

ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS, COSBY

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING 2023



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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING REPORT

BACKGROUND

St Michael and All Angels P.C.C. has the responsibility in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the church of St Michael and All Angels, Cosby and for the Bunning Memorial Hall, Main Street, Cosby.

MEMBERSHIP

Members of the P.C.C. are either ex-officio or elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During the year, the following served as members of the P.C.C.

Incumbent: **Reverend Stewart Betts**

Readers: **Mr Eric Leese ***
Mr Martin Stevenson

Churchwardens: **Mrs Susan Lee**
Mrs Christine Newton

Representative on the Deanery Synod:
Mrs Janice Wyllie

***Elected members:** **Mrs Hilary Cooper – P.C.C. Secretary**
Mr Brian Woodcock – P.C.C. Treasurer
Mrs Joy Franklin
Mrs Winifred Furborough
Mrs Jean Graham
Mrs Linda Stevenson

*** In accordance with the Resolution passed at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2008 Parochial Church Members are elected on a three year cycle.**

*** Lay Reader, Mr Eric Leese, did not wish to serve on the P.C.C.**

COMMITTEES

The P.C.C. operates through a number of committees and teams which meet as required between full meetings of the P.C.C. All recommendations from such committees are decided by the P.C.C.

Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the P.C.C. between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

Finance and Property Committee: This committee oversees the general financial dimension of the work of St. Michael and All Angels by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and regularly reviewing all matters relating to finance. It also oversees matters relating to the stewardship of plant, such as the Church and the Bunning Memorial Hall, and the fabric of both buildings, although much of this work is undertaken under the direction of the Churchwardens.

Pastoral Concerns: As evident from the report, many members of the congregation do a wonderful job pastorally to ensure those in need are contacted by visits, phone calls and the taking round of gifts from the church when appropriate to do so.

Baptism, Wedding and Funeral Policies are reviewed annually, changes made as necessary and adopted by P.C.C.

Wedding and Funeral fees were reviewed and non-statutory charges revised. Marriage registration requirements changed in May 2021 with Register offices now responsible for the registration of marriages and issuing of certificates. Our registers and certificate books were deposited – the registers have been closed and we were able to keep one copy for research purposes.

Health and Safety Policy is reviewed annually and changes made as necessary. No changes were made to the policy in 2022.

Safeguarding Policy is covered at every PCC meeting and reviewed and updated annually in line with guidance from Leicester Diocese. Janice Wyllie is the church Safeguarding Officer. See separate report.

Data Protection is covered at every PCC meeting and continually reviewed. See separate report.

Social and Fundraising Committee: Members of this committee arrange fundraising and social events, such as coffee mornings and supper group. Their hard work catering and organising these events is much appreciated. Money raised is vital towards the costs of running the church. They also organise coffee mornings for charity.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Electoral Roll Report 2022

There were 63 names on the Church Electoral Roll in January 2022. During the year no member on the Roll died and there were no additions. Therefore, the year ended with 63 names on the Roll. 11 of these persons were not resident within the parish.

Joy Franklin

Attendance at Services 2022

Easter Sunday - 43, Harvest – 21, Remembrance – 43, Advent Praise – 50, Christingle – 34, Nine Lessons & Carol – 58, Crib Service – 43, Christmas Eve – 35. Christmas Day – 21. Of the regular services during the rest of the year, average Sunday attendance was 24 attendees. Wednesday morning Holy Communion attracted an average of 10 attendees.

Funeral Services included those held for Mary Freer, Margaret Ward, Pam Hutchinson, Arthur White, Margaret McKenzie. There were several baptisms and weddings.

During 2022, Parochial Church Council met in February (Extraordinary meeting), March, June, September and November and Standing Committee meets a few weeks before each PCC to set the agenda and discuss matters for ratification at PCC. There was a Finance and Property Meeting in November 2022. The Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held in April 2022.

Extraordinary meeting took place following the ongoing process of forming Minster Communities as part of Shaped by God Together. We were asked to commit to the process recognising that anyone appointed to the Benefice of Cosby and Whetstone would see their role change as the process takes shape.

A detailed, independently examined, breakdown of the church financial situation can be seen on the accompanying Financial Statement and Accounts.

