

# **Eastbourne Parish Church (St Mary the Virgin)**

**Registered Charity No 1133958**



## **Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements**

of the Parochial Church Council  
for the year ended 31 December 2022

### Officers

Vicar	Canon Tom Mendel MA SSC
Churchwardens	Gill Siggs Martin Devonish
PCC Secretary & Treasurer	Nancy Randles MBA
Bankers	Barclays Bank Plc Terminus Road Eastbourne BN21 3PG
Investment Managers	Charles Stanley & Co Ltd 55 Bishopsgate London EC2N 3AS

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### **Trustees Annual Report for 2022**

#### **Structure, governance and management**

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission as required by the Charities Act 2011. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956.

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council:-

##### *Ex-Officio Members:-*

Incumbent	Canon Tom Mendel MA SSC
Wardens	Martin Devonish Gill Siggs

##### *Deanery Synod:-*

Brian Etheridge	(also Stewardship Secretary)
Ian MacKellar	(also Clerk of the Works)
Graham Marsden	
John Oliphant	
Nancy Randles	(also Treasurer and Secretary)

##### *Elected Members:-*

Carol Walsh  
Peter Morston  
Elaine Beynon  
Lyndsay Hylton

##### *Co-opted*

Elaine Fletcher	(Safeguarding Officer)
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Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of certain ex-officio members (the Incumbent/Priest in Charge, Curates, Lay Readers licensed to officiate in the church, the Churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and up to nine members of the Church who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and attempts are made where possible to ensure there is a balance of skills and experience on the Council.

#### **Aims and Purposes**

The primary objective of St Mary's PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrine and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Incumbent, Canon Tom Mendel, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical.

The PCC's objectives for the year have continued to be

- Enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church.
- Enabling as many people as possible to find a place of calm and refuge in the church building, especially as the pandemic subsides.
- Enabling as many people as possible to become part of our parish community at St Mary's.

The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the Parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within the Parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, the Incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commissioner's 2018 guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance to charities for the advancement of religion. In particular we try to enable local people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:-

- Worship and prayer, learning about the Gospel, and developing their knowledge of and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the Parish.
- Missionary and outreach work.
- Parish organisations (as far as national regulations and guidance permit)

To facilitate this work it is imperative that we maintain the fabric of St Mary's Church, The Old Parsonage and The Old Parsonage Barn and Cart Lodge.

## **Committees**

The PCC operates through a number of committees. The Standing and Finance Committee is the only committee required by law. Its membership consists of the Vicar, Churchwardens, Secretary, Treasurer, Stewardship Secretary and Clerk of Works.

## **Achievements and Performance**

### **Church Attendance**

The number of people on the electoral roll is The number of people on the electoral roll is 262. There have been seven additions and nine deletions since the last APCM (Sadly seven people have died) There are 143 people non-resident in the parish and 119 resident in the parish.

Attendance is recovering from the months of pandemic during which there were periods when the church was forced to remain closed. Limitations on capacity to allow for social distancing have been eased and by the end of the year had been removed. Sunday services were well attended and In addition, a celebration of the Eucharist has been live-streamed every day and viewed both within and outside of the parish.

## **Review of the year 2022**

The PCC met on five occasions during the year. The Standing Committee met as required during the year and Minutes of its deliberations were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary. During this period, apart from the usual general business, the PCC discussed the following matters:-

Recovery from the pandemic  
Christmas arrangements  
Investments and financial matters  
Youth matters and safeguarding  
Building matters and fabric concerns for the short and medium term

## **Financial Review**

1. The total receipts on general unrestricted funds were £166,363 and are detailed in the Financial Report.
2. The Stewardship receipts through envelopes and bankers' orders were £62,439. Our use of the Gift Aid scheme enabled the recovery of £14,707 tax.
3. The largest expenditure of the PCC was the sum of £60,000; £50,000 paid to the Diocese to cover ministry costs, although this was less than the full parish cost, and £10,000 to help other parishes in the Deanery.

