

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

England & Wales · Charity number 1133862

Details

Other names ST PETER'S, IPSLEY

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-01-28

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: Operating as 3 separate Anglican churches within the Parish, spreading the Gospel through a range of services and local community initiatives

Classification

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

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£212,525	£211,988	-	-
2023-12-31	£209,896	£197,476	-	-
2022-12-31	£242,629	£211,625	-	-
2021-12-31	£221,790	£225,403	-	-
2020-12-31	£229,126	£219,799	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
VALERIE JEAN COLE	Chair	
ANDREA VERONICA MORTIMER		
Amanda Worley		2019-01-01
BARRY DAVID HUMPHREY		
Ben Arrowsmith		2019-01-01
Christine McLaren		2025-03-31
Jacqueline Elizabeth Street		2019-01-01
Jennifer Nathaniel		2015-04-01
Judith Evans		2014-04-30
Judith Garfield		2019-01-01
Julie Harvey		2014-04-30
Katharine Peace		2019-01-01
Linda May Nicholas		2016-03-31
Marilyn Dorothy Bishop		2016-03-31
PETER RAYMOND MCLAREN B.SC.		
PHIL WILLIAMS		
PHIL WILSON		
Philip John Humphrey		2014-04-30
RICHARD PETER STURDEY		
Rev GARTH EDWIN PETER NATHANIEL		2015-04-01
Rev IAN DAVID EVANS		
Rosemary Jane Humphrey		2015-04-01
Sharon Forest		2015-04-01

Accounts

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024
FOR**

**THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH
OF IPSLEY**

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1133862

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1133862

Principal address

Ipsley Church Lane Redditch
B98 0AJ

Trustees:

Mr	B	Arrowsmith	Mr	P	McLaren	Mortimer
Mrs	M	Bishop	Mr	C	Melley	Nathaniel
Mr	N	Bishop		Mrs	A	Mortimer
Mrs	P	Butler		Rev	G	Nathaniel
Miss	V	Cole		Mrs	J	Nathaniel
Rev	I	Evans		Mrs	L	Nicholas
Mrs	J	Evans		Mrs	K	Peace
Mrs	S	Forest		Mr	T	Stockwell
Mrs	J	Garfield		Mrs	J	Street
Mrs	J	Harvey		Mr	R	Sturdey
Mr	P	Humphrey		Mr	P	Williams
Mrs	A	Humphrey		Mrs	D	Wilson
Mr	B	Humphrey		Mr	P	Wilson
Mrs	R	Humphrey		Mrs	A	Worley

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Independent examiner

Matthew Elmes ACCA ICAEW

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Total Parish

As can be seen, overall church income (and core operating costs hardly changed from 2023 to 2024.

Major refurbishment costs (new chairs at Christ Church) accounted for almost £20K additional spend in the year.

Mission/evangelism hit a total of £4.3K, up £500 on 2023 – basically Messy Church and items such as Christmas story books for schools making up this added cost.

Overall, the total funds increased by £537, from £303.6K to £304.1K.

There is a noted reduction in funds at St Peters, fairly static at CCM and continued growth in funds at St Johns

Going forward into 2025, funds are adequate although cash flow may require attention, particularly with major repair work needed at Christ Church (Roof) and St Johns (Heating).

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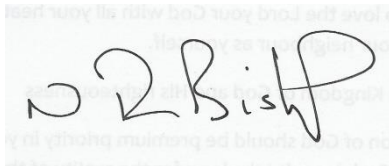
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

Date: 26 May 2025

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THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
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Basis of the independent examiner's report

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Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Matthew Elmes - Examiner

Date : 15 October 2025

THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income		157,238	12,032	169,272	170,322
Activities for generating funds	1				
Income resources from charitable activities					
Lettings		36,687		36,687	32,581
Fees		2,924		2,924	2,901
Investment income	2	1,521		1,521	1,243
Miscellaneous		2,121		2,121	4,092
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		200,491	12,034	212,525	209,896
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds					
Cost of generating voluntary income					
Charitable activities					
Donations		36,027		36,027	7,679
Expenses	3	4,152		4,152	3,040
Parish/Ministry Share		72,493		72,493	69,469
Church running costs		74,909	24,407	99,316	117,288
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		187,581	24,407	211,988	197,476
Transfers between funds					
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		12,910	-12,373	537	12,420
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		303,070	516	303,586	291,166
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		315,980	-11,857	304,123	303,586

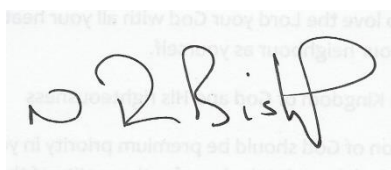
THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024 Total Funds £	2023 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets (wdv)	4	123,666	123,666
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	7,601	8,984
Cash at Bank and in hand		194,593	182,633
		202,194	191,617
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	-21,737	-11,697
NET CURRENT ASSETS		180,457	179,920
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		304,123	303,586
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after one year	7		
NET ASSETS		303,586	303,586
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted		315,980	303,070
Restricted		-11,857	516
TOTAL FUNDS		304,123	303,586

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 15 May 2025 and were signed

on its behalf by:



N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational liability.

Other 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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	not provided
Plant and machinery	10 -20% on cost

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2001 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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1. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2024 £	2023 £
There were no reported expenses under this heading	0	0
	0	0

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

Deposit account interest	1,521	1,243
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2024

Trustees expenses:

Clergy expenses amounting to £4,096 (2023: £2,372) were paid in the year.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property £	Plant & Equipment £	Total £
COST OF ASSETS			
As at 1 January 2023	123,666	58,920	182,586
Additions 2023	123,666	58,920	182,586
DEPRECIATION			
As at 1 January 2023		(58,920)	(58,920)
Charge for the year		(58,920)	(58,920)
NET BOOK VALUE			
As at 1 January 2023	123,666	0	123,666
As at 31 December 2023	123,666	0	123,666

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £123,666

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Debtors	7,601	8,984

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2024 £	2023 £
Creditors & Accruals	21,737	11,697
	21,737	11,697

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7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

2024	2023
£	£
0	0

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 Jan 2023 £	Movement for Year £	At 31 Dec 2024 £
Unrestricted Funds	303,070	12,910	315,980
Restricted Funds	516	-12,373	-11,857
TOTAL FUNDS	303,586	537	304,123

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

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers	Movement in Funds £
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Restricted Funds	12,034	24,407		-12,373
Total	212,525	211,988		537

10. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

There were no other financial commitments to report.

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	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Gift Aided donations	110,845	110,138
Gift Aid tax recoverable	29,217	30,951
Non gift aid	7,474	10,961
Collections	7,246	6,902
Sundry Donations	1,714	3,543
Appeals	8,966	7,827
Legacies		
Grants	3,810	1,449
	169,272	171,771
Activities for generating funds		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	1,521	1243
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Lettings	36,687	32,581
Fees	2,924	2,901
Miscellaneous	2,121	1,400
	43,253	38,125
Total incoming resources	212,525	209,896
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Youth work	1,690	2,964
Parish/Ministry Share	72,943	69,469
Clergy Expenses	4,096	2,372
Donations other charities	3,607	4,715
Church	38,653	47,718
Church centre	24,255	33,263
Churchyard	10,092	1,729
Bookstall	-	-
Insurance	6,737	6,748
Administration	22,353	19,332
Mission/Evangelism	4,303	3,826
Major Repairs - Church	23,259	5,340
Total resources expended	211,988	197,476
Net income	537	12,420

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of** The Ecclesiastical Parish of Ipsley

**On accounts for the year
ended**

Set out on pages 1 - 12

31/12/2024	Charity no (if any)	1133862
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 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").

Independent examiner's statement

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: Matthew Elmes

Name: Matthew Elmes

Date: 15/10/2025

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): ICAEW / ACCA

Address:

11 Swan Street
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Warwickshire, B49 5DP

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Total Parish

Funds

2023 saw a minor movement across the year in total fund terms – from £291.2K to 303.6K, total increase £12.4K. Balance Sheet closes out with Cash (liquidity) hardly moving in the year.

Income

Year total giving £170.3K compares with 2022 £174.3K. This is actually a promising result when taking into account Grants down against 2022 by £24.3K, the major difference here being no Community Missioner grant (or expenditure) in 2023 at Christ Church.

Expenditure

Eliminating the Community Missioner in 2022 only, inflation in 2023 has hit costs very hard. Inflation has effectively been offset by paying Ministry Share only in 2023, i.e. no (optional) contribution to Mission Support Fund.

DCC Treasurer Notes

St Peters

It's been quite difficult to balance the books this year. We had the unexpected expense of a new boiler for the church and a new heater for the Hub and Room costing a total of £6,894. People have been generous and we did receive some gifts towards the unexpected expense.

The only regular letting we had was the WI once a month.

We only paid the Ministry Share.

Christ Church

We have seen slight improvement in giving – additional signings up to the Parish Giving Scheme. Other income – Nursery rentals proceeding as always, some fluctuations in church hire (slimming world manager changes)

Utility costs are starting to benefit from new contracts coming into play.

Major expenditure – just one item : £5.3K new cooker

St Johns

I am taking this opportunity to thank all who donate so generously to St John's.

Whether it is by gifts of money or by volunteering to keep the services, buildings and grounds up to a good standard. As a church we also give 10% of our receipts to charities.

Also received donations to the youth mission where Jas met with God which has led to her being baptized.

The church and hall hiring income has increased which will help with the maintenance costs. The huge Gas increase did not materialize which leaves us with a healthy balance as I expect there will be more demands on the money we have.

Joint Projects

Parish Administration costs include annual audit and hosting of Parish website(s)

Mission expenditure comprise only Messy Church, now operating at Woodrow First School.

Calls on funding from churches were kept to a minimum, relying as far as possible on balance brought forward.