VICAR'S REPORT

It seems odd to think that I was only licensed into the new multi - parish set up in September. I had previously been 'Interim Minister' of Cosby and Whetstone from Nov 2020 - Feb - 2021 and then from May 2021 - September 2022. In some ways it was a relief to have had a position officially endorsed. However, the addition of a third parish was going to be a new adaptation for all of us. Between Narborough and Littlethorpe this almost doubled the number of souls in the wider benefice. My family and I are extremely grateful to you for your welcome to us all as we have taken residence within the benefice. I want to acknowledge and thank you all for all you do for this church. Our teams are getting smaller and inevitably older. Thanks are due to the office holders who work tirelessly on keeping things on track and those who have worked hard on the fundraising. I am also grateful to the readers for their support and although we have some issues with the new criteria for license we are working with the diocese to get these renewed.

Family / Children's ministry

We have 5 schools in our area now, I frequently attend St Peter's and Cosby Schools, and have links with Greystoke (Narborough). We have a charge from the Bishop to develop and grow intergenerational communities, this remains a huge challenge as we ponder how to engage with families in our areas. We also have the excellent Church Lads and Church Girls Brigade at Whetstone. Who are extending their links with the church. The band played at the Remembrance Parade and Christingle. Work has begun on a Summer Concert and with agreement of Sarah (Bell Ringer) the Brigade will be visiting the church to have a look at the 'nooks and crannies' etc. Cosby hosts a Messy Church that meets on Fridays monthly and we are grateful for the important work that is done to keep this challenging ministry going and growing. This a brilliant asset to Cosby and the wider team.

So what has happened structurally since we all joined together?

Well, the wardens meet as a team, we discuss and invite feedback from the past events and look forward together. We look at common ground and how to put practices in place that simplify the practicalities of working as a team. We have especially tried to pull together communication and learn to work as a team. We have had some routine and 'one off' team services and want to thank all who have supported the ministry in this church and in the sister churches. We have also had Advent and Lent groups, which have been well

supported. We also had Lent studies for home reflection and 'Holy Week at Home' for those who can't be with us. Christmas was unsustainably demanding and work will be required to reduce the total number of services during this period. The M.A.P was launched and although it is not supposed to replace the magazine it has been appreciated. This and the pulling together of the events team and creation of the combined 'events diary' has further enhanced our communication as a wider benefice. We have a wide range of Easter services and events planned which will hopefully form a spiritually rich period for all who are able to engage.

Wider ministry

Mr Martin Stevenson has inadvertently adapted his ministry as a licensed funeral lay minister. Martin takes services where he has been officially requested and to help out as an option on days when I am not available. Martin has also recently agreed to make himself available for a short Wednesday alternative service on the days when I am on holiday, so we no longer need to cancel services. Mr Eric Leese, has led the afore mentioned Advent and Lent groups. Whilst also maintaining his regular 'All-Age Worship' slot at Cosby and Preaching at Whetstone. The early signs are that the parishes are talking and working together and that needs to be celebrated and built upon. The wider picture of our diocese is a challenge, financially the diocese has been struggling for years and the failure to recover to pre-covid figures, despite redundancies in St Martin's house is a huge issue. Then we continue on the Shaped By God Together pathway, this is going to bring further changes and prayer is required for wisdom in the formation of the 'Minster Communities'. It has been great to welcome a 'Local Pastoral Assistant' to Whetstone and we thank Janet for all she has done. We are also going through the process at Cosby too. I am reminded so often that the 'harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.'

Summary

These are going to an interesting couple of years ahead as we seek to continue to grow in our discipleship and commitment to growing God's Kingdom. We can only achieve this by uniting under the banner of Christ, supporting, working with and encouraging one another. I urge you please to hold all these things in prayer and engage with God. We see that there are successes to rejoice in and challenges to bring before the Lord in prayer as we continue to commit ourselves to see God's Kingdom come.

Reverend Stewart Betts – March 2023

CHURCHWARDEN'S REPORT FOR 2022

A considerable amount of work needs to be done each year to ensure the smooth running of the church and the Bunning Hall.

