held a "Safeguarding Service" as requested by the Team and a big thank you must go to our Safeguarding Officer Katie and our churchwardens Barbara and Paul for their contribution passing onto us information about Safeguarding and how important it is.

In December we went out Carol Singing and sang inside Old Mill House with residents joining in with us. Again, it would be lovely if more people could join us, it's an enjoyable experience and nice to see so many smiling faces. We were also asked by Springlees Court in

Springhead if we could go Carol Singing there for the residents, but the request came rather late in the day to arrange but we promised we would make arrangements to go in 2025.
Again, this year we held a Combined Carol and Crib Service, and it was a great success with lots of families joining our regular Sunday congregation. The children acted out the Nativity story while the adults read the readings, and we all sang the hymns/carols. We also changed our Christmas Eve Service (Midnight Mass) from 11.30 pm to 8 pm and we found more people attended and comments we received indicated people thought this was a better time for the service to be held.
Our weekday service goes from strength to strength with an average attendance of 136 people. This year as a Team we decide to not hold the weekday services during the month of August to give clergy a well-earned break and because lots of families go away for their summer holidays. We all felt this worked well and the services started up again in September.
Our participation in School Collective Worship, Experience Church and Faith Explorers is going from strength to strength. We also now have a Eucharist service at school once a term which the children enjoy and participate in.
We also welcomed two new Child Bishop's at School and Bishop Mark came along to install them. The Child Bishops help lead collective worship in school and help with school church services by leading prayers and reading.
We have also managed to hold End of Term Services along with a very successful Christingle Service and Harvest Service with the food from the Harvest service, brought by the children, being delivered to Oldham Foodbank, Bible presenting services to Year 6 and Reception.
Pat was asked this year by one of the school governors if she would go along to their Nursery for their Harvest and Christmas celebrations and Pat was pleased to do this, and to explain a little about the celebrations.
So, you can see we are thriving at St Anne's in so many ways, but are always open to new ideas and helpers so please get in touch if you have ideas to share.

Al Gillian

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

At St Anne's we are very fortunate to have a good congregation who look out for each other. We now also have a team of six who regularly meet to see how best we can help those who are brought to our attention as in particular need and to pray for them.
Pastoral care may take the form of a regular visit for companionship, a visit after an illness, a bunch of flowers, a text or email to reach out, a listening ear or delivering one of our " thinking of you" cards. Care can be in an individual's home or at school or a visit to hospital, a care home or Old Mill House. Home communion is also possible. We have also helped with the delivery of flowers in the community on St Anne's day and Mothering Sunday and invited those recently bereaved to our Harvest and All Souls services.
If anyone sees someone is suddenly missing from church for a few weeks or feels someone would welcome some pastoral care for whatever reason, please speak to Rachel, Liz or Pat.
Also, if anyone feels they would like to help with the ministry of Pastoral Care, please speak to Rachel, Liz or Pat.

Rachel Damianou

JUNIOR CHURCH

Junior church meets every Sunday in the parish hall and starts just before the 11am service giving parents time to walk across the road into church. The children spend about 35 to 40 minutes at Junior Church and then come across to join their parents round about the beginning of Eucharistic prayer.

The children's ages range from 5 to 11. We also make available the Vicar's Vestry for babies and younger children should they become restless and need a time out. There is a sound speaker in the vestry so parents can still feel part of the church service. There are toys in the vestry and also we provide a few bags which can be handed to parents and the bags contain soft toys and also scripture related books.

We have a group of about six ladies who give of their time and very ably prepare lessons and activities for Junior Church whose leader is Rachel Edge.

The lessons prepared are usually based on the gospel reading of the day. They start by reading the gospel and use a children's bible so that it can be more easily understood by the children. They then talk about the gospel, children are encouraged to talk about what they have listened to and learned and can ask questions.

Following the discussion there is either a craft activity, which is also based on what they have talked about or another activity. For example a few weeks ago some of the children made relay batons and wrote on them words associated with the parable of the fig tree. They than had a race passing the batons from one to another. Another group created a fig tree out of paper, colouring it and again on each of the leaves words such as patience and repentance.

The teachers really do come up with some amazing visual crafts which the children when they join the main congregation always proudly display. They are also asked what they have learned and quite often give the adults a very simple yet meaningful response. They manage to learn such a lot in such a short space of time and for that we thank the volunteers very much.

Rachel Edge - Junior Church Leader

REPORT OF THE SEXTON

Our work in the churchyard continues to be focussed on creating a place of peace where people can spend time remembering their loved ones; it needs to be well-kept to ensure the safety of visitors; it needs to provide a place where we can provide a bio diverse facility which recognises the need to reverse the damaging impact of the Climate Crisis. As one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world we owe it to those that come after us to do what we can to help nature in this valuable green space in our Parish. I will cover this in more detail in my ECO Report in this document.

Thank you to all those that helped with our working parties during the year, something that we need to expand in 2025.

Remembering that this is an important working churchyard, here are the numbers for its use in 2024:

3 Burials

5 Interments of Ashes

9 Memorials, plaques or additional inscriptions were added

Al Gillian

ECO GROUP

As you will see from my Sexton's Report there is much to do if we are to achieve our three aims for the churchyard of (1) A Place of Peace (2) A Safe Ground (3) A Bio diverse Facility. Equally important, we must incorporate our work with the church and hall buildings to obtain our Gold A Rocha ECO Award.

Why is this important? The answer is that it is an indication that we recognise the damage that humans have done to our planet and it's the only one we have. How are we leaving it for future generations? Will there be a habitable planet? It's never too late to step back from the brink and we pray that everyone will play their part to:

Reduce our Carbon Footprint with the aim of reaching Net Zero by 20230.

Provide a haven for wildlife to flourish (Britain is one of the most nature-depleted countries in the world – what a reputation to have).

Repeat the process in our homes and gardens.

Change our lifestyles to recognise that we are part of the problem, but need to become part of the solution.

If we take responsibility God will help us, but if we need any evidence of the Climate Crisis, look at the wildfires, the melting Polar ice, the storms and the many other ways in which an over-heated planet is reacting. And closer to home we are feeling the effects. We're only a small group that wants to do big things and we welcome Laura and Lola, Helen and Jacob and Paul Roberts to our Group. There is space for anyone else that would like to be involved, so come and give us your ideas.

A Rocha have changed their marking schedule and there are many more categories to aim at, although the headings remain the same. We have converted our existing work, so that we do not lose it. Here's what we have been up to in 2024:

Worship and Teaching – We are still rated as 'Gold' according to our assessment in January 2025. Areas we could improve still further are as much about frequency; in terms of 'Caring for God's Earth' we could choose to focus the frequency of more services, hymns and Junior Church lessons on creation. Have you been following the weekly ECO Tips on the weekly sheet which have continued throughout the year? More importantly, have you put any into practice, or will you?

Buildings – We are still currently at 'Silver' but, because of the need to heat church and hall both with gas boilers, we get a low score. We may need to look at whether we can move to greener tariffs, but that might come at an increased cost. We have already taken steps to reduce consumption by better time and temperature management. We have converted all remaining lights to LED. We have plans for improving recycling (see 'Plans' below).

Land – We are 'Silver' and made some further work on improving biodiversity. There are certain areas of the churchyard that are encouraged to stay wild, although invasive plants, such as ivy, brambles and holly, have to be reigned in. Further new habitats have been added and bird feeders and boxes bolstered; another hedgehog house built and there are other plans.

Community and Global – We need to make some greater progress on this section which, although 'Silver' is our weakest section. We had achieved some good things in 2023, such as Twinning both church toilets (through Tear Fund) (see posters on the inside of the toilet doors) and starting a 'car-sharing' scheme. The section could be better supported and is a

challenge again for 2025 along with a more robust support for environmental organisations and engagement with local leaders on environmental issues. These are all elements discussed in our weekly ECO Tips.

Lifestyle – This is 'Silver', but remains the section which we could improve the most – if everyone in our community works together and seeks to tread more lightly on God' Earth. We continue to encourage families to measure their Carbon Footprint, at least once annually but, having measured the footprint, we need to encourage families to make lifestyle changes that reduce those carbon emissions; to consider ethical investments; to implement some of the 'Top Tips'. As a church community, we need to undertake a lifestyle audit from which we can set targets for improvement.

Plans for 2025 – Although this is a look back at 2024 we would be remiss if we did not consider what we want to do in 2025. The ECO Group has been expanded, as detailed above, and the group will meet shortly to make clear plans for management of the churchyard that seek to achieve our three aims. There is excitement about ideas coming out. We are looking at creating a 'Recycling Hub' in church; Lola wants to set up a Junior ECO Council from church youngsters, working parties will be tasked with ECO work, not just keeping things tidy, and it may be possible to meet one Saturday and one weekday evening each month. **Please Support Us! Many thanks.**

Al Gillian

FLOWER TEAM

The Flower Team has again had another busy year and we hope everyone has enjoyed the floral tributes created for church. We would like to thank those members of the congregation who continue to sponsor the flowers at the altar to commemorate an anniversary or act of remembrance and those members who donate money to the open plate for the larger arrangements at Christmas, Easter and Harvest. Your support is much appreciated as are the positive comments we have received – thank you.

There is just one of us on the Flower Team as I write this – Tracey Manifold although Joanne Coxon has been persuaded to come out of flower team retirement on a couple of occasions during the year to produce lovely displays.

I would be very grateful if anyone would like to join the team or to help out at Christmas, Easter or Harvest. Just a love of flowers needed! Get in touch and I can gladly talk you through what is involved.

There are a few weeks when we don't have a sponsor, so please get in touch if you would like to remember an event, date or person in your life by sponsoring a flower arrangement at the altar. Flowers are initially arranged to be displayed by the altar and as flowers generally last at least two weeks, they are then moved to be displayed by the curate's chair or to the memorial table in the porch.

Tracey Manifold

HOSPITALITY TEAM

Coffee and tea are usually served after every 11 am Sunday service thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers. This year we have raised just over £800 for our three charities, Smile Train, Crisis and Saddleworth Street Pastors.

Coffee is served in the Parish Hall in the back room and more and more folk do seem to be enjoying a sit down and natter after the service. The hall is now also regularly used for parties which is a great source of income towards continuing to renovate the hall. It does however mean that coffee needs to be served at the back of church if the hall is in use. Some people find this more convenient for a quick coffee after the service, some find it too crowded. It remains a moot point as to where is best but hopefully the combination goes some way to accommodate everyone.

Thank you to everyone who has, brewed up, cleaned up, donated biscuits, collected and counted our donations, shared a cuppa and donated!

Rachel Damianou

CARD DISTRIBUTION TEAM

An estimated 2775 cards were distributed at both Easter and Christmas by the team of 40 volunteers. Once again distributions included St Anne's school in Lydgate, and the Care Homes / elderly accommodations at The Old Mill House, Hood Square and Lido House, all in Grotton.

With regards to the volunteers who deliver the cards, we now have two vacancies available with the likelihood of a further vacancy before Easter 2025. It is my intention to recruit new volunteers in April 2025 with attendees at the Wednesday night services targeted.

Special thanks to William (aged 7) and Elsie (aged 9) for their superb card designs at Easter and to Willow Roberts (aged10) for her wonderful Christmas artistry and of course to all the children who assisted.

Once again both the Easter and Christmas cards were received in good time and a *BIG* thank you to the Production Team for their efforts. Continued thanks to Chris at Colormania for the service he provides in printing the cards.

A reminder that we do have a list for deliveries to people living outside the Parish and any new contacts will always be welcomed.

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GIRLGUIDING - RANGERS, GUIDES, BROWNIES AND RAINBOWS

20th Oldham (Lydgate) Guides

Lydgate Guiding has four units: Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers. We cater for girls between the ages of 4 and 18. We have approximately 65 girls at the moment and all units meet at the Parish Hall on Thursday nights.

The girls follow programmes set out by the Girl guides Association and we plan our own activities, too. The scheme has six parts, including 'Have Adventures', 'Express Myself' and 'Skills for My Future'. Each unit takes its girls on trips outside the unit, locally and nationally. We participate in sports activities and camping and adventure holidays each year.

The girls enjoy working together to complete badges, play games, undertake challenges and take part in national events such as UK Parliament Week, International Women's Day and Thinking Day.

We are very pleased with the growth of the units in the last few years and are now actively seeking new volunteers to help run them. **Lisa Carter - Guide Leader**

LYDGATE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

It might be helpful to remind the congregation, who Lydgate Community Association are and what we do. It was formed as a charity in 2019 to…..
'further or benefit the residents of Lydgate and the neighbourhoods – in a common effort to advance education and to provide facilities in the interests of social welfare or recreation and leisure time with the objective of improving the conditions of life for the residents. To establish and secure the establishment of a community centre and to maintain and manage – such a centre for activities promoted by the charity to the furtherance of the above objectives.'
That community centre could have been anywhere but when it was clear that St Anne's were finding it difficult to find volunteers and time to manage the Parish Hall as well as the church, the LCA approached the PCC to suggest a mutually beneficial working relationship. In 2020 a Management Agreement was agreed for 5 years. St Anne's is still responsible for the structure of the building and the LCA are an autonomous body, maintaining the hall, keeping it safe, clean well decorated and well used. THE LCA is a charity and totally non-profit making, and every penny raised goes back into the maintenance of the hall and improving facilities. As a goodwill gesture, church activities and Junior church are free of charge and church fund raising activities are charged rental at a significantly reduced cost mainly to cover heating.
There is a good working relationship between the church and the LCA and the Management Agreement was reviewed, amended and agreed for a significantly longer period, earlier this year.
The LCA has 10 Trustees, one of them Simon Edge is also on the PCC and Al Gillian is Church Treasurer so communication is regular and open.

The Trustees are committed to being as efficient as possible and recently implemented a Health Check on their organisation.
All policies and documentation are reviewed annually and necessary electrical and building checks are implemented. We are grateful to Anne Smith, the certificated First- Aider from Church who checks all our first aid boxes annually.
The hall is well used on a regular basis. There is a wide range of activities for all age groups from 5 to 95. On average 250 people use the hall every week, 10,000 over a 40 week year. We also hold several birthday parties, community celebrations and other events.
Once a month Love Lydgate holds its Monday Talk and raises funds for the hall. Since May 2024 they have raised just over £900 for which we are very grateful. They have also raised funds for lighting to go on the outside of the hall at Christmas Time. The LCA paid for an outside junction box to facilitate this.

Our Membership scheme is our only other regular fund raiser. For £12 you can become a member and support us with just £1 a month!
It is donations like these and a commitment to securing grants that have allowed us to install Broadband and added to the shelving for Love Lydgate's Library. This is popular, well used and well organised, now that Love Lydgate have a qualified librarian free of charge.
A large and unanticipated increase in gas bills knocked us for six in January. We have involved all users in trying to reduce our usage whist keeping the hall safely and comfortably warm for activities. We have also installed a remote-controlled monitoring system, so we have more immediate control over setting temperatures. This is an ongoing concern and we now have a small working group addressing it. At the moment the hall breaks even, we cannot afford another big hike in outgoings.
Sadly, the increase led to us having to make the hard decision to put up rent charges. Users were informed in last October and the increase was implemented in January.
Another big worry was the water ingress from the flat roof at the back of the building. This was damaging rooms that had been newly decorated. This was a structural issue and there was a concern that the church would not have funds to sort it. Fortunately, the PCC came to the rescue with contractors and funding and the problem seems to have been solved.
The building is nearly 130 years old so there is always going to be jobs to do. So far we have been able to keep on top of things. We are well supported by the community and often residents will volunteer to do jobs that would otherwise cost us money.
Thank you to anyone who has supported us over the last year.

Jennifer V M Greenwood Chair of LCA.

SAFEGUARDING POLICY AND STATEMENTS

The following policy was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on 16th January 2025.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:
Promoting a safer environment and culture.
Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

The Parish will:
Create a safe and caring place for all.
Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.

Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.
Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.
Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

Review date: January 2026

POLICY STATEMENT ON CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND THE CHURCH - This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

As members of this Church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people.
It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.
Our Church is committed to following the Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Manchester Diocese Handbook of Policy and Procedures.
Each worker with children and young people must have a clear Disclosure and Barring Service Certificate, undertake diocesan Safeguarding training, know the guidelines and undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines. They shall also have an interview with the Church Wardens before commencing their role.
Our Church is committed to supporting and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.
As part of our commitment to children and young people the PCC has appointed Mrs Katie Lockey to be the Parish Safeguarding Officer.
The parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines can be viewed by asking the Churchwardens or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Children and young people are an important part of our Church today. They have much to give as well as to receive. We will listen to them as we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life. We will respect the wishes and feelings of children and young people.

Review date: January 2026

POLICY STATEMENT ON SAFEGUARDING OF ADULTS - This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

We recognize that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in our lives.
As members of this parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults to whom we minister.
We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
We commit ourselves to promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust.
The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who may be vulnerable.
It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable people and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with people who may be vulnerable.
The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people who may be vulnerable.
The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese.
Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

Review date: January 2026

GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

STANDING COMMITTEE
This is the only committee required by law. It has powers to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings subject to any directions given to it by the Council.
Its members are: Team Rector, Churchwardens, PCC Vice-Chair, PCC Secretary, Treasurer, and one other PCC member.

FABRIC AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE
To maintain the fabric and grounds of the church buildings within the finance available.
To consider and recommend improvements to the economic use of the buildings and grounds.

To consider and recommend how the buildings and grounds might be altered to the benefit of the various uses of them.
To organise any repairs, improvements or alterations when agreed by the PCC.
To arrange the use of the Parish Hall to the mutual benefit and enjoyment of all the users.

WORSHIP COMMITTEE
To explore the nature of our worship, the service we hold and the liturgy and music they contain.
To consult the congregation on matters of worship and discuss findings with the Team Rector.
To discuss changes were appropriate.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE
To organise social activities within the life of the Church.
To organise fundraising activities for the benefit of the Church and Parish Hall.

TASK GROUPS
These are set up for specific purposes and then disbanded.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL - OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES
The primary object of St Anne's Parochial Church Council is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It also has responsibility for co-operation with the Team Rector in promoting throughout the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

PCC MEMBERSHIP SINCE APCM 2024 :
Rev Sachin Awale (Team Vicar Chair from September 2024)
Mr Clive Barratt (resigned 19 September 2024)
Mrs Elizabeth Brocklehurst
Mrs Joanne Coxon
Mr Simon Edge
Mr Al Gillian (Treasurer)
Rev Patricia Gillian (Ex Officio Member) retired May 2024
Mrs Lesley Greenwood
Mrs B Hodgson (Ex officio Churchwarden and PCC Secretary)
Rev Canon Sharon Jones (Chair) vacant from end of June 2024
Mr Nick Jones (Vice Chair)
Mrs Laura Parker
Mr Mark Rathbone (Co-opted at November 2024 until the APCM)
Mr Paul Roberts (Ex officio Churchwarden)
Mrs Vicky Stott

CHURCH SERVICES

The following services were held in St Anne's Church during the year from 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024:

		2024	2023 Comparison
Sunday Services	Eucharist	38	38
	Service of the Word	12	12
Weekday Family Service		46	51
Other Weekday Services		9	10
Baptism Services		41	23
Marriage Services	Including a renewal of vows	6	5
Burial & Funeral Services		5	6
Internment of Ashes		5	10
Total of all Services		**151**	**143**

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

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Stewardship Report

What does Stewardship mean?

"Stewardship is a concept deeply rooted in biblical teachings, embodying the responsibility that individuals have to manage the resources and gifts bestowed upon them by God. In essence, stewardship goes beyond mere management; it encompasses the idea of caring for God's creation, using one's talents wisely, and fostering a spirit of generosity. This principle is woven throughout Scripture, highlighting our role as caretakers of the Earth and its inhabitants, ***as well as*** *our spiritual gifts and finances."* *(biblicaldictionarytoday.com)*

Why am I starting my report with these words; well the highlighting is mine and I believe that it's important to understand the word correctly, not in the way the Church seems to use it – it's not all about money and is a message to take with us in our home and work life as well! That is why my report is about more than money and only needs one word – Stewardship not something different to finance or ECO. So, Stewardship is about how we use all of our skills and talents in the following way :

1) Managing the churchyard grounds for the benefit of all God's creatures, not just humans.
2) A brief look back at how we fared with our finances in 2024.
3) More importantly, a look forward to how we are going to use our resources in 2025 and beyond.

Managing the Churchyard - We have a large area of land and we have two choices to make – it can be a pristine, probably sterile, area with nothing alive in it (that's not meant to be a pun!) or it can be shared with all God's creatures. Yes, we need to be able to access areas for obvious reasons, but we could leave parts to grow wild for the benefit of others and, done carefully, will provide habitat for birds, bees, insects and small animals such as field mice, hedgehogs and others. I would suggest we need to:

a) Develop the semi-circular garden in the new part with bee, bird and insect friendly plants and add a pond, with a suitable safety net or grid, and aquatic plants. We could add a Hibernaculum nearby.
b) The banks adjacent to the stone walls could be left uncut along with any other unused margins with care to prevent growth of other invasive species such as Himalayan Balsam, which we must eradicate each year before it seeds.
c) The triangular area, in which the bug house resides, can continue to be left to grow wild (with care to prevent the brambles and ivy running rampant).
d) Along the Stockport Road wall we need to find a way to keep the holly and ivy under control and the introduction of small shrubs might help with this.
e) The hedge separating the new area from the top terrace could be allowed to have 'scrub' undergrowth as a haven for small mammals.

Our Finances in 2024 - In these pages you will find all you need to know about income, expenditure, our reserves and much more, so do take time to look through the numbers. On this and the next page I have tried to draw out in words, the most important aspects, but there will be much I haven't mentioned, so do please look for yourselves.

a) **Our income** for the year totalled £74,904.54 and we spent £81,828.62, but within this was £9,738 spent on the Parish Hall roof and Tower repairs, met from our restricted reserves. After revaluation of our investments the deficit for the year was reduced to £1,899.28. Our reserves (excluding the nominal value of the Parish Hall) remain significant at £107,166.51. The distribution of those reserves across the various Unrestricted, Designated and Restricted Funds can be seen at Pages A8 and A15 to A17.
a) It remains too early to assess the success of the **Giving Campaign**, but there are definite signs of income growth (see pages A10 & A11):
(i) Standing Orders are up by 5% (£1,171) for the whole year.
(ii) Envelope giving has fallen by £852.
(iii) Gift Aid tax recovered is up 13% (£1,146).

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(iv) Plate cash is up £801.

(v) There have been big increases in Other Planned Giving, Donations and Baptisms.

(vi) Card giving is up sharply (the £5 pre-set is working well), but we need to be more pro-active in taking the card machines around during the collection hymn (do the sidespeople know to do this?).

(vii) Although Christmas Fayre profit was down a bit the 2 fashion shows helped fundraising to grow by 42% (up £2,153). We also received £730 from May Queen Olivia's fundraising.

(viii) Fees fell slightly with a small reduction in Occasional Services.

b) Looking now at expenditure (see pages A11 & A12):

(i)The cost of generating funds increased slightly due to more use of card machines and fundraising costs.

(ii) Our charitable giving fell by a quarter to £642. Although this does not take account of other charitable giving, such as Foodbank, The Children's Society, Lent and Advent appeals, which have all been very successful in 2024, we might like to ask the question, do we give away a suitable proportion of our church income? Some churches make a specific point of giving away 10% and that would be around £7,500.

(iii) The revised Parish Share was £3,000 less than we paid in 2023 and was paid in full at £37,000.

(iv) Team costs are spread over Working Expenses, Housing Costs, Assistant Staff, Pastoral Care, Team Administrator Salary and Team Administration. At a total of £8,046 the cost was slightly lower than 2023, calculated, as always, using the Parish Share formula.

(v) Our Mission & Evangelism cost us £617 more than in 2023, but was mostly covered by matching donations. Our sh are of Whit Friday costs rose from £700 to £800.

(vi) Inevitably the cost of gas was up £5,121 (240% up) following the end of the very favourable tariff we experienced for 3 years. This should reduce as the gas tariff is scheduled for revision later this year.

(vii) Electricity costs were higher as well at £1,469 an increase of £642 or 77% for the same reason.

(viii) The repairs to the Parish Hall cost £8,388 substantially less than we had budgeted.

(ix) Having Danny Parker as a contractor is proving very beneficial and his Tower repairs cost £1,350.

a) Where are our Reserves (pages A15 to A17):

(i) We have £100, 024 in restricted funds, which means that we can only spend them on certain things.

(ii) The largest restricted fund is Bequest & Donations with £88,246 the remaining funds from the Muriel Wills Bequest restricted to the parish, so that is available and needs to be used wisely (see next section of report).

(iii) Th purpose of other restricted funds will be obvious from the fund names, but we have a balance of £477 in the Audio-Visual Fund, unchanged for many years and maybe we should be looking at using this in some way.

Using our resources in 2025 and the years to come:

a) Nancy Gale left us a bequest for the maintenance of the churchyard and Garden of Remembrance and there is still £1,722 remaining. We should use this to help with the ECO Plan referred to at 1) above.

b) We also need to factor in the Quinquennial Inspection, completed recently, and almost certain to have cost implications when the report is received; some immediate, others medium or long-term.

c) As part of the Church of England we are tasked with working towards Net Zero by 2030 and that's in less than 5 years. What are we going to do to reduce our Carbon Footprint?

d) We have over £90,000 in reserves and, yes, it's good to have reserves for a rainy day, but pointless if we don't use them when it's raining! I would say that the present Climate Crisis is a 'rainy day' and we need to take an urgent look at how we can reduce our Carbon Footprint on both our church and hall buildings.

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
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11th May 2025

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	**TOTAL 2024 £**	FUNDS 2023 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2						
Voluntary Income	a	58,025.79	2,093.04	1,246.17	-	**61,365.00**	54,923
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	6,577.47	730.00	-	**7,307.47**	5,154
Investment Income	c	263.07	-	-	-	**263.07**	680
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	6,095.00	-	- 126.00	-	**5,969.00**	6,371
Other Incoming Resources	e	-	-	-	-	-	330
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**64,383.86**	**8,670.51**	**1,850.17**	-	**74,904.54**	67,458
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3						
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	605.39	1,942.99	-	-	**2,548.38**	2,473
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	-	642.00	-	**642.00**	846
Charitable Activities	c	68,662.96	67.79	169.49	-	**68,900.24**	64,889
Other Resources Used	d	-	-	9,738.00	-	**9,738.00**	7,707
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**69,268.35**	**2,010.78**	**10,549.49**	-	**81,828.62**	75,915
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(4,884.49)**	**6,659.73**	**(8,699.32)**	-	**(6,924.08)**	(8,456)
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**4,539.31**	-	-	-	**4,539.31**	3,268
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		-	**(4,539.31)**	-	-	**(4,539.31)**	(3,268)
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		-	**328.26**	**4,696.54**	-	**5,024.80**	11,547
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**2,703.24**	**2,336.12**	**194,026.43**	-	**199,065.79**	195,976
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**2,358.06**	**4,784.80**	**190,023.65**	-	**197,166.51**	199,066

The note on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts.

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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	**TOTAL 2023 £**	FUNDS 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2						
Voluntary Income	a	48,708.59	5.00	6,209.21	-	**54,922.80**	138,999
Activities for Generating Funds	b	6.00	5,148.07	-	-	**5,154.07**	4,965
Investment Income	c	680.23	-	-	-	**680.23**	609
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	6,033.00	-	338.00	-	**6,371.00**	10,915
Other Incoming Resources	e	330.00	-	-	-	**330.00**	1,250
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**55,757.82**	**5,153.07**	**6,547.21**	-	**67,458.10**	156,737
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3						
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	551.96	1,920.80	-	-	**2,472.76**	2,043
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	-	846.00	-	**846.00**	381
Charitable Activities	c	63,980.35	(53.58)	962.07	-	**64,888.84**	64,163
Other Resources Used	d	-	2,760.33	4,946.67	-	**7,707.00**	7,473
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**64,532.31**	**4,627.55**	**6,754.74**	-	**75,914.60**	74,060
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(8,774.49)**	**525.52**	**(207.53)**	-	**(8,456.50)**	82,677
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**3,268.27**	-	-	-	**3,268.27**	6,861
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		-	**(3,268.27)**	-	-	**(3,268.27)**	(6,861)
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		**644.36**	**626.56**	**10,275.74**	-	**11,546.66**	(1,908)
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**	115,207
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**2,703.24**	**2,336.12**	**194,026.47**	-	**199,065.83**	195,976

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2024

Notes		2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
	Fixed assets				
5A	Tangible assets	90,000		90,000	
5B	Investments	97,272		102,097	
	Total fixed assets		**187,272**		192,097
	Current assets				
6	Debtors	3,635		3,289	
7	Cash at bank and in hand	8,862		5,572	
	Total current assets	**12,497**		8,861	
	Current liabilities				
8	Amounts falling due within one year	2,603		1,892	
	Net current assets		**9,895**		6,969
	Total assets		**197,167**		199,066
4	***Funds***				
9	Unrestricted Funds		2,358		2,703
9	Designated Funds		4,785		2,336
9	Restricted Funds		190,024		194,026
9	Endowment Funds		-		-
	Total Funds		**197,167**		199,066

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 11th May 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Sachin Awale _____

Mr Paul Roberts _____

Mr Alastair Gillian _____

The notes on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the FRS102. 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 such members.

b) Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Designated funds are general funds which have been reserved by the PCC for specific purposes indicated in the fund title.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

c) Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received. Tax reclaimed under Gift Aid is recognized when received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends and interest are accounted for when received and is attributed to each fund on the basis of the amount invested and the age of the investment. Unrealised investment gains are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other income is recognized when it is received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

d) Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. Payments to the diocesan common fund are accounted for when paid. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. Unrealised investment losses are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other expenditure is generally recognized when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

e) Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

It is the Trustees policy not to undertake a formal revaluation of land and buildings and no depreciation is provided in their respect as the currently estimated residual value (discounted for monetary inflation since capitalisation) is not less than the carrying value and the remaining useful life of this asset currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charge would be immaterial. If, in the future, the carrying value of the building should look greater than the current value on this basis an impairment review will be carried out and any resultant loss included in expenditure for that year.

f) Investments

Investments are valued at market value based on mid-market prices at 31 December.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

2 INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2024	2023
a) Voluntary Income	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid - Bank Standing Orders	25,958.00	-	-	-	**25,958.00**	24,787
Gift Aid - Envelopes	2,255.32	-	-	-	**2,255.32**	3,107
One-off Gift Aid	119.30	-	-	-	**119.30**	175
Tax Recovered under Gift Aid	9,881.54	-	-	-	**9,881.54**	8,735
Other Planned Giving	2,680.00	-	-	-	**2,680.00**	1,850
Non-Gift Aid Standing Orders	509.00	-	-	-	**509.00**	632
Contactless Giving	617.01	-	-	-	**617.01**	202
Loose Collections	5,050.13	-	-	-	**5,050.13**	4,249
Sunday Refreshments	-	-	845.54	-	**845.54**	539
Baptism Collections	2,899.78	-	-	-	**2,899.78**	1,943
Donations	4,930.71	-	250.00	-	**5,180.71**	3,044
Sanctuary Lamp Donations	125.00	-	-	-	**125.00**	125
Candle Donations	-	-	90.02	-	**90.02**	79
FlowerDonations	-	-	60.61	-	**60.61**	456
Legacies & Bequests	3,000.00	2,093.04	-	-	**5,093.04**	5,000
Total	**58,025.79**	**2,093.04**	**1,246.17**	**-**	**61,365.00**	54,923
b) Activities for Generating Funds						
Christmas Fayre	-	1,738.45	-	-	**1,738.45**	1,875
May Queen Events	-	-	730.00	-	**730.00**	-
Fashion Shows	-	1,714.02	-	-	**1,714.02**	-
Other Fundraising	-	261.00	-	-	**261.00**	413
200 Subscriptions	-	2,864.00	-	-	**2,864.00**	2,860
Book Income	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	**-**	**6,577.47**	**730.00**	**-**	**7,307.47**	5,154
c) Investment Income						
CBF Interest	263.07	-	-	-	**263.07**	680
Total	**263.07**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**263.07**	680
d) Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	£	£	£	£	£	£
Statutory PCC Fees	2,838.00	-	-	-	**2,838.00**	2,134
Other PCC Fees	50.00	-	-	-	**50.00**	100
Statutory Churchyard Fees	2,512.00	-	(131.00)	-	**2,381.00**	3,732
Other Churchyard Fees	695.00	-	5.00	-	**700.00**	405
Total	**6,095.00**	**-**	**(126.00)**	**-**	**5,969.00**	6,371

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

2 INCOMING RESOURCES (Continued)					TOTAL FUNDS	
e) Non-recurring income	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2024 £**	2023 £
Manchester DBF Heating Grant	-	-	-	-	-	330
Total	-	-	-	-	-	330
Total Incoming Resources	**64,383.86**	**8,670.51**	**1,850.17**	-	**74,904.54**	67,458

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED					TOTAL FUNDS	
a) Cost of Generating Funds	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2024 £**	2023 £
Broadband & Contactless	397.34	-	-	-	**397.34**	344
Fundraising Expenses	-	534.29	-	-	**534.29**	473
200 Club Prizes	-	1,408.70	-	-	**1,408.70**	1,448
FWO & Gift Aid Envelopes	208.05	-	-	-	**208.05**	208
Total	**605.39**	**1,942.99**	-	-	**2,548.38**	2,473
b) Mission & Charitable Giving						
Secular Charities						
Blood Bikes	-	-	214.00	-	**214.00**	-
Disasters Emergency Committee	-	-	214.00	-	**214.00**	-
Riding for the Disabled, Saddleworth	-	-	214.00	-	**214.00**	-
Lydgate Community Association CIO	-	-	-	-	-	262
Diabetes UK	-	-	-	-	-	262
Toilet Twinning	-	-	-	-	-	322
Total	-	-	**642.00**	-	**642.00**	846

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED (continued)	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2024	2023
c) Charitable Activities						
Parish Share	37,000.00	-	-	-	**37,000.00**	40,000
Working Expenses of Incumbent	656.55	-	-	-	**656.55**	746
Parsonage House Costs	1,311.49	-	-	-	**1,311.49**	1,478
Other Clergy Costs	712.54	-	-	-	**712.54**	602
Pastoral Care Costs	655.76	-	-	-	**655.76**	580
Mission & Evangelism	1,613.07	-	-	-	**1,613.07**	1,096
Mission & Evangelism - Whit Friday	800.00	-	-	-	**800.00**	700
Church Upkeep - Gas	7,247.23	-	-	-	**7,247.23**	2,126
Church Upkeep - Electricity	1,469.79	-	-	-	**1,469.79**	828
Church Upkeep - Insurance	2,877.66	-	-	-	**2,877.66**	2,809
Church Upkeep - Water	104.07	-	-	-	**104.07**	40
Church Upkeep - Cleaning	1,589.00	-	-	-	**1,589.00**	1,404
Church Renewals & Maintenance	961.03	-	-	-	**961.03**	579
Upkeep of Services	1,030.20	-	157.72	-	**1,187.92**	1,199
Upkeep of Churchyard	2,131.80	-	-	-	**2,131.80**	2,202
Books Purchased	13.15	-	-	-	**13.15**	-
Risograph & Printing	242.61	-	-	-	**242.61**	150
Administration	43.31	-	-		**43.31**	-
Hall Refunds	(154.05)	53.58	-	-	**(100.47)**	(53.58)
Sundry Expenses	35.58	-	-	-	**35.58**	85
Honoraria, Salaries & Wages	4,649.30	-	-	-	**4,649.30**	5,181
Junior Church	-	14.21	11.77		**25.98**	-
Church Copyright & Music Licences	870.48	-	-	-	**870.48**	835
Bank Charges	119.83	-	-	-	**119.83**	140
Stationery & Postage	429.74	-	-	-	**429.74**	117
Team Administration	2,034.82	-	-	-	**2,034.82**	1,755
Subscriptions & Donations	218.00	-	-	-	**218.00**	292
Total	**68,662.96**	**67.79**	**169.49**	**-**	**68,900.24**	64,889
d) Other Resources Used						
Parish Hall Roof Repairs	-	-	8,388.00	-	**8,388.00**	5,172
Church Tower Repairs	-	-	1,350.00	-	**1,350.00**	2,535
Total	**-**	**-**	**9,738.00**	**-**	**9,738.00**	7,707
Total Resources Used	**69,268.35**	**2,010.78**	**10,549.49**	**-**	**81,828.62**	75,915

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024

4(a) NET POSITION, TRANSFERS, REVALUATIONS AND TOTAL BALANCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2024	2023
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	**(4,884.49)**	**6,659.73**	**(8,699.32)**	-	**(6,924.08)**	(8,456)
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In	4,539.31	-	-	-	**4,539.31**	3,268
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out	-	(4,539.31)	-	-	**(4,539.31)**	(3,268)
Gains/(losses) on investment revaluation	-	328.26	4,696.54	-	**5,024.80**	11,547
Balances B/Forward on 1st January	**2,703.24**	**2,336.12**	**194,026.47**	-	**199,065.83**	195,976
Balances C/Forward on 31 December	**2,358.06**	**4,784.80**	**190,023.69**	-	**197,166.55**	199,066

4(b) ANALYSIS OF FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2024 £	2023 £
Tangible Assets	-	-	90,000.00	-	**90,000.00**	90,000
Investment Assets						
Income Shares	-	1,872.76	-	-	**1,872.76**	10,045
Accumulation Shares	-	-	95,398.95		**95,398.95**	92,052
CBF Deposits	334.51	-	-	-	**334.51**	2,471
Current Assets (excluding CBF Deposits)	3,491.91	3,163.33	5,507.74	-	**12,162.98**	6,390
Less Current Liabilities	1,468.36	251.29	883.00	-	**2,602.65**	1,892
Total	**2,358.06**	**4,784.80**	**190,023.69**	-	**197,166.55**	199,066

During the year the PCC did not employ anyone. In accordance with Diocesan instructions, payments to those assisting with Occasional Services are held within Agency Collections and not shown within income and expenditure.

PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

Mr A Gillian received an honorarium of £200 along with fees of £810 which have been paid to him in connection with his duties as Sexton and these have then been donated back to church. A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to her services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

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5 ANALYSIS OF FIXED ASSETS

5A Tangible Assets	Freehold Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Investments	Total 2024	Total 2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or Valuation					
On 1st January	90,000	-	102,097	192,097	191,550
Additions/Revaluation Gain(Loss)	-	-	5,025	5,025	11,547
Disposals	-	-	9,850	9,850	11,000
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**97,272**	**187,272**	**192,097**
Depreciation:					
On 1st January	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the Year	-	-	-	-	-
Deduct for disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Net Book Value:					
On 1st January	90,000	-	102,097	192,097	191,550
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**97,272**	**187,272**	**192,097**

The freehold land & building is the Parish Hall, which is owned by Manchester Diocesan Board of Finance and held in trust for the Parish. It was last valued in 1999, but the PCC is of the opinion that there is no benefit in incurring the cost of revaluation at this time, although this is likely to be considerably in excess of the figure quoted. Equally there is not deemed to be any need to make a provision for depreciation (see more detailed comment on page A9).

The church building is a consecrated property and is excluded from the financial statements by virtue of section 10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. The church buildings and contents were insured for 2024 by Trinitas Church Insurance Services for £6,663,071 [building] and £173,425 [contents]. The Parish Hall insurance was transferred to Trinitas Church Insurance Services from renewal on 24th June 2020 and is insured for £1,053,194 (buildings) and £21,490 (contents). The cost of indemnity insurance for the Trustees of Lydgate Community Association CIO (LCA) is now being paid for by the LCA.

5B Investment Assets	2024	2023
	£	£
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Income Shares	1,873	10,045
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Accumulation Shares	95,399	92,052
	97,272	102,097

6 Debtors	2024	2023
	£	£
Debtors	3,635	3,289
	3,635	3,289

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash	23	14
Flower Fund Cash	103	164
HSBC Current Account	8,038	2,828
CBF Deposit Account	335	2,471
NatWest 200 Club	363	94
	8,862	5,572

8 Creditors	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within 1 year	1,720	619
Agency collections	883	1,274
	2,603	1,892

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT									
		Bequests & Donations Fund					Clock & Tower Fund	
Fund	**General Fund (Unrestricted)**	**Restricted**	**Designated**	**Flower Fund (Restricted)**	**Choir Fund (Restricted)**	**ECO Fund (Restricted)**	**Restricted**	**Designated**
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	**2,703**	**91,938**	**1,906**	**698**	**128**	**0**	**1,892**	**-**
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	58,026	-	2,093	61	-	-	250	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	263	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	6,095	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	**64,384**	**-**	**2,093**	**61**	**-**	**-**	**250**	**-**
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	605	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	68,663	-	-	121	36	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	-	8,388	-	-	-	-	1,350	-
Total Resources Expended	**69,268**	**8,388**	**-**	**121**	**36**	**-**	**1,350**	**-**
Net Income	**(4,884)**	**(8,388)**	**2,093**	**(61)**	**(36)**	**-**	**(1,100)**	**-**
Revaluation	-	4,697	328	-	-	-	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	4,539	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT									
		Bequests & Donations Fund					Clock & Tower Fund	
Fund	**General Fund (Unrestricted)**	**Restricted**	**Designated**	**Flower Fund (Restricted)**	**Choir Fund (Restricted)**	**ECO Fund (Restricted)**	**Restricted**	**Designated**
Fund Balances C/Forward	**2,358**	**88,246**	**4,328**	**638**	**91**	**0**	**792**	**-**

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	3,692	243	-	119	423	-	477	90,000
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	-	-	-	2,864	936	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	3,713	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	-	-	3,713	2,864	936	-	-	-
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	534	1,409	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	642	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	-	-	534	1,409	642	-	-	
Net Income	-	-	3,179	1,455	294	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	(3,070)	(1,469)	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
Fund Balances C/Forward	3,692	243	109	106	716	-	477	90,000

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	Roof Appeal (Restricted	Garden of Remembrance & Churchyard (Restricted)	Agency Collections Outstanding Fee	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	54	2,670	14	-	1,772	338	199,066	195,976
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	64,229	54,923
Activities for Generating Funds	-	730	-	-	-	-	4,443	5,154
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	263	680
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	212	6,307	6,371
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	330
Total Incoming Resources	-	730	-	-	-	212	75,242.54	67,458
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,548	2,473
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-	642	846
Charitable Activities	54	12	14	-	-	338	69,238	64,889
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-	9,738	7,707
Total Resources Expended	54	12	14	-	-	338	82,167	75,915
Net Income	(54)	718	(14)	-	-	(126)	(6,924)	(8,456)
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,025	11,547
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	(0)	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	Roof Appeal (Restricted)	Garden of Remembrance & Churchyard (Restricted)	Agency Collections Outstanding Fee	TOTAL 2024	TOTAL 2023
Fund Balances C/Forward	-	3,388	-	-	1,772	212	197,167	199,066

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Audio Visual Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted income and donations from parishioners for the purchase of audio visual equipment. Costs are shown where necessary to generate income.

Bequest & Donation Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted bequest, legacies and legacies where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of Vicar and Wardens).

Bequest & Donation Fund (Designated) - this fund is used to store monies that have been given to the church, where the purpose is less restricted (and usually in the gift of the Vicar and Wardens) or it has been agreed with the donor that the funds will be used for the benefit of St Anne's Church. The PCC has agreed that these funds are all designated.

Flower Fund (Restricted) - receives donations from parishioners and expenditure to the purchase of flowers and associated items.

Clock & Tower Maintenance Fund (Restricted) - holds the residual donations from the PCC's Clock Appeal and also receives occasional donations specifically for future maintenance costs.

Choir Fund (Restricted) - receives donations and choristers' fees from occasional services, which are used to fund music and choir supplies combined as restricted.

200 Club (Designated) - receives subscriptions for draw numbers and pays out 50% of income in monthly prizes. Balance of income is transferred to General Fund at year end.

ECO Fund (Restricted) - Has received the proceeds of May Queen Francesca's fundraising for church to be spent on ecological activities undertaken by church.

Fabric Fund (Restricted & Designated) - receives donations provided specifically for maintenance of the fabric and monies earmarked by the PCC for various fabric related projects.

Fundraising (Designated) - collects proceeds of events, which are then distributed as directed by the PCC.

Mission Fund (Restricted) - receives charitable collections - distributed to agreed charities as directed at Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Parish Hall Capital Fund (Restricted) - the value of the Parish Hall - last valued in 1999.

Parish Hall General Fund (Designated) - used for management of day-to-day income and expenditure on the hall. Surplus has been transferred to Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund in recent years. Day to day management is now the responsibility of the separate charity: Lydgate Community Association CIO.

Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund (Restricted) - collected funds have been utilised for repairs and improvements and the residual balance transferred to Lydgate Community Association CIO in recognition of its role as ongoing manager of the hall, including improvements to the internal accommodation. Fund now closed.

Roof Appeal (Restricted) - opened to receive donations towards major roof repairs. Small residual balance cleared from Clock & Tower Fund in recognition of the element relating to the repairs to the gulley adjacent to the Tower.

Garden of Remembrance & Churchyard Fund (Restricted) - has received income from a bequest specifically for the maintenance of these two areas.

Youth Ministry Fund (Restricted) - receives income from fundraising, disposal as directed by the PCC following the recommendations of the Church youth groups and their leaders.

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
Chartered Accountant
15 Burnedge Fold Road
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11th May 2025

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF LYDGATE, ST ANNE

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ending 31st December 2023

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St Anne's Church, Lydgate, Oldham

Sunday 21st April
in Church immediately after the 11.00am service

Annual (Vestry) Meeting of the Parishioners
Agenda

Election of the Church Wardens for the year 2024/25

Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Agenda

1. Opening Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the APCM held 26th March 2023
4. Presentation of the General Report
5. Treasurer's Financial Report
6. Electoral Roll Report
7. Child Protection Report
8. Elections of;
   - PCC members
   - Charities to Support
   - Examiner of accounts

Date of next PCC meeting: 16th May 2024

St Anne's Lydgate, 2023 Annual Vestry and APCM Minutes

Sunday 26th March 2023

Present: Revd Canon Sharon Jones (in the Chair), Al Gillian (Treasurer), John Pearson (acting Minute Secretary), Susan Fleming, Gwen Morton, Kath Hodges, Rachel Damianou, Eleanna Damianou Margaret Schofield, Danos Damianou, Dave Marshall, Lianne Marshall, Liz and Ian Brocklehurst, Dorothy Clarke, Molly Ellis

Apologies: Revd Pat Gillian, Anne Smith, Neil Davies, Sue Willett, Natalie Doran, Jennifer Greenwood, Kath Kershaw, Frank Boocock

Sharon thanked all those who had done all the preparation and copying of documents in preparation for the meeting. John Pearson agreed to take the minutes.

Annual Vestry Meeting

Election of Wardens

Sharon asked if there were any nominations for Church Warden. There were none.

Sharon asked if there were any nominations for Deputy Church Warden.

John Pearson, Anne Smith and Jennifer Greenwood had agreed to stand and were duly elected.

There being no further business the Annual Vestry Meeting closed.

APCM

The APCM was formally opened.

Approval of the minutes of the APCM held 8th May 2022

No amendments to the minutes had been requested. Therefore the minutes were approved as being an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Presentation of the General Report

The General Report had been distributed prior to this meeting.

Sharon thanked Sue and Dave Marshall for arranging for all the necessary paperwork for the meeting to be copied. There were no questions regarding the report.

Jennifer had asked that all those who had taken part in the Churchyard working parties be thanked.

Treasurer's Financial Report

Sharon thanked Al Gillian for the report and accounts.

Al mentioned comparisons with the previous year were difficult as a result of closure during the Pandemic. Income rose to £70737 compared with almost £69000 the previous year. Expenditure also rose to £74060, suggesting a deficit for the year, but this was due to timing differences. 3 bequests totalling £86000 had been received, including £83750 from the Estate of Muriel Wills and £2,000 from the Estate of Philip Martin. The money was specified to be for the upkeep and maintenance of the Church.

Income - Although Voluntary Income rose by 7% to £53,023, standing orders were down by 12%. There have been 60 Baptisms bringing in a welcome £3500 in donations. Other events such as the Christmas Fair and Fashion Show had raised £2000. More had come from Weddings and investments and a grant from the Diocese of £1250.

Expenditure – Only £40000 was available for the Parish Share of £67000, set for this year. Bibles have been provided for year 6 and reception classes. Two items caused expenditure to be higher than income: Roof repairs undertaken in 2021 were paid for in 2022 at £3000 and the 2021 Councillor grant for path and gate repairs of £1050 was also spent in 2022. The Parish Hall is self-supporting but, as building owners, the PCC had paid £3645 to replace the boiler and £780 to seal the external stonework. Al pointed out that we need to progress the raising of funds to meet the other structural repairs identified in the April 2022 structural survey.

There being no questions the financial report was accepted unanimously.

Sharon thanked Pat, Al and other non-stipendiary clergy for their help.

Electoral Roll Report

Rachel Damianou, our Electoral Roll Officer, referred to her report which had been included in the General Report. Sharon thanked Rachel for her work in maintaining the Roll and for continuing in this role.

Child Protection and Safeguarding Report

Susan Fleming, our Safeguarding Officer, read out the Safe Church Policy and her formal report. Susan also made reference to her report which had been included in the General Report. Disclosure checks are now required every 3 years.

No questions were raised. Susan announced that as nobody has come forward to replace her she very kindly agreed to carry on until a replacement can be appointed.

Sharon thanked Susan for her work and emphasised the importance of her role and, although we may have a candidate ready to takeover later in 2023, this is not confirmed and we need to ensure that the role is filled as soon as possible, so Al asked that people should consider volunteering.

Sharon also thanked Lianne Marshall who was standing down from running the Junior Church after many years. Lianne reported that Rachel Edge is taking over from her as leader.

Elections of the following roles

Parochial Church Council

Neil Davies, Joanna Coxon and Natalie Doran were retiring. The following people stood for election for the Parochial Church Council: Joan Mozdzierz, Al Gillian & Joanne Coxon and all three were elected unanimously.

The new PCC will consist of Dave Marshall, John Pearson, Sue Willett, Al Gillian, Revd Canon Sharon Jones, Revd Pat Gillian, Joan Mozdzierz, Danos Damianou, Sam Lowe, David Lloyd and Jo Coxon, together with Liz Brocklehurst who was unanimously elected to represent the Church on the Deanery of Oldham and Ashton Synod and is therefore ex-officio member.

Rachel Damianou reported that the Electoral Roll now numbers 97.

Examiner of Accounts for 2022

Mike Royle was proposed and accepted as independent examiner of the accounts for another year

Charity

The following were proposed as our chosen charities for the year – (1) Riding for the Disabled Saddleworth Branch, (2) Grotton Pavilion, (3) Lydgate Community Association, (4) Blood Bikes and (5) Relief in Turkey & Syria. (1), (4) & (5) were chosen unanimously.

Any other Business

The following were elected as Sidespeople:-

Mollie Ellis, Lesley Heyes, Gwen Morton Frank Boocock, Rachel and Danos Damianou, Jennifer Greenwood, Lianne Marshall, Stephanie Cosgrove, Joan Mozdzierz.

Next meeting of the PCC is 16th May 2023

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Administrative Information

Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has powers to transact the business of the P.C.C. between its meetings subject to any directions given to it by the Council. Its members are:

Team Rector; Churchwardens; PCC Vice-Chair; PCC Secretary; Treasurer; Chair of the Building Committee; and Worship Committee Representative.

Church Buildings Committee

- To maintain the fabric and grounds of the church buildings within the finance available.
- To consider and recommend improvements to the economic use of the buildings and grounds.
- To consider and recommend how the buildings and grounds might be altered to the benefit of the various uses of them.
- To organise any repairs, improvements or alterations when agreed by the PCC.
- To arrange the use of the Parish Hall to the mutual benefit and enjoyment of all the users.

Worship Committee

- To explore the nature of our worship, the service we hold and the liturgy and music they contain.
- To consult the congregation on matters of worship and discuss findings with the Team Rector.
- To discuss changes were appropriate.

Fund Raising Committee

- To organise social activities within the life of the Church.
- To organise fundraising activities for the benefit of the Church and Parish Hall.

Task Groups

- These are set up for specific purposes and then disbanded.

The Parochial Church Council - Objectives and Activities

The primary object of St Anne's Parochial Church Council is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It also has responsibility for co-operation with the Team Rector in promoting throughout the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Members of the PCC since the last APCM are:

Rev'd Sachin Awale (Ex-officio Member)
Mrs Elizabeth Brocklehurst (Ex-officio Member)
Mrs Joanne Coxon
Mr Danos Damianou
Mr Al Gillian (Member & Treasurer)
Rev'd Patricia Gillian (Ex-officio Member)
Rev'd Canon Sharon Jones (Ex-officio Member - Chair)
Mr David Lloyd
Mrs Sam Lowe
Mr David Marshall
Mrs Joan Mozdzierz
Mr John Pearson
Mrs Susan Willett (PCC Secretary)

Church Services

The following services were held in St Anne's Church during the year from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023:

		2023	**2022 Comparison**
Sunday Services:	Eucharist	38	42
	Service of the Word	12	10
	Other Sunday Services	1	4
Weekday Eucharist		3	
Weekday Family Service		51	50
Other Weekday Services		10	11
Baptism Services		23*	60
Marriage Services	Including a renewal of vows	5	19
Burial & Funeral Services		6	9
Internment of Ashes		10	12
Total of all Services		**158***	**217**

* includes one Baptism Service held within the Sunday Eucharist

Reports

Electoral Roll Officer's Report

Every six years it is a legal requirement to completely revise our Electoral Roll. Everyone then needs to fill in an application to the Roll form and we did this five years ago. This usually results in a trimmed down roll initially. Numbers have therefore built up again over the last five years.

At our year end last December there were exactly 100 members on the Electoral Roll. 67 are resident and 33 are non-resident in the Parish. The Roll will be updated again just prior to our APCM so numbers may be slightly different by then. Our new roll will be displayed at the back of church.

Anyone who is 16 or over and baptized and regularly attends worship here or who lives in the Parish is eligible.

It would be good to see new members joining the roll as they get involved with our church family.

If anyone wishes to take certain roles in the church, they should ideally be a member of the Roll, so it is important that as many people as possible are encouraged to join the Electoral Roll. After the AGM and throughout the year anyone not on the Roll is welcome to join at any point.

Team Rector's Report

We are pilgrims with Christ from the time of our baptism. It is a journey of invitation to walk ever closer with God, perceiving his wonder and recognising the Epiphany moments when God reveals something new to us. God is always making all things new. He breathes inspiration and encouragement as we seek renewal and move forward on our journeys, open to both change and understanding things differently.

2023 saw the much anticipated and welcome arrival of Revd Sachin as Team Vicar. He and his family are a true blessing. We also faced the retirement of Susan Brierley our much-loved Team Administrator, and the appointment of Jane Radcliffe. We are very grateful for all that Susan contributed to the life of the Saddleworth Team over many years and wish her improved health and happiness in retirement.

So much of the smooth functioning of the team is through the building of good positive relationships, the selflessness of those offering time and skills, and having the humility to seek support from other churches. It is tempting to be worn down by financial issues and challenging buildings to maintain. It is too easy to be consumed by these preoccupations and lose sight of the bigger picture of the Gospel.

I would like to thank all those who have maintained kindness, understanding and cooperation; all who have gone over and beyond in terms of serving their community and their congregations; all who have contributed their time, skills and finances.

We have much to celebrate in terms of our ministry particularly among children and families. They are God's precious gift to us. Our midweek services have become an even greater focus for mission and have flourished. There has been an increased interest across the Benefice in studying the Bible together and simply sharing our faith with one another. Increasing numbers are offering themselves for Accredited Lay Ministry at Denshaw, Friezland and Lydgate. This is something to be much celebrated.

Let us walk as pilgrims together on the way of Christ as we share God's work in growing the Kingdom through belonging, believing and becoming the disciples we are called to be.

Canon Sharon Jones

Team Rector

Safeguarding Officer (Responsible for Children and Adults)

Introduction

This will be my last report as Parish Safeguarding Officer as the PCC have now appointed Katie Lockie to the role and I am standing down.

I have continued to update myself with all the duties expected of this position and have completed all the relevant on line training provided by the Diocese. All safeguarding incidents continue to be recorded and reported to the Diocese. Relevant information being kept in a locked safe.

Child Registration details

The recommendations regarding the registration of all children attending Junior Church, Crèche and Youth Group are followed and each parent/guardian is required to complete a registration form for their child. All information is updated regularly to ensure the safety of the children in our care.

Volunteer Details

Currently we only have 7 volunteers for Junior Church. This means Junior Church can now be held weekly. Youth group and crèche are currently not running.

A completed application form, two references and a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate are held for each volunteer. All DBS certificates are renewed every 3 years and our current volunteers have completed on line Basic and Foundation Safeguarding Training. Information on our volunteers is kept in a locked safe.

Safeguarding Statements

Our Safeguarding Policy Promoting a Safer Church is in line with guidance from the Diocese and is available for viewing on the notice board at the back of church along with the Referral Flow Chart stating what to do if there is a case of suspected child abuse.

The parish Safeguarding Handbook is also on the notice board and all volunteers have a copy of the "pocket guide".There is also a safeguarding statement on our website.

PCC members

It is a requirement that all PCC members should have a DBS check completed because they are trustees of a charity overseeing work with children and adults at risk and therefore have safeguarding responsibilities. This has been completed for all current members.

Susan Fleming
Parish Safeguarding Officer March 2024

Churchwardens' Report including the Fabric of the Church, The Churchyard and the Goods and Ornaments

Paul and I thank everyone at St Anne's for the warm welcome we received on our appointment as Churchwardens. We thank everyone who on a weekly basis contribute to the smooth running of our regular services. To our Assistant Wardens Anne, Jennifer and John, to all the sidesmen and women, lay assistants, readers, intercessors, organists, hospitality and flower team. To Al, Liz and Rachel for their delivery of the Service of the Word. To Sam and Frank for our weekly pewsheet. Each and everyone of you play a part and for all you do we are so very grateful. We must of course thank Rev Pat for her commitment to St Anne's and the wider Team. Pat's ministry is a blessing for us all. We also want to thank the PCC for the work that has been undertaken on our Parish MAP. We especially thank Liz Brocklehurst and Rachel Damianou for leading us and producing the documentation.

Whilst Paul and I have experience of being Churchwardens in other parishes we have had a learning curve of who does what and especially who everyone is. Names and faces have definitely been something of a challenge but we are slowly getting there.

As well as the Sunday and Wednesday services, we hosted the Team Confirmation service, where it was extra special to see Joel, not just confirmed but also baptised. The service was well attended and refreshments were served by our hospitality team with generous donations of homemade cake. On December 17th, we held the "Bring a Friend to Church" service. This was well attended and we all enjoyed a lunch in the Parish Hall. During this service we also had a baptism, a special occasion for Paul and his family. The way Christmas fell this year gave us an opportunity to look at the service provision. The Carol Service and Nativity were held on Christmas Eve morning and it was a joyful occasion with standing room only. We also hosted the Team Ash Wednesday service with congregation members from all parishes. Liz Brocklehurst organised a Team Choir who sang an anthem during communion. Junior Church is growing both in numbers of children and also staff. It is lovely

to see them in church. We thank Rachel Edge and her team for enabling Junior Church to meet every week. St Anne's school visit on a regular basis and the connection with school continues to thrive.

As Churchwardens we are responsible for the care and maintenance of the Church building and Parish Hall. Looking at the fabric of the Church and the Parish Hall has been the area Paul has tried to concentrate on, but for more detailed information please refer to the Building Committee Report. Never having dealt with a property as old as St Anne's has been a challenge and whilst some small changes and repairs have been accomplished there are still plenty of challenges ahead.

As we begin another Parochial Year both Paul and I will continue to serve you all in this place and also thank God for his blessings on the Parish of Lydgate St Anne.

Finally, we are keen to encourage everyone to take part in the life of St Anne's in whatever way they can. Ministry does not mean you have to wear a collar. God gives everyone special gifts. Please pray and thoughtfully consider giving back those gifts in the service of God here in the Parish of St Anne and in the Saddleworth Team.

Barbara Hodgson and Paul Roberts

Churchwardens.

Parochial Church Council in 2023/24

May 2023 to March 2024

Following the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in April 2023 the PCC consisted of 11 members. Rev S Jones/Rev S Awale (Chair), Mr D Marshall, Mr J Pearson, Mrs S Willett, Rev. P Gillian, Mrs J Mozdzierz, Mr D Damianou, Mrs S Lowe, Mr D Lloyd, Mrs J Coxon, Mrs E Brocklehurst (Ex officio Deanery Rep). Following an extra ordinary Vestry Meeting in June two Churchwardens were elected and the PCC for 2023/2024 was 13 members. The Churchwardens are ex officio.

Not including the Clergy in the Chair member attendance for the six meetings was:

2 members - 6 meetings

3 members - 3 meetings

3 members - 2 meetings

1 member - 1 meeting

1 member - 0 meetings

In June the two new members joined the PCC and both attended the remaining 5 meetings.

First PCC Meeting held 16 May 2023

At this meeting Officers were appointed to the following positions:

Lay Chair - Mr David Marshall
Hon PCC Treasurer - Mr A Gillian
Hon PCC Secretary - Mrs S Willett
CTiS Rep - Mrs L Greenwood
Safeguarding Officer - Mrs S Fleming (Mrs Fleming agreed to accept the appointment until a new officer could be found)
Electoral Roll Officer - Mrs R Damianou
Team Council Rep - Mrs E Brocklehurst
Patronage Board - Mrs R Damianou

Discussions - Mission Action Plan (MAP) process, Car Sharing, Eco (Silver Award), Stewardship and the lack of Churchwarden appointments.

Decisions - Hon Treasurer asked for PCC to be able to pay, with out a second signature the following Organist, Earthworm, Church Cleaners and Whit Friday expenses. Approved. The raising of the Organist fee. Approved. Organ Service. Approved. Bank Mandates Hon Treasure to sign until the appointment of Churchwardens. Approved.

Second PCC Meeting held 18 July 2023

Discussions - Team Rector expressed concern about the attendance at PCC Meetings and asked that members make a concerted effort to put the dates in their diaries prioritising attendance. She also expressed concern about the lateness of papers. Minutes need to be promptly issued. MAP and three services agreed for PCC to lead the congregations in

PowerPoint be created to show how income is used. MAP three services PCC to lead congregation in discussions. Junior Church to meet every week as staffing numbers have increased. Parish Share and Giving.

Decisions - PCC meetings to be bi-monthly and actions dealt with promptly. Approved. Standing Committee to meet two weeks before the PCC meeting to prepare the agenda and to allow prompt and timely issue of Agenda. Approved. (Standing Committee comprises Team Rector (or nominated replacement), Churchwardens, Treasurer, Secretary and one lay member of the PCC). Decision requested for Al Gillian's Re-commissioning as ALM in September. Approved

Third PCC Meeting held 19 September 2023

Discussions - Roofing work to Parish Hall and other issues causing dampness. Safeguarding replacement for Sue Fleming found. MAP further work being carried out. Fire Risk Assessment. Changes to Items to be included on the PCC Agendas. Silver ECO Award plaque has been received.

Fourth PCC Meeting held on 16 November 2023

Discussions - MAP feedback to congregation.. Bring A Friend arrangements. May Queen. Plaque on wall in church. ECO Regular working parties. Deanery matters relating to Church and School connections.

Decisions - Costs for works to Church roof. Approved. PCC asked to support Rachel Damianou for ALM training. Approved. New Lay Assistants. Approved.

Fifth PCC Meeting held on January 18 2024

Discussions - MAP update. Pastoral Visiting Team focus. Diocese confirmed ALM training. Stewardship. ECO Climate Change effects on Church Building. Whit Friday new representative needed. Opening Church midweek to be tasked to 2024/5 PCC. Rector resignation. Discussion and agreement meeting. APCM Date

Decisions - Draft accounts and budget submitted. Approved

Sixth PCC Meeting held on March 14 2024

Discussions - MAP Audit. Team service provision after June. Planning Application on Stockport Road. Revised budget. New Whit Friday Representative found.

Decisions - Same Sex Blessings agrees to allow in church service. Approved. (Decision for clergy is personal and they can refuse). Approval sought from PCC for the new Parish Share. Approved

Barbara Hodgson
Churchwarden

Church Building Committee

This year has been devoted to small changes within church, with particular emphasis on the rooves, the guttering, the organ loft, and the church grounds.

A roofing contractor has been employed to (a) stop water entering the kitchen extension (b) to repair a tiled area on the main roof adjacent to the tower (c) to restore the mortar supporting the guttering above the church main entrance door, and (d) to repair the tiled roof over the Lychgate.

In addition a sizeable area of loose plaster has been removed from walls within the organ loft to stop it falling on anyone, or falling onto the altar frontal storage cabinet. Additionally the lychgate gates have been repainted.

Lastly, work has been accomplished by several working parties to enhance/refurbish the church grounds, and a new weatherproof external storage cabinet has been purchased to store garden tools etc. The work accomplished includes general tidying up of the gardens, hedge clipping, pruning of overgrown trees, treatment of the wooden benches, cleaning of the iron railings near the boiler house, painting the kerb edgings on the North side of church, and treatment of all external doors with Danish Oil. Many thanks to everyone who has contributed to the improvements which have been accomplished.

Looking forward we have also identified areas of brick and stonework on the exposed areas at the top of the clock tower which are in need of repointing, and several small wooden window frames within the toilet and kitchen area are in need of replacement. We hope to address these issues in the coming year.

Parish Hall.

The parish hall flat roof area in particular is starting to show its age, and a small intermittent leak has been detected in the gent's toilet area. **NB** the flat roof area is split into several separate areas bordered by dwarf walls. Some of these areas are not draining currently and may need remedial work in the future. Additionally the downpipes and drains are getting clogged up with debris, the parapets copings are in need of repointing, and several slates have slipped and are in need of replacing. Additionally several sizeable areas of external brickwork are in need of repointing, and the wooden guttering at the rear of the hall is in need of replacing, along with the associated soffits and facia board.

We have managed to clear most of the debris from the church roof, and have been actively engaged in obtaining quotes/estimates from three roofing contractors to accomplish appropriate and affordable remedial work on the roof and parapet areas. This matter is still under investigation, but it is hoped that progress will be made in the near future, especially as the weather continues to improve.

Paul Roberts (Building committee member)

Worship Committee

The worship committee is a sub-committee of the PCC and focuses on the worship and services at St Anne's. Membership is not restricted to the PCC, and it would be fruitful if members of the congregation joined to give a wider perspective on our worship. We encourage the children to be involved in the services by taking part with readings, intercessions. We are always looking for more people to volunteer to lead the prayers and to read the weekly readings for us so please give it some thought and volunteer.

Service of the Word is held on the first Sunday of the month and we now have three lay leaders Al, Rachel, and Liz who between them lead these services on a rota basis. We are always on the lookout for other people who after some training would be able to join this team leading services.

This year I have been able to take Home Communion to two ladies at Old Mill House and it was nice to hear while visiting that they have family connection with St Anne's school (grandchildren/great grandchildren attending).

In July we welcomed Revd Sachin and family to the Team and Sachin has been gradually getting to grips with the way we work and getting to know everyone.

A new Diocesan Initiative was the Belonging, Believing, Becoming, strapline that each church had to work to and at St Anne's we held three services where we discussed with the congregation their thought about what they believed, how they felt they belonged and what they wanted St Anne's to become. This information was collected and used to form our Mission Action Plan (MAP) the way we saw our parish moving forward in the coming weeks, months, and years.

On Sunday 24th September 2023 we were able to hold our Team Confirmation service with Bishop Mark hosting at St Anne's Lydgate. It is always a pleasure to see people coming forward for confirmation.

In December we went out Carol Singing and sang outside Old Mill House with residents listening from their balconies or joining in with us outside. We were planning to sing inside Old Mill House, but they were having refurbishment done to their community lounge so hopefully next year we shall be able to sing to more people in the warm. Again, it would be lovely if more people could join us, it's an enjoyable experience and nice to see so many smiling faces.

Bring a Friend to Church Sunday in December was another good outreach into the community we welcomed them into the service and lunch afterwards and it was a huge success. The meat and potato pie/cheese and onion pies were delicious, and it was good to see a full church. We are hoping to repeat this in the future with soup and crusty bread after a Sunday service. Watch this space.

This year we held a Combined Carol and Crib Service, and it was a great success with lots of families joining our regular Sunday congregation in total 268people attended. The children acted out the Nativity story while the adults read the readings and we all sang the hymns/carols.

Our Team Service for New Year Eve was held at Holy Trinity Dobcross led by Revd Sharon, who during the service told us she was going to retire from church ministry in June 2024

Our weekday service goes from strength to strength with an average attendance of 128 people. We held our "Admittance to Communion Confirmation Class" again, and we admitted 2 children in 2023 which was great.

Our participation in School Collective Worship and Experience Church plus now Faith Explorers is going from strength to strength. We also now have a Eucharist service at school once a term which the children enjoy and participate in.

We also welcomed two new Child Bishop's at School and Bishop Mark came along to install them. The Child Bishops help lead collective worship in school and help with school church services by leading prayers and reading.

We have also managed to hold End of Term Services along with a very successful Christingle Service and Harvest Service with the food from the Harvest service, brought by the children, being delivered to Oldham Foodbank, Bible presenting services to Year 6 and Reception.

So, you can see we are moving forward at St Anne's in many ways but are always open to new ideas and helpers so please get in touch if you have ideas to share.

Report from the Sexton

Our work in the churchyard has a number of strands: it needs to be a place of peace where people can spend time remembering their loved ones; it needs to be well-kept to ensure the safety of visitors; it needs to provide a place where we can provide a biodiverse facility which recognises the need to reverse the damaging impact of the Climate Crisis.

A Place of Peace – This is a community asset and making it accessible is important, so our working parties are focussed on looking after the areas that will add beauty and calm the soul! The banks have been planted up with suitable plants that add that beauty and the semi-circular garden in the new part of the churchyard is really beginning to take shape.

Safety – If we had the resources to cut the grass weekly during the growing season, we probably wouldn't want to do so, as that only provides for humans! However, with the other strands in mind, a monthly cut is mostly sufficient to keep it manageable and we will continue to allow the margins to grow unrestrained for the benefit of other inhabitants, where this does not impinge on safety.

A Biodiverse Facility – Our ECO Report will cover this area more fully, but it is important that we use this resource to provide habitat for all God's creatures, so don't be surprised that some areas have been left to grow wild; log piles have been placed in strategic spots; we have bird houses, bird feeders, 'houses' for hedgehogs and other creatures! We need, also, to keep invasive plants such as holly, ivy and brambles in check.

Finally, we should not forget that this is an important working churchyard and here are the numbers for its use in 2023:

3 Burials

10 Interments of Ashes

9 Memorials, plaques or additional inscriptions were added

Al Gillian

St Anne's EcoGroup

If ever there was evidence of a need to help God's creation fight back from the desperate situation it's in, the unprecedented string of storms that have hit our parish in the last few months of 2023, should be a wake-up call for us all.

As the two members of our ECO Group, David Lloyd and I have continued to guide the parish in ways it can help us to achieve the Church of England's target of reaching Net Zero for carbon emissions by the year 2030. We are trying to use the A Rocha ECO Church initiative and for which we have achieved an overall Silver rating so far. What we want to achieve, however, is Gold so will still have some work to do. Caring for God's Creation is one of the 5 Marks of Mission, so as Christians what are we doing? Let's look at our progress in terms of the A Rocha's 5 categories:

Worship & Teaching – We are already rated 'Gold' according to our assessment in February with a score of 96 out of a possible 110. Areas we could improve still further are as much about frequency; in terms of 'Caring for God's Earth' we could choose to focus the frequency of more services, hymns and Junior Church lessons on creation. We have already improved and extended our communications on the subject to keep everyone aware.

Buildings – We are currently at 'Silver' with a score in February of 239 out of 390 but, because of the need to heat church with a gas boiler, we get a low score, but could potentially improve insulation in both the church and hall. We have taken steps in both buildings to reduce gas usage through lowering temperatures and minimising the times when heat is boosted. We could seek to negotiate new utility contracts switching to greener tariffs, but this would come at a financial cost that we might not be able to sustain, as there would be penalties to pay as well. We have converted all remaining lights to LED. We could progress the building of cycle racks to encourage cycling to church instead of driving. We could organise a feasibility study of solar or wind energy, both of which should be possible given the location, but this would require use of reserves and probably need to be bolstered with grant funding. We could choose to offset the carbon footprint of our church premises for those things we can't reduce. Would we be willing to pay for a scheme that would achieve this?

Land – We are 'Silver' (score in February 85 out of 155) and during 2023 we have continued to work on improving biodiversity. There are certain areas of the churchyard that are encouraged to stay wild, although invasive plants, such as ivy, brambles and holly, have to be reigned in. New habitats have been added and bird feeders and boxes bolstered; a hedgehog house has been built and there are plans for a couple more along with extra wood piles thanks to the help provided in March 2024 by Year 4 from school. We are planning some more engagement with St Anne's School, both at churchyard and at the school grounds and we will need parishioners to step up and do their part. Other plans include building a pond and the extended cultivation of the semi-circular garden, in the new part of the churchyard, with bee, butterfly and insect friendly plants. The planting of fruit bushes would gain us extra points; as would wildlife surveys and participation in other conservation schemes such as 'Living Churchyards'.

Community & Global – We need to make some greater progress on this section which, although 'Silver' only scored 105 out of 200 in February and is therefore our weakest section. We have achieved some good things in 2023, such as Twinning both church toilets (through Tear Fund) (see posters on the inside of the toilet doors) and starting a 'car-sharing' scheme. The scheme could be better supported and is a challenge for 2024 along with a more robust support for environmental organisations and engagement with local leaders on environmental issues. We could also organise a 'green fair' to showcase local producers and local environmental issues.