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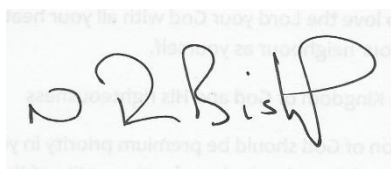
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Matthew Elmes - Examiner

Date :

THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023 Total Funds	2022 Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income		160,745	9,577	170,322	174,355
Activities for generating funds	1				
Income resources from charitable activities					
Lettings		32,581		32,581	31,504
Fees		2,901		2,901	4,403
Investment income	2	1,243		1,243	217
Community Missioner					17,063
Miscellaneous		3,878	214	4,092	15,087
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		200,105	9,791	209,896	242,629
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds					
Cost of generating voluntary income					
Charitable activities					
Donations		7,465	214	7,679	3,519
Expenses	3	3,040		3,040	4,489
Parish/Ministry Share		69,469		69,469	88,300
Church running costs		92,643	24,645	117,288	115,195
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		172,617	24,859	197,476	211,503
Transfers between funds		-1000	1000		
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		27,488	-15,068	12,420	31,126
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		276,582	14,584	291,166	260,040
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		303,070	516	303,586	291,166

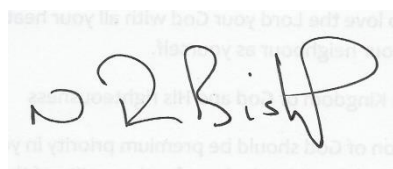
THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets (wdv)	4	123,666	123,666
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	8,984	8,003
Cash at Bank and in hand		182,633	177,503
		191,617	185,506
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	-11,697	-18,006
NET CURRENT ASSETS		179,920	167,500
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		303,586	291,166
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after one year	7		
NET ASSETS		303,586	291,166
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted		303,070	276,582
Restricted		516	14,584
TOTAL FUNDS		303,586	291,166

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 6 June 2024 and were signed

on its behalf by:



N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

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Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational liability.

Other 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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	not provided
Plant and machinery	10 -20% on cost

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THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

1. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2023 £	2022 £
There were no reported expenses under this heading	0	0
	0	0

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

Deposit account interest	1,243	217
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2023

Trustees expenses:

Clergy expenses amounting to £2,372 (2022: £4,489) were paid in the year.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property £	Plant & Equipment £	Total £
COST OF ASSETS			
As at 1 January 2023	123,666	58,920	182,586
Additions 2023	123,666	58,920	182,586
DEPRECIATION			
As at 1 January 2023		(58,920)	(58,920)
Charge for the year		(58,920)	(58,920)
NET BOOK VALUE			
As at 1 January 2023	123,666	0	123,666
As at 31 December 2023	123,666	0	123,666

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £123,666

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Debtors	8,984	8,003

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2023 £	2022 £
Creditors & Accruals	11,697	18,006
	11,697	18,006

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

2023 £	2022 £
0	0

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 Jan 2023 £	Movement for Year £	At 31 Dec 2023 £
Unrestricted Funds	276,582	26,488	303,070
Restricted Funds	14,584	-14,068	516
TOTAL FUNDS	291,166	12,420	303,586

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

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Transfers	Movement in Funds £
Unrestricted Funds	200,105	172,617	-1,000	26,488
Restricted Funds	9,791	24,859	1,000	-14,068
Total	209,896	197,476		12,420

10. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

There were no other financial commitments to report.

	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Gift Aided donations	110,138	111,579
Gift Aid tax recoverable	30,951	30,330
Non gift aid	10,961	10,076
Collections	6,902	5,421
Sundry Donations	3,543	6,959
Appeals	7,827	9,990
Legacies		
Grants	1,449	25,758
	171,771	200,113
Activities for generating funds		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	1,243	217
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Lettings	32,581	31,504
Fees	2,901	4,403
Miscellaneous	1,400	6,392
	38,125	42,516
Total incoming resources	209,896	242,629
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Youth work	2,964	1,542
Parish/Ministry Share	69,469	88,300
Clergy Expenses	2,372	4,489
Donations other charities	4,715	3,019
Donations individuals	-	500
Church	47,718	35,922
Church centre	33,263	26,789
Churchyard	1,729	1,706
Bookstall	-	61
Insurance	6,748	6,303
Administration	19,332	14,136
Mission/Evangelism	3,826	18,615
Major Repairs - Church	5,340	10,243
Total resources expended	197,476	211,503
Net income	12,420	31,126

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name The Ecclesiastical Parish of Ipsley		
On accounts for the year ended	31/12/2023	Charity no (if any)	1133862
Set out on pages	1 - 12 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2023**.

**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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

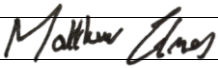
**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:  **Date:** 04/09/2024

Name: Matthew Elmes

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ICAEW / ACCA

Address:

11 Swan Street
Alcester
Warwickshire, B49 5DP

Section B	Disclosure
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Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A

Accounts

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR
THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022
FOR**

**THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH
OF IPSLEY**

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Parochial Church Council presents its report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1133862

Principal address

Ipsley Church Lane Redditch
B98 0AJ

Trustees:

Mr	B	Arrowsmith	Mrs	A	Mortimer
Mrs	M	Bishop	Rev	G	Nathaniel
Mr	N	Bishop	Mrs	J	Nathaniel
Mrs	P	Butler	Mrs	L	Nicholas
Miss	V	Cole	Mrs	K	Peace
Rev	I	Evans	Mrs	V	Quarton
Mrs	J	Evans	Mr	T	Stockwell
Mrs	J	Garfield	Mr	A	Stokes
Mrs	J	Harvey	Mrs	J	Street
Mrs	M	Hughes	Mr	R	Sturdey
Mrs	A	Humphrey	Mr	P	Williams
Mr	B	Humphrey	Mrs	D	Wilson
Mrs	R	Humphrey	Mr	P	Wilson
Mr	P	McLaren	Mrs	A	Worley
Mr	C	Melley			

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent examiner

Matthew Elmes ACCA ICAEW

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the members of the PCC, all of whom are also trustees.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Each DCC votes on its members annually at local level when they hold their individual Parish annual general meeting. New trustees are appointed by a majority vote and are given appropriate training to inform them of their duties and liabilities under Company and Charity Law.

Parochial Church Council

The Parish of St Peters Ipsley is made up of the churches of St Peters Ipsley, St John's Greenlands and Christ Church Matchborough. The parish covers approximately one third of Redditch and includes the areas of Greenlands, Ipsley, Matchborough, Winyates and Winyates Green.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is the promotion in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the church.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of this Parish to hold in reserves the equivalent of two months' general running costs and three months' salary costs. It is also our policy to hold an amount for essential building works as required, to comply with forthcoming Quinquennial inspections.

In applying these parameters, the individual situations of the three churches within the Parish have been taken into account and agreed at DCC level.

The policy will be reviewed annually as part of the Church year end accounts procedure, agreed by each DCC and consolidated into one Parish policy.

Going Concern

It is the view of the Trustees that the Parish finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

As shown in the following Accounts Summary, the overall financial position at end of 2022 shows an increase of Total Closing Funds £31K above 2021 level. Thanks must go to DCC Treasurers for managing this improvement in closing funds, in the light of general inflation, particularly utility costs.

We have seen a major benefit in the move from Parish Share to Ministry Share total payments made - £130K in 2021 down to £88K in 2022

Church giving has held up over the year, in comparison with 2021 actual, and individual budget expectations for 2022. We have also gained considerably in cash flow terms, where regular church membership moving to Parish Giving scheme has brought in Gift Aid on a monthly basis rather than quarterly (or longer) claims being submitted to HMRC.

Church Operating Costs have been specifically affected by Gas and Electricity price rises, and general inflation, offset as stated by Ministry Share as noted above. And in response to Diocese, DCC's were able to assist the Mission Support Fund, which goes towards Parishes facing increase rather than decrease in the move from Parish Share to Ministry Share.

The Community Missioner post fell vacant mid-year (earlier than expected), when S Hewitt moved to a new position at St Stephens in the town centre. This post remains vacant at this time.

Our thanks and appreciation must go to Annette Humphrey, who has stepped down after many years' service as St Johns Treasurer, now ably replaced by Barry Humphrey.

We have also migrated St Johns accounting system to MyFundAccounting online, which now brings all 3 centres into one accounting package. We are now able to report in summary and detail form at a local level, and as a complete Parish. There are also major advantages in audit terms. At a local level, it is now possible to offer view only access to accounts to PCC/DCC members in any of our 3 churches, enabling greater effectiveness in budgetary and financial targets and reporting.

Neil Bishop
Parish Treasurer

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

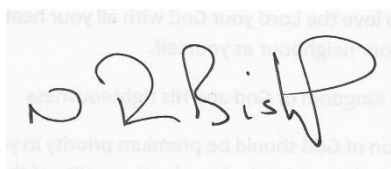
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N R Bishop', is written over a faint, mirrored watermark of the same signature.

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N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

Date: 25 May 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

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David Rogers - Examiner

Date :25 May 2023

THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income		188,588	11,525	200,113	186,833
Activities for generating funds	1				
Income resources from charitable activities					
Lettings		31,504		31,504	28,842
Fees		4,403		4,403	2,446
Investment income	2	217		217	49
Miscellaneous		6,392		6,392	3,620
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		231,104	11,525	242,629	221,790
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds					
Cost of generating voluntary income					
Charitable activities					
Donations		2,019	1,500	3,519	4,084
Expenses	3	4,489		4,489	5,969
Parish/Ministry Share		88,300		88,300	130,387
Church running costs		113,303	2,014	115,317	84,963
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		208,111	3,514	211,625	225,403
Transfers between Funds		1,705	-1,705		
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		24,698	6,306	31,004	-3,613
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		251,893	8,147	260,040	263,653
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		276,591	14,453	291,044	260,040

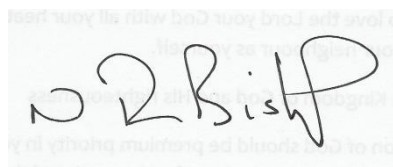
THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

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CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	5	8,003	6,127
Cash at Bank and in hand		177,503	136,056
		185,506	142,183
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	6	-18,128	-5,809
NET CURRENT ASSETS		167,378	136,374
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		291,044	260,040
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after one year	7		
NET ASSETS		291,044	260,040
FUNDS	8		
Unrestricted		276,591	251,893
Restricted		14,453	8,147
TOTAL FUNDS		291,044	260,040

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 25 May 2023 and were signed

on its behalf by:



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N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

1. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2022 £	2021 £
There were no reported expenses under this heading	0	0
	0	0

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

Deposit account interest	217	49
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2022

Trustees expenses:

Clergy expenses amounting to £4,489 (2021: £5,969) were paid in the year.

