

PARISH CHURCH OF BARBOURNE ST STEPHEN

2021

ANNUAL REPORT



Chloe's Baptism – used with permission

Michelle Walsh - Parish Administrator
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1137099

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PREIST IN CHARGE

From the Vicar

*“Our soul waits longingly for the Lord:
He is our help and our shield.
Indeed, our heart rejoices in him;
in his holy name have we put our trust.
Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us,
as we have set our hope on you.”*

Psalm 33:20-22

Not a few times in the past two years, as I have reflected on the way in which events have unfolded, the image of a roller-coaster ride has come to mind. It has been near-impossible to guess what twists and turns lay ahead.

If you cast your mind back 12 months, last year’s APCM was conducted largely by Zoom, and the pandemic restrictions were having a considerable impact on the shape of our life as a Church: in fact they have continued to do so well into 2022. In passing I want to say I believe it is hugely important that we should – both as individuals, as Church and as a community – recognise and mark all that has been lost, in terms of loved ones no longer with us, illnesses suffered, diminished confidence and increased anxiety levels for many, and relationships disrupted. Perhaps the ongoing caution in things like the distribution of Communion will serve as valuable reminders of all this.

And yet, gradually and tentatively, through early 2022 some of what we previously regarded as “normal” has returned. It has been a joy to see **Open Church**, **Good Companions**, and **Little Stars** for example, all restarting and thriving. The same – but different! Perhaps that is how things will, and should, feel, because we are not the same people who entered the pandemic, and the world has changed. We give thanks that God has “brought us safe thus far” (in the words of the great hymn), and look with hope and trust to the future.

It would be impossible in a short report to mention everything that has happened in the year, and to thank by name all those who should be thanked, so I will limit myself to drawing your attention to a couple of areas.

The Church (building) is still standing – despite the best efforts of Storm Arwen and others! I’m incredibly grateful to Adrian Everett, Paul Kennett and Paul Amos in particular for ensuring that week-to-week maintenance has been carried out, and that a programme of more significant repairs on the fabric is being done. The available funds seriously limit what we can do, but at least there is now an understanding of the cost of what needs doing.

Your generosity in giving financially has kept the Church going. I am so grateful to everyone who contributes whether in cash or by planned giving, but it was very noticeable during the past two years that those churches where a significant proportion of giving was by standing order or direct debit were able to weather the storms far better than others. For that reason I continue to commend to you the Parish Giving Scheme. Having said that, as our Treasurer’s Report makes clear, we have for the past two years only managed to balance the books by significantly under-paying our Parish Share, which means we have not contributed to the welfare of other churches in the Diocese as much as we might have hoped. From 2022, the new Ministry Share system (which replaces Parish Share) makes much more explicit the link between the cost of ministry in a parish and

the Share requested. As the cost of living increases bite, I can only ask you to continue to assess prayerfully what you give, and to follow the principle: “First to the Lord.”

Looking forward... we continue to focus – as I am sure you all do – on wanting St Stephen’s to be a safe, welcoming and inclusive place for all, where the transforming power of God’s love is at work in real lives. I expect that our **services** will continue to offer a variety of styles of worship, not least reflecting the specific skills and strengths of those who contribute to leading them. We need to be realistic about what we can do. For example, we no longer have a large serving team, and we are not always able to find people willing to read or to lead intercessions. The reasons for this are completely understandable, but it is important to appreciate that there is an impact on the format and feel of our worship. Other changes feel more invigorating: many people have also remarked on how much they have enjoyed having refreshments in Church, rather than in the hall, after the Sunday service, and I have personally loved the ‘buzz’ it has brought.

One of the most difficult aspects of the pandemic for me and I know for many others has been how difficult it has proved for us, as for many churches, to maintain contact with our **young families**. We will continue to do what we can to engage, and hope to try some new approaches. In that connection, it has been wonderful to see so many children being brought for baptism – hence the cover picture to this report!

Following some very enjoyable Lent Groups, we are hoping in the coming months to pilot **two new home groups**, with a focus on Bible Study and prayer, to add to the existing group kindly hosted by Geoff and Joy Hill.