Some of this is routine testing such as PAT testing of electrical equipment, checking fire extinguishers, central heating, dishwasher and gas cooker servicing, church roof alarm and lightning conductor. There are often issues in the Bunning Hall with the kitchen and the year was no exception with the gas cooker and extractor fan causing problems.

It came to light that the bellow of the organ needed attention and a quote revealed that this work would cost about £2,500. Donations were kindly given as well as a grant from Blaby District Council. It was necessary to apply for a faculty as any work to do with the organ requires permission. The bellows were repaired and returned at Easter.

Work has also taken place to repair the front door of the church where wood rot had set in.

There was a 2-fold invitation to the architect, Richards Brook. The first part was to advise on the way forward with fulfilling the Quinquennial requirements, as the work appeared to be spread over different parts of the church.

The second reason for the visit was to seek his thoughts about the installation of a toilet as it was time for a rethink about having our own toilet facilities.

Thoughts of an external construction ended abruptly when it was indicated that the cost would be around £90/95 000+ whereas an inside toilet could cost £30/35000. The PCC agreed that the preliminary investigations regarding location and costs should begin.

It was decided that the professional gravedigger did such a good job that we would ask him in future. David Norman and Alan Jones have done a superb job in the past but the ground in the summer months is very difficult to manage.

It was agreed that it would be necessary to extend the Garden of Remembrance and a faculty was applied for.

The final edition of the church magazine came out in December 2022. We are grateful to Win Furborough and Ros Clark for their hard work.

Jan Wyllie kindly revised the church history and produced new booklets.

Mothers Union, Cosby Branch sadly closed on May 12th and a final service was held in the Bunning Hall.

August saw the return of the Yarn Bomb to Cosby village and the Church once again participated in the event.

A verse from Matthews Gospel 13 v 47 brought forth fish of every kind to the

display at the front of Church.

The "congregation knitters" worked extremely hard to produce flat fish and fat/thin fish, octopus, mermaids and so on!

Grateful thanks to everyone involved in adding a lot of comment and humour to the display.

We welcomed Rev. Stewart and his family at his licensing by Bishop Martyn on September 6th and the wheels of change have already been put into motion. Since Stewart has been with us, we now have a full liturgical year of service booklets and special orders of service for non-eucharistic services, baptism and communion and wedding blessing.

Stewart has emphasised that mission should be a central priority for all aspects of church life.

A new service plan was drawn up for the three churches with a fifth Sunday service for the three churches together.

Change within the Church is happening and with Rev Stewart's help and guidance the challenges facing St Michaels can be met with hope and positivity.

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Susan Lee and Chris Newton

FINANCE AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2022

Members of the Committee met on 14th November 2022 when the Fees, end-of-year Donations and Budget for 2023 were discussed. Their recommendations were considered by the P.C.C. members on 28th November and approved.

Table of Statutory Fees for 2023 came out at the end of 2022. However, it must be noted that these did not stand for long as a revised Table of Fees came out early in 2023 to be used from March 2023 and the figures given below are from this revised table. The total fee for a **Wedding in Church** would be £869 but there could be various reductions if certain services were not required. The

total fee for a **Funeral Service in Church** would be £397 with deductions if the heating and organ were not required. **Burial in a cemetery or cremation immediately preceding or following on from a service in church** would be £32 (an increase of £2 from 2022). **Burial of Ashes** in the churchyard at another time would attract a fee of £182 (an increase of £10 from 2022). For a **Service only at the crematorium** the fees totalled £217 (an increase of £11 but if a crematorium had fixed different charges those would apply). **Burial Certificate issued at time of burial** £17 (an increase of £1 from 2022). **Funeral Service in Premises belonging to Funeral Director** £217 (an increase of £11 from 2022). **Cremation preceding or following Funeral Service in Premises of Funeral Director** £32 (an increase of £2 from 2022).

Fee for a **Memorial Service** would be £262 – largely as laid down by the Archbishop's Council – plus any optional fees.

Local Fees for Weddings and Funerals

As we charge less than most parishes and it was agreed that, given the increase in the cost of living, these should be raised bringing the three churches in line.

