The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves

England & Wales · Charity number 1133061

Details

Other names	THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER, ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER PCC
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-12-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

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

Activities: The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctorines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is to co-operate with the Minister the Rev'd A Dring in promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church, Pastoral, Evangelistic, Social and Ecumenical as in accordance with the PCC (powers) measures 1956, as amended.

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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.
- Derby City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£573,877	£223,969	£555,298	1
2023-12-31	£215,846	£187,699	-	-
2022-12-31	£173,667	£163,540	-	-
2021-12-31	£155,095	£129,954	-	-
2020-12-31	£137,199	£149,974	-	-

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev ALICIA CHRISTINA MARGARET DRING	Chair	2013-09-26
Alison Margaret Marsh-Davies		2024-04-24
Ann Vincent		2023-01-01
Charlie Elston		2020-10-18
Christopher Jones		2012-05-12
David Barker		2025-04-30
Emma Jane Mallord		2023-07-02
Heather Newstead		2022-04-27
Helene Roe		2020-10-18
Julie Scott		2020-10-18
Lianne Green		2025-06-29
Peter Francis Vincent		2023-01-01
Rev Jason Grant Kennedy		2023-04-26
Timothy Hugh Standley		2025-04-30
William Browne		2025-04-30

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Annual Report 2024

VESTRY MEETING and ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING
Agenda

Wednesday 30 April 2025 at 7.30pm
St Peter's Church, Littleover & Blagreaves

Vestry Meeting

1. Opening worship and prayer
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approve Minutes of the last meeting
   (24 April 2024 Vestry meeting section, see back pages)
   0. Election of Churchwardens

(nominations to be received in advance of meeting)

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approve minutes of last APCM
   (24 April 2024), see back pages of this document)
   0. Matters arising
   0. Electoral Roll Report
   0. Election of Churchwardens results
   0. Election to the:
   - Parochial Church Council
     (9 vacancies 2 for one year, 3 for two years, 4 for three years)
   - Deanery Synod (1 vacancy)

   (tellers will be appointed to count voting papers if needed)
   0. Financial report – Mr Paul Cheetham
   0. Reviewing reports – time for questions
   0. Results of Elections to PCC and Deanery Synod
   0. Safeguarding update
   0. Chair's report and vision – Alicia
   0. Any other business NOTE:
      Please notify any other business in writing to the Vicar or the PCC Secretary (Julie Scott) at least 48 hours in advance – this will guarantee a considered response.
   0. Date of next APCM
   0. Closing prayer and worship

The PCC of St Peter's Church, Littleover and Blagreaves 2024

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission, number 1133061.
The following have served as members of the PCC since the last APCM:

NAME	POSITION	NOTES
Revd Alicia Dring	Vicar and Chair	Appointed September 2013
Revd Jason Kennedy	Associate Minister	Appointed, September 2023
Revd Emma Mallord	Curate	Appointed, ordained July 2023
Jeni Baines		Until April 2024 meeting
John Bird		Until 2025 meeting
Jim Britland	Warden and Vice Chair	Until 2024 meeting
Bernie Burton	Observer	Non-voting role, left 2024 meeting
Lesley Edwards	Treasurer	From April 2023, resigned October 2024
Charlie Elston		Until 2025 meeting
Chris Jones	Warden	
Ali Marsh-Davies		Until 2027 meeting
Heather Newstead		Until 2026 meeting
Helene Roe	Warden & Vice-Chair	PCC member until April 2024 meeting
Julie Scott	PCC Secretary	Until 2026 meeting
Margit Staehr		Until 2025 meeting
Peter Vincent	Diocesan Synod	Until 2027
Ann Vincent	Deanery Synod	Until 2026
Robin Wood		Until April 2024 meeting

The Standing Committee 2024

NAME	POSITION	ELECTED	RESIGNED
Revd Alicia Dring	Vicar	Appointed 2013	
Julie Scott	PPC Sec	April 2022	
Jeni Baines			April 2024
Chris Jones	Warden		
Helene Roe	Warden		
Lesley Edwards	Treasurer	April 2023	November 2024
Revd Emma Mallord	Curate	Appointed 2023	

Service Attendance at St Peter's Littleover 2024

Sunday Services Average over four consecutive weeks in October 2023	**Holy Communion 10am**	**Evening Service 6.30pm**	
Communicants	80(76)		
Total Attendees inc children	105(90)	25(24)	
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Holy Communion**		
Holy Communion	27 (30)		
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Easter Sunday 2024	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	12 (12)	142 (142)	
Total Attendees inc children	12 (12)	160 (154)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Holy Communion**
Christmas Eve 2024	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			35 (52)
Total Attendees inc children	230 (332)	176(220)	45 (55)
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Christmas Day 2024	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	20 (18)	66 (68)	
Total Attendees	22 (19)	84 (73)	

* The 10am Sunday Services generally alternate between Holy Communion and Morning Worship/All Age
(XX) Figures in brackets are for the year 2023

Other Services held at St Peter's during 2024

Baptisms: *during the 10am Sunday Service*	*5*	(3)
Funerals/memorial	25	(33)
Interment of Ashes	6	
Weddings	4	(2)
St Peter's School Services	6	(6)

Electoral Roll from April 2025
97 resident in the parish and **55** live outside of the parish = **152 total roll**

Building Blocks of Church Life

Every church is made up of statutory and chosen ministries, committees and obligations. Whether that is regular Sunday worship, taking care of the building, working with children or burying the dead: there are plenty of different aspects to church life.

Following the launch of our new parish in 2023, we soon launched a Mission Action Plan to focus our activities and ensure we worked more closely with one another rather than in separate cul de sacs. Our MAP covered five areas:

1. Outward facing – what is going on in our parish and how can we join in
2. Community engagement – how were we meeting the needs in the community
3. Children, families and young people – how are we encouraging the next generation
4. Communication – how are we telling people about what we are doing
5. Creation Care – following the call to take care of God's creation.

These areas became our focus and this report will show you the breadth of old and new ministries across these areas and the number of people involved. We currently have DBS checks and volunteer contracts with well over 100 people – that's a remarkable number and shows the strength of commitment and service across the parish.

And so, this report will take you through Governance and Church Structure, our Worshipping life and then our five MAP focussed areas. We hope that by grouping the ministries under our MAP heading you will be able to see the variety of areas that we cover.

We also hope it will be an inspiration – are you finding about something for the first time? What is sparking your interest? If you feel a nudge, then follow it up by having a conversation with the author of the section you have read and they should be able to point you in the right direction.

Alicia Dring

From the Vicar

Well the end of 2024 didn't end quite as I had hoped when I suffered a small stroke on Friday 20 December, consequently missing all the Christmas services. I am indebted to the team who all stepped in to cover services during my recovery. Life is slowly finding a new normal.

As you will see from this report, the year has been busy, surprising and full of engagement with our local community. As a Christian community, St Peter's main purpose is to worship God and to share His love and hope with our wider parish and there has been plenty of opportunity for conversation and celebration.

It was great to rejoice with Emma at her priesting ordination in the summer and we all enjoyed a great lunch together on the Sunday after she had presided at her first Holy Communion service.

We also enjoyed holding a wedding together for Lester and Chris Freeman who had been together since the 1950s, married, divorced but soon reunited and wanted to make it official by getting married. It was very intimate with just a few family but a very special occasion to share.

We also gave thanks for the lives of some faithful members of our church family who were called home to heaven. We remember: Pam Moore, Stella Crofts, Ray Chick, Pat Childs and Hazel Saxelby.

We have so much to be thankful for as we share and learn and grow together. Our God is infinitely bigger and more gracious than we can ever imagine and sharing his love and hope with one another and our families, friends and neighbours. Church can be a scarey place to visit for the first time, so it's always great to encounter a friendly face or even better to have a friend come with you. Maybe there is someone you know who might like to come to church but doesn't really know where to start. You might be the person who helps them take that first step.

A huge thank you to all who serve our life as a church, every contribution is valued and appreciated.

Rev Alicia Dring

From the Curate

In July 2024 I was ordained as a Priest, which has to be the highlight of my year! I am delighted to say that over the last year I have grown in confidence in my role, and I feel that I have finally been able to fully embrace the vocation that God has called me to. In particular it has been a great joy to serve at the Communion Table, and to welcome you all into God's presence in this way.

My year has been filled with lots of activities from All-age-worship to Christmas events, along with my first Baptisms, as well as, sadly, several Funerals. I now also regularly take Holy Communion to a local care home and meet to pray with some of the residents there. This alongside all the usual events (and meetings) of parish life. Like last year, I continue to be fuelled by copious amounts of coffee from our local coffee shops, as I set up my temporary office in each of these different establishments!

Two activities in particular stand out from this year. Firstly, was the Street Fair which we ran in connection with St Peter's school in July. This was a wonderful event which saw crowds of people turn out to browse the stalls we had all along Church Street. The numbers of people from both St Peter's church and school that made this happen were amazing. But I think the star of the day was Morgan Brind, Derby's own Pantomime Dame, who not only opened the event but also then went round all the stalls and joined in many of the games. The Fair raised a good amount to help send the school to the Christmas Panto.

The other event I really enjoyed was 'Making Sense of Christmas.' It was so good to see the church decorated in such a creative way with trees celebrating each main character of the Nativity story. Thank you to Sally for the original vision for this, and for everyone who participated in this. I really enjoyed seeing how each window came together, and it was wonderful to welcome visitors to come and see this. Including a couple of babies trying out the manger for themselves!

St Peter's has been a wonderful place for a curate as you are all so encouraging and supportive. Thank you for all the many times you've given me positive feedback about my sermons, brought me cups of tea, and generally been willing to help when asked. I'm looking forward to the next year together.

Rev Emma Mallord

From the Associate Minister

There is so much that I could write in this short report - it's been a full year, much of which might be seen to be 'business as usual'. However, in a year when I celebrated the 25th anniversary of my priesting, it is still an enormous privilege to be called into that day-to-day ministry of preaching and teaching, leading worship, pastoral care, faith conversations and community connections and to celebrate the wonder of our Christian year. It is especially a privilege to do that alongside such an amazing team of lay and ordained colleagues working for the Kingdom of God in so many ways. But in the midst of this ongoing work, I wanted to highlight some particular personal and ministry happenings.

In January, Lesley and I moved house to take up residence in the Manse in Heatherton, associated with my 'other life' as Enabling Minister for Haven Christian Centre. We're still very grateful for so many who wielded sanders, rollers and paintbrushes to help decorate prior to us moving in!

It's been a joy to see a developing connection across two Heatherton Care Homes. In Heatherton House, a chance encounter has led to a monthly communion. In Derby Heights there is a regular congregation for communion every month (they also meet weekly to watch last week's Songs of Praise!) At the other end of life's spectrum there are more opportunities in schools, and I've taken classes in Griffe Field, with a chance to share more of the Christian Faith as we talk about baptism, the Bible and church buildings. I've been able to get more involved in the Littleover Partnership Network, convened by our Derby City Council Locality Team and including key folk from across business, charity and council. It's a great way to build relationships, make connections and seek the flourishing of our communities together. There have been times also of just sheer fun – like hosting the 'Racing Pigs' game at the St Peter's Fair and Findern Village Fete… it's amazing how competitive the dads can be!

Outside of the parish, I continue to be involved in wider church teaching and mentoring, and it's been good to have the opportunity to contribute to our Diocesan Curate Training Programme, to act as mentor in the Diocesan Leadership Programme, to offer a session at the London Campus of St Mellitus College and to take part in the Greenhouse initiative for Fresh Expressions nurture and development. Perhaps one of the most significant things for me personally, though, is that during the year it was confirmed that our student minister at The Haven, Lianne Green, will be serving her curacy from June 2025 across St Peter's, All Saints' Findern and The Haven. Lianne is a joy, and I am very much looking forward to being her Training Incumbent.

There is so much more I could say, so many things for which there isn't room – but I hope that gives you a flavour. It's wonderful to be called to ordained ministry in Littleover!

Rev Jason Kennedy

Finance Manager

I would like to start this year's report by thanking Lesley Edwards who was treasurer until the start of October 2024, for her dedication, hard work and financial expertise, we are certainly missing her! The examined PCC accounts for 2024 record a surplus of income over expenditure of just over £350,000 and over £540,000 in cash deposits, which is a truly amazing position to be in.

As a result of the receipt of the Ashmore Bequest (see below) our income exceeded the threshold for the use of Receipt and Payments accounts, and therefore the accounts have had to be prepared on the Accruals basis. The comparative figures for 2023 have been restated to this basis and are not directly comparable with the published Receipts and Payments Accounts for 2023.

The PCCs underlying financial performance was generally stable in 2024, thanks to the generosity of our congregation and their regular giving of £102,122. We also had donations and collections (including Gift Aid claims) of £30,376.

A significant portion of our expenditure £66,744 was paid to the Diocese for the Common Fund, which was met in full for 2024. The PCC allocated £40,000 to replace the kitchen in St Peter's Community Hub, and spent £12,000 replacing the water supply pipe to church. The PCC allocates budgets for giving to charities and for outreach and mission, spending over £16,000 in 2024 on specific donations and projects (see later article and table).

During the year we received notification of a bequest under the terms of a will that was due to the PCC, and we record our grateful thanks to God for the extraordinary generosity of the donor.
The Ashmore Bequest has been specifically given to "facilitate the Church in its activities, social and missional and to ensure the whole of the community has suitable access and transport when required." We have received an interim payment so far in October of £375,000. The remaining funds will be received when the estate is finally wound up following the sale of a property.

The PCC took immediate steps to improve "Access and transport" where needed by opening a taxi account with Chad Cars and advertising its availability.

A small group has been established by the PCC to look at what this bequest could and should be used for, and equally, what it would not and should not be used for. This small group will meet in 2025 and report to the PCC with recommendations for decisions to be made.

Finally, can I record my thanks by giving a big shout out to Iona who deals with all of our bills, cash, banking and basic financial record keeping. She is doing an amazing job. Also my thanks to our new Independent Examiners who the PCC appointed in 2024 Johnson Tidsall Limited.

Paul Cheetham

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	134,692	375,000	509,692	151,496
Charitable activities	4				
Church activities		16,471	5,815	22,286	24,133
Investment income	3	6,500	653	7,153	3,777
Other income		34,746	-	34,746	71,525
Total		192,409	381,468	573,877	250,931
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
Church activities		215,950	8,019	223,969	187,490
Other		-	-	-	115
Total		215,950	8,019	223,969	187,605
Net gains on investments		199	-	199	746
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(23,342)	373,449	350,107	64,072
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		197,257	7,934	205,191	141,119
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	11	8,879	-	8,879	8,680
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	12	7,614	-	7,614	6,436
Cash at bank and in hand		159,993	381,383	541,376	192,800
		167,607	381,383	548,990	199,236
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,571)	-	(2,571)	(2,725)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		165,036	381,383	546,419	196,511
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191
NET ASSETS		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191
FUNDS	14				
Unrestricted funds				173,915	197,257
Restricted funds				381,383	7,934
TOTAL FUNDS				555,298	205,191

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 MARCH 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

A Dring - Trustee

H Roe - Trustee

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	**341,622**	59,896
Net cash provided by operating activities		**341,622**	59,896
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of fixed asset investments		**(199)**	(746)
Interest received		**7,153**	3,777
Net cash provided by investing activities		**6,954**	3,031
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		**348,576**	62,927
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		**192,800**	129,873
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		**541,376**	192,800

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Gift Aid

For the last financial year, Tax recovered on Gift Aided regular giving and one off donations, and claimed under the Gift Aid Small Donations scheme amounted to £24,327 (£27,813 in 2023). This represented 12% (13% in 2023) of underlying church income.

The figures show what an enormous difference Gift Aid continues to make to the funding of the work of our church, so a huge thank you to everyone who supports the church with donations whether through their bank or through the electronic giving terminal in church.

Please remember that it is very important for you to notify the church office if your contact details change, if your circumstances change and especially if you no longer pay an amount of income and/or capital gains tax equal to the tax that we reclaim on your donations. Further information on Gift Aid is available from the church office.

Gift Aid Secretary Paul Cheetham

Church Administrator

My work in general remains unchanged – although it does feel like there's a lot more of it nowadays!!
I cover a wide variety of administrative tasks, as well as being part of the finance team, which looks after the banking and church accounts. I also look after the regular hirers at both of our community Hubs and liaise with the Church Wardens on a regular basis, when things need repairing in our Church buildings. Another big part of my role is helping to arrange weddings, funerals and burial of ashes, which I find very rewarding.
Thank you, as always, to Alicia, Emma, Jason, Paul, Helene, Chris and Jim for all their help and support and for being fabulous to work with!

Iona Hague

PCC Secretary

During 2024 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) Trustees met seven times, including the short PCC meeting which followed the APCM in April 2024. Mission Action Plan (MAP) groups meet individually during the year and report into the PCC through the MAP Steering Group. The Fabric Team also meets throughout the year and their minutes are provided in advance of every meeting to ensure everyone has the information they need. In addition, the PCC Standing Committee met six times. All meetings start and end in prayer.

In 2024 Chris Jones continued as Church Warden, Helene Roe replaced Jim Britland who retired as Warden in April 2024, and Lesley Edwards served as Treasurer. Lesley then resigned as Treasurer in October 2024 and Paul Cheetham has covered the role as a non - Trustee Finance Manager since then. Margit Staehr continued as Safeguarding Lead and Heather Newstead continued to take safeguarding responsibility for vulnerable adults. Ann Vincent and Peter Vincent are Deanery Synod members. Jim Britland continues with his Health and Safety Officer duties as a non – Trustee. Both Jeni Baines and Robin Wood left the PCC in March 2024 after many years of service and Ali Marsh-Davies joined the PCC as a new member.

The Standing Committee and PCC meeting agendas are in a standard format. Most of the paperwork for the meetings is distributed and stored electronically which saves on paper and printing. The agenda for each meeting is comprehensive and means we cover many topics including finance, correspondence, church buildings, churchyard and Glebe Land, worship, staff and leaders, MAP update, Deanery Synod feedback, Littleover and Blagreaves Churches Together, St Peter's School, Joyce Harpur, Wardens and Clergy, Safeguarding, and what we have done during the meeting to further the kingdom of God in Littleover and Blagreaves. Several significant topics over the year have been discussed such as:

- Major projects led by the Fabric Team including ongoing maintenance of church buildings, churchyard and Glebe land, the refurbishment of the south aisle and creation of a library area and the refurbishment of the Welcome Area. The complete renovation of the kitchen in St Peter’s Community Hub. Many thanks to the small team that work hard in this never-ending job and the involvement of Community Payback.
- Our Mission Action Plan (MAP) project continues to make a difference. Thanks go to the MAP steering group and the five teams that ensure objectives are achieved.
- Safeguarding – features as an item on every agenda. Thanks go to Margit Staehr (Children and Young People) and Heather Newstead (Vulnerable Adults) for their very important work
- The continuing support to St Peter’s Junior School – part of DDAT Academy Trust – and the headteacher Frazer Smith. Our joint street fair in July was very successful and the proceeds enabled the children to go to the pantomime.

Thank you to all who have served, advised, encouraged and prayed for the PCC during this last year. We are thankful for faithful servants and sufficient resources to follow God’s call.

Julie Scott

Churchwardens

But be sure to fear the Lord and serve him faithfully with all your heart; consider what great things he has done for you. 1 Samuel 12 v 24

As we sit down to pen this report, it's hard to believe that Helene has completed an entire year as Church Warden. Chris will be starting his sixth year.

A key responsibility of the church wardens is ensuring that the fabric of the church is cared for. We retain a significant to do list at all times for the church, the churchyard and glebe lands as well as the St Peter's and St Andrew's Community Hubs. We would just like to thank everybody who has recognised the need to get involved and support the wardens in this huge undertaking.

During the past year we have: installed a bike rack for those who wish to cycle to church; replaced the old and failing lead water pipes with plastic, which should future-proof us for many years to come; completed the redecoration of the Welcome Area, including new carpet tiles and two bespoke oak radiator covers; completed the library area with new furniture for the children to enjoy as they read (thank you to Eileen Smith and family for the bequest which enabled this area to happen), and sorted the leak from the clerestory windows. We have also begun a long-term project to tidy up and organise church storage.

At St Peter's Hub, we've had a brand-new fitted kitchen installed, while down at St Andrew's Hub, a smart meter has finally been fitted for our electricity readings, and planning permission has been submitted for the replacement of the doors and windows (more about that and the Give to Go Green Fund in the Creation Care report). In addition, the 'Green Room' has been redecorated and refurnished (and is no longer green).

The Church and both Hubs all now have brand new (and very smart) name boards to identify each building.

Upcoming work on the church includes replenishing the Smart Water (anti-theft marking) on the roof and fixing mesh grills over potential entry points for bats. We also have two faculty applications in progress – one to replace the rungs in the bell tower with a retractable safety ladder to allow access to the upper belfry (and therefore, the roof), and one to remove the chipboard bench seats around the back of the balcony

and replace them with storage cupboards. Hopefully, both of these will be approved before very much longer so that work can begin.

Churchyard clear-up has restarted for the season (March until October) on the third Saturday of every month. Thank you to those faithful people who come and help. Also, thank you to Chris Woodhams who coordinates the work done by Community Payback. Without their involvement, we couldn't possibly keep the churchyard in good order!

Another group of people we would like to thank are the Vergers, Duty Wardens, Coffee teams and Welcome teams without whom our services would grind to a halt. We would like to thank everybody who has stepped up to assist with this vital piece of ministry, both as a regular commitment and for the specials.

Chris Jones and Helene Roe

Safeguarding

On 20 April 2024 Margit and Heather attended the first ever Safeguarding Conference held at the picturesque Cliff College in Hope Valley. It was a good opportunity to meet and network with other Parish Safeguarding Officers from across Derbyshire.

From left: Heather Newstead, Hannah Hogg, Amanda Sandland, Margit Staehr

Bishop Libby opened the conference with a reflection on Jesus being the gate to the sheepfold, inviting us into a safe place where we can be nourished and grow. Safeguarding is at the heart of all that we do and as we reflect on Christ, we can be that safe space for others.

Julie O'Hare Deputy Director of Development, National Safeguarding Team discussed the 5 safeguarding standards and gave examples of good practice. She also discussed the Parish Safeguarding Handbook which contains all the policies and key steps that we need to take. The Dashboard helps us to see at a glance what needs to be completed, and the standards help us to understand why we do what we do and give us a framework to work from. These tools complement each other.

Detective Chief Inspector Claudia Musson from Derbyshire Police led a very interesting talk on what to look for in a vulnerable person, how we can take action before risk occurs and how we can learn to be more careful listeners. She covered areas such as domestic abuse, modern day slavery and bullying.
After a delicious lunch there were a choice of workshops available to attend including Healthy Cultures, Wellbeing Workshop, Dealing with Conflict, Safe Spaces and Survivors, What Happens to a Referral, Prayer Ministry, DBS training and Safeguarding Dashboard and Hub.

We extend warm thanks to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team for organising this conference and for their dedicated support during the year via monthly drop-in meetings or on the many occasions when we approach them for advice on policies, on DBS, on training or when actual concerns and incidents are reported.

The team include, Hannah Hogg (outgoing head of team late 2024), Sue Griffin, Amanda Sandland (who succeeded Judie Fogarty), David Bowden and Nick Harding. To serve as a PSO is often felt like an octopus role as we reach out to each and every one sooner or later, typically – although not solely - reminding each leader and helper to update their DBS and safeguarding training, whereas clergy and licensed readers' compliance is taken care of by the Bishop's office.

Currently, we have around **100 volunteers** serving in church and hubs in various roles, many of them covering more than one role – you will agree that this is an impressive figure. There is good reason to salute and thank everyone involved for their willingness to help ensure we are complying with safeguarding standards. After a tough year within the higher echelons of Church of England deciding on the future structure of safeguarding, there is at parish level a demonstration of working very hard to live up to the slogan that "Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility".

Safeguarding Training, DBS and Compliance
The number of safeguarding courses completed in 2024 is very similar to last year's, and the number of processed new DBS remains high since only a handful of volunteers have signed up to the automated renewal service. Next time yours is due, please remember to sign up to the Update Service (within 30 days of receiving the certificate). It saves time on the admin of manual ID checks in future years.
Go to https://derby.anglican.org/en/disclosure-and-barring-service-dbs/dbs-update-service.html for more info and application.

Work went into ensuring that new volunteers have the appropriate DBS and safeguarding training before launching "Open the Book" in St Peter's Junior School, "St Andrew's Drop-In Café for parents and staff in the Little Angels' Pre-School, and the "Gentle Service" in church.
Compliance with St Peter's Film Policy, which is based on C of E Policy, was ensured before the new website was launched in the summer. You will have seen notices on the glass entrance doors of where to sit in church if you do not wish to be filmed (on zoom).

We formalised and prepared a role description/volunteer agreement for the new role of **Health & Safety Officer** which was taken up by Jim Britland in the spring. Jim works in liaison with church wardens, and the PSO (dashboard) will alert him when the annual review of risk assessment is due for each of the eleven different church activities.

PSOs submit a safeguarding report at each PCC meeting for review and approval by all trustees, and we thank Rev. Alicia and colleagues for encouragement and generous support.

Updating of core Safeguarding Modules

- The Safeguarding **Basic Awareness Module** was updated by National church and revised for 2024. The new version includes the ability for participants to choose their own path through parts of the material based on the role they have within their church setting
- The Safeguarding **Foundation** and the **PtO leadership** courses have also been updated
- The **Safeguarding Leadership** course introduced last year (2023) will see a revision in 2025

Completed safeguarding courses during 2024

- 34 Basic and Foundation modules (self-directed e-learning)
- 9 Team Leaders completed Safeguarding Leadership Training
- 15 completed the Domestic Abuse Awareness training
- 3 completed Safer Recruitment training

DBS – All checks are up to date

- 2 Basic DBS applications
- 21 Enhanced DBS applications

Safeguarding Incidents/Referrals

- A safeguarding concern regarding a person who is known to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team was reported to the Safeguarding Case Worker. The case has been resolved
- An incident in church during a service involving a vulnerable adult was referred to the police. The matter was resolved subsequently, ensuring the safety of the person in question, and a full report was sent to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team within 24 hours as required.

General

The Parochial Church Council of St Peter's Church, Littleover and Blagreaves, annually adopts and will continue to implement the Safeguarding Children, Young Persons and Adults Policy, Procedures and Good Practice Guidelines as published by the Diocese of Derby (https://www.churchofengland.org/sites/default/files/2017-11/cofe-policy-statement.pdf). A letter is sent to the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor shortly after each APCM.

Margit Staehr, PSO C&YP Lead
Heather Newstead, PSO Vulnerable Adults

Derby City Deanery

Every parish in the deanery is represented on the Deanery Synod by its clergy & lay representatives – the number being proportional to those on the parochial electoral roll. The Deanery for St Peter's is Derby City Deanery.
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n 2024 the Deanery Synod met three times – at each meeting there were reports from Diocesan & General, alongside updates in Safeguarding, Growing Faith and Finance, followed by speakers & /or workshop carousels on the main theme of the evening. Each meeting ends with Compline.

The February meeting of synod was online when elections to the Deanery Leadership Team were conducted & we looked at Growing Faith & Safeguarding.

In May Bishop Libby & Bishop Malcolm conducted a Prayer Pilgrimage around the Deanery as part of *Thy Kingdom Come*, - we worshipped together, visited new housing areas and new worshipping communities & met church led community across the deanery. Our May synod focused on Eco Church with valuable examples and support from various churches in the deanery.

The final synod of 2024 in October featured the Derby City Greenhouse Team and new ways of being church alongside carousels from the Mission, Evangelism and Parish Revitalisation Team, which varied from a how to of faculties to the use of digital giving machines.

The Deanery Chapter met regularly giving mutual support to the clergy & facilitating support for parishes in vacancy.

The Deanery Synod members elect members of the Diocesan Synod every three years & members of General Synod every five years. The Deanery leadership team member are: Area Dean – Rev Sarah Watson, Assistant Area Deans: Rev Mina Munns, Rev Susie Curtis, Lay Chair Madelaine Goddard, Treasurer Hugh Craig, Rev Alisdair Kay, Alex Dann. The team and synod are also grateful to the work of the Deanery Administrator Kelly Martin who due to reorganisation of administrative support across the diocese she moved on to another role within Church House in the Autumn.

Each church elects members to the Synod, linking the church to the Deanery and wider Diocese and St Peter's Representative is Ann Vincent,. Please speak to Ann with any matters you think should receive wider attention but above all please keep the members and mission of the Deanery in your prayers.

Madelaine Goddard
Lay Chair Derby City Deanery

Rev Sarah Watson
Area Dean Derby City Deanery

Worshipping Life

Our primary purpose is to be a place of worship at the heart of the community so our worshipping life is the centre of all that we do. Here we welcome everyone regardless of whether they are new to faith or seeking a new spiritual home and we never underestimate the courage it takes to step through the door for the first time.

Our welcome teams at the threshold are vital and so we are extremely grateful to those who serve on Wednesdays and Sundays as well as for weddings and funerals. If you would like to join either the welcome team or help as a duty verger we would love to speak to you further.

Fabric Resources Team

We cannot worship without a functioning building and so we express heartfelt thanks to those who manage the detail of caring for our buildings. The Fabric Team comprises: Chris Jones, Helene Roe, Jim Britland, Jan Jackson, Bernie Burton, Dave Hargreaves.

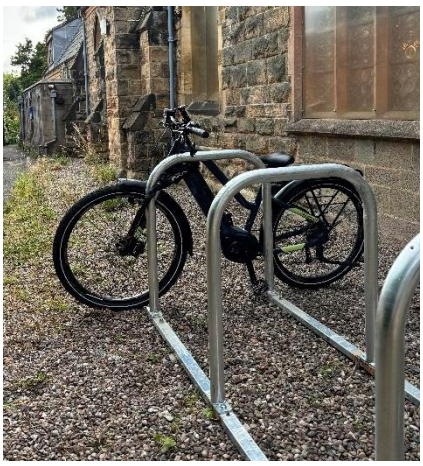
Throughout the year there were five meetings.

St Peter's Church

- Upper clerestory windows (in Church roof valleys). Tony Roe repaired poorly fitting lead flashing (North and South side) to stop leaks into Church. Two windowsills will be replaced later. Cost £780
- Welcome Area. Using Allan Scott's funeral bequest. Plaster repaired and walls painted. Radiator covers made by Michael Pepper Ltd and installed by Sully in August. Carpet tiles fitted November. A new Console for Giving installed.
- Gullies and gutters around Church cleared by Tony Roe.
- Street Fair 13July. Road Closed; Diversion and Disabled Car Park signage erected and dismantled.
- PAT testing done by Brendan Hargreaves in April.
- Lightening conductors tested February.
- Boiler serviced by BlueFlame June.
- Plaster behind radiator in Worship area fell off. Radiator removed, Dave Morgan replastered and radiator replaced.
- Handles on West door. Outside handles removed and replaced by push plates. Inside handles reattached to a new spindle.
- Door in upper belfry, to access roof valley. Changed door furniture to brass mortice lock and handles.
- Toilet Block. An area by the main oak door to Toilets was replastered in February. Anti damp treatment and anti damp paint used on North wall, May.
- Leak in one toilet fixed by replacing entry fill valve and isolating valve.
- Outside step from the Church's South door to the kitchen (Wedding Vestry) was badly worn by centuries of footfall. Lee Smith levelled the step of soft sandstone.

- Post Barrier installed just north of the West door to ensure cars can't attempt to follow their Sat-Nav and drive into the Churchyard. Barrier is removeable, but normally locked.

St Peter's Churchyard



- Churchyard Gates. Wood given two coats of Danish Oil, but showing black from water staining. Gates removed by Scott family. Iron work removed to treat all the wood. Refitted end of December.
- There were eight Churchyard Clear-Ups from March to October, with a BBQ in October.
- Water Leak near the gas meter shed was repaired by Leighton November 23.
- Severn Trent agreed to help with the high cost of the water that leaked provided we took action to replace the lead pipe from the meter in Church Street to the Church. Contract awarded to Sean McAndrew and work done in December. Just two short sections of lead pipe remained:- a) entry into Church by the North Vestry toilet. b) entry into Church for kitchen supply. Water pipe to Churchyard water tap was disconnected.
- The Scout Hut grounds. Ed Bentley did a tree survey in November. A rotten tree was removed.
- War Graves. We identified all 21 war graves by Grid References. We placed a wooden cross on the graves in November, before Remembrance Sunday.
- Drains by the West door regularly flood. They should drain to the soak-away (really a catch-pit), but this was blocked by sludge. Lanes Drainage Services flushed out the pipe to the catch-pit with high pressure water. Only partly effective as there is another pipe entering the catch-pit from the vicarage garden.
- Bicycle Rack. Installed August in gravel triangle to North of church, behind the toilets. Suitable for six bicycles. Did not need a Faculty, just a Permission.
- Douglas Fir tree near war memorial was leaning to 30 degrees and in imminent danger of coming down on top of three graves. Roots had damaged a grave from the 1970's. Ed Bentley felled it and left logs for wood burners.
- Fir tree by West door was overhanging path to Church. Trimmed back.
- Ash tree by War Memorial. Branches overhanging memorial and roof of 6 Normanton Lane were likely to fall in a storm. Ed Bentley removed branches.
- Surplus garden waste is no longer removed by Community Payback. However, they built four large compost heaps at the bottom of the Churchyard between the lower path and the neighbours' fence. Better management of the compost.

St Peter's Community Hub

- New Kitchen. Kitchens Complete Ltd completed the work during the summer break. Specification includes tow catering mid-level 900mm wide electric ovens, a 900mm four burner gas hob and a large adjoining single gas hob. A quartz work surface. A commercial Hobart dishwasher, new fridge and freezer. A new vinyl Karndean floor. Window next to back door bricked up as was the hatch to the large hall. Re-plastered and painted. Jim Britland oversaw / project managed and ensured they came in on budget at £40K, as quoted.
- Window left of Hall main entrance and emergency fire door replaced by UPVC door and window by CDS Glass and Glazing Ltd in April.
- Chairs in upper hall. Liz Eley re-covered 20 chairs (seat and back cushion) with additional foam.
- Church Hall car park. Large holes have been professionally tarmacked. Minor holes later filled by Team.
- Boiler serviced by BlueFlame in June.
- Guttering on the West wall. Tony Roe replaced a section with a longer piece.

St Andrew's Community Hub

1) All 19 florescent 2-D tubes replaced by LED equivalents in Main Hall, Green Room, entrance vestibule and toilets.
2) Green Room redecorated by Fabric Team in April. New blinds fitted. New chairs and sofas assembled. New carpet fitted in May. Green Room no longer green.
3) Smart Meter was to be installed, but when technician visited he suspected the meter back board was asbestos and would not proceed. We understood Western Power replaced the board in the last 10 years. National Grid to replace board.
4) PAT testing done by Brendan Hargreaves in April.

Thanks to all who took part throughout 2024.

Worship Group
We have continued to provide varied worship across the Services throughout 2024. We are fortunate indeed to not only have the usual band resources of keyboard, guitars, bass, cajon and male and female voices but we also benefit from flute and cornet. We also have organ for traditional hymns and so are able to provide a wide variety of worship styles.

We have continued to work together in friendship and unity and the leaders are indeed fortunate to have such a flexible and positive group of people with whom to work.

We look forward to continuing to lead God's people in worship in the coming year.

David Barker and Peter Goodman

Prayer Ministry Team
In one of Paul's letters to the Ephesians (3 v 16-19) he said:
"*I pray that according to the riches of His glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through His Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God"*

What wonderful verses to know that through our faith in Christ with the power of His Spirit we are being strengthened, rooted and grounded in love and the love of Christ surpasses knowledge, so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

It is always a tremendous privilege to share concerns and to be able to pray with people each week through the power and presences of the Holy Spirit.

There are so many verses of hope and peace in the Bible that come up time and again as we pray and are so encouraging for us all. We love to hear your feedback, when you are able to, or share your testimony.

The team Facilitator has been in place for over three years now, standing at the opening to the prayer space and assists members of the church or visitors to receive prayer from the team as required. You may recognise them from the lanyard they wear that asks "Need help with prayer?".

We also offer prayer at the 6pm Sunday evening worship service, the first Sunday of the month, either in the pews or at the rail as required.

Every team member completes safeguarding training every three years.

We enjoy meeting as a team throughout the year for breakfast, sharing together and praying together.

Thank you to the team for their commitment to this ministry: Ruth Allen, Bill & Maggie Browne, Julie Degg, Les Dickinson, Phil Eley, Irene Hargreaves, Heather Newstead, Joy Stanwell and Robin Wood.

"Now to Him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen (Ephesians 3 v 20-21)

All scriptures are taken from the NRSV Bible

Lesley Edwards

Homegroups

There are nine homegroups that meet either weekly or fortnightly across the parish. The study programme links with the Sunday sermons to allow for deeper explorations and during 2024 there was a focus on the Old Testament for two of the terms, including the minor prophets. This was maybe tough going for some, but well done for persevering. More than 80 people in our church family are linked to a home group, which is pretty good when our average Sunday attendance is between 90-100. Each small group of 8-14 people is a place where you grow in faith, discipleship, trust, prayer and community. It is hoped a new group will start in 2025, if you would like more information please speak to the clergy.

Alicia Dring

Pastoral Visiting and Home Communions

The faithful ministry of visiting those who are confined at home is undertaken by a small but committed group of people. In particular Joan and David Ditch who take great care to embrace those who are unable to attend services in person. While some are able to share via Zoom or Twitch on Sunday, nothing can replace an opportunity to meet face to face to share in fellowship and prayer.

In addition, some receive Holy Communion at home on a regular basis – where the intimacy of sharing bread and wine together is often infused with the gentle presence of the Holy Spirit.

Alicia Dring

Residential and Nursing Homes

We regularly visit Cedar Tree Nursing Home, Derby Heights, Brookfields sharing a service of Holy Communion with the residents. In addition, we visit other local homes on a season basis, sharing music and prayer together.

Alicia Dring

Evening Service and Zoom Prayers
Twice a month we meet to worship and pray on a Sunday evening for our parish and the wider world. These are now labelled as God Space – with the first Sunday of the month as an in person worship service at St Peter's and the third Sunday of the month as an Zoom meeting to pray together.

God Space in church offers time for worship, reflection and prayer – with the opportunity for personal prayer with the ministry team available to all.

The online meeting is more focussed on praying for the wider world, national issues, local community and parish priorities. We would love those who profess a heart for prayer to join us.

Alicia Dring

Mission Action Plan

The year 2024 has continued the process of learning about and developing our mission plan that started in 2023. Much brilliant missionary activity has taken place, extending, enhancing and adding to that which was already well established.

During the year, the Steering Group (SG) was increased in size to thirteen members including two people from each mission team – Alicia, Jason, Emma, Steve Dring, Doreen Bird, Charlie Elston, Paul Taylor, Deidre Cheetham, Helen Homes, Julie Scott, Ali Marsh-Davies, Peter Maybury and John Bird – in order to broaden the representation of the church family and to recognise the amount of work being done.

The SG continued to learn about their roles, from experience, as well as through planned training sessions. Jason led two sessions drawing on his experience as Diocesan Missioner, first, 'Strategies to help volunteers stay involved' followed by 'What is an outward-facing church and how can we continue to move in that direction?'

For every new initiative a proposal is needed, answering a set of questions about how this activity will fit in with what is already going on, what people and financial resources are required and an idea of timescale. This ensures any new work isn't duplicating something else and that we are not overloading people with time or financial over commitment.

The remainder of this Annual Report covers our mission areas and helps illustrate just how much is going on at St Peter's Church. Specific MAP projects are marked with the logo.

Huge thanks are gratefully given to mission team leaders and their teams for contributing their time and talents to all that took place during the year.

John Bird

Outward Facing and Community Engagement

The work of any church should not just be within the walls on a Sunday but should have an outward focus to the wider community with opportunities to serve, bless, engage and encourage.

Our first two teams – Outward Facing and Community Engagement are at the forefront of this work and we are hugely grateful for their commitment to sustaining long standing ministries as well as offering new opportunities.

Engaging with new neighbours

Welcome bags were made available and are used by members of the congregation as a welcoming link and positive contact with new people as they move into the neighbourhood.

Bags can be found in the big trunk by the pigeonholes at the back of church – just ensure the bag includes an up to date magazine.

Crossed Keys Cafe

The Crossed keys Café opens on a Monday morning from 9:30am till (approx.) 12:30pm. We are delighted to serve the members of the Singing Together group every week. It is pleasing that the number of regular customers has increased over the last year. From time to time we are asked to host the members of a walking group from Mickleover which roughly doubles our customer numbers!

We enjoy serving the Church and the local community. Some of our clients have said that the atmosphere is friendly and that the prices are far lower than the café in the village. We have endeavoured to maintain our prices despite the cost of many of our supplies increasing. We are pleased that we have been able to make a contribution in 2024 of £1766.65 to Church funds in addition to a nominal payment of £400 towards the use of the hall.

During the year we welcomed Doreen Bird and Rod Bassett from Findern church to our team of helpers. Our thanks are due to them and to Jacqueline Woodhams, Irene Hargreaves and Linsey Jones, especially the latter who regularly provides us with very popular carrot cake. All our lives have been made much easier with the installation of a dishwasher in the new kitchen! We also want to record our thanks to Ann Dean for regularly supplying cakes.

We were pleased to offer refreshments for the Street Fair and also for the Making Sense of Christmas event.

We always welcome new customers. Why not drop in on a Monday morning for a drink, a bite to eat and a chat?

Paul and Fiona Taylor

Giveaway Day

St Andrew's Giveaway Day continued throughout the year with dates in early Spring, Summer and late Autumn offering plenty of items to our local community free of charge. We have made some changes to help make things easier to find and at the end of each session we are brutal with what to keep and what to pass on to other charity shops.

Regular refreshments were also on offer this year which has proved very successful, giving us opportunities for more conversations with our customers and offering a warm welcome.

As well as heartfelt thanks to all who donate so generously this would not be possible without the hard work of the team doing the set up on Friday, staffing the event and then clearing up. It's hefty work and many of the team are older now, so willing (and younger hands) are always welcome.

Alicia Dring

St Andrew's Café

The St Andrew's Support Café was a new activity that started after the October half-term in 2024. The café meets every Friday in the Green Room at the St Andrew's Hub, from 11am to provide a space for parents and carers from the Nursery School to come for a cuppa and a chat.
The space is also designed to be a place that can provide information on the support that is available in the local area from the Local Neighbourhood board, and other charities such as Food4Thought.

The Café is a great way to build relationships with the Nursery Staff, as well as the parents and carers. We have met with several of the parents and begun to get to know them and their children. Paul Taylor leads a small team on a rota, who serve and chat with guests. The cakes which have become a regular feature are certainly a hit with the children! The café has benefited from the recent redecoration of the Green Room, along with the comfy new sofas and chairs.

Emma Mallord

Prayer for Outward Facing

A small team meet monthly in St Andrew's to pray for the parish and to seek God for how we might best serve our community. This is a vital part of our work and we are always happy to welcome those who would like to pray.

St Peter's Junior School (Voluntary Aided Church of England)
St Peter's Church continues to work closely with our namesake Junior School, which has an intake of over 250 children aged from 7-11 years of age. With headteacher Frazer Smith the school has worked hard to raise standards across the school. Alicia Dring and Helene Roe are on the Local Academy Committee (Governors by another name) and attend meetings twice a term as well as being involved in other subject areas in the school.

A new 'Open the Book' team (pictured) was established delivering assemblies using Open the Book material and is now well established and regularly sharing Bible stories in St Peter's school. We are particularly indebted to St John's Church in Long Eaton who had ceased their OTB ministry and generously donated their stock of costumes and props to St Peter's. Currently the team visit St Peter's Junior School once a month and there are tentative plans to go into other local schools if time commitments allow.

At the start of the school year we offer Bibles to every child in Year3 and then in the summer as the leavers head out for Senior school we offer Youth Bibles to those who would like them. Sharing the word of God with children – especially in a multi-faith intake school – is an important part of our ministry.

School Uniform Recycling and redistribution continues with over 80 of items of school uniform redistributed during the year. Huge thank you to all who laundered and mended uniform, ready to pass on to new families.

We also joined with the PTFA to hold the Street Fair in the summer – see below.

Alicia Dring

Lunch Club
Meeting on a Tuesday and open to all older people from our local community, we offer a two course lunch – usually followed by coffee and chocolates – for just £5.50

We started back in September 2024 with a brand-new kitchen to adapt to, which we quickly did. The two lovely new extra-large ovens have proved particularly helpful although the more technically challenged amongst us took a while to work them out!! A dishwasher was included in the new kitchen, which is used many times each session. We have welcomed new cooks and more members to the team of helpers,

all who have fitted in beautifully ensuring we are able to continue providing this lovely social gathering and fellowship.

Sadly, some of our regular members who had been coming to Lunch Club for many years died quite closely to each other and are very much missed by their fellow diners and all the team. Our members continue to look forward to catching up with each other's news and share a meal together each week and more of them are joining us at the worship service on the first Tuesday of each month.
We have continued with the special Afternoon Tea as we finish for the summer break and the special Christmas meal where some of the pupils from St Peter's school come over to sing for us.

We continue to be blessed by all involved either on the team or as members and there is room for more to join us who would be warmly welcomed. We are thankful for all that God provides for us so we can continue Lunch Club.