Lifestyle – Although scoring 90 out of 160 and 'Silver' this section is the one which we could improve the most – if everyone in our community works together and seeks to tread more lightly on God' Earth. Major work on lifestyle in 2023 has focussed on what we can take from the first 2 Diocesan ECO Stepping Stones events and we have also run a weekly ECO 'Top Tip' on the weekly sheet over the last few months continuing into 2024. Having encouraged families to measure their Carbon Footprint at least once annually, we need to encourage that this leads to lifestyle changes that reduce those carbon emissions; to consider ethical investments; to implement some of the 'Top Tips' and, as a church community, to undertake a lifestyle audit from which we can set targets for improvement.

There is always much to do, much we can do and much progress we can seek to make in 2024. David has stepped back for the time being, so Al is looking for one or two enthusiastic people to help on the Group moving forward.

Many thanks

Al Gillian

Deanery Synod Report

Oldham and Ashton Deanery Synod met in February, July, and October of 2023.

Topics discussed included - Social Action through "Growing Good", Deanery Mission Action Planning, Working with Manchester Diocesan Board of Education to build strong relationships between our Churches and Schools, and Safeguarding, along with regular updates on clergy vacancies and Eco Church.

Fund Raising and Social Committee

In December 2023 we held our annual Christmas Fayre in the Parish Hall, and this was a great success. We had plenty of helpers beforehand and on the day, which made things much easier. The net amount that we raised was £1,367.09 (after costs).

We had the usual stalls including a selection of tombola stalls, home-bake, face painting, jingle jars, raffle and our café plus other stalls.

Santa was able to join us and the children, parents, grandparents and other adults accompanying them had a good time.

The feedback that I had from people was that it was really well organised and that everybody looked like they were enjoying themselves, which is great.

Our next fundraising event planned for Saturday 1st June 2024 which is a Fundraising fashion show presented by Colours Fundraising Fashion Shows. I need help in advance selling tickets £5.00 and also raffle tickets £1.00 per strip of 5 tickets.

We do have other ideas of things that we can hold including an afternoon tea, games afternoon/evening for all the family to enjoy.

We also need more people to join us on our Fundraising & Social Committee helping us in advance with planning of events and also at the events, and coming up with additional ideas to raise money for our Church. The more people who are prepared to help the more events we can hold.

Sue Willett

Lydgate Community Association Report

2023 has ended with hall usage going through something of a transition. The Ballet School has moved away to new premises and the Scout Group has ceased meeting through dwindling numbers. Ideally the trustees would like to see the Scout Group re-emerge, but this will require new leaders and parent-volunteers to come forward. Maybe the answer to that is to build up a new group by starting with a "Squirrel Drey" for 4-6-year olds and follow it with a Beaver Colony, then Cubs then Scouts!

The loss of the 2 groups has been a "double-edged sword", it has made the hall more accessible for Saturday parties, but the loss of rental income has had to be addressed. The trustees have quickly looked to reduce overheads and particularly the utility costs, as the favourable contracts came to an end in October and, inevitably the costs increased. A letter has been sent to all user groups asking for help to keep the costs down, heating times and temperatures have been adjusted to more closely match need.

In terms of repairs and refurbishment, the focus has largely centred on maintenance and no big projects inside. Outside, however, we had the opportunity to replace the rest of the damaged tarmac to the front and north side of the building thanks to a very generous donation from the Late Margaret Merckel. An additional bench has also been added in her memory. Tentative plans to use the grounds to create a community garden have been shelved, as there are insufficient funds available (grant applications were unsuccessful), but there is also a concern that there would not be enough volunteers to make it a success. The rear area of the grounds will receive some attention in 2024, although the trustees are still discussing what use can be made of that area that will add value to the offering as community hub.

Towards the end of the year, it became apparent that some remedial work is going to be needed to the flat roofed areas as there is evidence of water ingress. The PCC is seeking quotes to address all of the structural issues raised by the survey conducted in early 2022, but will need a successful grant application(s) to raise the necessary funds. In the meantime, there is a need for urgent attention to stop the water ingress, as soon as it can be achieved in 2024.

It is impossible to list everyone that has helped with all the ongoing work, but the Trustees are anxious to offer their grateful thanks to everyone that has for their hard and loving efforts. It is appropriate to single out Jennifer for her untiring work and leadership. We have also welcomed new trustees: Councillor Max Woodvine, Dave Marshall and Sara Mitchell and the trustees are also grateful to all the individuals that provide their support for the project by continuing to contribute through our membership scheme.

The hall is here for the whole community, so if you wish to be involved or make use of the facilities, please contact one of the Trustees.

Al Gillian (Chair), Jennifer Greenwood, Frank Boocock, Rachel Damianou, Henry Burbidge, Simon Edge, Julie Whitehead, Councillor Max Woodvine, Dave Marshall and Sara Mitchell

Coffee Team

Coffee and tea are usually served after every 11 am Sunday service thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers. Our contribution to our three charities to the end of our financial year at 31st December 2023 was £616.78 which will be donated equally between the charities. This figure was up by £178 on last year.

Coffee is usually served in the Parish Hall on our new and brightly coloured comfy chairs and more and more folk do seem to be enjoying a sit down and natter after the service. The hall is now also regularly used for parties which is a great source of income towards continuing to renovate the hall. It does however mean that coffee needs to be served at the back of church if the hall is in use. Some people find this more convenient for a quick coffee after the service, some find it too crowded. It remains a moot point as to where is best but hopefully the combination goes some way to accommodate everyone.

Thank you to everyone who has, brewed up, cleaned up, donated biscuits, collected and counted our donations, shared a cuppa and donated!

Card Distribution Report

An estimated 2750 cards were distributed at both Easter and Christmas by the team of 41 volunteers. Once again distributions included St Anne's school in Lydgate, and the Care Homes / elderly accommodations at The Old Mill House, Hood Square and Lido House, all in Grotton.

Pleasing to report that we retained all our volunteers and so we just have the one vacancy round still available although this is not a pressing matter at the moment.

Special thanks to Freya (aged 5) and Mark (aged 9) for their superb card designs at Easter and Christmas and of course to all the children who assisted.

It should be noted that the Christmas cards were received in record time and a BIG thankyou to the Production Team for their efforts. Thanks also to Chris at Colormania for the service he provides in printing the cards.

A reminder that we do have a list for deliveries to people living outside the Parish and any new contacts will always be welcomed.

Richard Buckley

Flower Team

We continue to be a small team of just 2 regular members but we would be happy to grow our team, so please get in touch if you would like to learn more about what we do and feel that you can help. Your involvement can be as big or as small as you can manage. Easter, Harvest or Christmas times can be a good point to start as that is when we decorate church together as a team and there would be an opportunity to watch us and also get involved yourself.

There are a few weeks during the year when we don't have a sponsor, so if you would like to remember an event, date or person in your life by sponsoring a flower arrangement at the altar, please contact Tracey Manifold. Flowers usually cost £25 and the arrangement is initially arranged to be displayed by the altar and as flowers generally last at least 2 weeks, they are then moved to be displayed by the curate's chair or to the memorial table in the porch.

Dates still available in 2024/25

June - middle weeks

August - all weeks

February - all weeks if not lent

Junior Church

My name is Rachel Edge and I took over Junior church in February last year. In that time I have managed to increase the number of volunteers to 6 which now enables us to do Junior Church every week. This in turn has increased the numbers attending significantly.

Last Easter on Easter Sunday we did an Easter Egg hunt which was very popular with the children and will now become an annual event for us going forward.

We also combined the Christmas service with the carol service which proved to be a very popular event and might be worth looking into again.

We also have a long term plan for the children to help create a new banner for us to carry in the whit walks. I will also open this as a competition at school and if the children would like to submit a picture that would be used. I thought it might be an idea to launch this after this year's Whit Friday so the ideas are all fresh in the children's minds and then we have enough time to get it sewn and sorted for the following year. We have a volunteers meeting at the end of the month to discuss this further.

Girl Guides

I run the 20th Oldham Guide unit, who meet in the Parish Hall from 7-8.30pm every Thursday. We currently have 11 girls and have 3 waiting to move up when they are 10. The Guides enjoy crafting, playing sporty games in the big hall and, of course, doing badges. Last week we joined the Rangers for a yoga session (Meditation badge) and for the last few weeks the girls have learned to sew and are working on their Fixing and Upcycling badges. We're planning a camping trip in summer, so after Easter we'll be preparing for that and hopefully doing some outdoor games once the weather is better and the days are lighter.

Lisa Carter

Safeguarding Policy – Promoting a Safer Church

The following policy is to be agreed at the next Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

The Parish will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

POLICY STATEMENT ON CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & THE CHURCH

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored. This will be read at the next PCC meeting.

As members of this Church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people.

- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.

- Our Church is committed to following the Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Manchester Diocese Handbook of Policy and Procedures.

- Each worker with children and young people must have a clear Disclosure & Barring Service Certificate; undertake diocesan Safeguarding training; know the guidelines & undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures & good practice guidelines. They shall also have an interview with the Church Wardens before commencing their role.

- Our Church is committed to supporting and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.

- As part of our commitment to children and young people the PCC has appointed ……to be the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

- The parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines can be viewed by asking the Church Warden or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Children and young people are an important part of our Church today. They have much to give as well as to receive. We will listen to them as we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life. We will respect the wishes and feelings of children and young people.

Review date: March 2025

POLICY STATEMENT ON SAFEGUARDING OF ADULTS

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored. This will be read at the next PCC meeting.

1. We recognise that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in our lives.
2. As members of this parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults to whom we minister.
3. We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
4. We commit ourselves to promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust.
5. The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who may be vulnerable.
6. It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable people and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
7. We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with people who may be vulnerable.
8. The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people who may be vulnerable.
9. The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese.
10. Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

Review date: March 2025

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

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Financial Statements

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Financial Report

Our biggest challenges during 2023 have been ensuring sufficient income to meet the ever-increasing demands of Parish Share against the backdrop of climate-led storm damage to our two buildings, increasing energy prices and the need to focus our resources on doing our bit to help address the climate crisis, work towards our Gold A Rocha Gold Award and try to achieve net zero by 2030.

Success is only possible within the context of community and our aim has and must always be to provide a place where people can discover Jesus and develop their Christian faith.

Lets see how our finances performed:

Income [Pages A10/A11]

- The year has seen a further reduction in Voluntary income. When Bequests are excluded the drop is c. £3250. Planned Giving is up very slightly, but loose plate collections are down by more and at £4,249 we need to encourage regular committed giving, especially from our newer members.
- Inevitably, after 60 Baptisms in 2022, there were fewer last year, but they still generated a very healthylevel of collections [£1,942 compared to £3,664].
- A very wise person once told me that if you want people to give more to the church, they have to be made to feel welcome and loved and they will then be encouraged to support financially. Are we all committed to offering a loving welcome to everyone that comes through our doors?
- The 200 Club a slightly larger contribution to funds at £1,448 and events raised a net £1,815 [2022: £1,979] so a further fall. This included a net amount of £1,367 from the Christmas Fayre.
- Fee income fell quite significantly [down £4,538 to £6,371] with far fewer weddings [only 4 and 1 Blessing] a situation likely to be repeated in 2024.
- Investment income rose slightly to £680 and the fall in value in 2022 has reversed with revaluation gains of £11,547 despite the sharp increase in investment balances resulting from the the bequests. We found it necessary to withdraw £11,000 towards the end of the year to meet cash flow requirements.
- We received a grant of £330 from Manchester Diocese, as did every other church in the Diocese, to alleviate our energy costs. As expected, they have risen significantly with 2023 contract renewals.
- We have received £5,000 in bequests during 2023, both from the Late Nancy Gale, a long-standing member of our church until she became too frail: we received £3,00 for the upkeep of the Fabric and £2,000 for maintenance of the Garden of Remembrance and churchyard.

Expenditure [Pages A12/A13]

- Despite only being able to pay £40,000 of Parish Share in 2022, the assessment for 2023 was£67,521.96 only limited by the 10|%maximum increase rule. We no longer have the reserves to dip into, so we set a target of £40,000 again and just managed to achieve it by utilising some of the General Fund balance we had kept in reserve in 2022. That balance is now just £2,584 and yet our assessment for 2024 has risen to £74,274! Following a meeting with the Diocese this was reduced to £37,000, £38,850 for 2025 and £40,800 for 2026.
- Our Team costs are up slightly at £8,150.64 [2022 £7,306] and these have been apportioned across the lines of Clergy expenses, Parsonage Houses, Pastoral Care, Salaries and Administration.
- Mission & Evangelism was our continuing valuable investment in our parish children by the gift of Bibles to the pupils in School's Year 6 and Reception classes enabled by generous matching donations. We also saw an increase in the cost of Whit Friday, but is unavoidable as an important part of our Christian witness.
- The inevitable happened at the end of October when we had to move to new gas and electricity tariffs. We will see quite a steep rise, which we will have to manage as best we can. I would expect the cost in 2024 to be a combined c. £6,000 just over double 2023. The new LED lights should help to alleviate the elctricty costs and the cost of £2,535 is seen as a valuable investment to help reduce our carbon footprint.
- With the increasing severity of climate change, we can expect to see more storms leading to continuing problems with the roof. Repairs cost £5,172 in 2023 [2022: £3,048]. Of necessity this has been funded out of Bequest money.
- The Upkeep of Churchyard figure of £2,202 includes 4 Bronze Plaques [£533 paid for by families] and £228 on new equipment.
- All Parish Hall Direct Debits are now going to the LCA bank account and we have ckleared the remaining gas and electric charges
- There is concern about the integrity of the flat roof(s) at the rear of the parish hall and, as this is Church's responsibility, we will have to find the resources to meet any repair bill; quotes are being obtained.

Moving Forward

- There has been very little progress, so far in obtaining grants for the medium to long-term structural repairs, so this will need to receive some attention, as highlighted by the flat roof problem. It would be good to see some progress in 2024.
- As reported a year ago the very generous bequests give us an unexpected opportunity to consider how to: (1) make the building secure structurally (roof and pointing) (2) take out running costs, such as energy by generating our own (3) use some or all of the funds as seed capital to raise grant funding for a larger development programme. These funds have to be spent on the Parish work and building, but also give us a valuable chance to look at reducing church's carbon footprint. This makes option (2) an area of considerable interest as we work towards our Gold ECO award.
- Our available funds are;

Restricted Funds:	£104,027
Designated Funds:	£2,336
Unrestricted Funds:	£2,703
Total Available Funds:	**£109,066**

(The nominal value of the Parish Hal (£90,000) increases this to £199,066)

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

21st April 2024

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
Chartered Accountant
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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2023 £	FUNDS 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2						
Voluntary Income	a	48,708.59	5.00	6,209.21	-	**54,922.80**	138,999
Activities for Generating Funds	b	6.00	5,148.07	-	-	**5,154.07**	4,965
Investment Income	c	680.23	-	-	-	**680.23**	609
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	6,033.00	-	338.00	-	**6,371.00**	10,915
Other Incoming Resources	e	330.00	-	-	-	**330.00**	1,250
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**55,757.82**	**5,153.07**	**6,547.21**	-	**67,458.10**	156,737
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3						
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	551.96	1,920.80	-	-	**2,472.76**	2,043
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	-	846.00	-	**846.00**	381
Charitable Activities	c	63,980.35	- 53.58	962.07	-	**64,888.84**	64,163
Other Resources Used	d	-	2,760.33	4,946.67	-	**7,707.00**	7,473
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**64,532.31**	**4,627.55**	**6,754.74**	-	**75,914.60**	74,060
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(8,774.49)**	**525.52**	**(207.53)**	-	**(8,456.50)**	82,677
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**3,268.27**	-	-	-	**3,268.27**	7,891
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		-	**(3,268.27)**	-	-	**(3,268.27)**	(7,891)
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		**644.36**	**626.56**	**10,275.74**	-	**11,546.66**	(1,908)
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**	115,207
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**2,703.24**	**2,336.12**	**194,026.47**	-	**199,065.83**	195,976

The note on pages A9 to A18 form part of these accounts.

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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2					
Voluntary Income	a	52,115.16	333.60	86,550.20	-	**138,998.96**
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	4,904.50	60.00	-	**4,964.50**
Investment Income	c	608.77	-	-	-	**608.77**
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	10,914.99	-	-	-	**10,914.99**
Other Incoming Resources	e	1,250.00	-	-	-	**1,250.00**
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**64,888.92**	**5,238.10**	**86,610.20**	-	**156,737.22**
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	504.49	1,538.96	-	-	**2,043.45**
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	-	381.00	-	**381.00**
Charitable Activities	c	63,547.96	447.93	166.86	-	**64,162.75**
Other Resources Used	d	-	7,473.00	-	-	**7,473.00**
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**64,052.45**	**9,459.89**	**547.86**	-	**74,060.20**
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**836.47**	**(4,221.79)**	**86,062.34**	-	**82,677.02**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**3,351.54**	**4,539.33**	-	-	**7,890.87**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		**(4,539.33)**	**(3,351.54)**	-	-	**(7,890.87)**
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		**(1,693.75)**	**(944.49)**	**730.12**	-	**(1,908.12)**
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**

The note on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2023

Notes		2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
	Fixed assets				
5A	Tangible assets	90,000		90,000	
5B	Investments	102,097		101,550	
	Total fixed assets		**192,097**		191,550
	Current assets				
6	Debtors	3,289		2,437	
7	Cash at bank and in hand	5,572		4,104	
	Total current assets	**8,861**		6,541	
	Current liabilities				
8	Amounts falling due within one year	1,892		2,115	
	Net current assets		**6,969**		4,425
	Total assets		**199,066**		195,976
4	***Funds***				
9	Unrestricted Funds		2,703		7,565
9	Designated Funds		2,336		4,452
9	Restricted Funds		194,027		183,958
9	Endowment Funds		-		-
	Total Funds		**199,066**		195,976

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 21st April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Sachin Awale _____

Mr Paul Roberts _____

Mr Alastair Gillian _____

The notes on pages A9 to A18 form part of these accounts

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the FRS102. 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 such members.

b) Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Designated funds are general funds which have been reserved by the PCC for specific purposes indicated in the fund title.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

c) Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received. Tax reclaimed under Gift Aid is recognized when received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends and interest are accounted for when received and is attributed to each fund on the basis of the amount invested and the age of the investment. Unrealised investment gains are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other income is recognized when it is received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

d) Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. Payments to the diocesan common fund are accounted for when paid. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. Unrealised investment losses are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other expenditure is generally recognized when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

e) Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

It is the Trustees policy not to undertake a formal revaluation of land and buildings and no depreciation is provided in their respect as the currently estimated residual value (discounted for monetary inflation since capitalisation) is not less than the carrying value and the remaining useful life of this asset currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charge would be immaterial. If, in the future, the carrying value of the building should look greater than the current value on this basis an impairment review will be carried out and any resultant loss included in expenditure for that year.

f) Investments

Investments are valued at market value based on mid-market prices at 31 December.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

2 INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
a) Voluntary Income	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid - Bank Standing Orders	24,787.00	-	-	-	**24,787.00**	24,422
Gift Aid - Envelopes	3,107.05	-	-	-	**3,107.05**	3,449
One-off Gift Aid	174.96	-	-	-	**174.96**	131
Tax Recovered under Gift Aid	8,734.56	-	-	-	**8,734.56**	9,522
Other Planned Giving	1,850.00	-	-	-	**1,850.00**	1,750
Non-Gift Aid Standing Orders	632.00	-	-	-	**632.00**	647
Contactless Giving	201.87	-	-	-	**201.87**	134
Loose Collections	4,249.18	-	-	-	**4,249.18**	4,763
Sunday Refreshments	-	-	538.86	-	**538.86**	619
Baptism Collections	1,942.52	-	-		**1,942.52**	3,664
Donations	2,904.45	5.00	135.00	-	**3,044.45**	3,531
Sanctuary Lamp Donations	125.00	-	-	-	**125.00**	185
Candle Donations	-	-	79.15	-	**79.15**	77
FlowerDonations	-	-	456.20	-	**456.20**	104
Legacies & Bequests	-	-	5,000.00	-	**5,000.00**	86,001
Total	**48,708.59**	**5.00**	**6,209.21**	**-**	**54,922.80**	138,999
b) Activities for Generating Funds						
Festive Fair	-	1,875.48	-	-	**1,875.48**	-
May Queen Events	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fundraising Events	-	412.59	-	-	**412.59**	**2,084.50**
200 Subscriptions	-	2,860.00	-	-	**2,860.00**	**2,880.00**
Book Income	6.00	-	-	-	**6.00**	-
Total	**6.00**	**5,148.07**	**-**	**-**	**5,154.07**	4,965
c) Investment Income						
CBF Interest	680.23	-	-	-	**680.23**	609
Total	**680.23**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**680.23**	609
d) Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	£	£	£	£	£	£
Statutory PCC Fees	2,134.00	-	-	-	**2,134.00**	**7,353.00**
Other PCC Fees	100.00	-	-	-	**100.00**	**100.00**
Statutory Churchyard Fees	3,394.00	-	338.00	-	**3,732.00**	**3,199.99**
Other Churchyard Fees	405.00	-	-	-	**405.00**	**262.00**
Total	**6,033.00**	**-**	**338.00**	**-**	**6,371.00**	10,915

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

2 INCOMING RESOURCES (Continued)	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
e) Non-recurring income	£	£	£	£	£	£
Manchester DBF Heating Grant	330.00	-	-	-	**330.00**	1,250
Total	**330.00**	-	-	-	**330.00**	1,250
Total Incoming Resources	**55,757.82**	**5,153.07**	**6,547.21**	-	**67,458.10**	156,737.22

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	TOTAL FUNDS 2022
a) Cost of Generating Funds	£	£	£	£	£	£
Broadband & Contactless	343.91	0.29	-	-	**344.20**	350
Fundraising Expenses	-	472.51	-	-	**472.51**	105
200 Club Prizes	-	1,448.00	-	-	**1,448.00**	1,433
FWO & Gift Aid Envelopes	208.05	-	-	-	**208.05**	155
Total	**551.96**	**1,920.80**	-	-	**2,472.76**	2,043
b) Mission & Charitable Giving						
Secular Charities						
Lydgate Community Association CIO	-	-	262.00	-	**262.00**	127
Diabetes UK	-	-	262.00	-	**262.00**	-
Toilet Twinning	-	-	322.00	-	**322.00**	-
Medicins Sans Frontiers	-	-	-	-	-	127
Traidcraft Exhange	-	-	-	-	-	127
Emmaus	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	-	**846.00**	-	**846.00**	381

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED (continued)	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	2022
c) Charitable Activities						
Parish Share	40,000.00	-	-	-	**40,000.00**	40,000
Working Expenses of Incumbent	456.44	-	-	-	**456.44**	668
Parsonage House Costs	1,418.21	-	-	-	**1,418.21**	1,325
Other Clergy Costs	546.09	-	-	-	**546.09**	539
Pastoral Care Costs	578.70	-	-	-	**578.70**	519
Mission & Evangelism	1,095.54	-	-	-	**1,095.54**	1,161
Mission & Evangelism - Whit Friday	700.00	-	-	-	**700.00**	575
Church Upkeep - Gas	2,125.64	-	-	-	**2,125.64**	1,913
Church Upkeep - Electricity	827.88	-	-	-	**827.88**	531
Church Upkeep - Insurance	2,808.96	-	-	-	**2,808.96**	2,522
Church Upkeep - Water	39.59	-	-	-	**39.59**	64
Church Upkeep - Cleaning	1,404.00	-	-	-	**1,404.00**	1,430
Minor Repairs to Church	-	-	-	-	-	161
Routine Church Maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	780
Church Renewals	257.67	-	321.60	-	**579.27**	479
Upkeep of Services	872.13	-	327.22	-	**1,199.35**	1,070
Upkeep of Churchyard	1,973.36	-	228.25	-	**2,201.61**	2,662
Books Purchased	-	-	-	-	-	29
Risograph Supplies	150.38	-	-	-	**150.38**	193
Hall Electricity	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hall Gas	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hall Water	-	(53.58)	-	-	**(53.58)**	114
Hall Repairs & Renewals	-	-	-	-	-	334
Sundry Expenses	-	-	85.00	-	**85.00**	-
Honoraria, Salaries & Wages	5,515.46	-	-	-	**5,515.46**	4,436
Church Copyright & Music Licences	835.36	-	-	-	**835.36**	508
Bank Charges	139.89	-	-	-	**139.89**	147
Stationery & Postage	117.31	-	-	-	**117.31**	255
Team Administration	1,825.74	-	-	-	**1,825.74**	1,573
Subscriptions & Donations	292.00	-	-	-	**292.00**	175
Total	**63,980.35**	**(53.58)**	**962.07**	**-**	**64,888.84**	64,163
d) Other Resources Used						
Chruch Roof Repairs	-	1,128.00	4,044.00	-	**5,172.00**	3,048
Convert Church Lights to LED	-	1,632.33	902.67	-	**2,535.00**	4,425
Total	**-**	**2,760.33**	**4,946.67**	**-**	**7,707.00**	7,473
Total Resources Used	**64,532.31**	**4,627.55**	**6,754.74**	**-**	**75,914.60**	74,060

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2023

4(a) NET POSITION, TRANSFERS, REVALUATIONS AND TOTAL BALANCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2023	2022
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	**(8,774.49)**	**525.52**	**(207.53)**	-	**(8,456.50)**	82,677
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In	3,268.27	-	-	-	**3,268.27**	7,891
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out	-	(3,268.27)	-	-	**(3,268.27)**	(7,891)
Gains/(losses) on investment revaluation	644.36	626.56	10,275.74	-	**11,546.66**	(1,908)
Balances B/Forward on 1st January	**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**	115,207
Balances C/Forward on 31 December	**2,703.24**	**2,336.12**	**194,026.47**	-	**199,065.83**	195,976

4(b) ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2023 £	2022 £
Tangible Assets	-	-	90,000.00	-	**90,000.00**	90,000
Investment Assets						
Income Shares	5,090.12	4,954.38	-	-	**10,044.50**	19,774
Accumulation Shares	-	-	92,052.41		**92,052.41**	81,777
CBF Deposits	2,471.44	-	-	-	**2,471.44**	1,791
Current Assets (excluding CBF Deposits)	(4,239.77)	(2,618.26)	13,247.56	-	**6,389.53**	4,750
Less Current Liabilities	618.55	-	1,273.50	-	**1,892.05**	2,115
Total	**2,703.24**	**2,336.12**	**194,026.47**	-	**199,065.83**	195,976

During the year the PCC did not employ anyone. In accordance with Diocesan instructions, payments to those assisting with Occasional Services are held within Agency Collections and not shown within income and expenditure.

PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

Mr A Gillian received an honorarium of £200 along with fees of £788 which have been paid to him in connection with his duties as Sexton and these have then been donated back to church. A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to her services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

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5 ANALYSIS OF FIXED ASSETS

5A Tangible Assets	Freehold Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Investments	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or Valuation					
On 1st January	90,000	-	101,550	191,550	113,458
Additions/Revaluation Gain(Loss)	-	-	11,547	11,547	78,092
Disposals	-	-	11,000	11,000	-
On 31st December	**90,000**	-	**102,097**	**192,097**	**191,550**
Depreciation:					
On 1st January	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the Year	-	-	-	-	-
Deduct for disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	-	-	-	-	-
Net Book Value:					
On 1st January	90,000	-	23,458	113,458	110,498
On 31st December	**90,000**	-	**102,097**	**192,097**	**191,550**

The freehold land & building is the Parish Hall, which is owned by Manchester Diocesan Board of Finance and held in trust for the Parish. It was last valued in 1999, but the PCC is of the opinion that there is no benefit in incurring the cost of revaluation at this time, although this is likely to be considerably in excess of the figure quoted. Equally there is not deemed to be any need to make a provision for depreciation (see more detailed comment on page A9).

The church building is a consecrated property and is excluded from the financial statements by virtue of section 10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. The church buildings and contents were insured for 2023 by Trinitas Church Insurance Services for £6,663,071 [building] and £173,425 [contents]. The Parish Hall insurance was transferred to Trinitas Church Insurance Services from renewal on 24th June 2020 and is insured for £1,053,194 (buildings) and £21,490 (contents). The cost of indemnity insurance for the Trustees of Lydgate Community Association CIO (LCA) is now being paid for by the LCA.

5B Investment Assets	2023	2022
	£	£
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Income Shares	10,045	19,774
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Accumulation Shares	92,052	81,777
	102,097	101,550

6 Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£
Debtors	3,289	2,437
	3,289	2,437

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash	14	284
Flower Fund Cash	85	85
HSBC Current Account	2,828	1,814
CBF Deposit Account	2,471	1,791
NatWest 200 Club	94	130
	5,493	4,104

8 Creditors	2023	2022
	£	£
Amounts falling due within 1 year	619	674
Agency collections	1,274	1,442
	1,892	2,115

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund		Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund	
		Restricted	Designated				Restricted	Designated
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	**7,565**	**84,472**	**4,040**	**569**	**128**	**903**	**2,080**	**-**
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	48,709	-	-	456	-	85	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	680	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	6,033	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	330	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	**55,758**	**-**	**-**	**456**	**-**	**85**	**-**	**-**
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	552	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	63,980	-	-	327	-	85	322	-
Other Resources Used	-	2,676	2,760	-	-	903	-	-
Total Resources Expended	**64,532**	**2,676**	**2,760**	**327**	**-**	**988**	**322**	**-**
Net Income	**(8,774)**	**(2,676)**	**(2,760)**	**129**	**-**	**(903)**	**(322)**	**-**
Revaluation	644	10,142	627	-	-	-	134	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	3,268	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund		Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund	
		Restricted	Designated				Restricted	Designated
Fund Balances C/Forward	**2,703**	**91,938**	**1,906**	**698**	**128**	**0**	**1,892**	**-**

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	2,040	243	-	155	621	-	477	90,000
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	3,020	-	5	-	648	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	2,288	2,860	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	3,020	-	2,293	2,860	648	-	-	-
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	473	1,448	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	846	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	1,368	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	1,368	-	473	1,448	846	-	-	
Net Income	1,652	-	1,820	1,412	(198)	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	(1,820)	(1,448)	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
Fund Balances C/Forward	3,692	243	-	119	423	-	477	90,000

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund		Roof Appeal (Restricted	Garden of Remembrance & Churchyard (Restricted	Agency Collections Outstanding Fee	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
		Restricted	Designated					
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	2,670	14	-	-	-	195,976	115,207
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	-	-	-	-	2,000	-	54,923	138,999
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,154	4,965
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	680	609
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	338	6,371	10,915
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	330	1,250
Total Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	2,000	338	67,458	156,737
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,473	2,043
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-	846	381
Charitable Activities	(54)	-	-	-	228	-	64,889	64,163
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,707	7,473
Total Resources Expended	(54)	-	-	-	228	-	75,915	74,060
Net Income	54	-	-	-	1,772	338	(8,456)	82,677
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,547	(1,908)
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund		Roof Appeal (Restricted)	Garden of Remembrance & Churchyard (Restricted)	Agency Collections Outstanding Fee	TOTAL 2023	TOTAL 2022
		Restricted	Designated					
Fund Balances C/Forward	54	2,670	14	-	1,772	338	199,066	195,976

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Audio Visual Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted income and donations from parishioners for the purchase of audio visual equipment. Costs are shown where necessary to generate income.

Bequest & Donation Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted bequest, legacies and legacies where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of Vicar and Wardens).

Bequest & Donation Fund (Designated) - this fund is used to store monies that have been given to the church, where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of the Vicar and Wardens) or it has been agreed with the donor that the funds will be used for the benefit of St Anne's Church. The PCC has agreed that these funds are all designated.

Flower Fund (Restricted) - receives donations from parishioners and expenditure to the purchase of flowers and associated items.

Clock & Tower Maintenance Fund (Restricted) - holds the residual donations from the PCC's Clock Appeal and also receives occasional donations specifically for future maintenance costs.

Choir Fund (Restricted) - receives donations and choristers' fees from occasional services, which are used to fund music and choir supplies combined as restricted.

200 Club (Designated) - receives subscriptions for draw numbers and pays out 50% of income in monthly prizes. Balance of income is transferred to General Fund at year end.

ECO Fund (Restricted) - Has received the proceeds of May Queen Francesca's fundraising for church to be spent on ecological activities undertaken by church.

Fabric Fund (Restricted & Designated) - receives donations provided specifically for maintenance of the fabric and monies earmarked by the PCC for various fabric related projects.

Fundraising (Designated) - collects proceeds of events, which are then distributed as directed by the PCC.

Mission Fund (Restricted) - receives charitable collections - distributed to agreed charities as directed at Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Parish Hall Capital Fund (Restricted) - the value of the Parish Hall - last valued in 1999.

Parish Hall General Fund (Designated) - used for management of day-to-day income and expenditure on the hall. Surplus has been transferred to Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund in recent years.

Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund (Restricted) - collected funds have been utilised for repairs and improvements and the residual balance transferred to Lydgate Community Association CIO in recognition of its role as ongoing manager of the hall, including improvements to the internal accommodation. Fund now closed.

Roof Appeal (Restricted) - opened to receive donations towards major roof repairs. Small residual balance cleared from Clock & Tower Fund in recognition of the element relating to the repairs to the gulley adjacent to the Tower.

Garden of Remembrance & Churchyard Fund (Restricted) - has received income from a bequest specifically for the maintenance of these two areas.

Youth Ministry Fund (Restricted) - receives income from fundraising, disposal as directed by the PCC following the recommendations of the Church youth groups and their leaders.

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

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21st April 2024

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ending 31st December 2022

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St Anne's Church, Lydgate, Oldham

Sunday 26th March
in Church immediately after the 11.00am service

Annual (Vestry) Meeting of the Parishioners
Agenda

Election of the Church Wardens for the year 2023/24

Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Agenda

1. Opening Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the APCM held 8th May 2022
4. Presentation of the General Report
5. Treasurer's Financial Report
6. Electoral Roll Report
7. Child Protection Report
8. Elections of;
   - PCC members
   - Deanery Synod Representatives
   - Charities to Support
   - Examiner of accounts

Date of next PCC meeting: 16th May 2023

St Anne's Lydgate, 2022 Annual Vestry and APCM Minutes – Sunday 8th May 2022

Present: Revd Canon Sharon Jones (in the Chair), Revd Pat Gillian, Al Gillian (Treasurer), Anne Smith, John Pearson (acting Minute Secretary), Sue Willett, Susan Fleming, Jennifer Greenwood, Gwen Morton, Kath Hodges, Rachel Damianou, Margaret Schofield, Danos Damianou, Kath Kershaw, Liz and Ian Brocklehurst, Dorothy Clarke, Molly Ellis

Apologies: Jo Coxon, Neil Davies, Dave Marshall, Natalie Doran

Sharon thanked all those who had done all the preparation and copying of documents in preparation for the meeting and particularly Anne Smith and Sue Willett. John Pearson agreed to take the minutes.

Annual Easter vestry meeting

Sharon announced that Anne Smith was standing down as Church Warden and thanked Anne for all her excellent work in that role. Sharon asked if there were any nominations for Church Warden. There were none.

Sharon asked if there were any nominations for Deputy Church Warden.

The following agreed to stand as deputy church wardens:

- John Pearson
- David Lloyd
- Anne Smith
- Jennifer Greenwood

There were no objections so all will stand as deputy church wardens over the next year.

There being no further business the Annual Vestry closed.

Annual Parishioners Council Meeting

Approval of the minutes of the APCM held 25th April 2021

No amendments to the minutes had been requested. Therefore the Minutes were approved as being an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Presentation of the General Report

The General Report had been distributed prior to this meeting

Sharon thanked Sue and Anne for arranging for all the necessary paperwork for the meeting to be copied. There were no questions regarding the report

Treasurer's Financial Report

Sharon thanked Al Gillian for the report and accounts.

Income - Al mentioned that the closure as a result of the Pandemic affected income particularly as there were no Wednesday services for some time. There were problems with HSBC Bank who changed the name on the accounts and this affected online payments. Some 200 Club members have been lost. The investments were doing well, £3000 in the year. There have been 2 grants towards Church LED lights and from the Council for the path.

Expenditure – As we could only gather for 9 months in the year there was reduced income which led to only £40000 being available for the Parish Share of £61384, set for this year. Team costs have reduced. Bibles have been provided for year 6 and reception classes at a cost of £1062. Well worth the expense and covered by a generous donation. Heating has been reduced from 12 to 11 degrees. Gas and electricity are on a contract but will increase. £3000 has been spent to keep the roof watertight. The Parish Hall has received Grants of £20000 from the Council which will help to provide help for the lonely and isolated and a drop in centre – also a community garden. Al reminded the meeting that the PCC is responsible for the Parish Hall. £12000 was needed initially but more has been requested. £9600 is available in the accounts. The stipend of £48000 includes provision of housing and pension costs.

There being no questions the financial report was accepted unanimously.

Sharon thanked Pat, Al and other non-stipendiary clergy for their help.

