

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE APMG YEAR TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Accounts show that we managed to make a surplus of £2,655 in respect of the unrestricted (or the general) funds of the Church and excluding the unrealised gain in the value of the investments. This was because the PCC only made a token contribution to the Diocesan Fund for other parishes as the ministry share reduced to £65,755 from nearly £92,885 in 2020. PCC agreed to transfer £5,000 to the fabric fund.

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 £61,191 to £63,288. 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.
- c) We also benefited from being able to hold an Autumn Fair this year.

Whilst the accounts appear to show a healthy position but they do not account for potential substantial quotations for works to the buildings to carry out basic repairs, particularly from the Quinquennial review 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

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 2022

**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
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	Mr R Hemmings
	Mr P Kennett
	Mrs B Thorp
	Mrs M Mandrell
	Mrs D Fulbrook
	Mrs C Amos
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Charity Registration Number	1137099
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**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 2022.

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.

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.


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.

The annual report was approved by the trustees of the charity on 22/3/23 and signed on its behalf by:


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Mr R Hemmings
Trustee

**The Parochial Church Council of the
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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 Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, 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.

Approved by the trustees of the charity on 22/3/23 and signed on its behalf by:


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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of St Stephens PCC Barbourne for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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.

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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

	Note	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total 2022 £
Income and Endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	2	96,787	18,347	-	115,134
Charitable activities	3	28,398	-	-	28,398
Other trading activities	4	5,649	-	-	5,649
Investment income	5	622	-	49	671
Other income		130	-	-	130
Total Income		<u>131,586</u>	<u>18,347</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>149,982</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		(837)	-	-	(837)
Charitable activities		<u>(123,094)</u>	<u>(10,187)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(133,281)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(123,931)</u>	<u>(10,187)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(134,118)</u>
Gains/losses on investment assets		<u>1,739</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(246)</u>	<u>1,493</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		9,394	8,160	(197)	17,357
Gross transfers between funds		<u>(5,251)</u>	<u>5,300</u>	<u>(49)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		4,143	13,460	(246)	17,357
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>39,818</u>	<u>60,674</u>	<u>1,908</u>	<u>102,400</u>
Total funds carried forward	12	<u>43,961</u>	<u>74,134</u>	<u>1,662</u>	<u>119,757</u>

The notes on pages 8 to 18 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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**Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 December 2022
(continued)**

	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		<u>106,719</u>	<u>13,518</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>120,288</u>
Expenditure on:					
Raising funds		(20)	-	-	(20)
Charitable activities		<u>(100,500)</u>	<u>(3,472)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(103,972)</u>
Total Expenditure		<u>(100,520)</u>	<u>(3,472)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(103,992)</u>
Gains/losses on investment assets		<u>3,009</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>3,038</u>
Net income		9,208	10,046	80	19,334
Gross transfers between funds		<u>(6,249)</u>	<u>6,300</u>	<u>(51)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		2,959	16,346	29	19,334
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>36,859</u>	<u>44,328</u>	<u>1,879</u>	<u>83,066</u>
Total funds carried forward	12	<u><u>39,818</u></u>	<u><u>60,674</u></u>	<u><u>1,908</u></u>	<u><u>102,400</u></u>

All of the charity's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two periods.

The funds breakdown for 2021 is shown in note 12.

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**(Registration number: 1137099)
Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022**

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Investments	9	19,357	17,864
Current assets			
Debtors	10	11,017	8,992
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>123,160</u>	<u>109,089</u>
		134,177	118,081
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	<u>(33,777)</u>	<u>(33,545)</u>
Net current assets		<u>100,400</u>	<u>84,536</u>
Net assets		<u>119,757</u>	<u>102,400</u>
Funds of the charity:			
Endowment funds		1,661	1,908
Restricted funds		74,135	60,674
Unrestricted funds		<u>43,961</u>	<u>39,818</u>
Total funds	12	<u>119,757</u>	<u>102,400</u>

The financial statements on pages 5 to 18 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 22/3/23 and signed on their behalf by:


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Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

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. The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts.

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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**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022
(continued)**

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 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 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 funds £
Donations and legacies;			
Donations from individuals	13,248	-	13,248
Gift aid reclaimed	16,674	203	16,877
Grants, including capital grants;			
Government grants	3,577	18,144	21,721
Regular giving and capital donations	63,288	-	63,288
Total for 2022	96,787	18,347	115,134
Total for 2021	87,940	13,518	101,458

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**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 December 2022
(continued)**

3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Hall Hire	15,371	15,371
Fees	13,027	13,027
Total for 2022	<u>28,398</u>	<u>28,398</u>
Total for 2021	<u>18,259</u>	<u>18,259</u>

4 Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds General £	Total funds £
Events income;		
Other events income	5,649	5,649
Total for 2022	<u>5,649</u>	<u>5,649</u>
Total for 2021	<u>54</u>	<u>54</u>

5 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds General £	Endowment funds Expendable £	Total funds £
Other income from fixed asset investments	622	49	671
Total for 2022	<u>622</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>671</u>
Total for 2021	<u>466</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>517</u>

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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.