Sarah Sherrington

Street Fair and Making Sense of Christmas
Two major events were held during the year and huge thank you to all involved in organising and staffing these important moments of engagement with our community.

The Street Fair in July was held together with school, combining our efforts, closing the whole of Church Street and welcoming a huge number of people from across the community (see front page photograph).

With live music from students from Littleover Community School and the Singing Together group there was a great atmosphere. The Fair was opened by Morgan Brind who plays the Dame in the Derby Area pantomime and was known to the children. The proceeds from the fair went towards the transport costs of getting the children to the pantomime in December.

In December we held ‘Making Sense of Christmas’ encouraging visitors, through the displays and activities to engage their senses when considering the Christmas story. Walking around the displays in sequence, items were collected into a transparent bauble that could be taken home and placed on the Christmas tree, remaining as a talking point for years to come. A particular highlight was the visit of baby Ryan, who at just a few weeks old took up residence for a snooze in the manger.

Dementia Friendly Service

Inspired by a dementia friendly service at Lichfield Cathedral and featured on BBCs Songs of Praise, Viv Lucas and Carole Harper (whose own mothers had dementia) were encouraged to begin a similar service at St Peter’s. Held on a Thursday afternoon, every other month, the hope was to offer a safe space for those living with dementia and their carers, especially with space to sing as this can be really beneficial.

The first service was a Songs of Praise service in October followed by a Carol Service in December and the congregation has continued to grow, including attendance by some from local care homes. The service is short and includes hymns, a Bible reading, short talk and prayers – and seems to have been well received so far, including some of the team from the local Alzheimer’s Society who came at Christmas.

Refreshments are served at the end of the service and the chat around the tables is as important as the service itself.

We are most grateful to all those who have helped make this possible, including Maggie and Phil with music, Paul with refreshments and Iona producing the service sheets and all those members of the congregation who have come along to support.

If someone you know is living with memory loss and you think this service may be helpful, please let them know when the services are. We would value your continued prayers for this initiative.

Viv Lucas and Carol Harper

Community use of the Hubs
St Peter's and St Andrew's Community Hubs are used regularly by groups from across the village with the primary users being Littleover School of Dance and Little Angels Preschool St Andrew's. Together with weekly hires such as keep fit classes, art class and baby sensory there are also monthly meetings of local groups. These hires brought in £34,746. However, we temporarily ceased offering single hires for parties as it was taking too much administration time for too little return.

It is hoped to appoint a Bookings Manager in early 2025 to manage one-off hire queries and ensure the details of the hire agreement are met (ie clearing up, taking away rubbish etc). The hubs remain an important resource to our local community and we want to continue to make them available.

Joyce Harpur Charity
Background: The Joyce Harpur Charity was set up in the 16th century to benefit the poor of the parish and over the centuries has shared financial support with individuals in desperate need. The applicants must live within the parochial parish boundaries of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves and each application is assessed in the strictest confidence on a case-by-case basis. Grants are given out just before Christmas at the discretion of the trustees.

2024 has been another busy year for the charity – especially through December as the effects of the ever-rising cost of living is sadly affecting people in our parish and beyond, although we received less applications this year than last.

The current Board of Trustees comprises seven people plus the clerk. There are five members from St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves: our vicar, both church wardens, one church member and our curate. Two councillors appointed by Derby City Council, Emily Lonsdale and Ruth Skelton, who stepped down this year.

The AGM is held in the spring and the annual accounts are received at this time. Once accepted, the accounts are audited, many thanks to Tiffany Hey and submitted to the Charity Commission as part of the annual return. The Trustees meeting that followed on from the AGM reviewed the previous year's application process (along with the application form) and made plans for the autumn application window. At the November meeting, the finances and grants were reviewed and awarded.

In 2024, 14 applications were received including 1 out of area and 11 grants given. Twelve children received gifts from the Derby City Mission Christmas Connection, 19 adults had gifts from Derby City Council's Secret Santa and 12 families received Reverse Advent Calendar Food Hampers donated by church members. On top of this one person was encouraged to visit the Jubilee Debt Clinic and 11 people were encouraged to apply for Christmas Lunch on Jesus, who provide a Christmas Day food hamper.

Many people from the congregation have made a huge difference through their generosity to those struggling in our parish at Christmas, so THANK YOU.

If you would like to know anything further about the work of the Charity, please do ask.

Ellen Goodman, Clerk to Joyce Harpur

Foodbank

Derby Food4Thought are one of our local mission partners and St Peter's has been working with the food hub since Covid in 2020. Food is collected on a weekly basis, either brought into church or left on the Vicarage doorstep and this year we have moved from tinned meat to longlife semi-skimmed milk which can sometimes be hard for the hub to purchase in bulk. All food that arrives at the hub is then distributed amongst the 18 foodbanks around the city on a weekly basis.
Deliveries are made to the hub every Thursday afternoon and the hallway of the Vicarage can sometimes become an assault course of stacks of food. A huge thank you to all who continue to give to generously.
Marianne Heathcote Woodbridge from Food4Thought messaged this in November: "Ongoing thanks and appreciated to you and your congregation for the continuous supply of milk and tinned meats. You are truly a Godsend and a blessing to make our supply chain a success for giving to those in need across our city."

Alicia Dring

Knit and Natter

Knit and Natter have had a fairly busy year. We made over 100 hearts to give away for the summer fair and teddies for our table. Some teddies we gave away to help asylum seekers children and some were sent to a local care home for dementia patients. Lots of lovely hats, some for prem babies and others a bit larger went to the Derby Royal along with other hats knitted by friends and another K&N group. We were commissioned by a local business to make poppies for them in readiness for remembrance time. K&N also took on the massive task of removing over 1000 poppies from the chicken wire display frame and fixing them onto 2 long pieces of material so that they could go around the pillars either side of the dais.We have a regular group of knitters and crochet makers and welcome anyone who would like to come and join us.

Di Learman

ReCreate

Is a group that meets twice a month on a Friday morning in St Peter's Hub offering a safe place to explore faith and creativity. During 2024 we celebrated a year of creativity in many different forms, alongside a goodbye, a hello and a cancellation.

We often say as leaders when preparing a session for ReCreate, that our main focus is to create space to be creative with Him, and around 12 people from St Peters and other local churches join us in this space, to create, to pray, to listen to Him and share conversation and silence together. In our creative themes we have explored many themes including:

- Stamping and stitching
- Music and lyrics
- Using our favourite landscape photo to inspire a creative response
- Making a scripture zine (please do ask us what this is)
- Bubble making to create and pray
- Using our hands to recount our story
- Celebrating bumble bees
- Considering Light in the darkness
- Journeys
- Layers and prayers
- Making our own journals
- Up-cycling playing cards to prayer cards
- Making flowers
- Exploring fabric painting, glass painting and creative journaling

We said hello to Carol Harper who joined our leadership team and shortly after we said goodbye to our dear co leader Sally Britland, who stepped down from the team. The cancellation we experienced was an outside tutor booked to lead a creative sketching session (for which we had saved funds to cover some of the cost) - we continue to prayerfully seek an alternative outside tutor to lead a session for us.

Finances for 2024

Opening Balance	£238.63	Donations Received	£261.00
		Less expenses	- £173.03
Closing Balance	£326.60		

ReCreate remains a space where we celebrate all our creativity, recognising that we are gifted in different ways. I hesitate to use the word “expert”, or “good at” because (rightly or wrongly) there’s judgement in these words. I recently read someone advising that “if we felt we weren’t good enough at being creative, then perhaps we should look to lower our standards” - hmmm do we set too high a standard for ourselves and in doing so miss the fun and relaxation and all the other benefits of a creative space? When Father God created us and our world He paused and looked and said “It is good” not I’ll give it an A+ or a could do better. There is benefit in non-judgemental playful creativity - thank you Lord that you made each of us in your creative image. ***Carole Dickinson Joy Pomroy Carol Harper***

Mission Partners

We keep up to date with our Mission Partners through monthly articles in Keyhole magazine and they feature in our prayers each month. While we didn’t meet up with our partners this year, they remain in our thoughts and prayers.

We are in the middle of our three-year programme of commitment to our mission partners, which will continue until January 2025. We will consult with the congregation in early 2025 to consider our giving for 2026-29.

Mission Partner Funding 2022-25	**£**
LOCAL	
Derby City Mission	500

Food4Thought (foodbank)	200
Borderline Arts	500
NATIONAL	
Care for the Family	500
INTERNATIONAL	
CMS – Lee Family/Jigsaw	1400
Penny & Juan Carlos de Marces	1400
The Bible Society	500
PASH Kenya	500
Open Doors	500
Tearfund	500
Emergency Fund	500
	£7000

MISSION GIVING FOR THE YEAR 2024

Name	Year 2023 Restricted	Year 2023 Unrestricted	Year 2024 Restricted	Year 2024 Unrestricted	Area of work
Bible Society		500		500	Overseas
CMS Jigsaw		1,400 + 295.48 donation		1,400 +1,150 fundraiser	Overseas
Barnabas Fund/ Open Doors		500		500	Overseas
de Marces		1,400		1,400	Overseas
PASH Kenya		500	3,000 concert	500	Overseas
Tearfund	605.48 for toilet twinning	500		500	Overseas
Care for the Family		500		500	National
Derby City Mission		500		500	Local
Food4Thought		200		200	Local Foodbank Hub
Borderline Arts		500		500	Local
Children's Society		989.68		696.19	National Christingle
Harvest Appeal Bishop of Derby		30		125	Overseas
Christmas Lunch on Jesus		782		800	Local and Overseas
Royal British Legion		209.82		174.89	Secular Charity/national
St Peter's School PTFA		657.65 for street fair		500	Church school
Emergency Fund		500 not spent		500 not spent	
TOTAL	605.48	9,464.63	3,000	9,946.08	
	Total 2023	10,070.11	**Total 2024**	**12,946.08**	

Children and Young People

We have a huge responsibility to ensure we share our faith with children and young people, supporting them at church, in school and with their families. They are not only the disciples and church leaders of tomorrow, they are followers of Jesus NOW, growing and learning about what it means to have God in their lives.

We have a tremendous team who work together to ensure our children grow and mature in their faith over the years. They are not merely 'carers', looking after the children while the adults do the serious stuff in church – they are moulding the hearts and faith of our children, whatever their age. Please keep them and the work they undertake in your prayers.

Messy Church

Messy Church offers a space for children and their families to explore Christian themes and stories through craft, story, song and interaction – and like any good church event we always end with food.

We have held Messy Church six times this year with lots of families attending from church, Tiddlywinks and St Andrew's Preschool. We provide crafts, baking, painting and puzzles on a Biblical theme followed by a song and talk and then finishing either with a buffet tea, pizza or pancakes.

We have a games room in the top hall with table tennis, Jenga, snooker, plus older age crafts, for the 11+ age group. They can use both rooms as they wish and we have a lot of the older children who enjoy this. Many of them have been attending over the last ten years and still enjoy the atmosphere of Messy Church. We are grateful to the Messy Youth team for their involvement in this ministry.

We also provide crafts for the King George V Preschool harvest service and St Peter's Junior School events.

We like to offer Advent Calendars to each child and Easter eggs too and we are grateful to those who help toward the cost of this. As we use the Meaningful Chocolate Company, they include booklets outlining the story, so it's not just more chocolate. Any spares are shared with Tiddlywinks families.
Thank you to Joan, Fiona and Paul, Charlie and Ruth, Chris and Linsey, Ann and Bernie, Dave and Irene, Ann, Joy, Sue, Angie, and Jane, for all the help in preparing the crafts games and refreshments.

Liz Eley and Joan Ditch

Messy Youth

Messy Youth currently meets at St Peter's Hub on a Sunday evening once a month and has established a pattern of meeting with a mix of games, refreshments, activities and talk centered on engaging with God's Story. Messy Youth began as an initiative to help young people in our Christian community to foster and develop their own faith, apart from their families. It is on this basis that the dedicated group have worked hard to connect with the youth. It isn't an easy task and requires all of us to commit to support this work so we can see Gods kingdom grow amongst this age group. Anyone between the ages of 11-14 is welcome and if you know any young people who may be interested, again, please contact Iona in the church office for dates and Consent Forms.

Helen Homes

Tiddlywinks

Tiddlywinks have a regular group of mums and grandmas who meet in St Peter's Hub on a Monday afternoon together with their children, where we enjoy playing with small world and construction toys, puzzles and games, and finish each session with songs and a story. There are also refreshments and opportunities to chat and share together. It's great to see some of our families coming to messy church and Christmas services. Thank you to Liz S, Fiona, Di and Irene for all your support.

Liz Eley

Diddy Disciples, Sunday morning St Peter's creche room

Diddy Disciples helps our children under five to engage with God through story, play and prayer. The group has seen very regular attendance of two members and occasional attendance of three others. Each of these children have brought their own individual spark and liveliness to our sessions and to the Church Family.

Each meeting includes free play, an item in 'The Box' that introduces the week's special activity and biblical message, and concludes with prayers held in open hands and offered 'up' to God.

Our aims are to know that God loves us and wants us to be his friends, to have fun, and to be confident members of the Church Family. We extend massive thanks to the Church Family for the generous and caring support offered to the Diddy Disciples and their families each week. We look forward to continuing in the year to come.

Ruth Elston, Ann Lunn, Fiona Taylor

Energise and Go! Sunday morning in St Peter's Hub

Energise (2nd and 4th Sundays)
With children aged from 5 to 15 we meet on a Sunday morning when the adults are in Church. Using storytelling, drama, crafts, puzzles, questions and games we share a Bible story with the children and young people, finishing with a game of hockey.
We use themes like relationships, bible characters and festivals.

Go (3rd and 5th Sundays)
This is a Lego© themed session and the children hear a story, think about what it means and create their response to the story using Lego. It's a great way to engage with the story and it helps them to remember what they have heard.
Thank you to Richard, Joy and Ann plus others for being on the teams and all the work you do.

Liz Eley

Children in Church
The first Sunday of the month is always All Age Worship to ensure the children have some experience of worshipping with their families and not just learning and praying separately. We are grateful to the All Age Team who work so hard to compile the services.

However, most Sundays they start over in the Hub and when they return to church there is usually space to feedback to the congregation about what they have been doing. The children always enjoy coming back into church and sharing what they have made, plus the wider congregation love to see the children in church and their families. The final worship song is now usually dubbed 'the flag song' and the children worship with the flags, offering a wider expression of our corporate engagement and is enjoyed by adults and children alike.

Alicia Dring

Hot Choc and Toast

This is an afterschool ministry based at St Andrew's Hub for young people from Y7 to Y9 from Derby Moor Academy, meeting on a Wednesday on a fortnightly basis.

As the name suggests we offer hot chocolate and toast as well as a warm welcome, games and conversation. We are regularly greeting between 35-40 young people at and it is in the small conversations about our faith; about why we are there; about taking away a Bible to read that we realize the Lord is blessing the work. It has become well established and we see regular faces coming along.

Deidre Cheetham

Wellbeing Wanderers at Littleover Community school

Led by our colleagues at Littleover Methodist Church, St Peter's supports the midday chaplaincy team at Littleover Community School (LCS) on Pastures Hill. LCS is a large senior school gathering pupils from all over the city and reflecting many different faiths. The pastoral team comprises people from a number of churches, known as 'Wellbeing Wanderers' they literally wander around the school playground at lunch time, chatting to the students.

The idea is to support the students with their wellbeing, to make conversation, to build relationships and to give them an opportunity to talk if they want to. This initiative is part of the safeguarding function within the school and covers all school years. Feedback has been very good and, because it has now been in place for over a year, the 'Wellbeing Wanderers' have been able to support start and end of school terms/years, exams and all the changes that those instances bring.

'Wellbeing Wanderers' is also an all-weather affair because the students often choose to spend their lunch break outside whatever the weather!

Julie Scott

Easter Egg hunt with St Peter's PTFA

We welcomed around 50 children and parents to church for a PTFA connected event, where we re-told the Easter story using a hunt around church for related artifacts. It was well received and a joyful occasion

Derby Moor visit Year 7 visit

This is a regular visit each year to help the children explore the building and what Christianity is all about. Along with the staff the young people spend time looking around church and answering a quiz/questionnaire. Thank you to everyone who supported and spent time talking with the children. ***Deidre Cheetham***

Please pray for God's kingdom to come in the lives of our children, youth and families.

Jesus said that the kingdom of Heaven belongs to our children – they are significantand important to God and our church family.

Communications

How we talk about the work and life of St Peter's is important – not only that it reflects who we are but is also welcoming, informative and easy to use.

The new logos for our three buildings are now in use and we have rolled these out into the new website, new print material and new signage. The communications team is also available to support other groups across the church with any communications needs they may have.

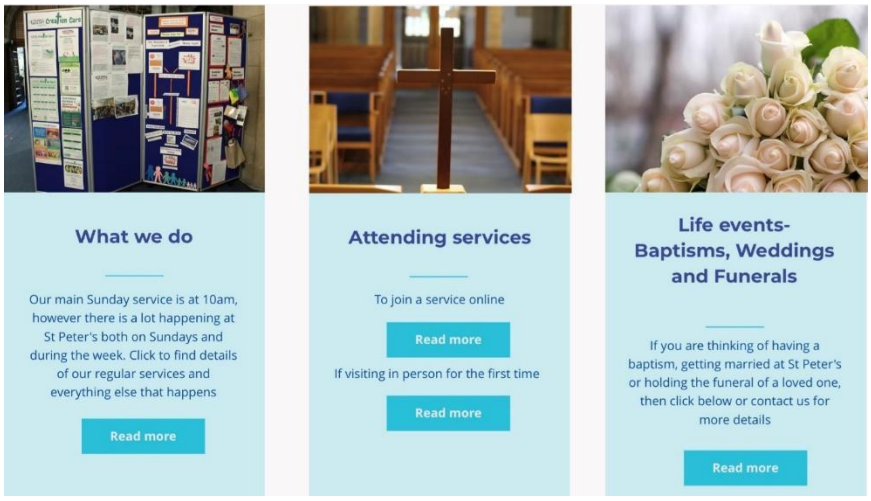
New website

St Peter's resident Tech Master Jon Russell built a new website during 2024 with plenty of new photographs and an easy to use format.

Carrying the new logo we hope the refreshed copy and style will be more representative of St Peter's post Covid.

Seasonal material is also included to include events and major festivals. Copies of Interlink and Keyhole magazine are also available in electronic form.

The website also includes easy to use links to access Sunday morning worship through either Zoom, or the online streaming service Twitch. Attendance on the internet is now included in our service attendance figures and we are usually welcoming 12-20 people each week. For some it's a good way to see if St Peter's will suit them before attending in person.



A Church Near You

The Church of England operates a website to offer information for every church in the country and St Peter's is no exception. This means that people can find information easily through the national format, especially important for couples wanting to get married so they can find out easily the name and location of their local church.

We are very grateful to Peter Vincent for keeping our profile on A Church Near You up to date.

New signage

Four new signs were put in place towards the end of 2024 (two at St Peter's Church).

Keyhole Magazine

This monthly magazine has continued to preview and advertise forthcoming events as well as report on activities afterwards, usually with plenty of photographs. This has primarily been written by Alicia but it is hoped in 2025 that the writing and compilation can be shared across the team, offering a wider variety of 'voices' and sharing the work. If you have an idea for the magazine or would like to make a regular contribution please get in touch.

Creation Care

Creation Care is the last of mission teams, aligning with the national Fifth Mark of Mission to safeguard and protect God's creation. Though our group is small, our commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship remains strong, working alongside others in the church to keep care for creation at the forefront of our Church's agenda.

In 2024, we proudly supported Littleover's Great Big Green Week, a nationwide celebration of community-led action against climate change and to promote sustainability. As part of this initiative, St Peter's hosted its first-ever clothes Swishing Event, encouraging the swapping of quality clothes to reduce waste; and displayed an inspiring school art competition, highlighting themes of creation and environmental awareness.

Regular litter picks took place within Littleover and Blagreaves, and we continued our efforts to recycle pill strips whenever possible.

To minimise waste, we introduced communal church Easter and Christmas cards, encouraging members to share greetings collectively rather than using individual cards, many of which cannot be recycled. We also partnered with St Peter's School to promote the reuse of old school uniforms, helping families reduce textile waste and support sustainable practices within the community.

We developed a churchyard plan to promote biodiversity, introduced wildlife monitoring; and educated both children and adults at St Peter's Street Fair about soft plastic recycling at supermarkets .

Additionally, our team facilitated a bird nest box building session, offering boxes to church members, and installing three in the churchyard—alongside newly placed hedgehog boxes.

In October, we partnered with Hannah Fields Community Garden to hold an Outdoor Harvest Festival, an extraordinary opportunity to take worship beyond the church walls—celebrating faith, gratitude, and our shared responsibility for God's creation within the wider community.

Through each of these initiatives, Creation Care remains at the heart of St Peter's mission, ensuring environmental consciousness thrives within our church and beyond.

Ali Marsh-Davies

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Parishioners of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover & Blagreaves held on 24th April 2024 at 7.30pm

Present: Revd Alicia Dring, Ruth Allen, Jenifer Baines, David Barker, Jennifer Bell, Doreen Bird, John Bird, Bernie Burton, Deidre Cheetham, Paul Cheetham, Julia Cross, Philip Cross, Leslie Dickinson, Carole Dickinson, Jennifer Downing, Steve Dring, Lesley Edwards, Phil Eley, Liz Eley, Charles Elston, David Elston, Linda Elston, Ruth Elston, Michael Furniss, Julia Furniss, Janet Guy, David Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Tiffany Hey, Jane Hughes, Janette Jackson, Linsey Jones, Christopher Jones, Aubrey Learman, Diane Learman, Alison Marsh-Davies, Peter Maybury, Heather Newstead, Helene Roe, Angie Rollinson, Jonathan Russell, Julie Scott, Janet Sparey, Margit Staehr, Joy Stanwell, Elizabeth Stephenson, Fiona Taylor, Ann Vincent, Peter Vincent, Richard Whitehorn, Rachel Whitehorn, Christopher Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams, Revd Emma Mallord, Revd Jason Kennedy, Jenny Cooper, Jim Britland (on zoom), Sally Britland (on zoom).

Opening Prayer and Worship

Emma Mallord read from John 10: 22-30

Jason Kennedy led the prayers including the Lord's prayer.

Alicia Dring chaired the meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Bill Browne, Maggie Browne, Margaret Ditchfield, Neville Ditchfield, Roger Hey, Robin Wood, Janet Edwards, Michael Edwards, Michael King, Hana King, Penny Halfpenny, Sarah Sherrington, Les Allen, Christine Taylor
2. **Minutes of previous meeting (1 January 2023 Vestry Meeting Section)**
   The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record.
   Proposed by Chris Jones and Seconded by Chris Woodhams.
   Passed and signed by Revd Alicia Dring.

3. **Election of Churchwardens**

Alicia explained the rules of voting and that she would like to thank Jim and Chris for a year of faithful and hardworking service. She went on to say we have been blessed by your organisation and dedication. Please can we show our appreciation. Jim has reached the end of his six years as warden and is stepping down. He isn't a man who likes any fuss and so he and Sally are not here in person but on zoom. We have already gifted him some amazon vouchers and a card and he said this:

'It is with mixed feelings that I step down from my role as Church warden after six years. In that time, we, as a church, have dealt with a pandemic, which despite checking several times, was not covered in the church warden handbook. I have been privileged to serve in this role and I hope have carried out my duties with good humour and professionalism. I would like to thank everybody who has supported me in all aspects of my role.

It is almost wrong to mention anybody specifically but forgive me a little bit if I mention Sal who has been very supportive and patient with my disappearing acts over the years, and Chris who puts a tremendous amount of behind the scenes work into the buildings.

I will miss the role, but relish the freedom to spend time out with Sal and get away more often, Oh and play with my motorbikes.

Thank you for my leaving gift which has been invested in a new MIG welding set.

Thank you, Jim.'

Alicia then said that she is delighted to announce that we have two people offering to stand as warden, Chris Jones and Helene Roe.
She explained that no further nominations have been received in advance of this meeting, which is the required protocol, and asked if anyone had a question for Chris or Helene. There were no questions. The elections then took place:

Chris Jones	Proposed: Jim Britland	Seconded: Sally Britland
Helene Roe	Proposed: Jim Britland	Seconded: Sally Britland

Both were elected unanimously.

The Vestry Meeting then closed and the APCM commenced.

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) of Church Electors of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover & Blagreaves
24 April 2024

Present: Revd Alicia Dring, Ruth Allen, Jenifer Baines, David Barker, Jennifer Bell, Doreen Bird, John Bird, Bernie Burton, Deidre Cheetham, Paul Cheetham, Julia Cross, Philip Cross, Leslie Dickinson, Carole Dickinson, Jennifer Downing, Steve Dring, Lesley Edwards, Phil Eley, Liz Eley, Charles Elston, David Elston, Linda Elston, Ruth Elston, Michael Furniss, Julia Furniss, Janet Guy, David Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Tiffany Hey, Jane Hughes, Janette Jackson, Linsey Jones, Christopher Jones, Aubrey Learman, Diane Learman, Alison Marsh-Davies, Peter Maybury, Heather Newstead, Helene Roe, Angie Rollinson, Jonathan Russell, Julie Scott, Janet Sparey, Margit Staehr, Joy Stanwell, Elizabeth Stephenson, Fiona Taylor, Ann Vincent, Peter Vincent, Richard Whitehorn, Rachel Whitehorn, Christopher Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams, Revd Emma Mallord, Revd Jason Kennedy, Jenny Cooper, Jim Britland (on zoom), Sally Britland (on zoom).

Revd Alicia Dring chaired the meeting. Alicia explained that we have now moved on to our Annual Church meeting and before we began this part of the meeting, she reminded us that we can **only** vote this evening if we are on the electoral roll or membership roll of the parish. Therefore, a handwritten label means you are not on the roll and so unable to vote.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Bill Browne, Maggie Browne, Margaret Ditchfield, Neville Ditchfield, Roger Hey, Robin Wood, Janet Edwards, Michael Edwards, Michael King, Hana King, Penny Halfpenny, Sarah Sherrington, Les Allen, Christine Taylor

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (1 January 2023 and 26 April 2023)**
   These are at the back of the published report. We have noted that the list of St Andrew's congregation was not included in the 1 January minutes – that's because there were two separate lists. Please accept our apologies. If you are from St Andrew's and know for sure you were at that meeting, please let Julie know and she can amend the minutes. There were no other amendments or comments on these minutes The minutes were then signed as a true and accurate record of the meeting. There was one abstention and everyone else voted in favour.

3. **Matters Arising**
   None

4. **Electoral Roll Report – Jane Hughes**

Jane confirmed that as of the latest revision there are now 107 residents and 61 non-residents on the Electoral Roll making a total of 168.
The new roll is due in 2025.
Jane Hughes proposed that the Electoral Roll be accepted as a true and accurate record. Seconded: Julia Cross. Passed unanimously.
On behalf of us all, Alicia thanked Jane for her time of service in keeping this roll. It's a crucial part of monitoring our life here – thank you.
Jane confirmed that she is happy to remain in the role.

5. **Election of Churchwarden Results**

Helene Roe and Chris Jones were duly elected as Churchwarden for the coming year at the Vestry Meeting.

6. **Elections to the PCC and Deanery Synod**

PCC - Alicia gave our thanks to Robin Wood and Jeni Baines for their service to us as they have now completed their terms of office.
Jeni particularly has been involved with the PCC in a variety of roles for nearly 30 years – including church warden, deanery synod, PCC and standing committee. In recognition of such long and faithful service Jeni was presented with some flowers.
We have 6 PCC member vacancies, 1 for one year, 2 for two years and 3 for three years.
Ali Marsh-Davies has been proposed by Julia Cross and seconded by Peter Maybury.
All voted in favour of electing Ali Marsh- Davies to the PCC. Term of office TBC.
There were no further nominations.
Deanery Synod – **Alicia confirmed that there are 3 vacancies.** Our current rep on Deanery Synod is Ann Vincent and we have received a nomination form from Peter Vincent who has been proposed by Bernhard Burton and seconded by Charles Elston.
All voted in favour of electing Peter Vincent to the Deanery Synod.
There were no further nominations.
Sidesmen/women – no longer needed to approve, however Alicia expressed her thanks for the work done by the welcome teams and sides-people across our services. We are not presenting a list this year, but Alicia asked us to join with her to show our appreciation to the welcome team and duty wardens.
Alicia encouraged everyone to pray about joining the PCC or Deanery Synod.

7. **Treasurer's Report – Lesley Edwards**

Lesley discussed her report which is shown in the Annual Report document for 2023 and the accounts which are reported in an additional supplement to the report. This is her first year as Treasurer and she is very thankful for the support she has received and gave a particular mention to the finance team who work really hard behind the scenes.
Lesley also said that we have received a thankyou from Bishop Libby for our Common Fund contribution. Bishop Libby used 1 Timothy 6:17-19 to express her thanks and Lesley read this to us:
'Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lap up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.'

There were no questions.
Lesley then proposed that the 2023 accounts be accepted and Michael Furniss seconded this.
There was one abstention and everyone else voted in favour.
Alicia thanked all involved for their work, time and efforts.

8. Reviewing Reports

There were no questions. Alicia expressed her thanks to all and in particular Phil Eley who is standing back from leading the Worship Group and Chris Woodhams who has handed over his Gift Aid duties. To show our appreciation, Phil was presented with some flowers and Chris was presented with a Rose for the garden.

9. Election Results

As above in Sections 5 and 6.

10. Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adult Procedures

The report was published in the Annual Report.
Margit Staehr and Heather Newstead are managing this together. Margit responsible for Children and Young People and Heather Vulnerable Adults.
Margit thanked everyone for their attitude to safeguarding and their awareness of its importance.
There were no questions and both Margit and Heather said they were happy to continue in their roles.
Alicia thanked them both.
No questions.

11. Chair's Report and Vision – Alicia

2023 saw a great deal of change for us as a parish and myself as incumbent.
First, on the first of January we became the new parish of Littleover & Blagreaves – combining the congregations of our churches – which, to be fair we had done throughout Covid. But this was a more formal basis, bringing our finances and building responsibilities all together.
It wasn't without its challenges, which still occasionally bite us on the bottom, but we are mostly managing to sort everything out along the way.
Emma joined us in the summer and in September Jason became a paid member of the team and he and I were also licensed to Findern Parish. Emma will officially become curate there at her priesting at the end of June. We also said farewell to Rachael as she moved to the other side of the city to work alongside Sarah Watson in Allestree, Quarndon and Darley Abbey.
It was also a year where we said goodbye to some longstanding brothers and sisters in Christ. You will have seen them listed in the report. Let us stand for a moment to hear their names and to remember them. Alicia then read out the names of those who had died in 2023. This was followed by a minute of silence.
Thank you, Lord for the love and faithfulness shared by those we remember – we commit them to your care and pray for your comfort in our loss. AMEN

I continued to serve at General Synod which takes me away from the parish at least three times a year – often to sit in long and sometimes volatile debates about the future of the Church of England – it's a tough job but someone has got to do it.

The primary joy of the year has been to see the flourishing of our Mission Action Teams – looking to Outward Focus, Community Engagement, Children and Families, Communication and Creation Care. We are really getting into our stride, particularly with the challenge of how we tackle projects together, rather than just doing things in isolation. This will continue, I hope, to be an area where we see God working ahead of us.
And finally, the Living in Love and Faith project will soon need us to make a decision as a parish – do we as a church, and as a leadership, want to permit same sex prayers of love and faith take place in this building? These are not prayers of blessing, as some have thought, the Anglican Church is too firmly stuck to the fence at the moment for that – but they **are** an opportunity for those who wish to bring their relationship before God, to do that in a local church.

However, both the clergy AND the church need to be willing for this to happen. And so, this will require us to talk and pray and share together.
We will each have our own thoughts on the matter and I do not want it to be a subject of division for us – so to do that we need to listen with care, to respect one another's position and to not let the outcome – whatever that might be – steal us away from commitment to our church family. The only one who wants this subject to sow division is the enemy of Christ – and this isn't their church.

When I was at Sawley, all those years ago – you were either a Derby fan or a Forest fan – I was a Derby fan, my churchwarden a Forest season ticket holder. We respected one another. This is my desire in this area – we will not all agree. That's fine. God's church is diverse and welcoming to a huge range of theological interpretation and the Church of England sits on a very stretchy piece of elastic. There is more than unites us than divides us. Please keep this in your prayers – ask God to speak to you.

And finally, a huge thank you to all of you. Without you and all the time and energy and expertise you give for free, day after day – St Peter's would not be the church family we have today. One that welcomes the stranger, provides refuge and safety for those who are hurting, and space for each of us to be ourselves.
How can you share St Peter's with others?

- Could you invite an elderly neighbour who might be lonely to join our lunch club?
- Or a young parent to Tiddlywinks?
- A monosyllabic teenager who doesn't know how to manage life to Messy Youth?
- Or a new church member to your home group?

There are plenty of opportunities – even if its just come along on a Sunday or Wednesday – everyone is welcome.

And finally, I would like to thank the staff team – including Iona, who is the most efficient person I know and rarely gets a mention, to our readers Carole and Paul, and soon to be Anne. To our retired colleagues David and Jenny. To Jim and Chris, to Julie, the Finance team and the wider PCC – you make things so much easier.

And last but by no means least, I'd like to thank Steve – always smiling, always helpful, always encouraging – I'm so glad that we promised to be our always 11 years ago next week – I really couldn't do any of this without you. Thank you

12. **Any Other Business –** Chris Jones, on behalf of the congregation, thanked Alicia and also Steve for all they mean and do for us**.**
Alicia responded to a question about support and safeguards for those locking/ unlocking church buildings on their own. She explained that we do have a lone working policy and if anyone does have particular concerns then she would encourage them to ask for help.

13. **Date of Next APCM Meeting – 30 April 2025.** This is slightly later because Easter is later in the calendar in 2025.

All members of the new and present PCC were invited to a short meeting following the APCM to elect a Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and members of the Standing Committee.

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Aims and purposes

The primary objective of St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Alicia Dring, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Parish Church of Littleover, St Peter, the St Peter's Community Hub and the St Andrew's Community Hub.

Objectives and activities

Working with the Incumbent and staff team, the PCC is committed to serving the people of Littleover through various pastoral and missional initiatives as well as regular worship. While worship is the responsibility of the Incumbent, the outworking of our services through prayer, sharing Scripture, preaching, music and sacrament is shared with the PCC and wider church..

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

" Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
" Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
" Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Parish Church of Littleover, St Peter, the St Peter's Community Hub and the St Andrew's Community Hub.

ACHIEVMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance St Peter's in 2024

Sunday Services Average over four consecutive weeks in October 2023	**Holy Communion 10am**	**Evening Service 6.30pm**	
Communicants	80 (76)		
Total Attendees inc children	105 (90)	25 (24)	
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Holy Communion**		
Holy Communion	27 (30)		
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Easter Sunday 2024	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	12 (12)	142 (142)	
Total Attendees inc children	12 (12)	160 (154)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Holy Communion**
Christmas Eve 2024	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			35 (52)
Total Attendees inc children	230 (332)	176 (220)	45 (55)
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Christmas Day 2024	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	20 (18)	66 (68)	
Total Attendees	22 (19)	84 (73)	

* The 10am Sunday Services generally alternate between Holy Communion and Morning Worship/All Age
(XX) Figures in brackets are for the year 2023

Other Services held at St Peter's during 2024

Baptisms: *during the 10am Sunday Service*	5	(3)
Funerals/memorial	25	(33)
Interment of Ashes	6	(19)
Weddings	4	(2)
St Peter's School Services	6	(6)

Electoral Roll 2024
107 resident in the parish and 61 live outside of the parish = **168 total roll**

Electoral Roll from April 2025
97 resident in the parish and 55 live outside of the parish = **152 total roll**

Further information may be found in the reports from Church Officers and organisations circulated with this Report and Accounts.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview of Financial Performance

I would like to start this year's report by thanking Lesley Edwards who was treasurer until the start of October 2024, for her dedication, hard work and financial expertise, we are certainly missing her!

The examined PCC accounts for 2024 record a surplus of income over expenditure of just over £350,000, and show over £540,000 in cash deposits, which is a truly amazing position to be in.

As a result of the receipt of the Ashmore Bequest (see below) our income exceeded the threshold for the use of Receipts and Payments accounts, and therefore the accounts have had to be prepared on the Accruals basis. The comparative figures for 2023 have been restated to this basis and are not directly comparable with the published Receipts and Payments Accounts for 2023.

The PCC's underlying financial performance was generally stable in 2024, thanks to the generosity of our congregation and their regular giving of £102,122. We also had donations and collections (including Gift Aid claims) of £30,376.

A significant portion of our expenditure, £66,744 was paid to the Diocese for the Common Fund, which was meet in full for 2024. The PCC allocated £40,000 to replace the kitchen in St Peter's Community Hub, and spent £12,000 replacing the water supply pipe to Church.

The PCC allocates budgets for giving to charities and for outreach and mission, spending over £16,000 in 2024 on specific donations and projects.

During the year we received notification of a bequest under the terms of a will that was due to the PCC, and first we need to record our grateful thanks to God for the extraordinary generosity of the donor.

The 'Ashmore Bequest' has been specifically given to "facilitate the Church in its activities, social and missional and to ensure the whole of the community has suitable access and transport when required" We have received an interim payment so far in October of £375,000. The remaining funds will be received when the estate is finally wound up following the sale of a property.

The PCC took immediate steps to improve "access and transport" where needed, by opening a taxi account with Chads Cars and advertising it's availability.

A small group has been established by the PCC to look at what this bequest could and should be used for, and equally what it could not and should not be used for. This small group will meet in 2025 and report to the PCC with recommendations for decisions to be made.

Finally, can I record my thanks by giving a big shout out to Iona who deals with all of our bills, cash, banking and basic financial record keeping, she is doing an amazing job! Also, my thanks to our new Independent Examiners who the PCC appointed in 2024 Johnson Tidsall Limited

Reserves policy

Three months operational expenditure is to be held equating to £42,500, to be reviewed annually. There is currently £173,915 held in the general unrestricted reserves.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009. (Registered Charity Number 1133061). The PCC governing document is "The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) measure 1956 as amended" and the Church Representation Rules, contained in schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representative Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street, Littleover, Derby. St Peter's Community Hub is situated on Normanton Lane Littleover Derby and St Andrew's Community Hub is situated in Blagreaves Lane, Blagreaves, Derby. The Charity's working name with effect from 1st January 2023 is St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves PCC.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
Registered Charity number
1133061

Principal address
St Peter's Church
Church Street
Littleover
DERBY
DE23 6GF

Trustees
Trustees who have served from 1 January 2024 until the date this report was approved

Revd A Dring	Vicar and Chair
Revd J Kennedy	Associate Minister
Revd E Mallord	Curate
C Jones	Churchwarden
J Britland	Churchwarden (until 24 April 2024)
H Roe	Elected member to 24 April 2024 Churchwarden (from 24 April 2024)
J Scott	PCC Secretary
L Edwards	Treasurer (until 1 October 2024)
J Baines	until 24 April 2024
J Bird	
C Elston	
A Marsh-Davies	from 24 April 2024
H Newstead	
M Staehr	Safeguarding Officer
P Vincent	Member of the Diocesan Synod Member of the Deanery Synod (from 24 April 2024)
A Vincent	member of the Deanery Synod
R Wood	until 24 April 2024

Independent Examiner
David Mellor FCA
Johnson Tidsall Limited
Chartered Accountants
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London
EC4R 3AB

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd A Dring - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David Mellor FCA

Johnson Tidsall Limited
Chartered Accountants
81 Burton Road
Derby
Derbyshire
DE1 1TJ

Date: 8 APRIL 2025

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	134,692	375,000	509,692	151,496
Charitable activities	4				
Church activities		16,471	5,815	22,286	24,133
Investment income	3	6,500	653	7,153	3,777
Other income		34,746	-	34,746	71,525
Total		192,409	381,468	573,877	250,931
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
Church activities		215,950	8,019	223,969	187,490
Other		-	-	-	115
Total		215,950	8,019	223,969	187,605
Net gains on investments		199	-	199	746
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(23,342)	373,449	350,107	64,072
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		197,257	7,934	205,191	141,119
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	11	8,879	-	8,879	8,680
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	12	7,614	-	7,614	6,436
Cash at bank and in hand		159,993	381,383	541,376	192,800
		167,607	381,383	548,990	199,236
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,571)	-	(2,571)	(2,725)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		165,036	381,383	546,419	196,511
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191
NET ASSETS		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191
FUNDS	14				
Unrestricted funds				173,915	197,257
Restricted funds				381,383	7,934
TOTAL FUNDS				555,298	205,191

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

A Dring - Trustee

H Roe - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	341,622	59,896
Net cash provided by operating activities		341,622	59,896
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of fixed asset investments		(199)	(746)
Interest received		7,153	3,777
Net cash provided by investing activities		6,954	3,031
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		348,576	62,927
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		192,800	129,873
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		541,376	192,800

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	**350,107**	64,072
Adjustments for:		
Gain on investments	(199)	(746)
Interest received	(7,153)	(3,777)
Movement in investment	199	746
Increase in debtors	(1,178)	(514)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(154)	115
Net cash provided by operations	**341,622**	59,896

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/1/24	Cash flow	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	**192,800**	**348,576**	**541,376**
	192,800	**348,576**	**541,376**
Total	**192,800**	**348,576**	**541,376**

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have received the funds or have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received. At this point income is recognised. On occasion legacies will be notified to the charity however it is not possible to measure the amount expected to be distributed. On these occasions, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed.

Investment income relates to bank deposit accounts and is recognised when received.

Tax recoverable for the year on covenanted and gift aid donations is included in the income and expenditure account on an accruals basis.

Grants
Income from grants is recognised at fair value when the charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Debtors
Other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due less any discount. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Irrecoverable VAT
The PCC is not registered for VAT and all irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting
The Parochial Church Council has both unrestricted and restricted funds.

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the Parochial Church Council.

Restricted funds relate to donations and grants which are specified for a particular purpose. Income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds when received. The relevant expenditure is then matched as restricted expenditure.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the Parochial Church Council is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of Church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Legacies	377,000	1,000
Gift aid	92,194	100,031
Non gift aid	10,122	11,000
Income tax recoverable on gift aid	23,670	28,118
Collections (open plate) at all services	3,481	2,849
Sundry donations	3,225	8,498
	509,692	151,496

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	6,912	3,540
Dividends and interest	241	237
	7,153	3,777

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2024	2023
		£	£
Parish magazine	Church activities	825	607
Fees	Church activities	4,432	8,546
Sundry	Church activities	8,106	6,378
Lunch club	Church activities	5,815	5,576
Crossed keys cafe	Church activities	3,108	3,026
		22,286	24,133

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs	Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	Support costs (see note 7)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Church activities	191,565	8,582	23,822	223,969

6. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Church activities	8,582	9,286

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Home missions and other church societies	8,321	9,076
Grants to secular charities	261	210
	8,582	9,286

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Church activities	21,417	2,405	23,822

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

Expenses incurred during the year totalling £1,938 (2023:£766) were reimbursed to 4 trustees (2023:4) of the Parochial Church Council.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	18,506	15,403
	18,506	15,403

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Number of staff	1	1

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The number of full time equivalent staff was 1 (2023: 1).

10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	150,581	915	151,496
Charitable activities			
Church activities	18,557	5,576	24,133
Investment income	3,594	183	3,777
Other income	71,525	-	71,525
Total	244,257	6,674	250,931
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Church activities	181,270	6,220	187,490
Other	115	-	115
Total	181,385	6,220	187,605
Net gains on investments	746	-	746
NET INCOME	63,618	454	64,072
Transfers between funds	52	(52)	-
Net movement in funds	63,670	402	64,072
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	133,587	7,532	141,119
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	197,257	7,934	205,191

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Other	8,879	8,680

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Investments (neither listed nor unlisted) were as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
CCLA Fund	8,879	8,680

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	5,570	6,227
Prepayments and accrued income	2,044	209
	7,614	6,436

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	2,571	2,725

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	98,428	(24,955)	3,032	76,505
Ashes digging	3,390	33	(3,032)	391
St Andrew's building reserve	29,770	1,580	-	31,350
Recreate	112	-	-	112
Capital fund	65,557	-	-	65,557
	197,257	(23,342)	-	173,915
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	5,560	(470)	-	5,090
Tiddlywinks	214	(86)	-	128
Lunch Club	892	(491)	-	401
Churches together	938	(534)	-	404
Other funds	330	(330)	-	-
Ashmore bequest	-	375,360	-	375,360
	7,934	373,449	-	381,383
TOTAL FUNDS	205,191	350,107	-	555,298

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	190,244	(215,398)	199	(24,955)
Ashes digging	585	(552)	-	33
St Andrew's building reserve	1,580	-	-	1,580
	192,409	(215,950)	199	(23,342)
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	283	(753)	-	(470)
Tiddlywinks	-	(86)	-	(86)
Lunch Club	5,815	(6,306)	-	(491)
Churches together	10	(544)	-	(534)
Other funds	-	(330)	-	(330)
Ashmore bequest	375,360	-	-	375,360
	381,468	(8,019)	-	373,449
TOTAL FUNDS	573,877	(223,969)	199	350,107

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	60,516	68,943	52	129,511
Ashes digging	1,442	20	-	1,462
Chair fund	6,072	(6,072)	-	-
St Andrew's building reserve	-	565	-	565
Recreate	-	162	-	162
Capital fund	65,557	-	-	65,557
	133,587	63,618	52	197,257
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	5,387	173	-	5,560
Tiddlywinks	171	43	-	214
Lunch Club	725	167	-	892
Churches together	1,197	(259)	-	938
Other funds	52	330	(52)	330
	7,532	454	(52)	7,934
TOTAL FUNDS	141,119	64,072	-	205,191

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	243,159	(174,962)	746	68,943
Ashes digging	20	-	-	20
Chair fund	13	(6,085)	-	(6,072)
St Andrew's building reserve	565	-	-	565
Recreate	500	(338)	-	162
	244,257	(181,385)	746	63,618
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	173	-	-	173
Tiddlywinks	160	(117)	-	43
Lunch Club	5,576	(5,409)	-	167
Churches together	10	(269)	-	(259)
Other funds	755	(425)	-	330
	6,674	(6,220)	-	454
TOTAL FUNDS	250,931	(187,605)	746	64,072

Restricted Funds

Legacy Mrs Pilling - Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years from 2004

Tiddlywinks - Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.