So a massive “Thank you” to everyone who has contributed to the life of the Church during 2021: readers and intercessors, musicians, bell-ringers, layers-on of refreshments, givers of money, flower providers, Church decorators and cleaners, Zoom attenders, garden tidiers, faithful pray-ers ... the list goes on and on! And I must also mention by name Stephen Malkinson, Margaret Mandrell, and Lindsey Coulthard for all they have done, as well of course as our wonderful Parish Administrator and Zoom host Michelle Walsh. But whatever you have done or given, perhaps especially the unsung contributions, are so valuable (as Jesus knew) and very much appreciated!

Finally, a seed to plant in your minds. A number of people have remarked that they feel the life of St Stephen’s is entering a new phase post-pandemic. It will be vitally important that we think, dream and pray **together** in the coming months about what shape this new era should take, for our collective worship, for our reaching-out to those not currently part of the Church family, and for our role in the community. What will it look like for us to be a healthy and sustainable Church in the years ahead? All views are important, and need to be listened to. So watch this space as the year progresses for thoughts on how this can best be achieved. I would ask for your partnership in one key area, perhaps above all else: in **holding the Church and our communities to God in prayer**. I am hoping that the following prayer will become something of a theme for us as we chart a path through the uncertain times ahead, confident in the trustworthiness of God who honours those who seek to honour Him.

*Faithful and loving God, our strength and our hope,
thank you for the promised gift of your Holy Spirit
to be our Comforter and Guide.*

*We ask you to bless and lead the people of this
church of St Stephen's as we seek to discern and to
do your will.*

*Through our worship, our fellowship, and our service,
may we both know in ourselves
and share with others
the reality of your abundant life
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen***

*Revd Andy Todd
Priest-in-Charge*

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE APCM **(YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2021)**

The Accounts show that we managed to make a small surplus of £50 in respect of the unrestricted (or the general) funds of the Church and excluding the unrealised gain in the value of the investments, but this was a result of the PCC deciding not to pay the requested parish share by £23,564. The PCC agreed to transfer £5,000 to the fabric fund.

It should be noted that Parish Share was replaced with Ministry Share and the basic request for 2022 is £65,755, although we are encouraged to increase the amount paid to near to the old Parish Share calculation of £92,885 to cover the shortfall that are anticipated from other parishes who have suffered an increased demand under the Ministry Share scheme.

Turning to the Accounts and starting at page 17 which gives details of the items of income and expenditure:

- a) The total money received under planned giving (that is the money paid by standing order or under the Parish Giving Scheme) has risen slightly from the previous year of £59,809 to £61,191. The move to use the Parish Giving Scheme helps to reduce the administration time dealing with the monthly receipts and to automatically recover the gift aid on a monthly basis without having to do the work ourselves.
- b) The grants and donations in the main relate to monies received for specific purposes.

Whilst the accounts appear to show a healthy position because we underpaid the requested parish share, the amount held in the fabric fund is to only £29,768 with which to pay any call for urgent repairs at any time. We have received substantial quotations for works to the buildings to carry out basic repairs and the PCC is prioritising the works with the funds available.

If you have any questions on the accounts, please ask me or e-mail your question to
Richard.hemmings211@btinternet.com

Richard Hemmings

CHURCH FABRIC REPORT 2021

Due to the pandemic lockdowns, a lot of what we expected to do was put on hold due to lack of availability of contractors and materials. The Quinquennial Report of October 2019 had identified some major works that we had hoped to undertake but didn't, however, the year ended with Storm Arwen ripping tiles off the south Nave Roof (mainly) and forced us to act rapidly to undertake the repairs as soon as possible to prevent further deterioration of the building.

However, we have made some minor inroads into improving the buildings' facilities and safety, although the larger works are still under consideration. A summary of the more significant works undertaken are as follows:-

Annual Servicing:

Church & Hall gas boilers, PAT Testing portable appliances, Church Clock.

Church:

Broadband Cable & Router installation. Repairs to south roofs of Nave and Aisle following Storm Arwen damage (~120 tiles replaced).

Tower:

Fly infestation required an Insect-o-cutor installation to help prevent future invasions. Church Clock timing system replaced for an optic unit. Faulty electrics repaired. New safety measures installed to prevent unauthorised access to dangerous areas and check the tower is clear before ringing commences.

Hall:

Repaired the dip in the car park. Repairs to the Covered Pathway guttering and walls, wooden uprights painted. New LED Baton lights installed into the ladies & gents toilets and replace extractor fan in the gents toilets. Front Door & Lock repairs following a break-in in July. Repairs to roof gulley. Repairs to damaged power sockets in main hall.