4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property £	Plant & Equipment £	Total £
COST OF ASSETS			
As at 1 January 2022	123,666	58,920	182,586
Additions 2022	123,666	58,920	182,586
DEPRECIATION			
As at 1 January 2022		(58,920)	(58,920)
Charge for the year		(58,920)	(58,920)
NET BOOK VALUE			
As at 1 January 2022	123,666	0	123,666
As at 31 December 2022	123,666	0	123,666

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £123,666

5. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Debtors	8,003	6,127

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Creditors & Accruals	18,128	5,809
	18,128	5,809

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

2022	2021
£	£
0	0

8. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 Jan 2022	Movement for Year	At 31 Dec 2022
	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	251,893	24,698	276,591
Restricted Funds	8,147	6,306	14,543
TOTAL FUNDS	260,040	31,004	291,044

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

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Movement in Funds
	£	£		£
Unrestricted Funds	231,104	-208,111	1,705	24,698
Restricted Funds	11,525	-3,514	-1,705	6,306
Total	242,629	-211,625		31,004

10. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

There were no other financial commitments to report.

	2022	2021
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Gift Aided donations	111,579	117,787
Gift Aid tax recoverable	30,330	26,046
Non gift aid	10,076	13,997
Collections	5,421	3,599
Sundry Donations	6,959	739
Appeals	9,990	
Legacies		402
Grants	25,758	24,263
	200,113	186,833
Activities for generating funds		
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	217	49
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Lettings	31,504	28,842
Fees	4,403	2,446
Miscellaneous	6,392	3,620
	42,516	34,957
Total incoming resources	242,629	221,790
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Youth work	1,542	
Parish/Ministry Share	88,300	130,387
Clergy Expenses	4,489	5,969
Donations other charities	3,019	3,584
Donations individuals	500	500
Church	35,922	15,754
Church centre	26,789	18,587
Churchyard	1,706	1,519
Bookstall	61	75
Insurance	6,303	6,012
Administration	14,136	16,430
Mission/Evangelism	18,615	26,586
Major Repairs - Church	10,243	
Total resources expended	211,625	225,403
Net income	31,004	- 3,613

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
The Ecclesiastical Parish of Ipsley

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/12/2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1133862

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2022**.

**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").

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

M J Elmes

Date:

16/10/2023

Name:

Matthew Elmes

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ICAEW / ACCA

Address:

11 Swan Street

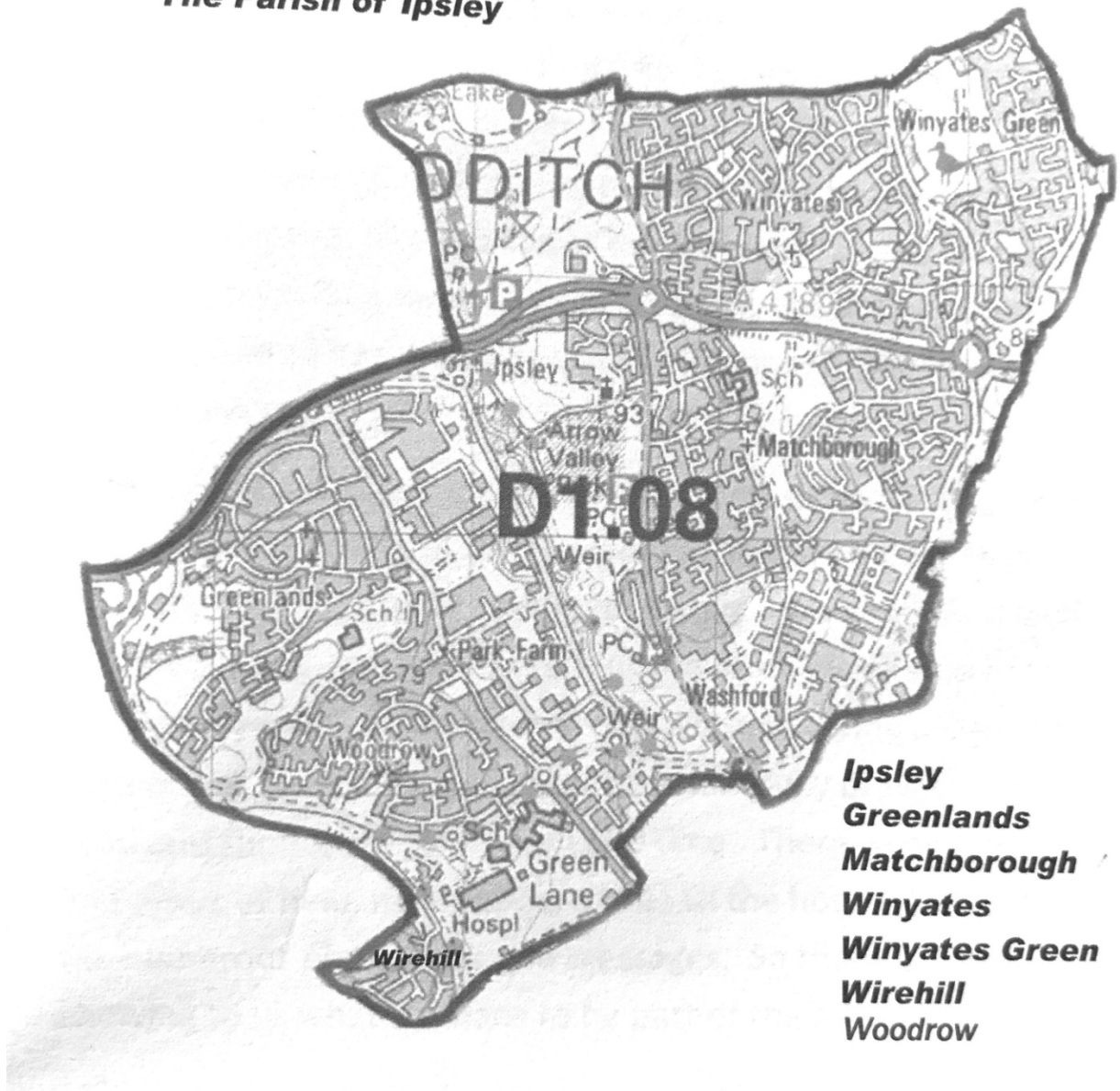
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Accounts

Ipsley Team Ministry

The Parish of Ipsley



Reports for the Annual Parish Church Meeting

Thursday 12th May 2022 at Christ Church,
Matchborough

St. Peter's, Ipsley - Church Warden's Report

2021 began in the middle of the second wave of the pandemic. At the end of February, we continued with a 10:30am service, online on the usual YouTube channel and later in person in church as well as online. At that time face coverings were mandatory, request for bookings were still in operation due to social distancing and we continued to clean the pews between each service, if there was more than one service on a Sunday.

Revd. Canon Garth Nathaniel was thanked for his enthusiasm, commitment, hard work, and dedication to the parish during the year. Although it was a hard year, that saw Canon Garth have an accident in church and sustain a really bad injury and debilitated for four months recuperating from an operation I would at this point like to sincerely thank the clergy who helped with weddings, funerals and the many baptisms at that time. Revd. Richard Clarke, Revd. Canon Paul Lawlor, Revd. Francis Maloney and Revd. Sue Humphries.

At that time the St Peter's ministry team, LLMs, ALMs and others boldly stepped up to the plate to lead and speak in ways that were both diverse and inspiring. The musicians worked really hard providing music for the online service and afterwards in church especially over the Christmas period playing for a thanksgiving service, Christingle, Blue Christmas, Christmas praise, nine lessons and carols and the midnight communion service.

Other main services were Easter, The Harvest Festival, a service of Thanksgiving, Remembrance and Hope and Remembrance Sunday.

Charles Melley acted as deputy warden and we are custodians of a very old building, Charles and the building group continually worked undertaking the jobs that needed to be done. No big projects have been undertaken this year, but plans are afoot to build a tower to make access to the tower roof more accessible. The gas, alarm system, lightning conductor, stair lift, Fire extinguishers and other services have been fully inspected this year. We are awaiting permission from the Archdeacon to remove the polycarbonate sheets covering the windows on the south side of the church.

Phil Wilson formed a Church yard carers group in the summer, keeping the churchyard tidy and appealing for people to walk through.

Richard Sturdey constructed, outside, The Stations of the cross at Easter and the Advent trail later.

Room bookings continued during 2021 with the Polish school meeting every Saturday from April to July, The Forge Mill Analytic group meeting every Friday and a consultant meeting several times a week in the squashy lounge.

The weekly table tennis evenings on Mondays started up again as did the Craft group who meet on a Monday afternoon.

Coffee mornings started up again in October on the first Wednesday 10:30 -12 noon after an eighteen-month break. The numbers attending was good, it is hoped that this will go from strength to strength

Open Church was held in the summer, 1st -3rd September, this year's theme was Psalm

23. About 80 people came over the three days.

We thank all members of the congregation for their generous love, help and understanding. We urge all to continue to pray, serve and contribute to the support of the Lord's work. We are truly blessed to have such generous and caring people in our church.

Linda

Nicholas

Church

Warden

St John's, Greenlands report

Life at St Johns continued at a steady pace last year. Soon into 2021 we entered another lockdown, with many people meeting together for family worship on Zoom each Sunday morning. This worked well, although we really missed members of our church family who weren't meeting with us in this way. Each week we aimed to print and deliver the liturgy, songs and talk to those people not meeting on zoom. We also delivered a pack of activities for the children most weeks.