## **Reserves Policy**

It is the PCC's policy

- To maintain a balance on the general fund which equates to approximately two months' worth of unrestricted payments as contingency against unforeseen situations. The closing result, showing a deficit of £15,739 at the end of 2022 did not fully achieve this.
- To invest surplus funds with Charles Stanley, stockbrokers, to provide an income to support the ongoing work of the church and at least maintain the real capital value.

## **Legacy Policy**

The PCC welcomes and is grateful for legacies, of whatever size, and is always concerned to use every legacy for the benefit of the Parish. All legacies are directed to the PCC's legacies fund, which is used for capital or other special projects. The PCC's policy is to refrain from using legacies to fund routine running expenses.

The Trustees Annual Report and Financial Statements were approved by the PCC on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 and signed on its behalf by The Revd Canon Tom Mendel, PCC Chairman.

## **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

This annual report is for 2022 before our renewal appeal in February this year.

At the end of December 2022 there were 21 contributors using the weekly envelopes.

The number of contributors using monthly or annual bank standing orders totalled 69.

Of the total number of 90 in the Stewardship scheme, 70 have signed Gift Aid certificates, which has enabled the Church to reclaim a further 25p for each pound given.

To help maintain and increase the income of the Church we need to encourage more of the congregation to join the scheme, so that the numbers joining exceed the number leaving.

**Brian Etheridge, Stewardship Secretary**

## **THE EASTBOURNE DEANERY SYNOD REPORT**

The Deanery Synod met three times during 2022.

The first meeting was held on 24<sup>th</sup> February at St John's Polegate. Bishop Will Hazelwood, Bishop of Lewes and Brighton spoke first of his faith journey and then on the effects of the pandemic: the weariness for those coping day after day with the restrictions: the creativity with which solutions were found: the good lessons learnt about new ways of engaging with the community. He then commented on how the church can show forgiveness and desire to care for others. He ended with a question: how do we model faith with joy – joy for an anxious world.

The second meeting was held on 8<sup>th</sup> June at All Souls. There was an interview with Revd. David Harrigan, Vicar of St Elisabeth's. Vanessa Redhouse told the synod about the Ukranian family they have given a home to in the vicarage at All Souls.

The third meeting was held on 20<sup>th</sup> October at St Richard's. The vicar of St Richard's, the Revd Alan Weaver, gave an introduction and said that, earlier that week, the church had celebrated the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the building of the church. The Revd Danny Pegg spoke about the Inspiring Angels Project in the Deanery. There was a written report from our Representative on the General Synod. The synod said goodbye to the Rural Dean, Revd David King who was leaving St Andrew's to become Rector of St Mary's Balcombe and Vicar of St Richard's Haywards Heath.

**Brian Etheridge, Deanery Synod Representative**

## **SAFEGUARDING REPORT**

The PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

It is lovely that we are now able to worship at St. Mary's without the restrictions that the pandemic imposed. Church life is returning to pre 2020 routine and with that comes the

responsibility of ensuring the safe well-being of all our congregation and groups that make up our church community.

To ensure that we carry out an effective safeguarding regime, we must recognize that everyone is included, not just the young, elderly or infirm, everyone is at risk from being vulnerable at some time in their lives. To prevent someone being taken advantage of or abused we must all be aware of the value of safe practices within our church setting.

Please remember, safeguarding is not an optional extra. If we do not comply, we are failing as a parish. Communication is key and is vital for the safe organization of our church. If you are worried about a situation or have concerns about someone's welfare, please do not hesitate to contact me. Any matters brought to the attention of a PSO will be dealt with in strict confidence and will be passed to the relevant professional body for assistance.

**Elaine Fletcher**

## **BUILDINGS AND FABRIC**

I am pleased to report that the following works (in no particular order) have been completed during the year, however due to limited funds only essential work has been carried out.