Lunch Club - A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.

Churches Together - This fund was moved to St Peter's during lockdown for ease of management and with the consent of the church leaders. The fund Primarily pays for insurance and advertising for joint events at Christmas and Easter. An account of annual transactions is available for partner churches upon request. Including them in a restricted account within the parish accounts ensures transparency.

Ashmore Bequest - Restricted fund to facilitate the Church in its activities, social and missional and to ensure the whole of the community has suitable access and transport when required.

Other Funds - Funds held at the end of 2024 relate to a leaving gift.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Legacies	377,000	1,000
Gift aid	92,194	100,031
Non gift aid	10,122	11,000
Income tax recoverable on gift aid	23,670	28,118
Collections (open plate) at all services	3,481	2,849
Sundry donations	3,225	8,498
	509,692	151,496
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	6,912	3,540
Dividends and interest	241	237
	7,153	3,777
Charitable activities		
Parish magazine	825	607
Fees	4,432	8,546
Sundry	8,106	6,378
Lunch club	5,815	5,576
Crossed keys cafe	3,108	3,026
	22,286	24,133
Other income		
Community hubs lettings etc	34,746	36,620
Adverts - magazine	-	125
Transfer from previous PCC	-	34,780
	34,746	71,525
Total incoming resources	573,877	250,931
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Sundries	8,433	12,163
Ministry: Diocesan common fund	66,744	75,710
Ministry: Clergy expenses	2,654	2,587
Church - running expenses	11,793	15,475
Church - maintenance and roof repairs	21,436	11,569
Upkeep of churchyard	2,067	7,036
Upkeep of services	4,762	3,713
Community hubs running costs	57,339	16,596
Education	-	1,928
Crossed keys expenses	1,340	1,307
Carried forward	176,568	148,084

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Charitable activities		
Brought forward	**176,568**	148,084
Lunch club	**6,306**	5,409
Events	**743**	1,530
Mission action plan	**4,872**	-
Children's youth and school work	**3,076**	-
Grants to institutions	**8,582**	9,286
	200,147	164,309
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	**18,506**	15,403
Rates and water	**654**	572
Postage and stationery	**2,257**	4,426
	21,417	20,401
Governance costs		
Accountancy	**2,405**	2,895
Total resources expended	**223,969**	187,605
Net income	**349,908**	63,326

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1133061

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FOR

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Aims and purposes

The primary objective of St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England.

St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Alicia Dring, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Parish Church of Littleover, St Peter, the St Peter's Community Hub and the St Andrew's Community Hub.

Objectives and activities

Working with the Incumbent and staff team, the PCC is committed to serving the people of Littleover through various pastoral and missional initiatives as well as regular worship. While worship is the responsibility of the Incumbent, the outworking of our services through prayer, sharing Scripture, preaching, music and sacrament is shared with the PCC and wider church..

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

" Worship and prayer; learning about the gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
" Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish.
" Missionary and outreach work.

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Parish Church of Littleover, St Peter, the St Peter's Community Hub and the St Andrew's Community Hub.

ACHIEVMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance St Peter's in 2024

Sunday Services Average over four consecutive weeks in October 2023	**Holy Communion 10am**	**Evening Service 6.30pm**	
Communicants	80 (76)		
Total Attendees inc children	105 (90)	25 (24)	
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Holy Communion**		
Holy Communion	27 (30)		
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Easter Sunday 2024	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	12 (12)	142 (142)	
Total Attendees inc children	12 (12)	160 (154)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Holy Communion**
Christmas Eve 2024	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			35 (52)
Total Attendees inc children	230 (332)	176 (220)	45 (55)
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Christmas Day 2024	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	20 (18)	66 (68)	
Total Attendees	22 (19)	84 (73)	

* The 10am Sunday Services generally alternate between Holy Communion and Morning Worship/All Age
(XX) Figures in brackets are for the year 2023

Other Services held at St Peter's during 2024

Baptisms: *during the 10am Sunday Service*	5	(3)
Funerals/memorial	25	(33)
Interment of Ashes	6	(19)
Weddings	4	(2)
St Peter's School Services	6	(6)

Electoral Roll 2024
107 resident in the parish and 61 live outside of the parish = **168 total roll**

Electoral Roll from April 2025
97 resident in the parish and 55 live outside of the parish = **152 total roll**

Further information may be found in the reports from Church Officers and organisations circulated with this Report and Accounts.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview of Financial Performance

I would like to start this year's report by thanking Lesley Edwards who was treasurer until the start of October 2024, for her dedication, hard work and financial expertise, we are certainly missing her!

The examined PCC accounts for 2024 record a surplus of income over expenditure of just over £350,000, and show over £540,000 in cash deposits, which is a truly amazing position to be in.

As a result of the receipt of the Ashmore Bequest (see below) our income exceeded the threshold for the use of Receipts and Payments accounts, and therefore the accounts have had to be prepared on the Accruals basis. The comparative figures for 2023 have been restated to this basis and are not directly comparable with the published Receipts and Payments Accounts for 2023.

The PCC's underlying financial performance was generally stable in 2024, thanks to the generosity of our congregation and their regular giving of £102,122. We also had donations and collections (including Gift Aid claims) of £30,376.

A significant portion of our expenditure, £66,744 was paid to the Diocese for the Common Fund, which was meet in full for 2024. The PCC allocated £40,000 to replace the kitchen in St Peter's Community Hub, and spent £12,000 replacing the water supply pipe to Church.

The PCC allocates budgets for giving to charities and for outreach and mission, spending over £16,000 in 2024 on specific donations and projects.

During the year we received notification of a bequest under the terms of a will that was due to the PCC, and first we need to record our grateful thanks to God for the extraordinary generosity of the donor.

The 'Ashmore Bequest' has been specifically given to "facilitate the Church in its activities, social and missional and to ensure the whole of the community has suitable access and transport when required" We have received an interim payment so far in October of £375,000. The remaining funds will be received when the estate is finally wound up following the sale of a property.

The PCC took immediate steps to improve "access and transport" where needed, by opening a taxi account with Chads Cars and advertising it's availability.

A small group has been established by the PCC to look at what this bequest could and should be used for, and equally what it could not and should not be used for. This small group will meet in 2025 and report to the PCC with recommendations for decisions to be made.

Finally, can I record my thanks by giving a big shout out to Iona who deals with all of our bills, cash, banking and basic financial record keeping, she is doing an amazing job! Also, my thanks to our new Independent Examiners who the PCC appointed in 2024 Johnson Tidsall Limited

Reserves policy

Three months operational expenditure is to be held equating to £42,500, to be reviewed annually. There is currently £173,915 held in the general unrestricted reserves.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009. (Registered Charity Number 1133061). The PCC governing document is "The Parochial Church Councils (Powers) measure 1956 as amended" and the Church Representation Rules, contained in schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representative Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street, Littleover, Derby. St Peter's Community Hub is situated on Normanton Lane Littleover Derby and St Andrew's Community Hub is situated in Blagreaves Lane, Blagreaves, Derby. The Charity's working name with effect from 1st January 2023 is St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves PCC.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS
Registered Charity number
1133061

Principal address
St Peter's Church
Church Street
Littleover
DERBY
DE23 6GF

Trustees
Trustees who have served from 1 January 2024 until the date this report was approved

Revd A Dring	Vicar and Chair
Revd J Kennedy	Associate Minister
Revd E Mallord	Curate
C Jones	Churchwarden
J Britland	Churchwarden (until 24 April 2024)
H Roe	Elected member to 24 April 2024 Churchwarden (from 24 April 2024)
J Scott	PCC Secretary
L Edwards	Treasurer (until 1 October 2024)
J Baines	until 24 April 2024
J Bird	
C Elston	
A Marsh-Davies	from 24 April 2024
H Newstead	
M Staehr	Safeguarding Officer
P Vincent	Member of the Diocesan Synod Member of the Deanery Synod (from 24 April 2024)
A Vincent	member of the Deanery Synod
R Wood	until 24 April 2024

Independent Examiner
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 18 March 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd A Dring - Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves (the Trust) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by Section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

David Mellor FCA

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Date: 8 APRIL 2025

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	134,692	375,000	509,692	151,496
Charitable activities	4				
Church activities		16,471	5,815	22,286	24,133
Investment income	3	6,500	653	7,153	3,777
Other income		34,746	-	34,746	71,525
Total		192,409	381,468	573,877	250,931
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
Church activities		215,950	8,019	223,969	187,490
Other		-	-	-	115
Total		215,950	8,019	223,969	187,605
Net gains on investments		199	-	199	746
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(23,342)	373,449	350,107	64,072
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		197,257	7,934	205,191	141,119
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Investments	11	8,879	-	8,879	8,680
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	12	7,614	-	7,614	6,436
Cash at bank and in hand		159,993	381,383	541,376	192,800
		167,607	381,383	548,990	199,236
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(2,571)	-	(2,571)	(2,725)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		165,036	381,383	546,419	196,511
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191
NET ASSETS		173,915	381,383	555,298	205,191
FUNDS	14				
Unrestricted funds				173,915	197,257
Restricted funds				381,383	7,934
TOTAL FUNDS				555,298	205,191

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 18 March 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

A Dring - Trustee

H Roe - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	341,622	59,896
Net cash provided by operating activities		341,622	59,896
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of fixed asset investments		(199)	(746)
Interest received		7,153	3,777
Net cash provided by investing activities		6,954	3,031
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		348,576	62,927
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		192,800	129,873
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		541,376	192,800

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	**350,107**	64,072
Adjustments for:		
Gain on investments	(199)	(746)
Interest received	(7,153)	(3,777)
Movement in investment	199	746
Increase in debtors	(1,178)	(514)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(154)	115
Net cash provided by operations	**341,622**	59,896

2. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1/1/24	Cash flow	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£
Net cash			
Cash at bank and in hand	**192,800**	**348,576**	**541,376**
	192,800	**348,576**	**541,376**
Total	**192,800**	**348,576**	**541,376**

The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements
The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value.

Income
All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

For donations to be recognised the charity will have received the funds or have been notified of the amounts and the settlement date in writing. If there are conditions attached to the donation and this requires a level of performance before entitlement can be obtained then income is deferred until those conditions are fully met or the fulfilment of those conditions is within the control of the charity and it is probable that they will be fulfilled.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the charity being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received. At this point income is recognised. On occasion legacies will be notified to the charity however it is not possible to measure the amount expected to be distributed. On these occasions, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset and disclosed.

Investment income relates to bank deposit accounts and is recognised when received.

Tax recoverable for the year on covenanted and gift aid donations is included in the income and expenditure account on an accruals basis.

Grants
Income from grants is recognised at fair value when the charity has entitlement after any performance conditions have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Debtors
Other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due less any discount. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

Expenditure
Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Irrecoverable VAT
The PCC is not registered for VAT and all irrecoverable VAT is charged against the expenditure heading for which it was incurred.

Creditors
Creditors are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors are recognised at their settlement amount.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

Taxation
The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting
The Parochial Church Council has both unrestricted and restricted funds.

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the Parochial Church Council that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the Parochial Church Council.

Restricted funds relate to donations and grants which are specified for a particular purpose. Income is included in incoming resources of restricted funds when received. The relevant expenditure is then matched as restricted expenditure.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the Parochial Church Council is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of Church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Legacies	377,000	1,000
Gift aid	92,194	100,031
Non gift aid	10,122	11,000
Income tax recoverable on gift aid	23,670	28,118
Collections (open plate) at all services	3,481	2,849
Sundry donations	3,225	8,498
	509,692	151,496

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2024	2023
	£	£
Deposit account interest	6,912	3,540
Dividends and interest	241	237
	7,153	3,777

4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2024	2023
		£	£
Parish magazine	Church activities	825	607
Fees	Church activities	4,432	8,546
Sundry	Church activities	8,106	6,378
Lunch club	Church activities	5,815	5,576
Crossed keys cafe	Church activities	3,108	3,026
		22,286	24,133

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs	Grant funding of activities (see note 6)	Support costs (see note 7)	Totals
	£	£	£	£
Church activities	191,565	8,582	23,822	223,969

6. GRANTS PAYABLE

	2024	2023
	£	£
Church activities	8,582	9,286

The total grants paid to institutions during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
	£	£
Home missions and other church societies	8,321	9,076
Grants to secular charities	261	210
	8,582	9,286

7. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management	Governance costs	Totals
	£	£	£
Church activities	21,417	2,405	23,822

8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024 nor for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Trustees' expenses

Expenses incurred during the year totalling £1,938 (2023:£766) were reimbursed to 4 trustees (2023:4) of the Parochial Church Council.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	18,506	15,403
	18,506	15,403

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
Number of staff	1	1

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The number of full time equivalent staff was 1 (2023: 1).

10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	150,581	915	151,496
Charitable activities			
Church activities	18,557	5,576	24,133
Investment income	3,594	183	3,777
Other income	71,525	-	71,525
Total	244,257	6,674	250,931
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Church activities	181,270	6,220	187,490
Other	115	-	115
Total	181,385	6,220	187,605
Net gains on investments	746	-	746
NET INCOME	63,618	454	64,072
Transfers between funds	52	(52)	-
Net movement in funds	63,670	402	64,072
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	133,587	7,532	141,119
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	197,257	7,934	205,191

11. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2024 £	2023 £
Other	8,879	8,680

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

Investments (neither listed nor unlisted) were as follows:

	2024 £	2023 £
CCLA Fund	8,879	8,680

12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other debtors	5,570	6,227
Prepayments and accrued income	2,044	209
	7,614	6,436

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other creditors	2,571	2,725

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1/1/24	Net movement in funds	Transfers between funds	At 31/12/24
	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	98,428	(24,955)	3,032	76,505
Ashes digging	3,390	33	(3,032)	391
St Andrew's building reserve	29,770	1,580	-	31,350
Recreate	112	-	-	112
Capital fund	65,557	-	-	65,557
	197,257	(23,342)	-	173,915
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	5,560	(470)	-	5,090
Tiddlywinks	214	(86)	-	128
Lunch Club	892	(491)	-	401
Churches together	938	(534)	-	404
Other funds	330	(330)	-	-
Ashmore bequest	-	375,360	-	375,360
	7,934	373,449	-	381,383
TOTAL FUNDS	205,191	350,107	-	555,298

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	190,244	(215,398)	199	(24,955)
Ashes digging	585	(552)	-	33
St Andrew's building reserve	1,580	-	-	1,580
	192,409	(215,950)	199	(23,342)
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	283	(753)	-	(470)
Tiddlywinks	-	(86)	-	(86)
Lunch Club	5,815	(6,306)	-	(491)
Churches together	10	(544)	-	(534)
Other funds	-	(330)	-	(330)
Ashmore bequest	375,360	-	-	375,360
	381,468	(8,019)	-	373,449
TOTAL FUNDS	573,877	(223,969)	199	350,107

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/23 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31/12/23 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	60,516	68,943	52	129,511
Ashes digging	1,442	20	-	1,462
Chair fund	6,072	(6,072)	-	-
St Andrew's building reserve	-	565	-	565
Recreate	-	162	-	162
Capital fund	65,557	-	-	65,557
	133,587	63,618	52	197,257
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	5,387	173	-	5,560
Tiddlywinks	171	43	-	214
Lunch Club	725	167	-	892
Churches together	1,197	(259)	-	938
Other funds	52	330	(52)	330
	7,532	454	(52)	7,934
TOTAL FUNDS	141,119	64,072	-	205,191

14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	243,159	(174,962)	746	68,943
Ashes digging	20	-	-	20
Chair fund	13	(6,085)	-	(6,072)
St Andrew's building reserve	565	-	-	565
Recreate	500	(338)	-	162
	244,257	(181,385)	746	63,618
Restricted funds				
Legacy - Mrs Pilling	173	-	-	173
Tiddlywinks	160	(117)	-	43
Lunch Club	5,576	(5,409)	-	167
Churches together	10	(269)	-	(259)
Other funds	755	(425)	-	330
	6,674	(6,220)	-	454
TOTAL FUNDS	250,931	(187,605)	746	64,072

Restricted Funds

Legacy Mrs Pilling - Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years from 2004

Tiddlywinks - Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.

Lunch Club - A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.

Churches Together - This fund was moved to St Peter's during lockdown for ease of management and with the consent of the church leaders. The fund Primarily pays for insurance and advertising for joint events at Christmas and Easter. An account of annual transactions is available for partner churches upon request. Including them in a restricted account within the parish accounts ensures transparency.

Ashmore Bequest - Restricted fund to facilitate the Church in its activities, social and missional and to ensure the whole of the community has suitable access and transport when required.

Other Funds - Funds held at the end of 2024 relate to a leaving gift.

15. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 December 2024.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Legacies	377,000	1,000
Gift aid	92,194	100,031
Non gift aid	10,122	11,000
Income tax recoverable on gift aid	23,670	28,118
Collections (open plate) at all services	3,481	2,849
Sundry donations	3,225	8,498
	509,692	151,496
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	6,912	3,540
Dividends and interest	241	237
	7,153	3,777
Charitable activities		
Parish magazine	825	607
Fees	4,432	8,546
Sundry	8,106	6,378
Lunch club	5,815	5,576
Crossed keys cafe	3,108	3,026
	22,286	24,133
Other income		
Community hubs lettings etc	34,746	36,620
Adverts - magazine	-	125
Transfer from previous PCC	-	34,780
	34,746	71,525
Total incoming resources	573,877	250,931
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Sundries	8,433	12,163
Ministry: Diocesan common fund	66,744	75,710
Ministry: Clergy expenses	2,654	2,587
Church - running expenses	11,793	15,475
Church - maintenance and roof repairs	21,436	11,569
Upkeep of churchyard	2,067	7,036
Upkeep of services	4,762	3,713
Community hubs running costs	57,339	16,596
Education	-	1,928
Crossed keys expenses	1,340	1,307
Carried forward	176,568	148,084

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Charitable activities		
Brought forward	**176,568**	148,084
Lunch club	**6,306**	5,409
Events	**743**	1,530
Mission action plan	**4,872**	-
Children's youth and school work	**3,076**	-
Grants to institutions	**8,582**	9,286
	200,147	164,309
Support costs		
Management		
Wages	**18,506**	15,403
Rates and water	**654**	572
Postage and stationery	**2,257**	4,426
	21,417	20,401
Governance costs		
Accountancy	**2,405**	2,895
Total resources expended	**223,969**	187,605
Net income	**349,908**	63,326

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves

England & Wales - Charity number 1133061

Accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Registered Charity Number: 1133061

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Parochial Church Council members who are also the trustees of the charity, who have served from 1 January 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

MEMBERS/TRUSTEES	Rev'd. A Dring	Vicar & Chair
	Rev'd J Kennedy	Associate Priest (From September 2023)
	Rev'd E Mallord	Curate (From July 2023)
	Rev'd. R Brooks	Curate (Until 25th December 2023)
	J Britland	Church Warden
	C Jones	Church Warden
	L Edwards	Treasurer (From 26th April 2023)
	S Limberger	Treasurer (Until 26th April 2023)
	J Baines	
	J Bird	
	C Elston	
	H Newstead	
	H Roe	
	J Scott	
	M Staehr	
	A Vincent	
	P Vincent	
	R Wood	
SECRETARY	J Scott	
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	St Peter's Church Church Street Littleover Derby	
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	S Harcourt Azets Audit Services 2 Regan Way Chetwynd Business Park Chilwell Nottingham NG9 6RZ	
BANKERS	Barclays Bank Plc 22-26 St Peters Street Derby DE1 1SH	
	CCLA Investment Management Limited One Angel Lane London EC4R 3AB	

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street, Littleover, Derby and the former St Andrew's Church is situated in Blagreaves Lane, Littleover, Derby. On 25 April 2023 the Bishop of Derby withdrew her licence of the latter building as a Church and it was redesignated St Andrew's Community Hub. The parish is part of the Diocese of Derby within the Church of England. The charity's working name with effect from 1st January 2023 is St Peter's, Littleover and Blagreaves PCC.

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009 (Charity Number 1133061). The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is to co-operate with the minister, the Rev'd. A Dring, in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as in accordance with the PCC (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended by the measure of 1969.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Promoting in the Ecclesiastical Parish the whole mission of the Church.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance

There were 174 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 60 of whom are not resident within the parish.

Merger of Parishes

The Parishes of Littleover St Peter's and St Andrew's Blagreaves both closed on 31 December 2022 and merged to form the new Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves on 1 January 2023.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Average Sunday attendance at St Peter's in 2023.

Sunday Services Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship 8am**	**Morning Worship 10am**	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	Service	87 (74)	
Total Attendees	Closed	87 (82)	29 (n/a)
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	27 (27)		
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Easter Sunday 2023	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	12 (16)	142 (110)	
Total Attendees	12 (16)	154 (110)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Morning Worship**
Christmas Eve 2023	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			52 (31)
Total Attendees	331 (237)	165 (160)	55 (34)
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Christmas Day 2023	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	18 (11)	68 (79)	
Total Attendees	19 (14)	73 (88)	
Figures in ( ) = 2022 attendance			

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

TREASURERS REPORT

This is the first report that I am presenting to St Peter's Church Family, and the first for the newly formed parish and charity of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves, which came into being on the 1st January 2023.

2023 has been a period of transition and consolidation for our Church finances, as the treasurers of St Peter's and St Andrew's during the year passed over the baton to myself and the newly formed Finance Team.

Much of our focus in 2023 has been on closing down the "old" St Andrew's bank accounts and renaming and consolidating our combined parish bank accounts. We have also transferred for 2023 the new parish financial records onto a combined online accounting package.

Given the merger of Parishes and the underlying charities there are some aspects to the accounts as presented in this report, that require further explanation :-

- The charity number for the combined parish is the same as that previously used by St Peter's Littleover pre merger.
- The opening balances for 2023 in this report relate to the closing balances for 2022, of St Peter's Littleover only
- There is a separate entry for the balances transferred from St Andrew's PCC at the commencement of the new parish
- The receipts and payments and closing balances for 2023 relate to the merged parish and charity
- The comparatives for prior year (2022) relates to charity no 1133061which in 2022 was St Peter's Littleover only

The family of our church have always been faithful in their giving and 2023 was no exception. The vast majority of giving is by standing order, which we are very grateful for, as it maintains good sustainable cash flow and enables us to pay our bills and commitments. The electronic card reader and online giving continues to be available at all services which enables donations for regular expenditure as well as special collections.

Major items of expenditure in the year related to the purchase of the new chairs at the front of the church costing just under £10,000. Our regular maintenance of both the church and the community hubs buildings saw around £14,000 spent and we were able to meet our Common Fund commitment in full to the diocese of £75,710.

For the 2023 financial year we recorded a surplus of income over expenditure of £28,147

I would like to thank everybody who has supported me; the Finance Team, Wardens and Alicia.
Iona deserves a special mention as she deals with the banking of all cash and cheques, and processes all the paperwork for input to the accounting package on the computer. Arranges the payment of all invoices and expenses of our busy parish amongst many other administrative tasks unrelating to finance to keep everything running smoothly.

Finally, I would like to thank Azets for being our Independent Examiners for 2023 and propose that the accounts be accepted. In line with good practice, we would like to review the costs of the Independent Examination and ask Azets and another two accounting organisations to tender for the Independent Examination of St. Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves financial records for the year end 31.12.2024 for discussion and approval by the PCC at a later date.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves Policy
Three months operational expenditure is to be held equating to £40,000, to be reviewed annually. There is currently £86,037 held in general unrestricted reserves plus the Capital Fund of £65,557 which is held for the future development of the Church, and a further £29,770 designated as the St Andrews Building Reserve.

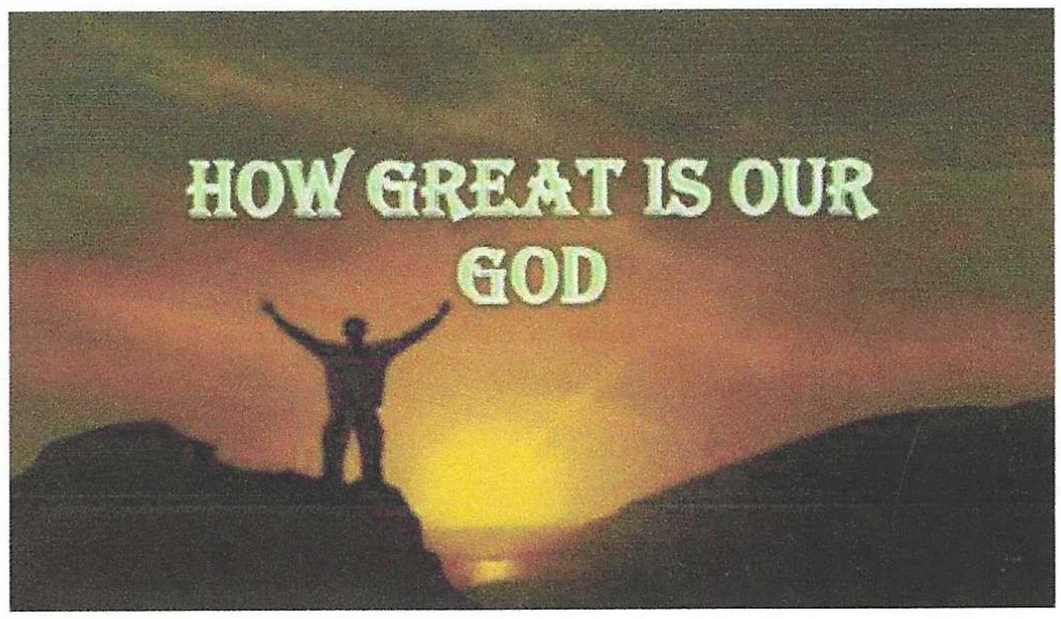
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Steve Harcourt FCCA of Azets Audit Services was the charity's independent examiner during the period.

Approved by the PCC on 14th April 2024

Signed on their behalf by

Rev'd. A Dring - Vicar/Chair



THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	150,276	-	915	151,191	136,563
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	36,745	-	-	36,745	20,008
Income from investments	1(c)	2,996	598	183	3,777	1,174
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	18,057	500	5,576	24,133	15,922
		208,074	1,098	6,674	215,846	173,667
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	9,286	-	-	9,286	10,127
Church activities	2(b)	162,990	6,423	6,220	175,633	150,437
Governance costs	2(c)	2,780	-	-	2,780	2,976
		175,056	6,423	6,220	187,699	163,540
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		33,018	(5,325)	454	28,147	10,127
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		(1,826)	1,878	(52)	-	-
TRANSFERRED FROM PREVIOUS P.C.C OF BLAGREAVES, ST. ANDREW		5,575	29,205	-	34,780	-
NET MOVEMENT		36,767	25,758	402	62,927	10,127
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2023		114,827	7,514	7,532	129,873	119,746
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2023		151,594	33,272	7,934	192,800	129,873

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Note	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
		£	£	£	£	£
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts and cash in hand		86,037	3,502	2,374	91,913	65,835
CBF deposit fund		65,557	29,770	5,560	100,887	63,522
Held as Agent		-	-	-	-	516
		151,594	33,272	7,934	192,800	129,873
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		6,227	-	-	6,227	5,922
Prepayments and other debtors		-	-	-	-	697
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		6,527	-	-	6,527	6,919
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	8,680	-	-	8,680	7,934
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		-	-	-	-	-
Accruals		2,725	-	-	2,725	2,610
		2,725	-	-	2,725	2,610

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 14th April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd. A Dring (Vicar)

L Edwards (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 8 to 13 form part of these accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. RECEIPTS

	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
1(a) Donations and legacies					
Planned giving:					
Gift Aid	100,031	-	-	100,031	91,803
Non Gift Aid	11,000	-	-	11,000	7,520
Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid	27,813	-	-	27,813	23,434
Collections (open plate) at all services	2,849	-	-	2,849	3,303
Sundry donations	7,583	-	915	8,498	10,503
Legacies	1,000	-	-	1,000	-
	150,276	-	915	151,191	136,563
1(b) Activities for raising funds					
Community Hubs lettings etc.	36,620	-	-	36,620	19,908
Adverts – magazine	125	-	-	125	100
	36,745	-	-	36,745	20,008
1(c) Income from investments					
Dividends and interest	237	-	-	237	236
Bank interest	2,759	598	183	3,540	938
	2,996	598	183	3,777	1,174
1(d) Income resources from church activities					
Magazines	607	-	-	607	674
Fees	8,546	-	-	8,546	5,612
Sundry	5,878	500	-	6,378	575
Lunch club	-	-	5,576	5,576	6,471
Cross keys café	3,026	-	-	3,026	2,590
	18,057	500	5,576	24,133	15,922
TOTAL RECEIPTS	208,074	1,098	6,674	215,846	173,667

2. PAYMENTS

	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2023 £	Total Funds 2022 £
2(a) Grants					
Missionary and charitable giving:					
Church overseas:					
- missionary societies	-	-	-	-	2,400
Home missions and other Church Societies	9,076	-	-	9,076	4,729
Sundry gifts	210	-	-	210	2,998
	9,286	-	-	9,286	10,127
2(b) Church activities – directly relating to the work of the church					
Ministry: Diocesan Common Fund	75,710	-	-	75,710	69,380
Clergy expenses	2,587	-	-	2,587	3,150
Church – running expenses	15,475	-	-	15,475	14,751
Church – maintenance and roof repairs	11,569	-	-	11,569	5,308
Upkeep of churchyard	7,036	-	-	7,036	-
Upkeep of services	3,713	-	-	3,713	-
Community Hubs running costs	16,596	-	-	16,596	13,720
Education	1,811	-	117	1,928	106
Sundry expenses	5,593	6,085	694	12,372	21,222
Youth and Family Worker	-	-	-	-	443
Cross Keys expenses	1,307	-	-	1,307	1,166
Lunch Club	-	-	5,409	5,409	5,754
Events	1,192	338	-	1,530	59
	142,589	6,423	6,220	155,232	135,059
Church activities – support costs					
Printing and stationery	4,426	-	-	4,426	3,671
Sundry expenses	-	-	-	-	202
Parish staff costs, social security and pensions	15,403	-	-	15,403	10,979
Vicarage water rates	572	-	-	572	526
	20,401	-	-	20,401	15,378
Total church activities	162,990	6,423	6,220	175,633	150,437
2(c) Governance costs					
Accountancy (re. independent examination)	2,780	-	-	2,780	2,976
TOTAL PAYMENTS	175,056	6,423	6,220	187,699	163,540

3. STAFF COSTS

No person connected with the PCC has been paid, or is payable, remuneration or other benefits from the funds of the council, except as follows:

Travelling and out of pocket expenses totalling £766 (2022: £835) were reimbursed to 4 (2022: 2) PCC members during the year.

4. INVESTMENTS

	2023 £	2022 £
Shares and Securities		
384 shares in the CBF's Investment Fund	8,680	7,934

These are stated at market value.

5. FUND DETAILS

Unrestricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2023 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2023 £
Capital fund	63,522	2,035	-	-	65,557
General funds	51,305	206,039	(175,056)	3,749	86,037
	114,827	208,074	(175,056)	3,749	151,594
Designated funds					
Ashes digging	1,442	20	-	1,928	3,390
Chair fund	6,072	13	(6,085)	-	-
St Andrew's Building Reserve	-	565	-	29,205	29,770
Recreate	-	500	(338)	(50)	112
	7,514	1,098	(6,423)	31,083	33,272
Total unrestricted funds	122,341	209,172	(181,479)	34,832	184,866

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2022 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2022 £
Capital fund	62,697	825	-	-	63,522
General funds	32,448	163,013	(139,729)	(4,427)	51,305
	95,145	163,838	(139,729)	(4,427)	114,827
Designated funds					
Ashes digging fund	-	1	-	1,441	1,442
Chair fund	6,065	7	-	-	6,072
	6,065	8	-	1,441	7,514
Total unrestricted funds	101,210	163,846	(139,729)	(2,986)	122,341

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2023 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2023 £
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,387	173	-	-	5,560
Tiddlywinks	171	160	(117)	-	214
Lunch Club	725	5,576	(5,409)	-	892
Churches Together	1,197	10	(269)	-	938
Other funds	52	755	(425)	(52)	330
	7,532	6,674	(6,220)	(52)	7,934

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2022 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2022 £
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,159	228	-	-	5,387
Womens Fellowship	2	-	-	(2)	-
Tiddlywinks	150	21	-	-	171
Lunch Club	608	5,871	(5,754)	-	725
IT Sound System	12,617	2,460	(16,779)	1,702	-
Churches Together	-	1	(90)	1,286	1,197
Other funds	-	1,240	(1,188)	-	52
	18,536	9,821	(23,811)	2,986	7,532

Legacy Mrs Pilling:	Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years.
Women's Fellowship:	Groups for ladies who meet once a month for worship and fellowship.
Tiddlywinks:	Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.
Lunch Club:	A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.
IT Sound System:	Monies donated for the acquisition of a new sound system.
Churches Together:	This fund was moved to St Peter's during lockdown for ease of management and with the consent of the church leaders. The fund primarily pays for insurance and advertising for joint events at Christmas and Easter. An account of annual transactions is available for partner churches upon request. Including them in a restricted account within the parish accounts ensures transparency.
Other funds	Funds held at the end of 2023 relate to a leaving gift

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER AND BLAGREAVES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2023 which are set out on pages 2 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Steve Harcourt FCCA
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
For an on behalf of Azets Audit Services

18 April 2024

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves

England & Wales - Charity number 1133061

Accounts

St Peter's Church
Littleover

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SPECIAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

AGENDA
Wednesday 26 April 2023 at 7.30pm
Parish Littleover & Blagreaves, St Peter's Church

There is no Vestry Meeting
This took place on 1 January 2023 when the new wardens were elected to the new parish. They will serve until the APCM 2024

Special Parochial Church Meeting
NOTE: Since a meeting took place on 1 January 2023 as the new parish was created, we are unable to hold the usual APCM. However, this meeting is to review the financial and activity reports of the parishes of St Peter's Littleover and St Andrew's Blagreaves. It will also offer opportunity for people to join the PCC or Deanery Synod as there are remaining vacancies.

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approve minutes of last St Peter's APCM (27 April 2022, see back pages of this document)
3. Approve minutes of the last St Andrew's APCM (9 April 2022), see separate document
4. Matters arising
5. Election to the
    - Parochial Church Council (3 vacancies)
    - Deanery Synod (3 vacancies)

    (tellers will be appointed to count voting papers if needed)
6. Financial report St Peter's Littleover – Mrs Sue Limberger
7. Financial report St Andrew's Blagreaves – Mr Peter Vincent
8. Reviewing reports for both parishes - time for questions
9. Results of Elections to PCC and Deanery Synod
10. Safeguarding update
11. Thank you to those stepping down
12. Chair's report and vision – Alicia
13. Any other business

    NOTE: Please notify any other business in writing to the Vicar or the PCC Secretary (Julie Scott) at least 48 hours in advance – this will guarantee a considered response.
14. Date of next APCM
15. Closing prayer and worship

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2022

To comply with the Charity Commission regulations of 1997 the following details about St Peter's Littleover are updated annually and included in the annual report. This is the final report of the Parish of Littleover following the establishment of the new parish of Littleover & Blagreaves on 1 January 2023.

Vision, Purpose and Organisation

Vision Statement for St Peter's
GRACE – God's people Reaching out to All: Church for Everyone

Aims and Purposes
St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Alicia Dring, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Halls of St Peter's, Normanton Lane, Littleover, Derby DE23 6GA.

Organisation of the PCC
St Peter's PCC is organised by holding alternative monthly PCC meetings on the first Tuesday of the month, except August and December. PCC Action Teams (Fabric, Mission Action Plan MAP, Children and Young People, Events and Creation Care) meet on the other months. If necessary, extra meetings may be organised. A Standing Committee meets alternate months to deal with routine matters or urgent business between PCC meetings.

Purpose and terms of reference of other teams and ministries at St Peter's
As St Peter's is a large church, business is conducted through delegated teams and committees answerable to the PCC. All organisations that function to further the vision and purposes of St Peter's, whatever their name, are ultimately answerable and accountable to the PCC. Leaders of any such groups should be available at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to answer questions from the floor if they should so arise.

The PCC 2022

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission, number 1133061.

The following have served as members of the PCC since the last APCM:

Revd Alicia Dring	Vicar and Chair appointed September 2013	
Revd Rachael Brooks	appointed July 2020 and ordained September 2020	
Jim Britland	Church Warden	appointed April 2018
Chris Jones	Church Warden	appointed April 2021
Sue Limberger	Treasurer	appointed April 2021
Ellen Goodman	PCC Secretary until April 2022	appointed April 2016
Julie Scott	PCC Secretary	appointed April 2022

Charlie Elston	Until 2023
Jenifer Baines	Until 2023
Dave Hargreaves	Until 2024
Robin Wood	Until 2024
John Bird	Until 2024
Heather Newstead	Until 2024
Marigt Staehr	Until 2024
Helene Roe	Until 2023

The Standing Committee 2022

Revd Alicia Dring	Chair
Jim Britland	Church Warden and Vice Chair
Chris Jones	Church Warden
Ellen Goodman/Julie Scott	PCC Secretary
Sue Limberger	Treasurer
Jenifer Baines	
Revd Rachael Brooks	From July 2020

Service Attendance at St Peter's Littleover 2022

Sunday Services Average over four consecutive weeks in October 2022	**Holy Communion 8am**	**Holy Communion 10am***	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	Service	74 (65)	Service
Total Attendees	closed	82 (110)	closed
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Holy Communion**		
Holy Communion	27 (12)		
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Easter Sunday 2022	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	16 (0)	120 (0)	
Total Attendees	16 (0)	132	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Holy Communion**
Christmas Eve 2022	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			31 (30)
Total Attendees	237 (140)	160(135)	34 (40)
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Christmas Day 2022	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	11 (10)	79 (37)	
Total Attendees	14 (10)	88 (80)	

* The 10am Sunday Services generally alternate between Holy Communion and Morning Worship/All Age
(XX) Figures in brackets are for the year 2021

Other Services held at St Peter's during 2022

Baptisms: *during the 10am Sunday Service*	4	(3)
Funerals/memorial	38	(34)
Weddings	3	(1)
St Peter's School Services	5	(1)
High School Services	2	(0)

Electoral Roll
107 resident in the parish and 57 live outside of the parish = 164 total roll

The Vicar's Report

This year was one of the most unusual of my ministry, not least because I had a three month sabbatical from May to the end of July. And while I spent some time on retreat and on holiday it took some time to shed my 'vicar' identity and rediscover Alicia. Steve and I were both grateful for your prayers as we readjusted and relaxed together.

The ten days before I returned was a whirlwind of activity as I cleared out my office, bought new furniture and a new carpet and so resumed work feeling organised and ready to return to parish life.

During that time it was wonderful to see how Rachael has flourished and along with the many weddings she took during that year, her training was certainly on fast forward during those months.

It was also a joy to welcome Reverend Jason Kennedy to join us as a Self Supporting Minister, when he was licensed to the parish in December. His invaluable experience in mission, along with his insightful preaching and inclusive approach makes him a valuable colleague on the team.

During the year we noted some celebrations and new initiatives. It was the centenary of the unveiling of the village war memorial and we held a short service on the day to mark the occasion. There were also the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, followed sadly by her death – as a church we marked both occasions appropriately.

In addition, the City Council decided to designate Church Street and Thornhill Road as School Exclusion zones – barring traffic at the beginning and end of the school day. Not only did this pile traffic onto Old Hall Road, Burton Road and Normanton Lane it has meant we have to take additional care in scheduling funerals to ensure attendees are not caught out by the cameras. However, it has proved much safer for the children since hundreds of cars can race up and down the road, especially around school hours, and the pavements can be narrow, putting the children at risk.

The planned Bishop's Mission Order with St Giles' Normanton planting a congregation in Blagreaves – which had a knock on impact to St Peter's with the parish merge – finally went out to consultation and recommendations were made to Bishop Libby. She made the decision that the BMO would not be workable and so permission to proceed was denied.

We experienced some significant deaths in our church family during the year. Former treasurer and warden, Margaret Stevenson. Ena Miller, well known from our Wednesday service and lunch club and Winifred Wormsley who died in December. Our most shocking loss was Stacey Elliott, only 41, partner to Neil and Mum to Sapphire and Daniel. As a type one diabetic it is thought she died from complications with her insulin. Church family were very supportive to Neil and when there was a fire in their home the day after the funeral, they came to live with us here at the Vicarage for a couple of weeks, while the house was cleaned. So many people have given Neil and the children such loving support and they are now in nursery and he is back at work part-time.

I am hugely indebted to John Bird and the MAP team who worked tirelessly through the year helping to formulate our Mission Plan for the new parish. This is a key tool to keep us outwardly focussed in how we serve our community, rather than just look to ourselves.

Towards the end of the year there was a great deal of work to bring the new parish to birth and Church of England systems grind exceeding slow as does associated paperwork, but we were ready at the end of the year to begin 2023 with the new parish.

Aside from my work here in Littleover, I am often called on to serve the wider Diocese and this last year has included managing the Diocesan response to the Living in Love and Faith project; work with General Synod; offering online training in baptism (for curates) and funerals (for readers). In addition, there has been a role as a portfolio assessor for the end of title curate, a privilege to support them as they reflect on their curacy.

A huge thank you to all of you who give of yourselves so tirelessly in the work of mission in our parish. As a church we have grown over the last year and with the new parish, new Mission Action Plan and a new curate when Emma Mallord joins us in July, there is plenty to keep us engaged in God's call on our lives. May we continue together to follow His voice and share His love and hope.

Rev Alicia Dring

The Curate's Report

2022 was the year that my curacy started to look like a 'normal' curacy! As well as the in-person services on Sunday and Wednesday plus funerals, lots of other interesting things started to pepper my diary including Lunch Club services, taking Holy Communion into Brookfields Residential Home and starting to imagine youth provision.

I had the joy of a few more baptisms through the year, including baptising my sister-in-law at short notice which was our family high note, but really, it was the year of The Wedding! Having had a wedding drought in 2021, I was eager to take on some 'cover' weddings so that I got the necessary experience and so as well as three here at St Peter's I took two at Tissington and one at Findern.

Amongst other more mundane things I learned how to involve children who are up for a starring role; the need to be firm about time/ lateness, although I need to work on finding a more successful incentive; that agreeing to take a wedding on Easter Saturday is a REALLY bad idea because there's enough going on in Holy week as it is; that organists need assertive handling at times(!); that confidence inspires confidence; and that it's essential to check the couple's details when a wedding is rescheduled after a long gap because they sometimes move house without telling the church… This picture is me 'tying the knot' with my ordination / celebration stole, which, rather fittingly, is made from my wedding dress – very eco-friendly!

Speaking of which, it was a joy through 2022 to be part of our Creation Care group as we got our teeth into the challenge we'd set ourselves of achieving an A Rocha Bronze Eco Church Award. You'll find the plaque acknowledging our success in the welcome area. But it's not just our success as a group, it's our success as a church because you've all joined in, in whatever ways you can. Next stop – Silver!

It was also the year that I got involved at St Peter's Junior School properly. As well as our uniform recycling project, which we repeated, I began to take collective worship regularly (assemblies) and got involved with the life of the school too – trying to explain the Holy Spirit to seven and eight year olds was a bit of a challenge. As was learning the words and actions to the new songs that PopUK taught school, the performance in church was fabulous – next time it's on I'd recommend offering to helping with tea and coffee so you get to see it, amazing!

But perhaps the most significant event of 2022 for me personally was the opportunity to take the reins when Alicia went on sabbatical for three months. I'd been worried about it in the run up, but it was an absolute joy – this is a safe church to practise leadership, everyone was so helpful and amenable. And so, I was approached about all kinds of things by people in the congregation, I led meetings and had several rather random events happen that required me to take the lead in decision-making. One of which involved liaising with the PREVENT team in Derby – bit of unexpected learning.

All in all, 2022 was a great source of personal, spiritual and professional formation – exactly as it was supposed to be. And it finished on a high – presiding at Holy Communion on Christmas day with a large Brooks contingent as well as you all – my St Peter's family.

Rev Rachael Brooks

Treasurer's Report

This is the third and final report I am presenting to St Peter's Church Family, as Tim and I felt God was calling us to pastures new and we are now settling into our new home in Shropshire. It has been a privilege to serve St Peter's for several years and we will miss this very special church family. *(Pictured here as they left in October 2022, with the gift of an apple tree for their new garden).*

The family of St Peter's has always been faithful in their giving and 2022 was no exception. The majority of giving is now by standing order. However, the electronic card reader which is available at all services has been an invaluable asset allowing any church family and visitors to the church to easily make donations.

