

# THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF CENTRAL TELFORD

England & Wales · Charity number 1140301

## Details

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**Other names** CENTRAL TELFORD PARISH PCC

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Previously excepted

**Registered** 2011-02-09

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** Promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church.

**Activities:** Provides Christian worship, spiritual guidance, works in local schools, care and nurture at times of significant life events, promotes the Christian marriage, works in deprived areas, offers projects and support in conjunction with local service, work with ex-offenders to prevent re-offending and works in any ways to bring an expression of God and Reflecting Jesus Everywhere in the town

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Shropshire
- Telford & Wrekin

## Finances

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| Period end | Income   | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2024-12-31 | £139,343 | £131,508    | -      | -         |
| 2023-12-31 | £131,696 | £120,015    | -      | -         |
| 2022-12-31 | £198,570 | £138,595    | -      | -         |
| 2021-12-31 | £99,479  | £104,378    | -      | -         |
| 2020-12-31 | £109,737 | £156,147    | -      | -         |

## Trustees

| Name                                        | Role  | Appointed  |
|---------------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| <b>The Revd Preb Joanna Helen Farnworth</b> | Chair | 2022-05-22 |
| CHRISTOHER ROBERT HICKS                     |       |            |
| Chris Prescott                              |       | 2023-03-28 |
| DOREEN DYSON                                |       |            |
| Eileen Robertson                            |       | 2019-04-09 |
| Hannah Elizabeth Yapp                       |       | 2019-04-09 |
| Janet Yapp                                  |       | 2024-05-19 |
| Lorraine Dawn Granger                       |       | 2023-03-28 |
| Lorraine Dawn Granger                       |       | 2026-04-30 |
| MARGARET CARTWRIGHT                         |       |            |
| MARY JOSEPHINE SHELTON RICHARDS             |       | 2021-05-05 |
| Scott Edwards                               |       | 2023-03-29 |

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# Accounts

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**Charity Registration No 1140301**

# **Annual Report & Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of Central Telford for the year ending 31 December 2024**

**Incorporating the District Churches of  
Holy Trinity, Dawley  
St. Leonard, Malinslee  
St. John, Lawley  
St. Mary, Ketley**



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## Section 1: Trustees Report

### 1. Objectives and Activities:

The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford (the PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Jo Farnworth, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also spiritually responsible for the maintenance of the churches.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of our parish community at Central Telford. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Some powers and functions are delegated to each District Church Council, as set out in the Parish Scheme.

Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. Also, through non sacramental activities of hospitality and fellowship we aim to reach non churched members of the community.

#### Public Benefit

The trustees of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of Central Telford it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community by providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and

for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and by promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of our church buildings, St John's church hall and our churchyards.

### 2. Achievements and Performance

#### Attendance at Services:

| Total attendance  | TOTAL | HT   | St J | St L | St M |
|-------------------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| Average Sunday    | 97    | 35   | 22   | 25   | 15   |
| Messy Church      | 37    | 37   | -    | -    | -    |
| Easter Eve/Day    | 166   | 55   | 27   | 60   | 24   |
| Christmas Eve/Day | 347   | 130  | 125  | 65   | 27   |
| Carol Services    | 1238  | *520 | 189  | 433  | 96   |

\*Includes 135 from St James, Stirchley Carol Service

#### Baptisms, weddings and funerals:

|              | TOTAL | HT | St J | St L | St M |
|--------------|-------|----|------|------|------|
| Baptisms     | 53    | 17 | 16   | 14   | 6    |
| Weddings     | 3     | 0  | 1    | 1    | 1    |
| Funerals*    | 55    | 17 | 17   | 12   | 9    |
| Interments** | 26    | 9  | 4    | 12   | 1    |

\*Includes funerals at crematorium for people living in the district

\*\*Includes interments at St Luke, Doseley and St James, Stirchley

#### Report on buildings and churchyards:

In November 2023, each church had its Quinquennial Inspection by Geraint Roberts – some of the reports are still awaited at the end of 2024.

St Leonard's condemned heating boiler was replaced with a gas boiler, funded by a grant from the Asda Foundation. Following being given a generous donation, the area where there were damaged floor tiles in the main worship space has now been carpeted. It has made a very well-received attractive improvement to St. Leonard's. Items of work highlighted in the Quinquennial Inspection are being prioritised and quotes obtained for carrying out the urgent items.

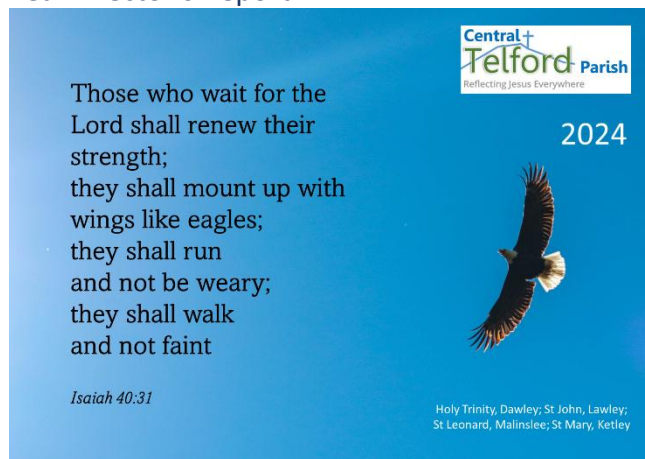
Various other minor repairs/regular maintenance items were carried out during the year.

Holy Trinity church also resolved the problems with their heating system and a new controller was installed early in the year. A leaking radiator pipe was discovered after the Christmas Fair, but prompt action led to there being only minor damage and a repair was carried out. At some point the building will need painting (including the ringing chamber) and research is being carried out to find an appropriate paint. An asbestos survey identified that there is asbestos in the boiler room that will need attending to. Various other minor repairs/regular maintenance items were carried out during the year.

St John's has carried out various minor repairs and items of regular maintenance. This included repairing the failing wooden flooring in front of the chancel step. Some larger projects are being planned for the coming year, including the installation of secondary glazing and new carpets.

St Mary's have had issues with a leaking roof, which we hope will be addressed once the QI report is received. One of the four heaters was repaired and funding for this was received from the Telford & Wrekin Councillors' Pride Fund 2023. Various other minor repairs/regular maintenance items were carried out during the year.

### Team Rector's Report



Our parish verse for 2024 was 'Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint' (Isaiah 40:31). These words were chosen for the encouragement that they offer. Whenever challenges discourage us, or fears gnaw away at us, or difficulties overwhelm us, we can put our trust in God's promise to provide

us with all that we need. We don't need to rely on our own strength and resources, but on God's strength and provision.

As I look back at the past year, I can see God's abundant provision in our parish and our churches. We have welcomed new people to our churches, seen people take on new roles, our financial situation is improving, and there seems to be a greater sense of stability in our life together as we seek to be God's church in this time and in this place. There is much to give thanks for!

Throughout 2023 it seemed that God was calling us to have a time to 'be still and know that I am God', and this continued to be important throughout 2024. I think that this has been a blessing for us: to have a time to draw breath, to continue to rebuild post-Covid, and particularly to make sure that we look after one another and don't get over busy. This has also been a real help to me since being asked to become Acting Archdeacon at very short notice in October 2023 and having to continue in the role throughout 2024. Our Mission Action Plan (Section 2) continues to shape our thinking and planning. Following a presentation of the Lichfield Diocesan 'Strategic Framework 2024-2030' in the summer of 2024, we are also starting to consider how we can grow younger; be purposeful about evangelism; engage more with local communities; and be more diverse (section 3).

Revd Scott Edwards has become well-established as our Team Vicar and his ministry and gifts are much appreciated. Chris Prescott has similarly settled well as our Reader, offering ministry mainly at St Leonard's but at time in other churches. I am grateful for all that they bring to the parish. I know that the occasionally ministry of my husband Revd Roger Farnworth has been appreciated, along with some other visiting clergy, Readers and lay ministers. We continue to be blessed with lay worship leaders who lead some Sunday morning services, evensong at Holy Trinity, Messy Church and other occasional services. It was also a delight to have Tam Sheehan from Telford Minster on placement with us in the autumn as she discerns her future vocation.

I am grateful to all those who volunteer in so many different ways – some in very public roles and others who are quietly doing jobs in the background. It is a great blessing to our churches and our wider communities that so many are willing to serve God in many different ways. It is wonderful to be part of a

parish where it's not expected that the Team Rector, or the Team Vicar, will do everything!

While we have said goodbye to some in our congregations, we have also welcomed new people into our church families. We have been able to pay our Common Fund in full and have been working hard to exercise good stewardship with our finances which is starting to move us on to a more secure footing. A lot of work has been done over the year to make sure that our churches are safe places, in terms of safeguarding, looking after the buildings and churchyards, and working towards having all the necessary policies and procedures in place.

We had a 'Season of Creation' in the autumn in which we focussed on God's gift of creation and our role in treating our world well. In 2025, we hope to build on this by working towards becoming Eco-Churches.

Revd Scott has been running the Pilgrim Course as we seek to offer people more opportunities to grow in their faith, and a regular group of people have found this helpful.

It was particularly encouraging to see new links with our communities being made over the year. The Friends of St James church Starchley was set up in 2024 with local residents coming together to care for the churchyard and promote the history of the building. We were asked to provide a Harvest Service and a Carol Service, and the latter saw the church packed with people singing carols, hearing the Christmas story and enjoying festive celebrations. Holy Trinity had a request from the Chipmunks Day Nursery to provide a Carol Service for parents and children – and we had another church packed with people who don't usually come to church. The hope is that these links will continue to flourish in the coming year.

Links with schools are deepening with Revd Scott and I having taken assemblies, helped with RE, and hosted events in our churches for Dawley Church of England, The Meadows, Lawley Primary, Lawley Academy, Old Park, Aqueduct, Captain Webb, Thomas Telford and Telford Langley schools. We are grateful to the teams who have enabled us to invite schools to Experience Christmas and Easter events at Holy Trinity and St Mary's.

I hope that as you read through the reports from our wardens and group leaders, that you will recognise the number of different opportunities that are offered to help people to grow in faith and to worship, to share in the love of God through practical

actions, to have fun and build friendships. My prayer is that in 2025 we continue to be aware of God blessing us by enabling us to be a parish where prayer and worship is at our heart, where we care for one another, where we see growth in our numbers and in our faith, where all have confidence to use their God-given talents, where all are welcome and where the good news of Jesus Christ and the love of God is encountered in all that we do.

*Revd Prebendary Jo Farnworth*

### Parish churchwardens' Report

On initial consideration 2024 was a quiet, settled and prayerful year but upon further reflection there is plenty to say and we will try to keep it succinct for this report.

Sunday Worship is now in a consistent pattern in all four churches thanks to our two hard-working clergy, Chris Prescott our Reader and a number of licensed Lay Leaders, with other local ministers stepping in when needed. This latter support is particularly appreciated in coping with the large number of funerals across the Parish. Revd Jo has had to work twice as hard in her long-extended role of Acting Archdeacon alongside Revd Mary Thomas.

We welcomed Bishop Sarah in July for a confirmation of three candidates, one from Holy Trinity and two from St Leonard's, and again in the Autumn to confirm two candidates from St John's and one from St Leonard's. In the Autumn we were pleased to welcome Tam Sheen on a Lay Ministry placement. Tam was a delightful help and appreciated her time with us. Revd Scott organised and led two Pilgrim Courses at his and Judy's home - one in the early summer and one in the Autumn. He also introduced 'Stations of the Cross' to the Parish, one session in Lent and another during the Holy Week programme.

Scott is our representative at Christians against Poverty (CAP) and organised a talk by Lizzie Brown from CAP at the United Service in October.

We celebrated a Creation Season from the beginning of September to the beginning of October. As well as Creation being a continuous theme for Sunday Worship, additional activities included: a Parish Walk with Picnic; an outdoor Messy (Muddy) Church; a Pet Service; a service to celebrate St Francis of Assisi with Italian-style refreshments. Unfortunately the weather did not comply on the Sunday when services were planned to be held outdoors! Harvest Festivals concluded the season with produce going to Dawley

Food Bank, which we support throughout the year with donations and with volunteers from the parish.

The usual Christmas services took place across the Parish with a difference in the timing of Christmas Eve Communion. With a current shortage of clergy in the Deanery to provide cover at 11:30pm, Jo and Scott could not be in two places at once so an earlier Communion at 9:30pm was held at St John's and St Mary's enabling all four churches to have a service with our own clergy.

There has been welcome community development in Stirchley & Brookside focusing on St James' Church in Stirchley Village. Local residents have formed a "Friends of St James" group and are keen for this ancient building to be open more often. As well as opening on Heritage Weekend as usual, there was an Evensong in August and a Harvest Festival in September. The Christmas Carol Service was re-instated and the church was packed with many standing which was truly amazing. The Friends' Group also served refreshments afterwards.

Eco church is one project Jo was hoping to develop in 2024. A significant step forward was the introduction of Swift Boxes to the towers of Holy Trinity and St Leonard's. This happened in May and Ross Bray from RSPB gave a presentation about Swifts. We also watched for the bats flying around Holy Trinity in the twilight. In time we hope that Swifts will choose the towers as 'hotels' attracted by the recorded Swift 'call'. A small group of Parish members are prepared to help take the Eco-church project forward in months to come.

Relationship with local primary schools continued to develop, with Jo and Scott increasing communication through School Assemblies. Primary classes visited Holy Trinity and St Mary's for Easter Experience and Christmas Experience (although the school cancelled at short notice for St Mary's at Christmas due to the lack of adult school helpers).

Without going into further details, many of these activities or developments reflect the Mission Priorities presented to the PCC in April 2024 and which are ongoing. One area not mentioned so far is Pastoral Care. As far as their time allows, Jo and Scott have encouraged us to ask for home visits/home communions for Parishioners who are sick or vulnerable. This level of care had been lacking in recent years so this opportunity has been greatly appreciated.

## Shaping for Mission - Strategic Framework 2024 - 2030

All parishes in the Deanery were invited to All Saints' Church, Wellington in July to a consultation to help shape this strategy. It was led by Bishop Sarah, Revd Jo and Revd Mary Thomas (as Acting Archdeacons).

Under the heading "Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad" came four sub-headings:

- purposeful about evangelism
- more diverse
- growing younger
- engaged with local communities

After worship and a presentation we were asked to discuss, in our Parish groups, which areas/goals we thought would best fit with our Parish and its current priorities and activities. Then we were asked to consider what challenges might arise in order to address these goals. There was much to discuss on this and it presented food for thought. Later our feedback was sent to the Bishop and no doubt we will be spending more time discussing the issues in months to come.

Other administrative activity went on through the PCC, including the revision and/or development of a number of Policies required by HMRC.

On a final brief note - all our buildings have experienced problems during the last year which will probably be reported in the individual church reports. At the end of the year we awaited the final Quinquennial Reports to assess the Architect's view of the state of our churches. And financially, we managed to pay our Common Fund to the Diocese once again, but helped by the fact that a generous allowance was made for Revd Jo spending so much time away from the Parish in her role as Acting Archdeacon. Thanks to God who works in mysterious ways!

*Doreen Dyson & Mary Richards (Parish Wardens)*

## Deanery Synod



The Deanery Synod met four times during the year, twice online via Zoom and twice 'in person'. Meetings always start with a short act of worship and include

reports from Diocesan Synod and General Synod when available.

In January the Guest Speaker was Simon Foster, a Chaplaincy and Mission Team Leader. His presentation led us through four main topics: Parish vocation, Growing faith, Pioneering parishes, and Gospel reading. Group discussion and feedback followed.

In April the Guest speaker was Angela Bruno on Safeguarding. Angela is the Deanery Verifier and Diocesan Data manager for Lichfield, alongside her day job as an executive assistant to the director of Ordinands. Safeguarding is something in which we all have a role to play in the protection of those who are vulnerable in our churches – this includes ourselves, those who have been in the position of being abused, or indeed those who have been the abuser. She covered the importance of record keeping and what is required – Records of those working with vulnerable adults and children; records of DBS checks done and dates for renewal and of the safeguarding training which has been completed. Also Records of Insurance cover and this information needs to be kept for 75 years. It is important that DBS Checks are done through the diocese so that any blemishes are noted by the diocese. Of course the access to the records is restricted to a small number of staff within the diocese. Angela then talked through some of the common issues which arise from the ID supplied and the errors on the applications. She then continued to explain the safeguarding training and where to access it and how it is completed. She also talked about the roll out of the safeguarding dashboards and what information they hold and the website details where more information can be found  
<https://safeguardingdashboards.org.uk/>

Revd Debbie Loughran has been Area Dean for several years and thus Chair of meetings. Debbie was on Sabbatical in the Summer and subsequently moved from Telford to a new position in the North-east. Revd Stuart Howes, Vicar of Wellington Christchurch and Hadley Holy Trinity, was Assistant Area Dean and has covered the role of Chair since then. The annual social gathering took place in July, this time at All Saints' Parish Centre, where church members provided delicious refreshments. Revd Stuart hosted the October meeting at Hadley Holy Trinity. The Guest Speaker was Jill Corp from West Mercia Women's Aid. She spoke about her role, the definition of domestic abuse, and was keen to make it clear that they also support men. She outlined the complex nature of domestic abuse and its impact on

families. Resources were made available for future reference.

The Future of Deanery Synod:

Stuart asked the members of synod what they would like to see in the future, suggesting we might think of being a Deanery Church, reflecting on the individuality of each worshipping community and perhaps supporting one another in specific services only held in that church or joining together where particular seasonal services are poorly attended. Stuart gave the examples of Ascension Day held at Christ Church and Holy Trinity and the service for baby loss held at All Saints. Are there perhaps other services held in your church that could be advertised widely and become deanery services? Other practical questions posed related to meeting times and places, and suggestions of topics and content. Stuart also spoke of the impact of vacancies on parishes and called for support for one another and prayer for the right appointments to be made.

*Mary Richards*

### Ecumenical Relationships

We value our relationships with other denominations in Telford, particularly with Dawley Baptist Church and our Methodist friends at Dawley Christian Centre. During 2024, we said farewell to Revd Ian Olliver who moved from Dawley Baptism Church to Ross-on-Wye. The Dawley Foodbank continues to be a very successful and much needed ecumenical endeavour. We continue to look to deliver Experience Christmas and Easter ecumenically to schools and to build on this in the future.

### 3. Financial Review

Thank you to everyone who works to ensure the smooth running of finances within the parish. We recognise the hard work and commitment of our PCC Treasurer (Margaret Cartwright), and DCC Treasurers. We also recognise the contribution of those who help with: collecting and counting monies, banking and administering Gift Aid. We also express our thanks to Jonathan Hill, and his colleagues from the Lichfield Diocese Finance Department for their expertise and support. The full accounts can be found in Section 5 of this report.

The consolidated accounts show a total income of £139,343 and expenditure of £131,508, giving an excess of income over expenditure of £7,835.

The requested Common Fund for 2024 was paid in full and we are grateful to all those who made this possible through their generous donations. We are

also thankful for the Special Agreement from Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance to enable St Mary's to increase their contribution of Common Fund, and for the two month 'payment holiday' in recognition of Revd Jo's role as Acting Archdeacon during the year.

The hard work to improve our financial situation has started to bring about some financial stability but this needs keeping under constant review due to the increased expenditure due to high fuel costs. The cost of living crisis continues to have an impact on our income, as does the loss through death/moving away of some of our regular givers. We continue to seek to improve financial stability though reviewing the use of Gift Aid, cashless giving, income generation, central purchasing, reviewing energy and maintenance providers/contracts, and careful expenditure.

In late 2024, we looked at a legacy policy and in 2025 we will find opportunities for providing information about legacies to congregation members. We will continue to promote the message that the use of money and faithful Christian living go hand in hand.

#### 4. Safeguarding

There have been no safeguarding incidents reported in the parish in 2024.

The Diocese has produced an online Dashboard to help keep track of training and DBS checks, Rev Jo Farnworth and I have been slowly transferring the information over. Once everything has been moved over it will help with reminders about policy review, training dates and DBS checks.

After the awful attack in Southport each church looked at its on security in order to be able to secure parts of the building if necessary.

Thank you to everyone who has completed or renewed their safeguarding training this year. The Safer Recruiting work is ongoing with each church activity and any new helpers.

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

*Hannah Yapp, Parish Safeguarding Officer*

#### 5. Reporting Serious Incidents

A Serious Incident is an adverse event, whether actual or alleged, which results in or risks significant harm to the charity's beneficiaries, employees, office holders, volunteers or to others who come into

contact with the charity through its work, loss of the charity's money or assets, damage to the charity's property or harm to the charity's work or reputation. The trustees are not aware of any Serious Incidents in the last year.

#### 6. Reserves Policy

The PCC aims to keep approximately three months running costs in reserves, in the event of a major problem. In 2024 we reviewed our reserves to ensure that they are correctly allocated (ie general funds, designated, restricted). We will be working at developing a strategy to build up reserves where necessary to ensure that they are in line with our reserves policy. An important value is one of mutual support between district churches, so that if one faces a major problem, others will respond with generosity.

#### 7. Fundraising

The PCC takes its fundraising responsibilities seriously and is very grateful to all donors – whether regular or occasional – for their support of the church and church events. PCC supporters are never taken for granted. The PCC take full responsibility for fundraising and do not use commercial organisations or professional fundraisers. All money raised is either by donations, fundraising events, special appeals or legacies for which the PCC are most grateful.

#### 8. Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard in many different ways across the parish to provide ministry, enable worship to take place smoothly serve as church officers or as DCC/PCC members, lead/help at the many different activities, care for our buildings and churchyards, providing food and drinks, etc. Thanks also go to those who faithfully serve in unnoticed ways, and who pray for the life of the church.

#### 9. Review of the Year

##### 9.1 Activities:

##### *Monday Food bank drop in – St Leonard's*

Food Bank continues serving the needs of an average of ten people, weekly on a Monday morning. It provides an opportunity for those attending to have a warm place and some social time and being given a warm drink. Those attending also appreciate the chance of being able to chat knowing they are being listened to. There are a group of five volunteers running this activity with a usual two attending each

week. One of the helpers every week collects the food donations from local supermarkets and delivers it to St. Leonard's plus other organisations. A huge thanks goes to all who help with this giving care to those in need within our community. As with last year Food Bank is still in great need of more volunteers to help.

#### *Coffee and Company – St Leonard's*

During 2024 we continued Coffee and Company which was held on a Saturday morning and open to all. This was a time where anyone could come to church and have a drink and biscuit. It was popular with a few regular parishioners. It proved popular during the ride and stride event where those who were taking part could have a 'rest break' before continuing. Once the idea of holding an afternoon tea was suggested it was decided that Coffee and Company would be merged.

#### *Afternoon Teas – St Leonard's*

This is a new social/fundraising venture which started in October. At the time of writing there had been three afternoon teas. There are five keen and dedicated members of the organising team. One of these is not currently a member of St. Leonard's, but willingly and kindly gives her time to this venture. This is very appreciated. Tea is a sit down affair with real China plates etc! Sandwiches, minus crusts, are served and followed by cakes, scones and cream. Tea and coffee is served. Also using China pots! There is a very friendly atmosphere and it is great to see people chatting and enjoying a break while being served tea. So far this has been successful with approximately twenty persons at each tea. Tickets are £5.00 each plus a £1.00 if anyone wishes to take part in a raffle. As it is a new venture we are still learning and are working on ensuring we always provide a vegetarian option where needed. We are hoping the teas continue on a bi-monthly basis. A grateful thank you to everyone who voluntarily provides homemade cakes for this

#### *Exercise Class – St Leonard's*

This continues each Wednesday morning with an average of 7-10 people attending.

#### *Baby Babble – St Leonard's*

This group is run by Great Dawley Town Council and they meet on the last Tuesday of each month from approximately 13.00-15.00. The number of families attending averages 15 each month, but there has been as few as four and as many as thirty. Light

refreshments are provided for the children and parents and there is a themed activity at each meeting e.g. Pop up Play Town, Soft Play and Mrs. B's Storytime.

#### *Trinity Tots – Holy Trinity*

Tots is going well. We still get between 15-25 most weeks. We still operate by word of mouth without any advertising. We are still financially self-sufficient.

Tots has become a valuable service to the community for both children and adults alike and is a fine tool for outreach. The adults get as much from these meetings as the children.

As a result....

Some children have now graduated to Messy Church. Some adults still pop in for a cuppa and a chat, after they have taken the children to school.

Some adults are now attending various other church activities.

After some Tots progress to school, we then eventually get any newer younger siblings.

I want to give a big thanks to all who help. Both to any church members and the parents/guardians.

Without them, I couldn't do what I do

*Helen Pallett*

#### *Messy Church – Holy Trinity*

We met up 11 times in 2024 taking August off for the summer holidays. We tried to support the families that come to Messy Church with their Christian journey by looking at prayer and encouraging prayer in their daily life and as a craft at Messy Church. We would then acknowledge those prayers during the celebration at Messy Church. We celebrated Mother's Day and Father's Day as well as Harvest and Christmas. This year Easter was a little different as we held an All-age Good Friday Service using the Experiencing Easter Stations which some of the families came to and found moving. At the Christmas Messy Church, we made Christingles and any donations from that service we donated to The Children's Society. The Crib Service was really enjoyed by the Messy Church families that came.

We have sadly seen some families move on as the children have become older and got weekend jobs, but we have had the joy of welcoming families who started at Trinity Tots and wanted to do more in the Church. Along with some families who have moved to the area and were looking for children's activities linked to a church. Also, some families have started supporting Holy Trinity at the fairs by making cakes for sale and attending. It has been a joy seeing all the

families that come to Messy Church getting involved with all the crafts (especially the messy ones), singing along to the songs, sometimes getting involved in the story telling and saying the Lord's prayer together.

I would like to thank everyone who is involved with helping at Messy Church. The welcome that all the families get, ones we know and new ones where it is their first time is a huge part of why they come back because they feel safe, welcome and accepted. Thank you to everyone who braves leading a craft activity whether that involves paint, glitter, glue, colouring in, making things or is food related. Thank you to everyone who helps in the kitchen and always manages to feed everyone no matter the dietary requirements and supply a constant stream of tea and coffee to the parents, grandparents, foster parents and helpers.

