

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: 01/01/2022

For the financial year ending on: 31/12/2022

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 26th 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)	1 Jan 22 – 31 Oct 22	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	1 Jan 22 – 31 Mar 22	Hamlet DCC
Angela Patrick		Great Chishill DCC
Fiona Dyer		Chrishall DCC
Liz Stott		Strethall DCC
Jane Duffus		Heydon DCC
John Holford	1 Jan 22 – 30 April 22	Elmdon DCC
Edward Tozer	1 May 22 – 31 Dec 22	Elmdon DCC
Bill Jones		
David Wilkinson		
Mel Chandler		
Sarah Westerhuis	1 April 22 – 31 Dec 22	Hamlet DCC

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.

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

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 2022. 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.

During the year Revd Dr Anand Sodadasi left the Parish to take up a new role in Kent. The role of Chair was taken on by Mr Jon Wayper as the Parish Warden.

The population of the Parish is approximately 2,300. During 2022 there were 137 (2021 – 141) parishioners on the Church Electoral Rolls.

Church Services; 2022 was a year of recovery for the Church with the return of 9am BCP services, 10.45 Family Worship services. Service formats also included Café Church. For the last few months of the year we were interregnum and are hugely grateful for the support of visiting clergy to lead services.

Study Groups; Firm Foundations, Barnabas group, Wednesday Afternoon group and the Mens monthly meeting at the Red Cow pub were held during the year.

From the registers; There were 3 weddings, 4 funerals and 1 baptism registered across the Parish in 2022.

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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.

2022 was a year of recovery from lockdowns and the restrictions. Parish activity has continued all year including:

The Church Alive in the Community.

- Church services on Sundays, with the majority of 2022 being in-person
- The self-sustaining Village Web magazine, delivered free to all households in the Parish for 10 months of the year
- Remembrance Day Services.
- Regular Coffee mornings
- Gospel Choir
- Installation of a 6th Bell in the tower of St Swithuns, Great Chishill
- Ukraine Vigil
- Parish Quiet Day
- Pet Service

Activities directly related to our Christian Faith and its development.

- During the year several bible study groups met and maintained Christian teaching.
- Marriage preparation courses.
- Lent Course
- Anand and Jon take regular school assemblies at Chrishall Primary school.

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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.
- Using Chrishall Village Hall for a monthly service
- Pet Service

RESERVES POLICY.

The PCC, including its DCC's showed a surplus of income on general funds of £15,185.68 (2021 surplus £5,503) during the year. The surplus was carried to reserves.

At the year end there were £71,772.52 (2021 £56,586.84) 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 £38,628.36 (2021 £134,229.83)

In addition there are endowment funds, which are severely constrained in their uses, where the net movement of funds during the year showed a deficit of £ 79,163.12 (2021 surplus £75,848.22). These endowment funds are mainly held in Trust for the Parish by the Diocese. Endowment fund values totalled £982,120.53 (2021 £1,061,283.65)

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 **J Wayper**

L.J.Brett

Full names Jon Wayper

Laurence Brett

Position Parish Warden

Treasurer

25 April 2023.

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Accounts 31st December 2022

Icknield Way Villages Income & Expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2022

Consolidated IWP and DCC accounts

	Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2021
Incoming Resources (page 7)						
Voluntary Income						
Planned Giving (Gift Aided)	18,485.46	720.00			19,205.46	20,382.00
Collections & Plate	13,394.59				13,394.59	8,826.00
Sundry Donations and appeals	9,007.89	13,682.00			22,689.89	13,191.00
Income Tax recovered	10,255.74	1,800.00			12,055.74	4,958.00
Grants	7,738.86	8,549.00			16,287.86	10,232.00
Activities for generating funds						
Fetes, Concerts etc	18,916.22	50.00			18,966.22	8,317.00
Investment Income						
Dividends and Interest	285.40	618.55	7,997.31	22,988.13	31,889.39	29,391.00
Income from Church Activities						
Income to be redistributed					0.00	0.00
Fees from Weddings, Funerals etc	5,477.72				5,477.72	2,286.00
Parish Magazine					0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous					0.00	45.00
Other Incoming resources						
Other Receipts						
Total Incoming Resources	83,561.88	25,419.55	7,997.31	22,988.13	139,966.87	97,628.00