Organist – increase from £60 to **£75**

Verge – increase from £40 to **£45**

Heating and lighting – increase from £48 to **£60**

Bells – increase from £78 to **£150** (£25 to each of six ringers)

Choir – on application.

New charges for the hire of the **Bunning Hall** were agreed upon.

Donations have been made to:- Royal British Legion, Kimbilio, Children's Society, Leicestershire Historic Churches, Messy Senses, Lutterworth and Villages Foodbank and Anglican International Development.

A £40 gift card was given to Paul Hing who has played the bugle on Remembrance Sunday for 40 years.

The **Budget** for 2023 was prepared by Brian Woodcock. We paid £20,400 to the Diocese for our Parish Contribution in 2022 which was the amount agreed upon in 2021.

The financial situation in Leicester Diocese is serious with a significant shortfall meaning fewer stipendiary clergy. We try to give generously with our Parish Contribution, thankful that we have a full-time minister, but mindful of our own finances.

We received a legacy from the estate of Mrs Mary Freer and this was divided

between the Garden of Remembrance, church bells and Family Fun Day – three causes close to Mary's heart.

Hilary Cooper

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2022

The main theme of the meetings in 2022 was finance because of the vast difference between income and expenditure in the Diocese which was made worse by the pandemic and a large drop in giving. This was linked in many ways to Shaped by God Together which is the ultimate outcome of a fundamental lack of funds, and people, in the church setting. The meeting in March 2023 will return to this urgent problem.

The development of Minster Churches was reported upon because there have been several trials in various settings in the diocese during the past two years covering rural and urban areas.

The meetings had been virtual for two and a half years but in June 2022 began in person again at St. Mary's, Lutterworth.

Janice Wyllie

SAFEGUARDING REPORT 2022

The annual safeguarding report was made at the meeting of the PCC in November, including a short action plan, the main part of which was to renew the DBS certificates which were overdue because of various factors. The parish is now responsible for the DBS checks for the lay readers, a task which until recently had been undertaken by the Diocese.

All PCC members, and certain other categories of official, must attend training every three years and this is therefore necessary in 2023. At the time of writing, an application has been sent to the safeguarding team for face-to-face sessions, otherwise individuals would have to use the online service.

Janice Wyllie

DATA PROTECTION REPORT 2022

Data Protection appears on the agenda at all PCC meetings during the year. As new contacts come our way, they are given a copy of the Data Privacy Notice and a Data Collection Form as required by General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Stewart reported that he gives wedding couples, and funeral families forms and asks if we can keep their details. Alan Jones keeps details of one-off Bunning Hall bookings only as long as necessary. I keep

personal details of parents attending Messy Church until they stop attending or unless they request me to do so.

Hilary Cooper

PASTORAL REPORT 2022

During 2022 we sent out our usual Easter and Christmas cards and at Harvest we sent out 9 gifts to people who are housebound, ill or who have been bereaved. The packets and tins we received went to the Lutterworth Food Bank who are desperate for food etc. at the moment.

At Christmas we continued with the toy collection for the children and gift sets for the teenagers, for the Salvation Army Toy Collection. This enables children to have a toy or gift set who probably would not have got a gift without our help. Apparently, the Salvation Army in Hinckley area where we send our gifts are helping about 165 families.

We would still like to hear about people or families who need help in any way, so we can possibly make a visit or send a card. If you hear of anyone please let someone know.

We still were able to offer a lift to people who needed a lift to church or appointments and we were also able to offer people meals who needed a bit of extra help.

Thank you to all the people in 2022 who went on one or more of the many rotas.

Linda Stevenson

BIBLE STUDY GROUP REPORT 2022

After lockdown we needed to reinstate a discussion group around bible themes.

And with the merging of Narborough with Whetstone and Cosby in a united benefice there was a need to build up joint activities.

So in the autumn we met fortnightly every two weeks on Wednesday evenings alternating between Cosby and Whetstone.

Our theme was 'Belonging, Believing and Being out there'.

During Lent we are meeting in Whetstone Church each Wednesday to look at the 'I am' sayings in John's gospel

17 people have taken part. The majority are from Whetstone and the remainder from Cosby.

