

**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**  
**Annual Trustees Report for the year ended 31 December 2021**

Incumbent: In vacancy until 30 July 2021. From 31 July, Revd David Biggs (Priest-in-Charge)

Assistant Priest: Revd Pauline Percy

Independent Examiner: Mr William Pearson FCA, FCCA

Bankers: HSBC      Independent Financial Advisor: Ellis Bates Group

Church Architect: David Beaumont

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**Administrative information**

St Oswald's Church is situated in Sowerby in North Yorkshire. It is part of the Diocese of York within the Church of England. The current correspondence address is: 162 Front Street, Sowerby YO7 1JG

**Members of the Parochial Church Council**

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. In 2021 the APCM was on 25 April 2021.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Churchwardens ( <i>ex officio</i> ):	David Tucker (joint Vice Chair) Simon Birkbeck (joint Vice Chair)
Priest-in-Charge ( <i>ex officio</i> ):	From 31 July 2021 - Revd David Biggs
Assistant Priest ( <i>ex officio</i> ):	Revd Pauline Percy
Reader:	David Brooke
Children and Youth Worker:	Pauline Alderson
Recognised Parish Assistants:	Cecily Rands Helen Irving Yvonne Bowling
Deanery Synod ( <i>ex officio</i> ):	Gayle Hartley Sue Binns Jill Drew
Elected Members from 25 April 2021	
Retiring 2022:	Yvonne Bowling Richard Halkyard Andrew McCormack Graham Merriam (Treasurer) (Standing C'ttee)
Retiring 2023	Helen Irving (Standing Committee) David Brooke Jane Jackson



*Retiring 2024*

Maureen Carr  
Pauline Alderson (Standing Committee)  
Morna Stoakley

Co-opted Member

Cecily Rands

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

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England. It operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is registered as a separate charity with the Charity Commission.

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

In normal circumstances the full PCC meets six times a year, or more as needed. (During the Covid-19 pandemic the PCC has often met using Zoom.) The PCC is supported by the Standing Committee, consisting of Church-wardens, Treasurer and Secretary and Children and Youth Worker. In addition, there are a few working groups which report to PCC. Our Deanery Synod Representatives attend meetings during the year and report back to the PCC.

### **Objectives of the PCC**

St Oswald's PCC worked during the vacancy with the Area Dean the Rev Fiona Mayer-Jones (until 30 July 2021) and after that with the new Priest-In-Charge the Rev David Biggs in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also responsible for the management and maintenance of Sowerby Parochial Hall and Annexe. The Church, the Parochial Hall and the Annexe are normally well-used and valued community assets and a base for our service to members of the congregation and wider outreach to the parish as a whole. Sadly, during the pandemic, we have not been able to use the buildings to their normal extent.

### **Our Mission**

At St Oswald's our Aims and Purposes are that we try to live out Jesus' call to love God and to love our neighbour.

### **Review of the year: Achievements and Performance**

The year 2021 was dominated by the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic which continued throughout the year. In the early part of the year (from January to March) there were no services held in person in church. Subsequently almost all aspects of church fellowship, such as greeting each other, sitting together, the peace, taking communion and singing, were potential spreaders of the virus and were, therefore, largely limited during the year. A socially-distanced seating plan was implemented with the closure of alternate pews. The national response to the pandemic imposed restrictions on the normal freedoms of movement, association and worship and disrupted normal church life. Extensive advice was issued by the Diocese as the pandemic proceeded.

St Oswald's is normally open every day during daylight, but during the first half of the year was only open for private prayer on Mondays and Thursdays. When services resumed in late March, the socially distanced seating plan was implemented, no singing was allowed and all attending had to wear face coverings. Later in the year a small choir was permitted, pursuant to advice from the Diocese.



The St Oswald's weekly news-sheet and the monthly Saints Alive magazine, which had been circulated as paper copies, were very rapidly and effectively converted to email format, giving new opportunities for input. The news sheet was expanded to include reflections, prayers and internet links to hymns and songs in order to facilitate worship at home. Printed copies were delivered to those without internet access.

Later in the year, during the Autumn, we started to bring the services on-line using the Zoom video-conferencing service. This duly enabled members of the congregation to 'join' the service from home if they felt unable to attend in-person.