8 Tangible fixed assets

	Furniture and equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 January 2022	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 January 2022	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,800</u>	<u>1,800</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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9 Fixed asset investments

Other investments

	Listed investments £	Total £
Cost or Valuation		
At 1 January 2022	17,864	17,864
Revaluation	<u>1,493</u>	<u>1,493</u>
At 31 December 2022	<u>19,357</u>	<u>19,357</u>
Net book value		
At 31 December 2022	<u>19,357</u>	<u>19,357</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>17,864</u>	<u>17,864</u>

There were no investment assets outside the UK.

10 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Prepayments	8,086	5,909
Other debtors	<u>2,931</u>	<u>3,083</u>
	<u>11,017</u>	<u>8,992</u>

11 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Parish share creditor	16,000	17,500
Other creditors	17,227	15,520
Accruals	<u>550</u>	<u>525</u>
	<u>33,777</u>	<u>33,545</u>

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12 Funds	Balance at 1 January 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2022 £
Unrestricted funds						
<i>General</i>						
Unrestricted fund	39,818	134,009	(126,355)	(5,251)	1,740	43,961
Restricted funds						
Restricted fund	60,674	18,347	(10,187)	5,300	-	74,134
Endowment funds						
<i>Expendable</i>						
Endowment fund	1,908	49	-	(49)	(246)	1,662
	1,908	49	-	(49)	(246)	1,662
Total funds	102,400	152,405	(136,542)	-	1,494	119,757

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	Balance at 1 January 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Other recognised gains/(losses) £	Balance at 31 December 2021 £
Unrestricted funds						
<i>General</i>						
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 funds						
<i>Expendable</i>						
Endowment fund	1,879	51	-	(51)	28	1,907
	1,879	51	-	(51)	28	1,907
Total funds	83,066	120,288	(103,991)	-	3,037	102,400

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(continued)**

13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds		Restricted funds	Total funds at 31 December 2022
	General	Designated		
	£	£	£	£
Fixed asset investments	17,696	-	1,661	19,357
Current assets	96,322	37,855	-	134,177
Current liabilities	(33,777)	-	-	(33,777)
Total net assets	<u>80,241</u>	<u>37,855</u>	<u>1,661</u>	<u>119,757</u>

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds at 31 December 2021
	General	Permanent		
	£	£	£	£
Fixed asset investments	15,956	-	1,908	17,864
Current assets	57,407	60,673	-	118,080
Current liabilities	(33,544)	-	-	(33,544)
Total net assets	<u>39,819</u>	<u>60,673</u>	<u>1,908</u>	<u>102,400</u>

14 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions in the year.

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	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Income and Endowments from:		
Planned giving	63,288	61,191
Appeals and donations	13,248	7,094
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	16,674	14,542
Gift Aid tax reclaimed	203	985
Grants and donations	3,577	5,113
Grants received	18,144	12,533
Use of hall	15,371	10,529
Fees and supplies	13,027	7,730
Social events	5,649	54
Income from listed investments	622	466
Income from listed investments	49	51
Commission received	130	-
Total Income	<u>149,982</u>	<u>120,288</u>
Expenditure on:		
Social event costs	(837)	(20)
Grants payable - missionary societies	(1,176)	(3,500)
Parish Share	(83,424)	(67,500)
Service costs, music and choir	(1,503)	(1,625)
Service costs, music and choir	(64)	(138)
Grants payable - individuals	(693)	(1,899)
Fees passed to Diocese	(7,548)	(4,165)
Junior support costs	(8,789)	-
Curate	-	(680)
Refugees	(641)	(755)
Light, heat and power	(10,699)	(6,144)
Insurance	(5,945)	(5,446)
Repairs and maintenance	(5,749)	(7,318)
Printing, postage and stationery	(1,522)	(891)
Sundry expenses	(6)	(24)
Cleaning	(1,713)	(1,424)
Accountancy fees	(571)	(547)
Legal and professional fees	(3,238)	(1,916)
Total Expenditure	<u>(134,118)</u>	<u>(103,992)</u>
Gains/losses on investment assets	<u>1,493</u>	<u>3,038</u>
Net movement in funds	17,357	19,334

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Reconciliation of funds		
Total funds brought forward	<u>102,400</u>	<u>83,066</u>
Total funds carried forward	<u><u>119,757</u></u>	<u><u>102,400</u></u>

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