Electoral Roll Report

Rachel Damianou, our Electoral Roll Officer, referred to her report which had been included in the General Report. Sharon thanked Rachel for her work in maintaining the Roll and for continuing in this role.

Child Protection and Safeguarding Report

Susan Fleming, our Safeguarding Officer, read out the Safe Church Policy and her formal report. Susan also made reference to her report which had been included in the General Report. Disclosure checks are now required every 3 years. Philip Williamson is now Susan's supervisor.

No questions were raised. Susan announced that as nobody has come forward to replace her she very kindly agreed to carry on until a replacement can be appointed.

Sharon thanked Susan for her work and emphasised the importance of her role.

Elections of the following roles

Parochial Church Council

The following people stood for election for the Parochial Church Council.

Dave Marshall, John Pearson, Sue Willett, Al Gillian (as Treasurer), Revd Canon Sharon Jones, Revd Pat Gillian, Sam Lowe, Neil Davies David Lloyd Jo Coxon Natalie Doran and Danos Damianou.

The meeting was unanimously in favour of electing all of the above.

Examiner of Accounts for 2022

Mike Royle was proposed and accepted as independent examiner of the accounts for another year

Charities

The following were proposed as our chosen charities for the year – Toilet Twinning, Lydgate Community Association and Diabetes UK. These were accepted unanimously.

Any other Business

There being no further business the meeting closed.

Administrative Information

Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has powers to transact the business of the P.C.C. between its meetings subject to any directions given to it by the Council. Its members are:

Team Rector; Churchwarden (currently vacant); PCC Vice-Chair; PCC Secretary; Treasurer; Chair of the Building Committee; and Worship Committee Representative.

Church Buildings Committee

- To maintain the fabric and grounds of the church buildings within the finance available.
- To consider and recommend improvements to the economic use of the buildings and grounds.
- To consider and recommend how the buildings and grounds might be altered to the benefit of the various uses of them.
- To organise any repairs, improvements or alterations when agreed by the PCC.
- To arrange the use of the Parish Hall to the mutual benefit and enjoyment of all the users.

Worship Committee

- To explore the nature of our worship, the service we hold and the liturgy and music they contain.
- To consult the congregation on matters of worship and discuss findings with the Team Rector.
- To discuss changes were appropriate.

Fund Raising Committee

- To organise social activities within the life of the Church.
- To organise fundraising activities for the benefit of the Church and Parish Hall.

Task Groups

- These are set up for specific purposes and then disbanded.

The Parochial Church Council - Objectives and Activities

The primary object of St Anne's Parochial Church Council is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It also has responsibility for co-operation with the Team Rector in promoting throughout the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Members of the PCC since the last APCM are:

Mrs Joanne Coxon
Miss Natalie Doran
Mr Danos Damianou
Mr Neil Davies
Mr Al Gillian (Co-Opted Member & Treasurer)
Rev'd Patricia Gillian (Ex Officio Member)
Rev'd Canon Sharon Jones (Chair)
Mr David Lloyd
Mrs Sam Lowe
Mr David Marshall
Mr John Pearson
Mrs Susan Willett

Church Services

The following services were held in St Anne's Church during the year from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022:

		2022	**2021 Comparison**
Sunday Services:	Eucharist	42	30
	Service of the Word	10	9
	Other Sunday Services	4	2
Weekday Eucharist			2
Weekday Family Service		50	16
Other Weekday Services		11	6
Baptism Services		60	21
Marriage Services	Including a renewal of vows	19	13
Burial & Funeral Services		9	14
Internment of Ashes		12	8
Total of all Services		**217**	**121**

Reports

Electoral Roll Officer's Report

Every six years it is a legal requirement to completely revise our Electoral Roll. Everyone then needs to fill in an application to the Roll form and we did this four years ago. This usually results in a trimmed down roll initially.

At our year end last December there were 94 members on the Electoral Roll. 63 are resident and 31 are non-resident in the Parish. The Roll will be updated again just prior to our APCM so numbers may be slightly different by then. Our new roll will be displayed at the back of church.

Anyone who is 16 or over, baptised and regularly attends worship here or who lives in the Parish is eligible.

It would be good to see new members joining the roll as they get involved with our church family.

If anyone wishes to take certain roles in the church, they should ideally be a member of the Roll, so it is important that as many people as possible are encouraged to join the Electoral Roll. After the AGM and throughout the year anyone not on the Roll is welcome to join at any point.

Rachel Damianou

Team Rector's Report

Jesus calls us the Salt of the earth and the Light of the world. That is a big responsibility to live up to, that God puts his trust in us to be like Christ.

Within the Saddleworth Team we share a diversity of traditions and practice with strengths and weaknesses being part of our shared life. It is tempting to be worn down by financial issues, challenging buildings to maintain, the time constraints and pressures upon volunteers. God constantly reminds us to avoid grumbling and criticising and instead to be tolerant and respectful, focussing on the good and the positive.

As St Paul writes in Philippians:

'Fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is just and pure, all that is lovely, virtuous, excellent. Think on these things.'

2022 has been a challenging year for the Benefice. The retirement of John Rosedale as Team Vicar left a huge gap in our life together. The ongoing illness of Susan our much-

appreciated Team Adminstrator has added to the pressures. The year has been an exhausting juggling act.

I would like to thank all those who have maintained kindness, understanding and cooperation; all who have gone over and beyond in terms of serving their community and their congregations; all who have contributed their time, skills and finances. You are the salt of the earth.

We have much to celebrate in terms of our ministry particularly among children and families. They are God's precious gift to us. Our midweek services have flourished. There has been an increase in baptisms, weddings and funerals, all of which are opportunities for God's love and welcome to be demonstrated. There has been an increased interest in studying the Bible together and simply sharing our faith with one another. Our eco church initiatives are also growing in strength. Those who offer to lead service of the word and those who are offering themselves for Accredited Lay Ministry, are to be thanked and celebrated. We pray for God's wisdom and direction for the year ahead as we share God's work in growing the Kingdom through belonging, believing and becoming the disciples we are called to be.

Canon Sharon Jones

Team Rector

Safeguarding Officer (Responsible for Children and Adults)

Introduction

I have continued to update myself with all the duties expected of this role by reading the Church of England Safeguarding E Manual published September 2021 and am up to date with all the relevant on line training provided by the Diocese.

Child Registration details

The recommendations regarding the registration of all children attending Junior Church, Crèche and Youth Group are followed and each parent/guardian is required to complete a registration form for their child. All information is updated regularly to ensure the safety of the children in our care.

Volunteer Details

Currently we only have 4 volunteers for Junior Church. This means Junior Church cannot be held every week. Youth group and crèche are currently not running.
A completed application form, two references and a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate are held for each volunteer. All DBS certificates are renewed every 5 years and our current volunteers have completed on line Basic and Foundation Safeguarding Training. Information on our volunteers is kept in a locked safe.

Safeguarding Statements

Our Safeguarding Policy Promoting a Safer Church is in line with guidance from the Diocese and is available for viewing on the notice board at the back of church along with the Referral Flow Chart stating what to do if there is a case of suspected child abuse.

The parish Safeguarding Handbook (new for 2019) is also on the notice board and all volunteers have a copy of the "pocket guide". There is also a safeguarding statement on our website.

PCC members
It is a requirement that all PCC members should have a DBS check completed because they are trustees of a charity overseeing work with children and adults at risk and therefore have safeguarding responsibilities. This has been completed for all current members.

The Future
I did let the PCC know 2 years ago that I would be standing down from the role of Safeguarding Officer as of the AGM 2022. To date I am not aware that the vacancy has been filled. I agreed to continue in the role until a successor was found.

Susan Fleming
Parish Safeguarding Officer February 2023

Deputy Churchwarden Report including the Fabric of the Church, The Churchyard and the Goods and Ornaments

Following the pandemic of COVID 19, church managed to safely open again in January 2022. We have steadily resumed almost normal worship again.

The total number of services we held was 217 which was attended by 15401 worshippers. The number of baptisms was 60, marriage services 19, and funerals and burials 9,interment of ashes 12.

Our Wednesday family service continues to be very well attended and appreciated by all the families.

Our links with St. Anne's school remains strong with experiences in church for the children at Easter, Pentecost, Harvest and Christmas. There are also services in church for the new reception class and year 6 leavers. I wish to thank the Rev Pat Gillian for all her hard work in this role.

The interior of the church has been painted and work carried out on the roof and guttering. We also have LED lighting to help with our ECO commitment.

The churchyard has a wonderful group of volunteers working hard to ensure it is a haven for nature and wildlife. This includes removing invasive plants, building 'homes' with logs for hedgehogs and other animals, also planting wildflowers for pollinators.

I wish to thank John Pearson, David Lloyd, Jennifer Greenwood, all the sides people, readers, intercessors, flower team, coffee team, Sexton, Electoral Roll Officer, Safe guarding Officer and card distribution team for their fantastic work. They all have contributed to keep our church so lovely and welcoming to all.

I will continue my work as Deputy Churchwarden, Verger, wedding coordinator and sacristan for the next year.

Anne Smith.

Church Building Committee

Another varied year for the Building Committee and some ongoing themes that are constants for a Church like ours.

Church Grounds

I'm sure you will agree that the Church grounds are looking in fairly good shape at the moment, and this is thanks largely to Al for the work he does to organise working parties and puts the hours in to tackle the jobs that need doing.

Working Parties have been happened on a semi-regular basis throughout the year with some good turnouts from parishioners which has really enabled us to tidy up areas of the grounds that had become a bit overrun with weeds and invasive plants. The woodland area and the gardens to the south of church in particular are looking great with some hard work gone in to clear undergrowth and to provide some much needed light to the trees and shrubs that we want to keep. There has also been substantial work in lower graveyard where work has been done to thin out shrubs and rebuild sections of the internal dry stone walls.

In the north graveyard, Al has also been very busy creating our very own composting areas using bits from his old shed. An excellent re-use of materials that would otherwise have gone to the tip.

Roof

Work has continued on the Church roof throughout the year with small jobs being done fairly quickly to fix loose or missing tiles. Building on the work that was done last year by Roofmaster to fix some of the more major problems including resolving the water ingress issue on the north wall, this will continue with the replacement of several of the rainwater pipes around church which I mentioned in this report last year. Hopefully this time we can get that sorted before the APCM.

Inside walls

As mentioned in my report last year, there was planned to be some work to re-paint the inside of church as a lot of the paint work had begun to flake and surround to the window in the west wall had discoloured somewhat. I am pleased to say this work has now been completed and the cost covered by a generous donation by a member of the building committee. It was a struggle to find a window of opportunity large enough, but the CTiS

service gave us a week in which we could close church and carry this out. I hope you'll agree they have done an excellent job.

Heating

Back in November 2022, just when the weather was getting cold our boiler stopped working, meaning we were without heat for a while. The problem turned out to be a broken fan, which was replaced and we are now back in working order.

Having said that, some of you may not notice as to help reduce our energy costs (and to save some CO2 emissions too) the PCC made the decision to reduce the temperature in Church. We have kept the thermostat to have a background temperature of 11 degrees C at the recommendation of our Architect to ensure the building doesn't get damp, but during services this has also been reduced to 15 degrees or so.

On the topic of heating and CO2 reduction, we have been working with our new Architect (more below on this) and the Diocesan Advisory Committee to understand what options we have to replace our aging boiler and to perhaps install something that will help us to reduce our carbon footprint and do our bit for the environment. This is an ongoing conversation with no easy or cheap options. So, whilst there is no news at the moment, hopefully we can have some viable alternatives soon.

Monument in Church

Back in May 2020 the first marble monument on the north wall (In memory of John Buckley) detached itself and smashed on the floor. I am glad to say that discussions to replace this are well advanced and we have received a quote to replace and are working with Heritage Construction to understand how we can fix the new one to the wall. This is likely to involve work to replaster and create new fixings to ensure it doesn't happen again in the future. We are also looking at grants to enable us to fund this work, but it won't happen before the APCM so this is just a note to explain what is being done.

Church Architect

Last year we were informed that sadly, our Church Architect for a number of years, Ian Lucas, had passed away. This meant we needed to appoint a new one, and work began to identify possible candidates. I reached out to Paul Wooding at Dobcross and following a recommendation and conversations we appointed Andrew Kepczyk of Kepczyk Pearce Sanderson. We have had one meeting with him since to talk about the Church and the priorities, plus if there are any options to reduce carbon footprint from our heating. This is a work in progress which will be referenced in the ECO report.

It's also worth mentioning that 2023 is our Quinquennial year, and an inspection by Andrew will take place this year no doubt providing some more jobs to keep the building going.

Building Committee membership

As in previous years, I make a note about membership of the committee. This year it has remained static at 5 members. Each of us does what we can in between work and home life, but if anyone has an interest in old buildings, or has experience in the building trade you would be more than welcome to join us.

Many thanks

David Lloyd

Worship Committee

The worship committee is a sub-committee of the PCC and focuses on the worship and services at St Anne's. Membership is not restricted to the PCC, and it would be fruitful if members of the congregation joined to give a wider perspective on our worship. We encourage the children to be involved in the services by taking part with readings, intercessions. We also encourage our Youth to help lead services and in the research that is sometimes needed beforehand. We are always looking for more people to volunteer to lead the prayers and to read the weekly readings for us so please give it some thought and volunteer.

2022 saw us back to near normal with our services with most of the restrictions we had during Covid being removed. Slowly but surely during the year we have worked towards getting back to normal or the new normal. We still do not share the peace by shaking hands, but we share it by looking round and acknowledging people. Also, we started receiving communion in both sorts, the bread being dipped in the wine by the priest at Communion.

Our Wedding, Baptism and Funeral services are now back to normal after Covid, and it is a delight to welcome families to our church. It was a bumper year for Baptism which saw 60 people being baptised: a record, I think.

On the 8th of July we were able to hold our Confirmation service with Bishop Mark at St Mary's Greenfield and it was good to see the candidates and their families gathered to celebrate their confirmation.

Our weekday service goes from strength to strength with an average attendance of 126 people. We held our "Admittance to Communion Confirmation Class" again, and we decided to hold two classes during 2022 to help to catch up from the time we were closed over Covid, and we admitted 17 children over the year which was great.

Our participation in School Collective Worship and Experience Church plus now Faith Explorers is being delivered in person which is a much better experience for the children. We also now have a Eucharist service at school once a term which the children enjoy and participate in.

We have also managed to hold End of Term Services along with a very successful Christingle Service and Harvest Service with the food from the Harvest service, brought by the children, being delivered to Oldham Foodbank, Bible presenting services to Year 6 and Reception.

So, you can see we are moving forward at St Anne's in many ways but are always open to new ideas and helpers so please get in touch if you have ideas to share.

Report from the Sexton

The progress made in 2021 has continued apace in 2022 and the churchyard is really beginning to provide the tranquil beautiful place it needs to be. Thanks is due to all the willing volunteers that have worked so hard on the working parties and on their own as we seek to turn the churchyard into a bio-diverse haven for wildlife. Log piles have been carefully placed to provide wild animal habitats; tree stumps need to be drilled for insects to nest in; bird and bee houses have been installed along with bird feeders.

We wish to maintain a metre-wide margin around the boundaries that enable birds, bees and other insects to thrive alongside small mammals. Leaving the grass and other vegetation will allows seeds to set and provide wild flowers and this is also being encouraged on the banks in the lower churchyard. Alongside that it is important to ensure the churchyard's primary purpose as a graveyard: the grass in the burial areas will need to be kept mown once a month; the gravel paths have been attended to and extended to make a safe passage down to the lower churchyard. With the new field consecrated it has quickly come into use with several burials and it is being made clear to all that headstones will only be permitted in natural local stone. The bench in the semi-circle garden has, unfortunately been damaged beyond repair and we are in discussion with the sponsor family to introduce a sturdier model. As the semi-circle cannot be used for burials, it is being developed into a flower garden by John Blackburn and Anne Smith and congratulations to them for the work that is steadily turning this into lovely area.

We should not forget that this is an important working churchyard and here are the numbers for its use in 2022:

3 Burials
8 Interments of Ashes
16 Memorials, plaques or additional inscriptions were added

Al Gillian

St Anne's EcoGroup

Last year I mentioned that myself and Al were putting together a group to do our bit towards the diocesan vision of being carbon neutral by 2030, and we have done just that.

The main resource we have used to support us in this work is the A Rocha EcoChurch initiative. This covers 5 areas of Church life, and through a series of questions gives a score for each, and an overall score relating to the lowest rating of the groups.

The areas are:

- Worship & Teaching
- Buildings
- Land
- Community & Global Engagement
- Lifestyle

During the year, myself and Al have met several times to score and identify actions we can take to increase our score and lower our impact on the environment, either directly through managing the Church grounds for nature, and reducing our gas and electricity usage, or through others by suggesting ways each one of us can reduce our own impact on the environment.

I'd like to thank Al for being the driving force behind a lot of this work, through his organisation of the monthly working parties in the grounds and creating a semi-regular Eco newsletter highlighting what we are doing and asking the congregation to support our work and perhaps join us in this quest.

Silver Award

Through the hard work put in this year I am pleased to say that we have now achieved our Silver award in all of the categories, and can now apply for the Silver Award and plaque which will be displayed proudly in the grounds somewhere.

This isn't the end though. We are continuing with the work with a view to achieving our Gold Award. This may take several years to complete and will require more of us to support, so if anyone is interested in supporting this crucial work, do please get in touch.

Carbon Footprint

One other area we are actively pursuing, is how we can reduce our energy usage both to save ourselves money in these challenging times, but also to reduce our emissions. We have started conversations with our new Architect and a member of the Diocesan Advisory Committee that is particularly focussed on heating and electrical installations.

The challenge with a building the size of ours is that most of the solutions are simply not economically viable, with high cost and very little gain. I understand this is not all about money, and that is why we are continuing our exploration of other solutions. It may not be in 2023, but hopefully in the not-too-distant future we will have some news.

Many thanks

David Lloyd

Lydgate Community Association Report

The Trustees' aim of creating a community hub, available to all ages, has come to fruition better than any hopes we might have had and provides a real link to the more tranquil church and churchyard across the road from the hall; they compliment each other so well.

Although planning is so important, it helps success to allow plans to evolve to recognise changing needs and circumstances and this is very evident in the hall. With many of the daytime slots booked up by regular groups, care has been necessary to meet the increasing demand for the use of the hall and it is wonderful that families have found the space to be ideal for those family parties that are sometimes difficult to accommodate and Sundays have been heavily booked from this source.

In terms of refurbishment work, this has continued: the last few adjustments have been made to the kitchen; problems with the hall electrics have been corrected and lights replaced with LED units; the toilet refurbishment and redecoration has been completed; windows repaired and replaced where necessary; the matrix boards have been refurbished; the list will go on, but we are now on top of the refurbishment and are focussing on redecoration and carpeting of the two fire exit lobbies with a new built-in cupboard. As major structural issues, the Church PCC authorised the funds to enable sealant to be applied to the exterior stonework, to halt the ingress of water, and for the broken hall boiler to be replaced.

Outside has not been left out with a new notice board affixed to the outside wall; the tarmac area between the entrance and steps has been resurfaced and two raised garden beds installed; the play area in the north-east corner has been tidied up and a picnic table installed and plans are being drawn up to turn the rest of the grounds into a Community Garden with much improved surfaces. This is for 2023 and, though some funds are available, will require some additional funding which the church is helping to source by way of grant. To be a true Community Garden we hope that members of the community will step forward to help build and run it, but more of that in due course.

It is impossible to list everyone that has helped with all the ongoing work, but the Trustees are anxious to offer their grateful thanks to everyone that has for their hard and loving efforts. It is appropriate to single out Jennifer for her untiring work and leadership. We have also welcomed Julie Whitehead who has joined as an additional trustee and thanks also to

all the individuals that have provided their support for the project by joining our membership scheme.

The hall is here for the whole community, so if you wish to be involved or make use of the facilities, please contact one of the Trustees.

Al Gillian (Chair), Jennifer Greenwood, Frank Boocock, Rachel Damianou, Henry Burbidge, Simon Edge, Julie Whitehead.

Coffee Team

Coffee and tea are usually served after every 11 am Sunday service thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers. Our contribution to our three charities this year was £438.93 which will be donated equally between the charities.

Lydgate Community Association have taken over the running of the Parish Hall and we now have a new kitchen fit for all kinds of catering which we use for coffee The hall is now also regularly used for parties which is a great source of income towards continuing to renovate the hall. It does however mean that coffee needs to be served at the back of church if the hall is in use. Some people find this more convenient for a quick coffee after the service, some find it too crowded. It remains a moot point as to where is best but hopefully the combination goes some way to accommodate everyone.

Thank you to everyone who has, brewed up, cleaned up, donated biscuits, collected and counted our donations, shared a cuppa and donated!

Card Distribution Report

An estimated 2740 cards were distributed at Easter and Christmas by a team of 41 volunteers to people in the Parish.

The numbers included 220 being handed to the pupils at St Anne's school in Lydgate, 40 to residents at Hood Square, Grotton, 42 to residents at The Old Mill House in Grotton and a further 23 to Lido House, Grotton.

The need to recruit volunteers remains onging. Whilst we have only one vacancy round available at the present time invariably there will be turnover during 2023. It was particularly pleasing to be invited to speak at a Wednesday night service in December when we attracted four new volunteers to the role. Thanks therefore go to our new Postmen / Postmistresses:

Katie Griffiths
Anthony Lamb
Clare Patrick
Becci Shaw

I would also like to thank all the volunteers for their continued support. We had cold and slippery conditions at Christmas but happily no injuries were recorded.

Special thanks must also go to the Card Production Team including the printers Colormania for the speedy delivery of cards which enabled the volunteers to receive the cards in good time. This enabled many children to enjoy delivering the cards in the daylight during the weekend before Christmas.

We have commenced a list (albeit with not many names on it !) for persons living outside the Parish to receive cards. If considered appropriate arrangements can be made to deliver or post cards and names should be submitted as appropriate.

Richard Buckley
Mobile. 07805 970799
Email: richard.buckley17@btinternet.com

Junior Church

Well like most things, Junior Church started to get back to normal this year and we were able to provide Junior Church on most second and fourth Sundays of the year. For the other Sundays in the month we were able to offer the children in church the Look weekly sheet which provides activities such as stories; drama; art and crafts; and discussion, themed around the Sunday Gospel.

In Junior Church, the children have completed a variety of activities throughout the year which teaches the children the Gospel but through child friendly means. In addition to this, we prepared and performed our annual Christmas Eve Crib Service which is always a wonderful start to the Christmas period. The children also continued to amaze us with their designs for the parish Easter and Christmas cards – we are just thankful we don't have to choose the winning design for the card.

The number of children attending Junior Church throughout the year have remained quite strong but we will always welcome new children.

After many years of leading Junior Church Lianne and Sam have both stepped down and we thank them both for their many years of service. We are also thankful to Rachel, who along with Clare, will lead Junior Church going forward.

Creche

We have been unable to recruit new volunteers for crèche to restart. We are in need of leaders who will be willing to take on this role. If this you would like to find out more, please ask one of the deputy wardens or sides-people.

May Queen

I am enjoying my reign as May Queen at St Anne's. I was honoured to serve in 2022 as our late Majesty Queen Elizabeth celebrated her Platinum Jubilee and now, the start of 2023 as King Charles himself is crowned. My great grandmother, and my namesake, was a big fan of Queen Elizabeth and I know she would have been very proud of me.

Along with my retinue, Lola, Chloe, Matilda, Matilda and Connie, I have been raising as much money as we can for St Anne's and our chosen charity, The Christie. Our fundraising will continue until May.

Girl Guiding Associations

Rangers

We now have a small ranger unit for girls aged 14 plus who are completing badges and taking part in adventurous activities. They are looking forward to camping this summer completing a get muddy challenge.

Guides

Here at 20th Oldham Lydgate Guides we are based within the Parish Hall across from Lydgate church next to the White Hart.

Currently we meet every Thursday evening between 7-9 and we spend half an hour each week collaboratively with Lydgate brownies. We enjoy working on lots of exciting activities which allow us to learn new skills and earn colourful badges which we can decorate our camp blankets and uniforms with. We enjoy playing games, making camp fires and singing campfire songs.

We have two big camps per year which are filled with lots of enjoyment and adventure. If you are looking for fun, adventure, excitement, friendship and somewhere you can be yourself and make some amazing friends then 20th Oldham Lydgate Guides is the place for you.

It is £28.50 to join and £12.50 per month thereafter. You need to be 10 years old to join us.

If you would like to get some more information or join please email:
bingleyclo@gmail.com or rookie67@tiscali.co.uk

Rainbows

Lydgate Rainbows is for girls aged 5-7 years old. We meet every Thursday from 6-7pm during term time at Lydgate Parish Hall on Stockport Road and charge a joining fee of £15 and subs are £10 a month.

We currently have 15 Rainbows in the unit (with many more on the waiting list!), 1 leader, 3 leaders in training, a young leader and 2 Duke of Edinburgh award volunteers.

During the year of 2022, Lydgate Rainbows enjoyed crafting, playing games, singing songs, learning sign language, having a pretend indoor campfire and trips to the cinema and local pantomime with Lydgate Brownies, Guides and Rangers.

Boy Scouting Associations

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. Many local children have experienced this with our group throughout the decades of its existence.

Scouting at St Anne's has offered children from 6 to 14 the ability to be involved in their local community and to undertake activities which challenge them and build skills and develop confidence which can be taken through into other areas of their daily lives.

Scouting is about preparing young people with skills for life. It gives them the character, employability and practical skills they need to succeed, encouraging them to do more, learn more and be more. From teamwork, leadership, and resilience – skills that have helped Scouts become everything from teachers and social workers to astronauts and Olympians. The Scouts bring people together. We celebrate diversity and stand against intolerance. We're a worldwide movement with over 55 million members, creating stronger communities and inspiring positive futures.

Beavers (children aged 6-8)

Beavers is the beginning of the Scouting adventure. It's about trying new things and making new friends. Every week, they gather in groups called Beaver Colonies to hop, skip and jump their way through lots of different games and activities. Each Beaver undertakes activities in order to achieve a variety of activity and challenge badges which, once completed, earns them the Chief Scout's Bronze Award.

Our Beavers Colony closed in early 2020 due to a lack of parental help and leadership assistance. The last leadership group committed to helping all of that current group progress into Cubs before the section closed. Sadly, we had plenty of interest from parents wanting their children to be part of the Scouting movement, however, no offers to help keep the Colony alive. This is unlikely to reopen.

Cubs (children aged 8 - 10 ½)

Cubs is the next stage in the Scouting adventure, providing more difficult and challenging experiences for the members to experience. Every week, they gather in groups called Cub Packs to take part in lots of interesting and challenging activities – achieving anything they

set their minds to and having lots of fun along the way. Each Cub undertakes activities in order to achieve a variety of activity and challenge badges which, once completed, earns them the Chief Scout's Silver Award.

The Coronavirus impacted volunteering groups hard, and it has had a negative effect on Scouting numbers too with many members breaking the link with attending meetings over the lockdown periods and subsequently not re-joining the movement.

This is true for both children and adult members.

Our Cub Pack did not reopen following the easing of restrictions in 2021 due the lack of numbers remaining, lack of parental help/leadership assistance and due to a number of the members being in the Scouts age bracket. This is unlikely to reopen.

Scouts (children aged 10 ½ to 14)

Scouts is the next stage in the Scouting story. Scouts are a go-getting group of young people. They master new skills and try new things, make new friends, have fun and go on adventures, explore the world around them, help others and make a difference, in their own communities and beyond.

Week in and week out, they gather in groups called Scout Troops to conquer the small task of changing the world. Each Scout undertakes activities in order to achieve a variety of Activity and Challenge badges which, once completed, earns them the Chief Scout's Gold Award.

Over the last 12 months our Scout Troop has undertaken a number of activities as part of our Scouts' work towards their Gold Award through Activity and Challenge badges. They have competed in athletics, rifle shooting and reloading, learnt about astronomy in the astronomy dome, celebrated the Queen's jubilee, reflected on Her Majesty's passing, built electrical circuitry, planned and cooked a 3-course meal, baked cakes, entertained the group with magic tricks, planned an expedition, undertook an introduction session to snowboarding, and started planning their spring camp to Brownsea Island. The Troop marked Christmas with a Go-Karting night out in Manchester – a meal was followed by some 'team building' racing competition!! They have also attended District Scout camp which included cooking their own food, zip line, shooting, catapults and bushcraft skills – including dissecting and cooking a pigeon along with foraged wild garlic - Bear Grylls would be proud!

Our Scout Troop meets in Lydgate Parish Hall on Fridays between 7-9. We have a cohesive group of dedicated leaders who put together an interesting and challenging schedule of activities and badge work meaning that meetings are always rewarding.

Junior Leaders

Our Group has benefitted from a number of previous members returning after they have moved on in order to help run the group's activities. Some of this has been to help achieve the varying stages of their Duke of Edinburgh Award, however, each has stayed to help after their respective required time periods have concluded. This further enriches the experience delivered to members as they look up to their closer aged peers and they set an example for them to follow.

Group Scout Leadership and Administration

Our group of dedicated leaders has kept our group alive after COVID and we continue to offer a valuable and meaningful experience for our Scouts. The hard work of the group as a whole has been reflected in what we have collectively output in terms of the quality of badge work and meetings in general.

The group has taken pride in what we have been involved in which results in a meaningful and rewarding community group allowing young children in the area to be taught life skills and a connectivity with their community and environment.

For any enquiries, please direct them to the below contact points:
Scouts: Lydgate_Scouts@outlook.com
Group queries and admin: Lydgate_22nd_Oldham@outlook.com

Safeguarding Policy – Promoting a Safer Church

The following policy was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on 28th February 2023.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

The Parish will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

POLICY STATEMENT ON CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & THE CHURCH

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

As members of this Church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people.

- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.

- Our Church is committed to following the Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Manchester Diocese Handbook of Policy and Procedures.

- Each worker with children and young people must have a clear Disclosure & Barring Service Certificate; undertake diocesan Safeguarding training; know the guidelines & undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures & good practice guidelines. They shall also have an interview with the Church Wardens before commencing their role.

- Our Church is committed to supporting and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.

- As part of our commitment to children and young people the PCC has appointed ……to be the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

- The parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines can be viewed by asking the Church Warden or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Children and young people are an important part of our Church today. They have much to give as well as to receive. We will listen to them as we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life. We will respect the wishes and feelings of children and young people.

Review date: March 2024

POLICY STATEMENT ON SAFEGUARDING OF ADULTS

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

1. We recognize that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in our lives.
2. As members of this parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults to whom we minister.
3. We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
4. We commit ourselves to promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust.
5. The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who may be vulnerable.
6. It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable people and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
7. We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with people who may be vulnerable.
8. The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people who may be vulnerable.
9. The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese.
10. Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

Review date: March 2024

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Charity Registration Number: 1132948

Financial Statements

for the

Year ended 31 December 2022

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Financial Report

It has been a strange, but positive year in many respects. A proper comparison between 2022 and 2021 is not really possible or useful as, once church had reopened after the 2021 lockdowns, number restrictions meant we weren't fully open until 1st September 2021. From that date the Wednesday service went from strength to strength and this is reflected in the change in giving levels year on year. Overall, income rose to £70,737 compared to £68,812 in 2021, plus we also received 2 substantial bequests and a further small legacy all totalling £86,000. With the increased activity, expenditure also increased to £74,060 (2021: £67,168).

Income [Pages A10/A11]

- Voluntary income excluding the bequest increased by 6.9% to £53,023, but standing orders reduced significantly, down £3,359 (11.9%). Although loose collections rose by £1,425 and envelope giving by £870, we see a continuing fall in planned giving.
- One significant benefit in 2022 was the level of collections at Baptismal services. These have been recorded separately for the first time and amounted to £3,664 thanks to encouragement from Revd Pat that we welcome donations if families would like to do so, as we do not charge any fees for Baptisms. An increasing use of the card machine is being seen at these services, as well as at other services.
- Membership of the 200 Club has stabilised over the year resulting in an annual contribution to general funds of £1,433. Events raised a net £1,954 (2021: £2,186) including £1,244 from the Christmas Fayre and £440 from the Fizz Fashiion Show.
- We saw a welcome upturn in weddings in the year and those, along with other Occasional Services helped fee income increase by £1,364 (14.3%) to £10,915.
- Investment income rose slightly to £609, but the depressed Stock Market resulted in an overall revaluation loss of £1,908 despite the sharp increase in investment balances resulting from the bequest. Careful cash flow management has ensured that we didn't need to draw from these and we will hopefully see values rebound before we do need to do so.
- We received a grant of £1,250 from Manchester Diocese, as did every other church in the Diocese, to alleviate our energy costs, which will rise significantly in 2023.
- Turning now to the bequests, these were: £83,750.93 from the estate of the Late Muriel Wills who spent many years in the choir at St Anne's; £2,000 from the Estate of the Late Philip Martin; and £250 from the estate of the Late Joan Etchells. The terms of these bequests are restricted to the work and building of St Anne's in this Parish and have, therefore, been recorded as restricted.

Expenditure [Pages A12/A13]

- The Parish Share assessment of £61,3838.60 always seemed out of reach, but we managed once again to pay £40,000, a considerable achievement. There is another sharp increase for 2023 to £67.522. The 10% cap prevented it being £86.966!
- Our Team costs are slightly down at £7,306 [2021 £8,179] spread across the lines of Clergy expenses, Parsonage Houses, Pastoral Care, Salaries and Administration.
- Mission & Evangelism was our continuing valuable investment in our parish children by the gift of Bibles to the pupils in School's Year 6 and Reception classes enabled by generous matching donations.
- Gas and electricity costs remain stable but our 3-year contracts come to an end in October. With help from our Energy Brokers we have entered new 2-year mid-term contracts with Regent Gas that allow re-negotiation if wholesale prices have fallen below the fixed price. Electricity contracts run from October with British Gas Lite.
- Church cleaning was re-instated in late 2021 hence the increase and there is a new line for Bank Charges (£147) following their introduction by HSBC.
- £3,048 for roof repairs is the cost of the work agreed with Roofmaster (Rochdale) Ltd in 2021 to establish the cause and rectify the water ingress.
- The Upkeep of Churchyard figure of £2,062 includes £1,050 to repair the gate and improve the path to the lower churchyard for which we received a grant in 2021.
- Payments made on behalf of the Parish Hall have been reimbursed by the LCA. The figure for Hall Water is a residual Water Plus cost because of a problem with their Direct Debiting during the pandemic. Both supplies have now been switched to Everflow.
- PCC agreed in September to meet the cost (see Hall Improvements) of a new hall boiler at £3,645 and application of sealant to the hall external stonework at £780.

Moving Forward

- As building owners, St Anne's Church retains a responsibility for the significant structural repairs. These were identified in a survey conducted by Robert James Associates in April 2022 and PCC has agreed to seek grant funding to cover the estimated long-term maintenance costs of around £90,000. It would be good if this search work could be expedited.
- We have been very fortunate to receive the bequests detailed above and these need to be spent wisely. They give us an unexpected opportunity which the Building Committee have discussed with our new Church Architect who suggests investing it to: (1) make the building secure structurally (roof and pointing) (2) take out running costs, such as energy by generating our own (3) use some or all of the funds as seed capital to raise grant funding for a larger development programme. These funds have to be spent on the Parish work and building, but also give us a valuable chance to look at reducing church's carbon footprint. This makes option (2) an area of considerable interest as we work towards our Gold ECO award.
- Our available funds are;

Restricted Funds:	£93958
Designated Funds:	£4452
Unrestricted Funds:	£7565
Total Available Funds:	**£105975**

(Parish Hall: £90,000 - nominal value increases this to £195,975)

Al Gillian, Parish Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
Chartered Accountant
15 Burnedge Fold Road
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26th March 2023

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2022 £	FUNDS 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2						
Voluntary Income	a	52,115.16	333.60	86,550.20	-	**138,998.96**	49,581
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	4,904.50	60.00	-	**4,964.50**	7,062
Investment Income	c	608.77	-	-	-	**608.77**	569
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	10,914.99	-	-	-	**10,914.99**	9,551
Other Incoming Resources	e	1,250.00	-	-	-	**1,250.00**	2,050
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**64,888.92**	**5,238.10**	**86,610.20**	-	**156,737.22**	68,812
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3						
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	504.49	1,538.96	-	-	**2,043.45**	2,809
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	-	381.00	-	**381.00**	100
Charitable Activities	c	63,547.96	447.93	166.86	-	**64,162.75**	63,021
Other Resources Used	d	-	7,473.00	-	-	**7,473.00**	1,237
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**64,052.45**	**9,459.89**	**547.86**	-	**74,060.20**	67,168
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**836.47**	**(4,221.79)**	**86,062.34**	-	**82,677.02**	1,644
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**3,351.54**	**4,539.33**	-	-	**7,890.87**	6,861
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		**(4,539.33)**	**(3,351.54)**	-	-	**(7,890.87)**	(6,861)
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		**(1,693.75)**	**(944.49)**	**730.12**	-	**(1,908.12)**	2,960
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**	110,602
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**	115,207

The note on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts.