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Icknield Way Villages Resources Expended (Page 8)

	Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2021
Costs of Generating Voluntary Income						
Parish Transfers to Trust						
Fundraising trading Costs						
Event Costs	869.55				869.55	346.00
Church Activities						
Donations	1,310.00	50.00			1,360.00	360.00
Diocesan Quota	29,102.96				29,102.96	29,302.96
Other Clergy Costs					0.00	
Church running expenses	26,871.37				26,871.37	5,851.00
Church maintenance	1,590.32	9,737.18	1,881.86	10,754.24	23,963.60	7,809.00
Insurance	8,632.00		525.29		9,157.29	7,350.00
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	0.00
Miscellaneous				6,140.53	6,140.53	55,861.00
Work Completed		16,824.00			16,824.00	91,241.00
Total	68,376.20	26,611.18	2,407.15	16,894.77	114,289.30	198,120.96

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	Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2021
Total Incoming Resources as above (see page 7)	83,561.88	25,419.55	7,997.31	22,988.13	139,966.87	169,198.00
Less Total Resources Expended as above (see page 8)	68,376.20	26,611.18	2,407.15	16,894.77	114,289.30	198,120.96
Net Incoming (outgoing) Resources	15,185.68	-1,191.63	5,590.16	6,093.36	25,677.57	-28,922.96
Transfers between funds					0.00	
Gains (losses) on revaluation of Fixed Assets				-83,933.43	-83,933.43	75,848.33
Gains (losses) on investment assets				-1,323.05	-1,323.05	
Net movement in Funds	15,185.68	-1,191.63	5,590.16	-79,163.12	-58,255.86	46,925.37
Add Total Funds brought forward at 1 January 2022	56,586.84	123,390.43	10,839.40	1,061,283.65	1,252,100.32	1,228,127.97
Total Funds carried forward at 31 December 2022	71,772.52	122,198.80	16,429.56	982,120.53	1,192,521.41	1,275,053.34

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		Unrestricted General	Restricted	Designated	Endowment	Total	2021
Icknield Way Villages Balance Sheet							
Fixed Assets							
	Tangible Fixed Assets		0.00		93,169.46		
	Investments		89,477.03		825,680.47		
	Total Fixed Assets	0.00	89,477.03	0.00	918,849.93	1,008,326.96	1,031,040.90
Current Assets							
	Stocks						
	Debtors	0.00			1,299.91		
	Short Term Deposits				4,858.85	4,858.85	4,001.81
	Cash at Bank & in hand	71,772.52	32,721.77	16,429.56	57,111.84	178,035.69	237,461.55
	sub-total	71,772.52	32,721.77	16,429.56	63,270.60	184,194.45	241,463.36
	Less: Creditors falling due within 1 year						
	Total net Current Assets	71,772.52	32,721.77	16,429.56	63,270.60	184,194.45	241,463.36
Total Fixed & Current Assets less current liabilities		71,772.52	122,198.80	16,429.56	982,120.53	1,192,521.41	1,275,053.34
Less creditors falling due after 1 year							
Net Assets		71,772.52	122,198.80	16,429.56	982,120.53	1,192,521.41	1,275,053.34
Funds							
	Endowments				982,120.53	982,120.53	1,056,009.05
	Designated			16,429.56		16,429.56	11,335.08
	Restricted		122,198.80			122,198.80	145,368.64
	Unrestricted	71,772.52				71,772.52	62,340.57
Total Funds		71,772.52	122,198.80	16,429.56	982,120.53	1,192,521.41	1,275,053.34

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of the Icknield Way Villages
(The Icknield Way PCC)
Charity Number 1136222

Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees.

I report on the accounts of the The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of the Icknield Way Villages for the year ended 31 December 2022, 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)