As usual each year brings financial challenges and opportunities. At the end of 2021 it was agreed that a new audiovisual system would be purchased and this was completed in May 2022, at a cost of just over £20,000, This would have not been possible without the generous donations from the church family, which covered over75% of the cost, with only a relatively small short fall needing to be met by Church funds. This was a big factor in enabling us to balance our accounts with an overall net surplus.

I would like to thank everybody who has supported me, especially Jim and Alicia, and of course a big thank you to Iona who took over the banking of all cash and cheques in 2022, which enabled me to continue to support the church as treasurer whilst no longer living in Derby.

Finally I would like to propose that the 2022 accounts be accepted, and that Azets of Nottingham Chartered Accountants be accepted as independent examiners for 2023.

Sue Limberger

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	132,863	-	3,700	136,563	132,523
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	22,598	-	-	22,598	11,234
Income from investments	1(c)	937	8	229	1,174	266
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	7,440	-	5,892	13,332	11,072
		163,838	8	9,821	173,667	155,095
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	8,939	-	1,188	10,127	9,193
Church activities	2(b)	127,814	-	22,623	150,437	117,996
Governance costs	2(c)	2,976	-	-	2,976	2,765
		139,729	-	23,811	163,540	129,954
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		24,109	8	(13,990)	10,127	25,141
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		(4,427)	1,441	2,986	-	-
NET MOVEMENT		19,682	1,449	(11,004)	10,127	25,141
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		95,145	6,065	18,536	119,746	94,605
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2022		114,827	7,514	7,532	129,873	119,746

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts		50,789	7,514	7,532	65,835	57,049
CBF deposit fund		63,522	-	-	63,522	62,697
Held as Agent		516	-	-	516	-
		114,827	7,514	7,532	129,873	119,746
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		5,922	-	-	5,922	6,639
Prepayments and other debtors		697	-	-	697	2,527
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		6,919	-	-	6,919	9,466
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	7,934	-	-	7,934	8,992
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		-	-	-	-	257
Accruals		2,610	-	-	2,610	2,526
		2,610	-	-	2,610	2,783

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

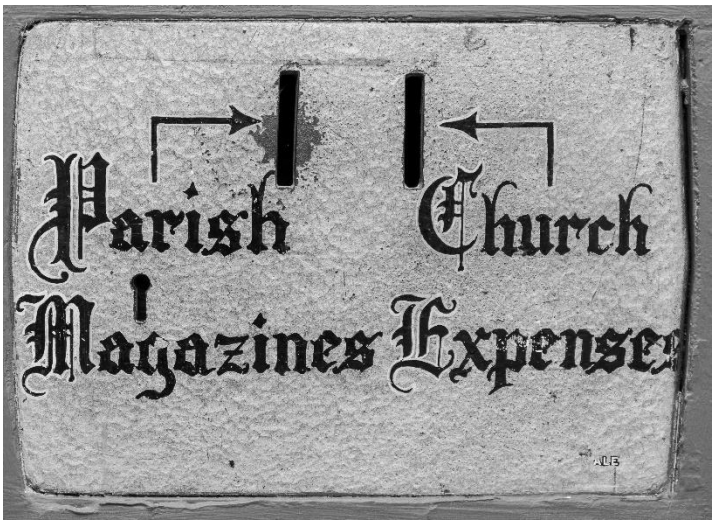
Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 13 April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd. A Dring ..... (Vicar)

S Limberger ..... (Treasurer)

Gift Aid Report for Financial Year 2022

For the 2022 financial year, total donations which qualified for Gift Aid amounted to £89,619 which delivered a tax recovery of £22,404. Gift Aid donations in 2022 showed a slight decrease over those of 2021 which were higher because of the sound desk appeal. Even in these times of financial difficulty for many, we really do appreciate the incredible generosity of all in the church family. It is very much appreciated.



	2021			**2022**		
	Gift Aid Donations	Tax Recovered	Gross Income	Gift Aid Donations	Tax Recovered	Gross Income
Quarter 1	£19,880	£4,699	£24,579	£21,604	£5,401	£27,005
Quarter 2	£23,053	£5,624	£28,677	£23,781	£5,945	£29,726
Quarter 3	£24,471	£6,118	£30,589	£21,141	£5,285	£26,426
Quarter 4	£26,540	£6,635	£33,175	£23,093	£5,773	£28,866
Total	**£93,944**	**£23,076**	**£117,020**	**£89,619**	**£22,404**	**£112,023**

The figures show what an enormous difference Gift Aid makes to the funding of the work of our church; so, a huge thank you to everyone who supports the church with donations whether through their bank or through the electronic giving terminal in church.

Please remember that it is very important for you to notify the church office if your contact details change, if your circumstances change and especially if you no longer pay an amount of income and/or capital gains tax equal to the tax that we reclaim on your donations. Further information on Gift Aid is available from the church office.

Chris Woodhams
Gift Aid Secretary

PCC Secretary's Report

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) Trustees met six times in 2022.

Most of the PCC Action Groups have met through the year and their minutes are provided in advance of every meeting to ensure everyone has the information they need. In addition, the PCC Standing Committee met six times. All meetings start and end in prayer.

We are grateful to Sue Limberger as Treasurer, who, even though she moved out of the area, has continued to serve in her post. This was to see us up to the April 2023 meeting and the presentation of accounts and we are very grateful for her faithful service. We also welcomed Heather Newstead as a new member of the PCC. I was appointed as the PCC secretary at the April APCM, succeeding Ellen Goodman and I have been thankful for her support during my first year. Jim Britland was re-elected as Church Warden and joined by Chris Jones. When Alicia was on sabbatical, meetings were chaired by Reverend Rachael Brooks.

The Standing Committee and PCC meeting agendas continue to remain in a standard format which includes an action column. Most of the paperwork for the meetings continues to be distributed and stored electronically in an endeavour to save on paper and printing.
The significant topics that the PCC has discussed over the year have included:

- Finance and the generosity of Church Family to enable the installation of a new sound and AV system during the late Spring. A fund remains to replace the worn blue chairs during 2023
- Major ongoing projects led by the Fabric Team, alongside the sound and AV system included ongoing maintenance of building and grounds. Many thanks to the small team that work hard in this never-ending job and the involvement of Community Payback
- Our Mission Action Plan project, which has progressed and blossomed throughout the year and resulted in five key mission objectives for us to focus on over the next five years. Thanks go to the team who made this happen and in particular to John Bird for his leadership
- We continued to worship with our brothers and sisters from St Andrew's Blagreaves and look forward to our merger in 2023
- We had to make a decision on Church Hall lettings when a one-off let that purported to be a community meeting turned out to be something unexpected that we had to report to PREVENT. All future lettings are required to commit to presenting nothing contrary to the Christian faith
- Community engagement – emerging from Covid has meant that many of our public and popular services – Remembrance, Christingle, etc – have been open without ticketing or limits on numbers and it has been good to see the community return
- Safeguarding – features on every PCC agenda. Thanks go to Margit Staehr (Children and Young People) and Janet Edwards (Vulnerable Adults) for their very important roles in this area
- The continuing support to St Peter's Junior School – part of DDAT Academy Trust – and the headteacher Frazer Smith. Huge congratulations to them for their encouraging SIAMS report
- Relationships with the other churches in Littleover and Blagreaves.

Thank you to all who have served, advised, encouraged and prayed for the PCC during this last year. We are thankful for faithful servants and sufficient resources to follow God's call.

Julie Scott

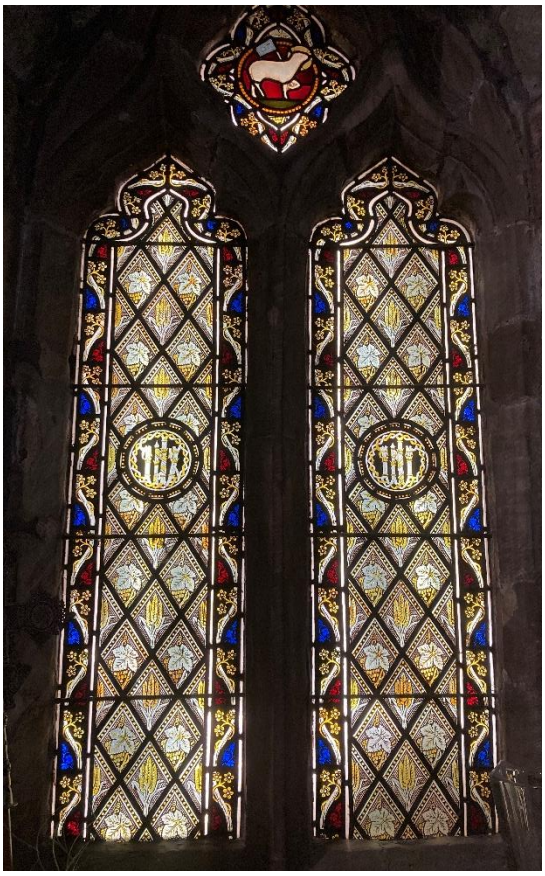
Churchwardens Report

1 Corinthians 15:58

"Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord because you know that your labour in the Lord is not in vain."

It is hard to believe that Jim is moving into his final year of his maximum six years allowable as a church warden and Chris starting his third year. Thankfully we seemed to have turned the corner from a Covid perspective and although it is still around, it is now part and parcel of everyday life going forward. With the exception of the administration of Holy Communion our church diary has returned to normal.

One positive consequence of the pandemic has been the development of our on line capability. The media system upgrades carried out in 2022 has greatly improved the transmission of our weekly Sunday service. The team now all sit together co-ordinating sound and vision and the sung worship is delivered by two ambient microphones positioned high up in the main church. We would like to thank everybody who has stepped up to assist with this vital piece of ministry. Especially those who gave sacrificially to meet the final bill.



A key responsibility of the church wardens is the fabric of the church. We retain a significant to do list at all times both for the church and the Church Hall. Recently the fabric team has recruited new members bringing the team some key skills. We would just like to thank everybody who has recognised the need to get involved and support the warden's efforts. During 2022 we installed two light boxes to back light the two stained glass windows which are part of the north and south wall of the Chancel. We also carried out some key refurbishment work at the Hall. The wooden panels under the windows of the upper hall were replaced complete with improved insulation, and the outside woodwork was treated to a coat of preservative.

The to do list remains challenging for 2023. Disposal of the green waste produced by the Churchyard is a key issue that we need to resolve. Please consider lending a hand as and when we announce the need for support for churchyard clean ups and one or two painting projects we have planned.

Another group of people we would like to thank are the Vergers, Duty Wardens and welcome teams. This group of people carry out vital duties which we could not manage without.

As wardens we are both excited to engage with the new "season" that we find ourselves in. The MAP has now been launched and momentum is gathering.

Jim Britland and Chris Jones

Safeguarding Report

Safeguarding is a standing agenda item at PCC meetings, and with my election to the PCC at the APCM in May 2022 I have witnessed first-hand the close and immediate attention to any safeguarding issues arising during the year. Thank you, fellow PCC members for your welcome and highly appreciated support.

Thanks, are also due to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team headed by Hannah Hogg who have stepped up their support of PSOs by introducing monthly drop-in sessions on zoom, facilitated by Sue Griffin, Judie Fogarty and colleagues including the trainer Nick Harding, all second to none. This panel of expertise is giving each PSO the heads up on forthcoming policy or document revisions, and not least the opportunity to deliver feedback, ask for guidance and to share experiences with PSOs from other parishes.

Last, but not least a warm thank you to Reverend Alicia and Reverend Rachael for their work on drafting new Volunteer Agreements for leaders and helpers in our various children's groups, our vulnerable adults' luncheon club, our prayer ministry, and our pastoral visitor's team. Our brilliant Church Administrator, Iona has been invaluable in having it all printed and sorted - there are now 70 agreements in place. The monitoring and liaising with leaders on these teams is invariably an ongoing task.

Safeguarding Roles

- Margit Staehr holds the role of Parish Safeguarding Officer (PSO) for St Peter's Littleover with responsibility for Children's and Young People's safeguarding, overall administration of safeguarding training, DBS applications and Volunteer Agreements
- Janet Edwards continued her role as PSO for Vulnerable Adults and as administrative support for St Andrew's, Blagreaves up until the end of 2022 when she stepped down from her role as planned. Janet deserves much credit for all she did and leaves a space for a successor who feels called to serve alongside Margit
- Feel free to speak to Reverend Alicia or to Margit if you are interested in helping maintain and develop good safeguarding practices, are conscientious with paperwork and respectful in your approach. The myriad of different people in our lovely church congregation is a constant inspiration.

Safeguarding Training Matrix/Policy

Early in the year 2022 the requirement to complete Awareness of and Responding Well to Domestic Abuse was significantly widened to become mandatory for all PCC members as well as other Church officers incl. Children's helpers, Leaders, Pastoral teams, Clergy and Lay Ministers. Church of England initially produced an e-learning module, but in October, with the support of Bishop's Council, changed the delivery of this highly sensitive training with immediate effect to become available only on zoom or in person, delivered by the Diocesan trainer in the presence of a trained volunteer supporter. It was considered that individuals doing this course on their own would be unsafe and poor safeguarding practice since it may trigger trauma, upset and unexpected disclosures.

Safeguarding Learning in numbers

- 18 completed Basic and Foundation modules
- 7 completed Safeguarding Leadership training
- 25 completed Awareness of Domestic Abuse training

DBS incl. renewals following the change of validity from five to three years

- 37 Enhanced and 3 Basic DBS applications were completed and processed.
- Current status: All eligible DBS are in place or in the process of being obtained.

Safeguarding Referrals

- Two safeguarding referrals were made, dealt with and resolved with the assistance of the Diocesan Safeguarding Team.

General

- The PCC annually submits a statement to the Diocese indicating that the practice within the Parish adheres to its guidance. This is a formal obligation and ensures compliance with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy discipline measure 2016
- The PSO also submits a statement affirming that appropriate child protection systems and processes are in place.

Margit Staehr

Mission Report

Our mission work is divided between financial and prayer support for our mission partners and evangelistic/local mission here in the parish. Both are important for us to see beyond our own needs. Further progress on our Mission Action Plan for the new parish is featured later in this report

Mission Partners

We keep up to date with our Mission Partners through monthly articles in Keyhole magazine and they feature in our prayers each month. During the year Tim and Kate Lee from Jigsaw Kids Ministries came to visit church and showered our children with Haribo!

We began a new three-year programme of commitment to our mission partners, following consultation with the congregation. This means we will continue to give until 2025. However, we may need to reconsider adding others with the formation of the new parish and considering charities that have been supported by St Andrew's.

Mission Partner Funding 2022-25	**£**
LOCAL	
Derby City Mission	500
Food4Thought (foodbank)	200
Borderline Arts	500
NATIONAL	
Care for the Family	500
INTERNATIONAL	
CMS – Lee Family/Jigsaw	1400
Penny & Juan Carlos de Marces	1400
The Bible Society	500
PASH Kenya	500
Open Doors	500
Tearfund	500
Emergency Fund	500
	£7000

Mission in the Parish

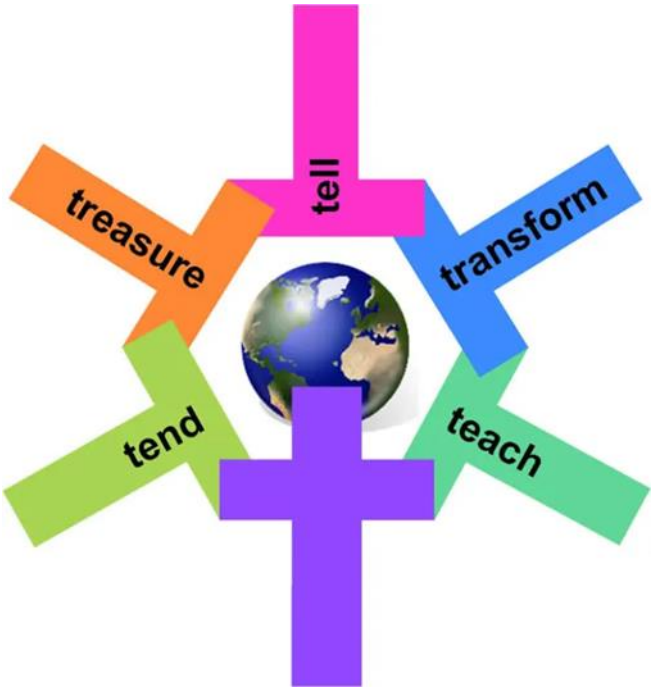
We ran an Alpha course at the Vicarage on a Sunday evening during the Autumn term – it was very good to be able to meet in person and to share the journey of faith together. Although it was a small group, discussion was lively. Alpha is a great way to explore the Christian faith and all who participated were encouraged and blessed in their journey with God.

MISSION GIVING FOR THE YEAR 2022

Name	Year 2021 Restricted	Year 2021 Unrestricted	Year 2022 Restricted	Year 2022 Unrestricted	Area of work
Bible Society		500		500	Overseas
Care for the Family		500		500	National
CMS Jigsaw		1,400		1,400	Overseas
Children's Society	560			760	National Christingle
Emergency Fund	500			500	Red Cross Afghanistan & DEC Pakistan Floods
Harvest Appeal Bishop of Derby		155		0	Overseas
Christmas Lunch on Jesus		360		650	Local and Overseas
Derby City Mission	200 Plus 400 for Church Street Pastors	500	400 for Church Street Pastors	500	Local
Food4Thought			1381 Harvest Appeal	200	Local Foodbank Hub
Borderline Arts				500	Local
St Peter's Derby	480				Local Christmas Lunch on Jesus
Head High Mental Health Derby		500		Giving ended	Local
MAF		500		Giving ended	Overseas
de Marces		1,400		1,400	Overseas
Barnabas Fund/ Open Doors		500		500	Overseas
PASH Kenya				500	Overseas
Royal British Legion	0			280	Secular Charity/national
Rachel and Dominic		500		Giving ended	Overseas
TOTAL	2140	6815	1781	8190	
	Total 2021	8955	**Total 2022**	**9971**	

Mission Action Plan (MAP)

In January 2022 the mission consultation was launched at the morning service. The Reverend Jason Kennedy, Diocesan Missioner, preached on the theme of the Five Marks of Mission.
The consultation, with the church family and the local community took place over two months. It was conducted through questionnaires, and conversations with community groups, medical and social workers, businesses and people living in the area.
Many opinions, suggestions and ideas were fed back. During the Summer these were carefully examined and formed into what emerged as five Key Mission Objectives (KMO) as follows:



Key Mission Objective 1

- **to become an outward-facing church**

Key Mission Objective 2

- **to contribute towards meeting the needs of all our community**

Key Mission Objective 3

- **to improve our mission to children, young people and their families**

Key Mission Objective 4

- **to establish effective, relevant, and meaningful two-way communications with our local community and the church family**

Key Mission Objective 5

- **to safeguard God's creation and sustain the environment.**

Each of the KMOs contained several practical goals which had been identified in the consultation feedback and so during the Autumn the mission plan was finalised.

At the end of December 2022 the plan was in place, ready to be approved by the PCC of the new parish of Littleover and Blagreaves and then to be implemented through five KMO teams. Huge thanks to the Mission Action Plan Team for their contributions and commitment – Alicia, Rachael Brooks, Bernie Burton, Ann Burton, Emma Russell, Julie Scott, Peter Maybury, Phil Eley.

John Bird

Fabric Team

The Fabric Resources Team comprises: Chris Jones, Jim Britland, Jan Jackson, Dave Hargreaves, Allan Scott and from October included Bernie Burton. Jan mainly did the minutes and Phil and Angie Rollinson retired as active members. Throughout the year we had six meetings.

CHURCH

- Backlight to light up the ancient stained glass windows in the Upper Chancel. Jim cleaned the glass with cotton balls and water. Chris made two boxes to frame each window from behind (from the warden's office and the kitchen respectively), using Tricoya panels left over from the Church Hall project. LED lights were fitted by Peter Goodman. The boxes have a temporary fixing so no faculty was needed
- Flag Poles: On receipt of a faculty, two newly laid up British Legion standards were installed on new brackets made by Allan Scott. Existing brackets were cleaned up and the poles re-varnished to make good. May 2022. Brackets set higher to ensure unfurled flags are above head height. September 2022
- Tony Rowe cleared guttering around church
- Leak into Organ Vestry by archway to upper chancel. Repaired Dec 2022
- Quinquennial: Though completed in September 2021, we had to wait until May 2022 for the actual report from Architect. Heavy focus on £100K of roof problems, but nothing we can't manage. And no urgent actions required!
- Water saving bags from Severn Trent fitted to all four cisterns in Church toilets. All part of our steps towards our Eco Church Award
- Ongoing problems with plumbing in toilets. Flap valves and filler valves replaced. November 2022
- Walk of Witness Cross: New cross made to replace the previous one "borrowed" by persons unknown after last Easter. Nails removed on health and safety concerns !!
- New Sound and Audio Visual System installed by Hilltop. Winch for old projector screen on the dais removed
- Church Alarm: Alarm failed. Looked at Chubb and Verisure for dual alarm systems. [4G SIM card and IP connection]. Contract placed with Chubb, £1322 because of genuine police response. November 2022.

CHURCHYARD

- Community Payback suspended their visits for three months due to staff shortages to manage the offenders. They concentrated efforts on cutting the Glebe Land grass in time for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations
- Canadian Maple by the west door of Church. Subject to a Tree Preservation Order and a Decision Notice, the branches were pruned to a 3m clearance with the Church. Sam Wass. January 2022
- Yew Hedge by War Memorial: Community Payback have reduced the height to four feet and trimmed the width. Improves visibility of Church from Normanton Lane. Safe height to not fall over on Remembrance Sunday
- We need to address the mounds of surplus gardening waste in the church grounds. Hannah's Fields contacted, with a view to composting or burning some of the matter. Community Payback suggested building large compost areas
- Gate by Normanton Lane needed adjusting several times throughout the year. Allan Scott made additional hook and eye brackets, but the oak has perished and screws no longer attach gate furniture securely. Allan made and fitted a brace to prevent further gate sagging
- Chris has cut branches from Scarsdale House garden, overhanging and touching the North of the toilet block roof
- Scout Hut Land: Investigation to see if part of their playing field nearest the boundary with the Churchyard might be suitable for a new Garden of Remembrance. Field rodded over a large area, but the ground is very boggy and has a rocky soak-away close to the surface, which makes it unsuitable for further burial ground
- Complaints of a tree potentially pushing over the boundary wall/garden shed at 10 Normanton Lane. Resolved by cutting off one of the Elder tree's trunks
- Wild flower beds planted by Church congregation to make the churchyard more insect friendly as part of our Eco Church work. One by the West door, two by the main Churchyard footpath. May 2022
- Bush removed to North of main path from Normanton Road. Used stump puller. November 2022.

CHURCH HALLS

- Trees on the boundary of the Church Halls and The White Swan. The branches of six trees were overhanging and touching the roof of the Church Halls. Sam Wass did this in January
- Gutter on West side of large hall, had become detached. Tony Rowe did the work, Dave Rowe having retired
- Several exterior lower panels on the small Church Hall were rotten and needed replacing. All panels were replaced by Tatlow, who also fitted King Span insulation in the gap between interior and exterior panels, at the cost of £3,168. Fabric team and volunteers painted outdoor white emulsion. April 2022
- Church Hall boiler appeared not to be functioning correctly. The Small Hall was not reaching a satisfactory temperature when the Large Hall heating is also on. Blue Flame resolved the issues in a five hour meeting in April. Boiler was going into an energy saving mode, so after running hot water boiler was taking 15 minutes to ramp up to full power. Software was re-programmed, so now takes only 5 minutes
- Peter Goodman has replaced all lights in the Church Hall with LED powered tubes
- Large Hall floor has been stripped, sanded and re-varnished by Melbourne Flooring. March 2022.

Thanks to all who took part throughout 2022.

Chris Jones

Events Team

After a fallow period due to the pandemic, the Events Team arranged a Quiz and Puddings evening on St George's Day on 23 April. This was a jolly get together for the church family after such a long time, and people attending brought along delicious desserts to share. It proved to be a successful evening with Terry Wood providing a general knowledge quiz and everyone had plenty to eat.

This was followed by a celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Sunday 5 June from 4pm to 7pm. This was open to the whole community and publicity was distributed around the area with an invitation to bring your own picnic while the team provided Pimms and a celebration cake and Just Ice ice cream was sold. It was planned to be outdoors but unfortunately the weather was dull and rainy and the event had to held in the church hall. It was still a happy occasion with bunting and balloons outside although some people had been put off by the weather.

The next event was the Church Fete held on Saturday 3 September which was free and open to the whole community of Littleover and was opened by Amanda Solloway MP. The weather was kind on this occasion and many people attended between 2pm and 5pm. Some of the highlights were the Crossed Keys café, Derventio Brass band, Just Ice ice cream tricycle and many stalls including Creation Care, Knit & Natter and a popular chocolate tombola and cake stall. The bunting came out again and the event was very well attended and there were traditional races for the children, at which Amanda helped out.

Ann Dean kindly offered to cook a roast beef dinner for the Harvest Lunch which was held on Sunday 2 October for the church family after the morning Harvest Service at 12 noon. Events Team provided apple crumbles for dessert. Whilst having tea and coffee after lunch, we all enjoyed a talk by local farmer Angela Sargent who explained some of the difficulties farmers have in producing and selling their crops. It was an enjoyable and thought-provoking time of fellowship and learning together.

With inspiration from Sally Britland, church groups were invited to decorate a church window with part of the nativity story and together with crafts and children's activities The Journey to Christmas was open to the public on 10 December from 10am to 4pm.

People were invited to fill a cracker with a reminder of the events leading to the birth of Christ. This event was very well attended and refreshments were available, both sandwiches and seasonal cakes.

The year was rounded off with a church family Christmas party in church on Wednesday 21 December with quizzes, mulled wine, cocktail bites, mince pies and Christmas cake. Around 30 people attended this event and it was a good opportunity for fellowship together.

Projected events for the new year include Coronation celebrations in May and a Festival with St Peter's School at the beginning of July.

The Events Team regard all the events as either providing opportunities for fun and fellowship for the church family and also as a form of outreach into the community with events such as the festival and Christmas event. Our team is very small but dedicated and we would welcome new members. If you are interested in joining us please contact Robin Wood.

Robin Wood – Events Team Leader
Members: Alicia Dring, Terry Wood, Peter Maybury and Jacqueline Woodhams

Robin Wood

Worship Group

This was a quiet year in terms of membership. Sue Limberger left for pastures new with our thanks, however we have welcomed Phil Batten to the group, and look forward to further worshipping with him.

The year was notable for a return to near normality following Covid but, most of all, for the impact of the new sound system in the Spring which has led to a noticeable improvement in the sound we are able to make. We now enjoy good foldback and our communications with the sound desk team has benefitted from Peter Goodman now being in charge of both areas. Our thanks are due to Tim and Sue Limberger for their hard work in the purchase and installation of the new system.

One particular highlight was a Cajun Drum workshop (pictured) for us all to learn how to best use our newest instrument – some took to it like a duck to water and we are all a work in progress.

Peter Goodman and David Barker

Data Protection

The church operates within our GDPR guidelines, only keeping and using data as required. This is an ongoing job as we address lists held outside of the church office and the appropriate security needed to safeguard people's personal details. If you hold any lists, please can you consult with Iona about how you store details to ensure we continue to be compliant. If you have any feedback that you think may help us with this, please contact Iona Hague in the Church Office.

Alicia Dring

Parish Administrator

Although I started working at St Peter's church back in November 2019, due to the Covid pandemic, 2022 was actually my first proper uninterrupted year in the role, where I was able to experience all of our annual church events in their full glory, for the first time.

Although a lot of my work is done in the background, I really do enjoy my role, as Parish Administrator, and always try to do it with a smile on my face! I love interacting with people, both members of the congregation and visitors, whether that be in person, on the phone or via email and very much see my role as a customer service one, where I try and help everyone I come into contact with.

The work I do continues to be varied, such as preparing the weekly Interlink, lots of photocopying, background work for services and events, funerals, interment of ashes, weddings and baptisms, co-ordinating the diary, monthly financial reports, receiving in and sending out payments, ordering resources, sorting rotas, reporting on copyrighted songs, keeping the contact list updated, printing the monthly Keyhole magazine etc. I also manage the hall hires and do the banking on behalf of the treasurer. We were lucky enough to have a new photocopier in the office this year, which has made things a little quicker too!

From a personal point of year, 2022 has been a year of ups and downs, I sadly lost my mother in law in March and then my own mum in July, which has been terribly hard at times. However, on a happier note, I celebrated a milestone birthday, my oldest son turned 18 and passed his driving test, and Richard and myself celebrated our 20th wedding anniversary – so lots to be thankful for!

I'm looking forward to 2023 and all its changes, as we integrate with St Andrew's.

Iona Hague

Keyhole

Hugely grateful to the team of John Bird, Julie Scott and Jeni Baines who produced the magazine while I was on sabbatical. We continue to use illustrated resources from Parish Pump and Cartoon Church and I am grateful to the Creation Care Team and the MAP team for their monthly contributions. With the new parish, and hopefully a new logo, we will look at the layout of the magazine and how we distribute copies as part of our KMO4 Communications vision.

Alicia Dring

Creation Care Team

The team originally consisted of seven members (now down to three) and has met six times over the year. Our main focus has been working through the A Rocha Eco Church scheme. We were fortunate to have Sue Limberger on the team, as she was instrumental in recording our efforts for the award. The scheme is very comprehensive and touches on most aspects of greening our activities here at St Peter's and St Andrew's. We were given the Bronze Award in August 2022 and it was relatively easy to achieve. Working towards the Silver Award will be more challenging and will require more involvement from the church and wider community.

During the year, we have participated in the St Peter's School Fair, encouraging parents to use pre-loved uniform in order to stop it going into landfill. The children played a variant of 'splat the rat' trying to stop the rat going into landfill. At the Church Fete in September, we sold vegan ice cream and samosas and Rachael Smith brought a variety of vegan pates for people to try. Green cleaning and washing up products are now used on church premises, but disappointingly there are no green kitchen products approved by Environmental Health, so the kitchen in the hall continues to have non-green surface cleaners and washing up liquid. The pill strip recycling continues to be very successful.

The Fabric Team has been very supportive, changing the church lightbulbs to LEDs, the loo and office paper to recycled, reducing water consumption in the loos by purchasing 'hippos' for the cisterns. They have also improved the insulation in the church hall. In the Autumn the church agreed to host a meeting for the Middleton Avenue Climate Action Group about green domestic energy possibilities. The PCC has asked for more information about solar panels, possibly to share energy with the school, but this is on hold, until Rachael Brooks has finished her placement. The Church of England has pledged to be carbon neutral by 2030, so every parish will have to evaluate and improve its carbon footprint and the PCC has been asked to complete this.

The team has recognised that we will need to call on the skills and talents of the wider church members and are pleased that so many have indicated an interest in being involved through the MAP process. It will be great to have more people on the team.

Julia Cross

Messy Church

We have held Messy Church five times this year and after a slow start post Covid we have a lot of families attending from church, Tiddlywinks and St Andrew's Preschool. We provide crafts, baking, painting and puzzles on a Biblical theme followed by a song and talk and then finishing with a buffet tea.

This year we also opened a games room in the top hall with table tennis Jenga, snooker, plus older age crafts, for the 11+ age group. They can use both rooms as they wish and we have a lot of the older children enjoying this. Many of them have been attending over the last ten years and still enjoy the atmosphere of Messy Church. Thank you to Joan, Fiona and Paul, Charlie and Ruth, Chris and Linsey, Ann and Bernie, Dave and Irene, Ann, Joy. Sue and Jane, for all the help in preparing the crafts games and refreshments.

Liz Eley

Tiddlywinks

Tiddlywinks has slowly recovered after Covid, a lot of our children moving on to school over the two years, meant it was like starting up a new group.

We now have a regular group of mums and grandmas who together with the children, enjoy the toys, songs and story. We gave them advent calendars and a story booklet at Christmas and another book at Easter. Thank you Liz S, Fiona, Di and Irene for all your support .

Liz Eley

Energise and Go!

Energise (2nd and 4th Sundays) uses storytelling, drama, crafts, puzzles, questions and games to tell share a Bible story with the children and young people. We use themes like relationships. Bible characters and festivals. Go (3rd and 5th Sundays) is Lego themed and the children have a story, think about what it means and create their response to the story using Lego. It's a great way to enter into the story and help remember it.

The children always enjoy coming back into church and sharing what they have done and the wider congregation love to see the children in church and their families. Thank you to Richard, Rachael, Joy and Ann for being on the teams and all the work you do.

Liz Eley

Diddy Disciples

At last, Diddy Disciples has become more established - Hooray!

As Covid restrictions have lessened so our Group has woken up and we have really enjoyed contact with five young disciples and the privilege of getting to know them better. The children are aged between 18 months and 3 years of age and always require 2 adults to make up the group. Diddy Disciples itself is now approximately 18 months old.

Each week we try to make Church a 'good' place for the children to come to, somewhere they want to be. We have fun playing, and might do craft or role play a Bible story or message, making the message very simple. We like to use a multi sensory approach to make the time fun and the message memorable, let the children know that God loves them and is their friend. We end with a prayer, helping our youngsters to become used to talking with God.

We have enjoyed occasional support from Sarah Sherrington and Jenny Russell when regular leaders have been away, and do thank them very much for their help. We thank our Church Family too for their super reception of the groups' young members, in the children's sharing time in the service. Thank you to the Church Family for your support, love and prayers and we look forward to another happy year. If anyone is interested in joining us please get in touch.

Ruth Elston, Ann Lunn and Fiona Taylor

ReCreate

Since we began in February 2022 we have met twice a month in the small church hall, to explore and share our different styles of creativity, sometimes following a theme, other times doing our own thing.

At ReCreate we aim to

- Have fun together by playing with our creativity without looking to produce a specific end product
- Be non-judgemental of our creativity and the creativity of others
- Encourage one another by sharing ideas, techniques and styles of creativity
- **To offer a safe place to explore faith and creativity, where all are welcome.**

Attendance

We have had a total of 20 people join us over this time, with an average attendance of 12, the majority, but not all, are part of St Peter's and St Andrew's congregations, with three people invited along by friends.

A selection of the feedback received from the group:

"ReCreate has given me time for me, space, sharing together, learning more appreciation of Creation, deeper and different ways of interpreting passages from the Bible, challenging myself"

"I have experienced Recreate as an oasis, where the invitation for the Holy Spirit to be with us, the creative activity, the gentle background music, the murmuring of conversations, the connecting with others have all been therapeutic. It has also inspired me to be more creative at home"

"I think that as all things happen through God, God has moved among us by making the work we produce and bringing us together."

"I have found a new "sense of daring", to try some new things! Assurance that all that God sees "is good" however shambolic I might think a sense of fun in discovering together"

"I've enjoyed being able to talk with others in a relaxing environment"

"I love being creative with others. I'm learning to be less critical of my creativity"

"Having been to many art classes in my life, ReCreate brings all the skills and experience because of the different materials we use to express scripture. It makes you think deeper and brings you closer to God"

Finances

We have been entirely supported by the group's voluntary donations. Our balance for the year:
Donations/income: £143.40 Expenditure: £98.30

Safeguarding

Sally Britland, Joy Pomroy and Carole Dickinson have completed the required Safeguarding training

Future Plans

We are progressing slowly and prayerfully in opening ReCreate to a wider community.

Sally Britland, Carole Dickinson and Joy Pomroy

Pastoral Visitors

The Pastoral Visitors team has reformed over this last year and has discussed how we may support the most vulnerable of our church family – many of whom are isolated at home. We have also considered risk assessments and how to keep ourselves, and those we visit, safe.

Home Communions took place during the year and visiting resumed when people felt safe enough to welcome us back into their homes. A particular thank you to all who have printed and delivered Interlink or shared Church on the Phone with those isolated at home.

Alicia and Rachael have shared Holy Communion regularly with residents at Brookfields Nursing Home.
Jenny Cooper also said: "Ann Vincent and I have taken a service regularly at Cedar Tree Care Home on Blagreaves Lane in the past year. We aim to do one each month singing familiar hymns, having Bible readings and prayers. We usually meet together in a dining room but when we celebrate the festivals we have a service in the spacious lounge and have also celebrated Holy Communion We are still needing to wear face shields and have a negative Lateral Flow test to visit but have been able to dispense with gloves and aprons. It is a real joy to share in these times with the residents and we are grateful for all the staff who help at and enable these services to take place."

If you would like to be part of the Pastoral Visitors team in 2023 please get in touch with Jenny, Alicia or Rachael.

Alicia Dring

Parish Prayers

As part of the 'Thy Kingdom Come' season of prayer in May '22 the church Zoom room was open for an hour of prayer on the first Sunday evening and the Tuesday evening of season. There was also an afternoon when St Andrew's Church was set up with Prayer Stations for people to come and use and respond. From then on, the church Zoom room has been opened most 1st and 3rd Sunday evenings from 6pm to 7pm for an hour of prayer for anyone and everyone who is available to meet together in the presence of God to listen and to pray for the church, our community and our city and such other things that God lays on our hearts or that are requested. It has been good to have had this opportunity to pray together at this time with the new parish coming into being and the development of the Mission Action Plan.

Jenny Cooper

Homegroups

Our Home Groups continued this year – most in person, but some online as times demanded – all offering friendship, fellowship and prayer. These smaller groups offer space for real growth, challenge, encouragement and support.

We continued to follow our pattern of sermons and studies linked together – ensuring that there was additional time for discussion and reflection, expanding on whatever was shared on the Sunday. This helps us to apply deep theological themes to our own spiritual journey and to be accountable to one another. If you would like to be part of a Home Group please get in touch with Alicia or Rachael.

Alicia Dring

Prayer Ministry Team

"The Lord is my portion, says my soul, therefore, I will put my hope in Him."
Ffald y Brenin, a wonderful place to go on retreat, in Wales, and uses a rhythm of daily prayer for the staff and visitors as they meet together to pray at set times during the day. There are songs of worship and prayers on these prayers using words from Lamentations 3 v 21-24, some of which I felt led to write below:

This is the day that the Lord has made this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope.
The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases His mercies never come to an end
They are new every morning, new every morning
Great is your faithfulness O Lord. Great is your faithfulness
The Lord is my portion, says my soul,therefore, I will put my hope in him.

What a wonderful reminder that when we come forward for prayer, we are putting our hope in the Lord for an answer. Psalm 91 v 15 *"When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them."*

I know I speak for the whole team when I say it is such a privilege to pray for you and it is always done in the strictest confidence. It is impossible to do this ministry without the help of the Holy Spirit. We enjoyed meeting as a team throughout the year for breakfast, sharing together, praying together.

All members of the team do Safeguarding training before they are able to minister in Church and the training is renewed every three years. As part of the training this year the Diocese requested an additional course on domestic abuse.

We said farewell to Steve Dring and Angie Rollinson who have other commitments in the Lord's service and thank them very much for their faithfulness to the prayer ministry over the years.

I would like to thank the following special people on the Prayer Ministry Team for their commitment to this ministry and for their support to me: Ruth Allen, Bill & Maggie Browne, Julie Degg, Les Dickinson, Phil Eley, Irene Hargreaves, Heather Newstead, Joy Stanwell & Robin Wood. Thank you so much.

Lesley Edwards

Knit and Natter

The last year has been busy with folk knitting and crocheting a mixed amount of items. We changed the time that we meet by 15 minutes to 2.15 still finishing a 4pm. The knitted crown went on the post box twice, once for the Queens jubilee and second on her passing. The summer fete saw knit and natter's table loaded with toys, blankets, etc. representing what we do as a group. We had people wanting to purchase these things so it was decided that we would ask for donations and in total made over £100, they were very generous. We also gave away lots of knitted and crocheted hearts, with a label saying "God Loves You". Baby hats and blankets were delivered to the hospital and Mary, Joseph and the manager decorated the post box during the Christmas period.

Crossed Keys Café

The Crossed keys café opens on a Monday morning from 9:30am till (approx.) 12:30pm. We are delighted to serve the members of the Singing Together group every week. We also have a small number of loyal regular customers as well as a little passing trade. From time to time we are asked to host the members of a walking group from Mickleover which roughly doubles our customer numbers!
We continue to make small innovations such as introducing a different tempting tray bake each week. We think these changes have been generally well received. We enjoy serving the Church and the local community and were happy to be a part of the Church's Warm Space initiative over the winter months.
We have endeavoured to maintain our prices despite the cost of many of our supplies increasing greatly. Due to these cost pressures the contribution of £1,334.84 to Church funds in addition to £370 for hall hire is slightly down on the previous complete year's figures.
We must record our thanks to all who have helped us out in the last year, especially Ann Dean for regularly supplying cakes, and Jacqueline Woodhams, Irene Hargreaves, Joan Ditch and Helen Homes who have helped out with washing up. A special thanks to Lindsey Jones who has always been available to help and who has provided us with some delicious cakes.
We would always welcome new customers. Why not drop in on a Monday morning for a drink, a bite to eat and a chat?

Paul and Fiona Taylor

Warm Space

We set up a warm space hub on Mondays, to include the café in the morning and to continue over lunch until 3.30pm. The initiative was set up in the November along with partner churches in the area and we offered free tea and coffee plus toast if requested. We are grateful for those who gave willingly of their time to staff this after the café had closed, but apart from one regular visitor it never really took off and ceased at the end of February 2023. It is hoped that Churches Together in Littleover & Blagreaves may be able to offer a more co-ordinated response in Autumn/Winter 2023**.**

Alicia Dring

Thirsty Thursdays

Thirsty Thursdays have resumed in earnest in 2022 – every second Thursday of the month. The White Swan are always very welcoming and reserve a table for us. Numbers fluctuate but conversation always flows.

Steve Dring

Lunch Club

Lunch Club has met throughout 2022 with some new guests joining us, some guests have sadly passed away. The family of one member who had latterly been in a residential home donated half the collection at his cremation service to the Lunch Club. We used this to provide a free 'Lunch on Gordon', which the family thought was a great tribute to him. There is sufficient money left over for another 'Lunch on Gordon' to celebrate King Charles' Coronation.

We have a great team of volunteers who make this wonderful outreach into the community each week. Without them this weekly meal would not be possible. If anyone reading this feels they could help on a monthly or weekly basis do come along and see what Lunch club is all about. There are many tasks to participate in, serving on tables, washing up, helping with the cooking or setting up and putting down the tables and laying the tables. Many hands make light work. Once a month there is a short service before the meal is served, and many of the members attend this taken by Alicia, Rachel or David, with Phil Eley providing the music. Some members have since joined the weekly church services after participating in our monthly service.

This church activity certainly fits well into The Mission Action Plan, reaching out into the local community and beyond. Showing how caring our church family is. With our 'Listener', representing Alicia each week, talking and praying with any members who need reassurance or prayer. We are certainly one big happy family.

Lunchclub Income and Expenditure 2022		
Money in bank 1 Jan 2022	£902.68	
Cash in hand 1 Jan 2022	£189.44	
	£1092.12	**TOTAL monies held**
Money collected in 2022	£5385.80	
Money spent in 2022	£5754.57	
	-£368.77	**Income/Exp balance**
	£723.35	**Final Balance 31.12.22**

Ann Dean

All Age Team

The All Age Team continue to put together and lead the 10am service on the first Sunday of each month and each week throughout the summer holidays. We meet together to pray and plan with our aim to have something for everyone across all ages in each service.

We were obviously quite constrained as we emerged from the restrictions of Covid in terms of activities but we try to ensure there is something to take home from each service. As we look forward our hope is to have more inclusive activities/crafts for everyone and we are grateful for ideas from Sally Britland and Joy Pomeroy. None of our services would be possible without the amazing support from the technical team and worship group who are very patient as we prepare and deliver each service. We all have different strengths and skills to bring to the team and it is a huge privilege to be able to serve God in this way working together with the Holy Spirit to offer a clear and accessible message.

Team: Sarah S, Jane C, Deidre C, Rachael Band Alicia D **Sarah Sherrington**

Churches Together in Littleover and Blagreaves

Churches Together in Littleover and Blagreaves comprises six churches; Newmount Methodist Church, St Andrew's Blagreaves, The Haven Christian Centre, Littleover Methodist Church (LMC), Littleover Baptist Church and St Peter's Littleover. There were some online meetings of church leaders and some in person opportunities to chat and pray.

Discussions on how we witness to our local schools – 12 in total – was high on our agenda and meetings were planned for early 2023. Some churches already have good relationships but there are some large gaps. An advert was placed in Littleover Life to share all the local Christmas services and it's hoped this will continue.

Alicia Dring

St Peter's C of E Junior School

Another exciting year at St Peter's C of E Junior School!

We continue to grow, develop and reintroduce 'normality' following the pandemic. We saw the return of school trips, performances and residential visits. Our Year 5 children had a wonderful 3 days in beautiful Edale and our Year 6 children spent a week by the sea in sunny Swanage.

We continue to work in partnership with St Peter's Church with regular visits from Reverend Alicia and Reverend Rachael. We also re-welcomed parents and carers back into church for our services which was lovely to see. A highlight of the year was the PopUK concert where all of our children performed with such energy to families and the local community.