### **CHURCH**

The main items of work carried out this year include:

- 1 Completion and commissioning of the boiler installation
- 2 Quinquennial inspection carried out and report presented to members of the PCC
- 3 Repairs to the Nave and Chancel roofs
- 4 Fire extinguishers replaced and fire alarm serviced

### **OTHER PROPERTIES**

Further works were required to the properties owned by the Church; the works being:

#### **1. The Old Parsonage / Barn**

- Installation of a new kitchen to the Verger's flat
- Repairs to the chimney in the Verger's flat
- Repointing of external stonework
- Fitting of snowguards to the Old Parsonage
- Trap hatch formed to allow access to Barn roof
- New metal guards fitted to openings in each gable of the Barn to prevent pigeons gaining access
- Barn roof cleaned of pigeon guano and timbers treated against infection including the removal of the roof insulation.

#### **2. 20 Motcombe Road**

- Smoke and carbon monoxide alarms replaced

### **3. 6 Bay Pond Road**

- Building inspection carried out which confirmed subsidence had occurred together with structural repairs required
- Repairs to the subsidence carried out

### **FUTURE WORK**

The main item of works planned for 2023 are:

1. Treatment of the roof timbers in the belfry and Barn
2. New roof insulation to the Barn roof
3. Works to the church as identified in the quinquennial report
4. Investigation into the replacement, together with costs, of the lighting in the church
5. Structural repairs to 6 Bay Pond Road

### **CONCLUSION:**

My thanks to members of the Standing Committee and the PCC for their time and consideration of the matters listed above and also to Wayne Stepney, the Verger, and the architect, Mr Peter Pritchett of Paramount Architecture, for their continued support.

**Ian MacKellar**



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## Parochial Church Council Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022	Funds 2021
<b>Incoming Resources</b>						
Voluntary Income	2(a)	90,052			90,052	93,594
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	37,887			37,887	34,064
Income from investments	2(c)	27,746	494	881	29,121	28,568
Church activities	2(d)	9,647			9,647	9,605
Other incoming resources	2(e)	150			150	3,274
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		165,482	494	881	166,857	169,105
<b>Resources Expended</b>						
Cost of generating voluntary income	3(a)	134			134	174
Fund raising trading costs	3(b)	-			-	-
Church activities	3(c)	214,359		120	214,479	166,043
Governance costs	3(d)	100			100	100
<b>Total Resources Used</b>		214,593		120	214,713	166,317
Net Incoming (Outgoing) Resources		(49,111)	494	761	(47,856)	2,788
Unrealised Gains (Losses) on Investments		(64,685)		(2,548)	(67,233)	73,413
Transfer between Funds						
Net Movement in Funds		(113,796)	494	(1,787)	(115,089)	76,201
Balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		1,132,122	37,554	37,149	1,206,825	1,130,624
Balances carried forward at 31 December 2022		1,018,326	38,048	35,362	1,091,736	1,206,825

*The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these accounts.*

# Eastbourne Parish Church - St. Mary the Virgin

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## Parochial Church Council

### Balance Sheet at 31 December 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible fixed Assets	5	253,751	253,751
Investment assets	6	704,385	814,107
		958,136	1,067,858
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors	8	20,113	19,365
Short term deposits		88,028	114,748
Cash at bank and in hand		30,868	7,968
		139,009	142,081
<b>LIABILITIES:</b> Amounts falling due within one year	9	5,409	3,114
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		133,600	138,967
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>£ 1,091,736</b>	<b>£ 1,206,825</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Endowment	7/10	35,362	37,149
Restricted	11	38,048	37,554
Unrestricted	12/13	1,018,326	1,132,122
		<b>£ 1,091,736</b>	<b>£ 1,206,825</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 21 February 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

The Reverend Canon Tom Mendel (Chairman)

Mr Martin Devonish (Churchwarden)

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2022

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

### a Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and under current Church Accounting Regulations in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the current (2015) Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102), as amended in 2016.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the inclusion of investments at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their affiliation to another body, nor those which are informal gatherings of church members.