Grounds/Graveyard:

Droitwich Road entrance pillar repaired. Underground Services undertaken; electrics, gas, drains, etc.

I wish to thank Paul Kennett, Geoff Hill and Claire & Lee Thomas (Sticky Fingers) for their support in assisting with and/or undertaking some of the above works, along with the everyday repairs that keep the buildings in a useable state for us all.

Adrian Everett – Fabric Coordinator

SAFEGUARDING REPORT 2021

I would like to start by saying a big thank you to all our volunteers. It is great that church activities are able to take place again and of course to remember how important it is to keep us all safe.

If anyone is thinking of becoming a volunteer, all that is required in most cases is for you to sign a form to say that you have read and agree with our safeguarding policy, copies of which can be found in the porch and on our website and to complete basic awareness online training – designed to raise awareness of safeguarding issues and what to do with any concerns.

I would also like to thank everyone who has undertaken the training so far. Safeguarding is such a vital part of our church life and because of this, training is mandatory for all volunteers. Unfortunately, take up is low, so I would encourage everyone to undertake the training and to let me know when they have completed it so that

I can update my records. It only takes forty minutes or so, is easily accessed and all who do it find it to be interesting and informative. My contact details are below, please do get in touch with any questions.

For a small number of volunteers, with more complex roles and those involving close contact with children or vulnerable adults, more advanced training is required and a DBS check. We are now required to renew DBS certificates every three years as opposed to every five years. We will be implementing this over the next couple of years so I will be getting in touch with the relevant people over the coming months.

I have been attending regular Parish Safeguarding Network meetings which are always very helpful. It's good to meet with safeguarding officers from other parishes and the Diocesan Safeguarding team who remain very supportive. Currently we are the only diocese in the country with every parish signed up to the dashboard method. This means that we can do everything online. It is easier to access information and record how we're getting on with our compliances. And of course, it is paperless so more eco-friendly too!

Please feel free to contact me at any time, whether it be for help with accessing the online training, applying for a DBS certificate or, even more importantly, getting in touch with any concerns you may have, no matter how trivial they might seem. Or of course contact Andy if you would prefer.

Also, thank you to those of you who have been brave enough to come to me or Andy with their concerns, we are aware that it is not an easy thing to do. Please know that if you do have any worries they will be dealt with respectfully and confidentially and remember that if you're worried it's worth mentioning!

Finally, thank you to Andy and the PCC for their continued support.

Carol Amos PSO

ELECTORAL ROLL REPORT 2021

Due to the COVID pandemic no revision or report was made for 2020 as it was felt that we should wait and see what happened to our Congregation during the year.

Therefore we entered the Year 2021 with an Electoral Roll numbering 146 (as at the end of 2019).

The Roll was gradually revised during 2021 and we left 2021 with a Roll of 137 people.

The drop in numbers was due to a number of factors, people had moved away and not asked to be removed from the Roll, some had gone to care homes out of reach of the Parish, some had unfortunately passed away and some had just not returned to Church for whatever reason.

It is interesting to note that more than 55% of members of the Roll live outside the Parish Boundaries!

It is only Electoral Roll members who are eligible to vote for and stand for election to the PCC and other offices within the Parish.

The Roll complies with Data Protection Regulations as they stood at the APCM in 2021 and will be updated to any new Data Protection standards as necessary.

Access to the Electoral Roll is restricted on a "need to know" basis and is controlled by the Roll Officer and the Priest-in-Charge to who any queries should be addressed.

The Roll is for Church purposes only.

Paul Kennett – Electoral Roll Officer

OPEN CHURCH REPORT

Due, mainly, to Covid restrictions, we were not able to have Open Church, as we did prior to the Pandemic.

We did phone a couple of our regular visitors. Unfortunately, we could not keep in touch with more than this, because we did not have contact details for them. We hope to remedy this in 2022.

We are looking forward to having Open Church in 2022 and, once again, being able to welcome people for refreshments and chat or, if they prefer, just a quiet time, on their own.

It has been missed by those who are welcomed and those who do the welcoming.