Towards the end of the year, in October, we received our SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) inspection. It was an opportunity for our school and our amazing children to showcase our welcoming school and community. The inspection was a positive experience and we were delighted with some of the comments:

- Together, the whole school community at St Peter's share a clear Christian vision. This vision, and associated values, underpin the whole life of the school, seeking to unlock the potential of each individual pupil.
- St Peter's Junior School is a highly inclusive, cohesive and compassionate community where everyone is valued and nurtured as the unique person God created them to be. Opportunities for spiritual development and reflection are sometimes missed as the school lacks a clear shared view of what spirituality means to them.
- Pupils are valued and their voice is heard. They live out the school's vision and values through care for each other, social action and opportunities to challenge injustice. Through this, this school stands as a beacon of hope in the community.
- Collective worship is highly valued and is enriched by meaningful opportunities for pupil leadership, although formal evaluation is limited. Worship significantly influences the lives of both pupils and staff, enabling them to flourish.

We're looking forward to another year of growth and development.

Frazer Smith Headteacher

Deanery Synod Report

The Synod met four times, the first meeting being on Zoom, and the later three in person.

At the first meeting January the main item was a presentation by Canon Julian Hollywell on Living in Love and Faith. It is a Church of England initiative to encourage engagement across the whole church with issues of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage – and what it means to live in love and faith together as a church.

In Bearing Fruit, Liz Runcorn talked about the relaunch of Inside Out, an initiative by St Peter's in the city to work with Ex-offenders, many of whom have long term issues with drug and alcohol addiction.

In the May Synod, the main item of business was a presentation by Steve Johnson, the Living Generously Officer from the Diocese. He described himself as the resource officer for sustainable giving. He promoted the Parish Giving Scheme, which is designed to help churches to encourage their congregations to give regularly.

In Bearing Fruit. Reverend Dawn Knight from St Nicholas, Allestree talked about their Play and Praise scheme, started during the pandemic, to involve parents and babies with lunch included.

The main speaker at the September Synod was the new Archdeacon of Derby City and South Derbyshire, the Venerable Matthew Trick. He introduced himself and then asked Synod members to discuss in small groups the partnerships they have with outside organisations and the key characteristics of their local community. He challenged us to come up with one idea that we could individually or corporately implement in the next 18 months to initiate further ministry. He followed this with a presentation on Warm Hubs.

Reverend Dr Simon Cartwright was presented with gifts to thank him for his work as acting Area Dean.

At the November meeting, Madeline Goddard, the Lay Chair announced the Reverend Sarah Watson had been appointed as the new Area Dean, and Reverend Mina Munns as Assistant Area Dean.

The main speaker was Aiden Watson, the Strategic Lead of Youth Ministry in the Diocese, who works with Sarah Brown, the Diocesan Children's Adviser, and members of the Youth Council. He said that the Church of England wants to double the number of young disciples by 2030. The church needs to be intergenerational, and needs a culture change, to encourage young people in the parishes to share their faith with their peers. A resource pack has been developed by Scripture Union, YWAM and Broadway Baptists, to engage with schools. There is a Derby Youth and Children's Ministry network for children's and youth workers in schools and churches.

Peter Vincent gave an update on the Parish Ministry Energy Grant Scheme. The Church Commissioners have awarded the Diocese £343,000. This is being split three ways, with each parish and BMO getting at least £450, with higher amounts for parishes with high energy costs, and those in deprived areas to support missional purposes and crises.

Ann Vincent Deanery Synod Representative St Andrew's

Joyce Harpur Charity

2022 has once again been a busy year for the charity – especially through the ever-rising cost of living crisis which is sadly affecting more and more people.

Background: The Joyce Harpur Charity was set up in the 16th century to benefit the poor of the parish and over the centuries has shared financial support with individuals in desperate need. (The picture opposite shows the Harpur family monument from the Chancel). The applicants must live within the parochial parish boundaries of St Andrew's Blagreaves or St Peter's Littleover and each application is assessed in the strictest confidence on a case-by-case basis. Grants are given out just before Christmas at the discretion of the Trustees.

The current Board of Trustees comprises seven people plus the clerk. There are four members from St Peter's Church: our vicar, both church wardens and our curate. There is one church member from St Andrew's and two councillors appointed by Derby City Council.

The AGM is held in the spring and the annual accounts were received at this time. Once accepted, the accounts were audited and submitted to the Charity Commission as part of the annual return. The Trustees meeting that followed on from the AGM reviewed the previous year's application process (along with the application form) and made plans for the autumn application window. At the October meeting, the finances and grants were reviewed.

In 2022, 28 applications were received and 23 grants given. Over 30 children received gifts from the Derby City Mission Christmas Connection, 5 families received Reversed Advent Calendar Food Hampers donated by church members. On top of this 10 people were encouraged to visit the Jubilee Debt Clinic and 20 people were encouraged to apply for Christmas Lunch on Jesus – which again operated differently to past years to provide Christmas Day dinner thanks to a gift card/voucher scheme in conjunction with Aldi. A lot of people like yourselves have made a huge difference through your generosity to those struggling in our city at Christmas, so THANK YOU.

We also received a substantial donation to the Charity which gave some of our applicants a further gift.

I would like to thank Jen Downing for her work and the seamless transition and handover to me during 2022.

If you have any questions about the work of the Charity, please do ask.

Ellen Goodman Clerk to Joyce Harpur

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Parishioners of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover held on 27 April 2022 at 7.30pm

Present: Revd Alicia Dring, Romaine Abayasekara (zoom), David Barker, Jenifer Baines, John Bird, Doreen Bird, Jim Britland, Sally Britland (Zoom), Rachael Brooks, Deidre Cheetham (Zoom), Paul Cheetham, Jenny Cooper (Zoom), Julia Cross, Philip Cross, Patrick Dean, Ann Dean, Carole Dickinson, Les Dickinson, Jen Downing, Lesley Edwards, Charlie Elston, Ruth Elston, Lynn Elston, Liz Eley, Phil Eley, Michael Furniss (Zoom), Julia Furniss (Zoom), Ellen Goodman, Peter Goodman, Janet Guy, Penny Halfpenny, Dave Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Jonathon Hemingray, Pete Homes, Jane Hughes, Chris Jones, Linsey Jones, Di Learman, Aubrey Learman, Sue Limberger, Tim Limberger, Heather Newstead, Helene Roe, Angie Rollinson, Jon Russell, Allan Scott, Julie Scott, Joy Stanwell, Margit Staehr, Liz Stephenson, Fiona Taylor, Paul Taylor, Rachel Whitehorn, Robin Wood, Chris Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams.

Opening Prayer and Worship – Revd Rachael opened the meeting with prayer and read from Philippians 1:3-11. Revd Alicia Dring chaired the meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Bill Browne, Maggie Browne, Margaret Ditchfield, Neville Ditchfield, Steve Dring, Janet Edwards, Mike Edwards, Merryl Faleiro, Richard Faleiro, Wendy Gretton, Tiffany Hey, Roger Hey, Helen Homes, Jenny Russell, Sarah Sherrington, Christine Taylor.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (28 April 2021)**
   Alicia explained how the voting was going to happen on Zoom with the use of reactions or hands up. The difference between the two meetings was also explained. Revd Alicia Dring chaired the meeting and explained the protocol of being a member on the church electoral roll before being allowed to vote.
   Amendments to item 3 – remove the word 'with' before President,
   The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record following the amendments.
   Proposed by Jane Hughes and Seconded by Peter Goodman.
   Passed and signed by Revd Alicia Dring.

3. **Election of Churchwardens**
   Alicia explained the rules of voting.
   There were two nominations for Churchwardens.
   Chris Jones Proposed: David Hargreaves Seconded: Angela Rollinson
   Jim Britland Proposed: Chris Woodhams Seconded: Jacqueline Woodhams
   Both elected unanimously

The meeting closed at approx. 7.50pm

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) of Church Electors of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover
27 April 2022

Present: Revd Alicia Dring, Romaine Abayasekara (zoom), David Barker, Jenifer Baines, John Bird, Doreen Bird, Jim Britland, Sally Britland (Zoom), Rachael Brooks, Deidre Cheetham (Zoom), Paul Cheetham, Jenny Cooper (Zoom), Julia Cross, Philip Cross, Patrick Dean, Ann Dean, Carole Dickinson, Les Dickinson, Jen Downing, Lesley Edwards, Charlie Elston, Ruth Elston, Lynn Elston, Liz Eley, Phil Eley, Michael Furniss (Zoom), Julia Furniss (Zoom), Ellen Goodman, Peter Goodman, Janet Guy, Penny Halfpenny, Dave Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Jonathon Hemingray, Pete Homes, Jane Hughes, Chris Jones, Linsey Jones, Di Learman, Aubrey Learman, Sue Limberger, Tim Limberger, Heather Newstead, Helene Roe, Angie Rollinson, Jon Russell, Allan Scott, Julie Scott, Joy Stanwell, Margit Staehr, Liz Stephenson, Fiona Taylor, Paul Taylor, Rachel Whitehorn, Robin Wood, Chris Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams.

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Revd Alicia Dring chaired the meeting and explained the voting rules.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (28.4.21)**
   Amendments to Sidesmen/women, should read 'no longer'.
   The minutes were then accepted as a true and correct record. Unanimous with 2 abstentions. Passed and signed by Revd Alicia Dring.
   Alicia also announced some changes to the annual report that had been brought to her attention following printing.
   Page 4 – We are a charity with charity number 1133061
   Page 4 – Rachael is not co-opted but a member of the PCC but does not vote
   Page 9 – Azets of Nottingham independently examine the accounts (not auditors)
   Page 10&11 - calculation amendments

3. **Matters Arising**
   None

4. **Electoral Roll Report – Jane Hughes**
   Jane thanked everyone for checking the roll. Jane made a special thank you for the help from Iona Hague for their help.
   There are now 111 residents and 54 non-residents on the Electoral Roll making a total of 165. The new roll is not due until 2025.

Jane Hughes proposed that the Electoral Roll be accepted as a true and accurate record. Seconded: Chris Jones. Passed unanimously.
Alicia thanked Jane for her time and work.

5. Election of Churchwarden Results

Jim Britland and Chris Jones were duly elected as Churchwarden for the coming year at the Vestry Meeting.

6. Elections to the PCC

Alicia gave thanks to Ellen Goodman and Wendy Gretton whose terms of office have come to an end. Helene Roe has stepped down as a member of Deanery Synod and Tiffany Hey retired in July 2021.

There are 2 PCC vacancies for 3 years – 2 PCC vacancies for 1 year
3 Deanery Synod vacancies for 1 year

Nominations for PCC are:

- Helene Roe – Proposer: Sarah Sherrington Seconder: Deidre Cheetham
- Margit Staehr – Proposer: Charles Elston Seconder: Ruth Elston
- Heather Newstead - Proposer: Jenny Russell Seconder: Jon Russell

The three nominations were unanimously elected to the PCC.

There are two vacancies available on the Deanery Synod for one year.
There were no nominations for Deanery Synod this year.
Alicia encouraged everyone to pray about the role of Deanery Synod member.

Alicia thanked every member for their work on the PCC in the last year.

Sidesmen/women

We no longer need to approve a list of sidesmen and women however Alicia expressed her thanks for the work done by the welcome teams and sides people across all services, including all the duty wardens.

The Terrier was available by appointment via the Wardens prior to the APCM.

7. **Treasurer's Report – Sue Limberger**

This is the second report I have presented to St Peter's Church Family, and it continues to be a privilege to serve you all in this way.
If we had hoped that 2021 was going to return to what we had known as normal before 2020 then we could have been disappointed as COVID continued to affect all our lives in so many ways. However, as a family of St Peter's we have certainly tried, and I believe succeeded, in ensuring that COVID was not going to stop us enjoying being able to worship

together. This is thanks to our leadership team for their vision and of course the media team, to enable services to be available via Zoom as well as live streamed.
The family of St Peter's has always been faithful in their giving, and this has continued in 2021, with over 95% of giving now being via standing order.

Despite the many challenges that 2021 presented I just want to say a massive thank you as we managed to balance our books and showed an overall net surplus. This resulted from our giving increasing by 10% as well as increased income from our church hall, despite it being closed for 4 months. Of course, this surplus also includes the generous donations received for the implementation of the new AV system, which will be installed later in 2022.

Finally, I would like to thank everybody who has supported me, especially all those in leadership, Chris Woodhams for his work in gift aid and Iona who helps with counting any cash and banking all cheques that are received.

I would like to propose that the 2021 accounts be accepted
Seconded by Jenifer Baines. Unanimous

and that Azets of Nottingham (formally Baldwins) Chartered Accountants be accepted as independent examiners for 2022.
Seconded by Angie Rollinson. Unanimous.
No questions.

Alicia thanked all involved for their work, time and efforts.

8. Reviewing Reports

No questions prior to APCM.

9. Election Results

Not applicable

10. Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adult Procedures

The report was published in the Annual Report.
Margit Staehr and Janet Edwards are managing this together. Margit responsible for Children and Young People and Janet Vulnerable Adults.
Margit thanked everyone for their attitude to safeguarding and their awareness of its importance.
Alicia thanked them both.
No questions.

11. Thank you

Alicia thanked everyone involved with activities during 2021 and contribution of reports however big or small and work done in the background.

Special thanks, gifts, flowers and cards were received by Ellen Goodman (6 years as PCC secretary) and Angie Rollinson (30 years managing Church Hall).

12. Chair's Report and Vision – Alicia

You've already sat through a lot this evening and read the mountain of reports made available so I'm not going to stretch the time any further. But before I begin, I would like us to stand in remembrance of those in our fellowship who have died during 2021. If you are able, would you please stand: We remember Keith Leeson, Vera Lees, Sidney Guy and Norman Whitton.

I just want to thank you all for your faithfulness over the last year and your determination to stay as part of our church family – whether that is in person or online. Thank you for those who have bravely left home to return to church, thank you to our tech teams who every week ensure that those who are unable to get to the building are still able to participate and thank you to our welcome teams and cleaning teams who have had to adapt with every changing risk assessment.

I am fully aware that this has not been easy but am grateful for your patience and thoughtfulness that we protect those who are vulnerable and move at the slowest pace of the most cautious in our fellowship. These will be stories we will share in our old age – "Do you remember when it was covid?"

I believe we have emerged stronger than before. We have overhauled a number of different ministry areas and the biggest impact is praying as a whole team before our 10am service – ministry team, worship group, tech team, readers and prayers – it has led to a real change in our services where it seems God is more present and active than ever before. And people are coming to join us – attracted not by us, but by the Holy Spirit of God – and this is a good thing.

In terms of the future, we will soon see the end of the parish of St Peter's Littleover as during the next year the new parish of Littleover and Blagreaves will be formed when St Andrew's officially closes. Our Mission Action Plan team have been doing amazing work to formulate a new way forward that is listening to the needs of the community and responding appropriately.

Being witnesses to the Christian gospel is about showing care and compassion about listening and growing relationships – the old model of handing out tracts or making people feel guilty is not appropriate in 2022. But when people feel seen and cared for then they want to know why – it is then we can share our faith in more depth. Living out the gospel in deed as well as word is our calling.

13. Any Other Business – Ellen, on behalf of the congregation, thanked Alicia and Rachael for all they mean and do for us.

14. Date of Next APCM Meeting – 26th April 2023

15. Closing Prayer, Worship and Blessing – Revd. Alicia Dring

The meeting closed at approx. 8.30pm and Rachael led prayers for Alicia to send her into her sabbatical

All members of the new and present PCC were invited to a short meeting following the APCM to elect a Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and members of the Standing Committee.

Space for your own notes, thoughts or prayers

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Registered Charity Number: 1133061

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Parochial Church Council members who are also the trustees of the charity, who have served from 1 January 2022 until the date this report was approved are:

MEMBERS/TRUSTEES	J Baines	
	J Bird	
	J Britland	Church Warden
	Rev'd. R Brooks	(Curate)
	Rev'd. A Dring	Vicar & Chair
	C Elston	
	E Goodman	Secretary (Retired 2022)
	W Gretton	(Retired 2022)
	D Hargreaves	(Appointed 2022)
	S Limberger	Treasurer
	C Jones	Church Warden
	H Roe	
	J Scott	
	R Wood	
	M Staehr	(Appointed 2022)
	H Newstead	(Appointed 2022)
	R Wood	(Appointed 2022)
SECRETARY	J Scott	
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	St Peter's Church Church Street Littleover Derby	
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	S Harcourt Azets Audit Services 2 Regan Way Chetwynd Business Park Chilwell Nottingham NG9 6RZ	
BANKERS	Barclays Bank Plc 22-26 St Peters Street Derby DE1 1SH	
	CCLA Investment Management Limited Senator House 85 Queen Victoria Street London EC4V 4ET	

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street Littleover, Derby. It is part of the Diocese of Derby within the Church of England. The charity's working name is St Peter's, Littleover PCC.

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009 (Charity Number 1133061). The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is to co-operate with the minister, the Rev'd. A Dring, in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as in accordance with the PCC (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended by the measure of 1969.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Promoting in the Ecclesiastical Parish the whole mission of the Church.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance

There were 164 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 57 of whom are not resident within the parish.

Closure of Parish

The Parish of Littleover St Peter's was formally closed on 31 December 2022 and merged with the Parish of Blagreaves St Andrew's to form the new Parish of Littleover and Blagreaves.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Average Sunday attendance at St Peter's in 2022.

Sunday Services Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship 8am**	**Morning Worship 10am**	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	Service	74 (65)	Service
Total Attendees	Closed	82 (110)	Closed
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	27 (12)		
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Easter Sunday 2022	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	16 (0)	110 (120)	
Total Attendees	16 (0)	110 (120)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Morning Worship**
Christmas Eve 2022	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			31 (30)
Total Attendees	237 (140)	160 (135)	34 (40)
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Christmas Day 2022	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	11 (10)	79 (37)	
Total Attendees	14 (10)	88 (80)	
Figures in ( ) = 2021 attendance			

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

TREASURERS REPORT

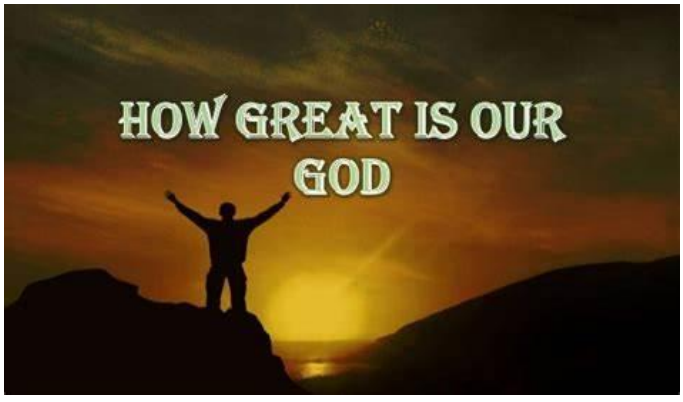
This is the third and final report I am presenting to St Peter's Church Family, as Tim and I felt God was calling us to pastures new, and we are now settling into our new home in Shropshire. It has been a privilege to serve St Peters for several years and we will miss this very special church family.

The family of St Peters has always been faithful in their giving and 2022 was no exception. The majority of giving is now by standing order. However, the electronic card reader which is available at all services has been an invaluable asset allowing any church family and visitors to the church to easily make donations.

As usual each year brings financial challenges and opportunities. At the end of 2021 it was agreed that a new audio visual system would be purchased and this was completed in May 2022, at a cost of just over £20,000, This would have not been possible without the generous donations from the church family, which covered over ¾ of the cost, with only a relatively small short fall needing to be met by Church funds. This was a big factor in enabling us to balance our accounts with an overall net surplus.

I would like to thank everybody who has supported me, especially Jim and Alicia, and of course a big thank you to Iona who took over the banking of all cash and cheques in 2022, which enabled me to continue to support the church as treasurer whilst no longer living in Derby.

Finally, I would like to propose that the 2022 accounts be accepted, and that the new finance team source independent examiners for the PCC approval in 2023.



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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves Policy
Three months core income will be kept – to be used only if necessary. Three months operational expenditure equates to £30,000 to be reviewed annually. There is currently £50,789 held in general reserves plus The Capital Fund of £63,522 which is held for the future development of the Church.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Steve Harcourt FCCA of Azets Audit Services was the charity's independent examiner during the period.

Approved by the PCC on *13 April 2023*

Signed on their behalf by

Rev'd. A Dring - Vicar/Chair

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	132,863	-	3,700	136,563	132,523
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	20,008	-	-	20,008	11,147
Income from investments	1(c)	937	8	229	1,174	266
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	10,030	-	5,892	15,922	11,159
		163,838	8	9,821	173,667	155,095
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	8,939	-	1,188	10,127	9,193
Church activities	2(b)	127,814	-	22,623	150,437	117,996
Governance costs	2(c)	2,976	-	-	2,976	2,765
		139,729	-	23,811	163,540	129,954
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		24,109	8	(13,990)	10,127	25,141
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		(4,427)	1,441	2,986	-	-
NET MOVEMENT		19,682	1,449	(11,004)	10,127	25,141
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		95,145	6,065	18,536	119,746	94,605
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2022		114,827	7,514	7,532	129,873	119,746

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

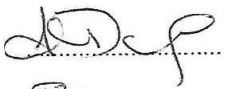
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

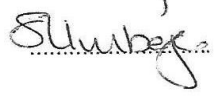
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Note	General Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2022	Total Funds 2021
		£	£	£	£	£
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts		50,789	7,514	7,532	65,835	57,049
CBF deposit fund		63,522	-	-	63,522	62,697
Held as Agent		516	-	-	516	-
		114,827	7,514	7,532	129,873	119,746
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		5,922	-	-	5,922	6,639
Prepayments and other debtors		697	-	-	697	2,527
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		6,919	-	-	6,919	9,466
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	7,934	-	-	7,934	8,992
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		-	-	-	-	257
Accruals		2,610	-	-	2,610	2,526
		2,610	-	-	2,610	2,783

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on *13 April 2023* and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd. A Dring  (Vicar)

S Limberger  (Treasurer)

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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	80,467	140,901	(126,223)	-	95,145
Designated funds					
IT Equipment fund	1,799	-	-	(1,799)	-
Chair fund	6,065	-	-	-	6,065
	7,864	-	-	(1,799)	6,065
Total unrestricted funds	88,331	140,901	(126,223)	(1,799)	101,210

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

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Womens Fellowship	2	-	-	(2)	-
Tiddlywinks	150	21	-	-	171
Lunch Club	608	5,871	(5,754)	-	725
IT Sound System	12,617	2,460	(16,779)	1,702	-
Churches Together	-	1	(90)	1,286	1,197
Other funds	-	1,240	(1,188)	-	52
	18,536	9,821	(23,811)	2,986	7,532

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Tiddlywinks	150	-	-	-	150
Lunch Club	753	2,110	(2,255)	-	608
IT Sound System	-	12,084	(1,266)	1,799	12,617
	6,274	14,194	(3,731)	1,799	18,536

Legacy Mrs Pilling:	Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years.
Women's Fellowship:	Groups for ladies who meet once a month for worship and fellowship.
Tiddlywinks:	Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.
Lunch Club:	A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.
IT Sound System:	Monies donated for the acquisition of a new sound system.
Churches Together:	This fund was moved to St Peter's during lockdown for ease of management and with the consent of the church leaders. The fund primarily pays for insurance and advertising for joint events at Christmas and Easter. An account of annual transactions is available for partner churches upon request. Including them in a restricted account within the parish accounts ensures transparency.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Steve Harcourt FCCA
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
For an on behalf of Azets Audit Services

13 April 2023

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Parochial Church Council members who are also the trustees of the charity, who have served from 1 January 2022 until the date this report was approved are:

MEMBERS/TRUSTEES	J Baines	
	J Bird	
	J Britland	Church Warden
	Rev'd. R Brooks	(Curate)
	Rev'd. A Dring	Vicar & Chair
	C Elston	
	E Goodman	Secretary (Retired 2022)
	W Gretton	(Retired 2022)
	D Hargreaves	(Appointed 2022)
	S Limberger	Treasurer
	C Jones	Church Warden
	H Roe	
	J Scott	
	R Wood	
	M Staehr	(Appointed 2022)
	H Newstead	(Appointed 2022)
	R Wood	(Appointed 2022)
SECRETARY	J Scott	
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	St Peter's Church Church Street Littleover Derby	
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	S Harcourt Azets Audit Services 2 Regan Way Chetwynd Business Park Chilwell Nottingham NG9 6RZ	
BANKERS	Barclays Bank Plc 22-26 St Peters Street Derby DE1 1SH	
	CCLA Investment Management Limited Senator House 85 Queen Victoria Street London EC4V 4ET	

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street Littleover, Derby. It is part of the Diocese of Derby within the Church of England. The charity's working name is St Peter's, Littleover PCC.

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009 (Charity Number 1133061). The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is to co-operate with the minister, the Rev'd. A Dring, in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as in accordance with the PCC (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended by the measure of 1969.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Promoting in the Ecclesiastical Parish the whole mission of the Church.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance

There were 164 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 57 of whom are not resident within the parish.

Closure of Parish

The Parish of Littleover St Peter's was formally closed on 31 December 2022 and merged with the Parish of Blagreaves St Andrew's to form the new Parish of Littleover and Blagreaves.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Average Sunday attendance at St Peter's in 2022.

Sunday Services Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship 8am**	**Morning Worship 10am**	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	Service	74 (65)	Service
Total Attendees	Closed	82 (110)	Closed
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	27 (12)		
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Easter Sunday 2022	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	16 (0)	110 (120)	
Total Attendees	16 (0)	110 (120)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Morning Worship**
Christmas Eve 2022	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			31 (30)
Total Attendees	237 (140)	160 (135)	34 (40)
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Christmas Day 2022	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	11 (10)	79 (37)	
Total Attendees	14 (10)	88 (80)	
Figures in ( ) = 2021 attendance			

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

TREASURERS REPORT

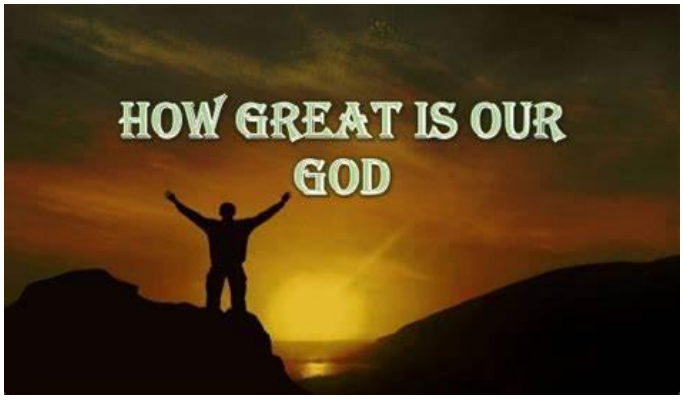
This is the third and final report I am presenting to St Peter's Church Family, as Tim and I felt God was calling us to pastures new, and we are now settling into our new home in Shropshire. It has been a privilege to serve St Peters for several years and we will miss this very special church family.

The family of St Peters has always been faithful in their giving and 2022 was no exception. The majority of giving is now by standing order. However, the electronic card reader which is available at all services has been an invaluable asset allowing any church family and visitors to the church to easily make donations.

As usual each year brings financial challenges and opportunities. At the end of 2021 it was agreed that a new audio visual system would be purchased and this was completed in May 2022, at a cost of just over £20,000, This would have not been possible without the generous donations from the church family, which covered over ¾ of the cost, with only a relatively small short fall needing to be met by Church funds. This was a big factor in enabling us to balance our accounts with an overall net surplus.

I would like to thank everybody who has supported me, especially Jim and Alicia, and of course a big thank you to Iona who took over the banking of all cash and cheques in 2022, which enabled me to continue to support the church as treasurer whilst no longer living in Derby.

Finally, I would like to propose that the 2022 accounts be accepted, and that the new finance team source independent examiners for the PCC approval in 2023.



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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves Policy
Three months core income will be kept – to be used only if necessary. Three months operational expenditure equates to £30,000 to be reviewed annually. There is currently £50,789 held in general reserves plus The Capital Fund of £63,522 which is held for the future development of the Church.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Steve Harcourt FCCA of Azets Audit Services was the charity's independent examiner during the period.

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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Stock		300	-	-	300	300
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INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	7,934	-	-	7,934	8,992
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PAYE		-	-	-	-	257
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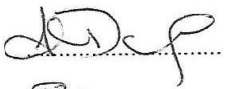
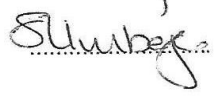
Rev'd. A Dring  (Vicar)

S Limberger  (Treasurer)

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Total unrestricted funds	101,210	163,846	(139,729)	(2,986)	122,341

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2021 £
Capital fund	62,664	33	-	-	62,697
General funds	17,803	140,868	(126,223)	-	32,448
	80,467	140,901	(126,223)	-	95,145
Designated funds					
IT Equipment fund	1,799	-	-	(1,799)	-
Chair fund	6,065	-	-	-	6,065
	7,864	-	-	(1,799)	6,065
Total unrestricted funds	88,331	140,901	(126,223)	(1,799)	101,210

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2022 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2022 £
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,159	228	-	-	5,387
Womens Fellowship	2	-	-	(2)	-
Tiddlywinks	150	21	-	-	171
Lunch Club	608	5,871	(5,754)	-	725
IT Sound System	12,617	2,460	(16,779)	1,702	-
Churches Together	-	1	(90)	1,286	1,197
Other funds	-	1,240	(1,188)	-	52
	18,536	9,821	(23,811)	2,986	7,532

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Restricted funds Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2021 £
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,159	-	-	-	5,159
Womens Fellowship	212	-	(210)	-	2
Tiddlywinks	150	-	-	-	150
Lunch Club	753	2,110	(2,255)	-	608
IT Sound System	-	12,084	(1,266)	1,799	12,617
	6,274	14,194	(3,731)	1,799	18,536

Legacy Mrs Pilling:	Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years.
Women's Fellowship:	Groups for ladies who meet once a month for worship and fellowship.
Tiddlywinks:	Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.
Lunch Club:	A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.
IT Sound System:	Monies donated for the acquisition of a new sound system.
Churches Together:	This fund was moved to St Peter's during lockdown for ease of management and with the consent of the church leaders. The fund primarily pays for insurance and advertising for joint events at Christmas and Easter. An account of annual transactions is available for partner churches upon request. Including them in a restricted account within the parish accounts ensures transparency.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mr Steve Harcourt FCCA
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants
For an on behalf of Azets Audit Services

13 April 2023

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves

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VESTRY MEETING and ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

AGENDA
Wednesday 27 April 2022 at 7.30pm
St Peter's Church, Littleover

Vestry Meeting

1. Opening worship and prayer
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approve Minutes of the last meeting (28 April 2021, see back pages)
4. Election of Churchwardens (nominations to be received in advance of meeting)

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approve minutes of last APCM (28 April 2021, see back pages of this document)
3. Matters arising
4. Electoral Roll Report
5. Election of Churchwardens results
6. Election to the
    - Parochial Church Council (4 vacancies)
    - Deanery Synod (3 vacancies)

    (tellers will be appointed to count voting papers if needed)
7. Financial report – Mrs Sue Limberger
8. Reviewing reports – time for questions
9. Results of Elections to PCC and Deanery Synod
10. Safeguarding update
11. Thank you to those stepping down
12. Chair's report and vision – Alicia
13. Any other business

    NOTE: Please notify any other business in writing to the Vicar or the PCC Secretary (Ellen Goodman) at least 48 hours in advance – this will guarantee a considered response.
14. Date of next APCM
15. Closing prayer and worship

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2021

To comply with the Charity Commission regulations of 1997 the following details about St Peter's Littleover are updated annually and included in the annual report.

Vision, Purpose and Organisation

Vision Statement for St Peter's
GRACE – God's people Reaching out to All: Church for Everyone

Aims and Purposes
St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Alicia Dring, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Halls of St Peter's, Normanton Lane, Littleover, Derby DE23 6GA.

Organisation of the PCC
St Peter's PCC is organised by holding alternative monthly PCC meetings on the first Tuesday of the month, except August and December. PCC Action Teams (Fabric, Mission, Children and Young People, Events and Bridge) meet on the other months. If necessary, extra meetings may be organised. A Standing Committee meets alternative months to deal with routine matters or urgent business between PCC meetings.

Purpose and terms of reference of other teams and ministries at St Peter's
As St Peter's is a large church, business is conducted through delegated teams and committees answerable to the PCC. All organisations that function to further the vision and purposes of St Peter's, whatever their name, are ultimately answerable and accountable to the PCC. Leaders of any such groups should be available at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to answer questions from the floor if they should so arise.

The PCC 2021

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission, number 1133061.

The following have served as members of the PCC since the last APCM:

Revd Alicia Dring	Vicar and Chair appointed September 2013	
Revd Rachael Brooks	appointed July 2020 and ordained September 2020	
Jim Britland	Church Warden	appointed April 2018
Chris Jones	Church Warden	appointed April 2021
Sue Limberger	Treasurer	appointed April 2021
Ellen Goodman	Until 2022 (PCC Secretary)	appointed April 2016
Wendy Gretton	Until 2022	
Charlie Elston	Until 2023	
Jenifer Baines	Until 2023	
Julie Scott	Until 2023	
Dave Hargreaves	Until 2024	
Robin Wood	Until 2024	
John Bird	Until 2024	
Helene Roe	Deanery Synod Representative until 2023	
Tiffany Hey	Deanery Synod Representative until 2023 (Retired July 2021)	

The Standing Committee 2021

Revd Alicia Dring	Chair
Jim Britland	Church Warden and Vice Chair
Chris Jones	Church Warden
Ellen Goodman	PCC Secretary
Sue Limberger	Treasurer
Jenifer Baines	
Rev Rachael Brooks	From July 2020

Service Attendance at St Peter's Littleover 2021

Sunday Services Average over four consecutive weeks in October 2020	**Holy Communion 8am**	**Holy Communion 10am***	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	9 (0)	65 (NA)	
Total Attendees	9 (0)	110 (57)	0 (0)
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	12 (18)		
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Easter Sunday 2020	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Total Attendees	0 (0)	120 (approx 150 online)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Holy Communion**
Christmas Eve 2020	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			30 (32)
Total Attendees	140 (online)	130 (online)	40 (30)
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Christmas Day 2020	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	10 (0)	37 (32)	
Total Attendees	10 (0)	80 (63)	

* The 10am Sunday Services generally alternate between Holy Communion and Morning Worship/All Age
(XX) Figures in brackets are for the year 2020
Please note that many of these new figures are so reduced as a direct consequence of Coronovirus restrictions.

Other Services held at St Peter's during 2021

Baptisms: *during the 10am Sunday Service*	3	(2)
Funerals/memorial	34	(32)
Weddings	1	(3)
St Peter's School Services	1	(1)
High School Services	0	(0)

Electoral Roll
111 resident in the parish and 54 live outside of the parish = 165 total roll

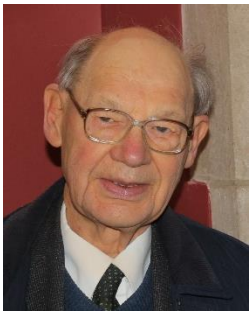
The Vicar's Report

While 2020 gave us the global pandemic, 2021 saw us emerging with caution, moving at the pace of the slowest person so that we didn't put anyone at additional risk. It is important to record our heartfelt thanks to the PCC and our wardens for their commitment and care of us all during these challenging times. As a church we are a rare thing – we have grown during this time and this is in no small thanks to our media champions who have kept us online; our cleaning and welcome teams; and all those who have checked and double-checked risk assessments, hand gel dispensers and everything else that has kept us as safe as we were able to be in the circumstances.

And an additional thank you to the many of you who have been so very generous toward the new sound desk appeal – this has now morphed to include new projection equipment and the budget is almost £20,000 with over £17,000 received in donations. This is lavish giving which will bless many over the coming years.

As a church we have celebrated with Rachael as she was priested in the summer and as we have got to know her better in person as our services returned full time to the building. Given that her deacon year was mainly online it has meant that many of the usual experiences a curate has early on were denied and so 2021 has meant some fast catching up. Rachael has blessed us with her gentle, yet determined spirit and intelligent and stimulating preaching. She is a valued and gracious colleague.

It has been important to keep in touch with people across the parish and producing films for the Messy Church team has been both time consuming for me and yet great fun – I've become a whizz at doing captions for the song shared with the families led by Liz and Phil Eley. The team hope to return to in person Messy meetings with appropriate risk assessments. A huge thank you to the whole team for the mammoth work of producing craft bags for nearly 50 families across five sessions in the year, it has been received with gratitude.



We lost some dear friends of St Peter's through the year. Sally Edworthy as she moved south to live closer to family while others have been promoted to glory and we give thanks for lives of faithful service. Keith Leeson, who together with his late wife Cynthia served the church for many years. Vera Lees, who despite her dementia, weathered the storm of Covid with grace and good humour (though not best impressed with the Archbishops closing the church in 2020). Sidney Guy, a faithful stalwart of the 8am service, former Baptist minister and loving husband to Janet. And our friend Norman Whitton, who had experienced considerable challenge in his life and yet found some moments of deep love and forgiveness from God. Sadly, he was estranged from his family but his brothers and sisters in Christ cared for and supported him both before his death and in dealing with his estate. Thank you all for your kindness.

Locally we welcomed a new headteacher to St Peter's Junior School, Mr Frazer Smith. I returned to serve on the school governors following the academisation of the school by the Diocese of Derby Academy Trust, DDAT, and Helene Roe has also returned to serve on the governing body. Many of you were involved in the uniform recycling project at the end of the school year and it's hoped that this can be repeated along with some teaching and raising awareness among the children in July 2022.

Our work with the Diocese to merge parts of St Andrew's Parish back into St Peter's has continued. When St Andrew's parish was first created St Peter's donated land up to Stenson Road and St Giles' a portion on the other side, in Sunnyhill. Each of these areas is being returned to its original parish and there has been a slight flex of boundary around Rosamund's Ride and Sunnydale Park to take into account new building. It is hoped this process will be completed by the end of 2022. In the meantime, we are delighted that the St Andrew's congregation is becoming part of our church family and together we plan for how we may conduct mission across the whole of the new parish through our Mission Action Plan process.

The Bishop's Mission Order from St Giles' is yet to be created and approved by Bishop Libby but we have continued in conversation with our clergy colleagues about how we may work alongside one another in the Blagreaves area.

Outside of parish demands I have been involved in teaching about Baptism on the curate programme, alongside Peter Robinson, Dean of Derby Cathedral. And I was also elected to serve for a second term on General Synod, as one of three clergy from the Diocese (Pictured here by Westminster Abbey at the opening of the new Synod). In addition, I am the Diocesan lead (delegated from my General Synod role) on the Living in Love and Faith Project to help parishes explore Christian teaching and learning about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. These roles help me to engage with issues within the national church, supporting and encouraging colleagues in the Diocese.

In 2022 I will go on sabbatical for the first time in my ministry – clergy are supposed to have a three month break every seven years. I was ordained in 2003 and this will be my first sabbatical. I am grateful to Bishop Libby for granting the time but especially to Rachael and the wardens for bearing the parish responsibility while I'm away. I know you will love and care for one another during this time and I plan to return refreshed and raring to go!

It has been a strange year and yet, unsurprisingly, God has been present and we have flourished despite the challenges. In all we do, Christ remains at the centre as we meet together, not merely to serve ourselves but to bless, strengthen and inspire our local community – that St Peter's will be a place of welcome and love, where all may encounter the living God. Thank you for your generosity and faithfulness during these, sometimes, dark days – your commitment to one another and to the Gospel has shone with quiet determination and I give thanks for you all.

Rev Alicia Dring

The Curate's Report

The occasional offices have been a significant part of my learning in 2021. Funerals in the first half of the year, baptisms in the second half. These have been such an honour to do, getting to know families and supporting them at significant times in their lives has been a real privilege. And when we finally properly resumed worship in the building it was time to get to grips with service leading.

Over the summer an invitation in a sermon triggered the launch of our Creation Care group and we also relaunched our children's groups with new resources, including rather a lot of LEGO, generously donated – thank you! - which threatened to take over my house at one point! Part of my training is to learn to lead and grow groups in the church and it's been a joy to learn to lead both of these groups, who have done so much to teach me how to lead them. How amazingly fortunate to have such fab fellow disciples! The summer ended with the Backpack service. A new one on me, it was so good to affirm each of your vocations to your own situation, whether that is at school, in the home, at work, in volunteering in the many and various ways you're called to.

In the Autumn I was appointed as Diocesan Lead for Modern Slavery. It sounds much grander than it is, essentially, I'm a holder of, and conduit for, information, in order to raise awareness and support people working to help those trapped in this terrible trade. I'm also now on Diocesan Synod. Both these roles are about serving the Church more widely.

I finally got to experience a St Peter's Christmas in 2021. It was great to work with Alicia and you all in putting on all the various Christmas services which are so valued by our local community. I spoke with several people who said how important it was to them to celebrate Christmas in some way with us. God is at work in their lives, let's keep praying that they'll encounter him and come to know his love for them in an ever-deeper way.

You've been a very patient, helpful and loving family as I've learned to toddle, walk and fly. Thank you.
At the end of June, it was back to the cathedral for my priesting service. Again, Covid restrictions meant the numbers of guests we were allowed was small, but a few more than last time. This meant that as well as close family some of the significant people in my journey to ordination were there. It was so good to have my sending vicar, Jean Burgess, there, together with my receiving vicar, Alicia.

The following day was so exciting – presiding at Holy Communion for the first time. I can't tell you how precious it was to pray the words and give the bread to each of you, and my dear friends who joined us for the service. Presiding has continued to be such a blessing. Every time I find that something in the words speaks to me so deeply that I'm in danger of choking up, they are such powerful words. What a gracious, loving God we have.

Rev Rachael Brooks

Treasurer's Report

This is the second report I have presented to St Peter's Church Family, and it continues to be a privilege to serve you all in this way.

If we had hoped that 2021 was going to return to what we had known as normal before 2020 then we could have been disappointed as COVID continued to affect all our lives in so many ways. However, as a family of St Peter's we have certainly tried, and I believe succeeded, in ensuring that COVID was not going to stop us enjoying being able to worship together. This is thanks to our leadership team for their vision and of course the media team, to enable services to be available via Zoom as well as live streamed.

The family of St Peters has always been faithful in their giving, and this has continued in 2021, with over 95% of giving now being via standing order.

Despite the many challenges that 2021 presented I just want to say a massive thank you as we managed to balance our books and showed an overall net surplus. This resulted from our giving increasing by 10% as well as increased income from our church hall, despite it being closed for 4 months. Of course, this surplus also includes the generous donations received for the implementation of the new AV system, which will be installed later in 2022.

Finally, I would like to thank everybody who has supported me, especially all those in leadership, Chris Woodhams for his work in gift aid and Iona who helps with counting any cash and banking all cheques that are received.

I would like to propose that the 2021 accounts be accepted, and that Azets of Nottingham (formally Baldwins) Chartered Accountants be accepted as auditors for 2022.

Sue Limberger

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	120,439	-	12,084	132,523	112,003
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	11,234	-	-	11,234	6,636
Income from investments	1(c)	266	-	-	266	472
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	8,962	-	2,110	11,072	18,088
		140,901	-	14,194	155,095	137,199
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	8,983	-	210	9,193	9,448
Church activities	2(b)	114,475	-	3,521	117,996	137,784
Governance costs	2(c)	2,765	-	-	2,765	2,742
		126,223	-	3,731	129,954	149,974
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		14,678	-	10,463	25,141	(12,775)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		-	(1,799)	1,799	-	-
NET MOVEMENT		14,678	(1,799)	12,262	25,141	(12,775)
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2021		80,467	7,864	6,274	94,605	107,380
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2021		95,145	6,065	18,536	119,746	94,605

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts		32,448	6,065	18,536	57,049	31,941
CBF deposit fund		62,697	-	-	62,697	62,664
		95,145	6,065	18,536	119,746	94,605
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		6,639	-	-	6,639	5,045
Prepayments and other debtors		2,527	-	-	2,527	-
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		9,466	-	-	9,466	5,345
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	8,992	-	-	8,992	7,867
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		257	-	-	257	247
Accruals		2,526	-	-	2,526	2,582
		2,783	-	-	2,783	2,829

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 5 April 22 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd. A Dring ..... (Vicar)

S Limberger ..... (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these accounts

Gift Aid Report for Financial Year 2021

For the 2021 financial year, total donations which qualified for Gift Aid amounted to £93,944 which delivered a tax recovery of £23,076. Gift Aid donations in 2021 showed an increase of approximately £20,000 over those of 2020. Some of this increase is from the very generous response to the sound desk appeal. This is an amazing achievement and the incredible generosity of all in the church family is very much appreciated.

	2020			2021		
	Gift Aid Donations	Tax Recovered	Gross Income	Gift Aid Donations	Tax Recovered	Gross Income
Quarter 1	£19,367	£4,841	£24,208	£19,880	£4,699	£24,579
Quarter 2	£18,569	£4,642	£23,211	£23,053	£5,624	£28,677
Quarter 3	£19,424	£4,856	£24,280	£24,471	£6,118	£30,589
Quarter 4	£21,073	£5,268	£26,341	£26,540	£6,635	£33,175
Total	**£78,433**	**£19,607**	**£98,040**	**£93,944**	**£23,076**	**£117,020**

The figures show what an enormous difference Gift Aid makes to the funding of the work of our church; so, a huge thank you to everyone who supports the church with donations whether through their bank or through the donation's terminal in church.