### b Funds accounting

Funds held by the PCC are:

*Unrestricted funds* – general funds which can be used by the PCC for ordinary purposes.

*Designated funds* – monies set aside by the PCC out of unrestricted funds for specific future purposes or projects.

*Restricted funds* – a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest; b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on that fund.

*Endowment funds* – funds the capital of which must be maintained; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used, either as restricted or unrestricted funds, depending on the purpose set out in the terms of the original endowment.

### c Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

*Voluntary Income*

*Collections* are recognised when received.

*Planned giving* receivable is recognised only when received.

*Income tax* recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is receivable.

*Grants and legacies* are recognised when the PCC is legally entitled to the amount due.

*Income from investments*

Dividends are accounted for when due and payable. Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

*All other income*

All other income is recognised when it is receivable

*Gains and losses on investments*

Realised gains are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains and losses are accounted for on revaluation on 31 December.

### d Resources used

Resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis and are accounted for gross

*Grants*

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

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

For the year ended 31 December 2022

### *Church Activities*

The diocesan parish contribution is accounted for when paid.

## **e Fixed Assets**

### *Consecrated land and buildings and movable church furnishings*

Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.10(2) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and moveable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

The insured value of the church and the moveable furnishings is £24,600,000.

### *Freehold properties*

Included at cost, but see Note 5. No depreciation has been provided as these comprise residential accommodation where the residual value is expected to be maintained, as it is the policy to maintain these assets in a continual state of sound repair. The useful economic lives of these assets is thus so long and the residual values so high that any depreciation would not be material. These assets will be subject to regular impairment reviews. Provision will be made if there has been any permanent diminution in value.

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

Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight-line basis over 4 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £750 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

### *Investments*

Investments are valued at market value on 31 December.

## **f Current Assets**

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

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

## **g. Pension Arrangements**

Eastbourne Parish Church (St Mary the Virgin) participates in the Pension Builder Scheme section of Church Workers Pension Fund for lay staff. The Scheme is administered by the Church of England Pensions Board, which holds the assets of the schemes separately from those of the Employer and the other participating employers.

The Church Workers Pension Fund has a section known as the Defined Benefits Scheme, a deferred annuity section known as Pension Builder Classic and a cash balance section known as Pension Builder 2014.

### **Pension Builder Scheme**

The Pension Builder Scheme of the Church Workers Pension Fund is made up of two sections, Pension Builder Classic and Pension Builder 2014, both of which are classed as defined benefit schemes.

Pension Builder Classic provides a pension for members for payment from retirement, accumulated from contributions paid and converted into a deferred annuity during employment based on terms set and reviewed by the Church of England Pensions Board from time to time. Bonuses may also be declared, depending upon the investment returns and other factors.

Pension Builder 2014 is a cash balance scheme that provides a lump sum that members use to provide benefits at retirement. Pension contributions are recorded in an account for each member. Discretionary bonuses may be added before retirement, depending on investment returns and other factors. The account, plus any bonuses declared is payable, unreduced, from age 65.

There is no sub-division of assets between employers in each section of the Pension Builder Scheme.

The Scheme is a multi-employer scheme as described in Section 28 of FRS 102 as it is not possible to attribute the Pension Builder Scheme's assets and liabilities to specific employers. This means that contributions are accounted for as if the Scheme were a defined contribution scheme. The pensions costs charged to the SoFA in the year are contributions payable (2022 £2,248, 2021 £2,248).

A valuation of the scheme is carried out once every three years. The most recent scheme valuation was carried out as at 31 December 2019. The next valuation is due as at 31 December 2022

For the Pension Builder Classic section, the valuation revealed a deficit of £4.8m on the ongoing assumptions used. At the most recent annual review, the Board chose to grant a discretionary bonus of 10.1% following improvements in the funding position over 2022. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

For the Pension Builder 2014 section, the valuation revealed a surplus of £5.5m on the ongoing assumptions used. There is no requirement for deficit payments at the current time.