Sue Gething

SUNDAY MORNING REFRESHMENTS REPORT

After our on-line Sunday morning services on Zoom, the popularity of the break out rooms proved how much we valued meeting and supporting each other. It has therefore been lovely to be able to resume refreshments in person in Church from November 2021 onwards. We are really grateful to our group of dedicated volunteers who have welcomed visitors and regular worshippers to our Church community with a warm drink, biscuits and cheery conversation.

If you might be interested in joining our rota and serving refreshments approximately once every eight weeks, please do have a word or send a message to ruth.scotson@gmail.com

Ruth Scotson

GOOD COMPANIONS REPORT

In July 2021, we began to meet again in the grounds of the Church to have a tentative social gathering. This was very successful but very hot on one occasion.

Indoor meetings began again on 6th September when Lindsay talked to us about her love of motorbiking. From then until December we met as usual with 4 indoor meetings and 3 trips out to Worcester Art Gallery, The Cathedral to see the Undercroft and for lunch at the Cob House Mayfly Cafe.

This year we have continued with indoor meetings plus two lunch trips. It is difficult to beat the visit of beautiful well trained dogs which Merleen from Hearing Dogs brought to us.

From now on our indoor meetings will take place in Church, so a change for us. We look forward to meeting you at any of our future events.

Committee - Christine Allen, Margaret Mandrell and Lynda Niccolls

LITTLE STARS REPORT

It was with great excitement but also some anxiety that we reopened the doors of Little Stars in November 2021. We weren't sure if anyone we already knew would come back, or whether new people would be drawn in, after so long with groups like this not taking place. We were pleasantly surprised on both counts! Old friends swiftly returned, together with lots of new faces, some of whom soon became part of our regular crowd. We've usually had 15 to 20 children each week, so bigger numbers than pre-pandemic. Many thanks to the small team who make this group possible week by week, both in person and behind the scenes.

Viv Todd

BISHOP ALLENBY HALL REPORT

The hall has resumed more activity as this year has progressed, with many Covid restrictions still in place during the first half of the year, both Good Companions and Brownies made use of our outside space, holding picnics and meetings around the hall and church grounds. Somers Folk club resumed weekly hall hire from July, WI in August and Good Companions, Brownies & Chess Club resuming hall use from September. Sticky Fingers have continued their hall use throughout the 2021 Covid restrictions and continue to be a popular and successful pre-school. We have unfortunately lost a few hirers due the pandemic and Camera Club continue to hold the hall until they hope to return next year. In September we gained a new hirer, Cheerdance, on Tuesday evenings and we look forward to the prospect of new hirers joining us as we return more to normality.

Thanks to Claire Thomas for her continued care and extensive cleaning of the hall during a very difficult time where cleaning and sanitation has been paramount. Thanks also to Paul Kennett, and Adrian Everett for the valued maintenance they provide at the hall.

Michelle Walsh

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2021

This report is a synopsis of the work of the re-formed Deanery Synod for the Worcester Area for the year 2021. Our first meeting was on the 9th March and after being opened by the new Area Dean, Revd. Diane Cooksey our zoom meeting showed 63 active screens including members from the former Deaneries of Martley and Worcester West, Worcester East, and the Saltway Team part of the Droitwich Deanery. We were given instruction by the two Archdeacons and Bishop Martin as to their expectations. Diane Cooksey stated who she intended to appoint as her Leadership Team of six and she was then commissioned. Three further meetings for 2021 were planned and announced those being, June, September, and November. Our June meeting was again held on Zoom with Alison Maddocks in her new role as 'Dean of Smaller Churches' speaking to us. We were told that the current definition of a 'smaller church' is based on an Electoral Roll of 20 or less. The 2018 figures are in use at this moment. The September meeting was supposed to be 'face to face' and incorporate a Deanery Service to be held at All Saints in the Deansway. Unfortunately, some people did not appreciate that it was an actual meeting and not a voluntary attendance, misunderstood the instructions given, were worried about the then lack of motor fuel available in the UK or the several other reasons that were given. As it was, those few that attended, enjoyed the experience. November's meeting was again back on Zoom with darker nights and a reoccurrence of Covid surging in the area. John Preston