Please remember that it is very important for you to notify the church office if your contact details change, if your circumstances change and especially if you no longer pay an amount of income and/or capital gains tax equal to the tax that we reclaim on your donations. Further information on Gift Aid is available from the church office.

Chris Woodhams
Gift Aid Secretary

PCC Secretary's Report

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) Trustees met nine times in 2021.
PCC Action Groups have not all met this year due to Covid restrictions. In addition, the PCC Standing Committee met 5 times. All meetings start and end in prayer.
We welcomed Sue Limberger as Treasurer at the APCM in 2021, as well as Dave Hargreaves, Robin Wood and John Bird as new members onto the PCC. I was re-elected as the PCC secretary for the last year. Jim Britland was re-elected as Church Warden and joined by Chris Jones.
The Standing Committee and PCC meeting agendas continue to remain in a standard format which includes an action column. Most of the paperwork for the meetings continues to be distributed and stored electronically in an endeavour to save on paper and printing.
The significant topics that the PCC has discussed over the year are:

- Finance features as an item on every agenda and huge thanks goes to Sue Limberger and those that help her, for all the hard work in this area. Thanks also to our very generous church family who continued to give in faith during 2021. A new sound system was a major agenda item, many thanks to Tim and Sue Limberger for their research and time. Replacement chairs also reappeared
- Major ongoing projects led by the Fabric Team included the continuation from last year of the maintenance to the church halls, the church building, and the general maintenance of the church and churchyard. Many thanks to the small team that work hard in this never-ending job and the involvement of Community Payback
- We welcomed our brothers and sisters from St Andrews and look forward to the union of both parishes in the coming year
- Lengthy discussions with Neil and Will from St Giles
- Community engagement – special services and events have been reduced again this year, but we have invited the community to the Bereavement and continued many of our annual events such as Christingle and the Carol Service at a reduced number
- Safeguarding – featuring as an item on every agenda. Thanks goes Margit Staehr (Children and Young People) and Janet Edwards (Vulnerable Adults) for their very important roles in this area
- The continuing support to St Peter's School under the umbrella of Derby Diocese Academy Trust and Headteacher, Frazer
- Relationships with the other churches in Littleover and the wider Deanery
- Many hours of work on making St Peter's church and halls Covid safe as we reduced the restrictions.

This was my sixth year as secretary, and my last as I step down at the APCM in 2022.
I would like to thank the members of the PCC past and present for their support to me, and those who have prayed for the PCC in 2021. Thank you to Julie Scott for agreeing to take on the Secretary role.

Ellen Goodman

Churchwardens Report

1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord because you know that your labour in the lord is not in vain.

As we sat down to pen this report, it was hard to believe that it would be the third APCM report written during the Covid pandemic, as it now enters its third year.

Thankfully we seemed to have turned the corner, and despite its continued menacing presence, a lot of encouraging normalities have returned to our church family life during 2021. Possibly the biggest step forward was the return of sung worship. Refreshments after the service and traditional Carol and Christingle services also were key features of 2021.

In our last report we announced the upgrading of our internet to aid live streaming of our church services, during 2021 we have continued to invest, install and bring online additional equipment to not only ensure we can provide a quality experience for the many who still engage with the online service, but also simplify the work involved and hopefully attract a larger team to ensure its sustainability. We would like to thank everybody who has stepped up to assist with this vital piece of ministry. Special thanks to Jon Russell who has led the charge on this issue since its conception.

A key responsibility of a Church Warden is the fabric of the church. Chris and I retain a significant to do list at all times both for the Church and the Church Hall. Recently the Fabric team has recruited new members bringing the team some key skills. We would just like to thank everybody who has recognised the need to get involved and support the Warden's efforts.

Our focus during 2021 has been the repair and refurbishment of the church hall. All of the main hall lights have been replaced with LED tubes. Contracts have been placed to sand and reseal the main hall floor as well as replace all the exterior panelling below the windows of the upper hall. An insulation membrane will be installed at the same time. This work will be carried out in early 2022. The to do list remains challenging for 2022. Please consider lending a hand as and when we announce the need for support for church yard clean ups and one or two painting projects we have planned.

Another group of people we would like to thank are the Duty Wardens and Welcome Teams. Many of the original Duty Wardens stepped down while the church was closed, and we have had to recruit a new team. You can only really appreciate the importance of having a good-sized team when you are short and for a time, we struggled to fill the number of vacancies we had. That led to certain wardens doubling up within the month which is less than ideal. Thankfully we are nearly where we need to be and that makes things much easier to plan.

As Wardens we are both excited to engage with the new "season" that we find ourselves in with all the changes that lie ahead in 2022, our new parish shape, the outcomes of our MAP review, to name but two.

Jim Britland and Chris Jones

Safeguarding Report

After intermittent lockdowns last year, 2021 became a year of catching up on leaders' and helpers' safeguarding training in preparation for St Peter's gradual opening of 'in person' activities including the various children's and young people's groups as well as the older and vulnerable adults' luncheon club and the prayer ministry team.

The sheer volume in numbers of leaders and helpers engaged in St Peter's church activities has been a revelation, but it is everybody's gracious response and preparedness to do their 'safeguarding homework' that is truly humbling. Thank you for all your support.

Thanks, are also due to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team who have supported and advised throughout. The Basic and Foundation modules are offered as e-learning on the Church of England's national safeguarding training portal, a self-directed study, whilst Safeguarding Leadership Training, Awareness of Domestic Abuse and Safer Recruitment are provided by the Diocese and must be done as Zoom sessions. They are ably delivered and led by the Diocesan trainer, Nick Harding, and constantly finetuned and updated. The DBS checks (Disclosure and Barring Service) are validated by the PSO working in conjunction with the APCS (Access Personal Checking Services), an external specialist body which is proving to be an effective and focused system.

PSOs

- Margit Staehr holds the role of PSO for St Peter's Littleover with responsibility for Children's and Young People's safeguarding, overall administration of safeguarding training, DBS applications and Volunteer Agreements
- Janet Edwards agreed early in the year to take on the role of PSO for Vulnerable Adults at St Peter's (after Carole Dickinson) and continues to look after the administrative side of safeguarding at St Andrew's, Blagreaves until the parish change has been finalised.

Safeguarding Training

- 57 Basic and Foundation modules have been completed by people from St Peter's and 9 modules by people from St Andrew's
- Safeguarding Leadership training was completed by five from St Peter's and one from St Andrew's
- Awareness of Domestic Abuse training was completed by five from St Peter's
- Safer Recruitment training was completed by four from St Peter's.

DBS

- In 2021, twelve DBS applications for St Peter's and one for St Andrew's were completed and processed.

Safeguarding Referrals and Agreements

- There were five safeguarding referrals for St Peter's and two for St Andrew's, all dealt with and resolved by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team and NHS Mental Health Team.
- One Safeguarding Agreement was put in place in December.

Other

- The PCC annually submits a statement to the Diocese indicating that the practice within the Parish adheres to its guidance. The PSO also submits a statement affirming that appropriate child protection systems and processes are in place
- Work on drafting new Volunteer Agreements for all leaders and helpers took place over the year and will be rolled out early 2022
- Following the Church of England's new guidelines coming into force on 1 January 2022, a great number of DBS (Enhanced) will need renewal since the validity has been reduced from five to three years. That frequency of renewal is also applying to safeguarding training courses. As before, they must be renewed at the highest level previously taken.

Margit Staehr

Mission Report

Our mission work is divided between financial and prayer support for our mission partners and evangelistic/local mission here in the parish. Both are important for us to see beyond our own needs. As part of this we also established a new Mission Action Plan team to look forward to the merging of St Peter's with St Andrew's during 2022. It is important that we explore how God is calling us to serve this larger and more diverse community.

Mission Partners

For many, both local and across the world, the pandemic brought specific challenges which required creativity and Holy Spirit inspiration to overcome. It was good to keep up to date with activities through our monthly Keyhole reports and to pray regularly each month for a different partner.

We make three-year commitments to our mission partners, to help them to plan and so as 2021 was the final year in the cycle we returned to the congregation to survey where they wanted us to share our money. We kept the formula of supporting people locally, nationally and internationally. We assessed the results by using the Five Marks of Mission and the results led us to stop some support and begin some new partner relationships. It is never easy to say goodbye to those we have had long relationships with and we would encourage individual support with those who wish to continue a link. The allocation of our mission funds for 2021 were:

Mission Partner Funding 2021	**£**
LOCAL	
Derby City Mission	700
HeadHigh, mental health support	500
NATIONAL	
Care for the Family	500
The Bible Society	500
INTERNATIONAL	
CMS – Lee Family/Jigsaw	1400
Penny & Juan Carlos de Marces	1400
Rachael & Dom Milazzo YWAM	500
Open Doors	500
Mission Aviation Fellowship	500
Emergency Fund – went to Red Cross	500
	£7000

Mission in the Parish

We ran an Alpha course at the Vicarage on a Sunday evening during the Autumn term – it was very good to be able to meet in person and to share the journey of faith together. We had attempted to run Alpha online earlier in the year but there were no takers, so we were thankful to have the course at a later date. Alpha is a great way to explore the Christian faith and all who participated were encouraged and blessed in their faith.

Mission Action Plan
We started a new MAP team over the summer, led by John Bird and including a selection of people from both St Peter's and St Andrew's, across ages and experience. John has been very helpful in keeping the team on track and working steadily through each stage. In early 2022, the work of the MAP will be supported by a sermon and home group series considering the change that parishes will both undertake as the merge happens and the St Giles' church plant begins in earnest in the Blagreaves area. Please see the following report for more details.

Alicia Dring

MISSION GIVING FOR THE YEAR 2021

Name	Year 2020 Restricted	Year 2020 Unrestricted	Year 2021 Restricted	Year 2021 Unrestricted	Area of work
Bible Society		500		500	Overseas
Care for the Family		500		500	National
CMS Jigsaw		1,400		1,400	Overseas
Children's Society	845			560	National Christingle
Emergency Fund		(500) Not used		500	British Red Cross Afghanistan Appeal
Harvest Appeal Bishop of Derby		0		155	Overseas
Derby City Mission	200	500	200 Plus 400 for Church Street Pastors	500	Local
Women's Fellowship	110		150 Bible Society	60 Church funds	This group is now closed
St Peter's Derby	250		480		Local Christmas Lunch on Jesus
Head High Mental Health Derby		500		500	Local Home
MAF		500		500	Overseas
de Marces		1,400		1,400	Overseas
Barnabas Fund/ Open Doors		500		500	Overseas
Royal British Legion	165		0		Secular Charity
Rachel and Dominic		500		500	Overseas
TOTAL	1570	6300	1230	7575	
	Total 2020	**7870**	**Total 2021**	**8805**	

Mission Action Plan (MAP)

By July 2021 the church had recognised three new circumstances:

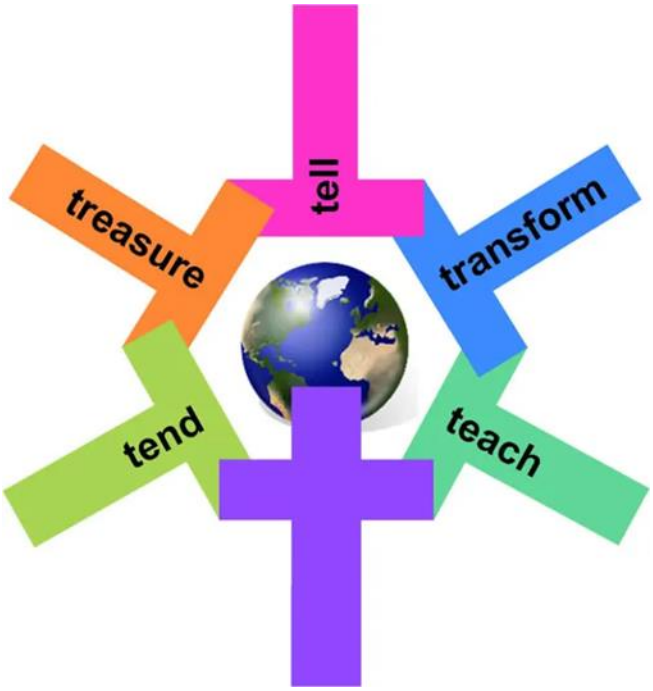
- Covid had changed the world, in one way or another it had affected the lives of everyone, everywhere, including Littleover and Blagreaves
- A proposal was in place for a new parish to be called St Peter's Littleover and Blagreaves, following the closure of St Andrew's
- A Bishop's Mission Order was proposed for Blagreaves.

These three issues called for a significant response and so it was decided to:

- review current mission activity in St Peter's and St Andrew's through consultation with the congregation
- consult with the community about the needs of local people
- establish a mission action plan for the new parish.

A Mission Action Plan (MAP) Team was set up to lead and co-ordinate the work. The team comprises Alicia, Rachael, Bernie Burton, Peter Maybury, Emma Russell, Julia Scott, Phil Eley, Ann Burton and John Bird. A mixed team from St Peter's and St Andrew's parishes.

A staged process was set up for the MAP team to work through and work began at their first meeting in October. The team drafted a set of shared beliefs, values, and understandings about the purpose of church and mission. These were offered to the congregation for comment, suggestions and agreement before being finalised in December.



Then the MAP team designed a church questionnaire which used the Church of England's Five Marks of Mission as a framework for reviewing current mission activity and suggesting what it might look like in the future.

By the end of December 2021 all was in place to begin the launch of the church questionnaire early in the new year.

Many thanks to the MAP team for their continuing hard work and commitment. Please pray that God continues to influence the work so that we focus on what He is calling us to do in Littleover and Blagreaves rather than what we might choose to do.

John Bird

Fabric Team

The Fabric Team comprises: Chris Jones, Phil Rollinson, Angie Rollinson, Jim Britland and Jan Jackson. Chris Woodhams continues to manage Community Payback. Jan takes the meeting minutes. David Hargreaves joined us in September 2021 as Phil and Angie stepped back. Because of Covid restrictions and lockdowns, work continued as necessary but the first meeting was September 2021.

Church Halls

- Security outside lights. Mechanical timer controlling them failed. Replaced by electronic equivalent timer. February 2021
- Portable Electrical Equipment Test. All items PAT tested. August 2021
- Main Hall. Faulty fluorescent tubes. Two replaced by retrofit LED tubes by Peter Goodman at £24 each. Remainder to be replaced. August 2021
- New SMART digital meter fitted. September 2021
- Boiler was losing pressure and switching off. Problem identified as a leaking radiator valve. Small hall not getting hot enough due to an air lock. Hand wash sink tap leaking. Both taps replaced and isolator valves fitted (hot and cold). Two fittings to gas stove replaced with safer fittings. Blue Flame November 2021
- Gutter on west side of new Church Hall broken. Repaired October 2021

Churchyard

- Community Payback, Charges for 2020 were waived because of erratic and inconsistent attendance. This year payment should have been £1500 for Churchyard and Glebe-Lands, but since back in public ownership they can't generate invoices! So we are to gift them £500 for tools and equipment in turn
- Boundary wall to Church Street gardens partially collapsed. Replaced by fencing panels and concrete posts by affected Church Street residents, after it was determined it was "their" wall to boundary of their outside toilets. All residents advised by letter to check their walls. January 2021
- Lime and Maple trees to South and East of Churchyard pollarded by Betel. February 2021
- Cut back to hedge bordering Churchyard and neighbouring 6 Normanton Lane. Started April 2021, completed June 2021 after nesting birds fledged
- Wooden Entry gates from Normanton Lane to Churchyard continued to sag due to wear in pin and eye door mounts. Repaired and gate furniture reattached. May 2021 to August 2021
- Churchyard Clean-ups. Despite Covid 19 protocols these continued through the year. The Churchyard Clean-up and BBQ in August was well attended
- Yew hedge bordering Normanton Lane and war Memorial reduced to four feet and trimmed both sides by Community Payback December 2021. [Saving £620 against Sam Wass]
- Interment of Ashes. Both in existing graves and in the Garden of Remembrance.

Church building

- North side Entrance and Vestry Church toilet. Continued leaks through flat roof section. Resolved with a new covering of 3 layers of torch-on felt. Perimeter coping stones removed for felt, then re-mortared and replaced. No subsequent leaks. March 2021
- Broken Window from Organ Vestry to flat roof area on North side. Fixed by repair and replacement of sub sections to leaden windows. April 2021
- Quinquennial Inspection. We have changed from CTD Architects in 2014 (report available Jan 2015). Contract arranged with Richard Brook of Peter Rogan & Associated at £475. Completed 7 September 2021. Awaiting Report, but NO urgent repairs noted
- Toilet Block doors planed for a better fit. Solid doors *grew* due to damp from inadequate ventilation. Inoperable electric dual fan removed and electrically made safe. Space is now an air brick. Main door to toilet block fitted with louvred brass vents. July 2021

- External oak door to Kitchen (Wedding Vestry) repaired. Lower hinge pin reattached to masonry door jamb. July 2021
- Lightning Rods. Tested and both OK, within spec. July 2021
- Leak down North wall of Upper Chancel. a) Caused by leaves blocking roof gullies. Leaves removed by roofing contractor, Dave Roe July 2021. b) Long term problem was that downpipe and hopper from higher to lower roof section were too small a diameter. Replaced with larger diameter items. August 2021 c) Plaster above archway between upper chancel and organ vestry (both sides) was flaking and dropping to floor. Removed plaster September 2021
- Portable Electrical Equipment Test. All items PAT tested. August 2021
- Toilet taps in one of 4 toilets were leaking. Taps and flexible tails replaced. July 2021, Subsequent leak fixed. Sept 2021
- Chimney to North side of Church. Ground level vent originally cast iron, but rusted away leaving a hole in stonework. Replaced by an air brick and mortar made good. August 2021
- Tablet installed on wall of crèche room so team can see the service.

Thanks to all who took part throughout the year.

Chris Jones

Women's Fellowship

This group has now closed. Remaining group funds were donated to long standing mission partners, The Bible Society (£150) and the remainder (£60) to church funds. With thanks to Janet Guy, Julia Furniss and all the members for their faithful care.

Alicia Dring

Events Team

The Events Team was unable to provide any events in 2021 due to the pandemic.

Robin Wood

Worship Group

Our wishes expressed at the end of the 2020 report that 2021 would see the return of regular, restriction-free worship, this did not materialise, and it was a stop-start year again with the congregation wearing masks throughout.

We had a positive development during the year in that Helen Homes (Bassoon) and Sue Limberger (Vocals) joined the Group during the Summer, adding nicely to our female representation. The addition of the bassoon has been unusual and enriching.

We should benefit greatly from another positive development which is the proposed new sound system which has attracted generous donations from the congregation. We look forward to this change in 2022 and also hope that at some point in this year the congregation can finally shed their masks and sing freely to the Lord again.

Peter Goodman and David Barker

Data Protection

The church operates within our GDPR guidelines, only keeping and using data as required. This has led to condensing of files, destruction of no longer used material and improved security of our systems. We continue to ensure we are compliant, and Iona has actively pursued those who needed to give their consent. If you have any feedback that you think may help us with this, please contact Iona Hague in the Church Office.

Alicia Dring

Parish Administrator

I spent the beginning of 2021 on part time furlough, which allowed me to keep things ticking over in the office two days a week. Priority duties were to keep on top of the emails, ensure the weekly Interlink was produced and the printing and distributing of the monthly Keyhole magazine.
Returning to my normal hours in May 2021, meant I could fully resume the role of managing the administrative workload of the church and supporting Alicia and Rachael in their duties.

In June 2021 I took over from Angie Rollinson as the Church Hall Bookings Manager and began the task of setting up a new computer-based system, to help me manage bookings, produce invoices and track the finance. Everything seems to be going well, and in addition to securing two new regular hirers, the Hall's total income for 2021 reached over £11k, despite being out of use for the first half of the year. It's a big task to manage so a huge thank you to Angie Rollinson for her work with the hall for so many years.

In the second half of the year, I also took over the church cashiers' role, which enabled me to process all the monies received into the office, from both the church and the hall's activities. Huge thank you to Patrick Dean who has carried this role faithfully for many years – enjoy your retirement from this part of your many duties!

November and December were spent dealing with the Health and Safety preparations for our Bereavement and Christmas services, ensuring we could continue to offer all our usual services, in the safest possible way. Here's hoping for a more normal 2022 (whatever normal is now!)

Iona Hague

Keyhole

The pandemic brought production of the magazine to a halt for some time, but 2021 saw a re-emergence and we were happy to resume printing. Advertisers were given a temporary reprieve but we were still able to highlight church activities and consider how God has been leading and blessing us during this challenging time. We use some visual resources from Parish Pump and enjoy the cartoons from cartoonchurch.uk

Keyhole has been a small bridge back into the community and if you feel that there are things we could do to increase the readership by paper or online, please let us know. During 2022, when Alicia is on sabbatical, the magazine will be produced by a team working with Iona and Rachael.

Alicia Dring

Creation Care

"***Creation is waiting for us, God's sons and daughters, to take seriously the role he gave us and care for it, so together we can worship God and bring him glory by flourishing as he intended."***

This is a quote from my sermon in our All-Age Worship service on 'Freedom for Nature' – one of our 'Freedom for…' services over the summer of 2021. I then invited anyone who felt called, to join me in following Tearfund's lead in declaring a climate emergency here and looking to see what we could do as a congregation to be more climate and eco-aware. A few people came forward and suddenly St Peter's had a Creation Care team!

We talked to PCC and were cleared to declare a Climate emergency, which we did in our All-Age service on 7 November. This was a key date. Tearfund and the church mobilised to send a powerful message to the leaders of countries attending the COP26 summit in Glasgow and to the watching world. We declared that we were expecting our leaders to make meaningful commitments to reducing our impact on the environment. An impact that is causing chaos for the poorest countries.

In our service we learned more about this, we prayed, and we committed ourselves to make one change that would help. We heard from the MP for Derby North, Amanda Solloway about what we could pray for, and we prayed.

Since then, the team has signed St Peter's up to the Eco Church Award scheme, and we are delighted to find that things are well on their way towards the bronze award. There have been a few easy changes – eco light bulbs throughout our buildings and recycled paper toilet roll. Now we're looking at the areas that need more work – our Land use and our Community and Global Engagement to see what changes are needed. We are also looking at eco-friendly cleaning supplies and other relatively easy changes.

You may have noticed that there is now a regular Creation Care slot in Keyhole magazine written by our own Julie Scott. Added to which the All-Age team have committed to having an environmentally friendly element to each of those services this year. There is a display by the café area to share progress and there will soon be a page on the website and something on our outdoor noticeboards soon.

What about the rest of church family? The commitment tree has moved but it's still on display with all the things people are either already doing or committing to do, it's so encouraging and a great pool of ideas for what we might each do next. Keep up the great work!

There are lots of ideas for the new year and we would welcome any contributions from across the church. Speak to Rachael Smith, Julie Scott, Peter Maybury, Sue Limberger, John Bird, Julia Cross or me, Rachael Brooks. We'll be happy to chat. If you'd like to get more involved, we'd love you to join the team!

Rachael Brooks

St Peter's Bridge Team

This group has not met in 2021 and considerations are underway with the school about how best to resume church involvement in the life of the school, outside of clergy doing collective worship.

Alicia Dring

Messy Church

Due to Covid our Easter, Summer, Harvest and Christmas messy church sessions in 2021 were delivered to homes in a bag. We delivered to around 70 children five craft activities, and an advent calendar or egg as appropriate.

With Alicia and John Russell's help we produced a video to accompany the bags. It had instructions, meanings of crafts, a story video, a talk, and a song.
We had some great feedback from the parents.

Christmas 2021 we offered the option to attend messy church in person, and some families did come despite four inches of snow on that Sunday. We delivered to the other families their messy church in a bag.

Thank you to Joan, Fiona and Paul, Charlie and Ruth, and Jane. for all the help in preparing the crafts and doing the deliveries.

Liz Eley

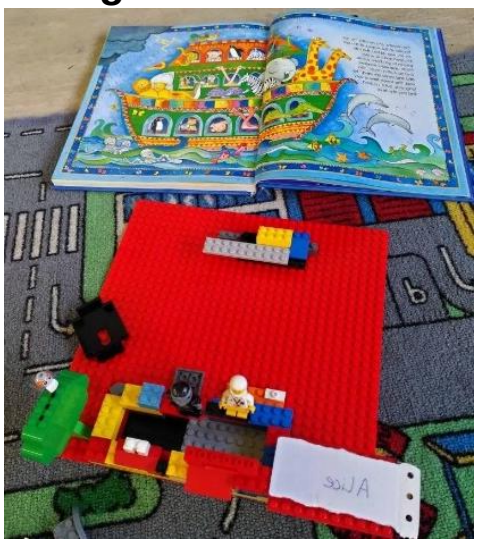
Tiddlywinks

In 2021 until October, we were closed for Covid and opened again with restrictions in November 2021. During Covid we had email addresses from the parent/carers and included them on the list for Iona sending the children family activity sheets linked to the Sunday services.

We are building up Tiddlywinks slowly as most of our original families have gone to nursery and school, pray that we will grow in 2022. Thanks to Liz, Di, Pam, Fiona and Irene for all your help.

Liz Eley

Energise and Go!



During the first part of the year, we hosted the children on Zoom at 9.15am adapting the Sunday themes for Zoom. The leaders taking turns to lead them.

We were closed due to Covid until the summer term when we met in the hall following the Sunday service themes.
In September, ***Energise and Go*** began using resources from the Energise/Urban Saints website on second and fourth Sundays and Lego building stories (from ***Building Faith Brick by Brick***), on the second Sunday.

Because of Covid and some families not ready to attend, the Sunday Energise sessions were adapted for families on Zoom or if they wanted to follow it themselves at home. Romaine and Kiara Abayasekara led these sessions Thank you very much to John Elliott, Charlie Elston, Michael Furniss and Jon Russell for hosting the Zoom sessions at 9.15am on Sundays. Richard Whitehorn also sent a copy of the Lego session for them to follow at home on the third Sunday. Thank you to Iona for doing all the emails from the Church Office.
We look forward in 2022 as Covid decreases to seeing more of our children return to Church. Thanks to Ann, Rachael, Richard and Joy, Romaine and Kiara for leading the groups.

Liz Eley

Diddy Disciples

‘See and Know’ has been renamed as you can see - ‘Diddy Disciples’ is now how we are to be known! Although renamed our intentions and passion remains the same. Our Team, comprising Ruth Elston, Ann Lunn and Fiona Taylor, welcome under fives into Church; to know Church as a good place to be, a place of fun, acceptance and love; friendship with and learning about, our Lord Jesus Christ. The team prepare simple activities that demonstrate a simple Christian message, build up familiarity with God’s Word in toddler and children’s bibles, and also familiarity with prayer.

For much of the last year face to face sessions have not been possible, some weeks have seen joint activities with children in the Church Hall and some weeks have comprised online Children’s Church. Whilst all these provisions have been wonderful for keeping in touch with children and families and giving children opportunity to still share, enjoy and learn some of the youngest of our Church family respond better with face-to-face contact. Now we are able to enjoy face to face sessions again, it appears that our previous ‘regulars’ have grown up and moved up to children’s groups for older children(!). However, we have enjoyed the infrequent attendance of 3 children although there have been a number of weeks without any children.

Although Church is continually adapting to try and meet the changing needs of families, Sundays can become busy days for families; yet our message remains the same and vital. Therefore, we are faced with the challenge to carry on trying to attract families to us at Church and also perhaps to take Church to children and families, when possible, - how to do this is an ongoing challenge and we welcome your prayer support for seeking Gods lead in how to do this. We thank the church family for their love and support and generous, open acceptance of little ones and their antics in Church.

Ruth Elston, Ann Lunn and Fiona Taylor

Knit and Natter

Our Knit & Natter group was able to meet on Zoom during 2021 from January to August thanks to Charlie Elston. Our first meeting in the church hall on 28 August was exciting for us all. We met in the small hall or in the meeting room dependant on the Covid status.

Making hearts with crosses were knitted or crocheted for Easter time, these were spread around the parish for folk to help themselves.

Baby hats and blankets were made for a baby unit and teddies and owls were made and passed on to a charity for vulnerable children. Some of us worked on personal projects, these included scarves, blankets and cardigans.
We have just recently changed the time we meet to 2.15 pm from 2pm.

All are very welcome to come and join us, it doesn't have to be knitting it can be just nattering and enjoying the welcome refreshments.

Di Learman

Pastoral Visitors

Once again there is little to report on this team that has not met through the year, despite there being plenty of informal pastoral visiting and phoning taking place. Church family have been very attentive to one another as we have grown frailer. The afternoon teas from the Lunch Club team were a welcome contact as was the resumption of the club in the Autumn term.

Home Communions took place at Christmas – another first for Rachael – and with appropriate Covid restrictions in place. It has been very difficult to manage home and hospital visiting as restrictions fluctuated through the year and the vaccine programme helped us all to feel safer. A particular thank you to Joan and David Ditch and all who have either printed and delivered Interlink or shared Church on the Phone with those isolated at home.

Alicia has also been taking a service of Holy Communion every month or so at Brookfield's Nursing Home on Burton Road.

If you would like to be part of the Pastoral Visitors team in 2022 please get in touch with Alicia or Rachael.

Alicia Dring

Prayer Ministry Team

Three words from a worship song by Graham Kendrick came into my head this morning "Come and see" ……I will explain later.

Unfortunately, due to Covid we were unable to invite anyone up to the front of church for prayer ministry until the end of July 2021 and even then, we still wore masks and were not able to anoint or lay our hands on people. Some of the team however prayed with those who stayed behind on Zoom for prayer.

We had a "normal" Prayer Breakfast meeting in September when most of the team were able to meet together after such a long time of being apart. It was such a joyful time and some of us shared testimonies which really builds our faith. We also welcomed two new members, Heather Newstead and Julie Degg. All members of the team do Safeguarding training before they are able to minister in Church and this training is renewed every 3 years.

We all had some additional prayer ministry training in Church one Saturday afternoon in November, and those that were not able to make this session followed up in the New Year.
It is always good to be reminded that we are not there to give advice or counselling but to be a conduit of the Holy Spirit, to pray for God's people. I know I speak for the whole team when I say it is such a privilege to pray for you and it is always done in the strictest confidence.
It is impossible to do this ministry without the presence and power of the Holy Spirit.

The PCC needed to agree a Volunteer Agreement for members of the team to sign and we also compiled some Prayer Ministry Team Guidelines during the year which were looked at in the training session.

You may have noticed that we have three people from the team on the dais at the front of church at the end of the service now. Two members of the team are ready to pray straight away with anyone who is waiting. The third person is known as a Facilitator and will look for other prayer ministry team members to come and assist if needed. So, if there is something you would like prayer for you can speak to another member of the ministry team on the dais who is there to help. Please never leave church without getting prayer if you should need it.

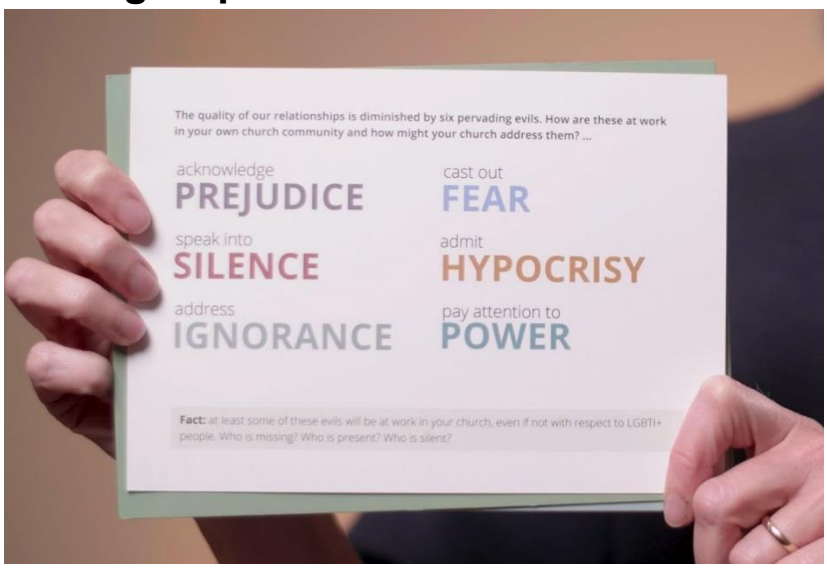
- In John 1:35-39 Two of John's disciples follow Jesus and when they ask where He is staying Jesus says "Come and see".
- In John 1:44 Jesus says to Philip "Follow me and then in v45 Philip finds Nathaniel who is very sceptical and says "Can anything good come out of Nazareth" Philip said to him "Come and see"
- In John 4 Jesus meets with the woman at Jacob's Well and she then goes to tell everyone verse 29 "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done!"
- The Psalmist says in Psalm 66:5 "Come and see what our God has done, what awesome miracles he performs for people!" (NLT)

We invite you to "Come and see" what prayer ministry is all about on a Sunday morning after the service. All you need to do is step out in faith and obedience and come and see.

I would like to thank the following special people on the Prayer Ministry Team for serving in the different ways that they have during this pandemic and for their commitment to this ministry and for their support to me: Ruth Allen, Bill & Maggie Browne, Julie Degg, Les Dickinson, Steve Dring, Phil Eley, Irene Hargreaves, Heather Newstead, Angie Rollinson, Joy Stanwell and Robin Wood. Thank you so much.

Lesley Edwards

Homegroups



Many of our home groups resumed during 2021 – either online or in person – bringing welcome contact, fellowship and prayer to those who had been isolated due to the pandemic.

In Autumn 2021 we resumed a programme of sermons and studies based around the Pastoral Principles for Living Well and these were received with enthusiasm and deep reflection. Some of the areas of study were not easy to talk about but the sermons were a good base for further discussion and prayer.

Two new groups were formed during the year, embracing new and long standing church members. With grateful thanks to leaders Doreen and John Bird who meet on Mondays and Jon and Jenny Russell with their group on a Tuesday. In addition the St Andrew's Home Group joined the same study programme, so that we were all working and praying together.

If you would like to be part of a Home Group please get in touch with Alicia or Rachael.

Alicia Dring

Crossed Keys Café

The crossed keys café opened our doors once again at the start of November 2021 Although some of our regulars are no longer with us, we have been pleased to be able to serve the members of Phil Eley's Singing for Pleasure Group and to welcome back old customers. Word of our existence is slowly spreading and as a result some new customers have come along.

Everyone tells us we should put up our prices! But we are pleased to be able to offer a service that everyone can afford and enjoy.

We would like to record our thanks to all our regular helpers: Lindsey Jones, Helen Homes, Irene Hargreaves, Jacqueline Woodhams and Joan Ditch, and to Ann Dean for the cakes!

Paul and Fiona Taylor

Friday Lunch Club

Well, a mixed year for Lunch Club. We continued to make and deliver a tea to fifty people each month. Relying on our willing band of helpers who collected them from the church hall and drove around Littleover delivering them. Lunch Club guests and some housebound church members were most appreciative of the teas. They kept the church in touch with so many people who were unable to meet their families and neighbours.

Once we felt it safe enough to restart the Lunch Club, we set this in motion. We contacted all previous members with a start date in September and the rules we were to implement to keep the guests and the helpers safe, we printed new information forms which all had to complete, and we only accepted those who had had two Covid injections. So, when we restarted everyone needed to wear their masks until seated at their table which had only six seated instead of the previous eight. We checked their injection certificates and had plenty of hand sanitiser available.

So, we shared lunch each week through September, October, November and December. Finishing the year with a Christmas Lunch and raffle for all guests and helpers as the children from St Peter's Junior school were unable to sing for us due to Covid, we were very appreciative that Phil Eley was able to play so we all enjoyed a great sing along.

We continue to meet each week and are so pleased we can share this meal each week with so many people. It is a privilege to serve the guests in this way and share Jesus' love with them. Many of the guests enjoy the monthly service which takes place before their lunch and the number attending is growing, thanks to Alicia and David for leading these services. There is a wonderful service provided by the listeners who represent Alicia and share any problems people have and pray with, or for, them as appropriate.

Anyone who would like to help on a regular basis at lunch club we would love to hear from you. You would be very welcome and would see how much this weekly event shows how St Peter's Church has so much to offer the local community

Ann Dean

Thirsty Thursdays

The boys have met at The White Swan in fits and starts during the year, sometimes online with Jonathon Hemingray and sometimes in person at the pub, and once even in the Vicarage Garden. Keeping everyone safe was the priority and dates have occasionally changed to fit around Steve's working shift pattern. It is hoped this will return as a regular monthly fixture in 2022.

Steve Dring

Deanery Synod Report

Following the APCM 2021, Chris Jones resigned his place on Deanery Synod due to his Church Warden role, however, Helene Roe joined as a DS rep, but has not been able to attend meetings as they have always been arranged when she has been at work.

The Synod provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. The Synod met four times on Zoom during the year and had one in person meeting, which was not well attended. We would value more people on Deanery Synod to keep this important link 'live' for the church. The Deanery plan has a continued commitment to ministry across the new housing estates just outside the City boundaries and Rev Paul Desborough was appointed to Sinfin Moor to help facilitate this work. In addition, the Diocesan Vision finally approved three Archdeaconries – Derbyshire Peak and Dales, Derbyshire East and Derby City & South Derbyshire. Appointments will be made in early 2022. And finally Kate Godfrey was announced as the new Diocesan Secretary in early December 2021.

Alicia Dring and Peter Vincent

Joyce Harpur Charity

2021 has once again been a busy year for the charity – especially through December as the effects of the pandemic and the ever-rising cost of living is sadly affecting more and more people. We had the highest number of Christmas grant applications than ever before (well, since I started with the charity in 2016) so the Board of Trustees has not been idle.

Background: The Joyce Harpur Charity was set up in the 16th century to benefit the poor of the parish and over the centuries has shared financial support with individuals in desperate need. The applicants must live within the parochial parish boundaries of St Andrew's Blagreaves or St Peter's Littleover and each application is assessed in the strictest confidence on a case-by-case basis. Grants are given out just before Christmas at the discretion of the trustees.

The current Board of Trustees comprises seven people plus the clerk. There are four members from St Peter's Church: our vicar, both church wardens and our curate. There is one church member from St Andrew's and two councillors appointed by Derby City Council. Cllr Eric Ashburner resigned early in the year after many years of faithful service and has been replaced by Cllr Emily Lonsdale and Chris Jones took over from Chris Taylor as our newest Church Warden.

The AGM is held in the spring and the annual accounts were received at this time. Once accepted, the accounts were audited and submitted to the Charity Commission as part of the annual return. The Trustees meeting that followed on from the AGM reviewed the previous year's application process (along with the form) and made plans for the autumn application window. At the November meeting, the finances and grants were reviewed.

In 2021, 42 applications were received, and 30 grants given. 44 children received gifts from the Derby City Mission Christmas Connection, 17 adults had gifts from Derby City Council's Secret Santa and 16 families received Reversed Advent Calendar Food Hampers donated by church members. On top of this 17 people were encouraged to visit the Jubilee Debt Clinic and 22 people were encouraged to apply for Christmas Lunch on Jesus – which again operated differently to past years to provide Christmas Day dinner thanks to a gift card/voucher scheme in conjunction with Aldi. A lot of people like yourselves have made a huge difference through your generosity to those struggling in our city at Christmas, so THANK YOU.

If you would like to know anything further about the work of the Charity, please do ask.

Jen Downing Clerk to Joyce Harpur

Churches Together

Churches Together in Littleover and Blagreaves comprises six churches; Newmount Methodist Church, St Andrew's Blagreaves, The Haven Christian Centre, Littleover Methodist Church (LMC), Littleover Baptist Church and St Peter's Littleover. The St Giles' Church Plant project is also included on a currently informal basis.

This year we said farewell to Rev Gary Watt from Littleover Methodist Church, who moved to become an Armed Forces Chaplain; Rev Martin Knight from The Haven Christian Centre who retired and Rev Greg Obong-Oshotse from Newmount Methodist Church. LMC has an interim minister Chris Briggs, The Haven is in vacancy and Rev Jacky Quarmby joined Newmount.

Conversations are already starting for us to work more closely together in 2022 and there may be potential in working together on wider projects rather than just occasional festivals.

Alicia Dring

St Peter's C of E Junior School

What an interesting year 2021 was! I began my journey at St Peter's on the 5 January 2021 and went into a lockdown the following day. We remained open for key worker children and children classed as vulnerable and also provided home-learning and challenges for those at home.

Throughout this time, it was vital we continued to be at the heart of our community. We launched our new website, new social media site and continued with video collective worships to keep our communication channels open and share the wonderful things that were happening in and out of school.

It was lovely to finally meet families and children face to face when we fully returned. As the year progressed, we were able to hold more and more collective worships in person and, when we returned in September, we managed to hold even more events in person with families also coming in. We finished off 2021 with an amazing Year Three and Four production of 'Lights, Camel, Action!' and it was brilliant to have parents and the community in to watch.

St Peter's C of E Junior School continues to go from strength to strength and we look forward to sharing our developments in the Keyhole magazine and on our school website.

Frazer Smith Head of School

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Parishioners of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover held on 28th April 2021 via Zoom at 7.30pm

Present on Zoom: Revd Alicia Dring, Les Allen, Ruth Allen, Beryl Angus, Jenifer Baines, John Bird, Doreen Bird, Jim Britland, Sally Britland, Rachael Brooks, Andrew Brooks, Bill Browne, Maggie Browne, Patrick Dean, Ann Dean, Nev Ditchfield, Margaret Ditchfield, Jen Downing, Janet Edwards, Mike Edwards, Lesley Edwards, Charlie Elston, Ruth Elston, Lynn Elston, Liz Eley, Phil Eley, Michael Furniss, Julia Furniss, Ellen Goodman, Katy Goodman, Peter Goodman, Janet Guy (via phone), Merryl Falerio, Richard Falerio, Wendy Gretton, Penny Halfpenny, Dave Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Jonathon Hemingray, Tiffany Hey, Jane Hughes, Chris Jones, Linsey Jones, Di Learman, Aubrey Learman, Sue Limberger, Tim Limberger, Viv Lucas, Heather Newstead, Jenny Russell, Jon Russell, Alan Scott, Julie Scott, Sarah Sherrington, Lee Smith, Rachael Smith, Joy Stanwell, Margit Staehr, Jen Stratford, Chris Taylor, Ann Urquart, Robin Wood, Chris Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams.

Opening Prayer and Worship – Revd. Alicia opened the meeting with prayer.
Rachael read from Isaiah 61:1-3
Alicia Dring chaired the meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Helene Roe, Ann Vincent, Peter Vincent, Stephen Dring, Terry Wood, Roger Hey.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (18 October 2020)**

   Alicia explained how the voting was going to happen on Zoom with the use of reactions or hands up. The difference between the two meetings was also explained. Revd. Alicia Dring chaired the meeting and explained the protocol of being a member on the church electoral roll before being allowed to vote.
   The minutes of the previous meeting had Liz and Phil Eley, Nev and Margaret Ditchfield and Maggie and Bill Browne missing, this has been amended. Apologies.
   The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record following the amendments.
   Proposed by Jim Britland and Seconded by Chris Jones.
   Passed and signed by Rev. Alicia Dring.

3. **Election of Churchwardens**

   Alicia explained the rules of voting. Alicia gave thanks to Christine's work over the last couple of years. Christine had received a rose rather than cut flowers and Alicia hoped that when it blooms Chris will be blessed by it and reminded of our love for her. Chris is about to become with National President of The Nightingale Fellowship.

There were two nominations for Churchwardens.
Chris Jones Proposed: Jim Britland Seconded: Sally Britland
Jim Britland Proposed: Chris Jones Seconded: Linsey Jones
Both elected unanimously via Zoom.3 abstentions

Jeni Baines added her thanks to Jim and Chris Taylor and the Fabric Team especially Chris Jones for the work done during the church closure.
The meeting closed approx. 7.50pm

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) of Church Electors of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover held via Zoom on 28 April 2021

Present on Zoom: Revd Alicia Dring, Les Allen, Ruth Allen, Beryl Angus, Jenifer Baines, John Bird, Doreen Bird, Jim Britland, Sally Britland, Rachael Brooks, Andrew Brooks, Bill Browne, Maggie Browne, Patrick Dean, Ann Dean, Nev Ditchfield, Margaret Ditchfield, Jen Downing, Janet Edwards, Mike Edwards, Lesley Edwards, Charlie Elston, Ruth Elston, Lynn Elston, Liz Eley, Phil Eley, Michael Furniss, Julia Furniss, Ellen Goodman, Katy Goodman, Peter Goodman, Janet Guy (via phone), Merryl Falerio, Richard Falerio, Wendy Gretton, Penny Halfpenny, Dave Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Jonathon Hemingray, Tiffany Hey, Jane Hughes, Chris Jones, Linsey Jones, Monica Jones, Di Learman, Aubrey Learman, Sue Limberger, Tim Limberger, Viv Lucas, Heather Newstead, Jenny Russell, Jon Russell, Alan Scott, Julie Scott, Sarah Sherrington, Lee Smith, Rachael Smith, Joy Stanwell, Margit Staehr, Jen Stratford, Chris Taylor, Paul Taylor, Ann Urquart, Robin Wood, Chris Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Helene Roe, Ann Vincent, Peter Vincent, Stephen Dring (joined at 20:28), Terry Wood, Roger Hey.