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Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2					
Voluntary Income	a	48,791.79	37.75	751.22	-	**49,580.76**
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	6,132.25	929.31	-	**7,061.56**
Investment Income	c	569.04	-	-	-	**569.04**
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	9,551.00	-	-	-	**9,551.00**
Other Incoming Resources	e	1,050.00	-	1,000.00	-	**2,050.00**
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**59,961.83**	**6,170.00**	**2,680.53**	-	**68,812.36**
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	330.85	2,478.40	-	-	**2,809.25**
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	100.00	-	-	-	**100.00**
Charitable Activities	c	59,687.84	3,174.08	159.57	-	**63,021.49**
Other Resources Used	d	90.00	-	1,147.33	-	**1,237.33**
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**60,208.69**	**5,652.48**	**1,306.90**	-	**67,168.07**
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(246.86)**	**517.52**	**1,373.63**	-	**1,644.29**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**3,686.60**	**3,174.08**	-	-	**6,860.68**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		**(3,174.08)**	**(3,686.60)**	-	-	**(6,860.68)**
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		**2,266.65**	**538.21**	**155.59**	-	**2,960.45**
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**7,077.86**	**7,887.59**	**95,636.58**	-	**110,602.03**
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**

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Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

Notes		2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
	Fixed assets				
5A	Tangible assets	90,000		90,000	
5B	Investments	101,550		23,458	
	Total fixed assets		**191,550**		113,458
	Current assets				
6	Debtors	2,437		3,882	
7	Cash at bank and in hand	4,104		714	
	Total current assets	**6,541**		4,596	
	Current liabilities				
8	Amounts falling due within one year	2,115		2,847	
	Net current assets		**4,425**		1,748
	Total assets		**195,976**		115,207
4	***Funds***				
9	Unrestricted Funds		7,565		9,610
9	Designated Funds		4,452		8,431
9	Restricted Funds		183,958		97,166
9	Endowment Funds		-		-
	Total Funds		**195,976**		115,207

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 26th March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Canon Sharon Jones

Mr John Pearson

Mr Alastair Gillian

The notes on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the FRS102. 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 such members.

b) Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Designated funds are general funds which have been reserved by the PCC for specific purposes indicated in the fund title.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

c) Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received. Tax reclaimed under Gift Aid is recognized when received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends and interest are accounted for when received and is attributed to each fund on the basis of the amount invested and the age of the investment. Unrealised investment gains are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other income is recognized when it is received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

d) Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. Payments to the diocesan common fund are accounted for when paid. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. Unrealised investment losses are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other expenditure is generally recognized when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

e) Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

It is the Trustees policy not to undertake a formal revaluation of land and buildings and no depreciation is provided in their respect as the currently estimated residual value (discounted for monetary inflation since capitalisation) is not less than the carrying value and the remaining useful life of this asset currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charge would be immaterial. If, in the future, the carrying value of the building should look greater than the current value on this basis an impairment review will be carried out and any resultant loss included in expenditure for that year.

f) Investments

Investments are valued at market value based on mid-market prices at 31 December.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

2 INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
a) Voluntary Income	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid - Bank Standing Orders	24,422.00	-	-	-	**24,422.00**	27,736
Gift Aid - Envelopes	3,448.85	-	-	-	**3,448.85**	2,578
One-off Gift Aid	131.11	-	-	-	**131.11**	325
Tax Recovered under Gift Aid	9,522.39	-	-	-	**9,522.39**	9,489
Other Planned Giving	1,750.00	-	-	-	**1,750.00**	1,300
Non-Gift Aid Standing Orders	647.00	-	-	-	**647.00**	692
Contactless Giving	133.85	-	-	-	**133.85**	64
Loose Collections	4,763.28	-	-	-	**4,763.28**	3,338
Sunday Refreshments	-	-	618.52	-	**618.52**	231
Baptism Collections	3,664.23	-	-		**3,664.23**	-
Donations	3,197.45	333.60	-	-	**3,531.05**	3,377
Sanctuary Lamp Donations	185.00	-	-	-	**185.00**	160
Candle Donations	-	-	76.72	-	**76.72**	12
FlowerDonations	-	-	104.03	-	**104.03**	279
Legacies & Bequests	250.00	-	85,750.93	-	**86,000.93**	-
Total	**52,115.16**	**333.60**	**86,550.20**	**-**	**138,998.96**	49,581
b) Activities for Generating Funds						
Festive Fair	-	-	-	-	-	**1,224.70**
May Queen Events	-	-	-	-	-	**929.31**
Fundraising Events	-	2,024.50	60.00	-	**2,084.50**	**1,995.55**
200 Subscriptions	-	2,880.00	-	-	**2,880.00**	**2,892.00**
Apprentice Challenge	-	-	-	-	-	**20.00**
Total	**-**	**4,904.50**	**60.00**	**-**	**4,964.50**	7,062
c) Investment Income						
CBF Interest	608.77	-	-	-	**608.77**	569
Total	**608.77**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**608.77**	569

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

2 INCOMING RESOURCES (Continued)					TOTAL FUNDS	
d) Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2022 £**	2021 £
Statutory PCC Fees	7,353.00	-	-	-	**7,353.00**	**4,948.00**
Other PCC Fees	100.00	-	-	-	**100.00**	-
Statutory Churchyard Fees	3,199.99	-	-	-	**3,199.99**	**4,213.00**
Other Churchyard Fees	262.00	-	-	-	**262.00**	**390.00**
Total	**10,914.99**	-	-	-	**10,914.99**	9,551

e) Non-recurring income	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2022 £**	2021 £
Manchester DBF Heating Grant	1,250.00	-	-	-	**1,250.00**	-
Local Councillors Award	-	-	-	-	-	1,050
Saddleworth Hydro	-	-	-	-	-	1,000
Total	**1,250.00**	-	-	-	**1,250.00**	2,050
Total Incoming Resources	**64,888.92**	**5,238.10**	**86,610.20**	-	**156,737.22**	68,812.36

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	TOTAL FUNDS 2021
a) Cost of Generating Funds	£	£	£	£	£	£
Broadband & Contactless	349.66	0.55	-	-	**350.21**	169
Fundraising Expenses	-	105.41	-	-	**105.41**	1,034
200 Club Prizes	-	1,433.00	-	-	**1,433.00**	1,444
FWO & Gift Aid Envelopes	154.83	-	-	-	**154.83**	162
Total	**504.49**	**1,538.96**	-	-	**2,043.45**	2,809
b) Mission & Charitable Giving						
Secular Charities						
Lydgate Community Association CIO	-	-	127.00	-	**127.00**	-
Medicins Sans Frontiers	-	-	127.00	-	**127.00**	-
Traidcraft Exhange	-	-	127.00	-	**127.00**	-
Emmaus	-	-	-	-	-	100
Total	-	-	**381.00**	-	**381.00**	100
c) Charitable Activities						
Parish Share	40,000.00	-	-	-	**40,000.00**	40,000
Working Expenses of Incumbent	668.49	-	-	-	**668.49**	427
Parsonage House Costs	1,324.56	-	-	-	**1,324.56**	1,849
Other Clergy Costs	539.18	-	-	-	**539.18**	389
Pastoral Care Costs	519.45	-	-	-	**519.45**	339
Mission & Evangelism	1,160.50	-	-	-	**1,160.50**	1,062
Mission & Evangelism - Whit Friday	575.00	-	-	-	**575.00**	-
Church Upkeep - Gas	1,912.69	-	-	-	**1,912.69**	1,694
Church Upkeep - Electricity	531.48	-	-	-	**531.48**	544
Church Upkeep - Insurance	2,521.84	-	-	-	**2,521.84**	2,426
Church Upkeep - Water	64.42	-	-	-	**64.42**	85
Church Upkeep - Cleaning	1,430.00	-	-	-	**1,430.00**	424
Minor Repairs to Church	160.80	-	-	-	**160.80**	10
Routine Church Maintenance	780.00	-	-	-	**780.00**	478
Church Renewals	478.95	-	-	-	**478.95**	184
Upkeep of Services	931.41	-	138.14	-	**1,069.55**	969

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3 RESOURCES EXPENDED (Continued)	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	2021
c) Charitable Activities (Continued)	£	£	£	£	£	£
Upkeep of Churchyard	2,662.44		-	-	**2,662.44**	1,874
Books Purchased	-	-	28.72	-	**28.72**	-
Risograph Supplies	193.34	-	-	-	**193.34**	-
Hall Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	176
Hall Electricity	-	-	-	-	-	185
Hall Gas	-	-	-	-	-	1,307
Hall Water	-	114.33	-	-	**114.33**	1,011
Hall Insurance	-	-	-	-	-	305
Hall Copyright & Performing Licence	-	-	-	-	-	120
Hall Repairs & Renewals	-	333.60	-	-	**333.60**	71
Sundry Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	54
Honoraria, Salaries & Wages	4,436.27	-	-	-	**4,436.27**	4,049
Church Copyright & Music Licences	508.00	-	-	-	**508.00**	495
Bank Charges	146.61	-	-	-	**146.61**	-
Stationery & Postage	254.57	-	-	-	**254.57**	160
Team Administration	1,572.96	-	-	-	**1,572.96**	2,226
Subscriptions & Donations	175.00	-	-	-	**175.00**	110
Total	**63,547.96**	**447.93**	**166.86**	**-**	**64,162.75**	63,021
d) Other Resources Used						
Chruch Roof Repairs	-	3,048.00	-	-	**3,048.00**	90
Hall Improvement Work	-	4,425.00	-	-	**4,425.00**	-
Conversion of Church Nave Lighting to LED	-	-	-	-	-	1,147
Total	**-**	**7,473.00**	**-**	**-**	**7,473.00**	1,237
Total Resources Used	**64,052.45**	**9,459.89**	**547.86**	**-**	**74,060.20**	67,168

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4(a) NET POSITION, TRANSFERS, REVALUATIONS AND TOTAL BALANCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2022	2021
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	**836.47**	**(4,221.79)**	**86,062.34**	-	**82,677.02**	1,644
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In	3,351.54	4,539.33	-	-	**7,890.87**	6,861
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out	(4,539.33)	(3,351.54)	-	-	**(7,890.87)**	(6,861)
Gains/(losses) on investment revaluation	(1,693.75)	(944.49)	730.12	-	**(1,908.12)**	2,960
Balances B/Forward on 1st January	**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**	110,602
Balances C/Forward on 31 December	**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**	115,207

4(b) ANALYSIS OF FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2022 £	2021 £
Tangible Assets	-	-	90,000.00	-	**90,000.00**	90,000
Investment Assets						
Income Shares	12,685.43	7,088.15	-	-	**19,773.58**	22,412
Accumulation Shares	-	-	81,776.67		**81,776.67**	1,047
CBF Deposits	1,791.21	-	-	-	**1,791.21**	1,182
Current Assets (excluding CBF Deposits)	(6,238.00)	(2,635.84)	13,623.38	-	**4,749.54**	6,081
Less Current Liabilities	673.54	-	1,441.79	-	**2,115.33**	5,515
Total	**7,565.10**	**4,452.31**	**183,958.26**	-	**195,975.67**	115,207

During the year the PCC did not employ anyone. In accordance with Diocesan instructions, payments to those assisting with Occasional Services are held within Agency Collections and not shown within income and expenditure.

PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

Mr A Gillian received an honorarium of £200 along with fees of £855 which have been paid to him in connection with his duties as Sexton and these have then been donated back to church. A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to her services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

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5 ANALYSIS OF FIXED ASSETS

5A Tangible Assets	Freehold Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Investments	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or Valuation					
On 1st January	90,000	-	23,458	113,458	110,498
Additions/Revaluation Gain(Loss)	-	-	78,092	78,092	2,960
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**101,550**	**191,550**	**113,458**
Depreciation:					
On 1st January	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the Year	-	-	-	-	-
Deduct for disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Net Book Value:					
On 1st January	90,000	-	23,458	113,458	110,498
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**101,550**	**191,550**	**113,458**

The freehold land & building is the Parish Hall, which is owned by Manchester Diocesan Board of Finance and held in trust for the Parish. It was last valued in 1999, but the PCC is of the opinion that there is no benefit in incurring the cost of revaluation at this time, although this is likely to be considerably in excess of the figure quoted. Equally there is not deemed to be any need to make a provision for depreciation (see more detailed comment on page A9).

The church building is a consecrated property and is excluded from the financial statements by virtue of section 10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. The church buildings and contents were insured for 2022 by Trinitas Church Insurance Services for £5,654,179 [building] and £149,787 [contents]. The Parish Hall insurance was transferred to Trinitas Church Insurance Services from renewal on 24th June 2020 and is insured for £893,725 (buildings) and £18,561 (contents). The cost of indemnity insurance for the Trustees of Lydgate Community Association CIO (LCA) is now being paid for by the LCA.

5B Investment Assets	2022	2021
	£	£
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Income Shares	19,774	22,412
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Accumulation Shares	81,777	1,047
	101,550	23,458

6 Debtors	2022	2021
	£	£
Debtors	2,437	3,882
	2,437	3,882

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash	284	87
Flower Fund Cash	85	110
HSBC Current Account	1,814	(782)
CBF Deposit Account	1,791	1,182
NatWest 200 Club	130	116
	4,104	714

8 Creditors	2022	2021
	£	£
Amounts falling due within 1 year	674	548
Agency collections	1,442	2,299
	2,115	2,847

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund		Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund	
		Restricted	Designated				Restricted	Designated
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	**9,610**	**-**	**8,033**	**603**	**128**	**903**	**2,070**	**-**
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	52,115	83,751	-	104	-	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	609	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	10,915	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	1,250	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	**64,889**	**83,751**	**-**	**104**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	504	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	63,548	-	-	138	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	-	-	3,048	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	**64,052**	**-**	**3,048**	**138**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Net Income	**836**	**83,751**	**(3,048)**	**(34)**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Revaluation	(1,694)	721	(944)	-	-	-	9	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	(1,188)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund		Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund	
		Restricted	Designated				Restricted	Designated
Fund Balances C/Forward	**7,565**	**84,472**	**4,040**	**569**	**128**	**903**	**2,080**	**-**

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	40	243	-	141	246	-	477	90,000
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	2,000	-	-	-	695	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	2,025	2,880	60	-	-	-
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	2,000	-	2,025	2,880	755	-	-	-
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	106	1,433	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	381	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	-	-	106	1,433	381	-	-	
Net Income	2,000	-	1,919	1,447	374	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	(1,919)	(1,433)	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
Fund Balances C/Forward	2,040	243	-	155	621	-	477	90,000

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	Roof Appeal (Restricted	TOTAL 2022	TOTAL 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	2,698	14	-	115,207	110,602
Incoming resources						
Voluntary Income	334	-	-	-	**138,999**	49,581
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	**4,965**	7,062
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	**609**	569
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	**10,915**	9,551
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	**1,250**	2,050
Total Incoming Resources	**334**	-	-	-	**156,737**	68,812
Resources Expended						
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	**2,043**	2,809
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	**381**	100
Charitable Activities	448	29	-	-	**64,163**	63,021
Other Resources Used	4,425	-	-	-	**7,473**	1,237
Total Resources Expended	**4,873**	**29**	-	-	**74,060**	67,168
Net Income	**(4,539)**	**(29)**	-	-	**82,677**	1,644
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	**(1,908)**	2,960
Intra-Fund Transfers	4,539	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	Roof Appeal (Restricted)	TOTAL 2022	TOTAL 2021
Fund Balances C/Forward	-	**2,670**	**14**	-	**195,976**	**115,207**

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Audio Visual Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted income and donations from parishioners for the purchase of audio visual equipment. Costs are shown where necessary to generate income.

Bequest & Donation Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted bequest, legacies and legacies where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of Vicar and Wardens).

Bequest & Donation Fund (Designated) - this fund is used to store monies that have been given to the church, where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of the Vicar and Wardens) or it has been agreed with the donor that the funds will be used for the benefit of St Anne's Church. The PCC has agreed that these funds are all designated.

Flower Fund (Restricted) - receives donations from parishioners and expenditure to the purchase of flowers and associated items.

Clock & Tower Maintenance Fund (Restricted) - holds the residual donations from the PCC's Clock Appeal and also receives occasional donations specifically for future maintenance costs.

Choir Fund (Restricted) - receives donations and choristers' fees from occasional services, which are used to fund music and choir supplies combined as restricted.

200 Club (Designated) - receives subscriptions for draw numbers and pays out 50% of income in monthly prizes. Balance of income is transferred to General Fund at year end.

ECO Fund (Restricted) - Has received the proceeds of May Queen Francesca's fundraising for church to be spent on ecological activities undertaken by church.

Fabric Fund (Restricted & Designated) - receives donations provided specifically for maintenance of the fabric and monies earmarked by the PCC for various fabric related projects.

Fundraising (Designated) - collects proceeds of events, which are then distributed as directed by the PCC.

Mission Fund (Restricted) - receives charitable collections - distributed to agreed charities as directed at Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Parish Hall Capital Fund (Restricted) - the value of the Parish Hall - last valued in 1999.

Parish Hall General Fund (Designated) - used for management of day-to-day income and expenditure on the hall. Surplus has been transferred to Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund in recent years.

Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund (Restricted) - collected funds have been utilised for repairs and improvements and the residual balance transferred to Lydgate Community Association CIO in recognition of its role as ongoing manager of the hall, including improvements to the internal accommodation. Fund now closed.

Roof Appeal (Restricted) - opened to receive donations towards major roof repairs. Small residual balance cleared from Clock & Tower Fund in recognition of the element relating to the repairs to the gulley adjacent to the Tower.

Youth Ministry Fund (Restricted) - receives income from fundraising, disposal as directed by the PCC following the recommendations of the Church youth groups and their leaders.

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
Chartered Accountant
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26th March 2023

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF LYDGATE, ST ANNE

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ending 31st December 2021

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St Anne's Church, Lydgate, Oldham

Sunday 8th May
in Church immediately after the 11.00am service

Annual (Vestry) Meeting of the Parishioners
Agenda

Election of the Church Wardens for the year 2022/23

Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Agenda

1. Opening Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the APCM held 25th April 2021
4. Presentation of the General Report
5. Treasurer's Financial Report
6. Electoral Roll Report
7. Child Protection Report
8. Elections of;
   - PCC members
   - Deanery Synod Representatives
   - Charities to Support
   - Examiner of accounts

Date of next PCC meeting: 14th June 2022

St Anne's Lydgate, 2021 Annual Vestry and APCM Minutes

Sunday 25th April 2021

Present: Rev'd Canon Sharon Jones (Chair), David Marshall (Minute Secretary), Al Gillian (Treasurer), Frank Boocock, Susan Fleming, Joanne Coxon, Anne Smith, Jennifer Greenwood, Rev'd Pat Gillian, Gwen Morton, John Pearson, Kath Hodges, Rachel Damianou, David Lloyd, Janet Lloyd, Margaret Schofield, Joyce Devenport.

Apologies: Brian Devenport, Sue Willett

Annual Easter vestry meeting

Canon Sharon opened the meeting.

Sharon explained that David Marshall is standing down as church warden after 6 years of services. On behalf of St Anne's, Sharon thanked David for his service.

Sharon then asked for nominations for this year. There was only one nomination:

Name	Proposer	Seconder
Anne Smith	John Pearson	Joyce Devenport

Sharon asked if anybody was willing to stand as a second church warden. Nobody came forward.

Sharon asked who was in favour of Anne becoming church warden. All were in favour. A point of thank you was made to Anne for agreeing to stand.

Sharon then asked who would stand as deputy church warden. Sharon explained the importance of the role especially as Anne will be the sole church warden and thanked those who had agreed to support Anne in this role. David Marshall also explained the help he had received off the deputy wardens whilst he had been church warden had been invaluable and he thanked them for their support.

The following agreed to stand as deputy church wardens:

- John Pearson
- David Lloyd
- Joanne Coxon
- Brian Devenport

- Jennifer Greenwood

There were no objections so all will stand as deputy church wardens over the next year.

There being no further business the Annual Vestry closed.

Annual Parishioners Council Meeting

Approval of minutes of APCM held 27th September 2020

No amendments to the minutes had been requested. Therefore the minutes were approved as being an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Presentation of the General Report

The General Report had been distributed prior to this meeting. Sharon gave people an opportunity to read through and asked for any comments about the report.

Joyce Devenport reiterated the points made in the Flower Team section explaining that they were desperate for new volunteers. In addition to this, Joyce further explained there was also a need for new sponsorship for church flowers as there are now quite a few vacancies throughout the year. Joyce was encouraged to use new means of attracting new members and was signposted towards St Anne's social media pages.

Susan Fleming also pointed out there is also a need for additional helpers in junior church and crèche now that Jo Lyons and Janet Lloyd have stepped down. Suggestions were made of some of the new families in church and whether the parents might be asked. It was pointed out that as things stand at the moment there is not an urgent need as there is no crèche due to social distancing reasons and junior church is currently closed too due to the parish hall being closed. Susan also pointed out that she had given the PCC twelve months' notice before she stands down at the APCM.

There were no further comments about the report.

Treasurer's Financial Report

The Treasurer's Financial Report had also been circulated prior to the meeting and Sharon made a point of thanks to Al for his work as treasurer at St Anne's.

Al explained it is currently a difficult time, financially for St Anne's and 2020 was extremely tough. Fee income had dropped due to the decline in weddings and funerals as the church was forced to close but the amount of donations made to St Anne's had increased. Al said that at the year end, we had liquid funds of approximately £20,000.

Although a number of our parishioners had changed the way in which they donate to St Anne's from giving through the collection plate to standing order, giving was down in the year in comparison to 2019. Consequently so was the tax recovered through Gift Aid.

The lockdowns of 2020 did reduce some of our expenditure. However, this was not the case with the Parish Share which increased from the figure 2019. Al explained that due to our own financial situation, we were unable to pay the parish share in full.

A question was asked about the Parish Share, how this was calculated and what it was. Al and Sharon explained the Parish Share was based on the attendance and financial surveys usually carried out in October (not 2020). The Parish Share is used to pay clergy costs across the whole diocese as well as the costs of the supporting staff based at Church House.

Al further explained that the parish share had again increased in 2021 and he expected St Anne's to pay approximately half of the assessment. Sharon said we are not alone and many churches throughout the diocese are in a similar position to us. Sharon said there are lots of challenges ahead to increase income but hopefully, as time goes on, this will happen when we are able to fully reopen.

Joanne Coxon expressed the need for fundraising ideas. Kath Hodges explained that due to the current situation the fundraising committee had found it difficult to hold events etc. Sharon said we need to make plans now for events to be held in the Autumn and these need to be aimed at everyone who comes to church. Jennifer Greenwood explained that in addition to the fundraising aspect, the social interaction which these events promote is so important as we continue to come out of lockdown. Going forward Joanne Coxon agreed to plan and co-ordinate fundraising events.

There being no further questions, the financial report was accepted unanimously.

Electoral Roll Report

Rachel Damianou, our Electoral Roll Officer, made reference to her report which had been included in the General Report. A question was asked as to how many were on the Electoral Roll as of the date of the APCM – Rachel confirmed there were now 99 on the roll and this had remained constant since the last APCM.

Canon Sharon thanked Rachel for her work in maintaining the roll.

Child Protection Report

Susan Fleming, our Safeguarding Officer, read out the Safe Church Policy.

Susan also made reference to her report which had been included in the General Report.

No questions were asked about the Child Protection Report.

Sharon thanked Susan for her work and emphasised the importance of her role.

Elections of the following roles

Parochial Church Council

Frank Boocock announced he was standing down from the PCC with immediate effect. Sharon thanked Frank for his service not only as a PCC member but in the wider life of the church but hoped that Frank's experience could still be called on when necessary.

The following people stood for election for the Parochial Church Council:

- Danos Damianou (re-election)
- Sue Willett (re-election)
- John Pearson
- David Marshall (to be elected after stepping down as church warden)

The meeting was unanimously in favour of electing all of the above. Sharon pointed out that as we had 99 people on the electoral roll we were allowed to have 9 elected members on the PCC. With the 4 members elected at this meeting, it now meant there were 9 elected members on the PCC which meant that we are now at capacity.

Examiner of accounts for 2021

Mike Royle was proposed and accepted as independent examiner of the accounts for another year.

Any Other Business

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

Administrative Information

Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has powers to transact the business of the P.C.C. between its meetings subject to any directions given to it by the Council. Its members are:

Team Rector; Churchwarden; PCC Vice-Chair; PCC Secretary; Treasurer; Chair of the Building Committee; and Worship Committee Representative.

Church Buildings Committee

- To maintain the fabric and grounds of the church buildings within the finance available.
- To consider and recommend improvements to the economic use of the buildings and grounds.
- To consider and recommend how the buildings and grounds might be altered to the benefit of the various uses of them.
- To organise any repairs, improvements or alterations when agreed by the PCC.
- To arrange the use of the Parish Hall to the mutual benefit and enjoyment of all the users.

Worship Committee

- To explore the nature of our worship, the service we hold and the liturgy and music they contain.
- To consult the congregation on matters of worship and discuss findings with the Team Rector.
- To discuss changes were appropriate.

Fund Raising Committee

- To organise social activities within the life of the Church.
- To organise fundraising activities for the benefit of the Church and Parish Hall.

Task Groups

- These are set up for specific purposes and then disbanded.

The Parochial Church Council - Objectives and Activities

The primary object of St Anne's Parochial Church Council is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It also has responsibility for co-operation with the Team Rector in promoting throughout the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Members of the PCC since the last APCM are:

Rev'd Canon Sharon Jones (Chair)
Mrs Anne Smith (Church Warden, Ex Officio Member)
Mr Al Gillian (Deanery Synod Representative, Ex Officio Member & Treasurer)
Rev'd Patricia Gillian (Ex Officio Member)
Mr Danos Damianou
Mrs Sam Lowe
Mrs Susan Willett
Mr Neil Davies
Mr David Lloyd
Mrs Joanne Coxon
Miss Natalie Doran
Mr John Pearson
Mr David Marshall

Church Services

The following services were held in St Anne's Church during the year from 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021:

		2021	**2020 Comparison**
Sunday Services:	Eucharist	30	29
	Service of the Word	9	4
	Other Sunday Services	2	4
Weekday Eucharist		2	15
Weekday Family Service	Including Monthly Eucharist	16	10
Other Weekday Services		6	-
Baptism Services		21	3
Marriage Services	Including a renewal of vows	13	3
Burial & Funeral Services		14	7
Internment of Ashes		8	4
Total of all Services		**121**	**79**

Reports

Electoral Roll Officer's Report

Every six years it is a legal requirement to completely revise our Electoral Roll. Everyone needs to fill in an application to the Roll form and we did this three years ago. This usually results in a trimmed down roll initially.

At our year end last December there were 99 members on the Electoral Roll. 67 are resident and 32 are non-resident in the Parish. The Roll has remained static since last year, understandably since we have been unable to meet together in person for part of the year.

However, as we now start to reopen our activities it would be good to see new members joining the roll as they get involved with our church family.

If anyone wishes to take on a role in the church, they should ideally be a member of the Roll, so it is important that as many people as possible are encouraged to join the Electoral Roll. After the AGM and throughout the year anyone not on the Roll is welcome to join at any point.

Rachel Damianou

Team Rector's Report

Firstly I want to thank you all for your ongoing commitment to Christ and to the Church; endeavouring to live as faithful disciples in sometimes very challenging occupations and situations. The work of the church is to support you, pray for you, and set you free to be resourced and nurtured in your faith.

Your Church Wardens and PCC members often bear huge responsibilities on behalf of the parishes and are deserving of your support and encouragement. Those who nurture our children in faith, and particularly those who lead and support our midweek children's services are to be honoured. This work keeps the faith of Christ alive in the next generations. Thank you.

During two years of COVID we learnt new ways of meeting and relating to one another, and explored different avenues of communication. This was welcomed and valued as people sought strength and comfort through the Internet and social media.

Emerging from the dark cloud of COVID we face new challenges in making Christ known in the world. I am confident that a praying, loving church is an attractive place. God asks of us not success but faithfulness.

The Diocese of Manchester has embarked on the creation of 'Mission Communities', something which we in Saddleworth have been exploring for around twenty years and call 'Team'. We are now officially (though not legally) 'Mission Community 5' We will continue to be pioneers in resourcing one another and working together across the churches in deepening our faith and serving our communities.

Good, authentic worship matters. It is a window onto our faith in God, our need of his grace and an opportunity to encounter Christ through Scripture and the sacraments. I would like to thank my awesome clergy and lay colleagues and all who have given voice to their faith through leading service of the Word. You have taken the opportunity to encourage the whole community of the baptised to find their voice and share their faith journey and experience.

The departure of Reverend Aaron and his family for pastures new left a big gap in our life together, particularly at Holy Trinity. We look forward to the vicarage being the home of the next Team Vicar.

We bid farewell to Reverend John as he retires, and thank him and Jacqui for their life among us. John has been a loyal and conscientious priest. We will miss him immensely. His commitment to Saddleworth and to St Thomas' in particular has been both challenging and inspiring.

I wish you all well in all that God has to reveal to us in 2022 as together we seek the grace of Christ to be a worshipping transforming presence within the Saddleworth community.

Grace and peace

Sharon

Safeguarding Officer (Responsible for Children and Adults)

Introduction

I have continued to update myself with all the duties expected of this role by reading the Church of England Safeguarding E Manual published September 2021 and am up to date with all the relevant on line training provided by the Diocese.

Child Registration details

The recommendations regarding the registration of all children attending Junior Church, Crèche and Youth Group are followed and each parent/guardian is required to complete a registration form for their child. All information is updated regularly to ensure the safety of the children in our care.

Volunteer Details

We have had 2 new volunteers during the last 12 months and both applicants had an interview with the Church Warden before commencing their role. A completed application form, two references and a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate are held for each volunteer. All DBS certificates are renewed every 5 years and our current volunteers

have completed on line Basic and Foundation Safeguarding Training. Information on our volunteers is kept in a locked safe.
Currently we only have 4 volunteers for Junior Church. This means Junior Church cannot be held every week. Youth group and crèche are currently not running.

Safeguarding Statements
Our Safeguarding Policy Promoting a Safer Church is in line with guidance from the Diocese and is available for viewing on the notice board at the back of church along with the Referral Flow Chart stating what to do if there is a case of suspected child abuse.
The parish Safeguarding Handbook (new for 2019) is also on the notice board and all volunteers have a copy of the "pocket guide".There is also a safeguarding statement on our website.

PCC members
It is a requirement that all PCC members should have a DBS check completed because they are trustees of a charity overseeing work with children and adults at risk and therefore have safeguarding responsibilities. This has been completed for all current members.

The Future
I did let the PCC know last year that I would be standing down from the role of Safeguarding Officer as of this AGM. This has given 12 months for a new appointment to be made. To date I am not aware that the vacancy has been filled.

Susan Fleming
Parish Safeguarding Officer April 2022

Churchwarden Report including the Fabric of the Church, The Churchyard and the Goods and Ornaments

This has been a difficult year for not only the church, but for everyone due to the pandemic of COVID-19.

Our church has been closed many times in the last 12 months preventing worship, and, when allowed to open, it meant we were very limited during our services, avoiding singing, the peace and receiving wine during communion.

The total number of services we held was 121 which were attended by 7,079 worshippers meaning there was an average of 59 worshippers at each service.

The number of baptisms was 21, marriage services 13, and funerals 14.

During this difficult time, we ensured that everyone attending were kept safe by adhering strictly to infection control advice. We had Zoom services and a WhatsApp group for anyone isolating or unable to attend services. There were also quizzes which were very popular, these were kindly arranged by David Marshall. Reverend Pat ensured there was always a service and reflections available as did the Saddleworth Team online. I thank each and everyone for their hard work.

Despite the many lockdown periods our links with St. Anne's school remained strong, the experiences for Easter, Pentecost, Harvest and Christmas continued, albeit virtually. Our midweek family service resumed in October and numbers attending is now higher than previously.

I want to thank John Pearson, David Lloyd, Jennifer Greenwood, David Marshall, Joanne Coxon, all the sides people, readers, intercessors, flower team, coffee team, Sexton, Electoral Roll Officer, Safeguarding Officer and card distribution team for their fantastic support throughout a difficult year. They have all contributed so wonderfully to keep our church open and welcoming to all.

I will not be standing as church warden again, but I will continue in my roles as verger, wedding coordinator, ordering church supplies and sacristan.

Parochial Church Council in 2021

In the calendar year 2021, we held 4 regular PCC meetings and one additional meeting in March to explore the reopening of Church.

There are 12 members of the PCC and the meetings held had between 6 and 11 people present which was in line with previous years. At the 2021 APCM, Danos Damianou, and Sue Willett were re-elected to the PCC. David Marshall (after stepping down as church warden) and John Pearson stood for election to the PCC and were duly elected. Also at the 2021 APCM, Frank Boocock stepped down from the PCC and we thank Frank for the service he has given in this role.

During this year, all members of the PCC have been DBS checked.

As in the previous year, despite every effort, we were unable to pay our 2021 Parish Share in full. Further information relating to this is contained within the financial report.

During 2021, there were many items which formed the agenda for the PCC:

Reopening of Church

Church, once more, closed in January 2021 due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. The first two meetings of the year were mainly concerned with when church could reopen and how this might happen. The PCC eventually decided to reopen on the 28th March (Palm Sunday). This was only after the PCC approved a risk assessment to ensure all those who worship at St Anne's remain as safe as possible. At this time, it was deemed only the main Sunday service should be restarted. As restrictions continued to ease, it was decided to restart the weekday family service and this restarted on 1st September.

Despite it being safe to reopen, some restrictions remain in place, for example: no formal sign of peace and only one form of Holy Communion being administered.

Church Building and Grounds:

Discussions continued with the Diocese regarding the consecration of the church graveyard. Thankfully due to the hard work of many, the land was consecrated in a special service in late Autumn.

The upkeep of the church building is always something which features high on the PCC agenda and 2021 was no exception. Extensive work was carried out to find the source of the water ingress which was causing damage to the interior walls. This was eventually found and repaired.

Pyracantha Bushes were purchased and planted alongside the North Wall of church. This is where church has been broken into on several occasions and it is hoped the planting of these bushes will act as a deterrent to anybody wanting to gain access to church via the windows on the North Side of Church.

In line with the Diocese's plans, the PCC have committed to becoming carbon neutral by 2030 and discussions were had about how to achieve this and how to work towards a Silver Eco award.

Fundraising:

The PCC continued to be concerned at the ever increasing costs we face as a parish. During meetings we planned fundraising ideas in order to generate further funds for church. Various fundraising events went ahead and provided additional, much-needed funds for our church. Further details about these events can be found in the Fundraising Committee's Report (below).

A contactless machine was purchased to make it easier for those who don't use collection envelopes or standing orders to donate to church. This was put in place in the Autumn and as a consequence we had to install broadband in church so this can be used.

Team Clergy

Preparations were put in place to put together a Parish Profile for St Anne's. This was necessary because of the retirement of Rev'd John Rosesale and the need to recruit a new Team Vicar. The profile, which was agreed, used the previous one as a basis and made changes to reflect St Anne's as it is today. Our profile, along with the others from the various parishes throughout the Saddleworth Team, will be put together to create a Team Profile.

Discussions were also had about what the Team were wanting when trying to recruit a new House for Duty Clergy member.

Recruitment of Volunteers

The PCC have been active in trying to recruit volunteers to a variety of roles within the church. In particular the PCC looked to find two new people to take on the role of Baptism Co-Ordinator and Safeguarding Officer. Anne Smith who was the previous Baptism Co-Ordinator stepped down from this role. Thankfully, this has now been filled. Susan Fleming who has been our safeguarding officer for a number of years gave notice to the PCC prior to the last APCM that she intends to step down from the role at this year's APCM. At the time of writing, despite approaching a number of people, the PCC have been unsuccessful in their attempts to recruit somebody to this role.

Church Building Committee

Another strange year, but hopefully by the time we compile the annual report, things will be back to some level of normality.

Church Grounds

The first half of the year saw a lot of work in the graveyard and wider Church grounds, with lots of work clearing the wild area on the South side of Church, relaying paths and generally making the place look tidier and more cared for. Thanks must go to Pat, Al and Brian and Joyce Devenport for organising this, they've done a marvellous job.

Later in the year saw the delayed tree work completed by Nik Anderson. Nik leads the Arboricultural team at Oldham Council and created a very detailed plan for thining, removing and general tree care in the Church grounds, but the work originally planned for 2020 had to be postponed. This finally went ahead late in 2021, but the results are fantastic. The area to the South of Church looks so much more open now and hopefully will enable that area to thrive for wildlife in the coming months.

Roof

A constant problem with buildings like our Church is the roof. This year we have engaged roofers to fix things as they come up to try to stop water getting in too much. This is pretty much a constant problem especially as winter storms take their toll. Later in the year we took advice from a local expert to identify where we have problems, and how to fix them. This took a while to work through, but eventually Roofmaster undertook a considerable amount of work to solve some of the problems that have been causing damp on the north wall, and now hopefully that can start to dry out and stabilise. This will allow us to sort out the walls, but more on that later.