the Diocesan Secretary dealt with the financial health of the Diocese and explained in detail why certain decisions are being taken on our behalf. Whilst the details are not always pleasant to hear, I am sure that your appointed Deanery Synod Representative has already passed on to you, via your PCC's, the salient points. On a more positive note, A Deanery Questionnaire was prepared by the Leadership Team and most churches, though not all, have replied to that. Analysis of those answers is taking place at the time of writing this summary and some of that evidence and examples will be used at the Diocesan 'Open Conversations 3' due to be held throughout 2022. Deanery synod always used to be referred to something along the lines of a 'group of people in a meeting waiting to go home' and many felt that it had lost its way in the greater scheme of things. By reducing the number of Deaneries and increasing the sizes to now include both Rural and Urban Churches there is a strong chance that your church can by using the stronger voice of an expanded group have a meaningful input into the Worcester Diocese. I urge you to make sure that your Representatives regularly report back to you and that you also ensure that your views and wishes go back, via them into the melting pot.

Paul Fulbrook (Worcester Area Deanery Secretary – February 2022)

Charity registration number: 1137099

**The Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of St Stephen's,
Barbourne**

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

**The Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of St Stephen's,
Barbourne**

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**The Parochial Church Council of the
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Reference and Administrative Details

Trustees	Rev A G Todd
	Mr M Bunn
	Mr R Hemmings
	Mr G Hill
	Mr G Gething
	Mr P Kennett
	Mrs B Thorp
	Mrs M Mandrell
	Mrs D Fulbrook
	Mrs C Amos
	Mr N S Wake
	Mrs R J Scotson
	Miss H L Lems
Principal Office	c/o Mr R Hemmings 25 Whinfield Road Worcester WR3 7HF
Charity Registration Number	1137099
Independent Examiner	M A Skellum FCA Ballards LLP 11c Kingswood Road Hampton Lovett Droitwich Worcestershire WR9 0QH

**The Parochial Church Council of the
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Trustees' Report

The trustees present the annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021.

Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The primary objective of the charity is the promotion in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the church.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales by carrying out its normal activities.

Structure, governance and management

Nature of governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing documents, trusts distilled from the United Reform Church Arts of Parliament (1971 and 1982) and the Scheme of Union (1972).

Day to day management of the charity is carried out by the members of the PCC, all of whom are also trustees.

Reference and Administrative Details

Members of the PCC

Members of the PCC, who are also trustees, are either ex officio or elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

Impact of COVID-19

In common with many Churches, the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the activities and financial position of St Stephen's has been significant. The necessity either to close the Church buildings, or to restrict the attendance, has substantially reduced the income from lettings, weekly collections and fundraising in particular. This has not affected the Trustees' assessment that the Church remains a going concern, but the longer-term impact of the pandemic remains to be seen.

04 Apr 2022

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr R Hemmings
Trustee

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

04 Apr 2022

Approved by the trustees of the charity on and signed on its behalf by:



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Mr R Hemmings
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of St Stephens PCC Barbourne

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 5 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of St Stephens PCC Barbourne you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

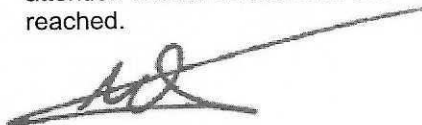
I report in respect of my examination of the St Stephens PCC Barbourne's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of St Stephens PCC Barbourne as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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 no concerns and 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.



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M A Skellum FCA

Ballards LLP
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Hampton Lovett
Droitwich
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WR9 0QH

Date 7 April 2022

**The Parochial Church Council of the
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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	87,940	13,518	-	101,458
Charitable activities	3	18,259	-	-	18,259
Other trading activities	4	54	-	-	54
Investment income	5	466	-	51	517
Total Income		106,719	13,518	51	120,288
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		(20)	-	-	(20)
Charitable activities		(100,500)	(3,472)	-	(103,972)
Total Expenditure		(100,520)	(3,472)	-	(103,992)
Gains/losses on investment assets		3,009	-	29	3,038
Net income		9,208	10,046	80	19,334
Gross transfers between funds		(6,249)	6,300	(51)	-
Net movement in funds		2,959	16,346	29	19,334
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		36,859	44,328	1,879	83,066
Total funds carried forward	12	39,818	60,674	1,908	102,400

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	80,615	804	-	81,419
Charitable activities	3	19,062	-	-	19,062
Other trading activities	4	346	-	-	346
Investment income	5	289	-	58	347
Total Income		100,312	804	58	101,174
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		(20)	-	-	(20)
Charitable activities		(94,923)	(3,396)	-	(98,319)
Total Expenditure		(94,943)	(3,396)	-	(98,339)
Gains/losses on investment assets		(3,407)	-	86	(3,321)
Net income/(expenditure)		1,962	(2,592)	144	(486)
Gross transfers between funds		(5,243)	5,301	(58)	-
Net movement in funds		(3,281)	2,709	86	(486)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		40,140	41,619	1,793	83,552
Total funds carried forward	12	36,859	44,328	1,879	83,066

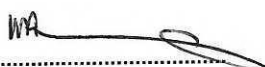
All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.
The funds breakdown for 2020 is shown in note 12.