*Hannah Yapp*

#### *All Friends Together / Mothers' Union – Holy Trinity*

2024 was the first year of the Dawley All Friends Together group. Glen continued as

Events Organiser, her Mothers Union role, and as always had worked hard to deliver an interesting and diverse programme for our monthly meetings. Among the year's items were: Indian dancing and cooking, good fun both afternoons. Scott gave an entertaining talk and there was an interesting item about animals threatened with extinction which was concerned with building gene banks by collecting DNA from endangered animals. There was an article about how to stay safe from scammers and really appreciated was the afternoon with Jassica singing spirituals and soul music. Helen held a coffee and cake fundraiser for the Grail Trust and we enjoyed a game of Bingo and also a Beetle Drive. Our Christmas dinner at the Valley was lovely again and Scott helped us begin our Christmas worship by preparing a very enjoyable Carol service. Numbers at our meetings have grown slightly and it has been good to see new faces, some from other churches in the Parish and some from non-church people. In 2024, the committee stayed as it has been for a long time! Glenis Watkins - Events organizer, Jean Heighway - Treasurer Helen Pallett - Secretary, Barbara Crawforth – Group Leade. In 2025, when we hold our AGM it would be good to have a discussion about our aims for the future now we are no longer "Mothers Union"

*Barbara Crawforth*

#### *Bell Ringers – Holy Trinity*

2024 was an excellent year for bell-ringing at Holy Trinity. We currently have 7 new learners plus 2 more who came to the open day at the autumn church fair and have decided to have a go. We have managed to ring for most Sunday services and lately without having to borrow ringers from Coalbrookdale. We also practice on a Monday. Myself and one the ringers have begun doing some long overdue maintenance on the bells themselves. We are hoping to have the ringing chamber re-decorated at some point, and it would be wonderful if some improved form of heating could be looked into, as it gets very cold there in winter.

*Simon Rice, Tower captain*

#### *Lawley Smallies – St John's*

Our current team of helpers are Cathy Parker (leader), Bill & Eileen Robertson, Carole & Warwick France, Des Pritchard and Jan Williams (when she is available). Lawley Smallies is toddler group which was started in 2013.

Prior to the start of each session the team gather together for short prayers which are led by Cathy and/or Carole. These prayers are generally for the Smallies session ahead and for our team. Sometimes they also include prayers for people and situations concerning members of the team.

On Tuesday mornings in term time we open from 9.30am to 11am. We cater for children from very young babies to when they start primary school. We have, amongst the adults who bring them, parents, grandparents, carers, foster parents and child minders. During the sessions we provide unlimited teas and coffees for the adults and, towards the end of the sessions, drinks and refreshments (usually biscuits) for the children.

Cathy Parker regularly does crafts for the children and they are often joined by some of the adults. We always end the session with some singing which is also normally led by Cathy.

In 2024 we have averaged just over 10 adults and 18 children per session. We are still gradually increasing in numbers since the pandemic. Though the children's carers are responsible for their children at all times, our team are also very conscious of their responsibilities under the Church Safeguarding Policy.

*Eileen Robertson*

## 9.2 Dawley CE School

At Dawley C of E Primary Academy we are proud to have strong relationship with our local church and are supported with this by Revd Jo and Revd Scott. This relationship is positive and with the support of both we ensure that our Christian Distinctiveness is embedded in all that we do at Dawley. We are a loving and caring school in a challenging community, but we live out our core values of Love, Peace, Hope and Trust through our daily life and ensure these values are embedded in all that we do. With the support of both Jo and Scott, we successfully achieved a successful SIAMS inspection in January 2025, which clearly showed the caring, peaceful and unique and stated '*Dawley is living up to its foundation as a Church school and is enabling pupils and adults to flourish*'.

*Nick Andrews, Principal*

## 9.3 Telford Christians Against Poverty

Having opened in December 2015, Telford CAP will be 10 years old this year. It has to date helped 127 people to be set free from the heavy chains of debt, which equates to almost £1.2 million pounds worth of debt being repaid or written off. In 2024 we have seen 14 clients go debt free and a number of others start a debt management plan. In addition to helping people out of debt, Telford CAP also runs a number of money coaching courses to help people to manage their finances to prevent them getting into debt or to avoid going back into debt. This year we were able, with your help, to provide 50 Christmas food hampers to families at what can be a very difficult time of the year.

In addition to giving thanks for Ann (Debt Centre Manager) and Lizzie (Assistant Manager & Safeguarding Lead) we have been blessed to have Hugh (a recently retired minister who worships at All Saints, Wellington) train to become a volunteer debt coach. Finally, but importantly, the Telford Cap Debt Centre is seeking to become an independent charity in 2025 as it is currently set up under the umbrella of All Saint's Church. Please do pray for the Telford CAP as we seek to continue to support and provide hope to people who face what can feel like an impossible burden.

*Revd Scott Edwards*

## 10. Reports from District churchwardens

### Holy Trinity, Dawley

At the AGM In 2024, Barbara Crawforth, who has been churchwarden for at least ten years, decided it

was time for her to step down and Janet Yapp was elected to replace her. We thanked Barbara at the time for her wonderful, faithful service to Holy Trinity and we would like to acknowledge her again. She will be a hard act to follow (and Jan is glad she is still around to encourage her!) We wish Barbara many happy years to come to church and just feel free to worship and just "be".

Our DCC work very well together. We enjoy each other's company, usually finding something to laugh about. As well as getting on with business, of course. Our new DCC secretary is Lynda Chugg. She replaced Janet Yapp. Lynda is very efficient and the minutes are always prepared on time and always make sense.

Everyone at Holy Trinity works so hard and cheerfully. We have had very successful church fairs for Spring Summer and Christmas. The Treasurers report will give the amounts raised. Dawley people, and others from further afield, are always very generous to us. Thank you to all who by their efforts made these things happen. We must just make a mention of Hannah Yapp who dons a fancy dress for the Christmas Fair as Mrs Christmas, We have learned that some of the very young children find the big man with the beard quite scary. Hannah, who is our Messy Church Leader is a welcome face for them and the older children are happy too. Thank you, Hannah!

We now have a list of 15 readers who are willing to read the Bible passages each week. Brenda Dyoss and Hannah Yapp have trained Alison Baines and David Kasl as Eucharistic assistants. They are proving to be an asset to the church by their attitude and commitment and have increased our number of assistants to seven making planning for our communion services much easier. We would like to say than you to Brenda and Hannah for passing on their expertise and also thanks to all our readers and all our Eucharistic assistants for their commitment to Holy Trinity and to the work of the Church for our God and Father.

The flowers in Church always look so lovely. Many thanks to the wonderful and talented ladies who give their time and talents to arrange the flowers so beautifully. Also, they will come into Church at different times of the week to make sure the flowers keep looking special .

Our Trinity Tots group goes from strength to strength. The future is secure...people keep having babies! The biggest thanks goes to Helen Pallett for her tireless commitment to Trinity Tots. She is the mainstay and has a good team to help her. Thank you to all who help to keep the Tots group going

Messy Church is also flourishing. Hannah Yapp is the Messy Church Leader and she has a good team to help her with crafts, both tidy and messy and also a good team in the kitchen to keep everyone going with cups of tea or coffee.

The Churchwardens would like to thank everyone who attends Holy Trinity. We all get stuck in and make this church a very happy and blessed place to worship in.

*Jan Yapp & Glenis Watkins*

#### **St John, Lawley:**

We have been blessed this year as we have had more people joining us.

We continue to host services for Easter, Harvest and Christmas with classes from Lawley Primary school.

We are very lucky that we have Rev Jo and Rev Scott and are able to take Communion almost every Sunday despite Jo doing about three jobs! Scott has been doing a series of Bible study in his home for the parish, six people have been there from the parish and it will be starting again in the Spring

At the start of 2024, the DCC was only me Bill and Des (a small but select band). Then I went on holiday and when I got back there were 6 more people on the DCC. It was both surprising and amazing!

The Quinquennial Inspection recommendations, which had dragged on from 2023 to late 2024, have started to get plans. Two jobs have been done, one was cleaning the Church guttering, and the second was repairing the floor at the front of the church by completely removing the rotting chipboard and replacing it with much more substantial plywood flooring.

The Church Hall is still used every weekday and quite a number of weekends too. A new Lawley Rangers group started in September and joins the existing Lawley Guides and the Scouts and Cubs as our main community-based groups. There is some work to be done on the roof inside but that will be done very soon. We had two Fairs in Summer and Christmas and raised £979.74 for the church.

As I said last year, we want to be a Church where everyone really is welcome. I believe that our whole congregation embrace this aspiration. I hope this continues and strengthens us so that more people coming to our Church feel they have become part of a family, and feel like they have come home.

*Eileen Robertson*

#### **St Leonard, Malinslee:**

While reflecting on 2024 in preparation for this report it became obvious it has been a busy year for St. Leonard's, but also very apparent God has been at work with us and for us. A lot of the 'busyness' has taken place behind the scenes and would not have happened without the work, support and encouragement of Rev. Jo and Rev. Scott. We hear it said that church is not just for Sundays, therefore nor are our clergy. Jo and Scott's ministry needs them to work tirelessly throughout the week. So, on behalf of the congregation of St. Leonard's we extend heartfelt thanks to Rev. Jo and Rev. Scott for the hard work they do for us all at St. Leonard's. Sincere thanks go to Chris, our Lay Reader, who has spent another year serving us and St. Leonard's.

Again, as last year, thanks must be given to those who support St. Leonard's so regularly with their time and commitment helping to ensure our Sunday services run smoothly and helping with fundraising. Again, a lot of this work is done 'behind the scenes'.

- Those who turn up early each Sunday to help prepare the church
- All those who do our readings, act as welcomers, operate the music and serve us with tea and coffee following the service. Particular thanks to Jonathan who willingly took on the task of operating our music, for our services, earlier in 2024. He does a fantastic job!
- A special thanks is extended to those who serve our refreshments as it is mostly the same people who regularly do this for us. More volunteers are badly needed for this.
- All those who donate tea, coffee, milk and biscuits/cake so we may enjoy our refreshments.
- Everyone who contributes in any way to our annual summer and Christmas Fairs. These events are undeniably hard work, but the sense of teamwork, dedication, friendship and fun more than makes up for this and it is a privilege to be a part of this team.

We continue our Eucharists each Sunday while the first Sunday of the month is dedicated to Family Worship with Holy Communion. Where there are five Sundays in a month the last Sunday continues to be a united service rotated between the four churches within the Central Telford Parish. Congregation numbers are slightly lower than last year with between twenty five to thirty people each Sunday and we still have children attending! It is a positive

too to see our congregation is made up of regular and committed members. It is also encouraging to see, that during the year, the numbers of those who may only attend an isolated service has increased.

*Chris Prescott and Lorraine Granger*

### **St Mary, Ketley:**

We at St. Mary's wish to begin our report by thanking Rev. Jo and Rev. Scot for their hard work during the year, and for making sure we have a service every Sunday morning, particularly Jo who has had to fit her Acting Archdeacon duties in too. Also, the Lay ministers who have been involved in co-leading services alongside the Vicars. Many thanks to them.

We were pleased to have the children from Meadows school in church for Easter experience. As always, they took interest in the service and did their school proud. a total of 55 attended.

A service of Stations of the Cross took place at Holy Trinity during Holy week and members of St. Marys attended.

Ecumenical Prayer Group used St. Mary's for quiet mornings twice during the year.

Ascension Day service this year took place at St. John's Church, Lawley, Members of St. Mary's attended.

Ride and Stride took place in September, some are regular visitors, it's nice to meet those we have not met before, and show them around, they always comment how lovely and welcoming the church is.

Harvest Festival service took place, all produce was donated to the Dawley food bank. Many thanks to those who donated food.

10th November Remembrance service took place, starting at the memorial outside. Parish Councillors, and local parishioners laid wreaths. Some passers-by stopped and joined in, the service continued back in church.

Sadly, the children from the Meadows School were unable to attend church for their annual Xmas Experience, as there was not enough assistants available to bring them safely to the church. Thank you to those who came to take part in the event, set it all up and then unfortunately we had to take it all down again, so we made the most of it and had a nice cuppa and a chat.

Our annual Carol Service was well attended. Many thanks to Hugh Richards for playing the organ for us. The Crib service took place on the 23rd December. Sadly, fewer than previous years attended.

Christmas Eve service took place at 9:30pm this year, (first time we have held the service at that time.) Jo and Scott did an amazing job of dealing with the difficulty of ensuring all four churches were able to hold their Christmas Eve service. Many thanks to Kevin Hood for playing the organ for us.

As always, we thank everyone for the support Ann and I have received during the year as church wardens, especially those who make tea after the services, and help keep our church clean and tidy.

Fund Raising Events: Feb. Valentines theme / fish and chips. March. Easter Egg Raffle. April. Judy's open house. Fish and chip/Bingo. July. Strawberry tea. August. Fish and Chip/bingo. Doreen's Garden Party. Sept. Judy's open house. Oct. Harvest Supper with Bingo. Nov. Fish and Chip / Bingo

*Ann Broadhurst and Doreen Dyson.*

## **11. Structure and Governance**

The PCC is a Body Corporate established by the Church of England and is a Charity registered with the Charity Commission. The PCC is governed by the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure (1956) as amended that came into effect on 2nd January 1957, and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

The Parochial Church Council (PCC is the governing body for the Parish. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules and the Parish Scheme. The Council comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, those elected to the Deanery Synod, and other members who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, by those on the Electoral Roll. The PCC members receive training from courses run by the Diocese. Members of the congregation are always urged to join the Electoral Roll, and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC also retains responsibility for the churchyards of St James' Church, Stirchley (church building now in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust) and St Luke's, Doseley (church building now in private ownership), and St John's Church Hall.

The PCC met six times during 2024. The agendas included:

Inclusive Church: all four churches have agreed to join the network and await final approval

Living in Love and Faith: Revd Jo and Revd Scott confirmed their wish to use the authorised prayers  
Use of Contactless giving  
Policies – existing policies have been reviewed and additional policies have been agreed  
Shaping for Mission  
Planning of services and events  
Season of Creation

There are four District Church Councils (DCCs), one for each District centred on the churches of the Parish. All the DCCs met regularly during 2024.

There were 135 names on the electoral roll at the time of the 2024 Annual Meeting

## 12. Reference and Administrative details

The Central Telford Parish is part of the Diocese of Lichfield within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: The Vicarage, Church Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 2AS. The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford is a Registered Charity No: 1140301.

The churches of the Parish are:

Holy Trinity Church, Dawley: Old Vicarage Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 3NH

St John's Church, Lawley: Dawley Road, Lawley, Telford, TF4 2PD

St Leonard's Church, Malinslee: Brunel Road, Telford, TF4 2DS

St Mary's Church, Ketley: Shepherd's Lane, Red Lake, Ketley Telford TF1 5EG

The PCC also retains responsibility for the closed churchyards of St James' Church, Stirchley (church building now in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust) and St Luke's, Doseley (church building now in private ownership), and St John's Church Hall.

### Members of the PCC in 2024, and other officers of the Parish:

PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 until the date this report was approved were:

#### Ex Officio Members

Incumbent: Revd Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

Team Vicar: Revd Scott Edwards

Reader: Chris Prescott

Churchwardens: Doreen Dyson and Mary Richards (also Deanery Synod rep)

Deanery Synod Reps: Chris Hicks, Jean Heighway, Mary Richards (also Churchwarden)

#### Nominated Members

Doreen Dyson (St Mary, District Warden); Ann Broadhurst (St Mary, District Warden), Jan Yapp (Holy Trinity, District Warden), Lorraine Granger (St Leonard, District Warden), Eileen Robertson (St John, District Warden), Hannah Yapp (Holy Trinity)

#### Co-opted Members

Margaret Cartwright

**PCC Treasurer:** Margaret Cartwright

**PCC Secretary:** Lorraine Granger

**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Hannah Yapp

#### District Church Officers,

**District Wardens:** Ann Broadhurst (St Mary), Doreen Dyson (St Mary), Lorraine Granger (St Leonard), Chris Prescott (St Leonard), Eileen Robertson (St John), Glenis Watkins (Holy Trinity), Jan Yapp (Holy Trinity),  
**District Treasurers:** Roger Farnworth (St Leonard), Alison Baines (Holy Trinity), Brian Richards (St Mary), Bill Robertson (St John)

## 13. Names and addresses of advisers

**Quinquennial Architect:** Geraint Roberts Associates, 2 Maes Derw, Llanfechain SY22 6XN

**Banks:** Lloyds Bank, Telford; TSB, Wellington

**Independent Examiner:** Stephen Hendy, Data Developments (UK) Ltd, Fryer Street, Wolverhampton WV1 1HT

Approved by the PCC on

....17th April..... 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

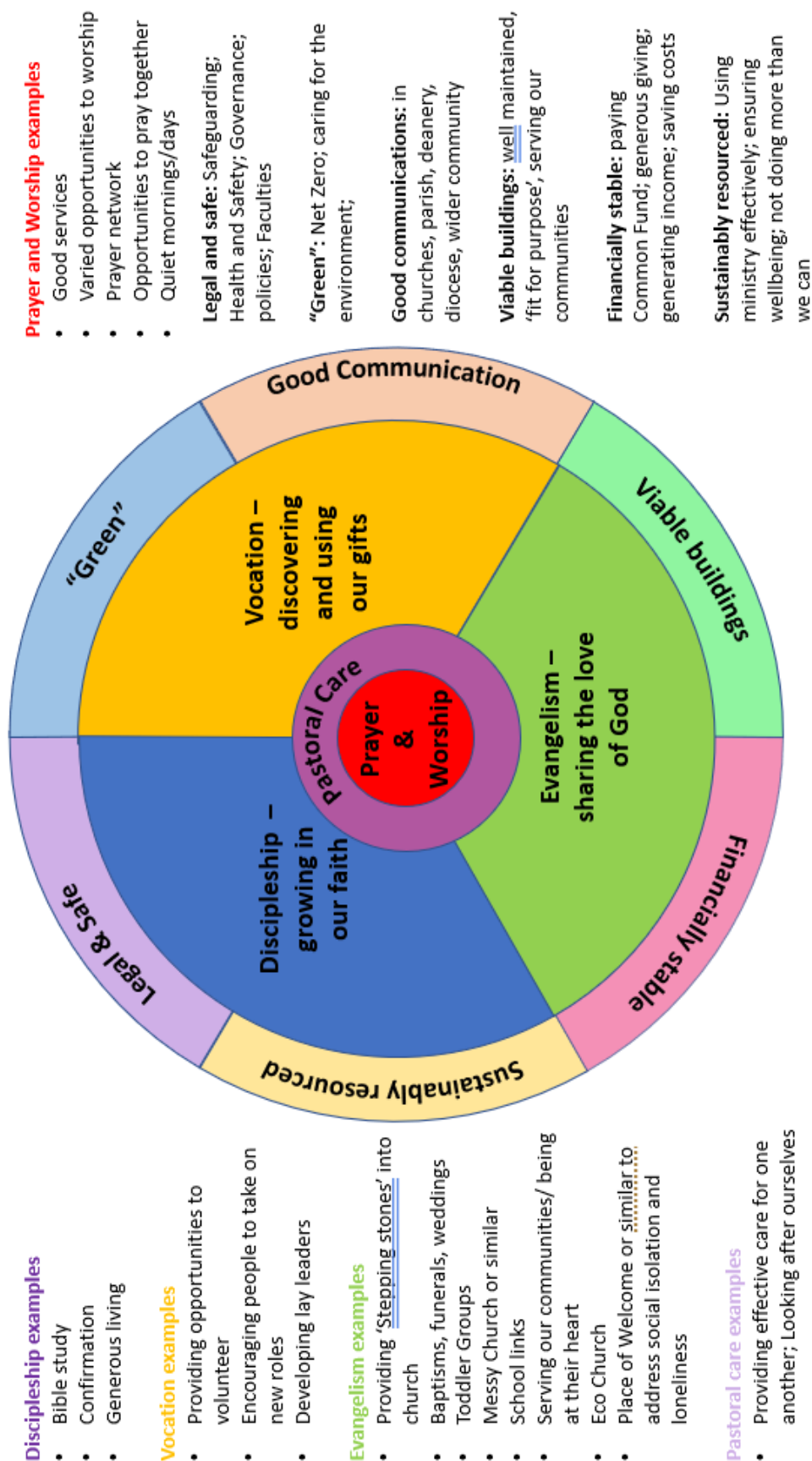


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Revd Preb Jo Farnworth (Chair)



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Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

## Section 2: Parish Mission Plan





## Section 4: Independent Examiner's Report

### Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Central Telford

Registered charity number: 1140301

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024 which are set out on the following pages.

#### Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

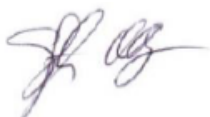
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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 come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Signed:

Data Developments (UK) Ltd

Fryer Street, Wolverhampton WV1 1HT

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2025

## Section 5: Financial Statements

### Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish Statement of Financial Activities For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

|                                                             |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                                             |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| Donations and legacies                                      | 70,658          | —             | 17,499         | —        | 88,158         | 83,671         |
| Income from charitable activities                           | 38,991          | 0             | 560            | —        | 39,551         | 41,019         |
| Other trading activities                                    | —               | —             | —              | —        | —              | 475            |
| Investments                                                 | 1,661           | 3,787         | 391            | —        | 5,839          | 6,532          |
| Other income                                                | 1,665           | —             | 4,130          | —        | 5,795          | —              |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>112,976</b>  | <b>3,787</b>  | <b>22,581</b>  | <b>—</b> | <b>139,343</b> | <b>131,696</b> |
| <b>Payments</b>                                             |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| Raising funds                                               | 382             | —             | —              | —        | 382            | 105            |
| Expenditure on charitable activities                        | 112,927         | —             | 18,130         | —        | 131,057        | 119,728        |
| Other expenditure                                           | —               | —             | 69             | —        | 69             | 182            |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>113,308</b>  | <b>—</b>      | <b>18,200</b>  | <b>—</b> | <b>131,508</b> | <b>120,015</b> |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>(332)</b>    | <b>3,787</b>  | <b>4,381</b>   | <b>—</b> | <b>7,836</b>   | <b>11,681</b>  |
| <b>Transfers</b>                                            |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| Gross transfers between funds - in                          | 105,652         | 28,353        | 220,602        | —        | 354,607        | 31,106         |
| Gross transfers between funds - out                         | (133,311)       | (51,160)      | (170,135)      | —        | (354,607)      | (31,106)       |
| <b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>                      |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| Gains / losses on investment assets                         | (56)            | —             | —              | —        | (56)           | 836            |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>(27,744)</b> | <b>54,848</b> | <b>54,848</b>  | <b>—</b> | <b>7,780</b>   | <b>12,517</b>  |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>121,164</b>  | <b>24,075</b> | <b>69,822</b>  | <b>—</b> | <b>215,061</b> | <b>202,544</b> |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b>                          | <b>93,420</b>   | <b>5,054</b>  | <b>124,670</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>222,840</b> | <b>215,061</b> |
| <b>Represented by</b>                                       |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| <b>Unrestricted</b>                                         |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| General fund                                                | 93,116          | —             | —              | —        | 93,116         | 121,164        |
| <b>Designated</b>                                           |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| CBF Deposits - Inactive                                     | —               | —             | —              | —        | —              | 2,116          |
| CBF deposit account                                         | —               | —             | —              | —        | —              | 21,723         |
| CTP Parish Share Squirrel Fund                              | —               | 234           | —              | —        | 234            | 234            |
| Compassion Designated Fund - St J                           | —               | 97            | —              | —        | 97             | —              |
| Easy Access Account                                         | —               | —             | —              | —        | —              | 2              |
| Sheila Kemp Legacy Designated Fund - St J                   | —               | 937           | —              | —        | 937            | —              |
| St John's Church Building Fund                              | —               | 3,787         | —              | —        | 3,787          | —              |
| <b>Restricted</b>                                           |                 |               |                |          |                |                |
| Agency collection                                           | —               | —             | 40             | —        | 40             | —              |
| Anonymous Restricted Legacy - St J                          | —               | —             | 2,200          | —        | 2,200          | —              |
| Barbara Mason Graves Restrict Legacy - St J                 | —               | —             | 500            | —        | 500            | —              |
| Barbara Mason Roof Restricted Legacy - St J                 | —               | —             | 30,000         | —        | 30,000         | —              |
| Betsy's Legacy Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)               | —               | —             | 10,850         | —        | 10,850         | —              |
| Book Sacks Restricted Fund - St J                           | —               | —             | 410            | —        | 410            | —              |
| Carpet/Lighting                                             | —               | —             | 1,000          | —        | 1,000          | —              |
| Children Work (formerly SaFE)                               | —               | —             | 2407           | —        | 2407           | 10             |
| Christian Aid Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)                | —               | —             | 35             | —        | 35             | —              |
| Churchyard Maintenance Restricted Fund                      | —               | —             | 110            | —        | 110            | —              |
| Food Bank Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)                    | —               | —             | 54             | —        | 54             | —              |
| Hall Refurbishment Restricted – St J                        | —               | —             | 2,527          | —        | 2,527          | —              |
| Heating System Restricted - St Leonard                      | —               | —             | (2,443)        | —        | (2,443)        | —              |
| Interior Decorating Scheme -IDCENT011                       | —               | —             | 4,130          | —        | 4,130          | —              |
| LDBF Church Bldg Fund                                       | —               | —             | 800            | —        | 800            | —              |
| Leonard Bryce Smith Restricted Fund - St J                  | —               | —             | 66,742         | —        | 66,742         | —              |
| Organ Restricted Fund - St Mary                             | —               | —             | 592            | —        | 592            | —              |
| Restricted Fund                                             | —               | —             | 60             | —        | 60             | 25,412         |
| Special Projects fund                                       | —               | —             | 4,224          | —        | 4,224          | 4,224          |
| St Johns - Buildings Special Fund – Inactive                | —               | —             | —              | —        | —              | 40,176         |
| Welcome Spaces Restricted - St Leonard                      | —               | —             | 431            | —        | 431            | —              |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Balance Sheet for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024**

|                                                    | Total funds    | Prior year funds |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                                |                |                  |
| Investments                                        | 2,092          | 2,148            |
|                                                    | <b>2,092</b>   | <b>2,148</b>     |
| <b>Current assets</b>                              |                |                  |
| Cash at bank and in hand                           | 221,402        | 214,474          |
|                                                    | <b>221,402</b> | <b>214,474</b>   |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                                 |                |                  |
| Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year         | 654            | 1,562            |
|                                                    | <b>654</b>     | <b>1,562</b>     |
| <b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b> | <b>220,748</b> | <b>212,912</b>   |
| <b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>       | <b>222,840</b> | <b>215,061</b>   |
| <b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>           | <b>222,840</b> | <b>215,061</b>   |
| <b>Represented by</b>                              |                |                  |
| <b>Unrestricted</b>                                |                |                  |
| General fund                                       | 93,116         | 121,164          |
| <b>Designated</b>                                  |                |                  |
| CTP Parish Share Squirrel Fund                     | 234            | 234              |
| St John's Church Building Fund                     | 3,787          | —                |
| Compassion Designated Fund - St J                  | 97             | —                |
| Easy Access Account                                | —              | 2                |
| CBF Deposits - Inactive                            | —              | 2,116            |
| CBF deposit account                                | —              | 21,723           |
| Sheila Kemp Legacy Designated Fund - St J          | 937            | —                |
| <b>Restricted</b>                                  |                |                  |
| Anonymous Restricted Legacy - St J                 | 2,200          | —                |
| Churchyard Maintenance Restricted                  | 110            | —                |
| Food Bank Restricted Fund (Holy Trinity)           | 54             | —                |
| Hall Refurbishment Restricted - St J               | 2,527          | —                |
| Heating System Restricted - St Leonard             | (2,443)        | —                |
| Interior Decorating Scheme -IDCENT011              | 4,130          | —                |
| Leonard Bryce Smith Restricted Fund - St J         | 66,742         | —                |
| Agency collection                                  | 40             | —                |
| Organ Restricted Fund - St Mary                    | 592            | —                |
| LDBF Church Bldg Fund                              | 800            | —                |
| Restricted Fund                                    | 60             | 25,412           |
| St Johns - Buildings Special Fund - Inactive       | —              | 40,176           |
| Special Projects fund                              | 4,224          | 4,224            |
| Welcome Spaces Restricted - St Leonard             | 431            | —                |
| Revaluation reserves                               | —              | —                |
| Barbara Mason Graves Restricted Legacy - St J      | 500            | —                |
| Barbara Mason Roof Restricted Legacy - St J        | 30,000         | —                |
| Betsy's Legacy Restricted Fund (Holy               | 10,850         | —                |
| Book Sacks Restricted Fund - St J                  | 410            | —                |
| Christian Aid                                      | —              | —                |
| Carpet/Lighting                                    | 1,000          | —                |
| Children Work (formerly SaFE)                      | 2,407          | 10               |
| Christian Aid Restricted Fund (Holy                | 35             | —                |
| <b>Funds of the church</b>                         | <b>222,840</b> | <b>215,061</b>   |

Approved by the PCC on ..... 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
Reverend Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

.....  
Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

## **Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**

### **Notes to accompany the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024**

#### **Notes to the Accounts**

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members. They do include the transactions, assets etc. of each of the four churches, which make up the single parish of Central Telford. The names of those churches are listed elsewhere within this document.