Funerals were able to take place with limited numbers of people attending throughout the year. Crematoria were similarly extremely restricted in how many people were allowed to attend. Grateful thanks are due to Rev Pauline Percy, Rev Sandra Howells and other visiting clergy for conducting these services during the vacancy and to John Kennedy for his commitment and service in the role of sexton, and to the sidespersons who assist.

Confirmations, baptisms and weddings were deferred in the early spring of 2021. Baptisms and Weddings began to be conducted again in late April 2021.

Youth work and work with children and families has always been a strength of St Oswald's, and this was very much the case during the pandemic. Pauline Alderson and Helen Irving, along with their supporting team, were responsible for maintaining and adapting this work to a very high degree, and even to increase contacts. This included making use of Zoom and delivering bags with craft materials, Bible stories and creative prayer resources for each youth and Kids Club member and for Messy Church families. Youth group continued to meet every week via Zoom up until Easter. They returned to meeting outdoors on the field at the Parochial Hall from April-July, continuing to meet in person from September.

In summer 2021 we were able to run an outdoor Holiday Club with limited numbers attending. Ongoing children's work had to be carefully considered during the remainder of the year. Outside services were held at Pentecost, Christingle and the Crib Service.

The Little Wonders toddler group began the year meeting on Zoom and using a private Facebook group for keeping in touch. Craft bags were provided for the children. In April, when outdoor gathering was permitted, Little Wonders began meeting in person again on the field next to the Parochial Hall. In June indoor sessions began in the Parochial Hall. The space in the hall enabled better social distancing and allowed more ventilation than was possible in church. Numbers at Little Wonders have continued to grow.

Open the Book returned to visiting schools in September, taking four Bible stories to Sowerby, Sessay & Keeble.

Godly Play was presented to Kids' club via Zoom twice a month until Easter, then on the field at the Parochial Hall until the school holidays. Since September we have continued to meet in the Godly Play Room. In February 2022 we returned to visiting schools once again.

Our long-standing Children's and Youth Worker, Pauline Alderson, decided to retire with effect from the end of 2021. We are extremely grateful to her for all the work she has undertaken in this role over the last ten years (and before that as a volunteer). We made the decision to replace her on a full-time basis and interviewed candidates in mid-December. Our new Children's and Youth Minister will commence work in early 2022.

A number of events which are both a means of contact with the wider parish and a source of income were impossible during 2021. The Daffodil Festival at Easter and the autumn Coffee



Cakes and Crafts event both had to be cancelled. There was however an outdoor, socially distanced Summer Fair held on the Parochial Hall field on 14 August 2021.

A public service on Remembrance Sunday 14 November took place at the war memorial and the church was beautifully decorated with flowers and the outside walls with knitted and crocheted poppies. Many thanks to Barbara Thornton and her team for continuing to provide flower arrangements and to Kath Reynard for tending the outdoor planters.

The annual meetings took place using Zoom on 25 April 2021.

### **Giving, Mission and Community**

We continued to support Jigsaw Kids Ministries in the Philippines through regular gifts to CMS (to support their mission partner Tim Lee) and to Jigsaw directly. This project was also adversely affected by Covid-19, and the support of churches in the UK was vital to their continuance. We were inspired to hear from Tim Lee at one of our Zoom services about the ways in which Jigsaw had responded and adapted during the pandemic to meet the needs of the community it serves.

We regularly support Thirsk Community Works in their service to the wider community. Our harvest gifts and occasional offerings on special services (e.g., Christmas) have been given to them. We have a box in church available for non-perishable food donations towards their food bank.

The Parochial Hall is a valued community asset. During the pandemic many of the activities there, both church-related and community bookings, ceased. The 100 Club which raises funds towards the running costs was able to continue and increased its contribution to the Hall's income.

**Pastoral work:** The disruption caused by the pandemic, including the postponement of some hospital operations and radical changes in GP and dental services, together with loneliness caused by being unable to have visitors or get out to socialise, contributed to a high level of anxiety and distress in the community. Our pastoral Recognised Parish Assistants (RPA), Cecily Rands and Yvonne Bowling continued their support of elderly and vulnerable people as far as the Coronavirus restrictions allowed.