We are grateful for hospitality and the chance to learn from the bible and from one another.

Eric Leese

CHURCH CHOIR REPORT 2022

2022 saw the Choir's activities returning to the new normal. We are back to rehearsing every week and sing for the Communion services on the first Sunday of each month. We were also pleased to be able to sing for some of the special services, in particular Remembrance, Advent, Nine Lessons and Carols and the Christmas Eve service. As always, I ensured that we performed a range of music over those services, from the 13th to the 21st centuries.

The Nine Lessons and Carols had the theme of 'carols from around the world' with each carol coming from a different country – where possible we also sang the carols in the native language, though some such as Ukrainian proved a bit too challenging! The booklet that Stewart produced providing the background to each of the carols was a great addition. Although the congregations for the Carol Services were still smaller than we had prior to the pandemic it was pleasing that there were more attendees for these services than last year.

For the Communion services we have settled on the Mountjoy setting, which is a very effective arrangement of the words and, hopefully, is becoming more familiar to the Congregation.

Two other special events for the Choir were singing for the christening of my Grandson, Teddy, and the summer concert, which was on the theme of 'Music for a Summer Evening'. We are currently planning for another concert this summer, on the theme of 'Songs of Travel' to be held on Saturday June 11th, so do come along and bring your friends!

As always, the members of the Choir have been working very hard, often rehearsing the music at home in order to make sure that they get it right and they have, I believe, performed really well. Thanks are also due to Martin Barstow who plays the organ for our sung services and, likewise, works very hard to produce music of a high standard.

I noted, last year that the future look is challenging. St Michael's is very rare in having a choir that can regularly perform 4-part, unaccompanied music: aside from the major Churches in the City such as the Cathedral and St James, there are now almost none across the County. We have to be very aware, though, that the Choir is getting older and we are gradually losing members. Also,

several of us have children/grandchildren who live away from Cosby and so there are quite often weekends when several of us are away catching up with our families. I hope we can continue to support the services and produce good music over the coming year, but I must admit that, without new members who can sing, the long-term future does not look bright. Jon Scott - March 2023

BELL RINGERS' REPORT 2022

It's been another quiet year for us.

Since Covid began we have not really got back to practice nights on a Monday due to our lack of ringers. This also means we are not ringing for services on a Sunday as a rule with the odd exception for special services when we try and recruit other ringers.

We have managed to ring for any weddings and there have been a few visiting bands.

Looking forward however, we are in the process of getting some new ropes – hopefully they will be in place by Easter, which may spur us on to new things. I am also looking at liaising with Whetstone a bit more to maybe combine our ringers and ring alternately between the churches.

Sarah Freer (tower captain) Feb 2023

MESSY CHURCH REPORT 2022

As the beginning of the year came with new Covid restrictions we decided not to hold Messy Church in the Bunning Hall, but to do a Messy Church at Home where we distributed packs to those families who wished to take part. The theme was Every Drop of Water Counts. It was the story of Jesus choosing his first fishermen disciples. Ecology based it included links to a video from the Blue Planet series. Crafts resources were included to make a large sea picture, an origami fish and a Christian Ichthys fish symbol. Ten children received packs and the feedback was positive with parents sending photos of crafts. Thankfully, we were able to holding sessions in the Hall for the next five months with themes: Feeding of the 5000, Story of the Two Housebuilders, Parable of the Lost Sheep and the Baptism of Jesus. At Easter we had a special session one morning during Holy Week and this was especially successful with 23 children and lots of parents attending. We used short videos to tell the story and there were crafts including Easter gardens.

Fast forward to Autumn, October session, Celebrating Who We Are, was poorly attended due to half term. However, I must mention that Eric's moths

were in attendance! He has kindly brought these beautiful insects along on many occasions and it has generated much interest.

Theme for November was Jesus Light of the World and crafts included lighthouses and stained-glass windows.

December 2022 saw our first Messy Christingle. Children made each part of a Christingle and had the meaning explained by a helper. We sang Christingle songs which Jan Wyllie kindly accompanied on piano. It was very successful, but we will probably do a Messy Christmas session in 2023 so as not to confuse with the Christingle Service in church.