In early summer, Church reopened for 'in person' Sunday morning worship. It was wonderful to have an opportunity to be together again, while offering zoom to those people who preferred to worship from home. We continued to provide a range of worship styles and services, including a more informal 'Worship for Everyone' and a more traditional Holy Communion service each month.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those people who regularly lead our worship services, Rosie, Vicki, Mike, Rob, and of course, Paul.

Our numbers on a Sunday morning have dipped slightly, due to a variety of reasons. We are looking forward to working with our newly appointed Mission Accompanier, who will help us to see where and how we can grow as a church, reaching our community and bringing others to faith.

Meanwhile, St Johns continued its mission in many areas. Thank you to all those people who take an active part in the life of our church, including those who regularly pray for all that goes on.

Thanks to all for your
support, Amanda and
Barry

Christ Church, Matchborough Report

From the second week of January 2021, Covid 19 caused services in person to be suspended until 23 rd May. We had many weeks of worship via Zoom as well as the weekly emailed "20 minutes with God", which includes a Reflection on, and discussion questions about, the Bible passage, links to YouTube worship songs, suggestions for prayer, and a similar section for the children. There were suggested crafts for the children, who were encouraged to share their work in the break-out groups after the service.

Pentecost Sunday saw 30 adults and 5 children meet together in person at last - in a socially distanced way. From then, the children were given craft packs to complete in their family groups, in line with the All-Age videos.

Although Christmas services were reduced we celebrated Kids Praise, Carols by Candlelight and Midnight Communion as well as Christmas Day Praise. Noah's Ark Nursery children were again given the components of a Christingle with a greeting from Christ Church and instructions so they could make their own at home.

As last year the Coffee Drop-In sessions were suspended in person but continued twice weekly on Zoom.

Christ Church Community Project

Our normal operations were suspended for 2021 due to the pandemic.

We have continued to support Older People in the community by maintaining contact with Lunch Club members through regular telephone calls. Volunteers delivered two two- course Parsley Box meals to members' homes in Spring, and at Christmas they again made a delivery of mince pies to each member.

Open the book

Sadly, the global pandemic prevented our going in person to schools, but the four groups have tried to keep in touch with them, for example by directing them to on-line resources, even sending videos ably produced at St Peter's, and delivering copies of 'The Christmas Poem' from the parish for each child.

Messy Church

We started 2021 as we had ended 2020 with Messy Church meetings being held on our usual second Saturday of each month via Zoom. We had a smaller regular team and a reduced number of regular families compared to those who attended our last in person meeting in February 2020 and, although we had

lost many of our local families, we had been joined by a few from much further afield.

As 2021 progressed and Covid regulations lessened we prayed and discussed at length as a team during the summer months about what God was calling us to do.

The outcome of all this, and to cut a lengthy process quite short, was that we approached Woodrow First School with a view to moving Messy Church from Woodrow Meeting Rooms to the school site in order to have more space both inside and especially outside in order to minimise the continuing Covid risks.

Support from the school from a range of school staff was excellent in person and their help with publicity in their newsletters and Facebook page right from the outset was superb and so we held our last Zoom meeting in October and our first in person meeting at the school in November 2021.

At that first meeting we were very blessed with answered prayers - 25 children, 15 adults and 13 team members attended and there was a great atmosphere. Families who had previously attended MC were really glad to be back and had brought others along. Some new families with connections to the school also attended for the first time and having both indoor and outdoor activities suited a wider range of children too.

We subsequently held our Messy Christmas at the school in December and continue to meet there.

We continued to be blessed with team members from all three churches in the Parish - those who were able to return to on-site involvement or who joined the team for the first time, and those who were prayer support crew at home. Planning continued to be done together via Zoom which enabled the benefits of involving all of the team in that process to be continued.

God is amazingly good and went before us as this entire process developed and we tried to work out what was happening and ran to catch up - but then life is often messy like that!

Reg Moore

Deanery Synod Report

Following the Diocesan Conversations, the number of Deaneries within the Diocese of Worcester was reduced. Bromsgrove Deanery, now known as Redditch and Bromsgrove Deanery expanded to include the two towns of Redditch and Bromsgrove plus a number of villages on the edge of Droitwich and towards Kidderminster and Stourport. As the Deaneries expanded, the role of the clergy leader for each Deanery also expanded and the role of Rural Dean has been replaced by Area Dean. Revd Paul Lawlor is the Area Dean of the Redditch and Bromsgrove Deanery,

During the year of 2021 Redditch and Bromsgrove Deanery Synod met 3 times by Zoom and/or at Stephen's, Redditch. Revd Paul Lawlor and Kashmir Garton (Lay Chair) also sent members a newsletter between each meeting. Much of the Synod's work in 2021 has been in discerning how the churches may work together and support one another.

Rectors Report 2021

The year 2021 proved just as disrupted and uncertain as the previous year. While we all thought that by the Summer we would be out of the woods, but this was not to be as a new mutation of the COVID 19 virus hit UK and we continued to experience the crises.

The Church of England is present in every community as a visible sign of God's Mercy and love among His people. Our three churches in the Parish fulfilled this role during this year. While our services were disrupted and were yet to turn to any normality, we as always continued to seek ways to be there for the people of our parish and beyond in this time of National/Global, crises. The life of the churches continued to serve the people both of our congregations and those who are not.

Besides our hybrid services the church has continued to be there for the people in the community. I would very much like to say a massive " Thank You" to the hard work put in by the churchwardens to enable the life of the church to continue while making our worship places safe for those coming into our worship centres.

At Christ Church, the Revd Ian Evans (Team Vicar) continued to provide pastoral care and led the Church enabling everyone throughout this time to engage with worship using "20 minutes with God" to help them in their Sunday worship when they were unable to get into Church. His ministry and leadership at Christ Church, though considered part time, has been invaluable in helping the church through this season. His full time Vocation is as

the manager of the Redditch Food bank through which he has continued to offer an invaluable service to the needy people of Redditch. After work he then cares for Christ Church through leading support groups and Sunday services.

The Revd Canon Paul Lawlor has been a great inspiration and support to the congregation of St John's during this year. He saw his title change from Rural Dean to Area Dean, and the geographical and ecclesial area of the deanery expand in the re-organisation of the Deaneries thus increasing his workload exponentially. Despite this he has continued to lead and minister to St John's with great commitment. He has provided good strong leadership to St John's in this year of great uncertainty. Congratulations to Paul for the honour of being made an Honorary Canon in the Cathedral. This a recognition of his hard work and contribution to the Diocese.

Among the areas of ministry affected by the COVID pandemic has been the ministry to the schools. However, with the teams not able to visit schools physically opportunities were taken to reach the schools via the media and

the internet. Open The Book have through this time been producing video versions of their OTB stories and made these freely available to the schools. We offered these links to our schools, an offer gratefully received. One of the head teachers commented how useful they were as the school used them via zoom. Families at home were able to listen to the stories being read and enacted. So not just the children but their parents and siblings were hearing the Word of God being shared.

Throughout this time, I have had the privilege to run assemblies for Ipsley CE RSA Academy. I would put together a presentation with notes for leaders and the teachers were able to share them with the classrooms and on zoom. I produced a video version of the assembly to go along with the PowerPoints. This gave those teachers not confident in leading the assembly the option to use the video instead. In the new academic year 2021-22 I was able to go in person and take assemblies with the year groups.

Messy Church continued throughout the year. They adapted their material and moved Messy Church to Zoom and kept in contact with every family that had attended the Messy Church in the Woodrow meeting rooms. They saw a good retention of congregation. When able to return to in-person meetings following a risk assessment they found that the Woodrow Meeting Rooms were not suitable. But God had already made provision. They approached the Woodrow First School and found they were able to move the premises to the school. This has been a great move as there is more space and the facilities more useful. A Thank you to Reg Moore and the team of volunteers from all three churches which have worked hard this past year and have shown real zeal and commitment.

All three churches through this time have experienced their share of loss through members who have died. This has been a great sadness to us all. But we thank God for those who have faithfully worshipped with us and walked this journey of faith with us. My thoughts turn to Pat Hale, who has been a long time member of the church family and served on church councils and latterly was also Safeguarding officer for St Peter's working with Barry in fulfilling this very important role.

Of course, our numbers have also lost those who over this time have ceased to return to church for several reasons, but we have also seen those who have joined us as we continue to serve the Lord in then Parish.

During the latter part of the year together with the deanery we have engaged with the proposed "Revitalise Redditch" plan to consider a Redditch Mission Area, which hope to help churches engage better and encourage one another in mission and ministry to the people of our town. There were consultations with the clergy, church councils and with the laity which were led by the Archdeacon the Ven. Nikki Groarke, the Area Dean the Rev Canon Paul Lawlor, and the Lay Chair of the Deanery Mrs Kashmir Garton. These consultations covered the period from September to January of this year.. It was hoped we

would be implementing the plans by this Easter. Our churches engaged enthusiastically with the conversations. As with any plan there are always some reservations but the overall feeling was positive.

It has been a busy year for our Funeral Ministers with the number of deaths in the town and more people asking for a church funeral or at least a Church of England Minister. Our clerical and lay ministers have shared this ministry across the town with our colleagues from the other churches. Contacts and follow-up has remained with those who have been bereaved. In St Peter's we conducted 26 funerals from the Ipsley Parish alone, 3 of which were held at St Peter's and I know both Christ Church and St John's also had funerals to conduct

At St Peter's alongside funerals this year we conducted 17 baptisms and 5 Thanksgivings. We also celebrated 5 weddings.

Throughout the year our churches have continued to offer pastoral support to those in the church family and in the larger community. This included phone calls, letters, cards and even socially distanced visiting when allowed. On behalf of those who have benefitted from this ministry, "Thank you," for your patience, kindness, help and prayers, to all those who have helped in this way.

Through our bereavement ministry in the year we were able to minister to a wide range and large number of people. We continued to maintain contact with those who had lost loved ones during the Pandemic, through emails and phone calls. Most of whom appreciated our prayers and support.

A special service was held in St Peter's Church on the occasion of the death of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.