The Parochial Church Council of the Central Telford Parish has approved the format and layout of these accounts. The PCC is made up of representatives of all the member churches.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

#### **Cashflow Statement**

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

#### **Going Concern**

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The parish paid the requested amount of Common Fund for 2024 in full.

#### **Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors**

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

#### **Funds**

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

**Restricted funds** comprise of two elements:

a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest

b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

- a. You will see from the accounts that the bank balance held at the 31st December 2024 was £221,402, and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 was £214,474. That is made up as follows –

|                  | <b>2024</b>     | <b>2023</b>     |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Central Accounts | £42,406         | £39,820         |
| Holy Trinity     | £31,786         | £29,995         |
| St Johns         | £131,748        | £132,768        |
| St Leonards      | £9,694          | £8,450          |
| St Marys         | £5,768          | £3,441          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>£221,402</b> | <b>£214,474</b> |

Team Consolidation: The accounts also show a total income of £139,343 (2023: £131,696) and a total expenditure of £131,508 (2023: £120,015). Giving a surplus for the year, before revaluation of investments, of £7,835, (2023: £11,681).

- b. For information we have set out below the details of the income and expenditure of each of the churches which may help the understanding of the overall position

| <b>Church Name</b>                   | <b>INCOME</b>   | <b>EXPENDITURE</b> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Central Accounts                     | £23,809         | £20,398            |
| Holy Trinity                         | £35,018         | £33,228            |
| St Johns                             | £27,400         | £28,419            |
| St Leonards                          | £38,247         | £36,921            |
| St Marys                             | £14,869         | £12,542            |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                        | <b>£139,343</b> | <b>£131,508</b>    |
|                                      |                 |                    |
| <b>Difference</b>                    |                 | <b>£7,836</b>      |
| <b>Gain/Loss on investment asset</b> |                 | <b>(£56)</b>       |
| <b>B/F from previous year</b>        |                 | <b>£215,061</b>    |
| <b>Carried forward</b>               |                 | <b>£222,840</b>    |

## **Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and there is certainty of receipt.

### Voluntary Income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

Grants and Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised from fetes, fairs and similar events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

### Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

### Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable.

### Gains and losses on investments.

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

## **Resources Used**

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the SOFA category. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional on the recipient satisfying performance or other discretionary requirements to the satisfaction of the Board. Grant offered subject to such conditions, which have not been met at the year-end, would be noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

Common Fund is accounted for when payable. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and shown as a creditor in the balance sheet. Common Fund was paid in full in 2024.

## **Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10 (2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011. No value is placed on movable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since they are inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

The Parish has overall responsibility for one other building, the Church Hall at St John's Lawley.

The hall at St. John's is run and maintained by the District Church Council at the church and was valued at £216,000. It is in a good state of repair as it has been recently refurbished. This value is below expected market value.

### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December 2024 £2,092 (2023 £2,148), and held within Hill & Smith Holdings Plc

## **Current assets**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for any amounts that may prove uncollectible. No such amounts are due for 2024.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the Bank or Building Society. At present monies are held in a deposit account with the Central Board of Finance by three District churches as well as an amount held centrally.

Investments are held as a part of the Central Accounts. These include shares in Hill & Smith PLC. Details of this are held centrally.

All dividends and interest received on these investments are included in the accounts under the heading of "Investment Income".

## **Creditors and Accruals**

Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024**

|                                          |                     |                   |                   |                  | <b>Total</b>     |                  |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                          | <b>Unrestricted</b> | <b>Designated</b> | <b>Restricted</b> | <b>Endowment</b> | <b>This year</b> | <b>Last year</b> |
| <b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>             |                     |                   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>Donations and Legacies</i>            |                     |                   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Gift Aid Envelopes/Donations             | 34,296              | —                 | 1,000             | —                | 35,296           | 32,858           |
| Direct Giving Envelopes - non gift aid   | 8,381               | —                 | —                 | —                | 8,381            | 7,756            |
| Payments received from other CTP accts   | —                   | —                 | —                 | —                | —                | —                |
| Plate Collections                        | 9,110               | —                 | —                 | —                | 9,110            | 7,434            |
| Sundry Donations                         | 2,745               | —                 | 2,602             | —                | 5,347            | 3,077            |
| Donations appeals etc                    | 150                 | —                 | —                 | —                | 150              | 383              |
| Recoverable Income Tax                   | 15,796              | —                 | —                 | —                | 15,796           | 22,557           |
| Legacies                                 | —                   | —                 | —                 | —                | —                | 5,000            |
| Grants                                   | 180                 | —                 | 1,700             | —                | 1,880            | 1,700            |
| Non-recurring one-off grants             | —                   | —                 | 12,197            | —                | 12,197           | 2,750            |
| Other funds generated                    | —                   | —                 | —                 | —                | —                | 45               |
| Other Income                             | 1,395               | —                 | 4,130             | —                | 5,525            | 110              |
| VAT and other refunds                    | 270                 | —                 | —                 | —                | 270              | —                |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>72,323</b>       | <b>—</b>          | <b>21,629</b>     | <b>—</b>         | <b>93,953</b>    | <b>83,671</b>    |
| <i>Income from charitable activities</i> |                     |                   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Other funds generated                    | 8                   | —                 | —                 | —                | 8                | —                |
| Fees received                            | 15,980              | —                 | 40                | —                | 16,020           | 19,021           |
| PCC local fees                           | 1,350               | —                 | —                 | —                | 1,350            | 1,175            |
| Gross income from fund raising           | 10,614              | —                 | —                 | —                | 10,614           | 9,748            |
| Special Appeals gross fundraising income | 1,458               | —                 | —                 | —                | 1,458            | 1,922            |
| Christian Aid income                     | 130                 | —                 | 10                | —                | 140              | 60               |
| Special Restricted Projects income       | —                   | —                 | 500               | —                | 500              | 17               |
| Children and young people                | —                   | —                 | 10                | —                | 10               | 190              |
| Church Hall lettings and rent            | 9,451               | —                 | —                 | —                | 9,451            | 8,886            |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>38,991</b>       | <b>—</b>          | <b>560</b>        | <b>—</b>         | <b>39,551</b>    | <b>41,019</b>    |
| <i>Other trading activities</i>          |                     |                   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Sale of items                            | —                   | —                 | —                 | —                | —                | 475              |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>—</b>            | <b>—</b>          | <b>—</b>          | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>         | <b>475</b>       |
| <i>Investments</i>                       |                     |                   |                   |                  |                  |                  |
| Bank/Building Society Interest           | 1,644               | 3,787             | 391               | —                | 5,823            | 6,517            |
| Dividends & Trust Income                 | 17                  | —                 | —                 | —                | 17               | 15               |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>1,661</b>        | <b>3,787</b>      | <b>391</b>        | <b>—</b>         | <b>5,839</b>     | <b>6,532</b>     |
| <b>INCOME TOTAL</b>                      | <b>112,976</b>      | <b>3,787</b>      | <b>22,581</b>     | <b>—</b>         | <b>139,343</b>   | <b>131,488</b>   |

**EXPENDITURE**

*Raising funds*

|              |            |          |          |          |            |            |
|--------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|------------|
| Bank Charges | 102        | —        | —        | —        | 102        | 105        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>102</b> | <b>105</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure (continued)**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024**

*Expenditure on charitable activities*

|                                        |                |          |               |          |                |                |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| Christian Aid donations                | 158            | —        | —             | —        | 158            | 200            |
| Ministry Common Fund etc               | 60,166         | —        | —             | —        | 60,166         | —              |
| Donations/Gifts                        | 2,733          | —        | —             | —        | 2,733          | 2,875          |
| Payments made to other CTP accts       | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | —              |
| Training                               | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | 204            |
| Other working expenses                 | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | 1,446          |
| Fees paid to the Diocese               | 723            | —        | —             | —        | 723            | —              |
| Housing costs / Rents                  | 95             | —        | —             | —        | 95             | 322            |
| Clergy Working Expenses                | 2,893          | —        | —             | —        | 2,893          | 2,981          |
| External Clergy Expenses               | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | 95             |
| Lay Parish Working Expenses            | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | 22             |
| Quinquennial inspections               | 1,150          | —        | —             | —        | 1,150          | 1,524          |
| Payment of parish share to the Diocese | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | 65,452         |
| Running cost (inc Gas,Water,Electric)  | 17,976         | —        | —             | —        | 17,976         | 22,116         |
| Repairs/replacements/new items         | 6,519          | —        | 1,400         | —        | 7,919          | 1,053          |
| Church Maintenance                     | 1,212          | —        | —             | —        | 1,212          | 1,284          |
| Church Hall costs                      | 3,893          | —        | —             | —        | 3,893          | 4,428          |
| Churchyard maintenance                 | 1,124          | —        | 1,590         | —        | 2,714          | 2,848          |
| Insurance                              | 10,357         | —        | —             | —        | 10,357         | 9,735          |
| Flowers                                | 190            | —        | —             | —        | 190            | 98             |
| Children and Young People              | 724            | —        | —             | —        | 724            | 651            |
| Church items purchased                 | 441            | —        | —             | —        | 441            | 249            |
| Costs of fund raising                  | 356            | —        | —             | —        | 356            | 820            |
| Printing / Copying / Publicity         | 180            | —        | —             | —        | 180            | 255            |
| Audit Fees                             | 595            | —        | —             | —        | 595            | 500            |
| Licence Fees                           | 946            | —        | —             | —        | 946            | 534            |
| New Building or other major works      | —              | —        | —             | —        | —              | —              |
| Other Payments                         | 125            | —        | —             | —        | 125            | 37             |
| Church major repairs – structure       | 648            | —        | —             | —        | 648            | —              |
| Church major repairs                   | —              | —        | 15,140        | —        | 15,140         | —              |
| <b>Total</b>                           | <b>112,927</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>18,130</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>131,057</b> | <b>119,728</b> |

*Other expenditure*

|                                       |          |          |           |          |           |                |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------------|
| Special projects payments as required | —        | —        | 69        | —        | 69        | 182            |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>69</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>69</b> | <b>182</b>     |
| <b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>              | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>120,015</b> |

|                    |                |          |               |          |                |                |
|--------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|----------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | <b>113,308</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>18,200</b> | <b>—</b> | <b>131,508</b> | <b>120,015</b> |
|--------------------|----------------|----------|---------------|----------|----------------|----------------|

**Analysis of Assets – 2024**

|                                                  | General       | Designated   | Restricted     | Endowment | This year      | Last year      |
|--------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Fixed assets - Investments</b>                |               |              |                |           |                |                |
| Hill & Smith Holdings Plc -                      | 2,092         | —            | —              | —         | 2,092          | 2,148          |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>2,092</b>  | <b>—</b>     | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>  | <b>2,092</b>   | <b>2,148</b>   |
| <b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b> |               |              |                |           |                |                |
| Bank current account -                           | 48,085        | 234          | 6,781          | —         | 55,099         | 61,226         |
| Interior Decorating Scheme -IDCENT011            | —             | —            | 4,380          | —         | 4,380          | —              |
| LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFDAWL011                  | —             | —            | 200            | —         | 200            | —              |
| LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFKETL011                  | —             | —            | 200            | —         | 200            | —              |
| LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFLAWL011                  | —             | —            | 200            | —         | 200            | —              |
| LDBF Church Bldg Fund QFMALI011                  | —             | —            | 200            | —         | 200            | —              |
| Bank deposit account -                           | 2,558         | —            | —              | —         | 2,558          | 2,528          |
| CBF deposit account -                            | 35,450        | 4,724        | 112,770        | —         | 152,944        | 147,183        |
| Compassion bank account -                        | (44)          | 97           | —              | —         | 53             | 97             |
| Bank current account -                           | 4,975         | —            | 592            | —         | 5,568          | 3,441          |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>91,024</b> | <b>5,054</b> | <b>125,324</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>221,402</b> | <b>214,474</b> |
| <b>Liabilities - Agency accounts</b>             |               |              |                |           |                |                |
| Agency collections -                             | —             | —            | 654            | —         | 654            | 1,562          |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>—</b>      | <b>—</b>     | <b>654</b>     | <b>—</b>  | <b>654</b>     | <b>1,562</b>   |
| <b>Grand total</b>                               | <b>93,116</b> | <b>5,054</b> | <b>124,670</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>222,840</b> | <b>215,061</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024**

|                                          | Opening | Incoming | Outgoing | Transfers | Gains/losses | Closing |
|------------------------------------------|---------|----------|----------|-----------|--------------|---------|
| <b>Anon Res - Anonymous Restricted</b>   |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | —        | —        | 2,200     | —            | 2,200   |
| Sub-total for Anon Res                   | —       | —        | —        | 2,200     | —            | 2,200   |
| <b>Barbara M - Barbara Mason Graves</b>  |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | —        | —        | 500       | —            | 500     |
| Restricted                               | —       | —        | —        | 30,000    | —            | 30,000  |
| Sub-total for Barbara M                  | —       | —        | —        | 30,500    | —            | 30,500  |
| <b>Betsy's Le</b>                        |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | 391      | —        | 10,459    | —            | 10,850  |
| Sub-total for Betsy's Le                 | —       | 391      | —        | 10,459    | —            | 10,850  |
| <b>Book Sacks - Book Sacks Restrict</b>  |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | —        | —        | 410       | —            | 410     |
| Sub-total for Book Sacks                 | —       | —        | —        | 410       | —            | 410     |
| <b>CTPShare - CTP Parish Share Squ</b>   |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Designated                               | 234     | —        | —        | —         | —            | 234     |
| Sub-total for CTPShare                   | 234     | —        | —        | —         | —            | 234     |
| <b>Carpet/Lig</b>                        |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Designated                               | —       | 1,000    | —        | —         | —            | 1,000   |
| Sub-total for CTPShare                   | —       | 1,000    | —        | —         | —            | 1,000   |
| <b>Children - Children Work (forme</b>   |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | 10      | 70       | —        | 2,327     | —            | 2,407   |
| Sub-total for Children                   | 10      | 70       | —        | 2,327     | —            | 2,407   |
| <b>Christian</b>                         |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | 10       | —        | 25        | —            | 35      |
| Sub-total for Christian                  | —       | 10       | —        | 25        | —            | 35      |
| <b>Church Bui</b>                        |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Designated                               | —       | 3,787    | —        | —         | —            | 3,787   |
| Sub-total for Church Bui                 | —       | 3,787    | —        | —         | —            | 3,787   |
| <b>Churchyard</b>                        |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | 1,700    | 1,590    | —         | —            | 110     |
| Sub-total for Churchyard                 | —       | 1,700    | 1,500    | —         | —            | 110     |
| <b>Compassion - Compassion Designate</b> |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Designated                               | —       | —        | —        | 97        | —            | 97      |
| Sub-total for Compassion                 | —       | —        | —        | 97        | —            | 97      |
| <b>EAA - Easy Access Account</b>         |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Designated                               | 2       | —        | —        | (2)       | —            | —       |
| Sub-total for EAA                        | 2       | —        | —        | (2)       | —            | —       |
| <b>Food Bank</b>                         |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | —        | —        | 54        | —            | 54      |
| Sub-total for EAA                        | —       | —        | —        | 54        | —            | 54      |
| <b>General - General fund</b>            |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Unrestricted                             | 121,164 | 112,976  | 113,004  | (27,659)  | (56)         | 93,116  |
| Sub-total for General                    | 121,164 | 112,976  | 113,004  | (27,659)  | (56)         | 93,420  |
| <b>Hall Refur - Hall Refurbishment R</b> |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | —        | —        | 2,527     | —            | 2,527   |
| Sub-total for Hall Refur                 | —       | —        | —        | 2,527     | —            | 2,527   |
| <b>Heating - Heating Restricted F</b>    |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | 500      | 500      | —         | —            | —       |
| Restricted                               | —       | 12,697   | 15,140   | —         | —            | (2,443) |
| Sub-total for Heating                    | —       | 13,197   | 15,640   | —         | —            | (2,443) |
| <b>IDS - IDCE - Interior Decorating</b>  |         |          |          |           |              |         |
| Restricted                               | —       | 4,130    | —        | —         | —            | 4,130   |
| Sub-total for IDS - IDCE                 | —       | 4,130    | —        | —         | —            | 4,130   |

|                                          |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|----------------|
| <b>LDBF - CBF Deposits - Inact</b>       |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Designated – St J                        | 2,116          | —              | —              | (2,116)         | —           | —              |
| Designated - HT                          | 21,723         | —              | —              | (21,723)        | —           | —              |
| <b>Sub-total for LDBF</b>                | <b>23,839</b>  | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>(23,839)</b> | <b>—</b>    | <b>—</b>       |
| <b>Leonard BS - Leonard Bryce Smith</b>  |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | —              | —              | 66,742          | —           | 66,742         |
| <b>Sub-total for Leonard BS</b>          | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>66,742</b>   | <b>—</b>    | <b>66,742</b>  |
| <b>None</b>                              |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | 40             | —              | —               | —           | —              |
| <b>Sub-total for None</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>40</b>      | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>    | <b>—</b>       |
| <b>Organ</b>                             |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | 1,492          | 900            | —               | —           | 592            |
| <b>Sub-total for Organ</b>               | <b>—</b>       | <b>1,492</b>   | <b>900</b>     | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>    | <b>592</b>     |
| <b>QFDAWL011</b>                         |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | —              | —              | 200             | —           | 200            |
| <b>Sub-total for QFDAWL011</b>           | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>200</b>      | <b>—</b>    | <b>200</b>     |
| <b>QFKETL011</b>                         |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | —              | —              | 200             | —           | 200            |
| <b>Sub-total for QFKETL011</b>           | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>200</b>      | <b>—</b>    | <b>592</b>     |
| <b>QFMALI011</b>                         |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | —              | —              | 200             | —           | 200            |
| <b>Sub-total for QFMALI011</b>           | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>200</b>      | <b>—</b>    | <b>592</b>     |
| <b>QFLAWL011</b>                         |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | —              | —              | 200             | —           | 200            |
| <b>Sub-total for QFLAWL011</b>           | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>200</b>      | <b>—</b>    | <b>200</b>     |
| <b>Restr - Restricted Fund</b>           |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted (PCC)                         | 25,412         | 50             | —              | (25,402)        | —           | 60             |
| <b>Sub-total for Restr</b>               | <b>25,412</b>  | <b>50</b>      | <b>—</b>       | <b>(25,402)</b> | <b>—</b>    | <b>60</b>      |
| <b>Sheila Kem - Sheila Kemp Legacy D</b> |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Designated                               | —              | —              | —              | 937             | —           | 937            |
| <b>Sub-total for Sheila Kem</b>          | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>937</b>      | <b>—</b>    | <b>937</b>     |
| <b>Spec-BLDG - St Johns - Buildings</b>  |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | 40,176         | —              | —              | (40,176)        | —           | —              |
| <b>Sub-total for Spec-BLDG</b>           | <b>40,176</b>  | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>(40,176)</b> | <b>—</b>    | <b>—</b>       |
| <b>Special - Special Projects fun</b>    |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | 4,224          | —              | —              | —               | —           | 4,224          |
| <b>Sub-total for Special</b>             | <b>4,224</b>   | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>    | <b>4,224</b>   |
| <b>Special - Special Projects fun</b>    |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | 4,224          | —              | —              | —               | —           | 4,224          |
| <b>Sub-total for Special</b>             | <b>4,224</b>   | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>    | <b>4,224</b>   |
| <b>Special - Welcome</b>                 |                |                |                |                 |             |                |
| Restricted                               | —              | 500            | 69             | —               | —           | 431            |
| <b>Sub-total for Welcome</b>             | <b>—</b>       | <b>500</b>     | <b>69</b>      | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>    | <b>431</b>     |
| <b>Grand total</b>                       | <b>215,061</b> | <b>139,343</b> | <b>131,508</b> | <b>—</b>        | <b>(56)</b> | <b>222,840</b> |

## **Fund Description**

### **Designated Funds**

- Easy Access Account (St Mary) – closed 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024
- Compassion (St John) - Designated by the DCC for children's work - currently supporting Open Doors
- CTP Common Fund (Malinslee) – monies set aside for common fund payments
- LDBF CBF Deposit (St John & Dawley) – monies kept in the CBF Deposit account held by Lichfield Diocesan Trust
- Sheila Kemp Legacy (St John) - Designated by the DCC for something tangible for the church

### **Restricted Funds**

- Anonymous Restricted (St John) - Something tangible for the church
- Barbara Mason Graves Legacy (St John) - For the maintenance of the graves of Thomas George and Barbara Mason, Thomas and Maud Lillian Bowdler, Thomas William and Lilian Rose and Cecil Mason the same as has been maintained during the deceased's lifetime.
- Barbara Mason Roof Legacy (St John) – For upkeep and repair of St John's church roof
- Book Sacks (St John) – For children's work
- Children's Work (PCC) – £2,327
- Hall Refurbishment (St John) – For the refurbishment of the hall at St John
- Heating (St Mary) – For repair of the heater
- Interior Decorating Scheme (PCC) – for the internal redecoration of the vicarage
- Leonard Bryce Smith Trust (St John) - For the fabric of St John's church
- Lawley Outreach (PCC) – for mission in the district of Lawley
- Organ (St Mary) – £592
- Restricted Fund (PCC) - £60
- Special Buildings (St John) – for the upkeep and maintenance of the fabric of St John's church
- Special Projects (Malinslee) – monies set aside for particular projects at St Leonard's
- Nellie Lewis (Dawley) – for children's work at Holy Trinity
- Restricted (PCC) – a few restricted funds that are being reviewed in 2024

### **Transfers between funds**

#### **2024**

- Movement of finance previously recorded as unrestricted into their corresponding restricted funds. Correction of historical mis-postings.

#### **2023**

- £9,574 was transferred from the Special Projects Fund to the General fund (Malinslee) to correct historical mis-postings.
- £21,171 was transferred from the CBF Deposit designated fund to the general fund (Dawley) to correct historical mis-postings.

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024**

**Allocation of Support Costs**

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

**Staff costs**

|                          | <b>2024</b> | <b>2023</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Wages & Salaries         | £-          | £-          |
| Average no. of employees | 0           | 0           |

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

**Trustees' Expenses**

2 trustees were paid £1,852 in respect of reimbursement of travel and phone expenses during the year (2023: 3 trustees paid £1,688) .

**Related Parties**

No other expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £6,881 for the year 2024 (£10,138 for the year 2023). This is the total of all giving/donations made by PCC members who served during the year ie includes planned/regular giving as well as any one-off donations.