The legal structure of the scheme is such that if another employer fails, Eastbourne Parish Church could become responsible for paying a share of that employer's pension liabilities.

## 2. INCOMING RESOURCES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
<b>2(a) Voluntary income</b>					
Planned giving	62,439			62,439	60,656
Collections at all services	5,149			5,149	4,822
Gift days	4,885			4,885	9,233
Sundry donations and appeals	2,872			2,872	1,871
Income tax recoverable	14,707			14,707	16,012
Legacies	-			-	1,000
	<u>90,052</u>			<u>90,052</u>	<u>93,594</u>
<b>2(b) Activities for generating funds</b>					
Festivals/Fayre Fund raising	2,798			2,798	1,007
Rental income	35,089			35,089	33,057
	<u>37,887</u>			<u>37,887</u>	<u>34,064</u>
<b>2(c) Investment income</b>					
Dividends and interest	27,746	494	881	29,121	28,568
	<u>27,746</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>881</u>	<u>29,121</u>	<u>28,568</u>
<b>2(d) Income from Church Activities</b>					
Church Hall donations	7,477			7,477	5,562
Fees from weddings etc.	2,170			2,170	4,043
Parish Magazine	-			-	-
	<u>9,647</u>			<u>9,647</u>	<u>9,605</u>
<b>2(e) Other incoming resources</b>					
Insurance claims	-			-	-
Grants	150			150	3,274
	<u>150</u>			<u>150</u>	<u>3,274</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<u>165,482</u>	<u>494</u>	<u>881</u>	<u>166,857</u>	<u>169,105</u>

### 3. RESOURCES EXPENDED

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022 £	Funds 2021 £
<b>3(a) Cost of generating voluntary income</b>					
Stewardship costs	134			134	174
	134			134	174
<b>3(b) Fundraising trading costs</b>					
Fayre expenses	-			-	-
	-			-	-
<b>3(c) Church activities</b>					
Missionary & charitable giving:					
Overseas:					
- Missionary societies	-			-	-
- relief development agencies	-			-	-
Home missions & charities	-		-	-	180
	-		-	-	180
Ministry costs:					
parish contribution	50,000			50,000	40,000
to support others	10,000			10,000	-
other clergy costs	22,371			22,371	21,347
Church running expenses	32,764			32,764	32,947
Church maintenance	5,714			5,714	7,891
Fabric fund	29,058			29,058	28,393
Legacies fund	3,310			3,310	-
Upkeep of services	24,368			24,368	23,445
Parish magazine	-			-	-
Educational costs	126			126	63
Old Parsonage & Barn					
Running costs	9,865			9,865	10,083
Repairs	6,080			6,080	-
Other Property repairs	20,066			20,066	1,128
Bank charges	637		120	757	566
	214,359		120	214,479	166,043
<b>3(d) Governance costs</b>					
Cost of annual accounts	100			100	100
	100			100	100
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>	214,593		120	214,713	166,317

#### 4. STAFF COSTS

	Total	Funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	38,715	36,728
Social security costs	-	-
Pension costs	2,248	2,248
	<u>40,963</u>	<u>38,976</u>

During the year the PCC employed, a Coordinator, a Verger/ Cleaner, and an Organist.  
No member of the PCC, apart from the clergy who received reimbursement of expenses of office, received any reimbursement of expenses or remuneration.

#### 5. FIXED ASSETS FOR USE BY THE PCC

			Office equipment	Freehold land & Buildings	TOTAL
<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>					
GROSS BOOK VALUE	At 1 January 2022	Note (1)	22,826	253,751	276,577
	Additions		-	-	-
	At 31 December 2022		<u>22,826</u>	<u>253,751</u>	<u>276,577</u>
DEPRECIATION	At 1 January 2022		22,826		22,826
	Charge for the year		-		-
	At 31 December 2022		<u>22,826</u>		<u>22,826</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	At 31 December 2022		-	253,751	253,751
	At 31 December 2021		-	253,751	253,751

Note (1) The freehold land and the buildings comprise the following property owned by the PCC and vested in the Diocesan Board of Finance: -  
The Old Parsonage - used as Church Hall, Parish Office and Verger's flat  
The Old Parsonage Barn - used as Church rooms

The Old Parsonage was gifted to the parish in 1923 by the Duke of Devonshire. It is insured together with the Church for £24,600,000.