For me 2021 was marked by the highlight of the year. This was when I broke my foot falling over in church requiring surgery to fix it. This meant I had a long period of recovery and plenty of time to pray and study God's Word and seek Him. During this time Linda and the Ministry team did a wonderful job of keeping the ministry at St Peter's going. Linda as churchwarden with the assistance of others led the church very well through this time, taking on not only the leadership of the spiritual ministry but also the responsibility of overseeing the administration during this time. It was an immense challenge to which she rose and did extremely well.

I received so much love and care from all three churches during this time, that I am truly humbled by it all. Thank you to all for this outpouring of love.

As we move forward the challenges are not going to be easy but like Caleb and Joshua let us see the provision of God and know that through our God we shall do valiantly. It is He who will cut down the enemy, let us enter our inheritance that God is laying before us.

Blessings

Garth

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
AUDITED FINANCIAL
STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR
ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021
FOR

THE ECCLESIASTICAL
PARISH OF IPSLEY**

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

The Parochial Church Council presents its report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1133862

Principal address

Ipsley Church Lane Redditch
B98 0AJ

Trustees:

Mr	B	Arrowsmith	Mr	P	McLaren
Mr	N	Bishop	Nrs	C	McLaren
Mrs	M	Bishop	Mrs	A	Mortimer
Mr	J	Butler	Mrs	J	Nathaniel
Mrs	P	Butler	Rev	G	Nathaniel
Miss	V	Cole	Mrs	L	Nicholas
Mrs	J	Evans	Mrs	K	Peace
Rev	I	Evans	Mrs	V	Quarton
Mrs	J	Garfield	Mr	A	Stokes
Mrs	J	Harvey	Mrs	J	Street
Mrs	M	Hughes	Mr	R	Sturdey
Mr	B	Humphrey	Mr	P	Williams
Mrs	R	Humphrey	Mr	P	Wilson
Mrs	A	Humphrey	Mrs	D	Wilson

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent examiner

David Rogers ACA

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the members of the PCC, all of whom are also trustees.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Each DCC votes on its members annually at local level when they hold their individual Parish annual general meeting. New trustees are appointed by a majority vote and are given appropriate training to inform them of their duties and liabilities under Company and Charity Law.

Parochial Church Council

The Parish of St Peters Ipsley is made up of the churches of St Peters Ipsley, St John's Greenlands and Christ Church Matchborough. In addition a congregation meets at Ipsley C of E Middle School. The parish covers approximately one third of Redditch and includes the areas of Greenlands, Ipsley, Matchborough, Winyates and Winyates Green.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is the promotion in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the church.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of this Parish to hold in reserves the equivalent of two months' general running costs and three months' salary costs. It is also our policy to hold an amount for essential building works as required, to comply with forthcoming Quinquennial inspections.

In applying these parameters, the individual situations of the three churches within the Parish have been taken into account and agreed at DCC level.

The policy will be reviewed annually as part of the Church year end accounts procedure, agreed by each DCC and consolidated into one Parish policy.

Going Concern

It is the view of the Trustees that the Parish finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Continuing on from 2020, Covid pandemic restricted church meetings and activities, although things began to open up by the end of the year in terms of Sunday services. Our 3 churches have survived this year financially rather than grown. We have seen reduced income effects and a tight rein has been kept on spend, again deferring maintenance actions (where possible) to 2022.

The SOFA and Balance Sheet Statements summary points for the total Parish :

Income

Total 2021 Voluntary Giving including Gift Aid £162.6K was down £33.1K (16.9%) on 2021 at £195.7K, reflecting some loss of church membership. As reported previously, there is now a considerably reduced element of Envelope Scheme giving in all 3 churches, with the major part of giving through Parish Giving Scheme.

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- Lettings increase to £28.8K from 2020 £21.4K, mainly Noah's Ark Nursery opening up following prior year lockdown.

Expenditure

- Total Parish Share was the same figure as prior year £130.3K, met in full within the year
- Operating Costs at £83.7K for 2020 increased only marginally to £88.4K for 2021 due to tight controls on expenditure
- With reduced opportunity for Mission, £6.6K total across this area, hopefully will increase in future

Funds

- Overall, Closing Funds only marginally moved in the year - from £263.7K opening to £260.0K closing.
- Net Current Assets at £136.4K closing - down £2.1K on the year.

General Comment

DCC Treasurers have successfully steered us through this year, but looking forward there is a growing need to address income as well as responding to new cost challenges, particularly in the area of energy, which is becoming a difficulty for all. Deferred maintenance items do need to be addressed also.

Neil Bishop
Parish Treasurer

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

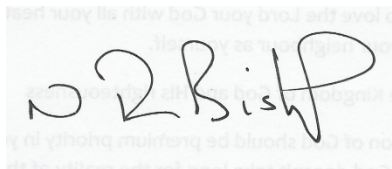
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- o select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- o make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- o prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N R Bishop', is written over a light blue rectangular background. The signature is fluid and cursive.

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N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

Date: 21 Mar 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- o examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- o to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- o to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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David Rogers - Examiner

Date :26 April 2021

THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Note s	Unrestrict ed Funds	Restrict ed Funds	2021 Total Funds	2020 Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income		186,264	569	186,833	204,019
Activities for generating funds	2				105
Income resources from charitable activities					
Lettings		28,842		28,842	21,424
Fees		2,446		2,446	2,450
Investment income	3	49		49	188
Miscellaneous		3,620		940	940
				221,79	
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		221,221	569	0	229,126
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds					
Cost of generating voluntary income					
Charitable activities					
Donations		3,917	167	4,084	4,701
Expenses	4	5,969		5,969	4,213
Parish Share		130,387		130,387	130,386
Church running costs		83,603	1,360	84,963	80,499
				225,40	
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		223,876	1,527	3	219,799
Transfers between Funds					
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(2,655)	(958)	(3,613)	9,327
				263,65	
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		254,548	9,105	3	254,326
				260,04	
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		251,893	8,147	0	263,653

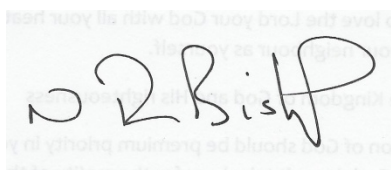
BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Not es	2021 Total Funds £	2020 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets (wdv)	5	123,666	125,136
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	6,127	12,418
Cash at Bank and in hand		136,056	133,424
		142,183	145,842
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(5,809)	(7,325)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		136,374	138,517
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		260,040	263,653
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after one year	8	0	0
NET ASSETS		260,040	263,653
FUNDS	9		
Unrestricted		251,893	129,039
Restricted		8,147	134,614
TOTAL FUNDS		260,040	263,653

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 18 Feb 2022

and were signed on its behalf by:

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THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS -
CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31
DECEMBER 2021**

1. ACCOUNTINGPOL

ICIES Accounting

convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational liability.

Other 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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	not provided
Plant and machinery	10 -20% on cost

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2001 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

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2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fundraising Events	0	105
Social Events	0	0
	<u>0</u>	<u>105</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

Deposit account interest	<u>49</u>	<u>188</u>
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4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2020

Trustees expenses:

Clergy expenses amounting to £4,213 (2019: £1,421) were paid in the year.

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property	Plant & Equipmen t	Total
	£	£	£
COST OF ASSETS			
As at 1 January 2021	123,666	58,920	182,586
Additions 2021	<u>123,666</u>	<u>58,920</u>	<u>182,586</u>
DEPRECIATION			
As at 1 January 2021		(57,451)	(57,451)
Charge for the year		<u>(1,469)</u>	<u>(1,469)</u>
		(58,920)	(58,920)
NET BOOK VALUE			
As at 1 January 2021	123,666	1,469	125,135
As at 31 December 2021	<u>123,666</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>123,666</u>

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £123,666

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Debtors	<u>6,127</u>	<u>12,418</u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

2021	2020
£	£

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Creditors & Accruals

£	£
5,809	7,325
5,809	7,325

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

2021	2020
£	£
0	0

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 Jan 2021	Movement for Year	At 31 Dec 2021
	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	254,548	(2,655)	251,893
Restricted Funds	9,105	(958)	8,147
TOTAL FUNDS	263,653	(3,613)	260,040

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

	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Movement in Funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted Funds	221,221	(223,876)	(2,655)
Restricted Funds	569	(1,527)	(958)
TOTAL FUNDS	221,790	(225,403)	(3,613)

10. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

There were no other financial commitments to report.

	2021	2020
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Gift Aided donations	117,787	134,040
Gift Aid tax recoverable	26,046	39,806
Non gift aid	13,997	15,541
Collections	3,599	5,234
Sundry Donations	739	576
Appeals		506
Flower Fund		
Legacies	402	
Grants	24,263	8,316
	186,833	204,019
Activities for generating funds		
Fundraising events		105
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	49	188
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Lettings	28,842	21,424
Fees	2,446	2,450
Insurance claims		
Miscellaneous	3,620	940
	34,957	25,107
Total incoming resources	221,790	229,126
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Costs of generating voluntary income		
Social & fund raising		
Charitable activities		
Youth work		
Parish Share	130,387	130,386
Clergy Expenses	5,969	4,213
Flower fund		
Donations overseas - Christian		
Donations home - Christian		
Donations other charities	3,584	4,051
Donations individuals	500	650
Teaching, training & education		
Church	15,754	23,454
Church centre	18,587	27,477
Churchyard	1,519	1,312
School		
Bookstall	75	145
Publicity & community activities		
Insurance	6,012	5,847
Administration	16,430	12,640
Mission/Evangelism	26,586	9,624
Bank charges		
Loan Interest		
Total resources expended	225,403	219,799
	(3,61	16,97
Net income	3)	2

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**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
report on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
The Ecclesiastical Parish of Ipsley

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/12/2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1133862

Set out on pages

Not numbered

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2021**.

