

# **The Annual Report of** **The Parish of the Icknield Way Villages**

## **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

**Charity name:** The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of the Icknield Way Villages (the “Parish” of the “PCC”)

**Charity Commission registered number:** 1136222

**For the financial year beginning on:** 01/01/2021

**For the financial year ending on:** 31/12/2021

**Charity’s principal address:** The Church Office, Crawley End, Chrishall, Royston, Herts, SG8 8QL

**Governing document:** The Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended and Church Representation Rules, supported by the Parish Constitution approved on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2009. The Parish is a Church of England parish within the Diocese of Chelmsford

**Objects of the charity:** Promoting in the Parish the whole mission of the Church.

**Specific investment powers:** None.

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## TRUSTEES AND GOVERNANCE

Name of trustee	Dates during which the named trustee acted if not for the whole year	Basis of appointment
Rev. Dr Anand Sodadasi (chair)		By virtue of office
Jon Wayper (Parish Warden)		By virtue of office
Laurence Brett (Treasurer)		By virtue of office
Jenny Leitch		Little Chishill DCC
Peter Gale		Hamlet DCC
Angela Patrick		Great Chishill DCC
Fiona Dyer		Chrishall DCC
Liz Stott		Strethall DCC
Jane Duffus		Heydon DCC
John Holford		Elmdon DCC
Bill Jones		
David Wilkinson		
Mel Chandler		
Sarah Westerhuis		

**PCC members' selection method:** by virtue of office, or by election, or by appointment, one from each of the seven District Church Councils within the Parish.

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 their local DCC's. A General meeting of the parish is held annually at which all those on the Electoral Rolls across the Parish are encouraged to take part.

**PCC members Payments:** None of the PCC members is paid any fee or salary by the PCC.

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**Trading Activities:** Any functions or events arranged on behalf of the PCC are organised by volunteers on its behalf. The PCC does not operate any trading company.

### **ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

The Revd. Dr Anand Sodadasi chairs the PCC. The PCC supervises the activities of the Parish of the Icknield Way Villages. The accounts presented with this report show the financial outcome of the combined activities of the 7 Districts within the Parish for the year ending 31st December 2021. The PCC met 4 times during the year in February, June, September and November.

The Districts are responsible for the promotion of the whole mission of the church in their communities, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, and for the operation and maintenance of the church buildings within those communities. They also support the PCC by arranging to provide financial transfers so that the PCC can fulfil its obligations (via the Icknield Way Parish Trust) to pay its quota to the Diocese, to support the Parish Office and to maintain its presence in the community.

The population of the Parish is approximately 2,300. During 2021 there were 141 (2020 – 141) parishioners on the Church Electoral Rolls.

**Church Services;** We lost 22 services in 2021 and held occasional evensongs. From March '21 on Palm Sunday the service pattern resumed with necessary covid restrictions. Some peaceful special services were also held.

**Study Groups;** From September onwards the bible study groups resumed.

**From the registers;** There has been 3 baptisms, only 1 wedding with 3 future weddings registered, and 13 funerals in 2021.

The Parish is fortunate to be able to make use of the parish office and a part-time parish manager. This serves a vital role in providing a contact point for the community, and is funded by the Parish Trust. Additionally through the Parish Trust, the Parish supports the Rector's expenses and provides resources associated with the Sunday services, together with the wider mission of the church in the Parish.

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Whilst challenged by lockdowns and the restrictions during the year Parish activity has continued all year presenting:

## **The Church Alive in the Community.**

- Church services on Sundays, with the majority of 2020 being on-line.
- All Churches were opened for private prayer through the year when Government and Church of England guidance permitted it.
- The self-sustaining Village Web magazine, delivered free to all households in the Parish for 10 months of the year
- Remembrance Day Services.

## **Activities directly related to our Christian Faith and its development.**

- During the year several bible study groups met on-line and maintained Christian teaching.
- Marriage preparation courses.
- There have been fewer activities as a result of the pandemic but Heydon Hedgehogs and Church mice have now resumed.
- The prayer group of 10-12 parishioners continue to pray for those in need and this has been running since lockdown started.
- Morning prayer in the church buildings has resumed once a week on a Tuesday and follows the Sunday 9am service.
- Anand and Jon take regular school assemblies at Chrishall Primary school.