**Fees for the examination of the accounts**

|                                                                       | <b>2024</b> | <b>2023</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                                                                       |             |             |
| Independent Examiner's fees                                           | £595        | £500        |
|                                                                       |             |             |
| Other fees (eg accountancy services) paid to the Independent Examiner | £ -         | £ -         |

**Creditors due within one year**

|                              | <b>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>2023<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Agency ( <i>restricted</i> ) | 654               | 1,562             |
|                              |                   |                   |
| <b>Total Creditors</b>       | <b>654</b>        | <b>1,562</b>      |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

**Prior Year Comparative Reports**

**Statement of Financial Activities – 2023**

|                                                             | Unrestricted funds | Designated funds | Restricted funds | Endowment funds | Total funds    | Prior year total funds |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------|
| <b>Receipts</b>                                             |                    |                  |                  |                 |                |                        |
| Donations and legacies                                      | 83,571             | —                | 100              | —               | 83,671         | 79,631                 |
| Income from charitable activities                           | 40,932             | —                | 87               | —               | 41,019         | 45,889                 |
| Other trading activities                                    | 475                | —                | —                | —               | 475            | —                      |
| Investments                                                 | 5,577              | 955              | —                | —               | 6,532          | 72,205                 |
| Other income                                                | —                  | —                | —                | —               | —              | 845                    |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>130,554</b>     | <b>955</b>       | <b>187</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>131,696</b> | <b>198,569</b>         |
| <b>Payments</b>                                             |                    |                  |                  |                 |                |                        |
| Raising funds                                               | 105                | —                | —                | —               | 105            | 147                    |
| Expenditure on charitable activities                        | 119,728            | —                | —                | —               | 119,728        | 138,448                |
| Other expenditure                                           | —                  | —                | —                | —               | 182            | —                      |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>120,015</b> | <b>138,595</b>         |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>10,540</b>      | <b>955</b>       | <b>187</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>11,681</b>  | <b>59,974</b>          |
| <b>Transfers</b>                                            |                    |                  |                  |                 |                |                        |
| Gross transfers between funds - in                          | 30,925             | 100              | 81               | —               | 31,106         | 500                    |
| Gross transfers between funds - out                         | (181)              | (21,271)         | (9,655)          | —               | (31,106)       | (500)                  |
| <b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>                      |                    |                  |                  |                 |                |                        |
| Gains / losses on investment assets                         | 836                | —                | —                | —               | 836            | (699)                  |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>42,119</b>      | <b>(21,216)</b>  | <b>(9,387)</b>   | <b>—</b>        | <b>12,517</b>  | <b>59,275</b>          |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>79,044</b>      | <b>44,290</b>    | <b>79,209</b>    | <b>—</b>        | <b>202,544</b> | <b>143,263</b>         |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b>                          | <b>121,164</b>     | <b>24,075</b>    | <b>69,822</b>    | <b>—</b>        | <b>215,061</b> | <b>202,544</b>         |

**Analysis of Assets – 2023**

|                                                  | General        | Designated    | Restricted    | Endowment | This year      | Last year      |
|--------------------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|-----------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Fixed assets - Investments</b>                |                |               |               |           |                |                |
| Hill & Smith Holdings Plc -                      | 2,148          | —             | —             | —         | 2,148          | 1,313          |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>2,148</b>   | <b>—</b>      | <b>—</b>      | <b>—</b>  | <b>2,148</b>   | <b>1,313</b>   |
| <b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b> |                |               |               |           |                |                |
| Bank current account -                           | 164,861        | (26,845)      | (73,349)      | —         | 64,667         | 60,856         |
| Bank deposit account -                           | (1,752)        | —             | 4,280         | —         | 2,528          | 8,762          |
| CBF deposit account -                            | (44,310)       | 51,039        | 140,453       | —         | 147,183        | 140,725        |
| CTP Share account -                              | —              | —             | —             | —         | —              | 232            |
| Compassion bank account -                        | 97             | —             | —             | —         | 97             | 193            |
| Easy Access Account -                            | 119            | (119)         | —             | —         | —              | —              |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>119,015</b> | <b>24,075</b> | <b>71,384</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>214,474</b> | <b>210,768</b> |
| <b>Liabilities – Creditors Due in One Year</b>   |                |               |               |           |                |                |
| CBF deposit account -                            | —              | —             | —             | —         | —              | 3,532          |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>      | <b>—</b>      | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>       | <b>3,532</b>   |
| <b>Liabilities - Agency accounts</b>             |                |               |               |           |                |                |
| Agency collections -                             | —              | —             | 1,562         | —         | 1,562          | 6,005          |
| <b>Totals</b>                                    | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>      | <b>1,562</b>  | <b>—</b>  | <b>1,562</b>   | <b>6,005</b>   |
| <b>Grand total</b>                               | <b>121,164</b> | <b>24,075</b> | <b>69,822</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>215,061</b> | <b>202,544</b> |

## Fund Movement Summary - 2023

|                                         | Opening        | Incoming       | Outgoing       | Transfers       | Gains/losses | Closing        |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
| <b>CTPSHare - CTP Parish Share Squ</b>  |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Designated                              | 232            | 2              | —              | —               | —            | 234            |
| <b>Sub-total for CTPShare</b>           | <b>232</b>     | <b>2</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>     |                |
| <b>Children - Children Work (forme</b>  |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Restricted                              | 10             | —              | —              | —               | —            | 10             |
| <b>Sub-total for Children</b>           | <b>10</b>      | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>     | <b>10</b>      |
| <b>EAA - Easy Access Account</b>        |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Designated                              | 2              | —              | —              | —               | —            | 2              |
| <b>Sub-total for EAA</b>                | <b>2</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>     | <b>2</b>       |
| <b>General - General fund</b>           |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Unrestricted                            | 79,044         | 130,554        | 120,015        | 30,744          | 836          | 121,164        |
| <b>Sub-total for General</b>            | <b>79,044</b>  | <b>130,554</b> | <b>120,015</b> | <b>30,744</b>   | <b>836</b>   | <b>121,164</b> |
| <b>LDBF - CBF Deposits</b>              |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Designated – St J                       | 2,116          | —              | —              | —               | —            | 2,116          |
| Designated - HT                         | 41,941         | 953            | —              | (21,171)        | —            | 21,723         |
| <b>Sub-total for LDBF</b>               | <b>44,057</b>  | <b>953</b>     | <b>—</b>       | <b>(21,171)</b> | <b>—</b>     | <b>23,839</b>  |
| <b>Restr - Restricted Fund</b>          |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Restricted (PCC)                        | 25,242         | 170            | —              | —               | —            | 25,412         |
| <b>Sub-total for Restr</b>              | <b>25,242</b>  | <b>170</b>     | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>     | <b>25,412</b>  |
| <b>Spec-BLDG - St Johns - Buildings</b> |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Restricted                              | 40,176         | —              | —              | —               | —            | 40,176         |
| <b>Sub-total for Spec-BLDG</b>          | <b>40,176</b>  | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>     | <b>40,176</b>  |
| <b>ZReval – Revaluation reserves</b>    |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Restricted (Dawley)                     | (81)           | —              | —              | 81              | —            | —              |
| <b>Sub-total for Restr</b>              | <b>(81)</b>    | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>81</b>       | <b>—</b>     | <b>—</b>       |
| <b>Lewis – Nellie Lewis</b>             |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Restricted (Dawley)                     | 81             | —              | —              | (81)            | —            | —              |
| <b>Sub-total for Spec-BLDG</b>          | <b>81</b>      | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>(81)</b>     | <b>—</b>     | <b>—</b>       |
| <b>Special - Special Projects fun</b>   |                |                |                |                 |              |                |
| Restricted                              | 13,781         | 17             | —              | (9,574)         | —            | 4,224          |
| <b>Sub-total for Special</b>            | <b>13,781</b>  | <b>17</b>      | <b>—</b>       | <b>(9,574)</b>  | <b>—</b>     | <b>4,224</b>   |
| <b>Grand total</b>                      | <b>202,544</b> | <b>131,696</b> | <b>120,015</b> | <b>—</b>        | <b>836</b>   | <b>215,061</b> |

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# Accounts

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**Charity Registration No 1140301**

# **Annual Report & Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council for the year ending 31 December 2023**

**Incorporating the District Churches of  
Holy Trinity, Dawley  
St. Leonard, Malinslee  
St. John, Lawley  
St. Mary, Ketley**



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## Section 1: Trustees Report

### 1. Administrative information

The Central Telford Parish is part of the Diocese of Lichfield within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: The Vicarage, Church Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 2AS. The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford is a Registered Charity No: 1140301.

The churches of the Parish are:

Holy Trinity Church, Dawley: Old Vicarage Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 3NH

St John's Church, Lawley: Dawley Road, Lawley, Telford, TF4 2PD

St Leonard's Church, Malinslee: Brunel Road, Telford, TF4 2DS

St Mary's Church, Ketley: Shepherd's Lane, Red Lake, Ketley Telford TF1 5EG

The PCC also retains responsibility for the churchyards of St James' Church, Stirchley (church building now in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust) and St Luke's, Doseley (church building now in private ownership), and St John's Church Hall.

#### Members of the PCC in 2023, and other officers of the Parish:

PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023 until the date this report was approved were:

#### Ex Officio Members

Incumbent: Revd Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

Team Vicar: Revd Scott Edwards (From 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023)

Reader: Margaret Cartwright (until April 23)

Reader: Chris Prescott (From 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023)

Churchwardens: Doreen Dyson and Mary Richards (also Deanery Synod rep)

**Deanery Synod Reps:** Chris Hicks, Jean Heighway, Mary Richards (also Churchwarden), David Broome (until Oct 23)

#### Elected Members

Margaret Southall, Ann Broadhurst (St Mary, District Warden), Barbara Crawforth (Holy Trinity, District Warden), Lorraine Granger (St Leonard, District Warden) (from 14<sup>th</sup> May 23), Jane Hill (St Leonard, District Warden), Eileen Robertson (St John, District

Warden), Hannah Yapp (Holy Trinity), Margaret Cartwright (from 14<sup>th</sup> May 23)

**PCC Treasurer:** Margaret Cartwright

**PCC Secretary:** Margaret Southall

**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Helen Vellacott (until May 2023): Hannah Yapp (from May 2023)

#### District Church Officers,

**District Wardens:** Ann Broadhurst (St Mary), Barbara Crawforth (Holy Trinity), Lorraine Granger (St Leonard), Doreen Dyson (St Mary), Jane Hill (St Leonard), Eileen Robertson (St John), Glenis Watkins (Holy Trinity)

**District Treasurers:** Dave Broome (St Leonard) (until April 2023), Roger Farnworth (St Leonard) (from May 2023), Jean Heighway (Holy Trinity), Brian Richards (St Mary), Bill Robertson (St John)

### 2. Structure and Governance

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the governing body for the Parish. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules and the Parish Scheme.

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The PCC met six times during 2023. There are four District Church Councils (DCCs), one for each District centred on the churches of the Parish. All the DCCs met regularly during 2023.

There were 137 names on the electoral roll at the time of the 2023 Annual Meeting

### 3. Aims and purposes

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Team Rector, to promote the whole mission of the Church - pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical - throughout the parish. It is the duty of the Team Rector and the PCC to consult together on matters of general concern and importance to the parish. Some powers and functions are delegated to each District Church Council, as set out in the Parish Scheme.

#### 4. Objectives and Activities:

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community by providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and by promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of our church buildings, St John's church hall and our churchyards.

#### 5. Achievements and Performance

##### Attendance at Services:

| Total attendance  | TOTAL | HT  | St J | St L | St M |
|-------------------|-------|-----|------|------|------|
| Average Sunday    | 89    | 32  | 21   | 24   | 12   |
| Messy Church      | 29    | 29  | -    | -    | -    |
| Easter Eve/Day    | 160   | 51  | 23   | 64   | 22   |
| Christmas Eve/Day | 388   | 157 | 155  | 21   | 55   |
| Carol Services    | 398   | 89  | 185  | 66   | 58   |

##### Baptisms, weddings and funerals:

|            | TOTAL | HT | St J | St L | St M |
|------------|-------|----|------|------|------|
| Baptisms   | 42    | 18 | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Weddings   | 11    | 5  | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Funerals*  | 62    | 40 | 4    | 14   | 4    |
| Interments | 27    | 10 | 1    | 15   | 1    |

\*Includes funerals at crematorium for people living in the district

\*\*Includes interments at St Luke, Doseley and St James, Stirchley

##### Report on buildings and churchyards:

In November, each church had its Quinquennial Inspection by Geraint Roberts. The reports are awaited and so we anticipate that there will be

various items of work to the buildings that will need addressing in 2024.

Telford and Wrekin repaired the retaining wall around Holy Trinity's churchyard which had developed a large bulge.

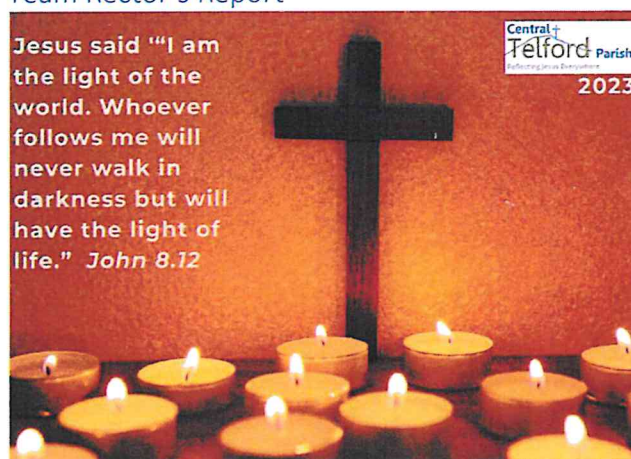
St Leonard's boiler was condemned in the autumn and for a period there was no heating in church. Thanks to a generous grant from Lichfield Diocese, a temporary boiler was installed which will provide heat over the winter until April 2024. Options for a new heating system are being considered and advice from the Diocesan Heating Adviser is being sought.

Holy Trinity church also had issues with its heating system when the controller panel stopped communicating with the boiler. This led to a period when the church was being heated continuously with at a high temperature, possibly causing damage to the organ. Once as the problem was identified, the heating was manually controlled, only being turned on when needed for service/events or when low overnight temperatures were forecast. The work to resolve this will take place in 2024.

The most significant work at St John's was the upgrading of the lighting in the church hall.

St Mary's have had issues with a leaking roof, which we hope will be addressed once the QI report is received. One of the four heaters has needed a repair and funding for this is being sought.

##### Team Rector's Report



Looking back at 2023, I am grateful to God for his faithfulness to us in Central Telford Parish. Our parish verse for 2023 was 'Jesus said "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life"' from John 8.12. In a world that seems increasingly chaotic and uncertain, our prayer has been that our churches, and us as individuals, will have confidence that the

light of Christ will guide us through these times. At the heart of this is a sense of our own responsibility to 'shine as lights' in the world enabling others to encounter the love of God. At times, our churches can seem fragile when we look at our financial situation and the numbers attending our services. However, I think that we have seen many glimmers of light in 2023 to give us confidence that God is at work among us, revealing the kind of churches that we are called to be at this time and in this place.

We had our Mission Plan as our guide but throughout the year it seemed that God was calling us to have a time to 'be still and know that I am God'. I think that this has been a blessing for us: to have a time to draw breath, to continue to rebuild post-Covid, and particularly to make sure that we look after one another and don't get over busy. This was particularly important during the vacancy for a Team Vicar, and has also been a real help to me since being asked to become Acting Archdeacon at very short notice in October 2023.



It was a joy to welcome Revd Scott Edwards as Team Vicar in March, and at the same time to welcome Chris Prescott as a Reader and I am grateful for all that they

bring to the parish. I know that the occasionally ministry of my husband Revd Roger Farnworth has been appreciated since he received Permission to Officiate, along with some other visiting clergy, Readers and lay ministers. We are also blessed with lay worship leaders who lead some Sunday morning services, evensong at Holy Trinity and other occasional services. It was also a delight to have Joe Grogan on placement with us as part of his training for ordination. Margaret Cartwright decided to step back from active Reader ministry during the year, which was a sadness for us, but it is important to recognise that God calls us into different ministries at different seasons of our life and we pray that Margaret will discover God's new call in the fullness of time.

I am grateful to all those who volunteer in so many different ways – some in very public roles and others who are quietly doing jobs in the background. It is a great blessing to our churches and our wider communities that so many are willing to serve God in many different ways. It is wonderful to be part of a parish where it's not expected that the Team Rector, or the Team Vicar, will do everything!

While we have said goodbye to some in our congregations, we have also welcomed new people into our church families. We have been able to pay our Common Fund in full and have been working hard to exercise good stewardship with our finances which is starting to move us on to a more secure footing. A lot of work has been done over the year to make sure that our churches are safe places, in terms of safeguarding, looking after the buildings and churchyards, and working towards having all the necessary policies and procedures in place.

We had a 'Season of Generosity' in the autumn to focus on how we can respond to the abundance of God's love which is given to us so freely. As part of this, everyone was asked to consider their financial generosity to the church, and also whether they could offer their particularly skills. We had a good response, and I am particularly looking forward to us enabling those who offered their time and talents to do so in the coming year.

I hope that as you read through the reports from our wardens and group leaders, that you will recognise the number of different opportunities that are offered to help people to grow in faith and to worship, to share in the love of God through practical actions, to have fun and build friendships. My prayer is that in 2024 we continue to be aware of God blessing us by enabling us to be a parish where prayer and worship is at our heart, where we care for one another, where we see growth in our numbers and in our faith, where all have confidence to use their God-given talents, where all are welcome and where the good news of Jesus Christ and the love of God is encountered in all that we do.

*Revd Prebendary Jo Farnworth*

### [Parish churchwardens' Report](#)

The first significant occasion to mention was the Installation of Revd Scott Edwards as Team Vicar on 29th March by Bishop Michael at St. John's, Lawley. It was a joyful welcoming, although it did pour with rain as we gathered for refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall. At the same time Christine Prescott was Licensed as a Reader in Central Telford, another welcome addition to the Ministry Team. Prior to Scott and Judy's arrival the Diocese carried out work on the newly acquired house in Lawley, converting the garage into a Study. A team from the Parish made a final clean and prepared a welcome for them in their new home.

So we were blessed with a full team to cover Holy Week and Easter services. Since then it has been great to see a regular pattern of worship developing across the Parish. All four churches have been able to have regular services of Holy Communion, provided alternately by Jo and Scott, apart from when Jo is needed on Associate Archdeacon duties. However additional help is at hand as Revd Roger Farnworth received Permission to Officiate (PTO) in the Diocese. In June/July we were pleased to be able to offer a student placement to Joe Grogan, who is training for the Priesthood. Joe grew up in Dawley, so fitted into the Parish easily, was of great benefit and proved himself popular.

Sadly, Margaret Cartwright stepped down as Reader in the Parish. We thank Margaret for her years of faithful service in this role and we are extremely grateful that she continues to hold the post of Parish Treasurer. We thank all the Lay Leaders who have stepped up to lead or help out in worship or other areas of Parish life. There has been an encouraging growth in pastoral care which will hopefully develop further.



Parish-wide the year continued on a steady path. In April an Eco-Church session was held to make and decorate Swift boxes ready for eventual

placing in the towers of the participating churches. This project has yet to develop - maybe in 2024, as we will look at other ways of becoming Eco-Church. There were the national celebrations for the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III in May. A picnic was held in the grounds of Holy Trinity Dawley on 7th May followed by a Songs of Praise service. In September the annual Ride & Stride for Shropshire Historic Churches Trust took place. We were able to open all our churches to visitors, including St James, Stirchley. Two of our members were sponsored and succeeded in walking around all the churches in the Parish on what was a very hot day! As a Parish, we continue to support the Food Bank based at Dawley Christian Centre and a number of our parishioners volunteer there regularly. Scott became a representative for the local CAP (Christians against Poverty). Once again our churches were able to make up Christmas Hampers for CAP to present to client families.



Jo and Scott have been re-building the relationships with the local Primary Schools and we hope to see further development in this in 2024. Experience Easter was offered at Holy Trinity. We were able to offer Christmas Experience at Holy Trinity at St Mary's. Many thanks to those who

volunteered their time to help lead the sessions.

A major event in the Autumn was the dreaded Quinquennial Inspections. All four churches were due or overdue for an Inspection. There was much preparation for this regarding checking on the current state of our buildings and ensuring that relevant paperwork/records were up to date. Each church has had building issues of one sort or another and there have been testing times for Church Wardens over heating, electrics, leaks etc as we expect you might read in the individual church reports. Geraint Roberts the Inspector visited all four churches over two days in November. It was fascinating to see a drone flying over the church to take photos of the roof. As at February 2024 we still await his Reports. We are praying that they will be kind!

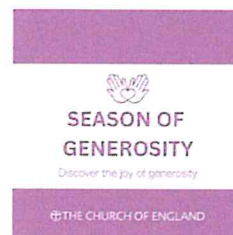
The Church of England initiated a Generosity Week at the end of September.

For the parish this was extended into a Season of Generosity running from

Harvest through to November. It was felt that this would be a good time to ask people to look at their giving, whether increasing or decreasing, and giving of their time and talents. Packs were prepared and distributed for this purpose, with response requested in terms of financial donations and offers of taking on new or different roles. It was hoped that donations would help to cover the expected shortfall in the central Parish funds, which would have meant that we could not pay our Common Fund to the diocese in full. The fear was unfounded as the generous response did cover the shortfall and we paid in full - thank you God!

So the year ended happily with a full round of Christmas events and services.

*Doreen Dyson & Mary Richards (Parish Wardens)*



## **Telford Deanery : Shaping for Mission**



FOLLOWING JESUS : LOVING TELFORD : RENEWING CHURCH : GROWING YOUNGER

Deanery Synod has continued to meet 3/4 times year via Zoom and meetings are usually well 'attended' in this format. Area Dean, Rev Debbie Loughran is in the Chair but each session has a guest speaker talking about their role and work. This is then followed by short discussion in 'break-out' rooms. Many of the themes included have reflected the Shaping for Mission process. Each meeting starts with a short act of worship and ends with any appropriate Deanery business or information. Reports are given of recent Diocesan Synod or General Synod meetings. 2023 saw the start of a new Triennium, with some members completing three years on Synod and new ones beginning.

In January, John Procter from Engage Schools Network was the speaker. He facilitates and enables local churches to work with schools in this area. The Engage Schools network aims to set up 2 events in a school year with churches doing the follow up introducing stable provisions for the young people. Engage look to open new possibilities in schools where there is little or no current access. In 2022/23 one project was fit4life with Dan Desmond working with the RE Teachers in Telford Park School and Hadley Learning Community. Also a Student RE Conference was planned for March 2023 with Lat Blaylock involving 12-15 students from each of the local schools.

In May, Chris Densham from Telford Christians Together (TCT) was the guest. He began by describing the role of TCT, Churches Together in Shropshire, both feeding into the national network Churches Together in England. At one time there were different groups making up TCT eg Street Pastors, CAP, Engage Schools but things have changed since the pandemic and a new way forward is being sought. Chris said "We are on a journey and God is working in us and the diversity we encounter is to be celebrated. Ecumenical shouldn't mean we should all be the same. There is unity in diversity - we can work better for Jesus when we come together. Each church is unique, it is not about doing everything together, but we can and should encourage what each other is doing." Currently as TCT regroups, they are looking at how they can create opportunities, missional hubs, places of encouragement, places which can equip groups -

each of the hubs or groups would be autonomous, some may be short lived with a particular individual focus. Telford Area Mission is in reality a hub, Engage Schools acts as a hub for those who work in secondary schools and equips and supports them. Some possible hubs could be – hub for church leaders, civic engagement hub to work with Telford and Wrekin Council, Social Action hub, Primary school hub (this may need more than one given the size of the area covered) and a prayer hub. These different hubs or groups would then feedback to TCT at maybe three meetings a year. The work is ongoing to try and restructure in a way that is prayerful, relational, and missional.

In July members of Synod met face-to-face socially, for a Barbecue hosted at Holy Trinity, Wrockwardine Wood. Pleasant weather meant we were able to gather outdoors in fellowship with some tasty food.

In October, we heard from John (Tug) Wilson of the National Deaneries Network. John has spent 21 years as Deanery and Diocesan Lay-Chair, and he has over 30 years of involvement with the National Deaneries Network. He explained the origin of Synods and described the structure of Parish/Deanery/Diocesan/General Synod and how things which are discussed or brought to synod can move up the structure and how motions can be brought to Diocesan Synod and could even move forward to General Synod. Last time Telford Deanery forwarded a question to Diocesan Synod was 2014! This was especially useful to the new Deanery Synod members. A question he posed was "what can I bring to Synod? – Ability, Experience and Knowledge, and Passion and Representation.

### **National Deaneries Network**

<https://www.nationaldeaneries.net/> has lots of resources available and like the PCC essential guide there are many briefings on there which may be of use to members of synod but especially for new members.

### **Ecumenical Relationships**

We value our relationships with other denominations in Telford, particularly with Dawley Baptist Church and our Methodist friends at Dawley Christian Centre. Regular meetings have been taking place with the ministers over 2023, although sadly Revd Nik from DCC has not been well during some of this period. The Dawley Foodbank continues to be a very successful and much needed ecumenical endeavour. We are delivering Experience Christmas and Easter ecumenically to schools, and hope to build on this in 2024.

## Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard in many different ways across the parish to provide ministry, enable worship to take place smoothly serve as church officers or as DCC/PCC members, lead/help at the many different activities, care for our buildings and churchyards, providing food and drinks, etc. Thanks also go to those who faithfully serve in unnoticed ways, and who pray for the life of the church.

## Safeguarding

There have been no safeguarding incidents reported in the parish in 2023. When Hannah Yapp was appointed as our new Parish Safeguarding Co-ordinator, a safeguarding audit of each church was carried out to ensure that that our practice is as it should be. As a PCC, it was agreed that all new volunteers in the parish working with children/young people and vulnerable adults must go through the safer recruitment process before they start their role and this is not happening. We are ensuring that all of our Trustees and volunteers have a current DBS (when appropriate) and keep their Safeguarding Training up to date.

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

## Activities:

### *Monday Food bank drop in – St Leonard's*

This group also continues and does serve the need of the twelve plus people attending each week. Those attending are appreciative of the chance of being somewhere warm and being provided with a warm drink. It is also appreciated as somewhere they are able to go to for a chat knowing they will be listened too. Huge thanks must be given to all those who help with this group: Becky, Jackie, Jane and Mike. A special thanks to Graham for his unwavering commitment to collecting the food from the supermarkets and delivering it to St. Leonard's each Sunday. Due to unforeseen circumstances this group is in great need of more volunteer helpers.

### *Coffee and Company – St Leonard's*

A new venture which started in 2023 and takes place the first Saturday morning of each month. This is spearheaded by Rev. Scott and Chris. It is still in its infancy and started off with people attending and enjoying coffee and company! It has been well

attended by a regular few who enjoy some lively and often amusing conversation. It is also a time when those who need it may have more in-depth conversations. It has progressed to activities being provided for those who enjoy this and has a lot of potential for development. All are welcome on the appropriate Saturdays between 10.00am-12.00. Refreshments are free

### *Exercise Class – St Leonard's*

This class has continued and bravely kept going during the period when there was no heating! Well done! There are twenty-two people on their register with an average attendance of twelve. There have been no issues reported.

### *Pensioners' Lunches and Party*

Due to unforeseen circumstances the annual pensioners party was unable to go ahead this year 'and similarly the monthly lunches have been unable to carry on.

### *Baby Babble – St Leonard's*

This group is run by Great Dawley Town Council on the last Tuesday of each month from approximately 13.00-15.00. This



has become very popular with local families and it is good to welcome people into our church. While the church building was without heating though this group did not meet.

### *Trinity Tots – Holy Trinity*

Despite children leaving to go to nursery or school, we still have a good number who attend either or both days. We now have the younger siblings of those who have left as well several new babies where the parents are taking time to make friends. We average from 15ish to 26



at each meeting. We are getting good reports back about what we offer for the children and even better reports about our now legendary bacon sandwiches. The parents/ grandparents and carers all get on well. They are friendly and helpful. We are still financed by donations and are in profit. We use this money for foods, crafts, assorted presents during the year and

sometimes to replenish any church stocks that we use. A big thanks to the Trinity Tots Team and all those who still come and help whenever needed and do whatever they do to make it work.

#### *Thursday Coffee and Chat – Holy Trinity*

This club was started after some of the regular parents wanted to keep meeting after their children had moved on to school. We met in the school holidays at the Christian Centre and then moved to Holy Trinity when schools were back in session. We meet at 11-30 after Tots. Over the weeks, those who were interested to start with stopped coming and we are lucky if we get on or two who aren't linked to church. Mainly it's the Thursday helpers who are still cleaning up after Tots. We have spoken, advertised and let people know, but it's not improving.