The Old Parsonage Barn was purchased on 1 March 1984 for £65,782 and a further £94,614 has been spent on renovation. It is insured for £883,149.

Curate's House 6 Bay Pond Road was gifted to the parish under the will of Mrs. Dyer deceased on 25 May 1965. Improvements totalling £14,055 were carried out in 1996. It is insured for £427,260.

It is let on a six-monthly tenancy for £1,250 per month.

Curate's House 20 Motcombe Road was bought in May 1979 for £18,500 and is insured for £343,271. It is let on a six-monthly tenancy for £1,100 per month.

House 108 Green Street was bought in September 2011 for £253,751 including all costs and is insured for £414,698. It is let on a six-monthly tenancy for £950 per month. Only the cost of this property is included in fixed asset costs.



	2022 £	2021 £
<b>6. INVESTMENTS</b>		
Snape & Colbeck Trusts		
1678 Units in CBF's Fixed Interest Fund	2,301	2,657
Welfare Fund		
756 shares in CBF's Investment Fund	15,620	17,704
19442 10p shares Lloyds Banking Group plc	8,829	9,293
Cash held by Stockbrokers	7,511	7,214
Other Stocks and Shares (Investment portfolio with Charles Stanley)	670,124	784,453
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	704,385	821,321
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## 7. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	933,687		24,449	958,136
Current Assets	90,048	38,048	10,913	139,009
Current Liabilities	(5,409)			(5,409)
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Fund Balance	1,018,326	38,048	35,362	1,091,736
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## 8. DEBTORS

	2022 £	2021 £
Income tax recoverable	13,443	14,108
Prepayments	5,370	3,957
Debtor	1,300	1,300
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	20,113	19,365
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## 9. LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals and deferred income	2,189	1,767
Creditors for goods and services	1,899	673
Other creditors	1,321	674
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	5,409	3,114
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## 10. FUND DETAILS

The endowment fund comprises the Welfare Fund and is a permanent endowment which requires the income to be spent at the Vicar's discretion in connection with the Sick & Poor of the Parish. The fund also includes the Vicar's discretionary fund.

The restricted funds comprise the Dick Relf Choir Presentation Fund and the Tower Bell Fund.

The unrestricted funds comprise the Fabric Fund, the Property Maintenance Fund, the Legacies & Memorial Fund, the Clergy Housing Fund and the Sinking Fund: Roof, all of which are designated by the PCC. The General Fund is also an unrestricted fund as is the Thursday Market Fund.

In addition, the Snape & Colbeck Trust assets are held for church purposes and are therefore unrestricted but the PCC has designated the income for Fabric Fund purposes.

The Upwick Mission Church & Hall site proceeds are unrestricted funds and have been invested in the property at 108 Green Street, Eastbourne.

## 11. MOVEMENTS IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	<b>Tower Bell Fund £</b>	<b>Dick Relf Choir Fund £</b>	<b>TOTAL £</b>
Donations & Fundraising			
Investment Income	456	38	494
Expenditure			
	456	38	494
Balances at 1 January 2022	34,648	2,906	37,554
Balance at 31 December 2022	35,104	2,944	38,048