## **Activities designed to appeal to a wider audience of people who might not normally consider attending church, examples of which include:**

- Operation of the Parish website.
- Men's group meets monthly in the Red Cow Pub.
- Heydon Hedgehogs / Church Mice

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## **RESERVES POLICY.**

The PCC, including its DCC's showed a deficit of income on general funds of £5,503 (2020 deficit £2,829) during the year. The deficit was carried to reserves.

At the year end there were £57,650.55 (2020 £52,145) in general funds across the Parish. There were also restricted and designated funds available only for the purposes (mainly fabric and repairs) specified by their donors of a further £115,511 174,949 (2020 £174,949)

In addition there are endowment funds, which are severely constrained in their uses, where the net movement of funds during the year showed a surplus of £ 75,848.22 (2020 surplus £12,758) during the year. These endowment funds are mainly held in Trust for the Parish by the Diocese. Endowment fund values totalled £1,056,009 (2020 £955,151)

These funds are held by the major high street banks, the CBF Church of England Investment Funds, building societies. Investments are also held by the Diocese of Chelmsford, by approved investment managers and by the Parish as custodians of the endowment and other funds concerned.

## **GRANT MAKING POLICY.**

The PCC in its own right has the power to make donations to any person or organisation existing for the advancement of the Christian religion in any part of the world.

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## SIGNATURE AND DECLARATION

**Declaration:** We declare, in our capacity of charity trustees, that:

- the trustees have approved the annual report above and
- have authorised us to sign it on their behalf.

**Signatures** *D.A.Sodadasi*

*L.J.Brett*

**Full names** Revd Dr Anand Sodadasi.

Laurence Brett

**Position** Rector

Treasurer

**26 April 2022.**

# Icknield Way Villages

## Accounts 31st December 2021

### Icknield Way Villages Income & Expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2021

Consolidated IWP and DCC accounts

Incoming Resources (page 7)	Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2020
Voluntary Income						
Planned Giving (Gift Aided)	17,087.00	3,295.00			20,382.00	16,861.00
Collections & Plate	8,826.00				8,826.00	8,409.00
Sundry Donations and appeals	10,231.00	2,960.00			13,191.00	10,649.00
Income Tax recovered	4,205.00	753.00			4,958.00	13,129.00
Grants		9,404.00	828.00		10,232.00	29,167.00
Income from Districts						
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes, Concerts etc	7,279.00	1,038.00			8,317.00	8,896.00
Investment Income						
Dividends and Interest	194.00	763.68	1.34	28,431.98	29,391.00	30,831.16
Income from Church Activities						
Income to be redistributed					0.00	0.00
Fees from Weddings, Funerals etc	2,286.00				2,286.00	2,327.00
Parish Magazine					0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	45.00				45.00	3,014.00
Other Incoming resources						
Other Receipts	65,949.00	5,621.00				
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<b>116,102.00</b>	<b>23,834.68</b>	<b>829.34</b>	<b>28,431.98</b>	<b>97,628.00</b>	<b>123,283.16</b>

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## **Icknield Way Villages Resources Expended (Page 8)**

	Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2020
Costs of Generating Voluntary Income						
Parish Transfers to Trust					0.00	
Fundraising trading Costs						
Event Costs	346.00				346.00	735.00
Church Activities						
Donations	310.00	50.00			360.00	310.00
Diocesan Quota	26,121.67		3,181.29		29,302.96	33,335.37
Other Clergy Costs					0.00	
Church running expenses	5,851.00				5,851.00	6,477.00
Church maintenance	505.80	1,596.00	5,707.20		7,809.00	10,882.00
Insurance	7,350.00				7,350.00	6,620.00
Upkeep of services					0.00	0.00
Upkeep of Churchyard					0.00	0.00
Church Office Costs					0.00	0.00
Bank Charges & Interest					0.00	5,225.44
Miscellaneous	876.00	51,562.85		3,422.15	55,861.00	15,813.00
Work Completed	69,236.00	22,005.00			91,241.00	74,152.95
<b>Total</b>	<b>110,596.47</b>	<b>75,213.85</b>	<b>8,888.49</b>	<b>3,422.15</b>	<b>198,120.96</b>	<b>153,550.76</b>