The Mothers' Union remained in touch with members by letter. Meetings were not possible.

The Prayer Circle continued to operate throughout 2021 to support those in particular need of prayer. Many thanks to Jill Drew for coordinating this.

**Farming chaplaincy:** Yvonne Bowling continued her work as an assistant chaplain working under Rev Dianne Gamble to provide support to the farming community at the Auction Mart located in the parish.

**Ecumenical relations:** St Oswald's values the covenant with the Methodist Church, but the pandemic prevented most ecumenical activities, including the Easter and Harvest parish leaflet distribution. However, a joint Christmas card (with the Salvation Army) was distributed using the delivery team. The children and youth team have continued to work ecumenically and joint services were produced to celebrate Pentecost and Harvest.

### **Safeguarding**

Elizabeth Allen continues as our Safeguarding Officer. All PCC members are DBS checked and must complete a Confidential Declaration Form and complete an on-line safeguarding training course. St Oswald's PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).



**Financial review:** 2021 has been a challenging year. The PCC recognised early on that Covid-19 was likely to have a continued effect on various essential items of income – including lettings of the Parochial Hall. We were only able to pledge a reduced Freewill Offering (FWO) of £48,000 to York Diocese. Subsequent generous giving enabled us however to provide additional funds to the diocese resulting in a final FWO of £57,500. This was not far short of the amount pledged prior to Covid-19 back in 2019. Our portfolio, in medium to low-risk investments, was revalued upwards by £3,212 and we derived £1,166 dividend income. Our Hall net income improved from a loss of £4,972 in 2021 to a surplus of £64. Plate Collections and Fees for occasional services improved but still fell short of pre-Covid levels. The finances at the end of the year were on an even keel. Many thanks to Graham Merriam for the financial leadership he has given as treasurer throughout the year and to Gayle Hartley for all the detailed financial administration.

### **Reserves Policy**

It is the PCC's intention to spend those Reserves that are Restricted on their defined purposes, in due course. Unrestricted Reserves include an amount that is Designated for the Parochial Hall and the PCC aims to safeguard these for an ongoing plan of refurbishment. The remainder of Unrestricted Reserves represent approximately three months income which the PCC feels is the minimum that it should aim to hold for normal levels of activity.

### **The Vacancy**

An interview for the role of Priest-in-Charge (PIC) of this plurality was held in March 2021. Subsequent to this, the Revd. David Biggs was appointed as PIC, commencing on 31 July 2021.

The Vicarage remained unlet throughout the vacancy as estate agents failed to find a tenant. Improvements and repairs were made to the house (by the Diocese) before the new PIC began his ministry here.

During the vacancy, the Area Dean, Revd Fiona Mayer-Jones, provided frequent and valued support to the leadership team. We were very grateful also to the Revd Pauline Percy (Assistant Priest) and the Revd Sandra Howells (Retired Priest with Permission to Officiate) for their ministry to us.

### **Thanks**

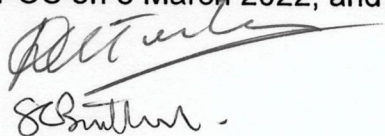
Grateful thanks are expressed to all at St Oswald's who have worked so hard, sometimes in different ways from normal, and with so much dedication for the benefit of the church and wider community.

May we continue to love God and our neighbours near and far as we seek to serve Christ in this place.

We look forward to greater freedoms following the end of the restrictions caused by the pandemic but remember that our hope is always in Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

Approved by the PCC on 8 March 2022, and signed on their behalf.

David Tucker  
Simon Birkbeck



Churchwardens

Rev David Biggs

Priest-in-Charge





**Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Parochial Church Council of The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Oswald Sowerby**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent 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 the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

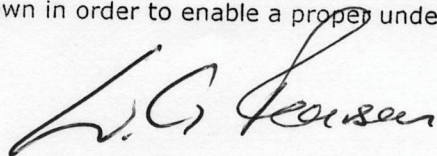
An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with s.130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- statutory fees were not accounted for correctly

I 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.