I would like to thank all the Messy Church helpers – they are a lovely bunch who are very supportive. We are extremely fortunate to have great storytellers – Hazel and Caroline who bring the stories alive for the children. Craft/cookery team of Jean, Norma, Martin, Eric and Sharon get stuck in to helping children with the crafts of the day and the kitchen team of Linda and Chris who produce a lovely meal each time. We have had children and their parents/carers from many local villages and are pleased to encourage this especially now we are a three-church benefice.

Hilary Cooper

REPORT ON FAMILY FUN DAY 2022

We had our very popular annual Fun Day again in September and the weather brought the families out to this very popular event and again it was a very successful afternoon. Meeting new families and welcoming back regulars. but also connecting with people in the village and each year we see new families which is wonderful . Yes, yet again we were very lucky to have Richard the Juggler back with us and how not only the children but adults as well enjoyed learning new skills. The craft tables were kept very busy, with the ever popular design a T shirt being made all afternoon with some fantastic designs. Maybe we shall have to have a competition for the best designed T shirt! in the future. The face painting had a steady flow of children with some wonderful animal faces. With all that was going on there was still time for adults to have tea and cake and the children juice and a biscuit The juice being provided by Yester Ware Ltd a new business in Cosby that has just celebrated its second year in business who also ran the sweet stall. Then for the children to use a bit more energy up we had a bouncy castle. Eric bought some moths in a cage which all enjoyed or perhaps I ought to say most enjoyed. During the afternoon leaflets were handed out telling the adults when Messy church would start again and the dates for the coming year Yes this Fun Day will run again in 2023.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING REPORT 2022

In 2022 we were getting back to normal after Covid but still a bit worried about another lockdown. So we took it slowly and I think it was fair to say but I think it was fair to say that we had lost a bit of our 'get up and go'!

We started with our Book and Puzzle sale which went well. Then there was the Palm Sunday breakfast, Summer Fayre, Strawberry Teas, Afternoon Tea during the Yarn Bomb and the Christmas Fayre with Santa. We didn't go ahead with the Murder Mystery Evening as insufficient tickets were sold.

Overall we raised about £2,500.

I would like to thank those on the committee for their help and support and all the people who help at events, some of whom do not come to church or live in the village. We could not do the events and raise this money without them.

A big thank-you,

Supper Evenings – we started these up again in 2022, meeting and sharing food together on a Friday evening every couple of months. Always a nice evening. We had a BBQ in the Summer. Skittles/Chinese at Christmas was cancelled. We donate a £1 and when we have collected £50 we draw out a charity and send the money to them.

Everyone is welcome to join us. Dates appear in the pew slips.

Alison Norman

This report on the accounts of Cosby PCC (Charity No. 1133983) for the year ended 31st December, 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 4,

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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,

to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and

to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or

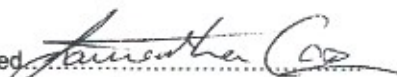
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or

the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have 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.

Mrs. Samantha J. Cox
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Signed



Date

23/2/2023

 13/3/23

St Michael & All Angels' Church, Cosby, Leicester
Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December 2022

General Fund - Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors				
Stewardship envelopes, income under covenants & Gift Aid	17984		20103	
Legacies	1500		1000	
Church collections	1575		923	
Income tax recovered	4551		4944	
Interest on Income tax recovered	1		8	
		25611		26979
Other Voluntary Incoming Resources				
Donations to Funds (see Note 3)	7014		1485	
Donations to Bunning Hall Upkeep	216		1308	
Donations for Good Causes	640		845	
Grants for Church Restoration	675		0	
Grants for Bunning Hall	150		0	
Grants for Energy costs	1087		0	
		9782		3638
Activities for Generating Funds				
Book & Puzzle Sale	1000		393	
Beetle Drive	0		0	
Ride or Stride	669		577	
Concerts (Style Concert/Sing Christmas)	350		0	
Coffee Mornings/Afternoon Tea	529		30	
Children's Society Box Opening/Christingle etc	579		576	
Christmas Coffee Morning	639		0	
Christmas Quiz	70		0	
Plant / Cake Sales	0		420	
Curry Evening/Poems & Puds/Fish & Chips Supper etc	0		0	
Miscellaneous Fund raising	73		512	
Cards/Mugs/Church History etc	0		0	
Spring Fayre	549		0	
Yarn Bomb Social event	0		500	
		4457		3008
Income from Investments				
Building Society Interest	40		52	
Bank Deposit Account Interest	10		1	
Bunning Hall Fund Deposit Account Interest	2		0	
		52		52
Other ordinary Incoming Resources				
Sale of Magazine including advertising (See Note 1)	987		1340	
Risograph Replacement	0		540	
Fees from Wedding and Funerals	4498		2153	
Insurance Claim	0		0	
		5485		4033
Church Hall				
Sundry Lettings	11766		3392	
		11766		3392
Total Receipts		57152		41103