**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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

MJ Elmes

Date:

26/4/2022

Name:

Matthew Elmes

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

ICAEW / ACCA

Address:

11 Swan Street

Alcester

Warwickshire, B49 5DP



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

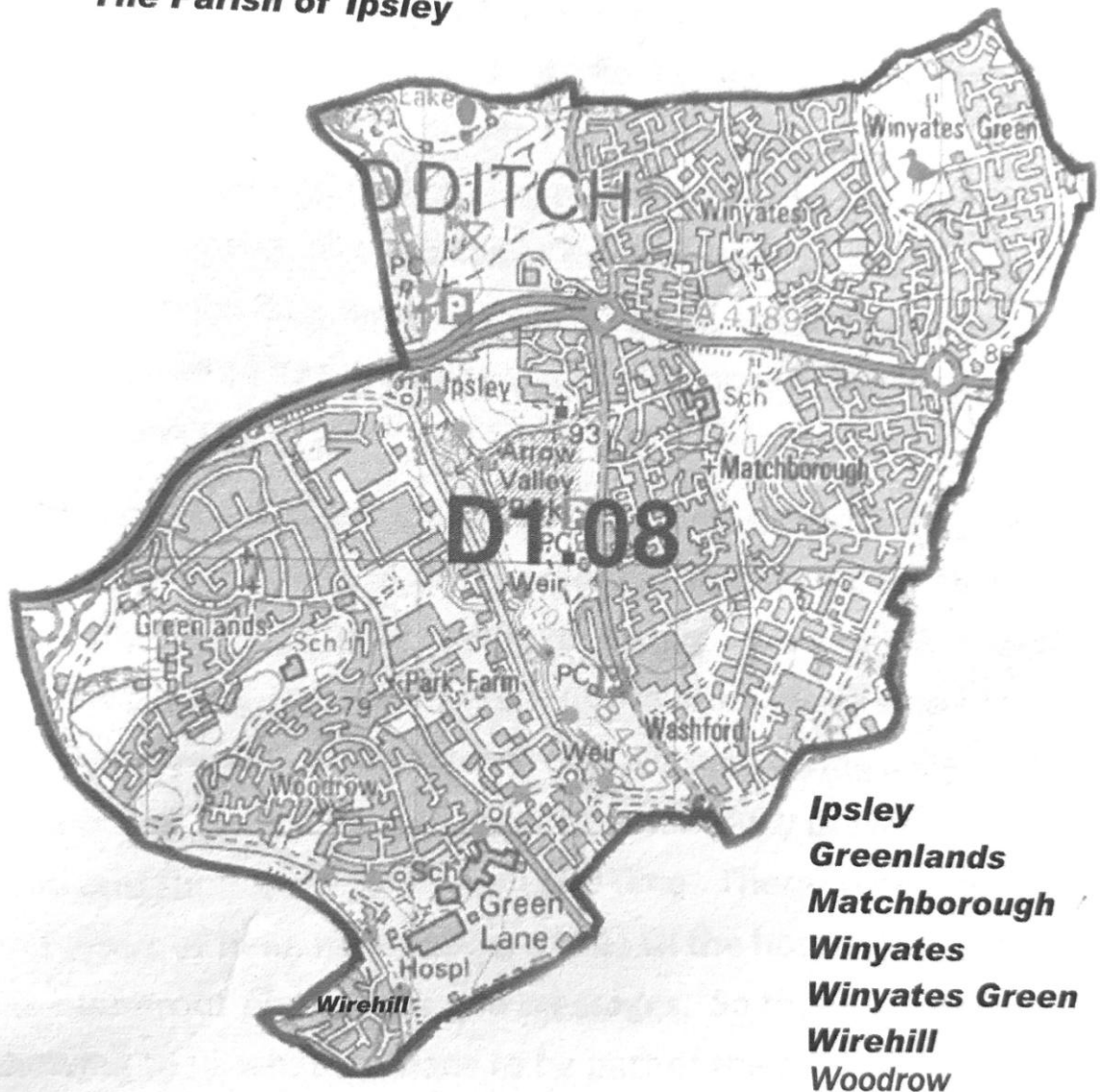
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

N/A

Accounts

Ipsley Team Ministry

The Parish of Ipsley



Reports for the Annual Parish Meeting

Thursday 20th May 2021 via zoom meeting software

Electoral Roll 2021

The Electoral Roll for 2021 has been revised this year. The numbers are as follows (since November):

St. Peter's – 100
2 people died

Christ Church – 68

St. John's – 48
1 person died

Safeguarding

Safeguarding within the Parish of Ipsley The PCC of Ipsley has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). There are no incidents or concerns to report.

The parish policies have been reviewed and the following activities are held within the church buildings that involve children or vulnerable adults

Christ Church

Cool Zone	Creche	Junior Church	Lunch Club
Sparklers Toddler Group	Youth Group	Brownies	K i n d e r g y m
Noah's Ark Nursery	Sight Concern	Slimming World	

St Johns

JAM Youth Group	Parent and Toddler	Brownies	Razzle n Dazzle Dance
Revolution Twirlers			

St Peters

Bell Ringing	Pastoral Visiting
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Barry Humphrey PSO Parish of Ipsley

Parish of Ipsley - Treasurer's Report 2020

As we are all aware, 2020 was seriously affected by Covid lockdown. With churches closed for such long periods, income was limited in the areas of loose plate giving and lettings of Church and Church Halls. DCC Treasurers and were able to mitigate these reductions by:

- limiting running costs where possible

- postponing maintenance actions (other than essential)
- encouraging giving through Parish Giving Scheme

The SOFA and Balance Sheet Statements summary points for the total Parish :

Income

- Total Voluntary Giving including Gift Aid at £195.7K, reflects the committed support of church members in this difficult period
- Lettings at £21.4K (2019 £48.7K) affected by closures

Expenditure

- Total Parish Share year on year at £130.3K - 2% increase on 2019, this cost was met in full due to maintaining member giving as above.
- Operating Costs at £83.7K reflect £25.5K (23.4%) savings against 2019.
- Mission Giving maintained at £4.8K for the year
- Mission / Evangelism at £1K (2019 6.7K) resulting from lockdown effect on mission activity

Funds

Overall, Closing Funds at £263.7K are £9.3K up on prior year, an excellent result in these trying circumstances and affording a positive outlook on the year ahead.

General Comment

As always, we do need to address Giving levels. The Parish Giving Scheme is now proving itself as a means of delivering finances and cash flow gains, in both membership giving and gift aid claims.

There is now only a small element of Envelope Scheme giving in all 3 churches.

Closing the year with funds at the level reported enables the Parish to move forward in 2021, able to fund projects and support the wider community as we (hopefully) come out of lockdown,

Neil Bishop

Parish Treasurer

St. Peter's, Ipsley - Church Warden's Report

2020 started out like most years here at St Peters, with a program of events planned. But as you are all aware, this came to a sudden halt mid- March 2020, when in less than a

week we were compelled to shut the church due to the Corona Virus pandemic and all activities halted! The church office was closed and our administrator working from home.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Canon Revd Garth Nathaniel for his enthusiasm, commitment, hard work, and dedication during the year. It has not been an easy year for him, and other clergy, as new ways of ministering and pastoral care have had to be implemented. Many hours on Zoom. Social media skills have had to be acquired as we started to record services from our homes for streaming on YouTube. Many thanks to the leaders and speakers and everyone taking part in these services.

In August we opened for private prayer and in September commenced public worship under the new protocols of social distancing etc.

Prior to closing in March, we were halfway through the Lent studies and families@4 had started to take off well.

At the later part of the year when it was confirmed that we could re-open we continued with the Youtube online service but held a 3pm in person service every Sunday. We were pleased to welcome church family and some new faces at these services. Other services included socially distanced in person Harvest Festival, Service of Lament, remembrance and hope, Outreach Carol service held outside, The Blue Christmas service and the Midnight communion.

It was in June when we heard of the death of David Hargreaves, one of our Licensed Lay Ministers, he is sadly missed.

Early in the year a new kitchen was fitted in the church centre. Most of the maintenance jobs have been completed or are in hand waiting for the better weather. A thank you to Charles, Phil and the building management committee for their work with this.

Things do seem very different; however, we press on in the knowledge that we serve our Lord through the ministry and work at this church.

Linda Nicholas

Churchwarden St Peters Church Ipsley

St John's, Greenlands report **Church**

As we now know, 2020 turned out to be a year we won't forget! The year at St John's got off to a great start with our usual range of activities such as regular Sunday services, the monthly Tea Service, plus all the weekly activities that took place in the church hall. We had even got so far as to book a church day out at The Pioneer Centre in June! In March we managed to squeeze in a visiting speaker from Open Doors, and this was the last service for a while before we had to close the church.

We quickly drew up a Pastoral Care Plan where we put each member of the church family into a support group, with the aim of keeping in touch and 'looking out for each other' through phone calls, emails, and text messages.

Meanwhile the Holy Trinity team had set up weekly 'live stream' Sunday services which many of us enjoyed watching, often at a time of our choice! However, it wasn't long before Rosie and Barry had discovered the new world of 'Zoom', and by May, those of who were able, participated in a weekly 'live and interactive' family worship service on zoom, which has continued ever since. These services are led by a team of 'worship leaders' (Mike, Rosie, Rob, Vicki and Amanda), with Barry operating the technology from home. In recent months more of us have begun to master the art of zoom technology and the ability to 'screen share' with others.

By September, Covid cases were decreasing enough to be able to reopen church for 'in person' services. (Risk assessments, hand sanitiser, face masks and social distancing quickly became the order of the day!) It was wonderful to see faces that we hadn't seen for so many months. We adopted a Hybrid model of worship, so that people who wanted to stay at home could access the service on zoom. We continued with the same 'family worship' format, except for once a month when the service was led by Rev Paul Lawlor. During the autumn we celebrated St John's 30th birthday, and we were delighted to welcome Dot and Andy Bevington on zoom to share their memories of those exciting times in the life of our church. Harvest and Christmas services (including a brilliant and entertaining Nativity!) were all successful parts of our Hybrid worship.

Alongside Sunday services, our regular Thursday morning Prayer and Bible study continued throughout the year on zoom, with a small group of people meeting to share God's word and pray together, led by Paul Lawlor. We enjoyed some interesting discussions, and during the March lock down our numbers grew significantly.