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(Registration number: 1137099)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	8	-	-
Investments	9	17,864	14,827
		<u>17,864</u>	<u>14,827</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	10	8,992	9,895
Cash at bank and in hand		109,089	84,879
		<u>118,081</u>	<u>94,774</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(33,545)	(26,535)
Net current assets		<u>84,536</u>	<u>68,239</u>
Net assets		<u>102,400</u>	<u>83,066</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Endowment		1,908	1,879
Restricted		60,674	44,328
Unrestricted income funds			
Unrestricted		<u>39,818</u>	<u>36,859</u>
Total funds	12	<u>102,400</u>	<u>83,066</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 18 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 11 April 2022 and signed on their behalf by:


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Mr R Hemmings
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2021

1 Accounting policies

Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a "true and fair" view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a "true and fair" view. This departure has involved following Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 6 July 2014 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Basis of preparation

St Stephens PCC Barbourne meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement

The charity opted to early adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

Going concern

The trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Income and endowments

Voluntary income including donations, gifts, legacies and grants that provide core funding or are of a general nature is recognised when the charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Donations and legacies

Donations and legacies are recognised on a receivable basis when receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Grants receivable

Grants are recognised when the charity has an entitlement to the funds and any conditions linked to the grants have been met. Where performance conditions are attached to the grant and are yet to be met, the income is recognised as a liability and included on the balance sheet as deferred income to be released.

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Expenditure

All expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to that expenditure, it is probable settlement is required and the amount can be measured reliably. All costs are allocated to the applicable expenditure heading that aggregate similar costs to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs.

Raising funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, the management of investments and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the charity's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees's meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Government grants

Government grants are recognised based on the accrual model and are measured at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are classified as relating either to revenue or to assets. Grants relating to revenue are recognised in income over the period in which the related costs are recognised. Grants relating to assets are recognised over the expected useful life of the asset. Where part of a grant relating to an asset is deferred, it is recognised as deferred income.

Taxation

The charity is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the charity is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Tangible fixed assets

Individual fixed assets are initially recorded at cost, less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

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Depreciation and amortisation

Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets so as to write off the cost or valuation, less any estimated residual value, over their expected useful economic life as follows:

Asset class	Depreciation method and rate
Furniture and equipment	20% on cost

Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments, other than programme related investments, are included at market value at the balance sheet date. Realised gains and losses on investments are calculated as the difference between sales proceeds and their market value at the start of the year, or their subsequent cost, and are charged or credited to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period of disposal.

Unrealised gains and losses represent the movement in market values during the year and are credited or charged to the Statement of Financial Activities based on the market value at the year end.

Fund structure

Unrestricted income funds are general funds that are available for use at the trustees's discretion in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.

Restricted income funds are those donated for use in a particular area or for specific purposes, the use of which is restricted to that area or purpose.

2 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Donations and legacies;				
Donations from individuals	7,094	-	7,094	3,997
Gift aid reclaimed	14,542	985	15,527	13,317
Grants, including capital grants;				
Government grants	5,113	12,533	17,646	4,296
Regular giving and capital donations	61,191	-	61,191	59,809
	<u>87,940</u>	<u>13,518</u>	<u>101,458</u>	<u>81,419</u>

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3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Hall Hire	10,529	10,529	8,653
Fees	7,730	7,730	10,409
	<u>18,259</u>	<u>18,259</u>	<u>19,062</u>

4 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Events income;	54	54	346
Other events income	54	54	346
	<u>54</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>346</u>

5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Endowment funds Expendable £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Other income from fixed asset investments	466	51	517	347
	<u>466</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>517</u>	<u>347</u>

6 Trustees remuneration and expenses

No trustees, nor any persons connected with them, have received any remuneration from the charity during the year.