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Date: 22/03/2022



**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**  
**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December 2021**

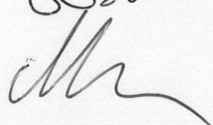
	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
<b>Incoming and endowments from:</b>				
<b>Voluntary Income</b>				
Giving through Gift Aid	40,151	-	40,151	40,395
Tax Refunds	12,227	-	12,227	10,971
Other planned Giving	5,364	-	5,364	4,399
Collection Plate	1,715	-	1,715	1,953
Occasional & Other Services	2,759	2,725	5,485	6,654
<b>Donations</b>				
General (Incl School Appeal)	24,788	7,553	32,341	16,666
Donations into CandY account & Gift Aid	6,181	-	6,181	9,563
Legacy Received	1,000	-	1,000	0
Wall box & Bookstall	31	-	31	13
Photocopying	77	-	77	353
<b>Other</b>	<b>94,294</b>	<b>10,278</b>	<b>104,572</b>	<b>90,968</b>
<b>Fees Received</b>				
PCC	9,834	-	9,834	9,574
Organist & Choir	1,190	-	1,190	840
Bell Ringers	0	-	0	110
YDBF	4,557	-	4,557	4,533
<b>Income from Events</b>				
Sunday Coffee	90	-	90	95
Fund Raising	1,835	-	1,835	1,860
Sowerby Music	120	-	120	88
Other hire of Church	765	-	765	640
CandY Activity Income	941	-	941	270
<b>Recurring Grants</b>				
Wayleave & Rent	121	-	121	121
Sowerby Parish Council	1,200	-	1,200	1,000
	<b>20,653</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20,653</b>	<b>19,131</b>
<b>Other trading activities</b>				
Parochial Hall Income (note 12)	7,098	-	7,098	5,517
Parochial Hall Earnings from 100 Club	1,662	-	1,662	1,071
Parochial Hall Donations Received	1,967	-	1,967	480
Transfers from CandY Account	3,500	-	3,500	2,708
Saints Alive Income	-	-	0	1,201
Luncheon Club earnings	-	0	0	268
	<b>14,228</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14,228</b>	<b>11,246</b>
<b>Investments</b>				
Dividends (Gross) & Bank Interest	1,166	-	1,166	1,286
	<b>1,166</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,166</b>	<b>1,286</b>
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>130,341</b>	<b>10,278</b>	<b>140,619</b>	<b>122,632</b>
<b>Expenditure on</b>				
<b>Charitable activities (see note 3)</b>	<b>120,301</b>	<b>12,765</b>	<b>133,067</b>	<b>122,311</b>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) before gains/(losses) on investments</b>	<b>10,039</b>	<b>-2,487</b>	<b>7,552</b>	<b>321</b>
<b>Net gains/(losses) on investments</b>	<b>3,212</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,212</b>	<b>-3,250</b>
<b>Net movement of Funds</b>	<b>13,251</b>	<b>-2,487</b>	<b>10,764</b>	<b>-2,929</b>
<b>Balances b/fwd 1 January 2021</b>	<b>33,496</b>	<b>5,553</b>	<b>39,049</b>	<b>41,978</b>
<b>Balances c/fwd 31 December 2021</b>	<b>46,747</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>49,813</b>	<b>39,049</b>



**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 31 December 2021**

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>	1	2,843	3,248
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Investments	3	31,850	28,329
Debtors	4	4,565	3,292
Bank Accounts	5	15,556	12,416
Prepayments		644	86
Cash Balances		450	450
		<b>53,064</b>	<b>44,573</b>
<b>Creditors</b>			
Sundry Creditors		1,338	0
100 Club Deposits for following year		2,256	2,772
CandY donations received in advance	10	2,500	6,000
	6	<b>6,094</b>	<b>8,772</b>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		<b>49,813</b>	<b>39,049</b>
<b>Represented by:</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	8	46,747	33,496
Restricted Funds	9	3,066	5,553
<b>Net Funds</b>		<b>49,813</b>	<b>39,049</b>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on **8 March 2022**  
and signed on its behalf by

*80 Bunting*  




**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2021**

**1 Accounting Policies**

**1.1 Accounting Convention**

The accounts are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 – (Charities SORP (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets which are shown at market value.

**1.2 Funds**

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body or those that are informal gatherings of church members.