## 12. MOVEMENTS IN DESIGNATED/UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	<b>Clergy Housing Fund £</b>	<b>Upwick Mission Fund £</b>	<b>Fabric Fund £</b>	<b>Property Maint/ce Fund £</b>	<b>Legacies Fund £</b>	<b>Sinking Fund: Roof £</b>	<b>General Fund £</b>	<b>TOTAL £</b>
Donations/ other income			-	12,752	-	10,129	114,855	137,736
Investment income	-		66		25,889	1,791		27,746
	-		66	12,752	25,889	11,920	114,855	165,482
Expenditure			29,058	25,742	3,310		156,483	214,593
	-		(28,992)	(12,990)	22,579	11,920	(41,628)	(49,111)
Realised gains/(losses)		-	-		-			-
Unrealised gains/(losses)			(356)		(60,140)	(4,189)		(64,685)
Transfer			50,000		(175,889)		125,889	
NET MOVEMENTS	-	-	20,652	(12,990)	(175,450)	7,731	84,261	(113,796)
Balances at 1 Jan 2022	278,136	130,139	6,529	62,981	653,578	84,959	(84,200)	1,132,122
Balances at 31 Dec 2022	278,136	130,139	27,181	49,991	440,128	92,690	61	1,018,326

Note: The Fabric Fund received no restricted income in 2022.

### 13. MISSIONARY & CHARITABLE GIVING

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Home Missions and Charities</b>		
Mothers Union – Away from it all holidays	-	150
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**In addition** *the following amounts have been raised within the Parish for Missions and Charities and sent direct by the Secretaries concerned:*

	£
<b>Special Collections in Church</b>	
Winter Night Shelter (January 2022)	605
DEC Ukraine (March 2022)	3030
DEC Pakistan (September 2022)	99
 <b>Raised and sent direct by the Secretaries concerned</b>	
For Overseas Work by the MU	-
For Home Work by the MU	244
For USPG (Sec. Mr. I MacKellar)	-
For The Children's Society (Sec. Mrs. E. Fletcher)	-

## **Other Organisations and activities**

### **Flower Guild**

At last a full year of what is now the 'new' normal for us. It was decided with Father Tom that as he was to continue with transmitting a service daily from Church we would focus on having Flower at the back of the Altar and a Pedestal by the Pulpit rather than the previous three Pedestals.

Flower for the three main Festival went back to normal except for Easter when Covid hit Jackie and me and the swags were just too difficult to do. Thanks go to all the Guild Members who work so hard to decorate the Church to such a high standard.

In-memorial arrangements. We did 33 special arrangements this last year although numbers are going down mainly due to the shrinking congregation.

These sponsored arrangements and the donations for lilies at Easter help to pay for the flowers in the Church the rest of the year.

Weddings. This year we dealt with just two Brides who only requested Pew ends. However, that did put a useful £50.00 into our coffers.

St. Mary's was represented at the Flower Festival held in St. Nicholas' Church, Pevensey's at the end of August. Their theme being 'Our Queen's Reign' where I tackled the Buckingham Palace Garden Parties. I'm told the floral cakes looked good enough to eat.

At our AGM in November the following were re-elected, Vanessa Jeffries, Leader, Jackie Marshall, Deputy Leader and Gillian Cant Treasurer.

Gillian was pleased to report that there would be enough money in the Bank to keep us going for another year.

Training lessons were held during the year for those new to Flower arranging and those who want to progress a little further.

However, we do still need more volunteers, so we welcome anybody who would like to join us 'Experience not necessary' just a willingness to learn and have fun.

Our biggest problem is still obtaining the right flowers at a reasonable price. For the Festivals, I have been putting in a bulk order at the nearest wholesaler who is at the back of Brighton. However, that means getting up early to drive over and collect them before they close at 9am (if I don't order I have to be there for 6am!!). For the rest of the time it's doing a Supermarket sweep. My thanks go to the Members who spend their time and petrol having to do this.

Finally, we thank God for the beautiful flowers that we work with, the majestic building to put them in and the wonderful friendship that we get from being part of the Flower Guild.