DCC and planning meetings were conducted online via zoom from March onwards.

At the start of the year, some of our young people took part in an inter church youth Alpha at St Laurence church in Alvechurch, and this continued online until the summer, led by Rev Francis Moloney.

The children of our church family have been an integral part of our services throughout the year, with some highly creative activities being organised by service leaders.

We continued our 'pastoral care' provision during the year, with flowers, cards, and sometimes meals, being delivered to people who were going through challenging times.

Church Hall

In September, we reopened the church hall for Kumon tuition, Razzle Dazzle and 'Sweat Now, Shine Later' classes. We are grateful to Chris Humphrey for cleaning the hall so thoroughly to ensure it was always 'Covid secure' during the autumn period.

Building and Ground Maintenance

A small team of volunteers continued to look after the church and its grounds throughout the year. This involved such jobs as keeping the lawns mowed, gardens weeded and

building clean. Additional maintenance jobs included supervising regular fire safety checks and painting the church hall foyer, which looks very smart.

Social

In November we held The Big Quiz online, with proceeds going to support Tearfund. The evening got off to a good start with most participants wearing a silly hat, and it was all great fun. Best of all, we raised a whopping £332 for Tearfund through the online platform 'Just Giving'.

Conclusion

Despite the restrictions brought on us by the Covid pandemic, 2020 proved to be another busy year at St John's! A huge 'Thank You' to all those people who gave their time, energy and commitment to our wonderful church family and building during this time.

Amanda Worley (Church Warden)

Christ Church, Matchborough Report

Health and Safety

The main focus in regards to health and safety has been to ensure the mitigation of the spread of Covid-19. The only group hiring either building during this period has been the nursery and they have ensured that rigorous control measures are in place to reduce the risk of active Covid-19 cases and its spread. As a result of the church building being closed there are no accidents, incidents or near misses to report.

Children's Work

At the beginning of 2020 Junior Church was running in two groups. Age 3 to School year Reception & school years 1-6, using Scripture Union resources. When Church reopened in late August, craft packs were put together for the children to tie in with the All-Age Video. We finished our Spring Term at Cool Zone before lockdown with eight regular members. Two members were presented with books in July as they became Youth Group age. Just before Christmas we delivered a goody bag to each member containing confectionery, craft and a Bible Society booklet. Sparklers, our fortnightly group for pre-school children and their parents/carers was only able to meet on 5 Fridays until prevented by pandemic restrictions. Sparklers on Facebook has links to family friendly Bible videos.

Youth Work

Because of Lockdowns, the Youth Group had to shut up shop for a long time. Once the restrictions were partially lifted in the Summer, they could meet in groups of six as allowed from September. However, from November the meetings had to be switched to Social Media because of another Lockdown. There was a special focus at Christmas when Father Christmas delivered a gift to each regular member.

A Year like no other

2020 began with Christ Church, in vacancy, joining in the Open Conversations with others across the Diocese as we considered the financial and ministerial challenges facing us all,

in the context of developing healthy and sustainable churches in the communities in which we are set.

Not enough Clergy to go round, not enough money being paid in Parish Share. God is good.

We wondered what that would mean for Matchborough? All the time God is good.

Church activities continued, as above.

Rev Ian assumed responsibility for organising rotas and ensured there was always a minister to lead worship and a theme to preach, as well as topics for Support Groups.

Activities set up by the Community Missioner were becoming established: Walking Football, Coffee Drop In, Walking group.

Lunch Club members enjoyed various crafts, delicious meals, and a trip to Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery, thanks to loyal volunteers.

Kindergym was attracting greater numbers, and two Slimming World groups were hiring the Church.

And the Archdeacon had a good idea. There were insufficient funds to support a full-time vicar in Christ Church, but the diocese would fund a permanent Community Missioner and license Rev Ian as self-supporting part-time vicar. Thanks be to God, Rev Ian was willing, and he was later interviewed for the post.

Then Covid-19 struck, closing our buildings.

Risk Assessments were prepared as we strove to comply with Church of England guidance and Government regulation.

But the Church was alive. Each week there has been an opportunity to worship and reflect through our emailed '20 Minutes with God', faithfully produced by Rev Ian. And an opportunity for corporate prayer on Zoom on Tuesdays or by use of the prayer email.

All church members were linked to someone who would keep a pastoral eye on them. Those in Lunch Club have regular phone calls from one of the leaders and received mince pies at Christmas, as well as a beautiful magazine style copy of the gospel, donated by Gideons, all delivered by volunteers.

Ladies' Prayer moved to WhatsApp and Zoom; Support Groups met on Zoom; Open Door migrated to Tuesday and Thursday sessions on Zoom.

The cleaner was furloughed, but returned when Nursery restarted in June, and has been most willing to work with us in changing his hours to comply with Covid Cleaning.

Worship in the church building resumed - masked, sanitised and socially distanced - at the end of August, for those who booked a place - but the 20 Minutes with God emails continue.

The building was again closed for worship in the November lockdown, thankfully open again in December; and the Bishop of Dudley was able to come and license Rev. Ian as

Part-time, non-stipendiary Team Vicar with responsibility for Christ Church in a lovely service that was streamed out on Zoom too. Although Christingle could not go ahead as usual, Nursery children were given oranges, candles and packets of sweets with explanations and instructions for making their own.

The birth of our Saviour was celebrated in church and in homes.

Open the book

Schools were among the first to implement Covid-19 precautions, so we were unable to present Open the Book even before the National Lockdown. Team Leaders endeavoured to keep in touch with their school.

The Head of Woodrow First said he would be nominating the OTB team for Oscars in the Short Films category after they were sent a recorded Christmas story.

St Thomas More have always been supported pastorally by the Catholic church and were not keen to use YouTube recordings.

The headteacher from Tenacres has been in touch with Jenny every week sharing the challenges they were facing. It turned out to be a wonderful time of prayer. The headteacher sent Open the Book links out during lockdown and reported that whole families were watching, not only the children.

Matchborough First were also sent links to the Bible Society OTB videos, which were well received and shown in classes.

Two or three Storytellers have felt it time to stop, and of course David Hargreaves will be sadly missed. His portrayal of the death of Goliath will never be forgotten!

Thanks to those who gave freely of time and talent, those who covered OTB in prayer, those who provided props, and especially to the Lord who graciously enabled and blessed the sharing of his story. To him be glory.

Messy Church

We began lockdown by preparing monthly Messy Church 'at Home' sessions which we publicised in the various newsletters of the churches in the parish and on our Woodrow Messy Church Facebook page for families to use as and when they wished.

Each month was based around a theme and contained links to an online video story, song, and a range of activities, all of which were already freely available on a range of internet sites. This enabled families to continue with a Messy Church style of fun and learning remotely.

During this process we communicated by email to maintain the collaborative approach to planning which is essential.

As time went by it became clear that a return to Messy Church face to face was going to be a long time in the future because activities such as talking and sitting closely together

around tables, sharing craft resources, eating together, socialising, and singing in worship were all impossible in a Covid-secure world and yet all are essential features of Messy Church face to face.

Fortunately, Andrea Stevens had the vision of creating a monthly Messy Church online via Zoom and trained us to meet monthly for planning together and then meeting together on the second Saturday of each month as has always been our pattern.

This has had the advantages of enabling a larger group from St Peter's, St John's and Christ Church to meet together for planning than was previously possible, greater opportunities for people to prepare and lead an activity and has restored an element of personal interaction for prayer and conversation and fun – all of which are essential features of the Messy Church experience. The team has been brilliant – committed, faithful and mutually supportive at all times.

Online Messy Church Zoom meetings have continued to be based around a theme and include a shared story, quizzes, things to do and then show, a thought and prayers and have been sometimes chaotic but always fun, for all ages and with lots of laughter – in fact very like Messy Church but without the food (though of course some people have been able to finish their breakfast whilst participating!).

Inevitably some, but not all, families from our Woodrow Messy Church have joined in with this though we have delivered Advent Calendars with story and stickers and Easter Activity booklets to all the families on our mailing list. However, some other families (and a rabbit!) with church or personal or family links have joined the meetings and members of the planning group have developed their skills and expertise in a range of ways.

As has been the case with so much of last year, it is Messy Church but not as we knew it and it remains uncertain as to how we will move forward.

We thank God for his guidance in this. Please pray that we will know His leading for the future and for the families who used to come to Messy Church but have been unable to do so in recent months.

Reg Moore

Deanery Synod Report

The first meeting of the year was at St John's, Greenlands, and began with Holy Communion. The recent conversations about the proposed changes to the Deanery Structure within the Diocese were reviewed. Members of the Synod were encouraged to go online and read the summary of the conversations.

Small groups grappled with difficult questions such as:-

- How do we shape and resource ministry in and through as many buildings as possible?
- How do we sustain ordained ministry
- What about discipleship and lay ministry - what fresh new ways are there?

This was scheduled as the last synod of the triennium and members were thanked for their contributions and support.

Our June meeting was held on Zoom and began with the sad news of the unexpected death of our Lay Chair and friend, David Hargreaves.

Due to the pandemic AGM's had not been able to take place and everyone one remained in post and were welcomed back to the longest ever triennium.

Members were reminded that when it was possible to hold church AGM's and form a new Synod, we would need to appoint a Lay Chair, Secretary (currently Rosemary Sumner) and Treasurer.

An update was given on the reorganisation of Deaneries. Indications were that the new Deanery would largely consist of the current Bromsgrove Deanery, with the addition of a few more parishes.

Information was provided for churches wishing to open for private prayer and signposting was provided to to the current government guidelines.

An update was also provided on payments towards parish share.

The October meeting began with prayers reflecting on the recent report into safeguarding failures within the Church of England.

As it really was expected to be the last meeting of both the current membership of the Deanery Synod and the Synod in its current form, Rosemary Sumer provided an insightful review of her time at Synod over the last 20 years, serving under seven Rural Deans with different gifts and interests.