**1.3 Incoming Resources**

**Voluntary income and capital sources**

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received. Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when received. Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for when received. Funds raised by events are accounted for gross. Sales of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

**Other income**

Income from the Parochial Hall is recognised when due.

**Income from bank investments**

Bank interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue and appear gross.

**1.4 Resources expended**

The diocesan parish share is accounted for when it is paid. The PCC has paid its full share within the year.

**1.5 Balance Sheet – Fixed Assets**

**Consecrated property and moveable church furnishings**

Consecrated and beneficed property of any kind is excluded from the accounts by S10(2a) 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. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected at any reasonable time. For inalienable property acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the accounts.

Expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings, individual items under £1000 or on the repair of movable church items acquired before 1 January 2000 is written off.

**Other Fixtures and Fittings**

Depreciation is provided at 10% of cost on Hall Furniture and Equipment which is calculated to write off the cost less residual value of each asset over its useful life. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1000 or less will be written off as the asset is acquired.

**2 Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources**

This is stated after charging:

Depreciation and other amounts written off tangible fixed assets

Reporting accountant's fees

2021	2020
£	£
405	405
250	250



**Parochial Church Council of St Oswald's Sowerby**

**Note 3**

**Charitable activities**

**Freewill Offering**

**Salaries, Honoraria and YDBF**

**YDBF**

**CandY Salaries and on-costs**

**Administrator and on-costs**

**Organist and Choir - inc Occ. Services**

**Bellringers - Occ. Services**

**Expenses of Clergy and CandY Staff**

**Vicarage Costs**

**Mileage Allowance**

**Expense for CandY work**

**Gifts**

**Visiting Vicars**

**Mission Outreach**

**Training & Resources**

**Church Running Costs**

**Cleaning**

**Insurance**

**Candles and Service Costs**

**Repairs**

**Organ**

**Churchyard**

**Church Utilities**

**Gas**

**Water Rates**

**Electricity**

**Church Administration**

**Computer, Phone & Broadband**

**Professional Fees**

**Brokerage and Commission Fees**

**Bank Charges**

**Licences and Subscriptions**

**Postage and Stationery**

**Copier Costs**

**Donations to Charities**

**Overseas Mission - from own Funds**

**Paid over to School Appeal**

**Other - special and funeral collections**

**Costs of generating funds**

**Parochial Hall (note 11)**

**Operating costs**

**Exceptional expenditure**

**CandY money paid to Church**

**Cost of Copying Saints Alive**

**Luncheon Club costs**

**Fabric Costs**

**Architect's Fees**

**Fabric Costs**

**Total charitable activities**

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Freewill Offering</b>	<b>57,500</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>57,500</b>	<b>61,200</b>
<b>Salaries, Honoraria and YDBF</b>				
YDBF	4,557	-	4,557	4,533
CandY Salaries and on-costs	11,766	-	11,766	11,332
Administrator and on-costs	0	-	0	965
Organist and Choir - inc Occ. Services	1,765	-	1,765	1,165
Bellringers - Occ. Services	0	-	0	90
	<b>18,088</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,088</b>	<b>18,085</b>
<b>Expenses of Clergy and CandY Staff</b>				
Vicarage Costs	955	-	955	1,127
Mileage Allowance	494	-	494	243
Expense for CandY work	1,013	386	1,399	381
Gifts	58	-	58	20
Visiting Vicars	25	-	25	36
Mission Outreach	292	-	292	264
Training & Resources	143	-	143	77
	<b>2,979</b>	<b>386</b>	<b>3,365</b>	<b>2,149</b>
<b>Church Running Costs</b>				
Cleaning	1,609	-	1,609	1,357
Insurance	1,860	-	1,860	1,808
Candles and Service Costs	142	-	142	272
Repairs	1,936	-	1,936	1,016
Organ	0	-	0	100
Churchyard	3,111	-	3,111	1,498
	<b>8,659</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,659</b>	<b>6,050</b>
<b>Church Utilities</b>				
Gas	2,885	-	2,885	3,702
Water Rates	190	-	190	366
Electricity	694	-	694	494
	<b>3,769</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,769</b>	<b>4,562</b>
<b>Church Administration</b>				
Computer, Phone & Broadband	473	-	473	1,154
Professional Fees	797	-	797	738
Brokerage and Commission Fees	609	-	609	276
Bank Charges	17	-	17	0
Licences and Subscriptions	939	-	939	900
Postage and Stationery	272	-	272	218
Copier Costs	3,031	-	3,031	3,347
	<b>6,137</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6,137</b>	<b>6,633</b>
<b>Donations to Charities</b>				
Overseas Mission - from own Funds	3,800	-	3,800	3,800
Paid over to School Appeal	0	7,553	7,553	0
Other - special and funeral collections	-	2,725	2,725	3,451
	<b>3,800</b>	<b>10,278</b>	<b>14,078</b>	<b>7,251</b>
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>				
Parochial Hall (note 11)				
Operating costs	10,222	-	10,222	10,814
Exceptional expenditure	441	-	441	862
CandY money paid to Church	-	-	-	2,708
Cost of Copying Saints Alive	-	150	150	301
Luncheon Club costs	-	0	0	632
	<b>10,663</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>10,813</b>	<b>15,317</b>
<b>Fabric Costs</b>				
Architect's Fees	0	-	0	1,064
Fabric Costs	8,706	1,951	10,657	0
	<b>8,706</b>	<b>1,951</b>	<b>10,657</b>	<b>1,064</b>
<b>Total charitable activities</b>	<b>120,301</b>	<b>12,765</b>	<b>133,067</b>	<b>122,311</b>