#### *Messy Church – Holy Trinity*

We meet up 11 times in 2023 taking August off for the summer holidays. We tried to support the families that came to Messy Church this year by focusing on themes about God's love, constancy, strength and the strength we have when we work together and support each other given how difficult this year has been for everyone and the scary events happening around the world. We celebrated Mother's Day and Father's Day as well as Harvest and Christmas. This year Easter was a little different as we held an All-age Good Friday Service using the Experiencing Easter Stations which some of the families came to and found moving. The Crib Service was really enjoyed by the Messy Church families that came and some of the children even dressed up as characters from the Nativity. We have sadly seen some families move on as the children have gotten older and got weekend jobs, but we have had the joy of welcoming families who started at Trinity Tots and wanted to do more in the Church. It has been a joy seeing all the families that come to Messy Church getting involved with all the crafts (especially the messy ones), singing along to the songs, sometimes getting involved in the story telling and saying the Lord's prayer together. I would like to thank everyone who is involved with helping at Messy Church the welcome that all the



families get, ones we know and new ones where it is their first time is a huge part of why they come back because they feel safe, welcome and accepted. Thank you to everyone who braves leading a craft activity whether that involves paint, glitter, glue, colouring in, making things or is food related. Thank you to everyone who helps in the kitchen and always manages to feed everyone no matter the dietary requirements and supply a constant stream of tea and coffee to the parents, grandparents, foster parents and helpers.

*Hannah Yapp*

#### *Mothers' Union – Holy Trinity*

We have had another interesting programme thanks to our Events Organiser. At the AGM the same people were returned as officers: Glenis, Jean, Helen and Barbara. The following are some of the activities and events we enjoyed:

The Revd Lynne Morris had us laughing out loud as she recounted some funny incidents in her ministry. Revd Ian Oliver told us some more details and showed photos of his visit to the Holy Land. It was very interesting, but some areas do look bleak, wild and lonely. It was all of course before the present trouble in Gaza was happening.

We had a lady to tell us about looking after our feet. She had brought some horror photos of things that can go wrong with our feet. Some of the group were horrified but the more ghoulish of us enjoyed them. We were also given a little goody bag.

In March and April we had someone from the Fire service to talk about Fire Safety, and someone to advise us about keeping safe from scams. Both very useful.

Revd Jo gave a talk about some memories of her childhood and her path to ministry. It was really interesting – another vicar who gave up a job in industry and science to be ordained. By the way if Jo is with you around 4ish, she will really need a cup of tea and a biscuit!

Our visit was to a Garden Centre, Oak Gates, in June. There were lovely gardens to walk round, a delicious, beautifully presented lunch and reasonably priced plants to buy.



In the New Year we are going to discuss our branch's future. Some are thinking that it might be time to

move on. We are grateful to the Dawley women who kept things going for so long. We will try not to let

them down and remember our responsibility to them.

*Barbara Crawforth*

#### *Bell Ringers – Holy Trinity*



Holy Trinity bells all appear to be in working order.

With the help of ringers from nearby towers, we have generally managed to ring the bells before service on Sundays.

We practice on Monday evenings between 7 and 8 pm,

and we currently have 4 new learners, which is an improvement over this time last year.

New potential ringers are always welcome and I am happy to show anyone around the ringing chamber where we ring. I am hoping to arrange an open afternoon to try and attract new ringers, hopefully to coincide with the Spring or Summer fayres.

*Simon Rice, Tower captain*

#### *Dawley CE School*

It has been another productive year with both Jo and Scott. They have helped us to further develop the links with Holy Trinity. Support has included a new worship timetable; redevelopment of the worship table; support with worship music choices; opening up of the church for lessons across the curriculum if needed; letters for use in RE lessons to support the learning of the children; support to staff when needed; an active seat on the Local Academy Committee for the Academy. We are looking forward to the relationship continuing and an increased presence in school. The school was also pleased to receive a Good rating from Ofsted after their inspection in June 2023

*Nick Andrews, Principal*

#### *Monday Bible Study Group – St John's*

Sadly, the Bible Study Group came to an end in September when the leader, Roy Burley, was unable to continue with the sessions due to other commitments. His leadership over recent years has been much appreciated in helping those who attended to deepen their understanding of the Bible and faith.

#### *Lawley Smallies – St John's*

The Leaders of Smallies are Cathy Parker, Carole and Warwick France, Eileen and Bill, Des Pritchard and Jan

Williams when she is available. We have children with parents, childminders and foster carers and our regular average each week is 33. At Easter and Christmas Cathy reminds the group of the significance of those Christian events. This year we have put out a prayer box for anyone who would like us to pray for them. We have had 2 special comments for us this year, which encourages us to carry on. "To all at Lawley Smallies, thank you for another great year of coffee, chatter, toys and songs! Some weeks you really are a lifeline." and "Thank you for all the years of fun, support and friendship. You make a huge difference in so many lives. You're all wonderful"

*Eileen Robertson*

#### *Telford Christians Against Poverty*

In the gospel according to Luke there is an emphasis upon Jesus' concern for the poor. It has therefore been good to be able to support the work of Telford CAP. In 2023 Ann Trehern was appointed as the Debt Centre Manager and the hours of the Debt Coach Lizzie Brown were increased. In 2023, 22 people have been helped to go Debt Free and 40 clients supported with Debt Management Plans. In addition, 50 Christmas Hampers (four from the Central Telford Parish) were distributed and received with appreciation and two social events (a Picnic in the Park and a Christmas Party) was organised for the clients.

*Revd Scott Edwards*

## *6. Reports from District churchwardens*

### *Holy Trinity, Dawley*

Like most of the country nearly all the congregation of Holy Trinity would have been glued to their televisions watching the marvellous spectacle of King Charles' coronation in May. We had our own more modest celebration with a picnic and Songs of Praise. Looking back on the year we realized we had not organized many social events and hoped to manage some for next year. However, our Spring, Summer and Christmas fairs have become social as well as fund raising events for many of the people who support them. They make sure they have the dates and enjoy meeting up with friends over tea and cake. The fairs are usually well attended, bring in vital resources and we are grateful to all those who support them in any way. We had a "swift" Saturday morning when we learnt about swifts and how to make nesting boxes, all helped along by refreshments. We look forward to having the boxes erected in the Tower. Let's hope the swifts use them.

Numbers at services have stayed fairly similar. We did



have a new family coming regularly, and it was lovely having their children with us but they have moved out of the area. People pop in and out and we try to make them welcome. Some

are occasional worshippers, although one man seems to have settled with us and comes when he can. It was lovely during the year to see children, Poppy and Violet, being given permission, after study with Jo, to take Communion. We are glad and grateful to have Sunday morning services every week and thank Jo and Scott for arranging them, and the lay members for the part they play in leading worship. I know finding cover can be difficult. In the evening we have two services a month, a lay led Evensong and a Communion service from the Book of Common Prayer. It seemed strange at first but I think we all enjoy it now. Most of the people who attend Evensong are from the morning congregation but the few who only come in the evening appreciate it. During the year Marjorie Harrison, who used to come to Evensong before moving to her care home, died. She was the last of the little group who moved to us when Little Dawley Chapel closed. Sadly, Ethel Martin, a long time faithful worshipper and vergier also died. The Christmas services were well attended again and Scott and Hannah did sterling work with all the knitted shepherds, kings and donkeys at the crib service.

Although we don't have many regular children, the church does see plenty of them during the year with visits from schools and especially the Experience Easter and Christmas sessions when hundreds of children hear the stories and join in activities to help them understand.

I am pleased to report that the clock winding team are working well. We do get contacted if the clock is not going or is chiming wrongly so people do notice. Also it is lovely to hear the bells as we are arriving at church when the visiting ringers make one of their regular visits.

It was lovely having Scott join us. He has a great sense of humour and it is lovely to see him and his wife, Judy at services. Thanks are also due to Jo who works extremely hard, especially recently when she has had extra pressure due to covering for the Archdeacon. She manages to keep things going very patiently and with such good grace. Thanks also to the Readers who do help to keep things moving

along. Best wishes too for Margaret, who had stepped back from reader ministry.

Glenis and Barbara would like to say a big thank you to all who help to care for the church in so many ways and do it willingly and cheerfully. We wish you all a Happy 2024.

*Barbara Crawford & Glenis Watkins*

#### St John, Lawley:

We were very pleased to have a new Vicar, Scott Edwards who was licensed on 29th March 2023. He has been warmly welcomed by our congregation. Whilst our congregation were very happy with the Vicars and Readers who helped in 2022 and 2023 having our own 2 regular vicars has had a very positive effect. The arrival of Scott meant that we are now able to have Holy Communion services most Sundays.



We still have children from Lawley school for their Harvest Festival service and the Carol Service about 140 children, and Crib service had 45 children and 20

adults.

We have had a group of asylum seekers who have been with us for a number of months and some members of the congregation have helped them with English language lessons. The asylum seekers were welcomed from day one by all our congregation. We were able to pay our Common Fund in full and also pay some extra to help others in the parish. We had Bible study with Roy Burley on Monday evenings until September when a new job and commitments to his church meant he was unable to continue. We were sorry to lose him as he had so much knowledge of the Bible. We are hopeful that some further Bible study might return this year. We are still supporting a Secret Child through Open Doors and having our Toddler Group on Tuesday mornings in term time.

The Hall is still busy with Bill and I taking the main responsibility for it. Des does Hall checks on Tuesdays after our Toddler group and on Sunday mornings before the Church service. Scott also takes some of the booking calls which we are grateful for. Fundraising events in the Hall this year were: Race Night in March, Summer Fair in June and Christmas Fair in December.

We want to be a Church where everyone really is welcome. I believe that our whole congregation embrace this aspiration. I hope this continues and

strengthens so that more people come to our Church, feel they have become part of a family and feel like they have come home.

*Eileen Robertson*

#### St Leonard, Malinslee:

On behalf of the congregation of St. Leonard's we would like to extend thanks to Rev. Jo and Rev. Scott for the hard work they do for us all at St. Leonard's. There is much work needed to keep a church functioning and progressing much of which Jo and Scott carry out 'behind the scenes'. Without their commitment and constancy (and Scott's sense of humour) life at St. Leonard's would be very different. We are indeed fortunate God guided them to us.



Thanks must and should be given to others who help St. Leonard's to function:

- Those who regularly turn up early each Sunday to help prepare the church and help ensure our services run smoothly.
- All those who do our readings, act as welcomers, operate the music and serve us with tea and coffee following the service. We currently have thirteen people on the rota and encouragingly the number of volunteer readers has grown.
- A special thanks is extended to those who serve our refreshments as it is mostly the same people who regularly do this for us. More volunteers are badly needed for this.
- All those who donate tea, coffee, milk and biscuits/cake so we may enjoy our refreshments.
- Everyone who contributes in anyway to our annual summer and Christmas Fairs. These events are undeniably hard work, but the sense of teamwork, dedication, friendship and fun more than makes up for this and it is a privilege to be a part of this team. We continue to have Holy Communion on each Sunday with the first Sunday of the month being dedicated to Family Worship with Holy Communion. Where there are five Sundays in a month the last Sunday continues to be a united service with all the churches within Central Telford Parish. Until mid-November our congregation numbers were between twenty to twenty-five. However, since then



it is so encouraging to be able to say this has risen to approximately thirty-four each week. It is exciting to be able to say this includes children! To ensure the children feel welcome and included which they are, Rev. Jo provides service co-ordinated



colouring/puzzle activity sheets for them each week. It was very welcome news we were able to pay our share of the Common Fund in full this year. In April we had a concert by the Military Wives Choir (postponed from last September) which was something different and a very pleasant evening. Our summer fair was held in July and although some money was raised it did seem disproportionate to the amount of hard work it takes to run a fair. In November we had a concert by the Shifnal Male Voice Choir. They were excellent and treated us to a good variety of different music to cater for all tastes. The concert was fairly well attended and enjoyed by all. The Christmas Fair in December raised over £900.00. Needless to say everyone was thrilled by this achievement. There was a good sum of this raised by the raffle. This year tickets were officially printed and church members asked to try and sell these to friends and family. Coupled with donations of wonderful prizes this worked well. We extend grateful thanks to Jane for her commitment and hardwork in organizing our annual fairs.

*Jane Hill and Lorraine Granger*

#### St Mary, Ketley:

We are pleased to start our report with the good news of the appointment of our new vicar Revd Scott Edwards. His licencing service took place in March by Bishop Michael at St. Johns church Lawley. After twelve months of Revd Jo and Scott working together, we think it is safe to say they work very well as a team. We at St. Mary's are grateful for the work they have put in to ensure we have a service each week. We thank Jo for the improvement of communication between the four churches which has been achieved through the monthly news sheet and WhatsApp groups. It is fair to say at this point Revd Jo has had other responsibilities as Associate Archdeacon, so she has called on other clergy and lay ministers to help. We would like to thank them for the support they have given. Many thanks to all. During Lent members of St. Mary's attended Lent Group sessions at Holy Trinity Holy Week, St. Mary's took part on Zoom Compline, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. Maundy Thursday service was held at St. Mary's. Some of us from St,

Mary's attended a Good Friday service at Holy Trinity. Easter day all churches held services individually.

Ascension Day service was held at St. Mary's.

We were privileged to meet Jo Grogan in June-July who was a placement student, he gained some experience by taking part with services in all the four churches of CTP.

In September Ride and Stride took place and all four churches were open. We had more people visit our church than we have had for a long time, it was lovely to meet parishioners and show them around the church. Mary from St. Mary's and Hannah from Holy Trinity did a sponsored walk together around the whole of the CTP. Money was shared between St Mary's and Shropshire Historic Churches.



The Ecumenical Prayer Group used St Mary's for Quiet Mornings in July and October. Harvest festival, all produce was donated to the food bank at Dawley.

A generosity appeal was launched, everyone on the Electoral roll were sent

envelopes containing an explanation of the needs of the church. It was a great success. Many thanks to all who responded.

November, Remembrance Service, parishioners laid wreaths at the memorial, along with Local Councillors.

December, children from Meadows school attended Christmas Experience. It needed two sessions, approx. 60 children attended in total. An absolute pleasure to have the children, they were so well behaved and knowledgeable of the story of the announcement of Jesus' birth.

We held our annual Carol Service on the 17th, which was well attended.

24th Crib Service / Midnight Mass.

Fund raising Fish 'N' Chip / Bingo Evenings, Garden Party at Doreen's, Coffee Morning at Mary's, Easter Raffle

*Ann Broadhurst and Doreen Dyson.*

## 7. Financial Review

Thank you to everyone who works to ensure the smooth running of finances within the parish. We recognise the hard work and commitment of our PCC Treasurer (Margaret Cartwright), and DCC Treasurers. We also recognise the contribution of those who help with: collecting and counting monies, banking and administering Gift Aid. We also express our thanks to Jonathan Hill, and his colleagues from the Lichfield Diocese Finance

Department for their expertise and support. The full accounts can be found in Section 2 of this report.

The consolidated accounts show a total income of £131,696 and expenditure of £120,015, giving an excess of income over expenditure of £11,681.

The requested Common Fund for 2023 was paid in full and we are grateful to all those who made this possible through their generous donations. We are also thankful for the Special Agreement from Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance to enable St Mary's to increase their contribution of Common Fund

We are working hard to improve our financial situation, which needs keeping under constant review due to the increased expenditure due to high fuel costs. The cost of living crisis continues to have an impact on our income, as does the loss through death/moving away of some of our regular givers. We have seen generosity through our Season of Generosity campaign this year and are very grateful for this.

In 2023, we have looked to improve financial stability though reviewing the use of Gift Aid, cashless giving, income generation, central purchasing, reviewing energy and maintenance providers/contracts, and careful expenditure. Some of these are being implemented, and others will be looked at in 2024, including providing information about legacies. We will continue to promote the message that the use of money and faithful Christian living go hand in hand.

## 8. Reserves Policy

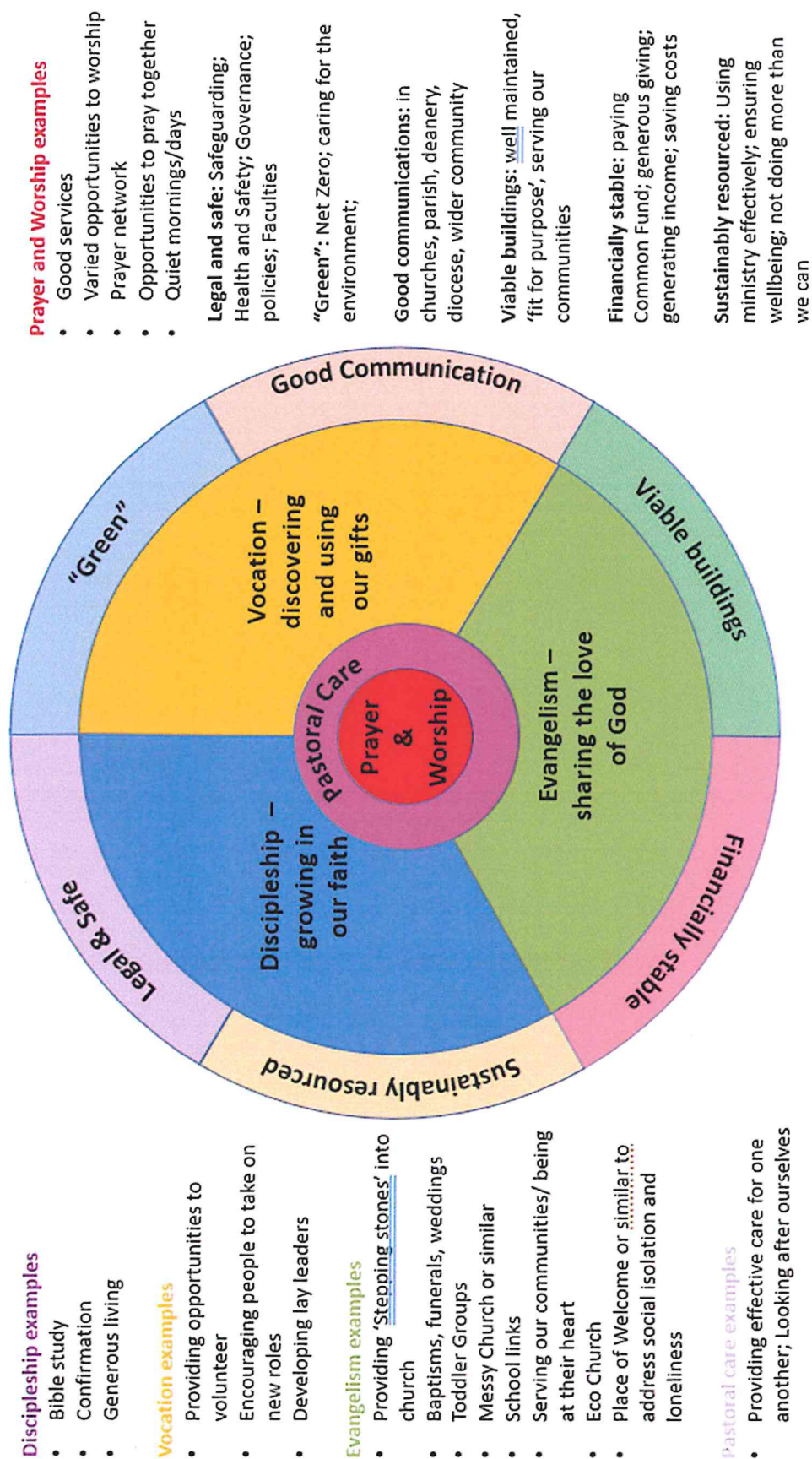
The PCC aims to keep approximately three months running costs in reserves, in the event of a major problem. In 2023 we will be reviewing all of our reserves to ensure that they are correctly allocated (ie general funds, designated, restricted), and developing a strategy to build up reserves where necessary to ensure that they are at a value of approximately £30,004. An important value is one of mutual support between district churches, so that if one faces a major problem, others will respond with generosity.

Approved by the PCC on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Revd Preb Jo Farnworth  
(Chair)

Margaret Cartwright  
(Treasurer)

## Section 2: Parish Mission Plan



## Section 3: Independent Examiner's Report & Financial Statements

**Independent Examiner:** Mr Jonathan Hill, Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

**Bankers:** Lloyds Bank, 113 The Border, Telford Centre, Telford, TF3 4AE

## **Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Central Telford**

Registered charity number: 1140301

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 which are set out on the following pages.

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

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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 come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:  .....

Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA

Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Date: 21/3/24 .....

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO 1140301

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

|                                                             | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Designated<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>£ | Prior year<br>Total<br>Funds<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Incoming resources                                          |                            |                          |                          |                     |                                   |
| Incoming resources from generated funds                     | -                          | -                        | -                        | -                   | -                                 |
| Donations and legacies                                      | 83,571                     | -                        | 100                      | 83,671              | 79,631                            |
| Income from charitable activities                           | 41,407                     | -                        | 87                       | 41,494              | 45,890                            |
| Investments                                                 | 5,577                      | 955                      | -                        | 6,532               | 72,205                            |
| Other trading activities                                    | -                          | -                        | -                        | -                   | 845                               |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>130,554</b>             | <b>955</b>               | <b>187</b>               | <b>131,696</b>      | <b>198,569</b>                    |
| Resources used                                              |                            |                          |                          |                     |                                   |
| Raising Funds                                               | 105                        | -                        | -                        | 105                 | 147                               |
| Expenditure on Charitable Activities                        | 119,728                    | -                        | -                        | 119,728             | 138,448                           |
| Other Expenditure                                           | 182                        | -                        | -                        | 182                 | -                                 |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>120,015</b>             | <b>-</b>                 | <b>-</b>                 | <b>120,015</b>      | <b>138,595</b>                    |
|                                                             |                            |                          |                          |                     |                                   |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>10,540</b>              | <b>955</b>               | <b>187</b>               | <b>11,681</b>       | <b>59,974</b>                     |
| Transfers:                                                  |                            |                          |                          |                     |                                   |
| Gross transfers between funds – in                          | 30,925                     | 100                      | 81                       | 31,106              | 500                               |
| Gross transfers between funds – out                         | -181                       | -21,271                  | -9,655                   | -31,106             | (500)                             |
| Other recognised gains / losses:                            |                            |                          |                          |                     |                                   |
| Gains/losses on investment assets                           | 836                        | -                        | -                        | 836                 | (699)                             |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>42,119</b>              | <b>-20,216</b>           | <b>(9,387)</b>           | <b>12,517</b>       | <b>59,275</b>                     |
| Reconciliation of funds                                     |                            |                          |                          |                     |                                   |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>79,044</b>              | <b>44,290</b>            | <b>79,209</b>            | <b>202,544</b>      | <b>143,268</b>                    |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b>                          | <b>121,164</b>             | <b>24,075</b>            | <b>69,822</b>            | <b>215,061</b>      | <b>202,544</b>                    |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**CHARITY REGISTRATION NO 1140301**  
**Balance Sheet Detailed**

|                              |                                          | As at<br>31/12/2023<br>£ | As at<br>31/12/2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>          |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | 6050: Hill & Smith Holdings Plc          | 2,148                    | 1,313                    |
|                              | <b>Total Fixed assets</b>                | <b>2,148</b>             | <b>1,313</b>             |
| <b>Current assets</b>        |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | 6501: Bank current account               | 61,226                   | 55,394                   |
|                              | 6505: Bank deposit account               | 2,528                    | 8,762                    |
|                              | 6510: CBF deposit account                | 147,183                  | 140,725                  |
|                              | 6590: CTP Share account                  | 232                      | 232                      |
|                              | 6591: Compassion bank account            | 97                       | 193                      |
|                              | 6700: Bank current account               | 3,441                    | 5,462                    |
|                              | 6710: Easy Access Account                | (0)                      | (0)                      |
|                              | <b>Total Current assets</b>              | <b>214,474</b>           | <b>210,768</b>           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>           |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | 6699: Agency collections                 | 1,562                    | 6,005                    |
|                              | 6621: Common Fund Arrears                | -                        | 3,532                    |
|                              | <b>Total Liabilities</b>                 | <b>1,562</b>             | <b>9,537</b>             |
|                              | <b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>       | <b>215,061</b>           | <b>202,544</b>           |
| <b>Reserves</b>              |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | Excess / (deficit) to date               | 12,185                   | 62,808                   |
|                              | Z01: Starting balances                   | 202,040                  | 139,736                  |
|                              | Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets | 836                      | (699)                    |
|                              | Z02: Other gains/(losses)                | —                        | —                        |
|                              | Z03: Gains and losses own use            | —                        | —                        |
|                              | <b>Total Reserves</b>                    | <b>215,061</b>           | <b>202,544</b>           |
| <b>Represented by Funds:</b> |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | Unrestricted                             | 121,164                  | 79,044                   |
|                              | Designated                               | 24,075                   | 44,290                   |
|                              | Restricted                               | 69,822                   | 79,209                   |
|                              | Endowment                                | —                        | —                        |
|                              | <b>Total</b>                             | <b>215,061</b>           | <b>202,544</b>           |