   Revd. Alicia Dring chaired the meeting.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (18.10.20)**
   Liz and Phil Eley and Margaret and Nev Ditchfield, Maggie and Bill Browne were missing from the attendees in church and the minutes will be amended. Points 15 – point 20 on pages 35 and 36 of the Annual Report were left from last year's minutes. A new amended version was available on the church website and via a link on Zoom chat.
   The minutes were then accepted as a true and correct record. Unanimous. Passed and signed by Rev. Alicia Dring.

3. **Matters Arising**
   None

4. **Electoral Roll Report – Jane Hughes**
   Jane thanked everyone for checking the roll which had been available to view online and at the church door. Jane made a special thank you for the help from Jon Russell and Iona Hague for their help in facilitating this.
   There are now 117 residents and 49 non-residents on the Electoral Roll making a total of 166. Jane Hughes proposed that the Electoral Roll be accepted as a true and accurate record. Seconded: Chris Taylor. Passed unanimously.
   Alicia thanked Jane for her time and work.

5. **Election of Churchwarden Results**

Jim Britland and Chris Jones were duly elected as Churchwarden for the coming year at the Vestry Meeting.

6. **Elections to the PCC**

Alicia gave thanks to Helen Roe, Merryl Falerio, Tiffany Hey, Sue Limberger and Chris Taylor whose terms of office have come to an end.

There are 4 PCC vacancies for 3 years – 2 PCC vacancies for 2 years

2 Deanery Synod vacancies for 2 years

Nominations for PCC are:

- John Bird – Proposer: Ann Dean Seconder: Ruth Allen
- Robin Wood – Proposer: Michael Furniss Seconder: Julia Furniss
- David Hargreaves - Proposer: Chris Jones Seconder: Liz Eley
- Sue Limberger - Proposer: Tim Limberger Seconder: Ellen Goodman

The four nominations were unanimously elected to the PCC.

There are two vacancies available on the Deanery Synod for two years.

Nominations for Deanery Synod are:

- Helene Roe - Proposer: Wendy Gretton Seconder: Christine Taylor
- Tiffany Hey - Proposer: Jane Hughes Seconder: Lesley Edwards

Helene and Tiffany were nominated unanimously elected.

Alicia thanked every member for their work on the PCC in the last year.

Sidesmen/women

We know longer need to approve a list of sidesmen and women but Alicia expressed her thanks for the work done by the welcome teams and sides people across all services, including all the duty wardens.

The Terrier was available by appointment via the Wardens prior to the APCM.

7. **Treasurers Report – Sue Limberger**

This is my first report I have presented to St Peter's Church Family and it was a privilege to serve the Lord and the family of St Peter's. I was aware that taking over the work of Treasurer would be challenging but at the time I had not factored in Covid 19 and all the impacts this bought! 2020 was indeed an unprecedented year and St Peter's as a whole had to learn to understand how we can continue to serve the Church family and the wider community in these challenging times.

The financial aspect was not untouched by this and we encouraged as many people as possible to give via Standing Order as well as being able to take card payments via our card reader and, the technology has gone even further with donations now being able to be taken via a link on Facebook and the website.
Unfortunately, our expenditure exceeded our income and at times there were concerns that this deficit could have been a lot worse. BUT I must thank the whole of the Church family by rising to these new challenges and continuing to be faithful to St Peter's which enabled us to maintain the same level of income from giving during 2020.
However, our Church Hall was shut for a large majority of the year and of course our community groups Lunch Club, Cross Keys Café etc, had to be suspended and therefore our income from these sources were impacted.
Although we had a difficult year financially, the PCC agreed that we would still honour our commitment to pay the whole of the Parish Share along with our agreed giving to our mission partners. The PCC also committed to the facelift of the Church Hall as well as the general upkeep costs of the Church.
Finally, I would like to thank everybody in the church family for their patience and support whilst I settled into my role as treasurer and especially to Chris Woodhams for his support and a special thanks to Lynda Diggins who was at the end of the phone, text or email answering my many numerous questions and also to Iona Hague in the church office.
I would like to propose that the 2020 accounts be accepted Seconded by Chris Jones and that Azets of Nottingham (formally Baldwins) Chartered Accountants be accepted as auditors for 2021. Seconded by Lesley Edwards. Unanimous.

Paul Taylor asked how much income we have lost from plate and hall. Sue gave the example that the Dance school income is approx. £1,000 per month and that alone will be approximately £6,000 lost. Giving has been stable and we are very blessed and grateful to our generous church family.
Tim Limberger gave his support and encouragement to Sue and the work she does so diligent and conscientiously.
Ann commented that the expenditure and utilities would have been less. However, it was decided to use the closure in the hall to complete our commitment to some substantial maintenance.
Alicia thanked all involved for their work, time and efforts.

8. Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adult Procedures

The report was published in the Annual Report.
Janet Edwards and Margit Staehr are managing this together. Margit responsible for Children and Young People and Janet Vulnerable Adults.
Janet has helped to get Margit up to speed. Alicia thanked them both. No questions.
Margit said that 2020 was a quiet year due to closure and that she and Janet are due to go to a meeting very soon for any new updates.

9. Election Results

Not applicable

10. Reviewing Reports

No questions prior to APCM.

Alicia thanked everyone involved with activities during 2020 and contribution of reports however big or small and work done in the background.

11. Chair's Report and Vision – Alicia

Alicia gave her report, highlighting on last year, continuing relationships, buildings maintenance and God's call on St Peter's in the coming year.
She reflected on how St Peter's has grown, not only in welcoming the members of St Andrews but by other brothers and sisters joining from around the country as we worshipped via Zoom. She thanked the team who helps to host Zoom in order that the rest of us can join in, in a relaxed fashion.
It was confirmed that we will continue with Zoom services when we return back to church at the end of May to extend our worship to those who can make it into the church building.
She went on to welcome Andrew and Rachael and acknowledge how Rachael Brooks has also grown and flourished and hoped that lots of us will be able to join her at Derby Cathedral in July when she is priested.
She thanked the prayerful and playful PCC for all the extra meetings this year has created with a special thank you to the wardens who she is truly grateful for.
As is the custom we took a minute's silence to remember those faithful servants who have gone home to Jesus this year.
Alicia reminded us that we are called to mission, to be Christ-like, to listen, to share, to support but that not all our activities, as we know them, will return when we do however God is calling us to new things.
One thing is welcoming a new community "down the hill". Will we? Do we have a heart of compassion to help our new community?

The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor.

He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted,
to proclaim freedom for the captives
and release from darkness for the prisoners,
to proclaim the year of the LORD's favour
and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all who mourn,
and provide for those who grieve in Zion—
to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes,
the oil of joy instead of mourning,

and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.
They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendour.

Sarah Sherrington spoke on behalf of the congregation on how blessed we are to have Alicia and Steve and thank them for all the work they do.

Phil Eley challenged us to encourage one another in the great commission to do His work.

12. Any Other Business - none

13. Date of Next APCM Meeting – 27 April 2022

14. Closing Prayer and Blessing – Revd Alicia Dring

The meeting closed at approx. 8.30pm and all members of the new PCC were invited to a short Zoom meeting immediately following the APCM to elect a Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and members of the Standing Committee.

Please remember:

- To pray for this meeting and for God to speak as we reflect and share together
- To ask God if He is calling you to serve in any of the ministries outlined in this report, especially on the PCC
- To make sure your name is on the Church Electoral Roll (membership list), otherwise you will not be eligible to vote
- A full copy of the accounts is available upon request
- To attend the meeting on Wed 27 April 7.30pm in person in church or on Zoom www.stpeterlittleover.org.uk/meet
- And if you have any questions under Any Other Business, these need to be **received in writing 48 hours before the meeting** – either by the PCC Secretary Ellen Goodman or Revd Alicia Dring.

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ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Registered Charity Number: 1133061

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Chetwynd Business Park
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Nottingham
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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Parochial Church Council members who are also the trustees of the charity, who have served from 1 January 2021 until the date this report was approved are:

MEMBERS/TRUSTEES	J Baines	
	J Bird	(Appointed 2021)
	J Britland	Church Warden
	Rev'd. R Brooks	(Curate)
	Rev'd. A Dring	Vicar & Chair
	C Elston	
	E Goodman	Secretary
	W Gretton	
	D Hargreaves	(Appointed 2021)
	T Hey	(Resigned July 2021)
	S Limberger	Treasurer
	C Jones	Church Warden
	H Roe	
	J Scott	
	R Wood	(Appointed 2021)
SECRETARY	E Goodman	
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	St Peter's Church Church Street Littleover Derby	
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	S Harcourt Azets Audit Services (formally Baldwins Audit Services) 2 Regan Way Chetwynd Business Park Chilwell Nottingham NG9 6RZ	
BANKERS	Barclays Bank Plc 22-26 St Peters Street Derby DE1 1SH	
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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street Littleover, Derby. It is part of the Diocese of Derby within the Church of England. The charity's working name is St Peter's, Littleover PCC.

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009 (Charity Number 1133061). The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is to co-operate with the minister, the Rev'd. A Dring, in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as in accordance with the PCC (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended by the measure of 1969.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Promoting in the Ecclesiastical Parish the whole mission of the Church.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance

There were 165 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 54 of whom are not resident within the parish.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

Average Sunday attendance at St Peter's in 2021.

Sunday Services Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship 8am**	**Morning Worship 10am**	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	9 (0)	65 (0)	
Total Attendees	9 (0)	110 (80)	0 (0)
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	12 (10)		
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Easter Sunday 2021	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	0 (0)	0 (0)	
Total Attendees	0 (0)	120 (120)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Morning Worship**
Christmas Eve 2021	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			30 (0)
Total Attendees	140 (0)	130 (250)	40 (23)
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Christmas Day 2021	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	10 (0)	37 (0)	
Total Attendees	10 (0)	80 (40)	
Figures in ( ) = 2020 attendance			

All references to Holy Communion have been shown as Morning Worship following the restrictions on Holy Communion as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
The above figures represent approximations of attendance of services provided via Zoom.

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

If we had hoped that 2021 was going to return to what we had known as normal before 2020 then we have been disappointed as COVID continued to affect all our lives in so many ways.

However, St Peter's have certainly tried, and I believe succeeded in ensuring that COVID was not going to stop us enjoying being able to worship together. And yet again the St Peters church family certainly rose to the challenge, with people giving their time, expertise and of course financially to enable this to happen.

The Parochial Trustees Church Council (PCC) met nine times in the year 2021 of which 7 were online. In addition, the PCC Standing Committee met 9 times prior to each PCC meeting.

The effects of COVID unfortunately has still had an impact on some of the PCC action groups, especially the events team has it has not been relevant for the event team to meet during 2021.
However, the other PCC Action Groups have continued to meet as required and we set up 2 new groups, MAP(Mission action plan) and Care for Creation group.

At the APCM in April, we said goodbye to following PCC members
Chris Taylor (Church Warden)
Peter Goodman

But welcomed the following
Chris Jones (Church Warden)
Robin Wood
John Bird
David Hargreaves

However, Tiffany Hey had to resign from PCC in July due to personal circumstances.

The Standing Committee and PCC meeting agendas continue to remain in a standard format which includes an action column. Most of the meeting papers are stored and distributed electronically in an endeavour to save on paper and printing.

The main discussion points this year have been
• COVID and its impact graced the PCC agenda frequently and generated a lot of work for our leaders with the continued revision and implementation of necessary safety measures.

• The other area that was discussed at length was the integration of a neighbouring parish into St Peters. Unfortunately, the wheels of the Diocese turn slowly and so this has been agreed but unlikely to take fruition until Jan 2023. When this is confirmed then this will see a revision of our name and also how we run our finances.

• With the continued and necessary use of the ability to zoom services and meetings, and also now the live streaming of services it became very apparent that our current AV equipment needs updating As a PCC we agreed to the implementation of a brand new AV system. A lot of discussions have been held and now the specification of this has been agreed and people have been very generous in donations towards this, and we look forward to the implementation of this in 2022.

2021 was a year of hard work for the leadership team of St Peters, but I believe that this had been a significant factor in the growth of our church during 2022. We acknowledge how fortunate we have been, as are aware not all churches have been as fortunate.

The continued faithfulness of our congregation, sensible planning and great leadership has enabled St Peters to achieve a net profit overall in 2022. The first time in a few years.

God Is Good.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves Policy
Three months core income will be kept – to be used only if necessary. Three months operational expenditure equates to £30,000 to be reviewed annually. There is currently £32,448 held in general reserves plus The Capital Fund of £62,697 which is held for the future development of the Church.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Steve Harcourt FCCA of Azets Audit Services was the charity's independent examiner during the period and offers himself for re-election at the annual general meeting.

Approved by the PCC on 5 April 2022

Signed on their behalf by

Rev'd. A Dring - Vicar/Chair

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	120,439	-	12,084	132,523	112,003
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	11,234	-	-	11,234	6,636
Income from investments	1(c)	266	-	-	266	472
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	8,962	-	2,110	11,072	18,088
		140,901	-	14,194	155,095	137,199
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	8,983	-	210	9,193	9,448
Church activities	2(b)	114,475	-	3,521	117,996	137,784
Governance costs	2(c)	2,765	-	-	2,765	2,742
		126,223	-	3,731	129,954	149,974
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		14,678	-	10,463	25,141	(12,775)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		-	(1,799)	1,799	-	-
NET MOVEMENT		14,678	(1,799)	12,262	25,141	(12,775)
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2021		80,467	7,864	6,274	94,605	107,380
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2021		95,145	6,065	18,536	119,746	94,605

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts		32,448	6,065	18,536	57,049	31,941
CBF deposit fund		62,697	-	-	62,697	62,664
		95,145	6,065	18,536	119,746	94,605
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		6,639	-	-	6,639	5,045
Prepayments and other debtors		2,527	-	-	2,527	-
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		9,466	-	-	9,466	5,345
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	8,992	-	-	8,992	7,867
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		257	-	-	257	247
Accruals		2,526	-	-	2,526	2,582
		2,783	-	-	2,783	2,829

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 5 April 22 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd. A Dring ..... (Vicar)

S Limberger ..... (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 9 to 14 form part of these accounts

1. RECEIPTS

	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
1(a) Donations and legacies					
Planned giving:					
Gift Aid	96,239	-	-	96,239	82,477
Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid	21,486	-	-	21,486	20,162
Collections (open plate) at all services	1,957	-	-	1,957	2,448
Sundry donations	67	-	12,084	12,151	4,997
Legacies	-	-	-	-	
Youth and Family Worker	690	-	-	690	1,919
	120,439	-	12,084	132,523	112,003
1(b) Activities for raising funds					
Church hall lettings etc.	11,147	-	-	11,147	6,264
Adverts – magazine	-	-	-	-	25
Cross keys café	87	-	-	87	347
	11,234	-	-	11,234	6,636
1(c) Income from investments					
Dividends and interest	228	-	-	228	220
Bank interest	38	-	-	38	252
	266	-	-	266	472
1(d) Income resources from church activities					
Magazines	593	-	-	7,206	53
Fees	6,613	-	-	-	6,407
Sundry	1,556	-	-	1,556	10,290
Lunch club	200	-	2,110	2,310	1,338
	8,962	-	2,110	11,072	18,088
TOTAL RECEIPTS	140,901	-	14,194	155,095	137,199

2. PAYMENTS

		General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
2(a)	Grants					
	Missionary and charitable giving:					
	Church overseas:					
	- missionary societies	1,900	-	-	1,900	1,900
	Home missions and other Church Societies	5,500	-	-	5,500	6,158
	Sundry gifts	1,583	-	210	1,793	1,390
		8,983	-	210	9,193	9,448
2(b)	Church activities – directly relating to the work of the church					
	Ministry: diocesan quota	66,810	-	-	66,810	64,241
	Clergy expenses	2,840	-	-	2,840	7,973
	Church – running expenses	13,284	-	-	13,284	8,132
	Church – maintenance and roof repairs	6,886	-	-	6,886	3,914
	Church Hall running costs	8,906	-	-	8,906	14,543
	Fees	494	-	-	494	3,954
	Education	200	-	-	200	75
	Sundry expenses	927	-	1,266	2,193	939
	Youth and Family Worker	118	-	-	118	13,038
	Cross Keys expenses	-	-	-	-	-
	Lunch Club	-	-	2,255	2,255	1,768
		100,465	-	3,521	103,986	118,577
	Church activities – support costs					
	Printing and stationery	3,196	-	-	3,196	3,018
	Sundry expenses	77	-	-	77	528
	Parish salaries & social security	10,259	-	-	10,259	15,168
	Expenses of vicarage	478	-	-	478	493
		14,010	-	-	14,010	19,207
	Total church activities	114,475	-	3,521	117,996	137,784
2(c)	Governance costs					
	Accountancy (re. independent examination)	2,765	-	-	2,765	2,742
TOTAL PAYMENTS		126,223	-	3,731	129,954	149,974

3. STAFF COSTS

During the year the PCC incurred costs for an organist, vergers, a churchyard maintenance crew, a church co-ordinator, and a cleaner for the church hall. This expenditure is not shown separately as staff costs but is included in the expenditure headings to which the service performed relates.

No person connected with the PCC has been paid, or is payable, remuneration or other benefits from the funds of the council, except as follows:

Travelling and out of pocket expenses totalling £2,767 (2020: £1,132) were reimbursed to 3 (2020: 5) PCC members during the year.

4. INVESTMENTS

	2021 £	2020 £
Shares and Securities		
384 shares in the CBF's Investment Fund	8,992	7,867

These are stated at market value.

5. FUND DETAILS

Unrestricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2021 £
Capital fund	62,664	33	-	-	62,697
General funds	17,803	140,868	(126,223)	-	32,448
	80,467	140,901	(126,223)	-	95,145
Designated funds					
IT Equipment fund	1,799	-	-	(1,799)	-
Chair fund	6,065	-	-	-	6,065
	7,864	-	-	(1,799)	6,065
Total unrestricted funds	88,331	140,901	(126,223)	(1,799)	101,210

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2020 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2020 £
Capital fund	60,182	205	-	2,277	62,664
General funds	37,244	133,815	(147,796)	(5,460)	17,803
	97,426	134,020	(147,796)	(3,183)	80,467
Designated funds					
IT Equipment fund	-	1,799	-	-	1,799
Chair fund	-	-	-	6,065	6,065
	-	1,799	-	6,065	7,864
Total unrestricted funds	97,426	135,819	(147,796)	2,882	88,331

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2021 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2021 £
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,159	-	-	-	5,159
Womens Fellowship	212	-	(210)	-	2
Tiddlywinks	150	-	-	-	150
Lunch Club	753	2,110	(2,255)	-	608
IT Sound System	-	12,084	(1,266)	1,799	12,617
	6,274	14,194	(3,731)	1,799	18,536

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Restricted funds Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2020 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2020 £
Flower Fund	62	-	-	(62)	-
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,159	-	-	-	5,159
Womens Fellowship	238	42	(110)	42	212
Tiddlywinks	450	-	(300)	-	150
Lunch Club	1,723	1,338	(1,768)	(540)	753
Fabric – Funding Stock	249	-	-	(249)	-
Power Point Fund	1,192	-	-	(1,192)	-
Hothorpe Hall Fund	429	-	-	(429)	-
Redecoration	452	-	-	(452)	-
	9,954	1,380	(2,178)	(2,882)	6,274

Flower Fund:	Amounts of money given to buy flowers for the Church.
Legacy Mrs Pilling:	Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years.
Women's Fellowship:	Groups for ladies who meet once a month for worship and fellowship.
Tiddlywinks:	Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.
Lunch Club:	A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.
Fabric Funding Stock:	As above but restricted to Fabric repairs etc.
Power Point Fund:	A fund we are building up to buy a power point for the Church.
Youth and Family Worker:	St Peter's Littleover employ a full-time youth and family worker and largely fund this work from ongoing donations and drawings from the Curate Fund.
Redecoration:	For redecoration of the church.
IT Sound System:	Monies donated for the acquisition of a new sound system.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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VESTRY MEETING and ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Agenda
Wednesday 28 April 2021 at 7.30pm
St Peter's Church, Littleover

Vestry Meeting

1. Opening worship and prayer
2. Apologies for absence
3. Approve Minutes of the last meeting (18 October 2020, see back pages)
4. Election of Churchwardens (nominations to be received in advance of meeting)

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approve minutes of last APCM (18 October 2020, see back pages of this document)
3. Matters arising
4. Electoral Roll Report
5. Election of Churchwardens results
6. Election to the
    - Parochial Church Council (7 vacancies)
    - Deanery Synod (? vacancies)

    (tellers will be appointed to count voting papers if needed)
7. Financial report – Mrs Sue Limberger
8. Reviewing reports – time for questions
9. Results of Elections to PCC and Deanery Synod
10. Safeguarding update
11. Chair's report and vision – Alicia
12. Any other business

    NOTE: Please notify any other business in writing to the Vicar or the PCC Secretary (Ellen Goodman) at least 48 hours in advance – this will guarantee a considered response.
13. Date of next APCM
14. Closing prayer and worship

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2020

To comply with the Charity Commission regulations of 1997 the following details about St Peter's Littleover are updated annually and included in the annual report.

Vision, Purpose and Organisation

Vision Statement for St Peter's
GRACE – God's people Reaching out to All: Church for Everyone

Aims and Purposes
St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent, the Reverend Alicia Dring, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church Halls of St Peter's, Normanton Lane, Littleover, Derby DE23 6GA.

Organisation of the PCC
St Peter's PCC is organised by holding alternative monthly PCC meetings on the first Tuesday of the month, except August and December. PCC Action Teams (Fabric, Mission, Children and Young People, Events and Bridge) meet on the other months. If necessary, extra meetings may be organised. A Standing Committee meets alternative months to deal with routine matters or urgent business between PCC meetings.

Purpose and terms of reference of other teams and ministries at St Peter's
As St Peter's is a large church, business is conducted through delegated teams and committees answerable to the PCC. All organisations that function to further the vision and purposes of St Peter's, whatever their name, are ultimately answerable and accountable to the PCC. Leaders of any such groups should be available at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting to answer questions from the floor if they should so arise.

The PCC 2020

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity currently excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

The following have served as members of the PCC since the last APCM:

Revd Alicia Dring	Vicar and Chair appointed September 2013	
Jim Britland	Church Warden	appointed April 2018
Christine Taylor	Church Warden	appointed April 2019
Sue Limberger	Treasurer	appointed April 2020
Ellen Goodman	Until 2022 (PCC Secretary)	appointed April 2016

Merryl Faleiro	Until 2021
Sue Limberger	Until 2021
Tiffany Hey	Until 2021
Helene Roe	Until 2021
Wendy Gretton	Until 2022
Charlie Elston	Until 2023
Jenifer Baines	Until 2023
Julie Scott	Until 2023

Chris Jones Deanery Synod Representative until 2023

The Standing Committee 2020

Revd Alicia Dring	Chair
Jim Britland	Church Warden and Vice Chair
Christine Taylor	Church Warden
Ellen Goodman	PCC Secretary
Lynda Diggins/ Sue Limberger	Treasurer (changed in April 2020)
Jenifer Baines	
Rev Rachael Brooks	From July 2020

Service Attendance at St Peter's Littleover 2020

Sunday Services Average over four consecutive weeks in October 2020	**Holy Communion 8am**	**Holy Communion 10am***	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	0 (14)	NA (89)	
Total Attendees	0 (14)	57 (100)	0 (0)
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	18 (18)		
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Easter Sunday 2020	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	0 (20)	0 (130)	
Total Attendees	0 (20)	Online approx. 150 (149)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Holy Communion**
Christmas Eve 2020	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			32 (73)
Total Attendees	online (297)	online (371)	30 (77)
	Holy Communion	**Holy Communion**	
Christmas Day 2020	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	0 (11)	32 (98)	
Total Attendees	0 (11)	63 (103)	

* The 10am Sunday Services generally alternate between Holy Communion and Morning Worship/All Age
(XX) Figures in brackets are for the year 2019
Please note that many of these new figures are so reduced as a direct consequence of Coronovirus restrictions.

Other Services held at St Peter's during 2020

Baptisms: *during the 10am Sunday Service*	2	(7)
Funerals/memorial	32	(35)
Weddings	3	(4)
St Peter's School Services	1	(7)
High School Services	0	(3)

Electoral Roll
117 resident in the parish and 49 live outside of the parish = 166 total roll

The Vicar's Report

The things they don't train you for in vicar school – no one could ever have foreseen this last year, or how we would find our way through. And although it had seemed like always winter and never Christmas as described in The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe, I believe we have found a way to flourish in these exceptional times.

And it began with a phone call from Jon Russell who suggested we set up on Zoom a good couple of weeks before the lockdown took place in March 2020. I am indebted to Jon for so much, not just his expertise (which is legendary) but his gracious and sensitive insight in how to manage particular services and situations. I believe this prophetic action meant that throughout we have been able to offer live worship, positive interaction and a strong sense of fellowship to all who join us. While other churches have recorded and used YouTube and Facebook, our real time services – including running live, in-person worship in the building alongside a Zoom congregation – has meant we have stayed together, prayed together and grown together.

The other wonderful benefit has been the emergence and flourishing of so many new leaders, readers and prayers across our daily services. At the start I did all the services for a good many weeks – with a short break for Covid – so I was grateful for the support and delighted to see so many people step up to the challenge with grace and creativity. My prayer is that we can keep you all on the rota as we return to the building.

In addition, those who were not able to connect online were blessed by a dedicated team of volunteers who printed and delivered newssheets and service orders as well as others who would call once a week to share the service over the phone. Deep fellowship has evolved through this and has been a profound blessing to those who would otherwise have had no spiritual contact.

The challenge of in-person and online worship revealed the poor internet speeds in church and with the support of a Diocesan charity we have been able to have a superfast fibreoptic cable connection installed. I've never known a Diocesan faculty (permission to make an alteration to the building) go through so very fast! This means that when we do eventually return I hope we will continue to offer our services online as well as in person. This has also been especially helpful when conducting weddings or funerals with limited numbers or when travel was prohibited. One son was able to do the eulogy for his late father's funeral from his study in Australia, projected direct to the screen in church – a huge support to his grieving mother.

We have not been without our grief too as a church family. Losing Chris Wood to Covid early in the pandemic, painfully brought home the strength of the virus and the witness and grace of church family lining the streets to wave their goodbyes was profoundly moving.

Similarly, we said goodbye to our friend and former warden Tim Goodman when he died of cancer in the Autumn, too quickly and too young. There was a profound synchronicity when just ten days after Tim's funeral we gathered for the wedding of his son Pete, to his beautiful bride, Katy. The grief of Tim's loss, coupled with the rejoicing in heaven at his coming home brought a particular deep sense of love and hope to the wedding.

In addition, we lost Keith Leeson, who also served as warden, as well as helping to create the prayer ministry team with his late wife Cynthia. And Janet Woodhouse who had joined St Peter's as a new bride during the Second World War, becoming a faithful member and still serving as sacristan to the 8am service until well into her nineties.

I'm grateful to the Fabric Team for the considerable work on the Church Halls as well as routine maintenance and regular checking of the buildings and churchyard – without you we would not have had decent buildings to return to. And the cleaning teams who had a mammoth task on their hands after the first lockdown was lifted, but also returned in between services and funerals to ensure we were compliant with our risk assessments.

Through all of this the core team with the wardens, Standing Committee and PCC has been a source of strength, wisdom and prayerful insight. We have frequently been ahead of the curve in our planning and documentation which has helped with the chasing of ever moving goal posts. These teams are crucial to the future of our church – do you feel God calling you to serve in this way? We have vacancies this year for a warden and members of the PCC – please speak to me further if this is something you want to pursue.

The coming year will also see the congregation from St Andrew's come 'up the hill' to St Peter's as their building closes to Sunday worship and the parishes merge. It is hoped new boundaries will be established with St Giles' (St Andrew's parish was originally created out of part of St Giles' and part of St Peter's) and we will prayerfully consider how we work alongside the church plant from St Giles' that was set up in St Andrew's parish two years ago. The reality is that as our parish boundary extends down Blagreaves Lane we have a real calling to serve the community in mercy and hope. We have a great deal to learn from our brothers and sisters from St Andrew's and together can bring blessing to those who are struggling.

Finally, it has been a privilege to welcome Rachael, Andrew and Isaac Brooks to St Peter's and St Andrew's – despite the challenges of her Deacon year, Rachael has already brought new insight and challenge to us as a church. And we look forward to her priesting later in 2021.

And within all of this God has been sovereign, gracious and full of blessing. It has not been an easy year but we have worked together, looked out for each other and grown as a Church Family. My prayer is that as we tentatively emerge into the light of 2021 we will be all that more appreciative of what we have taken for granted for so long. To meet together, to sing, to pray and to receive bread and wine around the same table.

Rev Alicia Dring

The Curate's Report

2020 has provided a unique start to curacy for my cohort of curates. We started as licensed lay workers in July, and were ordained as deacons across three services in September, during which time we all started serving our churches virtually. It's not what we were trained for, nor is it what we wanted. But it was what we had, and God has been brilliantly at work in it.

One of the things Bishop Libby said during the ordination service has stuck with me. She spoke about it being entirely appropriate that our ordinations were socially distanced and disrupted because the communities we serve are having to live with that distancing and disruption too. It is the job of the church to live with its community, facing what it faces, but doing so in God's strength, in Jesus' name, by the power of the Holy Spirit. As such we witness to God's identification with humanity and his love in the way we respond to our situations, supporting each other and reaching out to support those around us in need. Remembering this has helped me resist the temptation to focus on what we can't do, what we don't have, and seek to make the most of what we can do.

The most creative way I've found of doing just this was at Advent when I borrowed a friend's idea and invited my avenue to decorate their windows as a way of bringing a smile to the faces of the people walking to the hospital, just round the corner, and providing something for the children to look at on their walk to school. This had the knock-on effect of bringing a sizeable number of people on our avenue together, we now have a WhatsApp group which has taken on a life of its own and is providing a way for us to become a proper community. I'd been hesitant to suggest it but I'm so glad I did: the positive response, the desire for connection, were well worth the risk of it failing.

Morning Prayer, and Evening Prayer until the end of August, has provided a wonderful way to get to know a pretty large group of parishioners. Both the worship, and the fellowship provided by the breakout rooms, have helped me settle in and feel part of the church. Plus needing to prepare a reflection every week has been a really helpful discipline which is great for my training and deepening my own walk with God.

During Summer and Autumn 2020 I visited quite a few of you, it was so good to meet and start to get to know you. I've focussed on phone calls during lockdown 3, and aim to continue to make contact with each of you in some way over the coming months.

Learning to lead services and preach on Zoom has been a wonderful challenge, particularly during October and December when we ran services on Zoom AND in the building. As well as the challenge to mute and unmute at the right times, I am continuing to to fight my tendency to lower my voice at regular intervals, I now have ‘speak up!’ written in bold red type at intervals on my service plans and sermons. Please bear with me on this, and do please wave a hand when I’m talking too quietly as a reminder to speak up - you’ll be doing me and countless other people a favour!

It has been great to join in with the All Age services team, Sarah and Jane, as well as being able to work with Liz and the children’s leaders to launch a zoomed children’s group before the 10am Sunday services. Working with the team to put on the Nativity service was a roller coaster ride but great fun, I hope you enjoyed this unorthodox presentation of the timeless story!

I’ve joined the PCC and so am getting an insight into all the work that goes on behind the scenes to further the Kingdom of God in our parish. It might not seem exciting, but how we manage our resources says so much about our attitude to God and the work he has for us in this parish. It’s a delight to serve with and learn from with such a committed team.

It was humbling to become a trustee of the Joyce Harper fund and help allocate grants to people in extremis financially, before Christmas and deliver reverse advent calendar hampers so generously put together by you. This mission in action makes my heart sing, the Good News of Jesus addresses the body as well as the soul. I hope that over the coming year we’ll find ever more creative ways of loving our neighbours as a response to knowing God’s love for us.

Rev Rachael Brooks

Rachael’s socially distanced ordination in September 2020 with Bishop Libby Lane, Bishop of Derby.

Treasurer's Report

This is my first report I have presented to St Peter's Church Family. and it was a privilege to serve the Lord and the family of St Peter's. I was aware that taking over the work of Treasurer would be challenging but at the time I had not factored in COVID 19 and all the impacts this bought! 2020 was indeed an unprecedented year and St Peters as a whole had to learn to understand how we can continue to serve the Church family and the wider community in these challenging times.

The financial aspect was not untouched by this and we encouraged as many people as possible to give via Standing Order as well as being to take card payments via our card reader and, the technology has gone even further with donations now being able to be taken via a link on Facebook and the website.

Unfortunately, our expenditure exceeded our income and at times there were concerns that this deficit could have been a lot worse. BUT I must thank the whole of the Church family by rising to these new challenges and continuing to be faithful to St Peter's which enabled us to maintain the same level of income from giving during 2020.

However, our Church Hall was shut for a large majority of the year and of course our community groups lunch Club, Cross Keys Café etc had to be suspended and therefore our income from these sources were impacted.

Although we had a difficult year financially, the PCC agreed that we would still honour our commitment to pay the whole of the Parish Share along with our agreed giving to our mission partners. The PCC also committed to the facelift of the Church Hall as well as the general upkeep costs of the Church.

Finally, I would like to thank everybody in the church family for their patience and support whilst I settled into my role as treasurer and especially to Chris Woodhams for his support and a special thanks to Lynda Diggins who was at the end of the phone, text or email answering my many numerous questions.

I would like to propose that the 2020 accounts be accepted, and that Azets of Nottingham (formally Baldwins) Chartered Accountants be accepted as auditors for 2021.

Sue Limberger

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	110,204	1,799	-	112,003	147,247
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	6,636	-	-	6,636	17,148
Income from investments	1(c)	472	-	-	472	832
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	16,708	-	1,380	18,088	24,971
		134,020	1,799	1,380	137,199	190,198
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	9,448	-	-	9,448	11,074
Church activities	2(b)	135,606	-	2,178	137,784	169,190
Governance costs	2(c)	2,742	-	-	2,742	2,706
		147,796	-	2,178	149,974	182,970
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		(13,776)	1,799	(798)	(12,775)	7,228
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		(3,183)	6,065	(2,882)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT		(16,959)	7,864	(3,680)	(12,775)	7,228
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2020		97,426	-	9,954	107,380	100,152
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2020		80,467	7,864	6,274	94,605	107,380

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts		17,803	7,864	6,274	31,941	44,981
CBF deposit fund		62,664	-	-	62,664	62,399
		80,467	7,864	6,274	94,605	107,380
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		5,045	-	-	5,045	5,821
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		5,345	-	-	5,345	6,121
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	7,867	-	-	7,867	7,361
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		247	-	-	247	959
Accruals		2,582	-	-	2,582	9,697
		2,829	-	-	2,829	10,656

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 11 April 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Vicar Reverend Alicia Dring

Treasurer Sue Limberger

Gift Aid Report for Financial Year 2020

For the 2020 financial year, total donations which qualified for Gift Aid amounted to £78,433 which delivered a tax recovery of £19,607. Gift Aid donations in 2020 showed a decrease of approximately £25,000 over those of 2019. This £25,000 figure corresponds almost exactly with the amount of donations given for the boiler appeal last year. This shows that giving to general church funds for this past year was actually at a similar level to the previous year, despite the very difficult year we have all experienced.

This is an amazing achievement and the incredible generosity of you all is really very much appreciated.

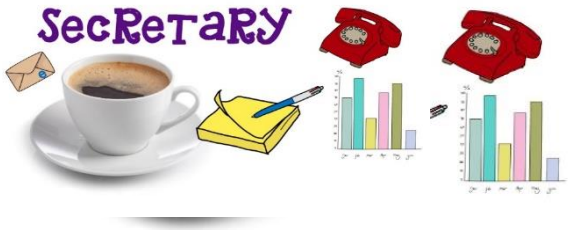
	2019			**2020**		
	Gift Aid Donations	Tax Recovered	Gross Income	Gift Aid Donations	Tax Recovered	Gross Income
Quarter 1	£19,346	£4,836	£24,182	£19,367	£4,841	£24,208
Quarter 2	£22,060	£5,515	£27,575	£18,569	£4,642	£23,211
Quarter 3	£33,792	£8,448	£42,240	£19,424	£4,856	£24,280
Quarter 4	£23,272	£5,818	£29,090	£21,073	£5,268	£26,341
Total	**£98,470**	**£24,617**	**£123,087**	**£78,433**	**£19,607**	**£98,040**

The figures show what an enormous difference Gift Aid makes to the funding of the work of our church; so, a huge thank you to everyone who supports the church with donations through the Gift Aid Scheme.

Please remember that it is very important for you to notify the church office if your contact details change, if your circumstances change and especially if you no longer pay an amount of income and/or capital gains tax equal to the tax that we reclaim on your donations. Further information on Gift Aid is available from the church office.

Chris Woodhams
Gift Aid Secretary

PCC Secretary's Report



The Parochial Trustees Church Council (PCC) met three times between June and October 2020 via Zoom. The 2019 APCM was held in October 2020 and the PCC have met four times, again via Zoom between November 2020 and April 2021.

PCC Action Groups have not met this year due to Covid restrictions. In addition, the PCC Standing Committee met in April following the lockdown and then prior to all of the Zoom PCC meetings from August 2020. All meetings start and end in prayer.

We have welcomed Julie Scott as a new member onto the PCC in 2020, Sue Limberger was elected as Treasurer and I was re-elected as the PCC secretary. We also welcome our new curate Rachael Brooks. Jim Britland and Christine Taylor were re-elected as Church Wardens.

The Standing Committee and PCC meeting agendas continue to remain in a standard format which includes an action column. Most of the paperwork for the meetings continues to be distributed and stored electronically in an endeavour to save on paper and printing.
The significant topics that the PCC has discussed over the year are:

- Finance. Finance features as an item on every agenda and huge thanks goes to Sue Limberger and those that help her, for all the hard work in this area. Thanks also to our very generous church family who continued to give in faith during this difficult year
- Major ongoing projects led by the Fabric Team included refurbishment of the church halls, and installation of Fibre Optic internet to the church building, and the general maintenance of the church and churchyard. Many thanks to the small team that work hard in this never-ending job and the involvement of Community Payback
- Community engagement – special services and events have been reduced this year, but we have invited the bereaved community to the church for a time of reflection and continued many of our annual events such as Christingle and the Carol Service online
- Safeguarding – featuring as an item on every agenda. Thanks goes to Janet Edwards who will be replaced by Margit Staehr this year (Children and Young People) for her very important role in this area
- The development of new relationships with St Peter's School as it came under the umbrella of Derby Diocese Academy Trust and welcomed a new Headteacher
- Relationships with the other churches in Littleover and the wider Deanery, especially welcoming members of St Andrews, Blagreaves to join our online services
- Many hours of work on making St Peter's church and halls Covid safe.

This was my fifth year as secretary, and this has been a year like no other. We have been physically separated from so many in various ways but reminded very much of how God always walks beside us even when it doesn't feel like it.

I am willing to continue to serve God in this way for one more year until my term ends in 2022. I would like to thank the members of the PCC for their support to me this year, and those who have prayed for the PCC in 2020, please continue and particularly pray that a new secretary will be called to serve God in this role in the coming year.

Ellen Goodman

Churchwardens Report

2 Peter 1: 5-8

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge, and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to, perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We have just come through unprecedented times for our church family. Most of 2020 has been spent with the church closed or at best compromised. From a practical point of view, Church opening has been a challenge. Given the average age of all the volunteer help, welcome teams have been hard to re-establish, especially as they need to be bigger to deal with the extra demands of stewardship.

We are sure everybody is looking forward to returning to a church service where we can meet, greet, sing, worship, and have a coffee afterwards. We will need as many people as possible to step up and share the responsibilities week on week that go into making church services happen, be that being part of the welcome team, reading, prayers, sacristan, coffee, sound desk and zoom. Please pray about this and let us know what you would be willing to do. With enough volunteers this only would be a once-a-month task.

The church wardens are responsible for the fabric or assets of our church. Despite the church being closed things have needed to be done to maintain the buildings. We would like to thank Chris Jones who has faithfully kept on top of a number of issues during the year, regularly running the water to keep the pipes flushed, dealing with a couple of leaks in the heating system and the roof, and organising tree maintenance in the church yard to name but a few.

Thank you too, to all the volunteers who rallied to assist with a major redecoration of the church hall during the summer months.

We have taken significant steps during the latter part of the year to future proof our church from a technology point of view with the installation of a very fast Internet system. This will give us greater opportunity to develop our on-line worship capability from within the church. For this we would like to thank Charlie Elston and Pete Goodman, for their time, patience and practical support.

We would also like to acknowledge and thank all involved with developing zoom services, particularly Jon Russell and Peter Holmes, to name but a few. Others have stepped up to assist to allow for morning and evening worship, Home Groups, Knit and Natter, Music Group meetings as well as formal meetings such as PCC and creative sessions with the children. Therefore, not only have we been able to mitigate the effects of this pandemic on our known parishioners but recognise that virtual church may well continue as an exciting and effective way of reaching out and growing, as well as providing a safe environment for others who perceive barriers to accessing the building for whatever reason.

As we all discuss and consider the ways that St Peter's can focus and develop to meet the future needs of the parish, we recognise that previous plans may need adjusting or totally rewriting, but of one thing we, as Church Wardens are certain, we are led by an amazing Vicar

(Alicia Dring). Alicia's enthusiasm and commitment to us all is exemplary, and with the addition of an incredible Curate (Rachael Brooks) we can be confident that whatever the future holds for us at St Peter's it will certainly be exciting for everyone who continues to journey with us.

Finally, we would like to recognise the work Iona does for us in the Church Office. Iona accepted being furloughed with good grace but returned with her usual professional enthusiasm and we were all so pleased to have her back.

So, thank you everyone for sticking with us, supporting us through the not so good times and may 2021 bring us closer to God and each other once again.

Jim Britland and Christine Taylor

Safeguarding Report

Safeguarding Children and Young People Report 2020
As can be seen in last year's report, Janet had decided to stand down from her Safeguarding role at St Peter's at the APCM in April 2020, but the APCM was postponed until October 2020 due to the pandemic.

Fortunately, Margit Staehr volunteered to take over the Safeguarding role from October 2020. Janet and Margit managed to meet in October – socially distanced - to liaise about the handover, but had to suspend meetings due to the late November lockdown. Returning to church in October and December meant many risk assessments, but no specific safeguarding needs were required as our children continued to access church online. Janet will continue to work alongside Margit as we emerge from lockdown, assisting as required.

We still need someone to take on the safeguarding responsibilities for Vulnerable Adults after Carole Dickinson also stepped down. If this is a role you feel God is calling you to, please speak to Alicia who will be happy to outline what is involved. Margit and Janet will help where we can.

Safeguarding Training
In January 2020, 25 people from St Peter's attended a Safeguarding Foundation (formerly C1) Training session held in St Peter's Church. Several people's Safeguarding Foundation training was due for renewal in 2020. This did not happen due to the pandemic.

Once activities are resumed and volunteers for children and young people's groups (re)formed, Margit will roll out the on-line Basic Awareness training to those involved. According to the latest Safeguarding newsletter, Foundation as well as Basic training modules can now be completed via e-learning on the Church of England's national safeguarding training portal. As before, they must be renewed at the highest level previously taken.

Safeguarding Leadership (formerly C2) will be provided in the Diocese by Zoom sessions and some independent work. Margit will be in touch with people about these courses.

DBS
In 2020, four DBS applications were completed and processed by Janet and one by Margit.

No safeguarding referrals were made in 2020.

Other
The PCC annually submits a statement to the Diocese indicating that the practice within the Parish adheres to this guidance. The PSO (Parish Safeguarding Officer) also submits a statement affirming that appropriate child protection systems and processes are in place.

Following the publication of the Church of England's IICSA report (Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse) a great deal is likely to change with regard to how Dioceses manage safeguarding. But there will still be a need to produce volunteer agreements and monitor training and checks for every parish – it remains a privilege to serve God in this way.

Janet Edwards (retired autumn 2020) and Margit Staehr

Mission Report

This last year has been very different for all our Mission Partners. Contact with them has been limited due to the Coronavirus pandemic restrictions; though it was a lovely surprise when Penny Marcés (all the way from Peru) joined us at one of our evening zoom meetings.

News from some of our partners has been featured in Keyhole magazine. Locally Derby City Mission has moved into new premises in Normanton Road which means they have more space and can house all the food donated, which assisted with distribution during lockdown

We are in the middle of our three years commitment to our partners and are extremely thankful that in spite of our regular income being reduced we have been able to send the full amount we promised to each of our partners (as set out below). £500 is kept aside each year so that it can be donated during the year to a special cause/appeal.

Mission giving will be reviewed at the end of 2021 and commitments made to local, national and international mission partners from 2022 – 2025.