#### 4 Investments

During 2009 the Church became entitled to the Arthur Dreyheller Thompson Trust Fund following the death of the residuary life tenant. The investments are quoted in the accounts at market value as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021. The use of this fund is unrestricted.

5 Debtors	2021	2020
	£	£
Hall Hire	1,894	785
Gift Aid and Tax Credits from HMRC	2,250	780
Due from Benefice parishes & others for administrative costs & copying	421	809
Due from nPower as a result of excess direct debits	0	918
	<b>4,565</b>	<b>3,292</b>

#### 6 Bank Accounts

	£	£
Church	1,394	1,578
Parochial Hall	2,383	1,834
Deposit	6,420	3,004
"Sowerby CandY" (Note 10)	5,359	6,000
	<b>15,556</b>	<b>12,416</b>

#### 7 Creditors: Falling due within one year and more

	£	£
Gas bills for Church and Hall	1,338	0
Hall 100Club – 2022 Subscriptions	2,256	2,772
Donations from Thirsk Methodist Circuit to be spread over 5 years commencing 2017 (see note 10)	2,500	6,000
	<b>6,094</b>	<b>8,772</b>

#### 8 Analysis of Net Assets by Funds

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed Assets	2,843	0	2,843
Current Assets	49,998	3,066	53,064
Current Liabilities	6,094	0	6,094
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>46,747</b>	<b>3,066</b>	<b>49,813</b>

#### 9 Unrestricted Funds

Designated funds are included in unrestricted funds and are for the maintenance and improvement of the Parochial Church Hall. See note 11

#### 10 Analysis of Restricted Funds

	1/1/2021	Movement In	Movement Out	31/12/2021
	£	£	£	£
Bells	898	0	0	898
Charity	0	2,725	2,725	0
Saints Alive	900	0	150	750
Mexico 2021 Trip	1,168	0	0	1,168
Oakes Weekend	386	0	386	0
Martin Ridsdale Lighting Fund	1,951	0	1,951	0
Lunch Club	250	0	0	250
Appeal for Sowerby Primary IT	0	7,553	7,553	0
	<b>5,553</b>	<b>10,278</b>	<b>12,765</b>	<b>3,066</b>

Saints Alive is the residue of money handed over from the Saints Alive account that has not been used for production costs in 2020. The Bells account is a long-standing fund from which repairs are taken over time. Mexico 2021 is deposits taken on a proposed youth trip now deferred to 2022



**Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of The Parochial Church Council of The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Oswald Sowerby**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent 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 the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

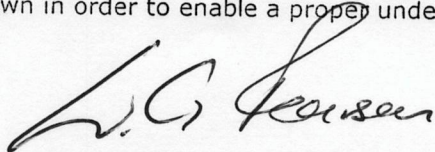
An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with s.130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- statutory fees were not accounted for correctly

I 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.



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