As part of the work we also wanted to get some of the rainwater pipes repaired, but this is yet to be completed. This will stop water gushing out of the old and damaged rainwater pipes on the South side.

New Graveyard

2022 saw the new graveyard finally consecrated, but before that could be done, there was some last minute work to do to mark the boundary of the graveyard with stone. This was very much a joint effort, with lots of people coming together to complete about 50m of shallow trench and laying stone to create a noticeable boundary. This thankfully was completed in time and allowed the consecration to go ahead.

Inside walls

Now the roof is water tight again, for now anyway, it has allowed us to tackle some of the flaking paint. The building committee met a couple of evenings to scrape off some of the flaking paint, which was great fun, but took quite a bit of tidying up!!

This is an ongoing piece of work, and we are hoping to get some painters in for a week to do as much as they can. The cost of this is being covered by a member of the building committee, which is fantastic, and hugely appreciated.

Energy footprint

Manchester Diocese has made a commitment to be Carbon Neutral by 2030, so that means there is a huge amount of work to do to reduce emissions, improve grounds and generally make Churches and their grounds ready to take us into a new era. Part of this was to calculate the energy footprint of the Church by using a tool provided by the Diocese. This essentially takes energy consumption figures and provides a rating by area, and by person based on average attendance. The results weren't great, but that is not very surprising. We scored a G by area and an E per person, so plenty of things we can do to help improve this.

Ideas have been collated and we will look at things we can do easily to reduce emissions, but a lot of the bigger pieces of work will cost a lot. Something to consider as we move through 2022.

EcoChurch

Some of you may be aware that a few years ago we achieved the Bronze award of the EcoChurch initiative run by A Rocha. This is an initiative to help Churches reduce their impact on the environment, but also to make positive changes to support themselves and the communities they are in. Myself and Al are looking to set up a separate group to push this forward and try to get the Silver award, and who knows, we may get to Gold next time. There is a separate report about the EcoGroup that provides more information, so I'll say no more here.

Building Committee membership

Most years I write something about the small team that the building committee is and the lack of time we have to do work around the church due to busy lives, but this year our numbers have dwindled again, and we have lost 2 valued members. Brian Devenport has been a stalwart of the building committee for as long as I can remember, and his work around the Church grounds has been much needed. But 2021 saw Brian and his wife Joyce move away from the area, a sad loss for us but an exciting new chapter for them. I'd like to thank Brian and Joyce for their years of commitment to St. Annes, and for being friends for many years.

Neil Davies also made the difficult decision to leave the committee in 2021, another big loss. I'd like to thank Neil for his work and enthusiasm over the years.

As in previous years, I'll reach out to the Church to see if anyone would like to support us in the year to come. We meet infrequently, but try to do as much as we can to help around Church, and would welcome anyone who has time and expertise to come and help us.

Many thanks

David Lloyd

Worship Committee

The worship committee is a sub-committee of the PCC and focuses on the worship and services at St Anne's. Membership is not restricted to the PCC, and it would be fruitful if members of the congregation joined to give a wider perspective on our worship. We encourage the children to be involved in the services by taking part with readings, intercessions. We also encourage our Youth to help lead services and in the research that is sometimes needed beforehand.

Well, this year again has certainly been different in all aspects. We started the year again in lockdown and did not re-open until Palm Sunday with restrictions on numbers attending and singing and with everyone having to wear facemasks. Slowly but surely during the year we have worked towards getting back to normal or the new normal. We still do not share the peace by shaking hands, but we share it by looking round and acknowledging people. Also, we still only receive the bread at Communion but again hopefully going forward we will be able to offer the wine.

We again have started to offer Weddings and Baptisms and have been playing catch up for the families that had to cancel arrangements made.

Funeral services continued and at the beginning of the year we had to restrict numbers and singing of hymns but as the year progressed and restrictions were removed, we were able to offer a full service as they used to be which was a great comfort to the families involved.

On the 24th November Bishop Mark came to St Anne's to hold a service to consecrate our new graveyard to which we invited village residents, our congregation, Year 5 from St Anne's School, and the Yates family of Lower Lydgate Farm who donated the land to us for this purpose Fred and Margaret attended as representatives of the family. Love Lydgate very kindly put on some refreshments for us in the Parish Hall as it was a bitterly cold day.

On the 13th of September we were able to hold our Confirmation service with Bishop Mark at St Chad's Church Uppermill. This had been postponed from March 2020 and it was good to see the candidates and their families gathered to celebrate their confirmation.

Our weekday family service and Junior Church again were cancelled but we have managed to keep in contact with families of these groups via WhatsApp, St Anne's Facebook and by email sending out sheets for the children to complete on that week's readings and by videoed services on a Wednesday and Sunday. On Wednesday the 1st September 2021 we again started to hold our Family Service and Junior Church in person and slowly but surely we built up the numbers to more than we have ever had reaching 173 people in church one Wednesday. We also started to plan to hold our "Admittance to Communion Confirmation Class" as again we had to cancel these due to Covid and are planning to hold two classes during 2022 to help to catch up: starting in the new year and one in September 2022.

Our participation in School Collective Worship and Experience Church is being delivered again in person which is a much better experience for the children. We also now have a Eucharist service at school once a term which the children enjoy.

We have also managed to hold End of Term Services along with a very successful Christingle Service and Harvest Service with the food from the Harvest service, brought by the children, being delivered to Oldham Foodbank, Bible presenting services to Year 6 and Reception.

So, you can see we are moving forward at St Anne's in many ways but are always open to new ideas and helpers so please get in touch if you have ideas to share.

Report from the Sexton

Some tremendous work has taken place in the churchyard over the last 12 months. More clearance of invasive plants has taken place with a contractor brought in to clear the 'wild' triangular area to the south side of the south section of the churchyard, and diseased trees have been removed or cut back in line with the grounds' faculty obtained some time ago. It is good to say thanks to Nik Anderson for his work with tree planning and for bringing in appropriate contractors to undertake the work. Thanks also to all the willing volunteers that have worked so hard on the working parties. We have a need, now that the weather is improving, to restart monthly working parties to spread the chippings and ensure that log piles are in the correct place; tree stumps can be drilled for insects to nest in, we can put up bird houses and provide other wild animal habitats.

In the lower yard repair work on the retaining wall at the foot of the bank below the Garden of Remembrance continues. After much planning and a few hitches, we were finally able to invite the Bishop and Registrar to St Anne's to consecrate the new field and the consecrated area has been marked out with stone-filled trenches. The semi-circle in front of the bench in the new field is to be turned into a flower garden, as this cannot be used for burials. The gates have now been repaired, with help of a grant from local councillors, which will also cover the repair of the gravel path down to the lower churchyard.

With the easing of Government restrictions, we have found that families wanted to move forward with the interment of their loved one's ashes, so many such services have gone ahead. With the pandemic restrictions staying in place for such a long time the motivation to hold memorial services diminished. Here are the numbers for 2021:

7 Burials

10 Interments of Ashes

12 Memorials, plaques or additional inscriptions were added

Al Gillian

St Anne's EcoGroup

Myself and Al Gillian are looking to put together a small group to take on the Diocese challenge of becoming Carbon Neutral by 2030. To do this we will need to consider all actions, from the small practical steps we can do to make our grounds more nature friendly, to the large scale things like considering renewable energy at St. Anne's.

One of the ways we can do this is by taking part in the A Rocha EcoChurch initiative. We already have a Bronze award, but to get Silver and Gold we need to do more. We believe with the right help, this is possible and have created an list of practical steps we can make to take us towards those higher awards.

The A Rocha EcoChurch initiative covers 5 areas of Church life, and through a series of questions gives a score for each, and an overall score relating to the lowest rating of the groups.

The areas are:

- Worship & Teaching
- Buildings
- Land
- Community & Global Engagement
- Lifestyle

To achieve our goals, we need to grow our little group, so if anyone would like to help reduce our impact on the environment please get in touch with myself or Al Gillian.

Many thanks

David Lloyd

Fund Raising Committee

It has been another difficult year for us in 2021. Covid restricted activities everywhere, particularly in church.

Our first fund raising day was an afternoon open church with handmade eco stalls and refreshments. Although footfall was low it was a good afternoon.

We also held an Autumn evening which included private stalls that helped to make the evening a success.

The Christmas Fayre took place on Saturday 20th November. We had lots of stalls with our usual tombola, raffle, home bake, bottle tombola, chocolate tombola. This year we also had our picture mugs and coasters which have continued throughout. The addition of other stalls also made the Hall full of activity. As ever the Café was very busy. A successful event yet again, which raised over £1300. Thank you to everyone who contributed their time, gifts and donations. We always need parishioners support to make events successful

Lydgate Community Association Report

It may appear that Lydgate Community Association is focused only on bricks and mortar and making the place viable financially. This is certainly not the case, as the Trustees see management of this valuable resource to be a much wider issue than that. At the heart of the project is a determination to create a community hub that can be used by all ages and meet a wide range of needs - physical activities, opportunities for socialising, developing new skills, making music, dancing, stitching or with volunteers there just to listen. Nearly every slot is booked up. Our research has shown that there is a real need for old and young alike to have opportunities to meet together, face to face and in a pleasant, stimulating environment counteracting loneliness, isolation, stress and lack of confidence, brought home to us all by the ravages of the Covid pandemic.

The community has seen a real bonus through the actual act of working on the hall bringing people together. From the village, the surrounding locality and the church congregation, it has become a team effort. Lydgate Hall is buzzing with activity, energy and a real sense of achievement.

The interior of the building has been transformed with replacement of damaged and dangerous plaster; new standard and emergency LED lighting that is environmentally friendly; a modern stainless-steel functional kitchen, with dishwasher and larder fridge, along with a new immersion heater create a place for safe food preparation and a pleasant place to work; fully refurbished and decorated toilets; the entrance hall was completely taken down to the stonework and refurbished, the whole cost being covered by one local benefactor; much of the interior has been re-decorated with new blinds and two fabulous wall hangings created by Lydgate Stitchers - the list goes on.

So, what of the outside? There has been a lot of valuable cosmetic work; around the rear garden area, clearing accumulated rubbish from places and decorating exterior surfaces. There have also been much needed repairs to the roof thanks to some very generous donations from across the community, but it has not been money alone, people have to turned up to donate their time to paint, point, clean, remove rubbish; you name it – they've done it. The generosity shown has been staggering and is further proof that this something that people need and want to see succeed.

The 6 Trustees have worked tirelessly, making sure that grants are applied for, policies written and put in place, they communicate with users and engage and monitor contractors. The Charity operates its own bank account, its own website and membership scheme.

In October, we successfully applied for a £20,000 grant from the Oldham Council Local Improvement Fund, which is to be used to provide a social hub to facilitate:

(1) A local café facility serving snacks and meals for the 1,085 people aged over 65 in our area, many living alone.

(2) Opportunities that encourage rebuilding of post-Covid confidence in both the young and the old and enable re-engagement in social activities. This will include a Community Garden in the hall grounds.

(3) Additional exercise and recreational activities for the elderly to compliment those already in place.

(4) Youth activities additional to uniformed organisations to cater for the 314 of the local 861 children who are 14+ with little if anything for them to do in their spare time.

(5) A mental health "drop-in" facility for the isolated and lonely.

(6) Further restoration work including replacement of the poor surface outside, initially between the two sets of steps.

Our long-term aim is to re-develop the building to allow secure, multiple group occupancy and co-operation between the LCA and the Church is so important. We thank Ann and Andrew Thorne for sourcing a grant to pay for a surveyor, who has now provided a detailed and fully costed report of the building structure. As a very old building, we fully expected this to reveal a need for significant repairs beyond what has already been done and we are sure that the PCC can put together an action plan to tackle the issues over time. Action Together have said they will help the PCC access the grant funding that will be needed.

If you wish to run an activity offer your help or just want to see what has been done in the hall just contact one of the Trustees.

Jennifer Greenwood (Chair), Frank Boocock, Al Gillian, Rachel Damianou, Henry Burbidge, Simon Edge.

Coffee Team

Coffee and tea are usually served after every 11 am Sunday service thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers. This year we restarted coffee as soon as we felt it was safe to do so. Our contribution to our three charities has obviously been down on previous years but we still manged to collect £401.36 since we opened for coffee again on 25th July up until the end of March this year which will be donated equally between the charities.

Lydgate Community Association have taken over the running of the Parish Hall and the maintenance of the interior including the kitchen. As a result, we now have a new kitchen fit for all kinds of catering which we use for coffee each week.

Thank you to everyone who has brewed up, cleaned up, shared a cuppa and donated!

Card Distribution Report

Despite the challenges of the Coronavirus pandemic, it is pleasing to report that approximately 2800 cards were delivered at both Easter and Christmas to households throughout the Parish.

A team of 42 volunteers, no doubt some assisted by family members, delivered cards to 54 identified rounds/areas. It has been specifically pleasing to welcome 5 new volunteers although, sadly, 4 members have departed mainly due to their change of residency. This leaves us with 3 vacant rounds/areas which now needs attention.

It is clear that recruitment of volunteers will always be an ongoing challenge as personal circumstances change.

Moving forward, an area under consideration is the need to deliver cards to persons who either attend or have a connection to St Annes Church, but live outside the Parish. Comment is to be placed on the church notices with hopefully a list of names compiled.

Once again I would like to place on record my thanks to all volunteers for helping to communicate the Christmas messages in 2021.

Richard Buckley
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Flower Team

We are now a small team of just 3 regular members after Joyce moved away from Lydgate in the Autumn of 2021. Joyce had been part of the flower team for many years and played a key role organising us with the yearly flower rota and also carrying out the mid-week check and watering.

We would be happy to grow our team, so please get in touch if you would like to learn more about what we do and feel that you can help. Your involvement can be as big or as small as you can manage. Easter, Harvest or Christmas times can be a good point to start as that is when we decorate church together as a team and there would be an opportunity to watch us and also get involved yourself.

There are a few weeks during the year when we don't have a sponsor, so if you would like to remember an event, date or person in your life by sponsoring a flower arrangement at the altar, please contact Tracey Manifold. Flowers usually cost £25 and the arrangement is initially arranged to be displayed by the altar and as flowers generally last at least 2 weeks, they are then moved to be displayed by the curate's chair or to the memorial table in the porch.

Dates still available in 2022/23
June 10th
July 8th, 29th
August 5th, 19th
January 20th,
February 3rd, 17th

Junior Church

As with the majority of things, our provision of Junior Church was severely restricted by the Pandemic and we were not in a position to open until the Autumn of 2021. However during our closed period, we continued to engage the children by sending out a weekly resource called Look for the children to complete at home which was themed around the weekly Gospel. We also encouraged the children to design our parish Christmas and Easter cards.

When Junior Church was finally able to reopen, not only were we excited to be using the freshly decorated Parish Hall, we were also delighted to welcome two new Junior Church teachers – Clare and Laura and we thank them for volunteering. Along with Lianne and Sam we now have a team of four.

In addition to the Junior Church sessions, we also worked through Welcome to the Lord's Table resource to support the children on their journey towards Communion Before Confirmation.

We hold Junior Church on 2nd and 4th Sunday and numbers gradually increased again, with lots of new children starting. The children have enjoyed a range of activities including drama, stories, arts and crafts.

Creche

Since the previous leaders of crèche stepped down, we have been unable to recruit new volunteers for crèche to restart. We are in need of leaders who will be willing to take on this role. If this is something which you would like to find out more about, please ask one of the wardens or sides-people.

Rose Queen

My role as Rose Queen has been very different to the role I was expecting. Having had my crowing postponed due to the Pandemic, there were also restrictions on the way in which I could represent St Anne's and raise money for church and my chosen charity – Francis House Children's Hospice.

The Whit Walks, at which the Rose/May Queen usually walks representing St Anne's were cancelled and we had to put on hold various fund-raising ideas which we had planned. Thankfully the Retinue mums continued to develop ideas and these were eventually planned for the Spring of 2022.

The highlight of the year for me was St Anne's Day. We asked the members of our church to bring flowers which the mums put together as small bouquets. We then took them to people throughout the parish (and beyond) who had been nominated to receive them. The people we delivered them too were very grateful. I also enjoyed decorating the Church Christmas Tree and serving mulled wine and refreshments at the Christmas Carol Concert.

Although my time as Rose Queen has not been as expected, it has been extremely enjoyable. I would like to thank my retinue: Issabella, Freya, Olivia, Ella and Archie and their parents. I would also like to thank everyone else who have been supportive of me in my time as Rose Queen.

Holly Marshall

Girl Guiding Associations

Guides

Over the past year we have been focussing on some really interesting badge work. This includes raising funds for Breast Cancer UK and collecting nearly 200 bras! We have enjoyed making our very own badges, using our sewing skills and learning about causes that mean a lot to us as a group. As a Guide Unit we can earn badges which eventually award the girls with bronze, silver and gold badges. This term all 11 girls have achieved their bronze awards and couldn't be happier.

As we move into the summer term we are excitedly waiting for July when we will be back on guide camp after two years away! We cannot wait

We will continue to work on some more amazing badges and we look forward to everything that guides has to offer as we move into the new academic year in September.

Brownies

At Brownies we like to try new things and take on a broad range of challenges as we explore the topics that sit within our six programme themes - Know Myself, Express Myself, Be Well, Have Adventures, Take Action and Skills for My Future.

As well as trying activities in their meetings, girls choose from interest badges related to things they want to know more about

All our Brownies have earned their Bronze award and are now working on their silver Award.

Boy Scouting Associations

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society. Many local children have experienced this with our group throughout the decades of its existence.

Scouting at St Anne's has offered children from 6 to 14 the ability to be involved in their local community and to undertake activities which challenge them and build skills and develop confidence which can be taken through into other areas of their daily lives.

Scouting is about preparing young people with skills for life. It gives them the character, employability and practical skills they need to succeed, encouraging them to do more, learn more and be more. From teamwork, leadership, and resilience – skills that have helped Scouts become everything from teachers and social workers to astronauts and Olympians. The Scouts bring people together. We celebrate diversity and stand against intolerance. We're a worldwide movement with over 55 million members, creating stronger communities and inspiring positive futures.

Beavers (children aged 6-8)

Beavers is the beginning of the Scouting adventure. It's about trying new things and making new friends. Every week, they gather in groups called Beaver Colonies to hop, skip and jump their way through lots of different games and activities. Each Beaver undertakes activities in order to achieve a variety of activity and challenge badges which, once completed, earns them the Chief Scout's Bronze Award.

Our Beavers Colony closed in early 2020 due to a lack of parental help and leadership assistance. The last leadership group committed to helping all of that current group progress into Cubs before the section closed. Sadly, we had plenty of interest from parents wanting their children to be part of the Scouting movement, however, no offers to help keep the Colony alive.

Cubs (children aged 8 - 10 ½)

Cubs is the next stage in the Scouting adventure, providing more difficult and challenging experiences for the members to experience. Every week, they gather in groups called Cub Packs to take part in lots of interesting and challenging activities – achieving anything they set their minds to, and having lots of fun along the way. Each Cub undertakes activities in order to achieve a variety of activity and challenge badges which, once completed, earns them the Chief Scout's Silver Award.

The Coronavirus has impacted volunteering groups hard, and it has had a negative effect on Scouting numbers too with many members breaking the link with attending meetings over the lockdown period and subsequently not re-joining the movement. This is true for both children and adult members. As a result, our Cubs section did not re-open following the easing of restrictions due the lack of numbers remaining, lack of parental help and leadership assistance and due to a number of the members being in the Scouts age bracket.

Scouts (children aged 10 ½ to 14)

Scouts is the next stage in the Scouting story. Scouts are a go-getting group of young people. They master new skills and try new things, make new friends, have fun and go on adventures, explore the world around them, help others and make a difference, in their own communities and beyond.

Week in and week out, they gather in groups called Scout Troops to conquer the small task of changing the world. Each Scout undertakes activities in order to achieve a variety of activity and challenge badges which, once completed, earns them the Chief Scout's Gold Award.

Just prior to COVID lockdown, our group trialled the opening of a small Scout Troop to gauge appetite. Following the easing of restrictions, we fully opened this Troop and offered our previous Cubs a route to continue their Scouting journey. This has continued as a small group with a renewed focus on helping the older Troop members achieve their Gold Aware

before moving on from Scouts. Lots of adventure awaits our Troop over the next 12 months!

Our Scout Troop meets in Lydgate Parish Hall on Fridays between 7-9pm. We have a cohesive group of dedicated leaders who put together an interesting and challenging schedule of activities and badge work meaning that meetings are always rewarding.

Junior Leaders

Our Group has benefitted from a number of previous members returning after they have moved on in order to help run the group's activities. Some of this has been to help achieve the varying stages of their Duke of Edinburgh Award, however, each has stayed to help after their respective required time periods have concluded. This further enriches the experience delivered to members as they look up to their closer aged peers and they set an example for them to follow.

Group Scout Leadership and Administration

2020/21 and 2021/22 have been difficult for our group as has been seen across the Scouting Network and wider volunteering sector. As highlighted above, parental help and leader volunteers have been lacking for our group for some time. The enforced break that COVID provided has also broken the link and habit that members had and saw a reduction in our children membership. Despite this, our group of dedicated leaders has kept our group alive and we continue to offer a valuable and meaningful experience for our Scouts.

The hard work of the group as a whole has been reflected in what we have collectively output in terms of the quality of badge work and meetings in general. The group has taken pride in what we have been involved in which results in a meaningful and rewarding community group allowing young children in the area to be taught life skills and a connectivity with their community and environment.

For any enquiries, please direct them to the below contact points:

Scouts: Lydgate_Scouts@outlook.com

Group queries and admin: Lydgate_22nd_Oldham@outlook.com

Safeguarding Policy – Promoting a Safer Church

The following policy was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on 26th April 2022.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.
- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

The Parish will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

POLICY STATEMENT ON CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & THE CHURCH

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

As members of this Church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people.

- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.

- Our Church is committed to following the Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Manchester Diocese Handbook of Policy and Procedures.

- Each worker with children and young people must have a clear Disclosure & Barring Service Certificate; undertake diocesan Safeguarding training; know the guidelines & undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures & good practice guidelines. They shall also have an interview with the Church Wardens before commencing their role.

- Our Church is committed to supporting and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.

- As part of our commitment to children and young people the PCC has appointed ……to be the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

- The parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines can be viewed by asking the Church Warden or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Children and young people are an important part of our Church today. They have much to give as well as to receive. We will listen to them as we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life. We will respect the wishes and feelings of children and young people.

Review date: May 2023

POLICY STATEMENT ON SAFEGUARDING OF ADULTS

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

1. We recognize that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in our lives.
2. As members of this parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults to whom we minister.
3. We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.
4. We commit ourselves to promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust.
5. The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who may be vulnerable.
6. It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable people and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.
7. We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with people who may be vulnerable.
8. The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people who may be vulnerable.
9. The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese.
10. Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

Review date: May 2023

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Financial Report

With church closed from January and only re-opening on Palm Sunday it was inevitable that income would be hit hard again as it was in 2020. PCC agreed to continue meeting the hall running costs until it re-opened and that happened at the beginning of September, so reducing the cost for Church to £3,174.08 compared to £4,312.44 in 2020. Overall income rose by £5,277.73, largely through fundraising and grants, as once again, voluntary income reduced (in 2021 by 5.5%). Fee income from Occasional Services recovered with the relaxation of pandemic rules. Investments continued to gain ground.

Income [Pages A10/A11]

- From 1st September the resumption of the Wednesday evening family service helped committed regular giving to recover slightly, following a new approach to the encouragement of the families to contribute to church. However, we believe a significant sum has been lost through HSBC changing the account name without our knowledge or agreement. Our subsequent protest has been brushed aside.
- Loose collections have shown a significant up-turn and will provide an opportunity to recruit newcomers to the regular giving scheme. A thank you to Richard who has successfully taken over as Gift Aid Secretary and has conducted an audit of Declarations. There are one or two opportunities to bolster GA income with some extra 'sign-ups'. Thanks also to John and Jo for helping out with the collections.
- With the loss of some 200 Club 'numbers' we are currently working to recruit new members, as this remains a valuable source of income. Thanks also go to the Events & Fundraising Team who have quickly taken advantage of the opportunity to become active and helped raise £3,240.75 in 2021.
- Congratulations to May Queen Katie who raised £929.31 for church, which has been placed in the Youth Ministry Fund, taking the value to £2,712.69. As this is mostly a restricted Fund, it would be good to have some ideas for how these funds can be put to good use.
- The revaluation gain on our investments in 2021 amounted to £2,960.45, but only realisable on sale if and when we choose to utilise these funds.
- Two grants were received in 2021: £1,000 from Saddleworth Hydro to enable the bulbs in the main part of the church to be changed to LED; £1,050 was received from our Local Councillors to help with the cost of repairs to the gate and the path to the lower churchyard, the latter work still to be completed.

Expenditure [Pages A12/A13]

- Our Parish Share assessment of £60,180 always seemed out of reach, but that we managed to pay £40,000 which, in these difficult times, feels like a considerable achievement. The £61,384 assessment for 2022 is going to be equally tough.
- Our Team costs of £8,179 [2020 £8,909] are spread across the lines of Clergy expenses, Parsonage Houses, Pastoral Care, Salaries and Administration.
- Once again it was a pleasure to be able to continue with the issue of Bibles to the pupils in School's Year 6 and Reception classes thanks to a donation received to meet the cost. The missional cost of £1,062 is very valuable investment.
- Our electricity costs have not yet benefitted much from the switch to LED lights, but there has been some reduction despite increasing church building usage in 2021. To try to save energy, the standby heating temeperature has been reduced from 12^0 to 11^0 and there has been a significant reduction in gas cost, although helped by the period of church closure.
- Insurance premiums have increased with the full-year payment of the premium for the hall, but Trinitas is still substantialy cheaper than the alternatives.
- We had a further suvey of the roof conducted by Roofmaster (Rochdale) Ltd to establish the cause of the continuing water ingress. Repairs and improvements have been identified and approved by the PCC at £3,048. The work has been completed in February 2022.
- Wit church fully re-opened we need to re-assess our copyright licensing arrangements which are due for renewal in March and this will increase the cost to £488 (2021: £421).

Moving Forward

- The Parish Hall is looking much improved following significant refurbishment, aided by grant funding, which will be in the LCA report. The trustees have had a successful bid for £20,000 from Oldham Council's Local Improvement Fund. This will be used to facilitate community work for the lonely and isolated, young people and to provide a drop-in centre for those with mental health issues. Some of this will be available for yard suface improvements in conjunction with a community garden. However, there is still a debate to be had about the responsibility for fabric repairs, as there is some uncertainty within the Management Agreement. We await the structural survey conducted to identify issues that need to be rectified and the PCC will need to raise further grant funding to meet its responsibility for the building's fabric.
- Excluding the nominal value of the Parish Hall (£90,000) our available funds have improved over the year and total £25,207. Of this, £7,166 is restricted, £8,431 designated and £9,610 unrestricted. This will give us some scope to pay for the roof repairs and meet a substantial amount of the Parish Share assessment. It would be good to aim for £48,000 - the current value of a stipend and associated costs.

Al Gillian, Parish Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
Chartered Accountant
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26th April 2022

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2021 £	FUNDS 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2						
Voluntary Income	a	48,791.79	37.75	751.22	-	**49,580.76**	52,447
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	6,132.25	929.31	-	**7,061.56**	3,197
Investment Income	c	569.04	-	-	-	**569.04**	550
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	9,551.00	-	-	-	**9,551.00**	6,024
Other Incoming Resources	e	1,050.00	-	1,000.00	-	**2,050.00**	1,316
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**59,961.83**	**6,170.00**	**2,680.53**	-	**68,812.36**	63,535
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3						
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	330.85	2,478.40	-	-	**2,809.25**	1,755
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	100.00	-	-	-	**100.00**	810
Charitable Activities	c	59,687.84	3,174.08	159.57	-	**63,021.49**	51,546
Other Resources Used	d	90.00	-	1,147.33	-	**1,237.33**	10,691
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**60,208.69**	**5,652.48**	**1,306.90**	-	**67,168.07**	64,802
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(246.86)**	**517.52**	**1,373.63**	-	**1,644.29**	(1,268)
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**3,686.60**	**3,174.08**	-	-	**6,860.68**	6,253
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		**(3,174.08)**	**(3,686.60)**	-	-	**(6,860.68)**	(6,253)
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		**2,266.65**	**538.21**	**155.59**	-	**2,960.45**	1,344
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**7,077.86**	**7,887.59**	**95,636.58**	-	**110,602.03**	110,526
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**	110,602

The note on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2					
Voluntary Income	a	49,607.42	-	2,839.79	-	**52,447.21**
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	3,197.00	-	-	**3,197.00**
Investment Income	c	550.42	-	-	-	**550.42**
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	3,746.00	2,278.00	-	-	**6,024.00**
Other Incoming Resources	e	1,316.00	-	-	-	**1,316.00**
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**55,219.84**	**5,475.00**	**2,839.79**	-	**63,534.63**
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	175.05	1,579.55	-	-	**1,754.60**
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	95.33	714.67	-	**810.00**
Charitable Activities	c	45,355.74	6,053.86	136.73	-	**51,546.33**
Other Resources Used	d	-	680.50	10,010.88	-	**10,691.38**
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**45,530.79**	**8,409.24**	**10,862.28**	-	**64,802.31**
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**9,689.05**	**(2,934.24)**	**(8,022.49)**	-	**(1,267.68)**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**1,701.25**	**4,312.44**	**239.60**	-	**6,253.29**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		**(4,312.44)**	**(1,695.34)**	**(245.51)**	-	**(6,253.29)**
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		-	**1,261.56**	**82.48**	-	**1,344.04**
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		-	**6,943.17**	**103,582.50**	-	**110,525.67**
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**7,077.86**	**7,887.59**	**95,636.58**	-	**110,602.03**

The note on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

Notes		2021		2020	
		£	£	£	£
	Fixed assets				
5A	Tangible assets	90,000		90,000	
5B	Investments	23,458		20,498	
	Total fixed assets		**113,458**		110,498
	Current assets				
6	Debtors	3,882		2,896	
7	Cash at bank and in hand	714		1,371	
	Total current assets	**4,596**		4,267	
	Current liabilities				
8	Amounts falling due within one year	2,847		4,163	
	Net current assets		**1,748**		104
	Total assets		**115,207**		110,602
4	***Funds***				
9	Unrestricted Funds		9,610		7,078
9	Designated Funds		8,431		7,888
9	Restricted Funds		97,166		95,637
9	Endowment Funds		-		-
	Total Funds		**115,207**		110,602

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 26th April 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Canon Sharon Jones _____

Mrs Anne Smith _____

Mr Alastair Gillian _____

The notes on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the FRS102. 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 such members.

b) Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Designated funds are general funds which have been reserved by the PCC for specific purposes indicated in the fund title.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

c) Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received. Tax reclaimed under Gift Aid is recognized when received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends and interest are accounted for when received and is attributed to each fund on the basis of the amount invested and the age of the investment. Unrealised investment gains are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other income is recognized when it is received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

d) Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. Payments to the diocesan common fund are accounted for when paid. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. Unrealised investment losses are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other expenditure is generally recognized when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

e) Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

It is the Trustees policy not to undertake a formal revaluation of land and buildings and no depreciation is provided in their respect as the currently estimated residual value (discounted for monetary inflation since capitalisation) is not less than the carrying value and the remaining useful life of this asset currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charge would be immaterial. If, in the future, the carrying value of the building should look greater than the current value on this basis an impairment review will be carried out and any resultant loss included in expenditure for that year.

f) Investments

Investments are valued at market value based on mid-market prices at 31 December.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

2 INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2021	2020
a) Voluntary Income	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid - Bank Standing Orders	27,736.00	-	-	-	**27,736.00**	29,095
Gift Aid - Envelopes	2,578.43	-	-	-	**2,578.43**	4,603
One-off Gift Aid	325.47	-	-	-	**325.47**	75
Tax Recovered under Gift Aid	9,488.71	-	-	-	**9,488.71**	10,009
Other Planned Giving	1,300.00	-	-	-	**1,300.00**	1,143
Non-Gift Aid Standing Orders	692.00	-	-	-	**692.00**	737
Contactless Giving	63.93	-	-	-	**63.93**	-
Loose Collections	3,337.95	-	-	-	**3,337.95**	1,207
Sunday Coffee Donations	-	-	231.12	-	**231.12**	177
Donations	3,109.30	37.75	230.00	-	**3,377.05**	5,053
Sanctuary Lamp Donations	160.00	-	-	-	**160.00**	215
Candle Donations	-	-	11.60	-	**11.60**	21
FlowerDonations	-	-	278.50	-	**278.50**	113
Legacies & Bequests	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**48,791.79**	**37.75**	**751.22**	**-**	**49,580.76**	52,447
b) Activities for Generating Funds						
Festive Fair	-	1,224.70	-	-	**1,224.70**	-
May Queen Events	-	-	929.31	-	**929.31**	-
Fundraising Events	-	1,995.55	-	-	**1,995.55**	**105.00**
200 Subscriptions	-	2,892.00	-	-	**2,892.00**	**3,012.00**
Love Lydgate	-	-	-	-	-	**80.00**
Apprentice Challenge	-	20.00	-	-	**20.00**	-
Total	**-**	**6,132.25**	**929.31**	**-**	**7,061.56**	3,197
c) Investment Income						
CBF Interest	569.04	-	-	-	**569.04**	550
Total	**569.04**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**569.04**	550

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

2 INCOMING RESOURCES (Continued)					TOTAL FUNDS	
d) Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2021 £**	2020 £
Lydgate Band Rent	-	-	-	-	-	**220.00**
Uniformed Organisations Rent	-	-	-	-	-	**425.00**
Casual Rents	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dance School (Roberts)	-	-	-	-	-	**740.00**
Westwood Over 50s Band	-	-	-	-	-	**200.00**
Golden Zumba	-	-	-	-	-	**374.00**
Lydgate Stitchers	-	-	-	-	-	**140.00**
Hausley Choir	-	-	-	-	-	**44.00**
Yoga Class	-	-	-	-	-	**135.00**
YogaD	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leah lynes Pilates	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grapevine Subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	**298.00**
Grapevine Shop Sales	-	-	-	-	-	**18.00**
Grapevine Tin Proceeds	-	-	-	-	-	**2.00**
Statutory PCC Fees	4,948.00	-	-	-	**4,948.00**	**1,306.00**
Other PCC Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Statutory Churchyard Fees	4,213.00	-	-	-	**4,213.00**	**1,747.00**
Other Churchyard Fees	390.00	-	-	-	**390.00**	**375.00**
Total	**9,551.00**	-	-	-	**9,551.00**	6,024

e) Non-recurring income	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2021 £**	2020 £
Saddleworth Hydro	-	-	1,000.00	-	**1,000.00**	-
Local Councillors Award	1,050.00	-	-	-	**1,050.00**	-
Insurance Claims	-	-	-	-	-	1,316
Total	**1,050.00**	-	**1,000.00**	-	**2,050.00**	1,316
Total Incoming Resources	**59,961.83**	**6,170.00**	**2,680.53**	-	**68,812.36**	63,534.63

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

3 RESOURCES USED	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2021	TOTAL FUNDS 2020
a) Cost of Generating Funds	£	£	£	£	£	£
Broadband & Contactless	169.25	-	-	-	**169.25**	-
Fundraising Expenses	-	1,034.40	-	-	**1,034.40**	-
200 Club Prizes	-	1,444.00	-	-	**1,444.00**	1,580
FWO & Gift Aid Envelopes	161.60		-	-	**161.60**	175
Total	**330.85**	**2,478.40**	**-**	**-**	**2,809.25**	1,755
b) Mission & Charitable Giving						
Secular Charities						
Emmaus	100.00	-	-	-	**100.00**	-
Blood Bikes	-	-	-	-	**-**	270
RNLI	-	-	-	-	**-**	270
Action Against Hunger	-	-	-	-	**-**	270
Total	**100.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**100.00**	810
c) Charitable Activities						
Parish Share	40,000.00	-	-	-	**40,000.00**	24,000
Working Expenses of Incumbent	426.96	-	-	-	**426.96**	837
Parsonage House Costs	1,849.34	-	-	-	**1,849.34**	2,176
Other Clergy Costs	388.52	-	-	-	**388.52**	586
Pastoral Care Costs	338.62	-	-	-	**338.62**	461
Mission & Evangelism	1,062.46	-	-	-	**1,062.46**	1,004
Mission & Evangelism - Whit Friday	-	-	-	-	**-**	-
Church Upkeep - Gas	1,693.74	-	-	-	**1,693.74**	3,109
Church Upkeep - Electricity	543.86	-	-	-	**543.86**	585
Church Upkeep - Insurance	2,425.90	-	-	-	**2,425.90**	2,039
Church Upkeep - Water	85.47	-	-	-	**85.47**	82
Church Upkeep - Cleaning	423.50	-	-	-	**423.50**	445
Minor Repairs to Church	10.00	-	-	-	**10.00**	1,566
Routine Church Maintenance	477.60	-	-	-	**477.60**	223
Church Renewals	183.51	-	-	-	**183.51**	115
Upkeep of Services	809.67	-	159.57	-	**969.24**	601

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED (Continued)	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2021	2020
c) Charitable Activities (Continued)	£	£	£	£	£	£
Upkeep of Churchyard	1,873.96		-	-	**1,873.96**	1,867
Grapevine & Crux	-	-	-	-	**-**	80
Risograph Supplies	-	-	-	-	**-**	-
Printing	-	-	-	-	**-**	-
Hall Cleaning	-	176.00	-	-	**176.00**	981
Hall Hygiene Supplies	-	-	-	-	**-**	372
Hall Electricity	-	185.10	-	-	**185.10**	469
Hall Gas	-	1,307.03	-	-	**1,307.03**	2,047
Hall Water	-	1,011.01	-	-	**1,011.01**	552
Hall Insurance	-	304.61	-	-	**304.61**	418
Hall Copyright & Performing Licence	-	119.82	-	-	**119.82**	228
Hall Repairs & Renewals	-	70.51	-	-	**70.51**	925
Sundry Expenses	53.88	-	-	-	**53.88**	112
Honoraria, Salaries & Wages	4,049.45	-	-	-	**4,049.45**	3,251
Church Copyright & Music Licences	495.28	-	-	-	**495.28**	248
Stationery & Postage	159.71	-	-	-	**159.71**	79
Team Administration	2,226.41	-	-	-	**2,226.41**	1,943
Subscriptions & Donations	110.00	-	-	-	**110.00**	147
Total	**59,687.84**	**3,174.08**	**159.57**	**-**	**63,021.49**	51,546
d) Other Resources Used						
Bad Debts	-	-	-	-	**-**	681
Chruch Roof Repairs	90.00	-	-	-	**90.00**	2,410
Conversion of Church Nave Lighting to LED	-	-	1,147.33	-	**1,147.33**	-
Hall Refurbishments	-	-		-	**-**	6,247
Hall Improvement Work	-	-		-	**-**	1,354
Total	**90.00**	**-**	**1,147.33**	**-**	**1,237.33**	10,691
Total Resources Used	**60,208.69**	**5,652.48**	**1,306.90**	**-**	**67,168.07**	64,802

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

4(a) NET POSITION, TRANSFERS, REVALUATIONS AND TOTAL BALANCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2021	2020
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	**(246.86)**	**517.52**	**1,373.63**	-	**1,644.29**	(1,268)
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In	3,686.60	3,174.08	-	-	**6,860.68**	6,253
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out	(3,174.08)	(3,686.60)	-	-	**(6,860.68)**	(6,253)
Gains/(losses) on investment revaluation	2,266.65	538.21	155.59	-	**2,960.45**	1,344
Balances B/Forward on 1st January	**7,077.86**	**7,887.59**	**95,636.58**	-	**110,602.03**	110,526
Balances C/Forward on 31 December	**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**	110,602

4(b) ANALYSIS OF FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2021 £	2020 £
Tangible Assets	-	-	90,000.00	-	**90,000.00**	90,000
Investment Assets						
Income Shares	14,379.18	8,032.64	-	-	**22,411.82**	19,607
Accumulation Shares	74.37	-	972.18		**1,046.55**	891
CBF Deposits	1,182.44	-	-	-	**1,182.44**	613
Current Assets (excluding CBF Deposits)	(3,619.85)	1,208.06	8,492.97	-	**6,081.18**	3,654
Less Current Liabilities	2,405.97	809.90	2,299.35	-	**5,515.22**	4,163
Total	**9,610.17**	**8,430.80**	**97,165.80**	-	**115,206.77**	110,602

During the year the PCC did not employ anyone. In accordance with Diocesan instructions, payments to those assisting with Occasional Services are held within Agency Collections and not shown within income and expenditure.

PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

Mr A Gillian received an honorarium of £200 along with fees of £663 which have been paid to him in connection with his duties as Sexton and subsequently donated to St Anne's Church. These have been donated back to church. A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to her services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021

5 ANALYSIS OF FIXED ASSETS

5A Tangible Assets	Freehold Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Investments	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or Valuation					
On 1st January	90,000	-	20,498	110,498	109,154
Additions/Revaluation Gain(Loss)	-	-	2,960	2,960	1,344
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**23,458**	**113,458**	**110,498**
Depreciation:					
On 1st January	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the Year	-	-	-	-	-
Deduct for disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Net Book Value:					
On 1st January	90,000	-	20,498	110,498	109,154
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**23,458**	**113,458**	**110,498**

The freehold land & building is the Parish Hall, which is owned by Manchester Diocesan Board of Finance and held in trust for the Parish. It was last valued in 1999, but the PCC is of the opinion that there is no benefit in incurring the cost of revaluation at this time, although this is likely to be considerably in excess of the figure quoted. Equally there is not deemed to be any need to make a provision for depreciation (see more detailed comment on page A9).

The church building is a consecrated property and is excluded from the financial statements by virtue of section 10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. The church buildings and contents were insured for 2020 by Trinitas Church Insurance Services for £5,344,215 [building] and £144,026 [contents]. The Parish Hall insurance was transferred to Trinitas Church Insurance Services from renewal on 24th June 2020 and is insured for £844,731 (buildings) and £17,847 (contents). The PCC has also provided indemnity insurance for the Trustees of Lydgate Community Association CIO following transfer of management responsibility for the hall to the association. Now that income has recommenced, LCA has taken responsibility for payment of the premiums.

5B Investment Assets	2021	2020
	£	£
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Income Shares	22,412	19,607
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Accumulation Shares	1,047	891
	23,458	20,498

6 Debtors	2021	2020
	£	£
Debtors	3,882	2,896
	3,882	2,896

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand	2021	2020
	£	£
Cash	87	94
Flower Fund Cash	110	91
HSBC Current Account	(782)	461
CBF Deposit Account	1,182	613
NatWest 200 Club	116	111
	714	1,371

8 Creditors	2021	2020
	£	£
Amounts falling due within 1 year	548	3,216
Agency collections	2,299	947
	2,847	4,163

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund (Designated)	Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Designated)	Roof Appeal (Restricted
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	**7,078**	**7,494**	**484**	**128**	**1,050**	**1,725**	-	-
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	48,792	-	279	-	-	190	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	569	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	9,551	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	1,050	-	-	-	1,000	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	**59,962**	-	**279**	-	**1,000**	**190**	-	-
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	331	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	59,688	-	160	-	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	90	-	-	-	1,147	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	**60,209**	-	**160**	-	**1,147**	-	-	-
Net Income	**(247)**	-	**119**	-	**(147)**	**190**	-	-
Revaluation	2,267	538.21	-	-	-	156	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	513	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund (Designated)	Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Designated)	Roof Appeal (Restricted
Fund Balances C/Forward	**9,610**	**8,033**	**603**	**128**	**903**	**2,070**	-	-

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	243	-	136	4	-	477	90,000
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	40	-	38	-	243	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	3,240	2,892	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	40	-	3,278	2,892	243	-	-	-
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	1,034	1,444	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	-	-	1,034	1,444	-	-	-	
Net Income	40	-	2,244	1,448	243	-	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	(2,244)	(1,443)	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
Fund Balances C/Forward	40	243	-	141	246	-	477	90,000

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	TOTAL 2021	TOTAL 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	1,769	14	110,602	110,526
Incoming resources					
Voluntary Income	-	-	-	49,581	52,447
Activities for Generating Funds	-	929	-	7,062	3,197
Investment Income	-	-	-	569	550
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	9,551	7,340
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	2,050	-
Total Incoming Resources	-	929	-	68,812	63,535
Resources Expended					
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	-	2,809	1,755
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	100	810
Charitable Activities	3,174	-	-	63,021	51,546
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	1,237	10,691
Total Resources Expended	3,174	-	-	67,168	64,802
Net Income	(3,174)	929	-	1,644	(1,268)
Revaluation	-	-	-	2,960	1,344
Intra-Fund Transfers	3,174	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	TOTAL 2021	TOTAL 2020
Fund Balances C/Forward	-	2,698	14	115,207	110,602

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Audio Visual Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted income and donations from parishioners for the purchase of audio visual equipment. Costs are shown where necessary to generate income.

Bequest & Donation Fund (Designated) - this fund is used to store monies that have been given to the church, where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of the Vicar and Wardens) or it has been agreed with the donor that the funds will be used for the benefit of St Anne's Church. The PCC has agreed that these funds are all designated.

Flower Fund (Restricted) - receives donations from parishioners and expenditure to the purchase of flowers and associated items.

Clock & Tower Maintenance Fund (Restricted) - holds the residual donations from the PCC's Clock Appeal and also receives occasional donations specifically for future maintenance costs.

Choir Fund (Restricted) - receives donations and choristers' fees from occasional services, which are used to fund music and choir supplies combined as restricted.

200 Club (Designated) - receives subscriptions for draw numbers and pays out 50% of income in monthly prizes. Balance of income is transferred to General Fund at year end.

ECO Fund (Restricted) - Has received the proceeds of May Queen Francesca's fundraising for church to be spent on ecological activities undertaken by church.

Fabric Fund (Restricted & Designated) - receives donations provided specifically for maintenance of the fabric and monies earmarked by the PCC for various fabric related projects.

Fundraising (Designated) - collects proceeds of events, which are then distributed as directed by the PCC.

Mission Fund (Restricted) - receives charitable collections - distributed to agreed charities as directed at Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Parish Hall Capital Fund (Restricted) - the value of the Parish Hall - last valued in 1999.

Parish Hall General Fund (Designated) - used for management of day-to-day income and expenditure on the hall. Surplus has been transferred to Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund in recent years.

Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund (Restricted) - collected funds have been utilised for repairs and improvements and the residual balance transferred to Lydgate Community Association CIO in recognition of its role as ongoing manager of the hall, including improvements to the internal accommodation. Fund now closed.

Roof Appeal (Restricted) - opened to receive donations towards major roof repairs. Small residual balance cleared from Clock & Tower Fund in recognition of the element relating to the repairs to the gulley adjacent to the Tower.

Youth Ministry Fund (Restricted) - receives income from fundraising, disposal as directed by the PCC following the recommendations of the Church youth groups and their leaders.

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

Mr Michael Royle BA FCA
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26th April 2022

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF LYDGATE, ST ANNE

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Accounts

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ending 31st December 2020

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Agenda

St Anne's Church, Lydgate, Oldham

25th April 2021
in Church at 11.45pm

Annual (Vestry) Meeting of the Parishioners
Agenda

Election of the Church Wardens for the year 2021/22

Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Agenda

1. Opening Prayers
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Approval of minutes of the APCM held 27th September 2020
4. Presentation of the General Report
5. Treasurer's Financial Report
6. Electoral Roll Report
7. Child Protection Report
8. Elections of;
   - PCC members
   - Sidespeople
   - Examiner of accounts

Date of next PCC meeting: Tuesday 15th June 2021

St Anne's Lydgate, 2020 Annual Vestry and APCM Minutes

Sunday 27th September 2020

Present: Rev'd Canon Sharon Jones (Chair), David Marshall (Minute Secretary), Al Gillian (Treasurer), Frank Boocock, Susan Fleming, Joanne Coxon, Anne Smith, Jennifer Greenwood, Rev'd Pat Gillian, Gwen Morton, John Pearson, Kath Hodges, Rachel Damianou.

Present via Zoom Video Link – Sue Willetts, Neil Davies, David Lloyd.

Annual Easter vestry meeting

Only one nomination was received this year. The sole nomination was David Marshall.

Sharon asked if there was another volunteer for the second Churchwarden role, but there were no takers at the meeting.

No objections were raised for David Marshall to continue as Churchwarden and was duly elected.

Canon Sharon pointed out this would be the last year David would stand as a church warden and St Anne's would need to have at least one, preferably two church wardens who will put themselves forward at the next APCM.

Canon Sharon and Jennifer on behalf of the congregation thanked David for his work in the role of church warden.

There being no further business, the Annual Easter Vestry meeting was brought to a close.

Annual Parishioners Council Meeting

Approval of minutes of APCM held 28th April 2019

Susan Fleming pointed out that she was present at the meeting but is shown as having given her apologies. This amendment was noted.

No further comments were raised about the minutes and they were approved as an accurate reflection of the meeting.

Presentation of the General Report

The General Report had been distributed prior to this meeting.

No further comments were made about the report.

Treasurer's Financial Report

The Treasurer's Financial Report had also been circulated prior to the meeting. In the report, the treasurer, Al Gillian, had provided a detailed analysis of the financial situation but highlighted the following to the meeting.

It is currently a difficult time, financially for St Anne's. We have had to use reserves to pay our Parish Share which means we are unable to take any more from reserves in the future. It is estimated we will pay 50% of our Parish Share in 2020.

Prior to lockdown, the PCC had planned to start a stewardship campaign however this will now be revisited next year when church has fully reopened. Al also encouraged people to consider what they currently give to church and appealed for people to give extra where they can.

Sharon then thanked Al for his hard work as treasurer and for the preparation of the report.

Sharon went on to point out that there are many churches across the diocese and further afield which are in a similar position to St Anne's. The Diocese of Manchester are looking at numbers which are sustainable across the whole diocese and said that no church's future is guaranteed. That aside Sharon stated she believes God is still all around us and believes He is doing something drastic within the church which will shape a very different church in the future.

Electoral Roll Report

Rachel Damianou, our Electoral Roll Officer, made reference to her report which had been included in the General Report. A question was asked as to how many were on the Electoral Roll as of the date of the APCM – Rachel confirmed there were now 99 on the roll.

Canon Sharon thanked Rachel for her work in maintaining the roll.

Child Protection Report

Susan Fleming, our Safeguarding Officer, referred to her report which had been included in the General Report. Susan further added that there is concern about the number of volunteers which we currently have. The number is down and this could cause an issue in the future with regards to adult/child ratios. Susan asked the PCC to consider what needs to be done to reverse this.

Elections of the following roles

Parochial Church Council

The following people stood for election for the Parochial Church Council:

Name	Proposer	Seconder
Natalie Doran	Al Gillian	Brian Devenport
Joanne Coxon	Al Gillian	Joyce Devenport

The following, stood for re-election to the Parochial Church Council:

Name	Proposer	Seconder
Neil Davies	David Marshall	Lianne Marshall
Frank Boocock	David Marshall	Lianne Marshall

The meeting was unanimously in favour of electing all of the above.

Deputy Wardens

The following agreed to continue to serve in the role of Deputy Churchwarden:

Mr Brian Devenport

Mrs Anne Smith

Mrs Jennifer Greenwood

Mr David Lloyd

All were voted for unanimously and were accepted as Deputy Wardens.

Deanery synod

This year, it is necessary to elect our representatives for the Deanery Synod.

Frank Boocock, Richard Darlington and Al Gillian have been our representatives. Both Frank and Richard had indicated they were not seeking re-election.

Al Gillian (proposed by Natalie Doran and seconded by Joyce Devenport) indicated he was willing to stand for re-election.

The meeting unanimously approved the re-election of Al Gillian.

Examiner of accounts for 2021

Mike Royle was proposed and accepted as independent examiner of the accounts for another year.

Elections of Charities to support

It was agreed that in-line with previous years the Church will support 3 Charities, one local, one national and one international.

The charities proposed were:

Local – Lydgate Community Association

National – Traidcraft Exchange

International – Medicines San Frontier

As the APCM is being held much later than usual, and as our after service coffer morning (the main source of income for the charities) a suggestion was made that the charities we choose should remain as our charities throughout 2021 and to the APCM in 2022.

It was agreed by the meeting that these three charities will be the charities we support and that they should remain as our chosen charities until the APCM in 2022.

Any Other Business

Parish Hall – Jennifer Greenwood explained that the Lydgate Community Association (the LCA) and the Parochial Church Council (the PCC) had agreed with immediate effect the day to day management of the Parish Hall will be taken on by the LCA. Jennifer said there had been a lot of hard work put in to make this happen and the partnership was exciting for church, the community and the parish hall itself. Sharon thanked everyone involved for their hardwork.

Sharon and David Marshall (on behalf of the PCC) and Jennifer (on behalf of the LCA) formally signed the agreement between the two parties.

Trees in the Church Grounds – The Building Committee was asked for an update on the removal of some trees in the church ground which had been identified in a report by Nik Anderson. It was explained that a faculty application had been made but, due to the Covid restrictions, the outcome had been delayed. Sharon confirmed that a faculty is needed.

It was further explained we would now have to wait until the nesting season has ended before any further work could be carried out.

There being no further business, the meeting closed.

Administrative Information

Standing Committee

This is the only committee required by law. It has powers to transact the business of the P.C.C. between its meetings subject to any directions given to it by the Council. Its members are:

Team Rector; Churchwarden; PCC Vice-Chair; PCC Secretary; Treasurer; Chair of the Building Committee; and Worship Committee Representative.

Church Buildings Committee

- To maintain the fabric and grounds of the church buildings within the finance available.
- To consider and recommend improvements to the economic use of the buildings and grounds.
- To consider and recommend how the buildings and grounds might be altered to the benefit of the various uses of them.
- To organise any repairs, improvements or alterations when agreed by the PCC.
- To arrange the use of the Parish Hall to the mutual benefit and enjoyment of all the users.

Worship Committee

- To explore the nature of our worship, the service we hold and the liturgy and music they contain.
- To consult the congregation on matters of worship and discuss findings with the Team Rector.
- To discuss changes were appropriate.

Fund Raising Committee

- To organise social activities within the life of the Church.
- To organise fundraising activities for the benefit of the Church and Parish Hall.

Task Groups

- These are set up for specific purposes and then disbanded.

The Parochial Church Council - Objectives and Activities

The primary object of St Anne's Parochial Church Council is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. It also has responsibility for co-operation with the Team Rector in promoting throughout the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The Members of the PCC since the last PCC are:

Rev'd Canon Sharon Jones (Chair)
Mr David Marshall (Church Warden, Ex Officio Member & Vice Chair)
Mr Al Gillian (Deanery Synod Representative, Ex Officio Member & Treasurer)
Rev'd Patricia Gillian (Ex Officio Member)
Mr Frank Boocock (Ex Officio Member)
Mr Danos Damianou
Mrs Sam Lowe
Mrs Susan Willett
Mr Neil Davies
Mr David Lloyd
Mrs Joanne Coxon
Miss Natalie Doran

Church Services

The following services were held in St Anne's Church during the year from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020:

		2020	**2019 Comparison**
Sunday Services:	Holy Communion	21	53
	Sung Eucharist	8	41*
	Morning Prayer/ Morning Praise	0	10
	Other Sunday Services	8	3
Weekday Eucharist		15	43
Weekday Family Service	Including Monthly Eucharist	10	50
Other Weekday Services		-	14
Baptism Services		3	25
Marriage Services	Including a renewal of vows	3	9
Burial & Funeral Services		7	7
Internment of Ashes		4	3
Total of all Services		**79**	**258**

* Includes 2 Baptisms held during the 11am Sunday Eucharist which are not included within the Baptism figures.

Reports

Electoral Roll Officer's Report

Every six years it is a legal requirement to completely revise our Electoral Roll. Everyone needs to fill in an application to the Roll form and we did this two years ago. This usually results in a trimmed down roll initially.

At our year end last December there were 99 members on the Electoral Roll. 67 are resident and 32 are non-resident in the Parish. The Roll has remained static since last year, understandably since we have been unable to meet together in person for the majority of the year. However, as we now start to reopen our activities it would be good to see new members joining the roll as they get involved with our church family.

If anyone wishes to take on a role in the church, they should ideally be a member of the Roll, so it is important that as many people as possible are encouraged to join the Electoral Roll. After the AGM and throughout the year anyone not on the Roll is welcome to join at any point.

Rachel Damianou

Team Rector's Report

'20-20' is normally an expression used to describe clear vision; acute sight; perfect seeing. Together we discovered last year in a way we never dreamt of the implications of that new focus. 2020 was the year we saw afresh what it means to be mortal, frail and not have all the answers. We began to understand the implications for the community of keeping the vulnerable safe. We saw through fresh eyes the value we place on relationships and what is necessary for human flourishing.

2020 was the year we began to see the extent to which the church is more than the building. We built new online communities of worship and support, and networks of pastoral care. We discovered the significance that music, particularly hymns, have for us; human touch, and the limitations of internet friendship.

We have stared into the eyes of fear and insecurity, of financial challenge and loneliness. We have known irritation, frustration and powerlessness, sickness and grief.

Into all this maelstrom of emotions and uncharted waters we discovered we are not all in the same boat, but we are all in the same storm. We realise that Christ is in the storm with us. He is the anchor to whom we cling; the one from whom we draw strength when we are 'all at sea' and fear shipwreck. We will emerge changed. 'Normal' will be hard to define and recognise.

God has surprised us in many ways, not least through the kindness of strangers and through recognising our own weaknesses as well as our strengths. God has reminded us of the joy of living in such a beautiful place and sharing in the gift which is his whole creation. God has revealed the unspoken and unrecognised heroes in our midst who are Christ's body.

I would like to thank all who have led, supported, encouraged; all who have risen to new challenges and contributed through prayer, care and service; our church Wardens, secretaries and treasurers particularly for working to 'steady the ship' during the pandemic.

Most of all I would like to pay tribute to Susan Brierley, Team Administrator, constantly rearranging wedding dates and coordinating funerals, and the outstanding contribution of our ministerial team and our techno stars supported by Paul Wooding. Our Palm Sunday, Easter, Whit Friday and Christmas broadcasts will live long in our memories. Thank you all for everything.

Sharon

Safeguarding Officer (Responsible for Children and Adults)

Introduction

I continue to update myself with all the duties expected of this role (which now includes safeguarding vulnerable adults as well as children and young people) by reading the Safeguarding Handbook of Policy and Procedures published by the Diocese of Manchester (updated October 2018) and am up to date with all the relevant on line training provided by the Diocese..

Child Registration details

The recommendations regarding the registration of all children attending Junior Church, Crèche and Youth Group are followed and each parent/guardian is required to complete a registration form for their child. All information was updated in September 2019 to ensure the safety of the children in our care. Due to the pandemic there was no requirement for registration in September 2020 as no face to face or virtual groups took place.

Volunteer Details

We have not had any new volunteers during the last 12 months but in normal times all such applicants have an interview with the Church Wardens before commencing their role to ensure they understand that St Anne's takes safeguarding seriously. A completed application form, two references and a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate are held for each volunteer. All DBS certificates are renewed every 5 years in line with Manchester Diocese guidelines.

All our current volunteers have completed on line child safeguarding training and most have recent face to face training which must now be updated every 3 years. At the moment all safeguarding courses have moved on line and the Diocese is keeping this under review.

Information on our volunteers is kept in a locked safe.

Currently we only have 4 volunteers for Junior Church, 2 for Youth Group and 1 for Crèche. If and when face to face groups recommence this will make fulfilling the recommended good practice of adult/child ratios during Junior Church sessions challenging for the leaders.

Safeguarding Statements

Our Safeguarding Policy Promoting a Safer Church is in line with guidance from the Diocese and is available for viewing on the notice board at the back of church along with the Referral Flow Chart stating what to do if there is a case of suspected child abuse.

The parish Safeguarding Handbook (new for 2019) is also on the notice board and all volunteers have a copy of the "pocket guide".

There is now a Safeguarding Statement on the Saddleworth Team website (new for 2019).

PCC members

In 2019 it was made a requirement that all PCC members should have a DBS check completed because they are trustees of a charity overseeing work with children and adults at risk and therefore have safeguarding responsibilities. This has been completed now for all but the new members of our PCC elected in 2020.

The Future

I wish to let the PCC know I will be standing down from the role of Safeguarding Officer as of the AGM 2022. This gives 12 months for a new appointment to be made. I would be happy to speak to anyone considering taking on this role to give an overview of its responsibilities.

Susan Fleming

Parish Safeguarding Officer January 2021

Churchwarden Report including the Fabric of the Church, The Churchyard and the Goods and Ornaments

In previous years, I have stated the number of people who have worshipped at St Anne's throughout the year and how many services we have held. Each year, with pride, I have written about how the number of people who worship in our church continues to grow and

the number of services we hold had averaged about 5 per week. In 2020, like many other things, this changed.

The actual number of worshippers last year who attended church was 3,043 (2019: 13,003) at the 79 services we held (2019: 258).

Because our doors had to close, it was a year when people were unable to come to church. But even though our doors were closed our church flourished in new and different ways. Pastoral groups were established ensuring that during their isolation people were keeping well; people shopped for others; people dog walked for others; WhatsApp groups became the way in which stories of St Anne's past were shared; Zoom coffee morning and quizzes kept us entertained.

Even with the building closed we were able to demonstrate the strength of St Anne's church. It is not merely the beautiful building in which we previously came to worship – it is the amazing people who come together in many different ways to be our church in the community, on our streets and in the online world – letting the light of Christ shine.

Worship continued albeit through a variety of different mediums. The Saddleworth Team broadcast weekly Zoom services and special pre-recorded services for Easter and Christmas amongst others. Rev'd Pat became increasingly more tech-savvy by producing 3 different services and reflections each week. Preparing these was no easy task. A huge thank you to Canon Sharon, Rev'd Pat and the amazing team of clergy across the Saddleworth Team which we are blessed to have.

This is my final report as church warden. I have very much enjoyed fulfilling the role of church warden over the last six years and I am hopeful that two people will come forward to take on the role at the next APCM.

The support I have had through my team as church warden has been vast. In particular, I would like to thank, Brian Devenport, Jennifer Greenwood, David Lloyd and Anne Smith, who all, as deputy wardens, ensure the services, at St Anne's, run smoothly. Anne also makes sure the Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals at St Anne's all go according to plan. As a team, we are supported by the sidespeople, the readers, the Eucharistic ministers, the intercessors, the flower team, the cleaning team, the Electoral Roll Officer, the Sexton, the Vergers, the card distribution team, the coffee team and everyone else who gives up their time and effort to volunteer. I am extremely grateful to you all.

Despite the lockdown we all faced our links with St Anne's School remained strong. Assemblies, Eucharist services and the Experience Sessions continued albeit virtually. Although our mid-week family service had to stop in March 2021 there was an average of 130 people each week with many new families attending. At the time of writing, we are hopeful that Covid restrictions will continue to relax so we can restart the service and welcome back so many more people into church.

I was extremely proud when my daughter, Holly, was asked to be May Queen. Although her reign has been delayed, I am sure she will definitely be a great ambassador for St Anne's.

The Building Committee continued to look after our grounds and buildings. Most of their work is unseen but essential in making sure the building and grounds are safe for all to use. Thank you for your ongoing work.

Illness and bereavement are an inevitable part of humanity. We especially remember the members of our parish who have passed away in the last twelve months. Our thoughts and prayers are with them and their families.

David Marshall

Parochial Church Council in 2020

In the calendar year 2020, we held 6 regular PCC meetings and two additional meetings in February to explore the setting up of a Stewardship Campaign. There are 12 members of the PCC and the meetings held had between 6 and 12 people present which was in line with previous years. At the 2020 APCM, Neil Davies was re-elected to the PCC and Frank Boocock, after standing down as Deanery Synod Representative, was elected as a PCC member. In addition to this, Joanne Coxon and Natalie Doran were both elected for the first time to the PCC. Also at the 2020 APCM, Brian Devenport and Richard Darlington both stepped down as PCC members and we thank them both for the service they have given in standing for the PCC.

Unfortunately, for the first time in a number of years we were unable to pay our 2020 Parish Share in full. Further information relating to this is contained within the financial report. Despite being unable to pay the 2020 share in full and a further increase to our Parish Share, the PCC will make every effort to pay as much as possible in 2021.

During 2020, there were many items which formed the agenda for the PCC:

Church Building and Grounds:

Applications were made for the felling of trees within the graveyard. It was intended the logs from these trees would be used to mark the edge of a path in the lower graveyard.

Building on our bronze award for being an Eco church we continued to explore ways in which we could become more energy efficient. Using the funds donated from May Queen Francesca it was decided to replace the bulbs in church with LED lamps in order to reduce our use of electricity.

Our current graveyard is close to capacity. Consequently, the PCC are moving forward with plans to create additional space by having the ground on the west side of church consecrated. Discussions were held with the diocese to do this.

Parish Hall:

The management of the Parish Hall continued to feature heavily on the PCC agenda through 2020. Thankfully, the PCC and the Lydgate Community Association (LCA) entered into a Management Agreement for the LCA to take on the management responsibility of the Parish Hall. The agreement is very much a partnership between the LCA and the PCC with two members of the PCC also being trustees of the LCA.

The PCC have committed to supporting the LCA in carrying out its role and will ensure, the PCC (alongside the LCA) actively seek funds to finance urgent and necessary repairs and refurbishments which the Parish Hall desperately needs.

Some of these repairs were carried out in the year including the substantial repairs to the Hall roof in order to make it watertight. The PCC also agreed to transfer the balance of the Parish Hall fund to the LCA.

Fundraising:

The PCC were concerned at the ever increasing costs we face as a parish. During meetings we planned fundraising ideas in order to generate further funds for church. Unfortunately, most of these plans have been put on hold as a result of the lockdown. These are ideas which we hope to revisit when we are able to fully reopen.

The PCC also looked at ways of making it easier for those who don't use collection envelopes or standing orders. It was intended to purchase Electronic Giving Plates so people could make donations to church via contactless means (card, phone or watch). This was also postponed due to the lockdown but this will be back on the agenda again, when church is fully open.

Reopening of Church

At the first lockdown in March 2020 and again in November, we were forced to close church. When the Government (and Diocese) announced we were able to reopen, this could only be done on the approval by the PCC of a risk assessment to ensure all those who worship at St Anne's would remain as safe as possible. This was reviewed and signed off by the PCC.

It was felt by the PCC that we were able to reopen for the 11am Sunday service only but even with only one service, we would have to restrict the number of people in church to 28 household/support bubbles to ensure there is adequate social distancing. In light of the government and diocesan guidelines, other restrictions were also put in place, for example: no singing during the service, only one form of Holy Communion to be administered and the implementation of track and trace systems.

Church Building Committee

Along with the rest of the world, the work of the Church Building Committee came to a halt in 2020, so activity has been limited. However there have been a few things happening of note.

Church Roof

The start of the Church year in April 2020 saw us in full lockdown, and the work on the Church roof paused until things opened up a bit. Work was quickly resumed when allowed and the holes in the roof were patched, the gutters cleared, and the roof lead was painted with new smartDNA paint. All this was finished by the end of May, and hopefully that will see the Church watertight for a few more years, finger crossed.

Parish Hall

To support the work ongoing in the Parish Hall, members of the Building Committee have helped out with jobs in and around the Hall, mainly tidying and moving items, but capacity to support this work was hampered by the various lockdowns and social distancing measures, but also due to limited capacity from the Building Committee. Capacity continues to be an issue as we go forward, more on this later.

Working Parties

The ability to meet and undertake working parties at Church has been very limited and as a result there haven't been many meetings this year, however we did meet in March 2021 to give the Church a spruce up before re-opening. It was great to see so many people up at Church and we managed to get through a large number of jobs. This ranged from sweeping, cutting back ivy and shrubs, clearing drainage channels, and a good clear out of the organ loft and flower team cupboard. Many thanks for all who supported this, and special thanks to Brian and Joyce Devenport for organising.

Church lights

During 2020 we had planned to replace the main lights in Church to be more energy efficient, but due to the 3rd national lockdown this work paused and was put on hold. However, once things started to open up again things progressed well. I'd like to thank Al Gillian for applying for and being successfully offered a grant from Saddleworth Hydro for £1000 to fund the work. In April 2021, the work to replace the 19 old 150w halogen spotlights with 50w LED lights was completed by Max Electrical and the reduction in energy usage as a result, should help us reduce our energy usage.

Building Committee

In November 2020 I resigned as Chair of the Building Committee. This wasn't a decision I took lightly but felt that with a significant increase in working hours and responsibility at work, it was a step I felt I needed to take. Capacity in the Building Committee has been

limited for a number of years as most of its members have busy full-time jobs and families which means we do not have the capacity to take on large projects. The main body of the Church is fast approaching 240 years old and as you can imagine, buildings of this age are expensive and complex to maintain. In the next 5 – 10 years the roof will need to be replaced, and the external walls will all need to be re-pointed to stop water getting in. Already we have seen one of the marble plaques inside Church fall off the wall and shatter, all due to damp in the north wall, so there is a real need to address this. However, the costs associated with this kind of work on heritage buildings are huge and can only be achieved through applying for and being successful in securing multiple grants. This all takes a significant amount of organisational effort and time. If anyone feels this is a role they can take on, please do get in touch.

Many thanks

David Lloyd

Worship Committee

The worship committee is a sub-committee of the PCC and focuses on the worship and services at St Anne's. Membership is not restricted to the PCC and it would be fruitful if members of the congregation joined to give a wider perspective on our worship.

We encourage the children to be involved in the services by taking part with readings, intercessions, being acolytes and singing. We also encourage our Youth Group to help lead services and in the research that is sometimes needed beforehand.

Well, this year has certainly been different in all aspects. We started the year well: holding our normal services on a Sunday and on a Wednesday evening. That was until March when they all came to a standstill because of Covid. Our last service was March 15th and then the church building under government advice had to stay shut. Sadly, with one week left to complete our Confirmation Course our Confirmation Service with the Bishop of Middleton was cancelled. This has yet to rearranged but hopefully will be soon.

Weddings and baptisms were also cancelled and at this point I would like to thank Anne Smith and Susan at our Team Office for all the work they have done trying to move wedding and baptism dates at this difficult time with the church building being open and then closed.

Funeral services were also affected, at first funerals could only be held at the graveside or at the Crematorium and numbers of mourners were limited. These numbers changed repeatedly over the year causing difficulties all round. This was a very difficult time for families as they mourned and for the clergy officiating at these services. We are looking at the end of the restrictions to holding a special service where the families of those bereaved during the last year can come along to remember their loved ones and to celebrate their lives.

When the church building was open for services, we had to limit numbers for all types of services to comply with health and safety and we had to stop singing altogether during any service along with social mixing. So, as you can imagine this made a big impact on all our services but with forward thinking and changes, we managed well and again I would like to thank all those involved in making these changes to help the worship at St Anne's to continue as a community.

Our weekday family service and Junior Church again were cancelled but we have managed to keep in contact with families of these groups via WhatsApp, St Anne's Facebook and by email sending out sheets for the children to complete on that week's readings and by videoed services on a Wednesday and Sunday.

Our participation in School assemblies and Experience Church has been a challenge and I have had to learn lots about computers to be able to live-stream and upload videos for the school. The Experiences have all been delivered to the classes by power-point and we held our first School Eucharist Service again on-line which worked well. We have also managed to hold End of Term Services along with a very successful Christingle Service and Harvest Service with the food from the Harvest service, brought by the children, being delivered to Oldham Foodbank, bible presenting services to Year 6 and Reception again all on-line so new skills for all being developed all the time.

During the Autumn some lay-leader training sessions were held (on-line) to help people prepare to lead "Service of the Word" services, but shortly after this training we had to shut our church building again. Hopefully going forward those who attended will be able to put their training into practice.

Keeping in contact with our congregation has been an important part of our remit with people phoning, shopping and being there for others as much as they can with us all working together to make sure our community is cared for. Weekly/daily services have been on the Saddleworth Website and on our St Anne's Facebook and WhatsApp and will continue while restrictions are in place.

So, you can see we are moving forward at St Anne's in many ways but are always open to new ideas and helpers so please get in touch if you have ideas to share.

Report from the Sexton

2020 has been a strange year and, inevitably, with the tight Government restrictions there has been a limit to what could be done in our churchyard. However, we have made some progress with the cutting back of vegetation and low branches of trees. Invasive plants have also been replaced in some areas with such as buddleias to attract pollinators. On the north side of church a number of pyracantha bushes have been planted two to each window to deter break-ins, supplemented by holly bushes transplanted from other parts of the churchyard. This will probably be covered better by the Building Committee report.

In the lower yard, repair work has begun on the retaining wall at the foot of the bank below the Garden of Remembrance and is being finished off with flat stones at a height suitable for sitting. The gates are in need of repair, as one of the posts has rotted and the area nearby and the path on the south side of the new area are in need of tidying up. These jobs will need to be completed soon as we are trying to make the arrangements for consecration of the area, although this may be delayed until the end of lockdown.

Government restrictions have discouraged families from interring ashes, so such services came to a halt in March. Burials could go ahead, with restrictions, so there have been a number of these. We anticipate that there will be considerable demand for Memorial services as soon as restrictions have eased. Here are the numbers for 2020:

3 Burials

4 Interments of Ashes

4 Memorials, plaques or additional inscriptions were added

Al Gillian

Parish Hall Report

Last year was a year of major changes in more ways than one for the Parish Hall. Following the departure of John and Arlene Lees in 2019 we were sadly left without a Parish Hall Management Committee as such. A committed band of people kept things going and the church Buildings Committee took on the role of overseeing the maintenance of the building.