General Fund - Receipts and Payments Account - Continued

Payments

	2022	2021	
	£	£	£
Donations and Grants			
Donations to Missions and Relief Agencies & Other Charitable Organisations	2230	1899	
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Religious Education	40	41	
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		35774	30488
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Repairs	1609	125	
Cleaning Expenses	1396	700	
Miscellaneous Expenses	12	418	
Ground Maintenance	760	680	
		7117	4414
Major Capital Expenditure			
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		0	0
Total Payments		48557	39282

St Michael & All Angels' Church, Cosby, Leicester - Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December 2022

	£	£
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Statement of Assets & Liabilities as at 31st December 2022

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Coventry Building Society Investment Account		45767	38709
	0	<u>57430</u>	<u>48835</u>

Debtors		
Prepayments	0	230
	<u>0</u>	<u>230</u>

Accruals - Liabilities		
Other Expenses	0	100
Electricity	2147	663
Gas	609	144
	<u>2757</u>	<u>907</u>

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This report on the accounts of Cosby PCC (Charity No. 1133983) for the year ended 31st December, 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 4,

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 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,

to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and

to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or

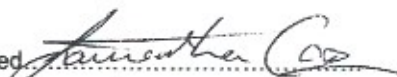
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or

the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have 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.

Mrs. Samantha J. Cox
11 The Paddocks
Littlethorpe
Leicester
LE19 5JP

Signed



Date

23/2/2023

 13/3/23

St Michael & All Angels' Church, Cosby, Leicester
Financial Statement for the year ended 31st December 2022

General Fund - Receipts and Payments Account

Receipts	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors				
Stewardship envelopes, income under covenants & Gift Aid	17984		20103	
Legacies	1500		1000	
Church collections	1575		923	
Income tax recovered	4551		4944	
Interest on Income tax recovered	1		8	
		25611		26979
Other Voluntary Incoming Resources				
Donations to Funds (see Note 3)	7014		1485	
Donations to Bunning Hall Upkeep	216		1308	
Donations for Good Causes	640		845	
Grants for Church Restoration	675		0	
Grants for Bunning Hall	150		0	
Grants for Energy costs	1087		0	
		9782		3638
Activities for Generating Funds				
Book & Puzzle Sale	1000		393	
Beetle Drive	0		0	
Ride or Stride	669		577	
Concerts (Style Concert/Sing Christmas)	350		0	
Coffee Mornings/Afternoon Tea	529		30	
Children's Society Box Opening/Christingle etc	579		576	
Christmas Coffee Morning	639		0	
Christmas Quiz	70		0	
Plant / Cake Sales	0		420	
Curry Evening/Poems & Puds/Fish & Chips Supper etc	0		0	
Miscellaneous Fund raising	73		512	
Cards/Mugs/Church History etc	0		0	
Spring Fayre	549		0	
Yarn Bomb Social event	0		500	
		4457		3008
Income from Investments				
Building Society Interest	40		52	
Bank Deposit Account Interest	10		1	
Bunning Hall Fund Deposit Account Interest	2		0	
		52		52
Other ordinary Incoming Resources				
Sale of Magazine including advertising (See Note 1)	987		1340	
Risograph Replacement	0		540	
Fees from Wedding and Funerals	4498		2153	
Insurance Claim	0		0	
		5485		4033
Church Hall				
Sundry Lettings	11766		3392	
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Total Receipts		57152		41103

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