No trustees have received any reimbursed expenses or any other benefits from the charity during the year.

7 Taxation

The charity is a registered charity and is therefore exempt from taxation.

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8 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 January 2021	1,800	1,800
At 31 December 2021	1,800	1,800
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2021	1,800	1,800
At 31 December 2021	1,800	1,800
Net book value		
At 31 December 2021	-	-
At 31 December 2020	-	-

9 Fixed asset investments

Other investments

	Listed investments £	Total £
Cost or Valuation		
At 1 January 2021	14,827	14,827
Revaluation	3,037	3,037
At 31 December 2021	17,864	17,864
Net book value		
At 31 December 2021	17,864	17,864
At 31 December 2020	14,827	14,827

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

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10 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments	5,909	7,167
Other debtors	3,083	2,728
	<u>8,992</u>	<u>9,895</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Parish share creditor	17,500	10,000
Other creditors	15,520	16,035
Accruals	525	500
	<u>33,545</u>	<u>26,535</u>

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12 Funds	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted						
General						
Unrestricted fund	36,859	106,719	(100,520)	(6,249)	3,009	39,818
Restricted						
Restricted fund	44,328	13,518	(3,471)	6,300	-	60,675
Endowment						
Expendable						
Endowment fund	1,879	50	-	(51)	29	1,907
	1,879	50	-	(51)	29	1,907
Total funds	83,066	120,287	(103,991)	-	3,038	102,400

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	Balance at 1 January 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2020 £
Unrestricted funds						
General						
Unrestricted fund	40,140	100,312	(94,943)	(5,243)	(3,407)	36,859
Restricted funds						
Restricted fund	41,619	804	(3,396)	5,301	-	44,328
Endowment funds						
Expendable						
Endowment fund	1,793	58	-	(58)	86	1,879
	1,793	58	-	(58)	86	1,879
Total funds	83,552	101,174	(98,339)	-	(3,321)	83,066

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13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds General £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds Permanent £	Total funds 2021 £
Fixed asset investments	15,956	-	1,908	17,864
Current assets	57,407	60,674	-	118,081
Current liabilities	(33,544)	-	-	(33,544)
Total net assets	39,819	60,674	1,908	102,401

14 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Planned giving	61,191	59,809
Appeals and donations	7,094	3,997
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	14,542	13,254
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	985	63
Grants and donations	5,113	3,555
Grants received	12,533	741
Use of hall	10,529	8,653
Fees and supplies	7,730	10,409
Social events	54	346
Income from listed investments	466	289
Income from listed investments	51	58
	<hr/> 120,288	<hr/> 101,174
Total Income		
Expenditure on:		
Social event costs	(20)	(20)
Grants payable - missionary societies	(3,500)	(3,000)
Grants payable - missionary societies	-	(3,200)
Parish Share	(67,500)	(65,000)
Clergy expenses	-	(500)
Service costs, music and choir	(1,625)	(1,617)
Service costs, music and choir	(138)	-
Grants payable - individuals	(1,899)	(64)
Fees passed to Diocese	(4,165)	(6,976)
Curate	(680)	-
Refugees	(755)	-
Light, heat and power	(6,144)	(5,055)
Insurance	(5,446)	(5,603)
Repairs and maintenance	(7,318)	(2,838)
Repairs and maintenance	-	(132)
Printing, postage and stationery	(891)	(369)
Sundry expenses	(24)	(4)
Cleaning	(1,424)	(1,666)
Accountancy fees	(547)	(510)
Legal and professional fees	(1,916)	(1,785)
	<hr/> (103,992)	<hr/> (98,339)
Total Expenditure		
Gains/losses on investment assets	<hr/> 3,038	<hr/> (3,321)
Net movement in funds	19,334	(486)

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	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	<u>83,066</u>	<u>83,552</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>102,400</u></u>	<u><u>83,066</u></u>

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Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of St Stephens PCC Barbourne

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021 which are set out on pages 5 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees of St Stephens PCC Barbourne you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

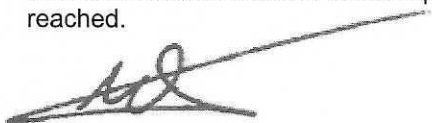
I report in respect of my examination of the St Stephens PCC Barbourne's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of St Stephens PCC Barbourne as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting 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 no concerns and 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.



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