Approved by the PCC on 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

*J Farnworth*

Reverend Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

*M Cartwright*

Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

|                                                 | General        | Designated | Restricted | This year      | Last year      |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                                 | £              | £          | £          | £              | £              |
| <b>Incoming resources</b>                       |                |            |            |                |                |
| <b>Donations and legacies</b>                   |                |            |            |                |                |
| 0101 - Gift Aid Envelopes/Donations             | 32,858         | -          | -          | 32,858         | 40,818         |
| 0110 - Direct Giving Envelopes - non gift aid   | 7,756          | -          | -          | 7,756          | 9,218          |
| 0150 - Payments received from other CTP accts   | 0              | -          | -          | 0              | 600            |
| 0301 - Plate Collections                        | 7,434          | -          | -          | 7,434          | 8,331          |
| 0303 - Sundry Donations                         | 3,057          | -          | 20         | 3,057          | 6,060          |
| 0550 - Donations appeals etc                    | 383            | -          | -          | 383            | -              |
| 0601 - Recoverable Income Tax                   | 22,557         | -          | -          | 22,557         | 5,420          |
| 0701 - Legacies                                 | 5,000          | -          | -          | 5,000          | -              |
| 0850 - Grants                                   | 1,700          | -          | -          | 1,700          | 3,900          |
| 08A1 - Non-recurring one-off grants             | 2,750          | -          | -          | 2,750          | 3,600          |
| 1310 - Other Income                             | 30             | -          | 80         | 110            | 1,683          |
| <b>Donations and Legacies Total</b>             | <b>83,571</b>  | <b>0</b>   | <b>100</b> | <b>83,671</b>  | <b>79,631</b>  |
| <b>Income from Charitable Activities</b>        |                |            |            |                |                |
| 1101 - Fees received                            | 19,021         | -          | -          | 19,021         | 15,243         |
| 1102 - PCC local fees                           | 1,175          | -          | -          | 1,175          | 645            |
| 1206 - Sale of items                            | 475            | -          | -          | 475            |                |
| 1210 - Gross income from fundraising            | 9,748          | -          | -          | 9,748          | 13,984         |
| 1211 - Special Appeals gross fundraising income | 1,967          | -          | -          | 1,967          | 5,314          |
| 1212 - Christian Aid income                     | 60             | -          | -          | 60             | 55             |
| 1213 - Special Restricted Projects income       | -              | -          | 17         | 17             | 3              |
| 1230 - Children and young people                | 120            | -          | 70         | 190            | 111            |
| 1240 - Church Hall lettings and rent            | 8,886          | -          | -          | 8,886          | 10,535         |
| <b>Charitable Activities Totals</b>             | <b>41,407</b>  | <b>0</b>   | <b>87</b>  | <b>41,494</b>  | <b>45,890</b>  |
| <b>Investments</b>                              |                |            |            |                |                |
| 1020 - Bank/Building Society Interest           | 5,562          | 955        | -          | 6,517          | 998            |
| 1040 - Dividends & Trust Income                 | 15             | -          | -          | 15             | 71,207         |
| <b>Investments Totals</b>                       | <b>5,577</b>   | <b>955</b> | <b>0</b>   | <b>6,532</b>   | <b>72,205</b>  |
| <b>Other Income</b>                             |                |            |            |                |                |
| 1401 - Insurance Claims                         | -              | -          | -          | -              | 845            |
| <b>Other income Totals</b>                      |                |            |            |                | <b>845</b>     |
| <b>Incoming Resources Grand Totals</b>          | <b>130,554</b> | <b>955</b> | <b>187</b> | <b>131,696</b> | <b>198,569</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure (continued)**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

|                                                    | General        | Designated | Restricted | This year      | Last year      |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------|------------|------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                                    | £              | £          | £          | £              | £              |
| <b>Resources Used</b>                              |                |            |            |                |                |
| <b>Raising Funds</b>                               |                |            |            |                |                |
| 2202 - Bank Charges                                | 105            | -          | -          | 105            | 147            |
| <b>Raising Funds Totals</b>                        | <b>105</b>     | <b>-</b>   | <b>-</b>   | <b>105</b>     | <b>147</b>     |
| <b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities</b>        |                |            |            |                |                |
| 1871 - Christian Aid donations                     | 200            | -          | -          | 200            | 160            |
| 2100 - Donations/Gifts                             | 2,875          | -          | -          | 2,875          | 3,174          |
| 2150 - Payments made to other CTP accts            | -              | -          | -          | -              | 500            |
| 2201 - Training                                    | 204            | -          | -          | 204            | 42             |
| 2232 - Other working expenses                      | 1,446          | -          | -          | 1,446          | 852            |
| 2303 - Housing costs / Rents                       | 322            | -          | -          | 322            | 224            |
| 2304 - Clergy Working Expenses                     | 2,981          | -          | -          | 2,981          | 1,291          |
| 2305 - External Clergy Expenses                    | 95             | -          | -          | 95             | 15             |
| 2306 - Lay Parish Working Expenses                 | 22             | -          | -          | 22             | 109            |
| 2312 - Quinquennial inspections                    | 1,524          | -          | -          | 1,524          | -              |
| 2320 - Payment of Common Fund to the Diocese       | 65,452         | -          | -          | 65,452         | 72,810         |
| 2330 - Running costs(inc Gas, Water, Electric)     | 22,116         | -          | -          | 22,116         | 13,359         |
| 2331 - Repairs/replacements/new items              | 1,053          | -          | -          | 1,053          | 17,580         |
| 2332 - Church Maintenance                          | 1,284          | -          | -          | 1,284          | 614            |
| 2340 - Church Hall costs                           | 4,428          | -          | -          | 4,428          | 2,609          |
| 2345 - Churchyard maintenance                      | 2,848          | -          | -          | 2,848          | 2,233          |
| 2351 - Administrators Salary                       | -              | -          | -          | -              | 9,679          |
| 2355 - Insurance                                   | 9,735          | -          | -          | 9,735          | 9,187          |
| 2365 - Flowers                                     | 98             | -          | -          | 98             | 317            |
| 2370 - Children and Young People                   | 651            | -          | -          | 651            | 630            |
| 2380 - Church items purchased                      | 249            | -          | -          | 249            | 23             |
| 2401 - Costs of fund raising                       | 820            | -          | -          | 820            | 48             |
| 2411 - Printing / Copying / Publicity              | 255            | -          | -          | 255            | 632            |
| 2520 - Audit Fees                                  | 500            | -          | -          | 500            | 500            |
| 2535 - Licence Fees                                | 534            | -          | -          | 534            | 677            |
| 2620 - Decoration Scheme                           | -              | -          | -          | -              | 250            |
| 2630 - Other Payments                              | 37             | -          | -          | 37             | 934            |
| <b>Expenditure on Charitable Activities Totals</b> | <b>119,728</b> | <b>-</b>   | <b>-</b>   | <b>119,728</b> | <b>138,448</b> |
| <b>Other Expenditure</b>                           |                |            |            |                |                |
| 1702 - Special projects payments as required       | 182            | -          | -          | 182            | -              |
| <b>Other Expenditure Totals</b>                    | <b>182</b>     | <b>-</b>   | <b>-</b>   | <b>182</b>     | <b>-</b>       |
| <b>Resources used Grand totals</b>                 | <b>120,015</b> | <b>-</b>   | <b>-</b>   | <b>120,015</b> | <b>138,595</b> |

**Central Telford Parish Combined**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023**

| Fund                                        | Fund balances brought forward 2022 | Incoming Resources | Outgoing Resources | Transfers      | Gains and Losses | Journal Entries | Fund balances Carried forward 2023 |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| General - General fund                      | 79,044                             | 130,554            | 120,015            | 30,744         | 836              | -               | 121,164                            |
| <b>Designated Funds</b>                     |                                    |                    |                    |                |                  |                 |                                    |
| EAA - Easy Access Account (Ketley)          | 2                                  | -                  | -                  | -              | -                | -               | 2                                  |
| CTPShare - CTP Common Fund (Malinslee)      | 232                                | 2                  | -                  | 0              | -                | -               | 234                                |
| LDBF - CBF Deposits (Lawley)                | 2,116                              | -                  | -                  | -              | -                | -               | 2,116                              |
| LDBF - CBF deposit account (Dawley)         | 41,941                             | 953                | -                  | -21,171        | -                | -               | 21,723                             |
|                                             | <b>44,290</b>                      | <b>955</b>         | <b>-</b>           | <b>-21,171</b> | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>        | <b>24,075</b>                      |
| <b>Restricted Funds</b>                     |                                    |                    |                    |                |                  |                 |                                    |
| Outreach - Lawley Outreach Fund (PCC)       | 10                                 | -                  | -                  | -              | -                | -               | 10                                 |
| St Johns - Buildings Special Fund (Lawley)  | 40,176                             | -                  | -                  | -              | -                | -               | 40,176                             |
| Special - Special Projects fund (Malinslee) | 13,781                             | 17                 | -                  | -9,574         | -                | -               | 4,224                              |
| ZReval - Revaluation reserves (Dawley)      | -81                                | -                  | -                  | 81             | -                | -               | -                                  |
| Lewis - Nellie Lewis (Dawley)               | 81                                 | -                  | -                  | -81            | -                | -               | -                                  |
| Restr - Restricted Fund (PCC)               | 25,242                             | 170                | -                  | -              | -                | -               | 25,412                             |
|                                             | <b>79,209</b>                      | <b>187</b>         | <b>-</b>           | <b>-9,574</b>  | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>        | <b>69,822</b>                      |
| <b>Totals</b>                               | <b>202,544</b>                     | <b>131,696</b>     | <b>120,015</b>     | <b>-</b>       | <b>836</b>       | <b>-</b>        | <b>215,061</b>                     |

## Fund Description

### Designated Funds

- Easy Access Account (Ketley) – closed 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024
- CTP Common Fund (Malinslee) – monies set aside for common fund payments
- LDBF CBF Deposit (Lawley & Dawley) – monies kept in the CBF Deposit account held by Lichfield Diocesan Trust

### Restricted Funds

- Lawley Outreach (PCC) – for mission in the district of Lawley
- Special Buildings (Lawley) – for the upkeep and maintenance of the fabric of St John's church
- Special Projects (Malinslee) – monies set aside for particular projects at St Leonard's
- Nellie Lewis (Dawley) – for children's work at Holy Trinity
- Restricted (PCC) – a few restricted funds that are being reviewed in 2024

## Transfers between funds

### 2023

- £9,574 was transferred from the Special Projects Fund to the General fund (Malinslee) to correct historical mis-postings.
- £21,171 was transferred from the CBF Deposit designated fund to the general fund (Dawley) to correct historical mis-postings.

### 2022

- £500 was transferred from the general fund to the CTP Common Fund (Malinslee) to set money aside for common fund payments.

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

| Fund                                          | Fund balances brought forward 2021 | Incoming Resources | Outgoing Resources | Transfers | Gains and Losses | Journal Entries | Fund balances Carried forward 2022 |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| EAA - Easy Access Account                     | 2                                  | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 2                                  |
| Lewis - Nellie Lewis                          | 81                                 | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 81                                 |
| Outreach - Lawley Outreach Fund               | 10                                 | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 10                                 |
| Restr - Restricted Fund                       | 25,132                             | 110                | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 25,242                             |
| General - General fund                        | 16,119                             | 192,006            | 131,413            | -500      | -699             | -               | 79,044                             |
| Spec-BLDG - St Johns - Buildings Special Fund | 40,176                             | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 40,176                             |
| Special - Special Projects fund               | 15,209                             | 5,753              | 7,182              | -         | -                | -               | 13,781                             |
| ZReval - Revaluation reserves                 | -81                                | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | -81                                |
| CTPShare - CTP Common Fund Squirrel Fund      | -969                               | 701                | -                  | 500       | -                | -               | 232                                |
| LDBF - CBF Deposits                           | 2,116                              | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 2,116                              |
| LDBF - CBF deposit account                    | 41,941                             | -                  | -                  | -         | -                | -               | 41,941                             |
| <b>Totals</b>                                 | <b>139,736</b>                     | <b>198,570</b>     | <b>138,595</b>     | <b>0</b>  | <b>-699</b>      | <b>0</b>        | <b>202,544</b>                     |

**Statement of Financial Activities – 2022**

|                                                             | Unrestricted Funds<br>£ | Restricted Funds<br>£ | Total Funds<br>£ | Prior year Total Funds<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>                                   |                         |                       |                  |                             |
| Voluntary income                                            | 69,854                  | 4,060                 | 73,914           | 71,056                      |
| Investment income                                           | 72,205                  | -                     | 72,205           | 70                          |
| Activities for generating funds                             | 28,132                  | 1,703                 | 29,835           | 13,603                      |
| Other incoming resources                                    | 22,516                  | 100                   | 22,616           | 60,934                      |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>192,706</b>          | <b>5,863</b>          | <b>198,569</b>   | <b>145,663</b>              |
| <b>Resources used</b>                                       |                         |                       |                  |                             |
| Cost of generating funds                                    | 48                      | -                     | 48               | -                           |
| Investment management costs                                 | 147                     | -                     | 147              | 143                         |
| Charitable activities                                       | 3,334                   | -                     | 3,334            | 2,414                       |
| Governance costs                                            | 122,895                 | 7,182                 | 130,076          | 101,145                     |
| Other resources used                                        | 1,457                   | -                     | 1,457            | 46,850                      |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>131,413</b>          | <b>7,182</b>          | <b>138,595</b>   | <b>150,562</b>              |
|                                                             |                         |                       |                  |                             |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>61,293</b>           | <b>(1,319)</b>        | <b>59,974</b>    | <b>(4,898)</b>              |
| Transfers:                                                  |                         |                       |                  |                             |
| Transfers between funds                                     | -                       | -                     | -                | -                           |
| Gains/losses on investment assets                           | (699)                   | -                     | (699)            | 432                         |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>60,594</b>           | <b>(1,319)</b>        | <b>59,275</b>    | <b>(4,898)</b>              |
| Reconciliation of funds                                     |                         |                       |                  |                             |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>62,741</b>           | <b>80,528</b>         | <b>143,268</b>   | <b>144,202</b>              |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2023**

**1. Notes to the Accounts**

a. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities (SORP) and applicable accounting standards (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals as the pence are not being shown.

b. The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

c. The Parochial Church Council of the Central Telford Parish has approved the format and layout of these accounts. The PCC is made up of representatives of all the member churches.

d. You will see from the accounts that the bank balance held at the 31st December 2023 was £214,474, and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 was £210,768. That is made up as follows –

|                  | <b>2023</b>     | <b>2022</b>     |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Central Accounts | £39,820         | £38,128         |
| Holy Trinity     | £29,995         | £30,743         |
| St Johns         | £132,768        | £127,431        |
| St Leonards      | £8,450          | £9,004          |
| St Marys         | £3,441          | £5,462          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>£214,474</b> | <b>£210,768</b> |

Team Consolidation: The accounts also show a total income of £131,696 (2022: £198,569) and a total expenditure of £120,015 (2022: £138,595). Giving a surplus for the year, before revaluation of investments, of £11,681, (2022: £59,974).

e. For information we have set out below the details of the income and expenditure of each of the churches which may help the understanding of the overall position

| <b>Church Name</b>                   | <b>INCOME</b>   | <b>EXPENDITURE</b> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Central Accounts                     | £22,042         | £12,549            |
| Holy Trinity                         | £36,609         | £37,356            |
| St Johns                             | £36,839         | £31,503            |
| St Leonards                          | £24,757         | £25,136            |
| St Marys                             | £11,449         | £13,471            |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                        | <b>£131,696</b> | <b>£120,015</b>    |
| <b>Difference</b>                    |                 | <b>£11,681</b>     |
| <b>Gain/Loss on investment asset</b> |                 | <b>£836</b>        |
| <b>B/F from previous year</b>        |                 | <b>£202,544</b>    |
| <b>Carried forward</b>               |                 | <b>£215,061</b>    |

## 2. Funds

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

**Restricted funds** comprise of two elements:

- a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
- b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members. They do include the transactions, assets etc. of each of the four churches, which make up the single parish of Central Telford. The names of those churches are listed elsewhere within this document.

## 3. Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and there is certainty of receipt.

### Voluntary Income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

Grants and Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised from fetes, fairs and similar events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

### Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

### Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Any tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

### Gains and losses on investments.

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

## 4. Resources Used

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the SOFA category. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional on the recipient satisfying performance or other discretionary requirements to the satisfaction of the Board. Grant offered subject to such conditions, which have not been met at the year-end, would be noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

Common Fund is accounted for when payable. Any Common Fund unpaid at 31st December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and shown as a creditor in the balance sheet. Common Fund was paid in full in 2023.

### Governance Costs v Charitable Activities

In 2023, a review was made of the categories that expenditure is allocated to as it is recognised that some of the expenditure currently identified as Governance Costs has now been allocated to Charitable Activities.

## **5. Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10 (2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on movable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

The Parish has overall responsibility for one other building, the Church Hall at St John's Lawley.

The hall at St. John's is run and maintained by the District Church Council at the church and was valued at £216,000. It is in a good state of repair as it has been recently refurbished. This value is below expected market value.

### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December 2023 £2,148 (2022 £1,313), and held within Hill & Smith Holdings Plc

## **6. Current assets**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for any amounts that may prove uncollectible. No such amounts are due for 2023.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the Bank or Building Society. At present monies are held in a deposit account with the Central Board of Finance by three District churches as well as an amount held centrally.

Investments are held as a part of the Central Accounts. These include shares in Hill & Smith PLC. Details of this are held centrally.

All dividends and interest received on these investments are included in the accounts under the heading of "Investment Income".

|                         | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2023 Total<br>£ | 2022 Total<br>£ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Bank Current Accounts   | 138,016                    | (73,349)                 | 64,667          | 60,856          |
| Bank Deposit Accounts   | (1,752)                    | 4,280                    | 2,528           | 8,762           |
| CBF Deposit Accounts    | 6,729                      | 140,453                  | 147,182         | 140,725         |
| CTP Share Account       | -                          | 0                        | 0               | 232             |
| Compassion Bank Account | 97                         | 0                        | 97              | 193             |
|                         |                            |                          |                 |                 |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>143,090</b>             | <b>71,384</b>            | <b>214,474</b>  | <b>210,768</b>  |

**7. Going Concern**

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The parish paid the requested amount of Common Fund for 2023 in full.

**8. Staff costs**

|                          | 2023 | 2022   |
|--------------------------|------|--------|
| Wages & Salaries         | £-   | £9,679 |
| Average no. of employees | 0    | 1      |

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

**9. Related Parties**

3 trustees were paid £1,688 in respect of reimbursement of travel and phone expenses during the year. Donations from related parties totalled £10,138 for the year 2023 (£10,825 for the year 2022).

**10. Creditors due within one year**

|                                       | 2023<br>£    | 2022<br>£    |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Other creditors ( <i>restricted</i> ) | 1,562        | 6,005        |
| Common Fund (2021)                    | -            | 3,532        |
| <b>Total Creditors</b>                | <b>1,562</b> | <b>9,537</b> |

Common fund arrears of £3,532 were written off by the Diocese in 2023.

**11. Summary of Assets by Fund - 2023**

|                     | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2023<br>Total<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                          | -                        | -                  | -                  |
| Investment Assets   | 2,148                      | -                        | 2,148              | 1,312              |
| Current Assets      | 143,090                    | 71,384                   | 214,475            | 210,768            |
| Current Liabilities | -                          | 1,562                    | 1,562              | (9,537)            |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>145,238</b>             | <b>69,822</b>            | <b>215,061</b>     | <b>202,544</b>     |

**12. Summary of Assets by Fund – 2022**

|                     | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2022<br>Total<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                          | -                        | -                  | -                  |
| Investment Assets   | 1,312                      | -                        | 1,312              | 2,011              |
| Current Assets      | 125,554                    | 85,214                   | 210,768            | 144,032            |
| Current Liabilities | (3,532)                    | (6,005)                  | (9,537)            | (6,307)            |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>123,334</b>             | <b>79,209</b>            | <b>202,544</b>     | <b>139,736</b>     |

## Statement of Financial Activities – 2022

|                                                             | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>£ | Prior year<br>Total<br>Funds<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Incoming resources                                          |                            |                          |                     |                                   |
| Incoming resources from generated funds                     | -                          | -                        | -                   | -                                 |
| Voluntary income                                            | 69,854                     | 4,060                    | 73,914              | 71,056                            |
| Investment income                                           | 72,205                     | -                        | 72,205              | 70                                |
| Activities for generating funds                             | 28,132                     | 1,703                    | 29,835              | 13,603                            |
| Other incoming resources                                    | 22,516                     | 100                      | 22,616              | 60,934                            |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>192,706</b>             | <b>5,863</b>             | <b>198,569</b>      | <b>145,663</b>                    |
| Resources used                                              |                            |                          |                     |                                   |
| Cost of generating funds                                    | 48                         | -                        | 48                  | -                                 |
| Investment management costs                                 | 147                        | -                        | 147                 | 143                               |
| Charitable activities                                       | 3,334                      | -                        | 3,334               | 2,414                             |
| Governance costs                                            | 122,895                    | 7,182                    | 130,076             | 101,145                           |
| Other resources used                                        | 1,457                      | -                        | 1,457               | 46,850                            |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>131,413</b>             | <b>7,182</b>             | <b>138,595</b>      | <b>150,562</b>                    |
|                                                             |                            |                          |                     |                                   |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>61,293</b>              | <b>(1,319)</b>           | <b>59,974</b>       | <b>(4,898)</b>                    |
| Transfers:                                                  |                            |                          |                     |                                   |
| Gross transfers between funds – in                          | 500                        | -                        | 500                 | -                                 |
| Gross transfers between funds – out                         | (500)                      | -                        | (500)               | -                                 |
| Other recognised gains / losses                             | -                          | -                        | -                   | -                                 |
| Gains/losses on investment assets                           | (699)                      | -                        | (699)               | -                                 |
| Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use       | -                          | -                        | -                   | 432                               |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>60,594</b>              | <b>(1,319)</b>           | <b>59,275</b>       | <b>(4,898)</b>                    |
| Reconciliation of funds                                     |                            |                          |                     |                                   |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>62,741</b>              | <b>80,528</b>            | <b>143,268</b>      | <b>144,202</b>                    |

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# Accounts

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**Charity Registration No 1140301**

# **Annual Report & Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council for the year ending 31 December 2022**

**Incorporating the District Churches of  
Holy Trinity, Dawley  
St. Leonard, Malinslee  
St. John, Lawley  
St. Mary, Ketley**



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## Section 1: Trustees Report

### 1. Administrative information

The Central Telford Parish is part of the Diocese of Lichfield within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: The Vicarage, Church Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 2AS. The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford is a Registered Charity No: 1140301.

The churches of the Parish are:

Holy Trinity Church, Dawley: Old Vicarage Road, Dawley, Telford, TF4 3NH

St John's Church, Lawley: Dawley Road, Lawley, Telford, TF4 2PD

St Leonard's Church, Malinslee: Brunel Road, Telford, TF4 2DS

St Mary's Church, Ketley: Shepherd's Lane, Red Lake, Ketley Telford TF1 5EG

The PCC also retains responsibility for the churchyards of St James' Church, Stirchley (church building now in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust) and St Luke's, Doseley (church building now in private ownership), and St John's Church Hall.

#### **Members of the PCC in 2022, and other officers of the Parish:**

PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022 until the date this report was approved were:

#### **Ex Officio Members**

Incumbent: Revd Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair) (from Jan 2022)

Interim Team Vicar: Revd Jassica Castillo-Burley (until October 2022)

Reader: Margaret Cartwright

Churchwardens: Doreen Dyson and Mary Richards (also Deanery Synod rep)

**Deanery Synod Reps:** Chris Hicks, Jean Heighway, Dave Broome, Mary Richards (also Churchwarden)

#### **Elected Members**

Margaret Southall, Ann Broadhurst (St Mary, District Warden), Barbara Crawforth (Holy Trinity, District Warden), Jane Hill (St Leonard, District Warden), Eileen Robertson (St John, District Warden), Hannah Yapp (Holy Trinity)

**PCC Treasurer:** Margaret Cartwright

**PCC Secretary:** Margaret Southall

**Parish Safeguarding Officer:** Helen Vellacott

#### **District Church Officers,**

District Wardens: Ann Broadhurst (St Mary), Barbara Crawforth (Holy Trinity), Doreen Dyson (St Mary), Jane Hill (St Leonard), Eileen Robertson (St John), Glenis Watkins (Holy Trinity)

District Treasurers: Dave Broome (St Leonard), Jean Heighway (Holy Trinity), Brian Richards (St Mary), Bill Robertson (St John)

### 2. Structure and Governance

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the governing body for the Parish. The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules and the Parish Scheme.

The PCC also retains responsibility for the churchyards of St James' Church, Stirchley (church building now in the care of the Churches Conservation Trust) and St Luke's, Doseley (church building now in private ownership), and St John's Church Hall.

The PCC met eight times during 2022. There are four District Church Councils (DCCs), one for each District centred on the churches of the Parish. All the DCCs met regularly during 2021.

There were 137 names on the electoral roll at the time of the 2022 Annual Meeting

### 3. Aims and purposes

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Team Rector, to promote the whole mission of the Church -pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical – throughout the parish. It is the duty of the Team Rector and the PCC to consult together on matters of general concern and importance to the parish. Some powers and functions are delegated to each District Church Council, as set out in the Parish Scheme.

#### 4. Objectives and Activities:

When planning our activities for the year, we have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

We try to enable people to live out their faith as part of our parish community by providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and by promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of our church buildings, St John's church hall and our churchyards.

#### 5. Achievements and Performance

##### Attendance at Services:

| Total attendance  | TOTAL | HT  | St J | St L | St M |
|-------------------|-------|-----|------|------|------|
| Average Sunday    | 87    | 31  | 20   | 23   | 13   |
| Messy Church      | 38    | 38  | na   | na   | na   |
| Easter Eve/Day    | 144   | 41  | 21   | 56   | 26   |
| Christmas Eve/Day | 316   | 165 | 76   | 52   | 23   |
| Carol Services    | 177   | 54  | 41   | 40   | 42   |

##### Baptisms, weddings and funerals:

|            | TOTAL | HT   | St J | St L | St M |
|------------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| Baptisms   | 33    | 12   | 10   | 7    | 4    |
| Weddings   | 10    | 2    | 3    | 2    | 3    |
| Funerals*  | 59    | 16   | 16   | 13   | 14   |
| Interments | 24    | 14** | 4    | 5    | 1    |

\*Includes funerals at crematorium for people living in the district

\*\*Includes interments at St Luke, Doseley and St James, Stirchley

##### Report on buildings and churchyards:

There are no major concerns relating to our buildings, although each church will have its Quinquennial Inspection in 2023. Repair work will be required to part of a retaining wall around Holy

Trinity's churchyard which has developed a bulge. All but St John's Churchyard are maintained by Telford and Wrekin, who are doing a good job in keeping them in good condition. St Mary's Churchyard has benefitted from the regular hard work of the Probation Services 'Community Payback' in clearing some of the overgrown areas. St John's were pleased to welcome volunteers from NatWest who assisted in tidying the churchyard there.

##### Team Rector's Report

As I look back on 2022, it is with a sense of gratitude to God for the many blessings that I have received. It was joy to be licensed to the parish in



January, and it has been a privilege to serve as the Team Rector here. Roger and I are thankful for the warm welcome that we have both received as we've settled into our new home and the four churches, as well as from people, schools and organisations across the parish. We both feel very much at home here. I am particularly grateful to all those who have supported me in settling into my role here in Telford in so many different ways, from helping me to work out which of my many keys fits which door(!) to helping me to understand the distinctiveness of each church and understanding the different communities that make up the parish.

Building relationships has been an important part of this year, and I feel that this is proving fruitful in many ways. Regular meetings with churchwardens have been held so that we can get to know more about the life of each church as well as drawing us closer together as a Parish. The Treasurers of each church have met once, and this will become a regular occurrence, as will meetings of other church officers in 2023. I am grateful for all those who serve the churches and parish so faithfully and hope that together we can provide more mutual support for the benefit of all.