In break out rooms, members of the Synod reflected on the following:-

- What it means to be the church
- How the Deanery structure helped them
- Pros and cons of the new enlarged Deanery

The Synod was updated on how the Covid-19 crisis had affected giving.

The Synod closed for the final time with prayer and thanks to those who had attended.

End

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020
FOR
THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH
OF IPSLEY**

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

The Parochial Church Council presents its report and accounts for the year ended 31 December 2020. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with applicable law and the requirements of the Church Accounting regulations 2011.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1133862

Principal address

Ipsley Church Lane Redditch
B98 0AJ

Trustees:

Mr	B	Arrowsmith	Mr	P	McLaren
Mr	N	Bishop	Nrs	C	McLaren
Mrs	M	Bishop	Mrs	A	Mortimer
Mr	J	Butler	Mrs	J	Nathaniel
Mrs	P	Butler	Rev	G	Nathaniel
Miss	V	Cole	Mrs	L	Nicholas
Mrs	J	Evans	Mrs	K	Peace
Rev	I	Evans	Mrs	V	Quarton
Mrs	J	Garfield	Mr	A	Stokes
Mrs	J	Harvey	Mrs	J	Street
Mrs	M	Hughes	Mr	R	Sturdey
Mr	B	Humphrey	Mr	P	Williams
Mrs	R	Humphrey	Mr	P	Wilson
Mrs	A	Humphrey	Mrs	D	Wilson

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Independent examiner

David Rogers ACA

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

The day to day management of the charity is carried out by the members of the PCC, all of whom are also trustees.

Recruitment and appointment of new trustees

Each DCC votes on its members annually at local level when they hold their individual Parish annual general meeting. New trustees are appointed by a majority vote and are given appropriate training to inform them of their duties and liabilities under Company and Charity Law.

Parochial Church Council

The Parish of St Peters Ipsley is made up of the churches of St Peters Ipsley, St John's Greenlands and Christ Church Matchborough. In addition a congregation meets at Ipsley C of E Middle School. The parish covers approximately one third of Redditch and includes the areas of Greenlands, Ipsley, Matchborough, Winyates and Winyates Green.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The primary objective of the charity is the promotion in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the church.

Public benefit

The trustees have complied with their duty to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission; the trustees consider that the charity meets the public benefit requirements of the Charities Act 2011 by carrying out its normal activities.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

It is the policy of this Parish to hold in reserves the equivalent of two months' general running costs and three months' salary costs. It is also our policy to hold an amount for essential building works as required, to comply with forthcoming Quinquennial inspections.

In applying these parameters, the individual situations of the three churches within the Parish have been taken into account and agreed at DCC level.

The policy will be reviewed annually as part of the Church year end accounts procedure, agreed by each DCC and consolidated into one Parish policy.

Going Concern

It is the view of the Trustees that the Parish finances are sufficient to continue activities as a going concern for the foreseeable future.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

As we are all aware, 2020 was seriously affected by Covid lockdown. With churches closed for such long periods, income was limited in the areas of loose plate giving and lettings of Church and Church Halls. DCC Treasurers were able to mitigate these reductions by:

- limiting running costs where possible
- postponing maintenance actions (other than essential)
- encouraging giving through Parish Giving Scheme

The SOFA and Balance Sheet Statements summary points for the total Parish :

Income

- Total Voluntary Giving including Gift Aid at £195.7K, reflects the committed support of church members in this difficult period
- Lettings at £21.4K (2019 £48.7K) affected by closures

Expenditure

- Total Parish Share year on year at £130.3K - 2% increase on 2019, this cost was met in full due to maintaining member giving as above.
- Operating Costs at £83.7K reflect £25.5K (23.4%) savings against 2019.
- Mission Giving maintained at £4.8K for the year
- Mission / Evangelism at £1K (2019 £6.7K) resulting from lockdown effect on mission activity

Funds

Overall, Closing Funds at £263.7K are £9.3K up on prior year, an excellent result in these trying circumstances and affording a positive outlook on the year ahead.

General Comment

As always, we do need to address Giving levels. The Parish Giving Scheme is now proving itself as a means of delivering finances and cash flow gains, in both membership giving and gift aid claims. There is now only a small element of Envelope Scheme giving in all 3 churches. Closing the year with funds at the level reported enables the Parish to move forward in 2021, able to fund projects and support the wider community as we (hopefully) come out of lockdown,

Neil Bishop
Parish Treasurer

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

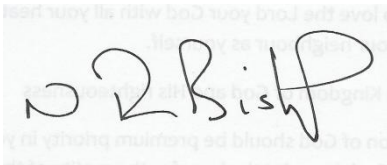
The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 2011, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently; observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N R Bishop', is written over a faint, repeating background pattern of the text 'I love the Lord with all your heart'.

.....
N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

Date: 20 May 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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David Rogers - Examiner

Date :20 May 2021

THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2020 Total Funds	2019 Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming Resources from generated funds					
Voluntary Income		184,634	19,385	204,019	201,664
Activities for generating funds	2	105		105	8,896
Income resources from charitable activities					
Lettings		21,324	100	21,424	48,694
Fees		2,450		2,450	4,650
Investment income	3	188		188	258
Miscellaneous		940		940	732
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		209,641	19,485	229,126	264,894
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Cost of generating funds					
Cost of generating voluntary income					
Charitable activities					
Donations		4,315	386	4,701	4,241
Expenses	4	4,213		4,213	1,421
Parish Share		130,386		130,386	127,828
Church running costs		68,966	11,533	80,499	114,432
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		207,880	11,919	219,799	247,922
Transfers between Funds					
NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES		1,761	7,566	9,327	16,972
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		127,278	127,048	254,326	237,354
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		129,039	134,614	263,653	254,326

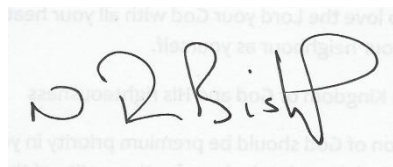
THE ECCLESISTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 Total Funds £	2019 Total Funds £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets (wdv)	5	125,136	126,605
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	6	12,418	16,184
Cash at Bank and in hand		133,424	119,020
		145,842	135,204
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	7	(7,325)	(7,483)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		138,517	127,721
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		263,653	254,326
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after one year	8	0	0
NET ASSETS		263,653	254,326
FUNDS	9		
Unrestricted		129,039	127,278
Restricted		134,614	127,048
TOTAL FUNDS		263,653	254,326

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 20 May 2021 and were signed

on its behalf by:



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N R Bishop Parish Treasurer

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting convention

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland, the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when paid. Any parish share unpaid at the year end is provided for in these accounts as an operational liability.

Other 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.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold property	not provided
Plant and machinery	10 -20% on cost

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by section 10 of the Charities Act 2011.

Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2001 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2020 £	2019 £
Fundraising Events	105	8,041
Social Events	0	855
	<u>105</u>	<u>8,896</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

Deposit account interest	<u>188</u>	<u>258</u>
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4. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2020

Trustees expenses:

Clergy expenses amounting to £4,213 (2019: £1,421) were paid in the year.

5. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold Property £	Plant & Equipment £	Total £
COST OF ASSETS			
As at 1 January 2020	123,667	58,920	182,587
Additions 2020	<u>123,667</u>	<u>58,920</u>	<u>182,587</u>
DEPRECIATION			
As at 1 January 2020		(55,982)	(55,982)
Charge for the year		<u>(1,469)</u>	<u>(1,469)</u>
		<u>(57,451)</u>	<u>(57,451)</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
As at 1 January 2020	123,667	1,469	125,136
As at 31 December 2020	<u>123,667</u>	<u>1,469</u>	<u>125,136</u>

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £123,667

6. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020	2019
Debtors	<u>12,418</u>	<u>16,184</u>

7. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
Creditors & Accruals	<u>7,325</u>	<u>7,483</u>
	<u>7,325</u>	<u>7,483</u>

THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONEYEAR

2020 £	2019 £
0	0

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1 Jan 2020 £	Movement for Year £	At 31 Dec 2020 £
Unrestricted Funds	127,278	1,761	129,039
Restricted Funds	127,048	7,566	134,614
TOTAL FUNDS	254,326	9,327	263,653

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

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended £	Movement in Funds £
Unrestricted Funds	209,641	207,880	1,761
Restricted Funds	19,485	11,919	7,566
TOTAL FUNDS	229,126	219,799	9,327

10. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

There were no other financial commitments to report.

	2020	2019
	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Gift Aided donations	134,040	116,332
Gift Aid tax recoverable	39,806	31,162
Non gift aid	15,541	17,819
Collections	5,234	11,170
Sundry Donations	576	102
Appeals	506	556
Flower Fund		
Legacies		
Grants	8,316	24,523
	204,019	201,664
Activities for generating funds		
Fundraising events	105	8,896
Investment income		
Deposit account interest	188	258
Incoming resources from charitable activities		
Lettings	21,424	48,694
Fees	2,450	4,650
Insurance claims		
Miscellaneous	940	732
	25,107	63,230
Total incoming resources	229,126	264,894
RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Costs of generating voluntary income		
Social & fund raising		
Charitable activities		
Youth work		39
Parish Share		
	130,386	127,828
Clergy Expenses	4,213	3,710
Flower fund		
Donations overseas - Christian		500
Donations home - Christian		
Donations other charities	4,051	3,241
Donations individuals	650	500
Teaching, training & education		495
Church	23,454	40,422
Church centre	27,477	22,224
Churchyard	1,312	1,917
School		
Bookstall	145	275
Publicity & community activities		
Insurance	5,847	5,787
Administration	12,640	8,506
Mission/Evangelism	9,624	32,478
Bank charges		
Loan Interest		
Total resources expended	219,799	247,922
Net income	16,972	16,972

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF IPSLEY

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 December 2020

**Charity no
(if any)**

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**Responsibilities and
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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 /2020**.

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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the ICAEW.

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

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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.

Signed:

Date: 20 May 2021

Name:

David Rogers

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or
body
(if any):**

FCA, BFP

Address:

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

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