Vanessa Jeffries

## **Junior Church**

Throughout the pandemic, when the church was operational, we continued to hold a monthly service on Saturday afternoons especially for families. Although numbers were small, we had a core group of families who came on a regular basis: when covid outbreaks allowed. We even started our pizza suppers again in September, when infection numbers declined.

It was lovely to use these families to act out and narrate for the Crib service in December 2022 in front of a congregation. (The last time this happened was in 2019) The event was a very special occasion. The children did an excellent job reading and their voices could be heard throughout the church and the younger members played the parts of the nativity scene, bringing smiles and emotional tears to many faces. It was a joy to behold and hopefully a sign that we are on track to resume normality.

Services are on the first Saturday in the month at 4.30pm and all are welcome. Details can be accessed either through Sarah and the mailchimp facility or by taking a leaflet from church listing the service details for the year.

We are re-introducing the children's workshops from Good Friday so we will see how they go!

Elaine Fletcher

## Eastbourne Parish Church - St. Mary the Virgin

### Summarised Results 2022 and Budget 2023

	Actual 2021	Actual 2022	Budget 2022	Budget 2023
<b>GENERAL INCOME</b>				
Christian Stewardship Contributions	60,656	62,439	61,000	62,500
Tax recoverable	16,012	14,707	16,000	15,000
General Church Collections	4,822	5,149	8,000	6,000
Fees - PCC	4,043	2,170	3,500	3,000
Donations	1,871	2,872	2,000	3,000
Magazine (net)	-	-	-	-
Fund Raising (Summer Fayre/Gift Day)	9,860	5,683	10,000	8,000
Income from Legacy Fund	25,980	25,889	26,000	26,000
Net rents- 6 Bay Pond Road	12,631	12,208	12,500	12,500
Thursday Market/ Coffee Morning	380	2,000	1,250	2,500
<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	<b>136,255</b>	<b>133,117</b>	<b>140,250</b>	<b>138,500</b>
<b>GENERAL EXPENDITURE</b>				
Hon Assistant Clergy Expenses	500	500	500	500
Vicarage Rates & Taxes	4,187	4,360	4,300	4,500
Clergy House Expenses	298	404	300	404
Clergy Working Expenses	1,078	1,155	1,200	1,200
OP Flat Expenses	2,305	2,200	2,500	2,500
Parish Administrator	15,582	16,356	16,500	17,500
Verge	12,309	13,194	13,000	14,000
Lighting & Heating of Church	7,229	7,569	7,300	9,000
Organist & Choir (less Grants)	9,838	13,402	14,000	14,000
Sanctuary Expenses	1,051	1,575	1,200	1,200
Insurances	7,791	8,104	7,800	9,583
Education - Sunday School/Youth Work	63	126	500	200
Old Parsonage & Barn (net)	4,520	2,388	4,700	2,500
Stewardship Expenses	134	94	94	96
Printing & Stationery	7,579	8,032	8,000	4,000
Telephone, Internet & Website	1,843	1,198	1,200	1,200
Grants to Bellringers	250	250	250	250
Minor Repairs	7,891	5,714	7,000	5,000
Water Charges	420	485	450	500
Sundry Expenses	569	180	556	517
Cleaning Materials	1,760	632	700	700
Vestment Repairs	-	301	-	-
Parish Contribution				
Total Parish Cost	40,000	50,000	40,000	50,000
To support others	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Missions & Charities	150	-	-	-
Bank Charges	522	637	550	650
Exceptional Expense	-	-	-	-
Covid related Expenses	315	-	-	-
<b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>	<b>128,184</b>	<b>148,856</b>	<b>142,600</b>	<b>150,000</b>
(Deficit)/Surplus	8,071	(15,739)	(2,350)	(11,500)

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the PCC of St. Mary's Parish Church, Eastbourne**

This report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 9-19, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Respective Responsibilities of Trustees (Members of the PCC) and the Examiner**

As the members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of Regulations and section 144 of the Act, do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with the terms of Regulations.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and to be found in the Church guidance 2006 edition. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act and of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.



21 March 2023

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