I have appreciated the ministry of others in the parish. Revd Jassica Castillo-Burley brought much joy to the parish and her ministry was valued during the vacancy, so it was with sadness that we bid her farewell as she followed God's calling to a new ministry in Oswestry. Margaret Cartwright has

served faithfully as a Reader in the parish for many years, and ministered selflessly during the vacancy as she juggling the demands of the parish alongside her work. In the latter part of 2022, Margaret took a 'sabbatical' to recharge her batteries, and we look forward to her return to ministry in 2023. It was exciting to have 13 new Locally Commissioned Lay Leaders added to the ministry team in September and it will be good to see their ministry flourish in the coming years. We are gifted with a number of lay worship leaders who have taken on the leadership of Messy Church and Evensong at Holy Trinity, as well as leading occasional Sunday services in other churches. I am also very grateful for clergy colleagues across the deanery and Archdeaconry who have provided support in many ways during the Team Vicar vacancy. The ministry of Revd Vikki Day has been a particular blessing to us all during her 'loan' from Muxton/Lilleshall in the autumn

During 2022, the PCC and DCCs started to develop a Mission Plan, inspired by the diocesan Shaping for Mission process. (see Section 2 for more detail). At the heart of all we do is 'Prayer and Worship' and we used the latter part of the year focussing on the verse 'Be still and know that I am God' and reflecting on where God is leading us. This time also saw the introduction of some occasional Taizé services, a Quiet Morning, and a review of the liturgy used across the parish leading to new service booklets for use in all churches. Pastoral Care is also key to our life, and this will be an area that our Team Vicar will focus on when he arrives in Spring 2023.



The three diocesan themes of Discipleship, Vocation and Evangelism will help us think about our mission priorities. Already we have seen activity in these areas through confirmations; making the decision to admit children to Holy Communion prior to

confirmation; 13 new Licensed Lay Ministers; more people to taking part in worship and take on new responsibilities.; new Coffee and Chat session; new Thursday Tots; rebuilding links with schools (Dawley CE, Lawley Primary, the Meadows) through assemblies, church services, Experience Easter and Christmas and curriculum support. We hope to become eco-Churches and are involved in a project with Telford & Wrekin and the RSPB to install swift boxes in church towers. Baptism, wedding and funeral ministry is significant in the parish, and this is

an area that we need to look to develop in terms of building deeper links with those we encounter. Enabling a safe and stable environment for our churches has been a particular focus for me in 2023. This has involved reviews of finances, legalities, and safeguarding. Sadly, to create a more stable financial situation for the parish, the PCC decided that it could no longer afford the Parish Office or to employ Sharon Hanson as an administrator. In 2023 we will be looking at how we can become net-Zero by 2030 and work towards eco-Church status. All four buildings will have their Quinquennial Inspections in 2023, which will give us a clearer picture about the state of our buildings, which seem to be generally good at present. Another focus is improving communications, and we now have a regular monthly newsletter which shares information about all that is going on across the parish. We are in the process of creating a new website and reviewing our social media presence. It has been a busy year, but one in which I think we are seeing God's blessing throughout the parish, with a renewed confidence in the unique identity of each of our churches, an increasing valuing of our shared life together and some hopeful signs of growth.



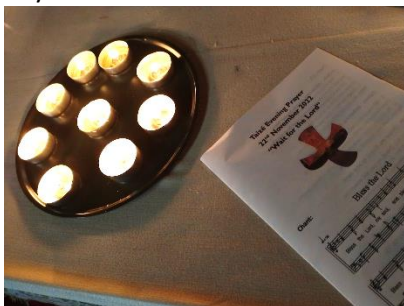
*Revd Prebendary Jo Farnworth*

### Parish churchwardens' Report

On January 16th 2022 Revd Joanna Farnworth was Instituted by Michael, Bishop of Lichfield as Rector for Central Telford and commissioned as Associate Archdeacon of Salop. It was a long awaited joyful occasion at Holy Trinity Dawley after a delayed recruitment process during 2020/21. Certain cautions were still in place for Covid which meant that a social 'Reception' did not happen until July when Sarah, Bishop of Shrewsbury returned to fully celebrate Jo's arrival in the Parish. Also in July some of us attended Choral Evensong at Lichfield Cathedral to see Jo licensed as a Prebendary - another joyful occasion. In fact we were blessed with numerous visits by Bishop Sarah as she joined us for services in Holy Week and for a Confirmation and Commissioning of Local Lay Leaders in September. On that occasion we also said a formal Thank You and Farewell to Revd Jassica Castillo-Burley who had fulfilled her role as Interim Minister for the previous 18 months.

Jo quickly got to work getting to know each of the churches and their communities, taking stock of how things had operated/were operating and how things should move forward. All the Church Wardens were brought together and modern communication was established through a WhatsApp group. Regular Newsletters, both online and in print, were also re-instated. We hope people have felt the benefit of keeping in touch with what is going on around the Parish and hope there is a sense of growing closer as a result.

As Covid restrictions eased it was good to establish a 'new normal' pattern of worship and to be able to have Holy Week and Easter Services fully returned. Thankfully our congregations have gradually returned to pre-pandemic levels despite sadly losing a few along the way. Over the year Jo has standardised the forms of worship so that all four churches have common Orders of Service, particularly useful when other Ministers cover Worship services. Here we should thank all the Ministers, both Clergy and Lay who have helped cover the Rota so that all four churches have had Holy Communion regularly alongside non-Eucharistic worship and also all the baptisms, weddings and the numerous funerals. We won't name them all here at the risk of missing anyone out but THANK YOU!



We have also had some refreshing 'new' experiences: Taize and Celtic style worship (not so new for some), St Nicholas' Day and the Posada in

December.

Parish Finances had to be addressed. The PCC and DCCs have had to look closely at economies in the light of the cost of living crisis. A difficult decision was made - to close the Parish Office at Dawley Christian Centre and in due course to make significant savings on the annual outgoings. We were sad to make Sharon Hanson's role redundant after her many years of faithful service. Sharon accepted the situation with great grace and we thanked her profusely. We did not think we would be able to pay all our Common Fund (formerly Parish Share) to the Diocese for 2022. As well as beginning to resume the usual fund-raising activities, each church held their own Gift Appeal between June and November and we praise God for the amazing response from Church members, 'friends' and parishioners. With advice

from Jo, careful management by Margaret, Parish Treasurer and DCC Treasurers we were able to pay in full.

The recruitment for a Team Vicar began in September and the process moved quite quickly. A Familiarisation Day and Interviews took place in November. In due course we were delighted to announce that Revd Scott Edwards would be arriving in Spring 2023 to share the Ministry with Jo across the Parish. We pray God's Blessing on this appointment.



As if all of this wasn't enough, major national events must be mentioned. February 2022 saw the invasion of Ukraine by Russia and everyone gathered in

prayer for the horror of the situation. Now one year on, we continue to pray for this conflict and its consequences.

In June the amazing Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, with great rejoicing and celebration, only to be followed in September by the sad passing of Her Majesty and a period of National Mourning with the Church of England taking centre stage in the events. In common with others, our Parish immediately mobilised to create spaces for parishioners to gather, to pray or reflect and to sign Condolence Books.

It has been quite a year!

*Doreen Dyson & Mary Richards*

## Deanery Synod



Deanery Synod has continued to meet via Zoom and meetings are usually well 'attended' in this format. Area Dean, Rev Debbie Loughran is in the Chair but each session has a guest speaker talking about their role and work. This is then followed by short discussion in 'break-out' rooms. Many of the themes included have reflected the Shaping for Mission process. Each meeting starts with a short act of worship and ends with any appropriate Deanery business or information.

In January, Louise Williams, known to many of us in Central Telford, spoke about her role as a Funeral Director and about bereavement and funeral

provision. Funerals had changed a lot in the 20 years prior to the pandemic. In 2003 most funerals were held in churches with burials whereas now they are more often held in Crematoria and there has been a huge rise in families opting for civil celebrants or humanist funerals instead of religious services. As we know Covid changed things even more significantly. Louise would like to see improvements in Bereavement Care and made some suggestions around this.

In April the theme was Messy Church with Regional Coordinators Aike and Mary. They talked about the changes that have come about due to the pandemic and how moving outside saw the introduction of things like Muddy Messy and Messy Church goes Wild and Mary's church did Messy Church in a Bag! They talked about the five Messy Church values: Christ centred; All age – not just for kids it is multigenerational; Creativity; Hospitality; Celebration.

In October, the guest was Gareth Brown from Cinnamon Network. Cinnamon Network is a Christian organisation which helps churches with advice and training who are looking to start social action projects. Gareth spoke about Unity in working together. He spoke about his passion for locality and the local church. To be a force for good in the community we need to get to know it.

In July members of Synod met face-to-face socially, for a Barbecue hosted at Holy Trinity, Wrockwardine Wood. Pleasant weather meant we were able to gather outdoors in fellowship with some tasty food.  
*Mary Richards*

### Ecumenical Relationships

We are a member of the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership and, through this informal arrangement, we seek to work closely together with other denominations. The arrival of new ministers at Central Telford Parish and at Dawley Christian Centre has provided an opportunity for the re-establishment of some of the previous activities that took place pre-Covid. The Dawley Foodbank continues to be a very successful and much needed ecumenical endeavour. Experience Christmas was offered to several schools at Holy Trinity church with volunteers from several churches. We look forward to sharing together in more ways in 2023.

### Volunteers

We would like to thank all the volunteers who work so hard in many different ways across the parish to

provide ministry, enable worship to take place smoothly serve as church officers or as DCC/PCC members, lead/help at the many different activities, care for our buildings and churchyards, providing food and drinks, etc. Thanks also go to those who faithfully serve in unnoticed ways, and who pray for the life of the church.

### Safeguarding

There have been no safeguarding incidents reported in the parish in 2022. We have carried out a safeguarding audit of each church and are embarking on safer recruiting for all new volunteers/workers in the parish. We are ensuring that all of our Trustees and volunteers have a current DBS (when appropriate) and keep their Safeguarding Training up to date

### Activities:

#### Monday Food bank drop in – St Leonard's



Food bank is going well. We don't always get a lot of fresh food each week, but have been able to stock up supplies of tins and dry goods, and will be putting a basket in church so people who use the church can

contribute as well. I'd like to thank Becky and her husband Keith for all they do for us, with pick up from supermarkets. Most people stay for tea /coffee, and we would like to offer toast as well but unfortunately we don't have the staff to do it all. A big thank you to Jackie for her patience and understanding with all our customers.  
*Jane Hill.*

#### Wednesday morning activities – St Leonard's



This year our exercise class has gone from strength to strength, we started with 5 now an average of 12 each week, and most stay for tea / coffee. We hoped to run a crafts

session but none of the ladies were really interested. However, we would like to get a craft session up and running again in 2023. *Jane Hill*

### *Monthly Lunch and Bingo – St Leonard's*

This is still going very well, everyone enjoys our monthly get togethers. We have a variety of meals all cooked fresh, and game of Bingo, still at the price of only £5!

*Jane Hill*

### *Trinity Tots – Holy Trinity*

Wednesday Trinity Tots: This group has been running



for a few years now, and despite losing 99% because of lockdown and aging into school, we have rebuilt a great

group who love to spend time with us. Both Tots and adults. We have approximately 18 - 24 children from 0 to school age attend. With a variety of toys and crafts, there is always something to be enjoyed and occasionally the adults love to play too. Despite being a tot's group, we still have adults who now take their children to school and then pop in for a drink and chat before the little ones turn up to play. We all mix well and if ever there is a shortage of church help, then the moms willingly take over and do whatever is needed. We have become a friendly community. Some parents wanted another day to play and after much discussion, it was decided to try Thursdays for a trial period.

Thursday Tots: It was decided to hold another session of Tots on a Thursday for a trial run. So, from November 3rd we opened the doors doing the same format as Wednesdays. This was to be until Christmas to see if it would work. It does! We find that we have several carers who bring 3 or 4 children with them and seem to have a different set of people than on Wednesdays and more of them. For a relatively new group it is much appreciated and well attended. We have about 20 - 26 children each week. Once again, everyone who attends mixes well. *Helen Pallett*

### *Thursday Coffee and Chat – Holy Trinity*



The club was formed after various adults who are linked to Tots, wanted to keep meeting during the school holidays when the children weren't around. What

started as a school holiday event at another venue has now become weekly in church. Along with coffee

(or tea) and chat, we have various activities for those who want to do more than talk. Jigsaws, knitting, model making, colouring etc. We now have a regular 11+ people who find this time together valuable. A big thank you for the Trinity Tots Team for all of their valuable help each week and Pete, Julie, Cora and Sarah (Parents/Grandparents) who help if ever needed.

### *Messy Church – Holy Trinity*



We have held Messy Church 11 times this year with August as a month off during the Summer Holidays. At the start of the year

we were small in number as some families didn't return after the Pandemic but as the year went on we welcomed some new families from Trinity Tots and from the Sunday Morning Service. It has been encouraging watching the children and families all become one congregation / Church family.

We welcomed Reverend Jo to our Messy Church family at the start of the year. It is nice to know Jo felt she could pop into Messy Church whenever she could and for her to meet all the families. They like having a vicar to talk to when things are bothering them.

We celebrated Good Friday with Reverend Jassica and the Parish at our Messy Good Friday where we heard the Easter story through hymns. The children enjoyed being able to make so much noise at the end.

We celebrated Christingle in December with the rest of the Parish. We sang Away in a manger to candlelight from the Christingles. Also, some of the young people helped with the Crib Service on Christmas Eve. They all read well and confidently and didn't seem nervous about reading in front of a full Church. The congregation really did enjoy listening to them all tell the Christmas story, and I couldn't have done it without them.

I am very grateful to everyone who volunteered to help and support Messy Church. Those who are willing to get messy, be covered in glitter, glue, or paint and those who offer a welcome cup of tea or coffee to the parents when they arrive and who always manage to feed all the families and the volunteers at mealtime, sometimes it feels like feeding the 5000.

As a team we are feeling positive about 2023 and what it holds for Messy Church and its families.

*Hannah Yapp*

### *Mothers' Union – Holy Trinity*

Our Mothers' Union has had a year of interesting meetings and outings. Early in the new year we had a visit from a Citizens' Advice speaker giving advice on some ways to save on our energy bills. There were useful tips and some members took up the offer of a free carbon monoxide alarm.



Jassica came and gave a really interesting account of her journey to be an ordained minister in the Church of England. I was really surprised to hear that she had worked as an industrial chemist in Southampton until she and Roy gave up their comfortable life so that Jassica could enter theological college. Another inspiring afternoon was spent listening to and watching a video of one of Lynda Chugg's visit to the children she supports in India enabling them to gain an education.

We held an afternoon tea party and quiz for the Queen's Jubilee. On television the Queen looked frail but we didn't dream that we would soon be mourning her.

We had two lovely visits: Leighton Church was the first. It can't be seen at all from the road but it proved well worth a visit. The warden who showed us round obviously loved the church. In September we went to The National Memorial Arboretum, which is such a moving and inspiring place. I was particularly surprised and sad to see the memorial to personnel killed in action since World War 2; there were just so many of them and tablets waiting for more names which we fear will be filled.

The Revd Ian Oliver gave a very interesting talk on a small part of his Trip to the Holy Land on his Sabbatical leave. He had obviously been very impressed by seeing places we usually only read about in the bible. He has promised to come again. Our Christmas dinner was at the Valley Hotel for the first time and we were very impressed with the food and lovely surroundings. We hope to repeat it next year. Our last joint activity was our Carol service. This is always a lovely occasion and a peaceful introduction to the Church's Christmas celebrations. We are lucky to have such a friendly group of members who are loyal and supportive. Thanks are due to the committee, especially Glenis Watkins, who works so hard organizing our programme of events. Anyone from around the Parish is welcome to join us - male or female, married or single, mother or not.

We are always conscious that we are a church group and each meeting begins with a short act of worship and the magazines and circulars we receive keep us in touch with the world wide organization that in some countries works so hard to improve the lot of women and family life.

*Barbara Crawforth*

### *Bell Ringers – Holy Trinity*



After more than a decade without a regular band of bell-ringers at Holy Trinity, it was pleasing when, early in 2022, a weekly Monday evening practice session was initiated. This was largely down to the efforts of local ringer Darren Swancott. We now have four ringers

who, whilst still learning the ropes, have become proficient enough for them to have rung for the 2023 carol service. With help from visiting ringers from Wellington and Coalbrookdale, we also manage to ring for the service on most Sunday mornings. Though the bells themselves have not undergone any major maintenance for some years, they generally seem to be in a reasonable condition.

*Simon Rice, Tower captain*

### *Monday Bible Study Group – St John's*

The meeting takes place on Monday evenings at 7pm to 8pm led by Roy Burley who is an excellent leader. The study last year was mainly on the Gospel of John and we shared with people of the Yellow Ribbon group.

*Eileen Robertson*

### *Lawley Smallies – St John's*

The team is Cathy Parker, Bill Robertson, Eileen Robertson, Carole France, Warwick France and from 2022 Des Pritchard. We have had others in the past who have now moved away. Smallies is a carer and parent toddler group which was started in September 2013. During this period, we have had over 250 children along with their carers come to us and we will be celebrating our 10th anniversary in September this year. We were closed down from the pandemic for longer than most groups because of the numbers, and when we did restart many of the children had

started school, we have over 2022 gathered a new group of children and are now back to our full capacity. We provide refreshments for the children and as many drinks as the carers want. There are crafts for the children and a singing session before they go home. Whilst the children's carers are responsible for their children at all times, we also abide by the church safeguarding process. We now have a waiting list again! *Eileen Robertson*

## 6. Reports from District churchwardens

### Holy Trinity, Dawley



It's that time of the year again. Doesn't seem like a year since we last wrote a wardens' report; but the world is very different now. When we were celebrating the Queen's Jubilee in the summer we didn't think we would be mourning her loss a few months later. We set up

a Book of Remembrance and a candle lighting station as attractively as possible with flowers and photos and although we didn't have many people to visit them, those who did seemed to appreciate the opportunity.

Of course the war in Ukraine was just beginning and we provided opportunities for candles to be lit on a table covered in the Ukrainian flag. There were many prayers said and time for quiet reflection. Attendance figures have stayed pretty constant. The carol service and The Midnight Mass were not very crowded but the Crib service was standing room only. Hannah Yapp and Chris and Roni Hicks had prepared an excellent way to build up the crib with children taking up knitted Nativity figures at different times in the story. It was simple yet very effective.

Tots and Messy Church are running as usual plus a Coffee Club but you can read about that separately. Mothers' Union has had an excellent year but you can read about that elsewhere too.

Like other churches we are being very careful about where (whole church or just meeting room) and when to put on the heating, worried about bills. Our three fairs have been successful, especially the Christmas one which was very busy in spite of Santa not able to come. Hannah dressed up as Mrs Santa and some parents said their children were happier with that as the old man with the long white beard can be quite scary! So we managed to pay our share,

our bills and for the two African children we support from Compassion.

We have enjoyed working with Jo and have seen quite a lot of her in spite of her Archdeacon role. The joint services we have seem a bit better attended than they used to be. We are now looking forward to the next step for the Parish with the arrival of The Revd Scott Edwards in March.



*Barbara Crawford & Glenis Watkins*

### St John, Lawley:

The year 2022 came on with a bang at St John's as the church boiler had packed up! Once the new boiler was installed the congregation were delighted!

It got better when our new Team Rector was licensed on the 16th of January and things



started to change. We had 2 vicars for a period of time and regular services every Sunday. When we went down to one vicar again, we started having help from various parishes and we have enjoyed a variety of several kind vicars who have helped us along the way.

We also had a team from the Nat West who offered to come and help with tidying in the churchyard in April. That was a fun day!

Things got even better when a new vicar was chosen and will be licensed in March in 2023.

We have managed to pay our common fund in 2022 from the generosity of people who care for St John's, and for that we are extremely grateful.

We have had several fundraising events from a craft fair, summer fair and Christmas fair but specially the harvest supper with John doing his magic!

We had the jubilee service for the Queen on 5th June along with all the country, only to be hearing of her death on the 8th September and watching her funeral on 19th September, very sad.

It was also very sad when one of the stalwarts of the church died in November. Brenda Rudkin had been attending St John's for many years and was one of the choir singers, she also was treasurer for many years. We had lots of fun meeting for the DCC at her house! The people of St John's are, as ever, very kind, friendly and welcoming, and new people are still joining us.



*Eileen Robertson*

#### St Leonard, Malinslee:

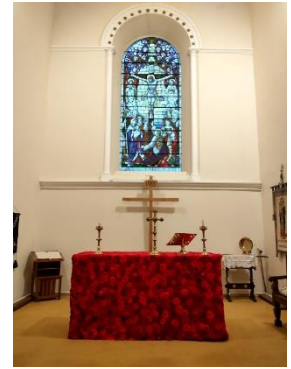


We were very pleased to welcome Rev Jo to our church. After a couple of years of being in the wilderness,

along with Rev Jassica we were able to start have regularly weekly services, with communion twice a month which everyone was pleased about. Rev Jassica sadly left September

February, we held our pensions party, which is always well attended. June, we held a party to celebrate the Queen Jubilee, with the Shropshire Boat Men singing the old shanty songs, they were very good, we had afternoon tea, sadly it rained so were unable to do the games outside, and not enough room inside, everyone seemed to enjoy it anyway. July, summer fair was held, usual stalls, and made approx. £700. which we all very pleased about. Following a week we went to a car boot with things left and made another £100, sales from the pickles which Graham Bould made were around £300. August we went to table top sale, made £50. September a concert with the Cosford Military Wives had to be cancelled due to the Queen death as they had to be in mourning for 11 days - we will rearrange for spring 2023. November, Christmas fair was held, well attended and raised £1000. December, we had the Carol service, midnight mass, Crib service, We were very pleased to pay our common fund in full. The church has been hired out for children's parties and Dawley Town Council hire the church for Baby Babble once a month.

We were delighted with the external lighting that Dawley Town Council paid for and installed, lighting up our church so beautifully at night time. Sadly, we closed Jolly Tots in July, due to helper's retirements and there was no one to take over. I would personally like to thank Jackie Howes and Sheena Ireland for everything they did over the years with Jolly Tot it was a sad day but it had to be done. I am also very grateful to Lorraine Granger who is now our DCC Secretary and has been a great help by taking on some of the general admin work.



*Jane Hill*

#### St Mary, Ketley:



We started the year with a happy occasion when Revd Jo Farnworth was instituted as Rector for Central Telford

and commissioned as Associate Archdeacon of Salop. at Holy Trinity Church. Rev. Jo soon got to work by making subtle changes by way of standardising the service books so that all of the churches have the same form of service bringing all our churches in the parish working as one. This will also help visiting clergy when they come to help with the rotas. The beginning of June we celebrated The Queens Jubilee with a picnic, and games for the children's entertainment. Holy week we were privileged to have Bishop Sarah lead a Maundy Thursday at Holy Trinity, Good Friday at St. Johns, Easter Eve (Holy Saturday) at St. Leonards, All these were attended by some members of St. Mary's. Ascension Day service was held at St, Mary's All of which were joint services. A new experience for St. Mary's was a Taizé' service in November.

In September we said goodbye to Jassica, we thank her for helping as an interim Minister and wished her luck as she moved on in her ministry.

Harvest Supper was a little different this year, we had baked potato with a variety of fillings. Apple pie/ crumble. and Bingo. In September we celebrated our Heritage Weekend and Feast of St. Mary the Virgin.

Patronal Festival which included refreshments and family activities. Sadly Her Majesty the Queen died that weekend and a sad cloud hung over the celebrations.

A gift appeal took place, we had a wonderful response of £2,000. Which enabled us to pay our common fund in full. We give thanks to those who contributed and to those who took the time to distribute our appeal.

In November the children from Meadows School took part in a service of Remembrance around the memorial in the church yard.

For their Christmas service, two sessions took place to enable to fit everyone in 400-500 children attended.

Remembrance Service was held Sunday November 13th. Wreaths were laid, including Representative of



Telford @ Wrekin Council Cllr. Mark Boylan.

Our traditional Carol service took place in Dec. Midnight mass was taken by Revd Christopher Landau.

Fund Raising Events: Fish&Chips /Bingo x 6;

Judy's open house; Easter Egg Raffle; Tombola Stall

*Ann Broadhurst Doreen Dyson.*

## 7. Financial Review

Our thanks go to all involved in ensuring the smooth running of finances within the parish. We recognise the hard work and commitment of our PCC Treasurer (Margaret Cartwright), and DCC Treasurers. We also recognise the contribution of those who help with: collecting and counting monies, banking and administering Gift Aid. We also express our thanks to Jonathan Hill, and his colleagues from the Lichfield Diocese Finance Department for their expertise and support. The full accounts can be found in Section 2 of this report.

The consolidated accounts show a total income of £198,570 and expenditure of £138,595, giving an excess of income over expenditure of £59,975.

The requested Common Fund for 2022 was paid in full, but not the outstanding balance of £3,532 from 2021 (this has subsequently been written off by LDBF).

To improve our financial situation, we had to make the difficult decision to close the Parish Officer and make the Parish Administrator redundant as we didn't have the funds to sustain this.

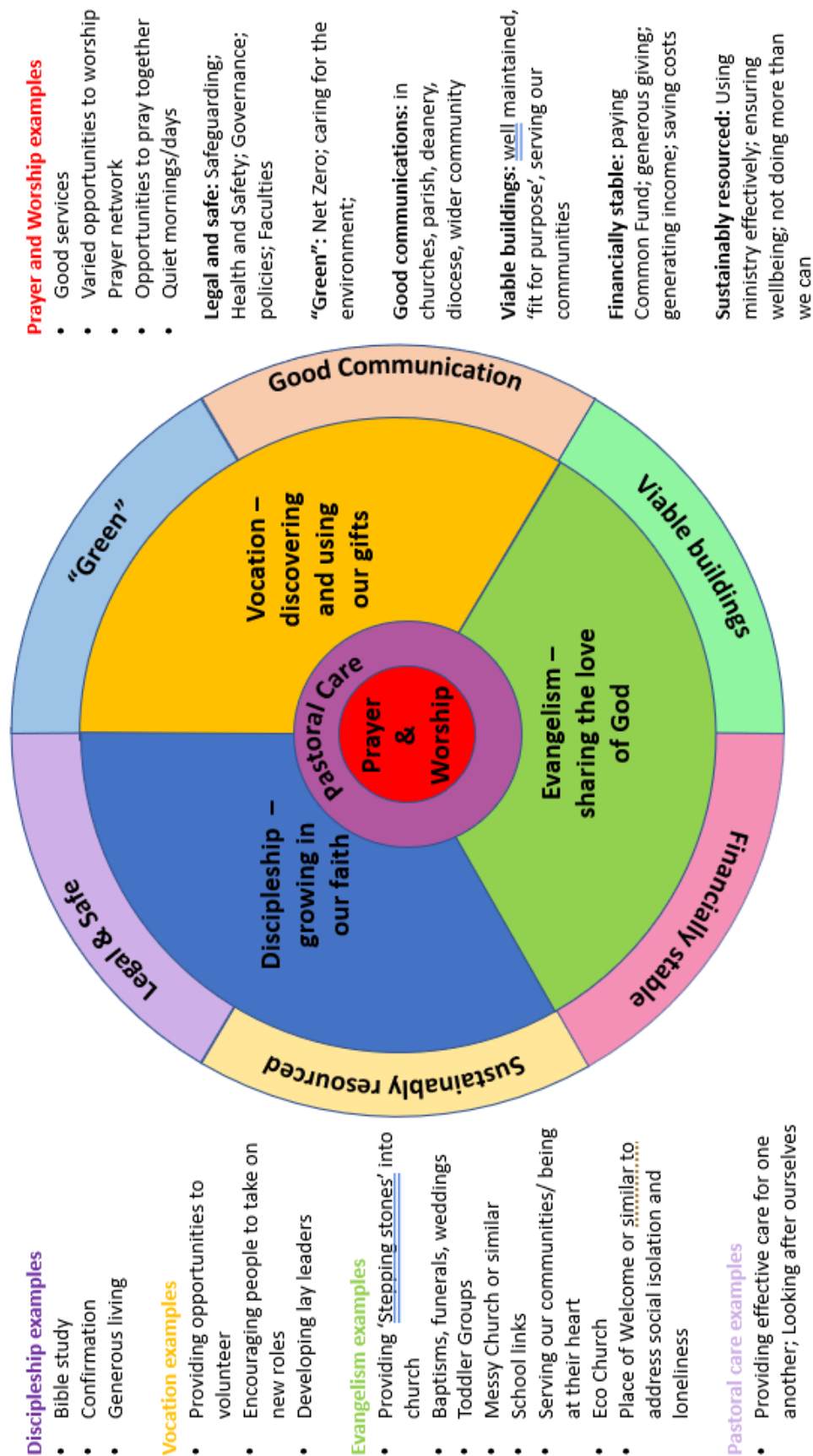
Our financial situation needs keeping under constant review due to the increased expenditure due to high fuel costs. The cost of living crisis has had an impact on our income, and it is still taking time to recover from the effect of. We have seen great generosity through Gift Appeals in each church this year and are very grateful for this.