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	Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2020
Total Incoming Resources as above (see page 7)	116,102.00	23,834.68	829.34	28,431.98	<b>169,198.00</b>	123,283.16
Less Total Resources Expended as above (see page 8)	110,596.47	75,213.85	8,888.49	3,422.15	<b>198,120.96</b>	153,550.76
Net Incoming (outgoing) Resources	5,505.53	-51,379.17	-8,059.15	25,009.83	<b>-28,922.96</b>	-30,267.60
Transfers between funds					<b>0.00</b>	
Gains (losses) on revaluation of Fixed Assets				75,848.33	<b>75,848.33</b>	
Gains (losses) on investment assets					<b>0.00</b>	
Net movement in Funds	5,505.53	-51,379.17	-8,059.15	100,858.16	<b>46,925.37</b>	<b>-30,267.60</b>
Add Total Funds brought forward at 1 January 2021	62,975.11	187,817.01	19,394.23	955,150.89	<b>1,225,337.24</b>	<b>1,182,245.87</b>
Total Funds carried forward at 31 December 2021	<b>68,480.64</b>	<b>136,437.84</b>	<b>11,335.08</b>	<b>1,056,009.05</b>	<b>1,272,262.61</b>	1,151,978.27

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		Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2020
<b>Icknield Way Villages Balance Sheet</b>							
Fixed Assets							
	Tangible Fixed Assets						
	Investments		85,564.00		945,476.90		
	Total Fixed Assets	0.00	85,564.00	0.00	945,476.90	<b>1,031,040.90</b>	<b>881,956.81</b>
Current Assets							
	Stocks						
	Debtors	1,066.61			1,482.47	<b>2,549.08</b>	<b>1,121.52</b>
	Short Term Deposits				4,001.81	<b>4,001.81</b>	<b>7,289.18</b>
	Cash at Bank & in hand	61,273.96	59,804.64	11,335.08	105,047.87	<b>237,461.55</b>	<b>291,878.36</b>
	sub-total	62,340.57	59,804.64	11,335.08	110,532.15	<b>244,012.44</b>	<b>300,289.06</b>
	Less: Creditors falling due within 1 year						
	Total net Current Assets	62,340.57	59,804.64	11,335.08	110,532.15	244,012.44	300,289.06
Total Fixed & Current Assets less current liabilities		62,340.57	145,368.64	11,335.08	1,056,009.05	<b>1,275,053.34</b>	<b>1,182,245.87</b>
Less creditors falling due after 1 year							
Net Assets		62,340.57	145,368.64	11,335.08	1,056,009.05	<b>1,275,053.34</b>	<b>1,182,245.87</b>
Funds							
	Endowments				1,056,009.05	<b>1,056,009.05</b>	<b>955,150.89</b>
	Designated			11,335.08		<b>11,335.08</b>	<b>19,394.23</b>
	Restricted		145,368.64			<b>145,368.64</b>	<b>155,555.73</b>
	Unrestricted	62,340.57				<b>62,340.57</b>	<b>52,145.02</b>
Total Funds		<b>62,340.57</b>	<b>145,368.64</b>	<b>11,335.08</b>	<b>1,056,009.05</b>	<b>1,275,053.34</b>	<b>1,182,245.87</b>

**The Icknield Way Parish Trust.**

Charity Number 1074639.

**Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees.**

I report on the accounts of the Icknield Way Parish Trust for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are presented as:

- Accounts on pages 7 to 10

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and the Examiner**

The Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- Follow procedures laid down in the general directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of Independent Examiners 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 you as Trustees 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 opinion on 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 s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
  - to prepare accounts, which accord with these accounting records 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.

Signed: .... (signed copy held by charity)