However, earlier in the year Lydgate Community Association was established with its main aim being to restore and maintain the Parish Hall for the benefit not just of the church but the wider community. Six trustees from both the local community and church were appointed to steer the project with church supporting the group and seeing this as a way of further extending our ministry in the community. Everyone was very excited, then the pandemic hit!

This meant the Hall was forced to close in March last year and from breaking even went to a position of having no income at all. Running costs have continued to be met by the church and LCA have continued to work tirelessly to make the most of the money raised so far and the opportunity of the Hall being closed to do as many renovations as possible. Folk from the local community and church have given their time, money and efforts to make the most of the situation. As a result, the Hall is well on the way to being water- tight and having a cosmetic facelift inside to hopefully encourage more people into the building.

More fund raising events are planned for later this year and grant applications are being submitted so we can do so much more. Watch this space as we start to reopen…….

Coffee Team

Coffee and tea are usually served after every 11 am Sunday service thanks to our dedicated team of volunteers. This year we have been unable to do this, even when church was open for services. It is looking likely that this will continue at least until the summer. However, the coffee team have not remained idle! We have helped clear out the kitchen and in particular the pot cupboard in the Parish Hall ready for when the hall can reopen. After much decluttering and tip runs we are raring to go again!

Thank you to everyone who has, and will hopefully very soon again, brew up, clean up, share a cuppa and donate!

Card Distribution Report

Despite the challenges of the Covid pandemic, I am pleased to report that Easter and Christmas cards were delivered throughout the Parish within the expected timescales. Thanks should go to the 46 volunteers who delivered approximately 2762 cards to 54 areas.

Special thanks expressed to Al Gillian who assisted the counting of cards and delivery of envelopes to the team of volunteers. It was not possible for this particular exercise to be undertaken in church due to the pandemic and as a newcomer to the role of coordinator I was greatful for Al's help and expertise.

With regard to Easter 2021, I am confident that the team will be able to deliver again on time. Looking further ahead it will be prudent to seek replacement volunteers for 3 areas following church members moving away, but this can be best arranged when church re-opens and communication once again becomes a little easier.

Finally. I would like to pay tribute to Richard Darlington who handed over the reins of coordinator to me with supreme efficiency and his usual courtesy. I hope to be an able replacement.

Richard Buckley

Flower Team

What a strange year it has been for everyone.

I am pleased to report that Maggie feels she is able to re-join the Flower Team following her operation. As Joanne has now retired from her full-time career, she feels she can contribute more time to the flower rota and this means we are back up to 4 regular flower arrangers, (Tracey and Joyce make up the team) with help on special occasions from Gill Jordan and Hannah Manifold.

With the National Lockdown and lack of church services during the year, we have not been able to complete many of the flower arrangements and we apologise if your sponsorship weekend was one that was missed. We hope life will get back to a more normal routine and flowers will be back in an open church. We have completed our rota for 2021 - 2022 and the following weeks are available to sponsor if you wish. Contact Joyce Devenport (0161 964 3202)

April 16th and 23rd

May 21st

June 11th and 18th

July 9th, 23rd and 30th

August 6th, 20th and 27th

January 21st (2022)

February 18th

Best wishes

Joyce Devenport

Junior Church

At the beginning of 2020, Junior Church had good levels of regular attendees with a number of new starters. We were hopeful we would build on this as the year progressed. However, as with everything else, this was put on hold due to the pandemic.

Although Junior Church was unable to meet physically, we reached out to families to offer weekly activities, resources and quizzes which linked with the weekly Gospel. This was further supported by the weekly services which Rev'd Pat posted via social media.

Competitions were also held asking the children to design our annual Christmas Card which was delivered to all of the houses throughout the parish.

We are very much looking forward to opening the doors of Junior Church once more and as soon as we are able to do so we will welcome back all of our children.

Youth Group

Our Youth Group usually meets on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays in the month in the Parish Hall. It is for anyone of senior school age. Due to the pandemic, we have been unable to meet face to face since March 2020 and it looks like this will continue until September this year.

We have done what we can to keep in touch and keep things moving. Child Protection issues have limited what could be done but for some time we had a regular Sunday email with a thought for the week, activity and where the young people were encouraged to feed back with news and to join in with quizzes and questions. In addition, Pat did her regular children and adult video services that the young people were encouraged to engage with.

None of this could replace our regular meetings and we hope some of our existing members will feel able to come back and help kick start the group again with new members who will have moved up from Junior church during the pandemic.

Youth group aims to be a fun, relaxed environment for older children to explore their faith which we hope to do again as soon as possible.

Rachel Damianou and Louise McCallum

Rose Queen

I was delighted when Canon Sharon asked me to become May Queen for St Anne's church. The Retinue mums started to plan for my crowning in May and for lots of different events to raise money for my two chosen charities: St Anne's Church and Francis House Children's Hospice.

Unfortunately, everything changed when the country went into lockdown. The crowning was cancelled along with the Whit Walks when I would have represented St Anne's.

Thankfully I was eventually crowned (as Rose Queen) in October. Thank you to Canon Sharon for leading the service and to my sister Grace for crowning me.

So far, we have not been able to attend any "At Homes" and have not been able to plan my own. We have only been able to arrange one fundraising event which was to sell Body Shop products at Christmas. Thank you to everyone who supported us in doing this and a special thank you to Natalie Doran who processed all of the orders.

Hopefully things will change soon and my reign as Rose Queen will become more normal.

Holly Marshall

Policy Statement on Children, Young People & the Church

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

- As members of this Church, we commit ourselves to the nurturing, protection and safekeeping of all, especially children and young people.
- It is the responsibility of each one of us to prevent physical, sexual and emotional abuse of children and young people and to report any abuse discovered or suspected.
- Our Church is committed to following the Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk Manchester Diocese Handbook of Policy and Procedures.
- Each worker with children and young people must have a clear Disclosure & Barring Service Certificate; undertake diocesan Safeguarding training; know the guidelines & undertake to follow them. Each shall be given a copy of the Parish's agreed procedures & good practice guidelines. They shall also have an interview with the Church Wardens before commencing their role.
- Our Church is committed to supporting and training those who work with children and young people and to providing supervision.
- As part of our commitment to children and young people the PCC has appointed Susan Fleming to be the Parish Safeguarding Officer.
- The parish's agreed procedures and good practice guidelines can be viewed by asking the Church Warden or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Children and young people are an important part of our Church today. They have much to give as well as to receive. We will listen to them as we nurture them in worship, learning and in community life. We will respect the wishes and feelings of children and young people.

Review date: March 2022

Policy Statement on Safeguarding of Adults

This statement must be read out to at least one PCC meeting each year, where progress in implementing it will be monitored.

1. We recognize that everyone has different levels of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as vulnerable at some time in our lives.

2. As members of this parish we commit ourselves to respectful pastoral care for all adults to whom we minister.

3. We commit ourselves to the safeguarding of people who may be vulnerable, ensuring their well-being in the life of this church.

4. We commit ourselves to promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust.

5. The parish commits itself to promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who may be vulnerable.

6. It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent the physical, emotional, sexual, financial and spiritual abuse of vulnerable people and to report any such abuse that we discover or suspect.

7. We undertake to exercise proper care in the appointment and selection of those who will work with people who may be vulnerable.

8. The parish is committed to supporting, resourcing, training and regularly reviewing those who undertake work amongst people who may be vulnerable.

9. The parish adopts the guidelines of the Church of England and the Diocese.

10. Each person who works with vulnerable people will agree to abide by these recommendations and the guidelines established by this church.

The Parish Safeguarding Officer is Susan Fleming
Review date: March 2022

A Safe Church Policy

The following policy was agreed at the Parochial Church Council (PCC) meeting held on 15th September 2020 – this was delayed due to the Covid 19 restrictions.

In accordance with the Church of England Safeguarding Policy our church is committed to:

- Promoting a safer environment and culture.

- Safely recruiting and supporting all those with any responsibility related to children, young people and vulnerable adults within the church.
- Responding promptly to every safeguarding concern or allegation.
- Caring pastorally for victims/survivors of abuse and other affected persons.
- Caring pastorally for those who are the subject of concerns or allegations of abuse and other affected persons.
- Responding to those that may pose a present risk to others.

The Parish will:

- Create a safe and caring place for all.
- Have a named Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) to work with the incumbent and the PCC to implement policy and procedures.
- Safely recruit, train and support all those with any responsibility for children, young people and adults to have the confidence and skills to recognise and respond to abuse.
- Ensure that there is appropriate insurance cover for all activities involving children and adults undertaken in the name of the parish.
- Display in church premises and on the Parish website the details of who to contact if there are safeguarding concerns or support needs.
- Listen to and take seriously all those who disclose abuse.
- Take steps to protect children and adults when a safeguarding concern of any kind arises, following House of Bishops guidance, including notifying the Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser (DSA) and statutory agencies immediately.
- Offer support to victims/survivors of abuse regardless of the type of abuse, when or where it occurred.
- Care for and monitor any member of the church community who may pose a risk to children and adults whilst maintaining appropriate confidentiality and the safety of all parties.
- Ensure that health and safety policy, procedures and risk assessments are in place and that these are reviewed annually.
- Review the implementation of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Practices at least annually.

Each person who works within this church community will agree to abide by this policy and the guidelines established by this church.

This church appoints Susan Fleming as the Parish Safeguarding Officer

Incumbent **S Jones - approved at the PCC meeting (15th September 2020)**
Churchwarden **D Marshall – approved at PCC meeting (15th September 2020)**

Annual Financial Report

See separate attachment.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Charity Registration Number: 1132948

Financial Statements

for the

Year ended 31 December 2020

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Financial Report

With church closed for large parts of 2020 it was inevitable that income would be hit quite hard and, coming on the back of the dramatic reduction in reserves to meet our commitments in 2019, we had very little to cushion the fall. Although some of our costs reduced through closure, our income from loose collections, envelope giving, fees and hall rent all fell sharply and the few funerals that took place were mainly at the Crematorium where the statutory fee is all claimed by the Diocese. The main casualty of this income reduction was payment of Parish Share [see below].

Income [Pages A10/A11]

- Many of our parishioners that give through the envelope scheme responded by switching to standing order, helping to make up reductions in other areas of giving; an increase of 20% against a fall of 50% in envelope giving and 62% in other areas such as cash.
- The level of unrestricted donations remained very positive [up 23%] and we are grateful to those that responded so positively to the Roof Appeal which, at £2,170, raised almost all of the money needed to keep our building watertight.
- Our ability to have fundraising events was hit hard by the pandemic, as we were unable to gather in numbers either indoors or outdoors. Although the 200 Club remained as successful as 2019, other activities raised just £185 compared to £3,124 in 2019.
- Tax recovered under Gift Aid fell slightly with giving reduced by £957 to £10,966, reflecting the fall in giving, but remains a very valuable source of income.
- Although we sold 28% of Income Shares in 2019, the residual holding performed remarkably well during 2020 but, there was an inevitable fall in income from investments, down by the same percentage
- Another major casualty of the pandemic was the parish hall, which is still unable to re-open, 12 months on from closure. Whilst this has given the new managers, Lydgate Community Association [LCA], the opportunity to attend to some much needed renovations, the cost to the church finances has been heavy with a complete loss of income from 15th March, but ongoing running costs. It should also be noted that we had a bad debt when the proprietor of the YogaD group left us with unpaid invoices of £680.50 and also moved house leaving no new address for us to pursue her for payment. The PCC agreed to meet these costs producing a net loss of £4,312 and also agreeing to utilise the Refurbishment Fund [£7,601] to help with the renovation costs.
- As mentioned above, our fee income was down considerably with the vast majority of wedding couples also choosing to postpone their events. Total fees fell from an already low 2019 total of £5,258 to just £3,628. Some weddings have been rescheduled for 2021 [we have 12 booked], but many have moved their dates to 2022.

Expenditure [Pages A12/A13]

- As mentioned above, meeting our Parish Share assessment of £59,000 was completely out of reach, but we managed to pay just over half at £25,043 with the help of the 2% discount provided by the Encouragement Scheme.
- Our Team costs [spread across the lines of Clergy expenses, Parsonage Houses, Pastoral Care, Salaries and Administration] were lower at £8,909 [2019: £10,921].
- It was a pleasure to be able to continue with the issue of Bibles to the pupils in School's Year 6 and Reception classes thanks to a donation received to meet the cost.
- Utility costs were down slightly, but might have benefitted more from church closure had the contracts with Southern & Scottish Electrical not come to an end. The new prices were higher than under the previous contracts, but we expect to benefit from the fixing of these new contracts for 3 years to October 2023. We should consider whether it will then be appropriate to move to suppliers offering renewable energy, thus reducing our carbon footprint.
- Insurance premiums were down substantially, as expected with the move to Trinitas, a saving of £978 for church and £993 for the hall.
- Repairs to the window, damaged in the break-in, cost £1,566 towards which cost we received £1,316 from Trinitas [see page A11].
- We have negotiated a refund of £240 from CCLI re licences and this has been split between church and hall, to mirror the split in cost.
- Our 'Other Resources Used' section [page A13] details the major expenditure covering roof repairs [£2,410], hall improvements [£1,354] and refurbishments [£6,247]. LCA have also raised funds and met other refurbishment costs taking total spending well over £11,000 when including the value of free work that has been provided by generous parishioners.

Moving Forward

One of the sad results of the Covid pandemic has been the loss, for now, of our massively successful Wednesday evening service. The Risk Assessment, carried out so ably by our churchwarden, leaves us with just 27 safe spaces for individuals or people in family bubbles. As a result of that and the need for quarantine measures, or a strenuous cleaning regime between services, has made it impossible to accommodate the 140+ that had been attending the Wednesday service, whereas the Sunday 8am attendees have been able to move to 11am. We have a massive challenge ahead to bring our young families back to collective worship when the lockdown restrictions are finally relaxed.

Rebuilding our finances will also be a challenge as we move forward and it remains to be seen whether we can meet the challenge of a 2020 Parish Share assessment of £60,180, whilst covering all other costs, including hall running costs at around £10 per day, which the PCC has agreed to meet for now.

Our liquid funds, after excluding the Parish Hall value, total £20,602 [see pages A6 & A8].

Al Gillian, Parish Treasurer

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

25 APRIL 2021

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	**TOTAL 2020 £**	FUNDS 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2						
Voluntary Income	a	49,607.42	-	2,839.79	-	**52,447.21**	55,088
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	3,197.00	-	-	**3,197.00**	6,138
Investment Income	c	550.42	-	-	-	**550.42**	769
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	3,746.00	2,278.00	-	-	**6,024.00**	15,946
Other Incoming Resources	e	1,316.00	-	-	-	**1,316.00**	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**55,219.84**	**5,475.00**	**2,839.79**	-	**63,534.63**	77,941
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3						
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	175.05	1,579.55	-	-	**1,754.60**	1,847
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	95.33	714.67	-	**810.00**	1,000
Charitable Activities	c	45,355.74	6,053.86	136.73	-	**51,546.33**	90,667
Other Resources Used	d	-	680.50	10,010.88	-	**10,691.38**	936
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**45,530.79**	**8,409.24**	**10,862.28**	-	**64,802.31**	94,449
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**9,689.05**	**(2,934.24)**	**(8,022.49)**	-	**(1,267.68)**	(16,508)
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**1,701.25**	**4,312.44**	**239.60**	-	**6,253.29**	21,416
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		**(4,312.44)**	**(1,695.34)**	**(245.51)**	-	**(6,253.29)**	(21,416)
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		-	**1,261.56**	**82.48**	-	**1,344.04**	4,722
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**0.00**	**7,308.21**	**103,217.46**	-	**110,525.67**	122,312
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**7,077.86**	**8,252.63**	**95,271.54**	-	**110,602.03**	110,526

The note on pages A9 to A19 form part of these accounts.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 December 2019

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES	2					
Voluntary Income	a	53,550.18	-	1,537.88	-	**55,088.06**
Activities for Generating Funds	b	-	4,989.90	1,148.00	-	**6,137.90**
Investment Income	c	768.67	-	-	-	**768.67**
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	d	5,685.00	10,261.00	-	-	**15,946.00**
Other Incoming Resources	e	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		**60,003.85**	**15,250.90**	**2,685.88**	-	**77,940.63**
RESOURCES EXPENDED	3					
Cost of Generating Voluntary Income	a	207.00	1,639.55	-	-	**1,846.55**
Mission & Charitable Giving	b	-	-	999.54	-	**999.54**
Charitable Activities	c	79,387.03	9,324.20	1,955.47	-	**90,666.70**
Other Resources Used	d	-	-	936.00	-	**936.00**
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		**79,594.03**	**10,963.75**	**3,891.01**	-	**94,448.79**
NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		**(19,590.18)**	**4,287.15**	**(1,205.13)**	-	**(16,508.16)**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In		**19,590.18**	-	**1,826.20**	-	**21,416.38**
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out		-	**(20,998.46)**	**(417.92)**	-	**(21,416.38)**
Gains / (losses) on revaluation of investments		-	**4,088.03**	**634.07**	-	**4,722.10**
BALANCES B/FWD 1 JANUARY		**0.00**	**19,931.49**	**102,380.24**	-	**122,311.73**
BALANCES C/FWD 31 DECEMBER		**0.00**	**7,308.21**	**103,217.46**	-	**110,525.67**

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020

Notes		2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
	Fixed assets				
5A	Tangible assets	90,000		90,000	
5B	Investments	20,498		19,154	
	Total fixed assets		**110,498**		109,154
	Current assets				
6	Debtors	2,896		6,116	
7	Cash at bank and in hand	1,371		889	
	Total current assets	**4,267**		7,005	
	Current liabilities				
8	Amounts falling due within one year	4,163		5,633	
	Net current assets		104		1,372
8	Amounts falling due after one year		-		-
	Total assets		**110,602**		110,526
4	***Funds***				
9	Unrestricted Funds		7,078		-
9	Designated Funds		8,253		7,308
9	Restricted Funds		95,272		103,217
9	Endowment Funds		-		-
	Total Funds		**110,602**		110,526

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 25th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Revd Canon Sharon Jones _____

Mr David Marshall _____

Mr Alastair Gillian _____

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Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 together with applicable accounting standards and the FRS102. 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 such members.

b) Funds

Endowment funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established.

Restricted funds represent (a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Designated funds are general funds which have been reserved by the PCC for specific purposes indicated in the fund title.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for PCC ordinary purposes.

c) Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received. Tax reclaimed under Gift Aid is recognized when received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends and interest are accounted for when received and is attributed to each fund on the basis of the amount invested and the age of the investment. Unrealised investment gains are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other income is recognized when it is received. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

d) Resources Expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. Payments to the diocesan common fund are accounted for when paid. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. Unrealised investment losses are accounted for on revaluation of investment based on mid-market prices at 31 December. All other expenditure is generally recognized when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

e) Fixed Assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over four years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

It is the Trustees policy not to undertake a formal revaluation of land and buildings and no depreciation is provided in their respect as the currently estimated residual value (discounted for monetary inflation since capitalisation) is not less than the carrying value and the remaining useful life of this asset currently exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charge would be immaterial. If, in the future, the carrying value of the building should look greater than the current value on this basis an impairment review will be carried out and any resultant loss included in expenditure for that year.

f) Investments

Investments are valued at market value based on mid-market prices at 31 December.

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

2 INCOMING RESOURCES	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2020	2019
a) Voluntary Income	£	£	£	£	£	£
Gift Aid - Bank Standing Orders	29,095.00	-	-	-	**29,095.00**	24,268
Gift Aid - Envelopes	4,602.82	-	-	-	**4,602.82**	9,224
One-off Gift Aid	75.10	-	-	-	**75.10**	505
Tax Recovered under Gift Aid	9,859.31	-	149.43	-	**10,008.74**	10,966
Other Planned Giving	1,142.80	-	-	-	**1,142.80**	799
Non-Gift Aid Standing Orders	737.00	-	-	-	**737.00**	752
Loose Collections	1,207.49	-	-	-	**1,207.49**	5,041
Sunday Coffee Donations	-	-	176.76	-	**176.76**	790
Donations	2,672.90	-	2,380.00	-	**5,052.90**	2,169
Sanctuary Lamp Donations	215.00	-	-	-	**215.00**	195
Candle Donations	-	-	20.60	-	**20.60**	168
FlowerDonations	-	-	113.00	-	**113.00**	211
Legacies & Bequests	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	**49,607.42**	-	**2,839.79**	-	**52,447.21**	55,088
b) Activities for Generating Funds						
Festive Fair	-	-	-	-	-	1,581
May Queen Events	-	-	-	-	-	1,148
Fundraising Events	-	105.00	-	-	**105.00**	20
200 Subscriptions	-	3,012.00	-	-	**3,012.00**	3,014
Love Lydgate	-	80.00	-	-	**80.00**	375
Apprentice Challenge	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	-	**3,197.00**	-	-	**3,197.00**	6,138
c) Investment Income						
CBF Interest	550.42	-	-	-	**550.42**	769
Total	**550.42**	-	-	-	**550.42**	769

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2 INCOMING RESOURCES (Continued)

d) Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2020 £	2019 £
Lydgate Band Rent	-	220.00	-	-	**220.00**	970
Uniformed Organisations Rent	-	425.00	-	-	**425.00**	2,580
Casual Rents	-	-	-	-	**-**	180
Dance School (Roberts)	-	740.00	-	-	**740.00**	2,609
Westwood Over 50s Band	-	200.00	-	-	**200.00**	1,020
Golden Zumba	-	374.00	-	-	**374.00**	957
Lydgate Stitchers	-	140.00	-	-	**140.00**	680
Hausley Choir	-	44.00	-	-	**44.00**	-
Yoga Class	-	135.00	-	-	**135.00**	-
YogaD	-	-	-	-	**-**	990
Leah lynes Pilates	-	-	-	-	**-**	275
Grapevine Subscriptions	298.00	-	-	-	**298.00**	414
Grapevine Shop Sales	18.00	-	-	-	**18.00**	-
Grapevine Tin Proceeds	2.00	-	-	-	**2.00**	13
Statutory PCC Fees	1,306.00	-	-	-	**1,306.00**	3,262
Other PCC Fees	-	-	-	-	**-**	-
Statutory Churchyard Fees	1,747.00	-	-	-	**1,747.00**	1,751
Other Churchyard Fees	375.00	-	-	-	**375.00**	245
Total	**3,746.00**	**2,278.00**	**-**	**-**	**6,024.00**	15,946

e) Non-recurring income	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	2020 £	2019 £
Insurance Claims	1,316.00	-	-	-	**1,316.00**	-
Total	**1,316.00**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**1,316.00**	**-**
Total Incoming Resources	**55,219.84**	**5,475.00**	**2,839.79**	**-**	**63,534.63**	77,941

Parish of St Anne, Lydgate

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

3 RESOURCES USED					TOTAL FUNDS	
a) Cost of Generating Funds	**Unrestricted Funds £**	**Designated Funds £**	**Restricted Funds £**	**Endowment Funds £**	**2020 £**	2019 £
Fundraising Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	258
200 Club Prizes	-	1,579.55	-	-	**1,579.55**	1,382
FWO & Gift Aid Envelopes	175.05	-	-	-	**175.05**	207
Total	**175.05**	**1,579.55**	**-**	**-**	**1,754.60**	1,847
b) Mission & Charitable Giving						
Secular Charities						
Blood Bikes	-	-	270.00	-	**270.00**	-
RNLI	-	-	270.00	-	**270.00**	-
Action Against Hunger	-	95.33	174.67	-	**270.00**	-
Dr Kershaws	-	-	-	-	-	333
Medicins Sans Frontiers	-	-	-	-	-	333
Marie Curie Nurses	-	-	-	-	-	333
Total	**-**	**95.33**	**714.67**	**-**	**810.00**	1,000
c) Charitable Activities						
Parish Share	24,000.00	-	-	-	**24,000.00**	51,242
Working Expenses of Incumbent	836.55	-	-	-	**836.55**	943
Parsonage House Costs	2,176.46	-	-	-	**2,176.46**	2,991
Other Clergy Costs	585.86	-	-	-	**585.86**	880
Pastoral Care Costs	461.48	-	-	-	**461.48**	168
Mission & Evangelism	1,004.00	-	-	-	**1,004.00**	1,573
Mission & Evangelism - Whit Friday	-	-	-	-	-	400
Church Upkeep - Gas	3,108.64	-	-	-	**3,108.64**	3,036
Church Upkeep - Electricity	585.48	-	-	-	**585.48**	820
Church Upkeep - Insurance	2,039.48	-	-	-	**2,039.48**	3,017
Church Upkeep - Water	82.07	-	-	-	**82.07**	-
Church Upkeep - Cleaning	445.00	-	-	-	**445.00**	1,146
Minor Repairs to Church	1,566.00	-	-	-	**1,566.00**	23
Routine Church Maintenance	222.77	-	-	-	**222.77**	1,190
Church Renewals	114.84	-	-	-	**114.84**	38
Upkeep of Services	464.55	-	136.73	-	**601.28**	1,663

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

3 RESOURCES EXPENDED (Continued)	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2020	2019
c) Charitable Activities (Continued)	£	£	£	£	£	£
Upkeep of Churchyard	1,803.26	63.92	-	-	**1,867.18**	1,855
Grapevine & Crux	80.00	-	-	-	**80.00**	617
Risograph Supplies	-	-	-	-	**-**	26
Printing	-	-	-	-	**-**	10
Hall Cleaning	-	981.00	-	-	**981.00**	2,567
Hall Hygiene Supplies	-	371.52	-	-	**371.52**	768
Hall Electricity	-	468.63	-	-	**468.63**	693
Hall Gas	-	2,046.85	-	-	**2,046.85**	2,129
Hall Water	-	551.59	-	-	**551.59**	1,147
Hall Insurance	-	417.52	-	-	**417.52**	1,411
Hall Copyright & Performing Licence	-	228.03	-	-	**228.03**	333
Hall Repairs & Renewals	-	924.80	-	-	**924.80**	277
Hall Electrical Inspection	-	-	-	-	**-**	696
Sundry Expenses	112.00	-	-	-	**112.00**	171
Honoraria, Salaries & Wages	3,250.56	-	-	-	**3,250.56**	5,614
Church Copyright & Music Licences	248.04	-	-	-	**248.04**	353
Stationery & Postage	78.65	-	-	-	**78.65**	105
Team Administration	1,943.05	-	-	-	**1,943.05**	2,620
Subscriptions & Donations	147.00	-	-	-	**147.00**	145
Total	**45,355.74**	**6,053.86**	**136.73**	**-**	**51,546.33**	90,667
d) Other Resources Used						
Bad Debts	-	680.50	-	-	**680.50**	-
Chruch Roof Repairs	-	-	2,409.60	-	**2,409.60**	-
Hall Improvement Work	-	-	1,354.30	-	**1,354.30**	-
Hall Refurbishments	-	-	6,246.98	-	**6,246.98**	-
Tower Clean-up & bird Protection	-	-	-	-	**-**	936
Total	**-**	**680.50**	**10,010.88**	**-**	**10,691.38**	936
Total Resources Used	**45,530.79**	**8,409.24**	**10,862.28**	**-**	**64,802.31**	94,449

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Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020

4(a) NET POSITION, TRANSFERS, REVALUATIONS AND TOTAL BALANCES

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	TOTAL FUNDS 2020	2019
Net Incoming / (Outgoing) Resources	**9,689.05**	**(2,934.24)**	**(8,022.49)**	-	**(1,267.68)**	(16,508)
Gross Transfers Between Funds - In	1,701.25	4,312.44	239.60	-	**6,253.29**	21,416
Gross Transfers Between Funds - Out	(4,312.44)	(1,695.34)	(245.51)	-	**(6,253.29)**	(21,416)
Gains/(losses) on investment revaluation	-	1,261.56	82.48	-	**1,344.04**	4,722
Balances B/Forward on 1st January	**0.00**	**7,308.21**	**103,217.46**	-	**110,525.67**	122,312
Balances C/Forward on 31 December	**7,077.86**	**8,252.63**	**95,271.54**	-	**110,602.03**	110,526

4(b) ANALYSIS OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	TOTAL FUNDS 2020 £	2019 £
Tangible Assets	-	-	90,000.00	-	**90,000.00**	90,000
Investment Assets						
Income Shares	7,435.74	8,209.31	3,961.91	-	**19,606.96**	18,345
Accumulation Shares		-	890.96		**890.96**	808
CBF Deposits	613.40	-	-	-	**613.40**	463
Current Assets (excluding CBF Deposits)	1,434.69	853.22	1,365.67	-	**3,653.58**	6,542
Less Current Liabilities	2,405.97	809.90	947.00	-	**4,162.87**	5,633
Total	**7,077.86**	**8,252.63**	**95,271.54**	-	**110,602.03**	110,526

During the year the PCC did not employ anyone. In accordance with Diocesan instructions, payments to those assisting with Occasional Services are now held within Agency Collections and not shown within income and expenditure.

PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS

Mr A Gillian received an honorarium of £200 along with fees of £342 which have been paid to him in connection with his duties as Sexton. These have been donated back to church. A small immaterial portion of the expenses paid to the incumbent may have related to her services as chairman of the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

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5 ANALYSIS OF FIXED ASSETS

5A Tangible Assets	Freehold Land & Buildings	Furniture & Equipment	Investments	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Cost or Valuation					
On 1st January	90,000	-	19,154	109,154	116,907
Additions/Revaluation Gain(Loss)	-	-	1,344	1,344	4,722
Disposals	-	-	-	-	12,476
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**20,498**	**110,498**	**109,154**
Depreciation:					
On 1st January	-	-	-	-	-
Charge for the Year	-	-	-	-	-
Deduct for disposals	-	-	-	-	-
On 31st December	-	-	-	-	-
Net Book Value:					
On 1st January	90,000	-	19,154	109,154	116,907
On 31st December	**90,000**	**-**	**20,498**	**110,498**	**109,154**

The freehold land & building is the Parish Hall, which is owned by Manchester Diocesan Board of Finance and held in trust for the Parish. It was last valued in 1999, but the PCC is of the opinion that there is no benefit in incurring the cost of revaluation at this time, although this is likely to be considerably in excess of the figure quoted. Equally there is not deemed to be any need to make a provision for depreciation (see more detailed comment on page A9).

The church building is a consecrated property and is excluded from the financial statements by virtue of section 10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011. The church buildings and contents were insured for 2020 by Trinitas Church Insurance Services for £5,291,302 [building] and £142,600 [contents]. The Parish Hall insurance was transferred to Trinitas Church Insurance Services from renewal on 24th June 2020 and is insured for £836,367 (buildings) and £17,670 (contents). The PCC has also provided indemnity insurance for the Trustees of Lydgate Community Association CIO following transfer of management responsibility for the hall to the association. When income recommences, the Association will take responsibility for the premiums.

5B Investment Assets	2020	2019
	£	£
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Income Shares	19,607	18,345
CBF Church of England Investment Fund Accumulation Shares	891	808
	20,498	19,154

6 Debtors	2020	2019
	£	£
Debtors	2,896	6,116
	2,896	6,116

7 Cash at Bank and in Hand	2020	2019
	£	£
Cash	94	887
Flower Fund Cash	91	114
HSBC Current Account	461	(790)
CBF Deposit Account	613	463
NatWest 200 Club	111	215
	1,371	889

8 Creditors	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts falling due within 1 year	3,216	1,327
Agency collections	947	974
Manchester DBF Loan (repayment due within 1 year)	-	3,332
	4,163	5,633
Manchester DBF Loan (repayment due after 1 year)	-	-

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund (Designated)	Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Designated)	Roof Appeal (Restricted
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	6,297	467	128	1,050	1,672	-	-
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	49,607	-	262	-	-	210		2,170
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Investment Income	550	-	-	-	-	-		-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	5,062	-	-	-	-	-		-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Total Incoming Resources	**55,220**	-	**262**	-	-	**210**	-	**2,170**
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	175	-	-	-	-	-		-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	-	-		-
Charitable Activities	45,356	64	137	-	-	-		-
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-		2,410
Total Resources Expended	**45,531**	**64**	**137**	-	-	-	-	**2,410**
Net Income	**9,689**	**(64)**	**126**	-	-	**210**	-	**(240)**
Revaluation	-	1,261.56	-	-	-	82	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	(2,611)	-	(108)	-	-	(240)	-	240

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Bequests & Donations Fund (Designated)	Flower Fund (Restricted)	Choir Fund (Restricted)	ECO Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Restricted)	Clock & Tower Fund (Designated)	Roof Appeal (Restricted
Fund Balances C/Forward	**7,078**	**7,494**	**484**	**128**	**1,050**	**1,725**	-	-

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	243	-	192	521	95	477	90,000
Incoming resources								
Voluntary Income	-	-	-	-	197	-	-	-
Activities for Generating Funds	-	-	105	3,012	-	-	-	-
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	-	-	105	3,012	197	-	-	-
Resources Expended								
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	-	1,580	-	-	-	-
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	715	95	-	-
Charitable Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Resources Used	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	-	-	-	1,580	715	95	-	
Net Income	-	-	105	1,432	(517)	(95)	-	
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intra-Fund Transfers	-	-	(105)	(1,488)	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Fabric Fund Restricted	Fabric Fund Designated	Fundraising Fund (Designated)	200 Club (Designated)	Mission Fund Restricted	Mission Fund Designated	Audio Visual Fund (Restricted)	Parish Hall Capital Fund
Fund Balances C/Forward	-	243	-	136	4	-	477	90,000

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fund Balances B/Forward	-	7,601	1,769	14	110,526	122,312
Incoming resources						
Voluntary Income	-	-	-	-	52,447	55,088
Activities for Generating Funds	80	-	-	-	3,197	6,138
Investment Income	-	-	-	-	550	769
Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities	2,278	-	-	-	7,340	15,946
Other Incoming Resources	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming Resources	2,358	-	-	-	63,535	77,941
Resources Expended						
Cost of Generating Funds	-	-	-	-	1,755	1,847
Mission & Charitable Giving	-	-	-	-	810	1,000
Charitable Activities	5,990	-	-	-	51,546	90,667
Other Resources Used	681	7,601	-	-	10,691	936
Total Resources Expended	6,670	7,601	-	-	64,802	94,449
Net Income	(4,312)	(7,601)	-	-	(1,268)	(16,508)
Revaluation	-	-	-	-	1,344	4,722
Intra-Fund Transfers	4,312	-	-	-	-	-

9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Fund	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Parish Hall General Fund Designated	Youth Ministry Fund Restricted	Youth Ministry Fund Designated	TOTAL 2020	TOTAL 2019
Fund Balances C/Forward	-	-	1,769	14	110,602	110,526

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9 FUNDS STATEMENT

Audio Visual Fund (Restricted) - receives restricted income and donations from parishioners for the purchase of audio visual equipment. Costs are shown where necessary to generate income.

Bequest & Donation Fund (Designated) - this fund is used to store monies that have been given to the church, where the purpose is restricted (and usually in the gift of the Vicar and Wardens) or it has been agreed with the donor that the funds will be used for the benefit of St Anne's Church. The PCC has agreed that these funds are all designated.

Flower Fund (Restricted) - receives donations from parishioners and expenditure to the purchase of flowers and associated items.

Clock & Tower Maintenance Fund (Restricted) - holds the residual donations from the PCC's Clock Appeal and also receives occasional donations specifically for future maintenance costs.

Choir Fund (Restricted) - receives donations and choristers' fees from occasional services, which are used to fund music and choir supplies combined as restricted.

200 Club (Designated) - receives subscriptions for draw numbers and pays out 50% of income in monthly prizes. Balance of income is transferred to General Fund at year end.

ECO Fund (Restricted) - Has received the proceeds of May Queen Francesca's fundraising for church to be spent on ecological activities undertaken by church.

Fabric Fund (Restricted & Designated) - receives donations provided specifically for maintenance of the fabric and monies earmarked by the PCC for various fabric related projects.

Fundraising (Designated) - collects proceeds of events, which are then distributed as directed by the PCC.

Mission Fund (Restricted) - receives charitable collections - distributed to agreed charities as directed at Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

Parish Hall Capital Fund (Restricted) - the value of the Parish Hall - last valued in 1999.

Parish Hall General Fund (Designated) - used for management of day-to-day income and expenditure on the hall. Surplus has been transferred to Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund in recent years.

Parish Hall Refurbishment Fund (Restricted) - collected funds have been utilised for repairs and improvements and the residual balance transferred to Lydgate Community Association CIO in recognition of its role as ongoing manager of the hall, including improvements to the internal accommodation. Fund now closed.

Roof Appeal (Restricted) - opened to receive donations towards major roof repairs. Small residual balance cleared from Clock & Tower Fund in recognition of the element relating to the repairs to the gulley adjacent to the Tower.

Youth Ministry Fund (Restricted) - receives income from fundraising, disposal as directed by the PCC following the recommendations of the Church youth groups and their leaders.

Independent Examiner's Report
to
The Parochial Church Council of St Anne's Church, Lydgate

I report on the financial statements of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2020, which are set out in the accompanying pages.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As PCC members you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The PCC members consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 144 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(1)(a) of the 2011 Act);
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act);
- 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; 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.

Michael Royle

25 APRIL 2021

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