Category	**Organisation**	**2020**
Local	Derby City Mission	£700
	Head High	£500
National	Care for the Family	£500
International	Bible Society	£500
	MAF	£500
	CMS (Tim and Kate Lee)	£1,400
	Penny and Juan Carlos Marcés (Lima, Peru)	£1,400
	Rachel and Dominic Milazzo (linked with YWAM)	£500
Worldwide/International	Open Doors	£500
	Total	**£6,500**

Jeni Baines

MISSION GIVING FOR THE YEAR 2020

Name	Year 2019 Restricted	Year 2019 Unrestricted	Year 2020 Restricted	Year 2020 Unrestricted	
Bible Society		500		500	Overseas
Care for the Family		500		500	Home
CMS Jigsaw		1,400		1,400	Church - Overseas
Children's Society	978			845	Home Christingle
Emergency Fund		500		500	Not used
Harvest Appeal Bishop of Derby		100		0	Overseas
Derby City Mission	200	500	200	500	Home
Women's Fellowship	290		110		Various/Bible a month
St Peter's Derby	868		250		Christmas Lunch on Jesus
Head High Mental Health Derby		500		500	Home
MAF		500		500	Mission - Overseas
de Marces		1,400		1,400	Mission - Overseas
Barnabas Fund/ Open Doors		500		500	Mission - Overseas
Royal British Legion	564		165		Secular Charity
Rachel and Dominic		500		500	Mission – Overseas
W/Aid-Jars of Change	51				Overseas
TOTAL	2951	6900	725	7645	
	Total 2019	**9851**	**Total 2020**	**8260**	

Fabric Team

The Fabric Team comprises :- Chris Jones, Phil Rollinson, Angie Rollinson, Jim Britland and Jan Jackson. Chris Woodhams continues to manage Community Payback. Jan does the meeting minutes. We met only twice, in January and March, before Covid restrictions and Lockdowns.

Church Halls

- Church Hall boilers were replaced by a single 35kW boiler installed in the Kitchen by Blue Flame in February £4235 + VAT. It provides hot water to toilets and both kitchens, replacing separate water heaters for each
- External water stop cock was buried under pavement and so deep and corroded as to be unusable. Replaced by Severn Trent. February
- Gas Meter shed and gas meter demolished by a run away car from White Swan carpark causing a “major incident”. New meter, regulator and lever valve replaced and enclosed by British Gas / Cedant. February
- Main Hall decorated and paid for by Dance Group. Two radiators replaced with vertical radiators by Blue Flame. New puce roller blinds fitted. Long mirrors to end wall.

February

- Main door wired glass window pane vandalised again. Replaced by Abbey Glass. February
- Main entrance door lock inoperable. Repaired B Toon and Son, Locksmiths. March
- Central Heating air lock caused one side of small hall radiators to remain cold. Sorted March
- Wall near Car Park entrance, demolished in September 2019, was rebuilt. March
- Leak through meeting room roof. Three strips of felt replaced by Dave Roe. March
- Water stopcock in Meeting Room was inoperable. Replaced and protecting box repaired. June
- Security box installed over heating control programmer to prevent misuse/tampering. June
- Down pipes to small hall were vandalised. These and guttering replaced by Dave Roe
- Volunteer Painting Team painted Small Hall, entrance vestibule and both kitchens. July, August and September
- Small Hall lights replaced by new fluorescent lights. September
- Small Hall fire door mechanism repaired. September
- Car Park entrance single gate made lockable by padlocked vertical bolt into tarmac. This has reduced/eradicated illicit drug dealing in Car Park. October
- Small Hall blinds replaced by dark green 24/7 Roller Blinds. December.

Churchyard

- Community Payback contract renewed at £2000 with working times reflecting seasonal variation of workload. Stopped in Lockdown then restarted
- Fir Trees obscuring light to cafe on Normanton Lane were reduced in height and a sycamore was felled by Betel. October
- Canadian Maple tree by West door. DCC gave approval to trim - but only by 10% so not worth proceeding with. However since we were allowed to trim any branches within 3m of the Church the Fabric Team undertook this. October
- Churchyard Cleanups March and October

- Interment of Ashes. Just three during the year
- Gate by Normanton Lane repaired and rehung to prevent grounding. June.

Church
- Vestry Church toilet. Ceiling water damaged. Partly re-plastered. July
- Paper Towel dispensers fitted to vestry toilet and outside toilet/boiler room. June
- Electrical Installation. Non-compliance C2 issues all corrected. Gas main now earth bonded.

Thanks to all who took part, especially the Church Hall decorating team, throughout 2020.

Chris Jones

Church Hall

Due to Covid 19 the usage of the halls has been extremely restricted. The only user from March 2020, was the Littleover School of Dancing, who managed to operate for a short time in the Autumn. Improvements have been made to meet the new requirements and some redecoration has taken place, thanks to Jim Britland, Chris Jones and other willing volunteers.
Income for the year is £4,441.11

Angie Rollinson

Women's Fellowship

Meetings took place on the first Tuesday in January, February and March 2020. Subsequent meetings were cancelled due to the Covid pandemic. Janet Guy had previously given notice of her intention to resign as the leader in July 2020, due to personal reasons. It is unlikely this group will resume once lockdown lifts.

Janet Guy

Events Team

We haven't met since January 2020 and obviously we have had no church events. We look forward to restarting with events from September 2021 onwards if things go according to plan.

Robin Wood

Worship Group

For the bulk of this strange year, we have been in lockdown and absent from the church building. The Group has, however, been active throughout, meeting regularly on Zoom on Thursday evenings for an hour of worship and fellowship together. We have learned quite a few new songs together which we're looking forward to introducing to the congregation when we return to church. We did have a couple of months back leading worship in the building in the Autumn, although making a good sound both in the building and simultaneously on Zoom proved to be a difficult challenge.

Sadly, two fantastic long-term members left the group when John and Audrey Elliott decided it was time to retire in the Summer. Thanks are due to them for many years of faithful and inspiring service. We acknowledged our thanks with a gift delivered under current restrictions.

We sincerely hope and pray that the coming year will be a better one in which we can regularly worship together in church without too many restrictions.

Peter Goodman and David Barker

Parish Administrator

Having taken over from Jen in December 2019, I was just settling in and getting into my stride when along came COVID-19, and after just 4 months in the role we were all put into a national lockdown and I was furloughed from 24 March to 1 September. Although, I wasn't at work, I was still kept very busy with my three boys and lots of home schooling!

I was rather nervous about coming back in the September, having been furloughed for longer than I'd actually worked here, but fortunately with Alicia's guidance and all my notes I was able to resume with no major hiccups. After helping with the health and safety preparations to open the church building in time for our Harvest Festival service, the Country then went into its second lockdown and this time I was put-on part-time furlough. This meant I was able to keep things ticking over in the office two days a week and enabled me to print and distribute the weekly Interlink and monthly Keyhole magazine.
I resumed my normal working hours in the lead up to Christmas and was able to continue in my role of managing the administrative workload of the church and supporting Alicia and Rachael.

Iona Hague

Data Protection

The church operates within our GDPR guidelines, only keeping and using data as required. This has led to condensing of files, destruction of no longer used material and improved security of our systems.

We continue to ensure we are compliant and Iona has actively pursued those who needed to give their consent. If you have any feedback that you think may help us with this, please contact Iona Hague in the Church Office.

Alicia Dring

Keyhole

Keyhole magazine ceased for much of 2020, since our church life was severely curtailed. We resumed printed and electronic copies in October as the church re-opened for Harvest Festival. We are still printing the magazine and are extremely grateful to those who help with distribution, albeit with a slightly smaller edition than usual. If you would like to help compile the magazine please get in touch.

Alicia Dring

St Peter's Bridge Team

Jen stepped down from her role leading the team as she moved to work at the hospital – we have been very blessed by her leadership and organisational skills. And then with the lockdown, once again everything ceased. We hope to resume in 2021 with a renewed team and with the consent of the new headteacher and governing body.

Alicia Dring

Youth and Family Worker

Jonathon Fowler, our Youth and Family Worker for the last eight years handed in his notice in February, with a view to leaving in the August. Just weeks later and he was on furlough until his return later in August to finish up before he left. He now works with a Baptist Church down in Essex.

During those early weeks of 2020 Jonathan continued to work with the parishes in Mickleover and Blagreaves as well as with St Peter's. Sharing his expertise across so many churches brought a blessing to many and we are indebted to Jonathan for his strong organisational skills which meant he kept of top of what each church was demanding of him.

As we emerge from lockdown we need to consider how to progress with our youth and family work and to consult with Mickleover and Blagreaves about their needs before we make a decision about a further appointment.

On Jonathan's behalf, I record heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers who made the ministry to our young people possible, through the work of Pathfinders, The Den and Gateway. We hope you will be part of our decision making process for the future.

Alicia Dring

Messy Church

We did Messy Lent and pancakes in February, around 70 attended, enjoying crafts video talk and songs, and a buffet we gave out Lent booklets. Due to Covid we missed Easter, Summer and Harvest sessions.

It was decided to do Messy Christmas to homes in a bag. We delivered to around 70 children, 5 activities and an Advent calendar. With Alicia and Jon Russell's help we produced a video link to accompany the bags. It included instructions, meanings of crafts, a story video, talk and song. We had some great feedback from the parents. We plan to do Messy bags during 2021.

Everyone in the large team of around 20 plays a great part in preparation, helping at the sessions and at Christmas delivering the bags. Thanks to you all.

Liz Eley

Tiddlywinks

We met from January to March before closing due to Covid.
Most were happy to have the Sunday family activity sheets linked to the Sunday services emailed to them. Some who also do Messy Church got an activity bag at Christmas.

We hope to be able to meet again when it is safe to do so.
Thanks to Liz, Di, Pam, Fiona and Irene for help and encouragement.

Liz Eley

Friends and Heroes

We met January to March before closing due to Covid, sessions include story video, hot toast, games, puzzles work sheets and hockey.

The children joined in church services (with our own worksheets emailed in advance) until October when a 9.15am session was set up to meet via Zoom before the main service. We now use weekly@ Blackburn diocese to plan sessions and again send them with an activity sheet to do at home and some children join in on Sundays. A rota for the leaders helps us to keep contact with the children. All the children received Messy Church bags.

Some children have found it hard to sit listening on a computer (though we've enjoyed some fantastic Lego creations) so we look forward to seeing them in person soon and having the opportunity to be more active in our sessions.

Thanks Sarah, Tiffany, Joy and Shirley (who was due to join us after Easter 2020)

Liz Eley

See and Know

The under-five children from See and Know are still here in spite of lockdowns and no face-to-face meetings – apart from screen views, and chance meetings with family walks in parks! In fact (although fewer in number) a consistent core of children seems to have enjoyed the screen engagements from their own home environments! Hence with grateful thanks for the hard work of Alicia, Rachael and Liz Eley, with support from a rota of additional 'leaders', our younger children have been able to form part of the zoom Family Church that has been established on Sunday mornings at 09.15am. This does appear to have been very successful. Although numbers are small, 3-5 children are consistent.

A very different year, but a worthwhile year when the love of Jesus for his children has continued to shine and help them learn and grow in their faith. We do hope that very soon we might be able to meet face to face again; and that we may be able to answer the question a young girl asked me in a park recently, 'When are we going to Church again?'

Praise be to God for His faithfulness in these difficult circumstances! Also thanks to St Peters Church Family for their loving support for the children when they appear in the Sunday morning service.

Fiona Taylor and Team

Knit and Natter

Knit and Natter proved difficult for us last year, as it did for many of us, when we had to stop meeting in March with the first lockdown. As this continued for months, eventually the time came when we could meet again albeit socially distanced in October, this lasted for one month only.

We continued to make teddies, baby hats and blankets and in November we enlarged the 'Nativity' set by two, making two Mary's, two Joseph's and two donkeys, sharing the task between us. This was to ensure appropriate quarantining of the Travelling Nativity round the parish during Advent.

At the beginning of December, we were able to meet together on 'zoom' each week on Wednesdays from 2pm to 4pm, pausing briefly over Christmas. Our numbers have gradually increased, now to 9 - 12 folk. February has been busy for us making hearts with crosses to be used over Easter. We are so looking forward to coming together again enjoying each other's company with tea, coffee and nibbles.

Di Learman

Pastoral Visitors

This team expanded overnight to include the entire church family when lockdown commenced and it has been amazing to see pastoral support in action for so many – thank you for your hours of love, care and support to those in our church family and surrounding community who have been in greatest need. Special thanks are recorded to David and Joan Ditch.

There is a need to re-form this team so that we can offer everyone involved appropriate support as they, in turn, care for others. Please contact Alicia if you would like to be part of this team.

Alicia Dring

Prayer Ministry Team

This time last year, March 2020, most of the Team were able to gather together to enjoy a lovely full English breakfast kindly hosted by Maggie and Bill, after which we prayed for the church family and each other. Only five weeks before, at the end of January I had been in hospital for an operation, shortly after which I then slipped at home and broke my wrist! Not long after that the Coronavirus pandemic was upon us, lockdown and the church eventually closed. What a difference a year makes!

It has been really hard for us as a team not to be able to minister in the way that we would like and in a way that we all love to do prayer ministry in Church at the end of the service or during Communion, listening to your concerns and prayer needs in person, face-to-face. Being able to minister in the power of the Holy Spirit, listening and sharing with you in confidence anything that is on your hearts and minds and bringing it before God in prayer.

However, in the last year we have all had to change and adapt the way we do lots of things and some things have been put on hold. The pandemic hasn't been able to stop the church working in our community or praying for each other and interceding for the world, our nation and local needs. Our Father God doesn't sleep, He is still listening to us and providing for all our needs.

I know that some of the team have been able to offer prayer in the chatrooms after the Zoom services as and when concerns have been discussed, or after the Sunday morning services with the help of Alicia and Rachael too. Hopefully you are all aware of the Prayer Loop (illustrated in the magazine) where you can phone anyone on the circle and share your prayer needs in confidence.

The old Sunday school hymn "Count your blessings, name them one by one" came to mind as I was writing this. Thank you, God, for all that you have given us during this year.
I remember just a few of many blessings that we as a church and team have been really thankful for… Zoom meetings and all those who got us connected together in the first place. All those people who make them possible every day. Good weather during the first lockdown and the summer holidays. Thankful for our church family, and how we have grown together during the pandemic by reading the Word every day and reflecting on what it means to us today

and spending time in the chat rooms getting to know each other better. The blessing of family and friends, even though we've not been able to see them as often or give them a hug. The blessing of our houses, gardens, the birds, the quiet, the NHS, the doorstep chats, the socially distanced walks, getting to know our neighbours even better when we clapped for the NHS staff. The creativeness of Alicia, Rachael and the All-Age Team and many more. Thank you so much for keeping us together at this time.

I would also like to thank the following special people on the Prayer Ministry Team for serving in the different ways that they could during this pandemic and show my appreciation for their commitment to this ministry and for their support to me:
Ruth Allen, Bill and Maggie Browne, Les Dickinson, Steve Dring, Phil Eley, Angie and Phil Rollinson, Joy Stanwell and Robin Wood. Thank you very much.

"Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we can ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen" (Ephesians 3 v 20-21 NIV)

Lesley Edwards

Homegroups

The church has seven homegroups that meet either weekly or fortnightly in member's homes to pray, to talk about the Bible and to support one another as disciples. In lockdown most groups ceased as the format of morning and night prayer was a daily contact and support, however during the year some groups decided to meet online and this was met with huge success with one group meeting weekly and other groups meeting on zooms for socials rather than Bible study. No programme of study has been provided by the church during this time.

Emerging from lockdown will include forming one, maybe two new groups – please contact Alicia if you would like to be part of a group.

Alicia Dring

Crossed Keys Café

Sadly, due to Government restrictions it was necessary to close the cafe in March 2020 and we have been unable to open since. We hope to be able to open again in the not-too-distant future to welcome back all our old customers, and hopefully some new ones too. We would like to put on record our thanks to all our helpers during the time we were open.

Paul and Fiona Taylor

Friday Lunch Club

Well not the year we planned for lunch club, but nevertheless we have met in different ways. We started as normal after Christmas and served our usual meal and fellowship through January and February (apart from one week when the new boiler was being installed), and on into March.

After two weeks in March, we closed just before the first national lockdown, really not expecting the closure to last so long. Obviously, our guests and our helpers are in the most vulnerable group, so it was for everyone's safety that we have remained closed.

Once some restrictions were lifted over the summer, we were hopeful we may be able to restart, but this was still not possible. Realising that our guests and helpers were the most isolated group of people as well, we wondered what we could do. I met with Alicia and the tea delivery was born. Praying for helpers to deliver these teas our prayers were answered, and people came forward to assist with deliveries.
So, we wrote to all guests and the first afternoon tea was delivered on the first Tuesday in October. We have now delivered six afternoon teas and the recipients have been most appreciative. It is moving when delivering the teas to have a quick word on the doorstep sometimes being the only person they have spoken to for some time.

The first tea was paid for from Lunch Club savings for our summer tea party, the next one was funded from our Christmas lunch savings, and we gratefully accepted a donation from the PCC for December's tea delivery. We have since asked for donations from our guests for the next three teas and this has kept the deliveries going.

Each afternoon tea consists of two rounds of sandwiches, for example one cheese and one ham, a homemade scone with jam and butter, a piece of cake, a packet of crisps, a serviette, together with a note from lunch club and a message and prayer from Alicia. All individually wrapped and placed in a paper carrier bag.
It has been a blessing and a privilege to produce, and deliver, these teas and all involved feel we are spreading Jesus' love to all recipients. We hope these deliveries will continue until Lunch Club can reform. If you feel you would be able to help when Lunch Club restarts, either weekly or on a rota basis please pray about it and get in touch with Alicia or myself.

Ann Dean

Thirsty Thursdays

This group met in January and February of 2020 but then ceased once The White Swan was forced to close. In the meantime, Jonathon Hemingray set up The Watering Hole online, meeting once a fortnight. It is hoped that meeting may resume in person, in the pub, sometime during 2021.

Steve Dring

Women of St Peter's

This also suffered during 2020 and an online group is in the process of being organised.

Rev Alicia Dring

Deanery Synod Report

Following the APCM in October St Peter's now only has one Deanery Synod Representative, Chris Jones and we are hoping that more may consider joining at the meeting in April 2021.

As with most meetings during the year, everything was moved to Zoom and connections made remotely. The Deanery has been involved in setting up the Central Storage Unit to provide food to the many new (and existing) foodbanks across the city – this is something that St Peter's has donated to regularly and with consistent generosity.

The Deanery plan considered the commitment to ministry across the new housing estates just outside the City boundaries just beyond Mackworth and Mickleover, Highfields near Littleover (but technically Findern), Sinfin Moor, Chellaston and Boulton Moor. It is hoped that some church planting can take place to support these new communities.

In addition, the Diocesan Vision is currently being shared with the prospect of three Archdeaconries – Rural, Urban and Post Industrial (to the west of the M1). These proposals are still in the discussion stage so there are no firm plans for the future. But there is an inevitable movement to offering a variety of different styles of church engagement, with (in the long term) fewer clergy and more involvement of congregations. Hopefully 2021 will bring more details for us to share.

Alicia Dring

Joyce Harpur Charity

2020 has been a busy year for the charity, the pandemic sadly putting more people in need of help in many ways, so we have not been idle – especially in the latter part of the year.

A little background. The Joyce Harpur Charity was set up in Littleover in the 16th century to benefit the poor of the parish and over the centuries has shared financial support with individuals in desperate need. The applicants must live within the parochial parish boundaries of St Andrew's or St Peter's and each application is assessed in the strictest confidence on a case-by-case basis. Grants are given out just before Christmas at the discretion of the trustees.

The current Board of Trustees comprises of seven people plus the clerk. There are four members from St Peter's Church: our vicar, both church wardens and our curate. There is one church member from St Andrew's and two councillors

appointed by Derby City Council. Monica Jones resigned as a Trustee in the spring after many years of faithful service and after advertising the opportunity, as no one else from St Peter's felt able to take her place, in the autumn we welcomed our curate Revd Rachael Brooks to the board.

The AGM is held in the spring and the annual accounts were received at this time. Once accepted, the accounts were audited and submitted to the Charity Commission as part of the annual return. The Trustees meeting that followed on from the AGM reviewed the previous year's application process (along with the form) and made plans for the autumn application window. At the November meeting, the finances and grants were reviewed.

In 2020, 32 applications were received and 21 grants given. More than 30 children received gifts from the Derby City Mission Christmas Connection thanks to the generosity of all who were able to buy gifts through Amazon or donated at various church gift services, Ten people were encouraged to visit the Jubilee Debt Clinic and 19 people were encouraged to apply for Christmas Lunch on Jesus – which was able to operate in a different way to provide Christmas Day dinner thanks to a gift card/voucher scheme in conjunction with Sainsburys in Intu Derby. A lot of people like yourselves have made a huge difference to those struggling in our city at Christmas, so thank you. A number of people also received food parcels in the new year from those who compiled Reverse Advent Calendars – all were gratefully received.

If you would like to know anything further about the work of the Charity, please do ask.

Jen Downing
Clerk to Joyce Harpur

Churches Together

Churches Together in Littleover and Blagreaves comprises six churches; Newmount Methodist Church, St Andrew's Blagreaves, The Haven Christian Centre, Littleover Methodist Church (LMC), Littleover Baptist Church and St Peter's Littleover. The St Giles' Church Plant project is also included on a currently informal basis.

When the lockdown commenced so churches focussed on supporting their members rather than on wider initiatives. The plan for Holy Week did not happen and no further churches together engagement took place during the year. However new leaders arrived in 2020 with the arrival of Revd Ellie Ake at Littleover Baptist Church and our own Rev Rachael Brooks, from St Peter's and St Andrew's.

Alicia Dring

St Peter's School

What a year! A year that can best be described as a turbulent period. In March 2020 St Peter's School became part of the Derby Diocesan Academy Trust (DDAT) and 23 days later school closed as a global pandemic took its grip on our world.

Remote learning, new routines, identifying different families who needed varying degrees of support, working out how to support our school community from a remote position.

School remained open for children of key workers and we were hubbed with Griffe Field Primary School, this was a time of uncertainty not knowing when the children would return, we continued to provide work to support pupils learning and mental health and wellbeing. The year 6 pupils returned during the months of June and July and we were able to support them as they prepared for the next steps of their journey on to secondary schools.

We welcomed the whole school back in September and we were able to reconnect through collective worship, albeit on zoom, and school began to feel like 'normal'. The story of Nehemiah was used to help with our understanding of being connected even from a distance. Although we operated in year group bubbles the school was together in its journey, the autumn term was full of settling back into the rhythm and routine of school and learning was exciting and enjoyable for all.

Following the interviews for the new Head of School we worked with Mr Smith to help make the move to our school as smooth as possible, little did we know that school would once again close and learning would become remote again.

Helen Cavanagh and new Head of School Frazer Smith

Minutes of the Vestry Meeting of Parishioners of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover held on Sunday 18th October 2020 after the 10am service at 11.20am in Church and via Zoom

Present: Revd Alicia Dring, Jeni Baines, David Barker, Rachael Brooks, Andrew Brooks, Patrick Dean, Ann Dean, Katy Dearden, Jean Desborough, Lynda Diggins, Jen Downing, Steve Dring, Janet Edwards, Lesley Edwards, Lynn Elston, Nikki Earp, Terry Earp, Merryl Faleiro, Richard Faleiro, Ellen Goodman, Peter Goodman, Penny Halfpenny, Jonathon Hemingray, Monica Jones, Di Learman, Aubrey Learman, Sue Limberger, Tim Limberger, Jon Russell, Alan Scott, Julie Scott, Joy Stanwell, Peter Thorp, Chris Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams.
Zoom: Les Allen, Ruth Allen, Doreen Bird, John Bird, John Bradley, Jim Britland, Sally Britland, Jenny Cooper, Jane Cripwell, Michael Edwards, Audrey Elliott, John Elliott, Charlie Elston, Ruth Elston, Michael Furniss, Dave Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Tiffany Hey, Jane Hughes, Chris Jones, Linsey Jones, Viv Lucas, Helene Roe, Angie Rollinson, Phil Rollinson, Jenny Russell, Sarah Sherrington, Margit Staehr, Jenny Stratford, Chris Taylor, Fiona Taylor, Paul Taylor, Ann Urquhart, Rachel Whitehorn, Richard Whitehorn, Jim Wilson.
Opening Prayer – Revd. Alicia opened the meeting with prayer. Alicia Dring chaired the meeting.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Wendy Gretton.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (10 April 2019)**

   Alicia explained the difference between the two meetings. Revd. Alicia Dring chaired the meeting and explained the protocol of being a member on the church electoral roll before being allowed to vote.
   The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true and correct record.
   Carried unanimously and signed by Rev. Alicia Dring.

3. **Election of Churchwardens**

   Alicia gave thanks to Jim and Christine's work over the last year and especially their patience and availability. Jeni Baines also thanks ed them for all their invaluable work that goes on behind the scenes.

   There were two nominations for Churchwardens
   Christine Taylor Proposed: Janet Edwards Seconded: Michael Edwards
   Jim Britland Proposed: Chris Woodhams Seconded: Jacqueline Woodhams
   Both elected unanimously in church and via Zoom

   The meeting closed at 11.29am.

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) of Church Electors of the Parish of St Peter's Littleover held in the Church of St Peter's Littleover and via Zoom on 18 October 2020

Present: Revd Alicia Dring, Jeni Baines, David Barker, Rachael Brooks, Andrew Brooks, Patrick Dean, Ann Dean, Katy Dearden, Jean Desborough, Lynda Diggins, Jen Downing, Steve Dring, Janet Edwards, Lesley Edwards, Phil Eley, Liz Eley, Lynn Elston, Nikki Earp, Terry Earp, Merryl Faleiro, Richard Faleiro, Ellen Goodman, Peter Goodman, Penny Halfpenny, Jonathon Hemingray, Monica Jones, Di Learman, Aubrey Learman, Sue Limberger, Tim Limberger, Jon Russell, Alan Scott, Julie Scott, Joy Stanwell, Peter Thorp, Chris Woodhams, Jacqueline Woodhams.

Zoom: Les Allen, Ruth Allen, Doreen Bird, John Bird, John Bradley, Jim Britland, Sally Britland, Anne Burton, Bernie Burton, Jenny Cooper, Jane Cripwell, Michael Edwards, Audrey Elliott, John Elliott, Charlie Elston, Ruth Elston, Michael Furniss, Dave Hargreaves, Irene Hargreaves, Tiffany Hey, Jane Hughes, Chris Jones, Linsey Jones, Viv Lucas, Helene Roe, Angie Rollinson, Phil Rollinson, Jenny Russell, Sarah Sherrington, Margit Staehr, Jenny Stratford, Chris Taylor, Fiona Taylor, Paul Taylor, Ann Urquhart, Rachel Whitehorn, Richard Whitehorn, Jim Wilson.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Wendy Gretton

Revd. Alicia Dring chaired the meeting.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting (10.4.19)**
   The minutes were accepted as a true and correct record. Proposed: Joy Stanwell Seconded: Peter Goodman. Carried unanimously and signed by Rev. Alicia Dring.

3. **Matters Arising**
   None

4. **Electoral Roll Report – Jane Hughes**
   Jane thanked Chris Taylor for transferring the roll on 24th July 2019.
   There are now 115 residents and 50 non-residents on the Electoral Roll making a total of 165. Jane Hughes proposed that the Electoral Roll be accepted as a true and correct record. Seconded: Jacqueline Woodhams. 1 abstention.
   Alicia thanked Jane.
5. **Election of Churchwarden Results**
   Christine Taylor and Jim Britland were duly elected as Churchwarden for the coming year at the Vestry Meeting.

6. Elections to the PCC

Alicia gave thanks to Lynda Diggins who stepped down in earlier in the year and to Helene Roe, Charlie Elston, Sally Britland, Sally Edworthy, as their term of office comes to an end.
There are 5 PCC vacancies for 3 years – 1 PCC vacancies for 1 year
4 Deanery Synod vacancies for 3 years

Nominations for PCC are:

- Jenifer Baines – Proposer: Joy Stanwell Seconder: Jonathon Hemingray
- Charles Elston – Proposer: Liz Eley Seconder: Phil Eley
- Helene Roe - Proposer: Sally Britland Seconder: Jim Britland
- Julie Scott - Proposer: Jacqueline Woodhams Seconder: Chris Woodhams

The four nominations were unanimously elected to the PCC.

There are four new vacancies available on the Deanery Synod for three years.
Nominations for Deanery Synod are:

- Chris Jones – Proposer: Angie Rollinson Seconder: Phil Rollinson

Chris was nominated unanimously elected.

Alicia thanked every member for their work on the PCC in the last year.

Sidesmen/women

Alicia expressed her thanks for the work done by the welcome teams and sides people across all services, including all the duty wardens. She explained that due to Covid this role was now very different.

Alicia explained what the Terrier was and that it was available to view under normal circumstances. Please speak to a warden if you would like to see it.
Thanks to Jeni Baines for her continued work on this.

7. **Treasurers Report – Lynda Diggins**

This is my tenth and final report I have presented to St Peter's Church Family. As before it has been my privilege to serve the Lord and St Peter's Church as treasurer.
Unfortunately, we have not balanced the budget again this year but not by much. This is mainly due to timing issues when money reaches our bank. As with most years our main expenditure is on our contribution to the Diocesan Common Fund (previously known as Parish Share or the Quota), heating and staff costs.

The draft accounts are presented in this document with the caveat that they will be finally approved by the PCC before the 24 March – but we wanted this report to be out in good time before the APCM.

a) **We are very grateful for the continued generosity of all those in the church family who give regularly and sacrificially, it makes all the difference. Especially with the generosity of our church family who donated money for boilers as that meant that we did not have to use any money from our Capital Fund.**
b) **Each year we set out in faith, praying that God will give us the means to continue to undertake His work in this parish and with our Mission Partners.**
c) **I would like to acknowledge the considerable help given to me by Patrick Dean as cashier and Chris Woodhams as Gift Aid secretary – without them the task would be so much harder.**

I would also like to thank everybody in the church family for their continued prayer and love in what has been a very difficult year for me and my family so a big Thank You. Also a big heartfelt thank you to Sue Limberger for taking over this role and I'm sure you will give her all the support she needs, I know I will.
The 2019 accounts had already been accepted so that it could be sent to the Charities Commission earlier in the year.
Sue Limberger has taken on the role of Treasurer
Sue proposed that Baldwins (Derby) Ltd, Chartered Accountants be accepted as auditors for 2020. Seconded by: Peter Goodman
Alicia thanked Lynda for her faithful service over many years and explained that a gift had been given earlier in the year.
Alicia explained the new processes for dealing with no cash due to Covid and thanked Patrick and Chris for their hard work in 2019.

8. **Reviewing Reports**

No questions prior to APCM.

Alicia thanked everyone involved with activities during 2019.

9. **Election Results**

Not applicable

10. **Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adult Procedures**

As part of our statutory requirement as a parish the procedures written by Janet Edwards (Safeguarding Officer) are printed in the annual report as we have to report to the Church regarding Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adult procedures.
Janet Edwards has been our Young Peoples Safeguarding Officer for 7 years has an incredible eye for detail in keeping our job descriptions and working agreements up to date. Any national guidelines and any new guidance from the Diocese may mean more training. Huge thanks to Margit Staehr who will be taking on this roll and will be in touch with those who needs training.
There were no questions for Janet.
Alicia thanked Janet for her work and present her with a gift.

Carole Dickinson stepped down earlier in the year as our Vulnerable Adults Safeguarding Officer, please speak to Alicia if you feel called to this role of signposting people and providing training support.

The PCC will vote to accept the Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adult Procedures for St Peter's, at the next PCC meeting.

11. Chair's Report and Vision – Alicia

Alicia gave her report, highlighting on last year, continuing relationships, buildings maintenance and God's call on St Peter's in the coming year. She also announced that the parish boundaries will be changes as St Andrews have made the difficult decision to close the church and the parish.

12. Any Other Business - none

13. Date of Next APCM Meeting – 28th April 2021

14. Closing Prayer – Revd. Alicia Dring

The meeting closed at 11.58am and all members of the new PCC will be invited to a short Zoom meeting in the near future to elect a Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and members of the Standing Committee.

Please remember:

- To pray for this meeting and for God to speak as we reflect and share together
- To ask God if He is calling you to serve in any of the ministries outlined in this report, especially on the PCC or as Church Warden
- To make sure your name is on the Church Electoral Roll (membership list), otherwise you will not be eligible to vote
- A full copy of the accounts is available upon request
- To attend the meeting on Wed 28 April 7.30pm on Zoom www.stpeterlittleover.org.uk/meet
- And if you have any questions under Any Other Business, these need to be **received in writing 48 hours before the meeting** – either by the PCC Secretary Ellen Goodman or Revd Alicia Dring.

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Parochial Church Council members who are also the trustees of the charity, who have served from 1 January 2020 until the date this report was approved are:

MEMBERS/TRUSTEES	J Baines	(Appointed October 2020)
	J Britland	Church Warden
	S Britland	(Retired April 2020)
	R Brooks	(Curate)
	L Diggins	(Retired April 2020)
	Rev'd. A Dring	Vicar & Chair
	S Edworthy	(Retired April 2020)
	C Elston	
	M Faleiro	
	E Goodman	
	P Goodman	(Retired April 2020)
	W Gretton	
	T Hey	
	S Limberger	Treasurer
	C Jones	
	H Roe	(Appointed October 2020)
	J Scott	(Appointed October 2020)
	C Taylor	Church Warden
	J Wilson	(Retired April 2020)

SECRETARY	E Goodman
PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	St Peter's Church Church Street Littleover Derby
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	S Harcourt Azets Audit Services (formally Baldwins Audit Services) 2 Regan Way Chetwynd Business Park Chilwell Nottingham NG9 6RZ
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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

St Peter's Church is situated in Church Street Littleover, Derby. It is part of the Diocese of Derby within the Church of England. The charity's working name is St Peter's, Littleover PCC.

GOVERNING DOCUMENT

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) became a registered charity with the Charity Commission on 2 December 2009 (Charity Number 1133061). The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEES

The method of appointment of PCC members/trustees is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC is to co-operate with the minister, the Rev'd. A Dring, in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as in accordance with the PCC (Powers) Measure 1956, as amended by the measure of 1969.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Promoting in the Ecclesiastical Parish the whole mission of the Church.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church Attendance

There were 166 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 49 of whom are not resident within the parish.

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Average Sunday attendance at St Peter's in 2020.

Sunday Services Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship 8am**	**Morning Worship 10am**	**Evening Service 7pm**
Communicants	0 (14)	0 (89)	
Total Attendees	0 (14)	80 (100)	0 (0)
Wednesday Services			
Average over random four consecutive weeks	**Morning Worship**		
Morning Worship	10 (18)		
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Easter Sunday 2020	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	0 (20)	0 (130)	
Total Attendees	0 (20)	120 (149)	
	Christingle	**Christingle**	**Morning Worship**
Christmas Eve 2020	**3pm**	**5pm**	**11.15pm**
Communicants			0 (73)
Total Attendees	0 (297)	250 (371)	23 (77)
	Morning Worship	**Morning Worship**	
Christmas Day 2020	**8am**	**10am**	
Communicants	0 (11)	0 (98)	
Total Attendees	0 (11)	40 (103)	
Figures in ( ) = 2019 attendance			

All references to Holy Communion have been shown as Morning Worship following the restrictions on Holy Communion as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Well 2020 was an unprecedented year with the emergence of COVID-19. However, St Peter's have certainly risen to the challenge and I believe have shown how innovative we can be.

The Parochial Trustees Church Council (PCC) met eight times in the year 2020 (of which 7 were online.) In addition the PCC Standing Committee met 6 out of the 8 times prior to PCC meetings. Due to COVID it has not been relevant for all PCC Action Groups to meet but the worship and fabric groups have met 3 times. All meetings start and end with prayer.

We welcomed Julie Scott onto the PCC from the 2020 APCM. Jim Britland and Christine Taylor were re-elected as wardens

The Standing Committee and PCC meeting agendas continue to remain in a standard format which includes an action column. Most of the meeting papers are stored and distributed electronically in an endeavour to save on paper and printing.

During the year 2020 there were 4 retirements from PCC
Sally Edworthy 2017-2020
Peter Goodman 2017-2020
James Wilson 2017-2020
Sally Britland 2017-2020
Lynda Diggins 2010-2020

The significant topics discussed and actioned by the PCC this year were:

- With lockdown in March due to COVID we set up the facility of online services via Zoom. The 1st Sunday service via Zoom was on Sunday 29th March 2020 and these continue to be held weekly and have been a blessing for many people.
- We set up daily morning prayer services from April and these continue to be held every day, apart from Saturday and bank holidays.
- We set up evening prayer services from April but after some consideration these services ceased in September.
- We agreed to update the Church hall with a new boiler and the hall had a makeover with decoration and new blinds.
- In August we sadly said goodbye to our Youth Worker Jonathan who felt God was calling him to pastures new
- In July we welcomed, Rachael Brooks as a new curate. Although Rachael joined us she was not able to be ordained until Sept due to COVID restrictions. Rachael has been a great blessing to St Peter's in the short time she has been with us despite joining the Church during such a challenging year.
- In October we agreed to update our internet to cope with the new demands on capacity with all the online services Due to significant waiting list (COVID related) and also some issues on Virgin's side this was actually completed in Feb 2021.

2020 was certainly a year with many challenges. Financially overall we took a hit with our expenditure exceeding our income but I believe that with sensible planning and with God willing we will recover to be better and stronger than before.

Alicia Dring

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves Policy
Three months core income will be kept – to be used only if necessary. Three months operational expenditure equates to £30,000 to be reviewed annually. There is currently £17,803 held in general reserves plus The Capital Fund of £62,664 which is held for the future development of the Church.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

Steve Harcourt FCCA of Azets Audit Services Limited was the charity's independent examiner during the period and offers himself for re-election at the annual general meeting.

Approved by the PCC on ...11th April 2021.

Signed on their behalf by

Rev'd. A Dring - Vicar/Chair

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
RECEIPTS						
Donations and legacies	1(a)	110,204	1,799	-	112,003	147,247
Activities for raising funds	1(b)	6,636	-	-	6,636	17,148
Income from investments	1(c)	472	-	-	472	832
Incoming resources from church activities	1(d)	16,708	-	1,380	18,088	24,971
		134,020	1,799	1,380	137,199	190,198
PAYMENTS						
Grants	2(a)	9,448	-	-	9,448	11,074
Church activities	2(b)	135,606	-	2,178	137,784	169,190
Governance costs	2(c)	2,742	-	-	2,742	2,706
		147,796	-	2,178	149,974	182,970
SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) OF RECEIPTS OVER PAYMENTS		(13,776)	1,799	(798)	(12,775)	7,228
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		(3,183)	6,065	(2,882)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT		(16,959)	7,864	(3,680)	(12,775)	7,228
Bank balances brought forward at 1 January 2020		97,426	-	9,954	107,380	100,152
Bank balances carried forward at 31 December 2020		80,467	7,864	6,274	94,605	107,380

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
CASH FUNDS						
Bank current accounts		17,803	7,864	6,274	31,941	44,981
CBF deposit fund		62,664	-	-	62,664	62,399
		80,467	7,864	6,274	94,605	107,380
OTHER MONETARY ASSETS						
Income tax recoverable		5,045	-	-	5,045	5,821
Stock		300	-	-	300	300
		5,345	-	-	5,345	6,121
INVESTMENT ASSETS	4	7,867	-	-	7,867	7,361
LIABILITIES						
PAYE		247	-	-	247	959
Accruals		2,582	-	-	2,582	9,697
		2,829	-	-	2,829	10,656

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 11th April 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd. A Dring ..... (Vicar)

S Limberger ..... (Treasurer)

The notes on pages 8 to 12 form part of these accounts

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER'S LITTLEOVER

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. RECEIPTS

	General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
1(a) Donations and legacies					
Planned giving:					
Gift Aid	81,477	1,000	-	82,477	80,332
Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid	20,162	-	-	20,162	23,989
Collections (open plate) at all services	2,448	-	-	2,448	10,409
Sundry donations	4,198	799	-	4,997	24,641
Legacies				-	
Youth and Family Worker	1,919	-	-	1,919	7,876
	110,204	1,799	-	112,003	147,247
1(b) Activities for raising funds					
Church hall lettings etc.	6,264	-	-	6,264	14,419
Adverts – magazine	25	-	-	25	164
Cross keys café	347	-	-	347	2,565
	6,636	-	-	6,636	17,148
1(c) Income from investments					
Dividends and interest	220	-	-	220	273
Bank interest	252	-	-	252	559
	472	-	-	472	832
1(d) Income resources from church activities					
Magazines	53	-	-	53	735
Fees	6,407	-	-	6,407	14,623
Sundry	10,248	-	42	10,290	4,693
Lunch club	-	-	1,338	1,338	4,920
	16,708	-	1,380	18,088	24,971
TOTAL RECEIPTS	134,020	1,799	1,380	137,199	190,198

2. PAYMENTS

		General Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Total Funds 2019 £
2(a)	Grants					
	Missionary and charitable giving:					
	Church overseas:					
	- missionary societies	1,900	-	-	1,900	3,850
	- relief and development agencies	-	-	-	-	2,255
	Home missions and other Church Societies	6,158	-	-	6,158	1,100
	Secular charities	-	-	-	-	2,502
	Sundry gifts	1,390	-	-	1,390	618
	St Peters School	-	-		-	749
		9,448	-	-	9,448	11,074
2(b)	Church activities – directly relating to the work of the church					
	Ministry: diocesan quota	64,241	-	-	64,241	61,848
	Clergy expenses	7,973	-	-	7,973	7,431
	Church – running expenses	8,132	-	-	8,132	8,297
	Church – maintenance and roof repairs	3,914	-	-	3,914	24,384
	Fundraising expenses	-	-	-	-	1
	Upkeep of churchyard	-	-	-	-	2,980
	Church Hall running costs	14,543	-	-	14,543	7,281
	Fees	3,954	-	-	3,954	5,256
	Education	75	-	-	75	453
	Sundry expenses	939	-	-	939	4,052
	Youth and Family Worker	13,038	-	-	13,038	20,030
	Cross Keys expenses	-	-	-	-	1,414
	Lunch Club	-	-	1,768	1,768	4,255
		116,809	-	1,768	118,577	147,682
	Church activities – support costs					
	Printing and stationery	3,018	-	-	3,018	3,260
	Sundry expenses	118	-	410	528	60
	Parish salaries & social security	15,168	-	-	15,168	17,662
	Expenses of vicarage	493	-	-	493	526
		18,797	-	410	19,207	21,508
	Total church activities	135,606	-	2,178	137,784	169,190
2(c)	Governance costs					
	Accountancy (re. independent examination)	2,742	-	-	2,742	2,706
TOTAL PAYMENTS		147,796	-	2,178	149,974	182,970

3. STAFF COSTS

During the year the PCC incurred costs for an organist, vergers, a churchyard maintenance crew, a church co-ordinator, a youth worker and a cleaner for the church hall. This expenditure is not shown separately as staff costs but is included in the expenditure headings to which the service performed relates.

No person connected with the PCC has been paid, or is payable, remuneration or other benefits from the funds of the council, except as follows:

Travelling and out of pocket expenses totalling £1,132 (2019: £4,889) were reimbursed to 5 (2019: 8) PCC members during the year.

4. INVESTMENTS

	2020 £	2019 £
Shares and Securities		
384 shares in the CBF's Investment Fund	7,361	7,361

These are stated at market value.

5. FUND DETAILS

Unrestricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2020 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2020 £
Capital fund	60,182	205	-	2,277	62,664
General funds	37,244	133,815	(147,796)	(5,460)	17,803
	97,426	134,020	(147,796)	(3,183)	80,467
Designated funds					
IT Equipment fund	-	1,799	-	-	1,799
Chair fund	-	-	-	6,065	6,065
	-	1,799	-	6,065	7,864
Total unrestricted funds	97,426	135,819	(147,796)	2,882	88,331

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Capital fund	60,182	-	-	-	60,182
General funds	30,016	190,198	(182,970)	-	37,244
	90,198	190,198	(182,970)	-	97,426

5. FUND DETAILS (continued)

Restricted funds

	Balance b/fwd at 1 Jan 2020 £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers in/ (out) £	Balance c/fwd at 31 Dec 2020 £
Flower Fund	62	-	-	(62)	-
Legacy – Mrs Pilling	5,159	-	-	-	5,159
Womens Fellowship	238	42	(110)	42	212
Tiddlywinks	450	-	(300)	-	150
Lunch Club	1,723	1,338	(1,768)	(540)	753
Fabric – Funding Stock	249	-	-	(249)	-
Power Point Fund	1,192	-	-	(1,192)	-
Hothorpe Hall Fund	429	-	-	(429)	-
Redecoration	452	-	-	(452)	-
	9,954	1,380	(2,178)	(2,882)	6,274

Commentary on transfers

Transfers out of the Flower Fund, Fabric, Power Point, Hothorpe Hall and Redecoration funds to General funds reflect monies no longer considered to be restricted funds by the trustees.

Transfers into the Capital Fund of £2,277 represent movements in the related bank account in previous years not allocated as part of the Capital Fund.

Transfers into the Chair Fund of £6,065 relate to the trustee's decision to designate monies from General Reserves.

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Flower Fund:	Amounts of money given to buy flowers for the Church.
School Worker:	Monies given to finance our commitment to the Littleover, Blagreaves School Worker Project.
Legacy Mrs Pilling:	Restricted income to be kept for the upkeep of the Pilling Grave B245 for 99 years.
Women's Fellowship:	Groups for ladies who meet once a month for worship and fellowship.
Tiddlywinks:	Groups for under 5's and parents who meet once a week.
Lunch Club:	A weekly outreach meeting for older people to meet together and share a prepared lunch.
Pathfinders:	A church group 11-14 who meet on a Sunday and have other fun activities at other times.
Fabric Funding Stock:	As above but restricted to Fabric repairs etc.
Power Point Fund:	A fund we are building up to buy a power point for the Church.
Youth and Family Worker:	St Peter's Littleover employ a full-time youth and family worker and largely fund this work from ongoing donations and drawings from the Curate Fund.
Redecoration:	For redecoration of the church.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2020 which are set out on pages 2 to 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

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