In 2023, we will look at how we can ensure financial stability though reviewing the use of Gift Aid, cashless giving, income generation, central purchasing, reviewing energy and maintenance providers/contracts, and careful expenditure. We will also look at developing an understanding of Generous Hope, using diocesan resources to help us see that our use of money and faithful Christian living go hand in hand.

## 8. Reserves Policy

The PCC aims to keep approximately three months running costs in reserves, in the event of a major problem. In 2023 we will be reviewing all of our reserves to ensure that they are correctly allocated (ie general funds, designated, restricted), and developing a strategy to build up reserves where necessary to ensure that they are at a value of approximately £29,500. An important value is one of mutual support between district churches, so that if one faces a major problem, others will respond with generosity.

## Section 2: Parish Mission Plan



## Section 3: Independent Examiner's Report & Financial Statements



### **Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Central Telford**

**Parish. Registered charity number 1140301**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 which are set out on the following pages.

### Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

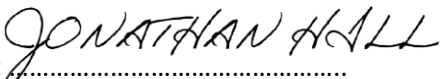
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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 come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:   
Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA

Date: ..... 10/05/2023

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**Independent Examiner:** Mr Jonathan Hill, Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

**Bankers:** Lloyds Bank, 113 The Border, Telford Centre, Telford, TF3 4AE

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO 1140301

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

|                                                             | Unrestricted Funds | Restricted Funds | Total Funds    | Prior year Total Funds |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------------|
|                                                             | £                  | £                | £              | £                      |
| Incoming resources                                          |                    |                  |                |                        |
| Incoming resources from generated funds                     | -                  | -                | -              | -                      |
| Voluntary income                                            | 69,854             | 4,060            | 73,914         | 71,056                 |
| Investment income                                           | 72,205             | -                | 72,205         | 70                     |
| Activities for generating funds                             | 28,132             | 1,703            | 29,835         | 13,603                 |
| Other incoming resources                                    | 22,516             | 100              | 22,616         | 60,934                 |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>192,706</b>     | <b>5,863</b>     | <b>198,569</b> | <b>145,663</b>         |
| Resources used                                              |                    |                  |                |                        |
| Cost of generating funds                                    | 48                 | -                | 48             | -                      |
| Investment management costs                                 | 147                | -                | 147            | 143                    |
| Charitable activities                                       | 3,334              | -                | 3,334          | 2,414                  |
| Governance costs                                            | 122,895            | 7,182            | 130,076        | 101,145                |
| Other resources used                                        | 1,457              | -                | 1,457          | 46,850                 |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>127,881</b>     | <b>7,182</b>     | <b>135,063</b> | <b>150,562</b>         |
|                                                             |                    |                  |                |                        |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>64,825</b>      | <b>(1,319)</b>   | <b>63,506</b>  | <b>(4,898)</b>         |
| Transfers:                                                  |                    |                  |                |                        |
| Gross transfers between funds – in                          | 500                | -                | 500            | -                      |
| Gross transfers between funds – out                         | (500)              | -                | (500)          | -                      |
| Other recognised gains / losses                             | -                  | -                | -              | -                      |
| Gains/losses on investment assets                           | (699)              | -                | (699)          | -                      |
| Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use       | -                  | -                | -              | 432                    |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>64,126</b>      | <b>(1,319)</b>   | <b>62,807</b>  | <b>(4,898)</b>         |
| Reconciliation of funds                                     |                    |                  |                |                        |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>59,208</b>      | <b>80,528</b>    | <b>139,736</b> | <b>144,202</b>         |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**CHARITY REGISTRATION NO 1140301**  
**Balance Sheet Detailed**

|                              |                                          | As at<br>31/12/2022<br>£ | As at<br>31/12/2021<br>£ |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>          |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | 6050: Hill & Smith Holdings Plc          | 1,313                    | 2012                     |
|                              | <b>Total Fixed assets</b>                | <b>1,313</b>             | <b>2012</b>              |
| <b>Current assets</b>        |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | 6501: Bank current account               | 55,394                   | 47,215                   |
|                              | 6505: Bank deposit account               | 8,762                    | 19,512                   |
|                              | 6510: CBF deposit account                | 140,725                  | 72,732                   |
|                              | 6590: CTP Share account                  | 232                      | 231                      |
|                              | 6591: Compassion bank account            | 193                      | 298                      |
|                              | 6700: Bank current account               | 5,462                    | 4,044                    |
|                              | 6710: Easy Access Account                | (0)                      | (0)                      |
|                              | <b>Total Current assets</b>              | <b>210,768</b>           | <b>144,033</b>           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>           |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | 6699: Agency collections                 | 6,005                    | 2,775                    |
|                              | 6621: Parish Share Arrears               | 3,532                    | 3,532                    |
|                              | <b>Total Liabilities</b>                 | <b>9,537</b>             | <b>6,307</b>             |
|                              | <b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>       | <b>202,544</b>           | <b>139,736</b>           |
| <b>Reserves</b>              |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | Excess / (deficit) to date               | 62,808                   | (4,898)                  |
|                              | Z01: Starting balances                   | 139,736                  | 144,202                  |
|                              | Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets | (699)                    | —                        |
|                              | Z02: Other gains/(losses)                | —                        | —                        |
|                              | Z03: Gains and losses own use            | —                        | 432                      |
|                              | <b>Total Reserves</b>                    | <b>202,544</b>           | <b>139,736</b>           |
| <b>Represented by Funds:</b> |                                          |                          |                          |
|                              | Unrestricted                             | 79,044                   | 16,119                   |
|                              | Designated                               | 44,290                   | 43,090                   |
|                              | Restricted                               | 79,209                   | 80,527                   |
|                              | Endowment                                | —                        | —                        |
|                              | <b>Total</b>                             | <b>202,544</b>           | <b>139,736</b>           |

Approved by the PCC on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Reverend Prebendary Joanna Farnworth (Chair)



Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

|                                                       | General<br>£   | Designated<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ | This year<br>£ | Last year<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>                             |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| <b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>        |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| 0110 - Direct Giving Envelopes - non gift aid         | 9,218          | -               | -               | 9,218          | 6,993          |
| 0101 - Gift Aid Envelopes/Donations                   | 40,818         | -               | -               | 40,818         | 30,631         |
| 0601 - Recoverable Income Tax                         | 5,420          | -               | -               | 5,420          | 8,504          |
| 0303 - Sundry Donations                               | 2,850          | 200             | 3,010           | 6,060          | 2,590          |
| 1020 - Bank/Building Society Interest                 | 998            | 1               | 0               | 998            | 40.38          |
| 1040 - Dividends & Trust Income                       | 71,207         | -               | -               | 71,207         | 30             |
| 0301 - Plate Collections                              | 8,331          | -               | -               | 8,331          | 5,269          |
| 0850 - Grants                                         | 2,850          | -               | 1,050           | 3,900          | 16,950         |
| 1210 - Gross income from fund raising                 | 12,284         | -               | 1,700           | 13,984         | 6,525          |
| 1230 - Children and young people                      | 111            | -               | -               | 111            | 33.57          |
| 1212 - Christian Aid income                           | 55             | -               | -               | 55             | 85             |
| 1240 - Church Hall lettings and rent                  | 10,535         | -               | -               | 10,535         | 6,236          |
| 1211 - Special Appeals gross fundraising income       | 5,314          | -               | -               | 5,314          | 841            |
| 1213 - Special Restricted Projects income             | 0              | -               | 3               | 3              | 0.92           |
| <b>Incoming resources from generated funds Totals</b> | <b>169,990</b> | <b>201</b>      | <b>5,763</b>    | <b>175,954</b> | <b>84,729</b>  |
| <b>Other incoming resources</b>                       |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| 1310 - Other Income                                   | 1,583          | -               | 100             | 1,683          | 100            |
| 1102 - PCC local fees                                 | 645            | -               | -               | 645            | 758            |
| 0150 - Payments received from other CTP accts         | 100            | 500             | -               | 600            | 45,985         |
| 1101 - Fees received                                  | 15,243         | -               | -               | 15,243         | 14,011         |
| 1402 - VAT and other refunds                          | -              | -               | -               | -              | 81             |
| 08A1 - non-recurring one-off grants                   | 3,600          | -               | -               | 3,600          | -              |
| 1401 - Insurance Claims                               | 845            | -               | -               | 845            | -              |
| <b>Other incoming resources Totals</b>                | <b>22,016</b>  | <b>500</b>      | <b>100</b>      | <b>22,616</b>  | <b>60,935</b>  |
| <b>Incoming resources Grand totals</b>                | <b>192,006</b> | <b>701</b>      | <b>5,863</b>    | <b>198,570</b> | <b>145,664</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure (continued)**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

|                                                 | General<br>£   | Designated<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ | This year<br>£ | Last year<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>Resources used</b>                           |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| <b>Cost of generating funds</b>                 |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| 2202 - Bank Charges                             | 147            | -               | -               | 147            | 118.38         |
| 2401 - Costs of fund raising                    | 48             | -               | -               | 48             | 65.70          |
| <b>Cost of generating funds Totals</b>          | <b>195</b>     | <b>-</b>        | <b>-</b>        | <b>195</b>     | <b>184.08</b>  |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>                    |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| 2100 - Donations/Gifts                          | 3,174          | -               | -               | 3,174          | 2,254          |
| 1871 - Christian Aid donations                  | 160            | -               | -               | 160            | 160            |
| <b>Charitable activities Totals</b>             | <b>3,334</b>   | <b>-</b>        | <b>-</b>        | <b>3,334</b>   | <b>2,414</b>   |
| <b>Governance costs</b>                         |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| 2201 - Training                                 | 42             | -               | -               | 42             | 20             |
| 2303 - Housing costs / Rents                    | 224            | -               | -               | 224            | 1,730          |
| 2304 - Clergy Working Expenses                  | 1,291          | -               | -               | 1,291          | 495            |
| 2320 - Payment of parish share to the Diocese   | 69,810         | -               | 3,000           | 72,810         | 59,532         |
| Parish Share Support                            |                |                 |                 |                | -7,383         |
| 2331 - Repairs/replacements/new items           | 13,622         | -               | 3,958           | 17,580         | 8,395          |
| 2350 - Salaries/Wages/Honoraria                 |                |                 |                 |                | 3,579          |
| 2355 - Insurance                                | 9,187          | -               | -               | 9,187          | 8,871          |
| 2365 - Flowers                                  | 317            | -               | -               | 317            | -              |
| 2370 - Children and Young People                | 630            | -               | -               | 630            | 276            |
| 2411 - Printing / Copying / Publicity           | 632            | -               | -               | 632            | 486            |
| 2520 - Audit Fees                               | 500            | -               | -               | 500            | 500            |
| 2535 - Licence Fees                             | 677            | -               | -               | 677            | 828            |
| 2620 - Decoration Scheme                        | 250            | -               | -               | 250            | 250            |
| 2351 - Administrators Salary                    | 9,679          | -               | -               | 9,679          | 2,366          |
| 2305 - External Clergy Expenses                 | 15             | -               | -               | 15             | 12             |
| 2306 - Lay Parish Working Expenses              | 109            | -               | -               | 109            | 72             |
| 2330 - Running costs (inc Gas, Water, Electric) | 13,135         | -               | 224             | 13,359         | 8,030          |
| 2340 - Church Hall costs                        | 2,609          | -               | -               | 2,609          | 2,446          |
| 2332 - Church Maintenance                       | 614            | -               | -               | 614            | 384            |
| 2345 - Churchyard maintenance                   | 2,233          | -               | -               | 2,233          | 2,221          |
| 2232 - Other working expenses                   | 852            | -               | -               | 852            | 650            |
| <b>Governance costs Totals</b>                  | <b>126,427</b> | <b>-</b>        | <b>7,182</b>    | <b>133,609</b> | <b>101,145</b> |
| <b>Other resources used</b>                     |                |                 |                 |                |                |
| 2150 - Payments made to other CTP accts         | 500            | -               | -               | 500            | 46,185         |
| 2380 - Church items purchased                   | 23             | -               | -               | 23.24          |                |
| 2630 - Other Payments                           | 934            | -               | -               | 934.11         | 208            |
| 2640 - Returned Fees                            | -              | -               | -               | -              | 467            |
| <b>Other resources used Totals</b>              | <b>1,457</b>   | <b>-</b>        | <b>-</b>        | <b>1,457</b>   | <b>46,860</b>  |
| <b>Resources used Grand totals</b>              | <b>131,413</b> | <b>-</b>        | <b>7,182</b>    | <b>138,595</b> | <b>150,562</b> |

# Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish

## Fund Movement by Type Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

| Fund              | Fund<br>balances<br><br>brought<br>forward | Incoming<br><br>Resources | Outgoing<br><br>Resources | Transfers   | Gains and<br><br>Losses | Journal<br><br>Entries | Fund<br>balances<br><br>Carried<br>forward |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>EAA</b>        |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Designated        | 2                                          | -                         | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | 2                                          |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>2</b>                                   | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>2</b>                                   |
| <b>Outreach</b>   |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Restricted        | 10                                         | -                         | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | 10                                         |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>10</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>10</b>                                  |
| <b>Restr</b>      |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Restricted        | 25,132                                     | 110                       | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | 25,242                                     |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>25,132</b>                              | <b>110</b>                | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>25,242</b>                              |
| <b>General</b>    |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Unrestricted      | 16,119                                     | 192,006                   | 131,413                   | -500        | -699                    | -                      | 79,044                                     |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>16,119</b>                              | <b>192,006</b>            | <b>131,413</b>            | <b>-500</b> | <b>-699</b>             | <b>-</b>               | <b>79,044</b>                              |
| <b>Spec-BLDG</b>  |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Restricted        | 40,176                                     | -                         | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | 40,176                                     |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>40,176</b>                              | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>40,176</b>                              |
| <b>Special</b>    |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Restricted        | 15,209                                     | 5,753                     | 7,182                     | -           | -                       | -                      | 13,781                                     |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>15,209</b>                              | <b>5,753</b>              | <b>7,182</b>              | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>13,781</b>                              |
| <b>ZReval</b>     |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Restricted        | -81                                        | -                         | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | -81                                        |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>-81</b>                                 | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>-81</b>                                 |
| <b>CTPShare</b>   |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Designated        | -969                                       | 701                       | -                         | 500         | -                       | -                      | 232                                        |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>-969</b>                                | <b>701</b>                | <b>-</b>                  | <b>500</b>  | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>232</b>                                 |
| <b>LDBF</b>       |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Designated        | 44,057                                     | -                         | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | 44,057                                     |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>44,057</b>                              | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>44,057</b>                              |
| <b>Lewis</b>      |                                            |                           |                           |             |                         |                        |                                            |
| Restricted        | 81                                         | -                         | -                         | -           | -                       | -                      | 81                                         |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>81</b>                                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>                  | <b>-</b>    | <b>-</b>                | <b>-</b>               | <b>81</b>                                  |
| <b>Totals</b>     | <b>139,736</b>                             | <b>198,569</b>            | <b>138,595</b>            | <b>-</b>    | <b>-699</b>             | <b>-</b>               | <b>202,544</b>                             |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**

**Fund Movement by Type Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

| <b>Fund</b>       | <b>Fund<br/>balances<br/>brought<br/>forward</b> | <b>Incoming<br/>Resources</b> | <b>Outgoing<br/>Resources</b> | <b>Transfers</b> | <b>Gains and<br/>Losses</b> | <b>Journal<br/>Entries</b> | <b>Fund<br/>balances<br/>Carried<br/>forward</b> |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <b>CAid</b>       |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | -32                                              | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | 32                         | -                                                |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>-32</b>                                       | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>32</b>                  | <b>-</b>                                         |
| <b>EAA</b>        |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Designated        | 2                                                | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | 2                                                |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>2</b>                                         | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>2</b>                                         |
| <b>Outreach</b>   |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | 10                                               | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | 10                                               |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>10</b>                                        | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>10</b>                                        |
| <b>Restr</b>      |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | 25,032                                           | 100                           | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | 25,132                                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>25,032</b>                                    | <b>100</b>                    | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>25,132</b>                                    |
| <b>General</b>    |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Unrestricted      | 31,861                                           | 129,800                       | 142,442                       | -                | 432                         | -                          | 16,119                                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>31,861</b>                                    | <b>129,800</b>                | <b>142,442</b>                | <b>-</b>         | <b>432</b>                  | <b>-</b>                   | <b>16,119</b>                                    |
| <b>Spec-BLDG</b>  |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | 40,176                                           | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | 40,176                                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>40,176</b>                                    | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>40,176</b>                                    |
| <b>Special</b>    |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | 3,034                                            | 15,763                        | 3,588                         | -                | -                           | -                          | 15,209                                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>3,034</b>                                     | <b>15,763</b>                 | <b>3,588</b>                  | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>15,209</b>                                    |
| <b>ZReval</b>     |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | -81                                              | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | -81                                              |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>-81</b>                                       | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>-81</b>                                       |
| <b>CTPShare</b>   |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Designated        | 31                                               | 0                             | 1,000                         | -                | -                           | -                          | -969                                             |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>31</b>                                        | <b>0</b>                      | <b>1,000</b>                  | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>-969</b>                                      |
| <b>LDBF</b>       |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Designated        | 44,057                                           | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | 44,057                                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>44,057</b>                                    | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>44,057</b>                                    |
| <b>Lewis</b>      |                                                  |                               |                               |                  |                             |                            |                                                  |
| Restricted        | 81                                               | -                             | -                             | -                | -                           | -                          | 81                                               |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>81</b>                                        | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>                      | <b>-</b>         | <b>-</b>                    | <b>-</b>                   | <b>81</b>                                        |
| <b>Totals</b>     | <b>144,171</b>                                   | <b>145,663</b>                | <b>147,030</b>                | <b>-</b>         | <b>432</b>                  | <b>32</b>                  | <b>139,736</b>                                   |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2022**

**1. Notes to the Accounts**

- a. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities (SORP) and applicable accounting standards (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.
- b. The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.
- c. The Parochial Church Council of the Central Telford Parish has approved the format and layout of these accounts. The PCC is made up of representatives of all the member churches.
- d. You will see from the accounts that the bank balance held at the 31st December 2022 was £210,768, and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 was £144,032. That is made up as follows –

|                  | <b>2022</b>     | <b>2021</b>     |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Central Accounts | £38,128         | £ 39,510        |
| Holy Trinity     | £30,743         | £28,266         |
| St Johns         | £127,431        | £55,321         |
| St Leonards      | £9,004          | £16,891         |
| St Marys         | £5,462          | £4,044          |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>£210,768</b> | <b>£144,032</b> |

Team Consolidation: The accounts also show a total income of £198,570 (2021: £145,664) and a total expenditure of £138,595 (2021: £150,562). Giving a surplus for the year of £59,975, (2021: (£4,898)).

- e. For information we have set out below the details of the income and expenditure of each of the churches which may help the understanding of the overall position

| <b>Church Name</b>                   | <b>INCOME</b>   | <b>EXPENDITURE</b> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Central Accounts                     | £19,417         | £27,560            |
| Holy Trinity                         | £30,547         | £28,070            |
| St Johns                             | £104,731        | £32,621            |
| St Leonards                          | £30,978         | £38,865            |
| St Marys                             | £12,897         | £11,479            |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                        | <b>£198,570</b> | <b>£138,595</b>    |
| <b>Difference</b>                    |                 | <b>£59,975</b>     |
| <b>Gain/Loss on investment asset</b> |                 | <b>(£699)</b>      |
| <b>B/F from previous year</b>        |                 | <b>£139,736</b>    |
| <b>Carried forward</b>               |                 | <b>£202,544</b>    |

## **2. Funds**

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

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members. They do include the transactions, assets etc. of each of the four churches, which make up the single parish of Central Telford. The names of those churches are listed elsewhere within this document.

The unrestricted funds include funds from the Leonard Bryce Smith Trust Fund of £67019 and the funds can only be used at St Johns Lawley. The funds will be transferred into restricted funds in 2023.

## **3. Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and there is certainty of receipt.

### Voluntary Income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

Grants and Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised from fetes, fairs and similar events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

### Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

### Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Any tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

### Gains and losses on investments.

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

## **4. Resources Used**

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the SOFA category. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional on the recipient satisfying performance or other discretionary requirements to the satisfaction of the Board. Grant offered subject to such conditions, which have not been met at the year end, would be noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure

### Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

### Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The Diocesan quota or Parish share is accounted for when payable. Any quota unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and shown as a creditor in the balance sheet. The parish share was paid in full in 2022, however the outstanding balance of £3,532 is still owing.

### Governance Costs v Charitable Activities

In 2023, a review will be made of the categories that expenditure is allocated to as it is recognised that some of the expenditure currently identified as Governance Costs would be more appropriately allocated to Charitable Activities.

#### **5. Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10 (2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

No value is placed on movable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

The Parish has overall responsibility for one other building, the Church Hall at St John's Lawley. The hall at St. John's is run and maintained by the District Church Council at the church and was valued at £216,000. It is in a good state of repair as it has been recently refurbished. This value is below expected market value.

### Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December 2022 £1,313 (2020 £2,011), and held within Hill & Smith Holdings Plc

#### **6. Current assets**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for any amounts that may prove uncollectible. No such amounts are due for 2022.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the Bank or Building Society. At present monies are held in a deposit account with the Central Board of Finance by three District churches as well as an amount held centrally.

Investments are held as a part of the Central Accounts. These include shares in Hill & Smith PLC. Details of this are held centrally.

All dividends and interest received on these investments are included in the accounts under the heading of "Investment Income".

|                            | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2022 Total<br>£ | 2021 Total<br>£ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Bank Current Accounts      | 134,406                    | (73,550)                 | 60,856          | 51,259          |
| Bank Deposit Accounts      | (9,549)                    | 18,311                   | 8,762           | 19,512          |
| CBF Deposit Accounts       | 272                        | 140,453                  | 140,725         | 72,732          |
| CTP Share Account          | 232                        | 0                        | 232             | 231             |
| Compassion Bank<br>Account | 193                        | 0                        | 193             | 299             |
|                            |                            |                          |                 |                 |
| <b>Total</b>               | <b>125,554</b>             | <b>85,214</b>            | <b>210,768</b>  | <b>144,032</b>  |

#### **7. Going Concern –**

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The parish paid the requested amount of Common Fund for 2022 in full, but not the outstanding balance from 2021 of £3,532, having benefitted from a Special Assessment of £23,596, a Share Write-off of £3,195 and Share Support of £7,383. (The outstanding balance of £3,532 has subsequently been written off by LDBF.)

## 8. Staff costs

|                          | 2022   | 2021   |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| Wages & Salaries         | £9,679 | £5,946 |
| Average no. of employees | 1      | 1      |

During the year, the PCC employed 1 part time employee, and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs. The PCC took the decision to make the Administrator redundant paying £6,138. There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

## 9. Related Parties

2 trustees were paid £808 in respect of reimbursement of travel and phone expenses during the year. Donations from related parties totalled £10,825 for the year 2022 (£7,906 for the year 2021) increase related to the Gift Days held within the parish.

## 10. Creditors due within one year

|                                       | 2021<br>£    | 2021<br>£    |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Other creditors ( <i>restricted</i> ) | 6,005        | 2,775        |
| Parish Share (2021)                   | 3,532        | 3,532        |
|                                       |              |              |
| <b>Total Creditors</b>                | <b>9,537</b> | <b>6,307</b> |

Parish share request for 2022 was £70,110, with arrears £3,532 which was reduced by Special Assessment. With a further deployment reduction to £69,278, the parish paid the 2022 request in full leaving arrears at the end of the year of £3,532.

## 11. Summary of Assets by Fund - 2022

|                     | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2022 Total<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                          | -                        | -               | -                  |
| Investment Assets   | 1,312                      | -                        | 1,312           | 2,011              |
| Current Assets      | 125,554                    | 85,214                   | 210,768         | 144,032            |
| Current Liabilities | (3,532)                    | (6,005)                  | (9,537)         | (6,307)            |
|                     |                            |                          |                 |                    |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>123,334</b>             | <b>79,209</b>            | <b>202,543</b>  | <b>139,736</b>     |

## 12. Summary of Assets by Fund - 2021

|                     | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | 2021<br>Total<br>£ | 2020<br>Total<br>£ |
|---------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                          | -                        | -                  | -                  |
| Investment Assets   | 2,011                      | -                        | 2,011              | 1,579              |
| Current Assets      | 60,729                     | 83,303                   | 144,032            | 144,698            |
| Current Liabilities | (3,532)                    | (2,775)                  | (6,307)            | (2,075)            |
|                     |                            |                          |                    |                    |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>59,208</b>              | <b>80,528</b>            | <b>139,736</b>     | <b>144,202</b>     |

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# Accounts

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**Annual Report & Financial Statements  
of Account for the Central Telford Parish  
Charity Registration No 1140301  
for 2021**

**Incorporating the Churches of  
Holy Trinity, Dawley  
St. Leonard's, Malinslee  
St. John's, Lawley  
St. Mary's, Ketley  
and Stirchley & Brookside Community**

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| <p align="center"><b>Members of the Parochial Church Council<br/>2021 and other officers of the Parish</b></p> |
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PCC members who have served from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 until the date this report was approved were:

**Ex Officio Members**

**The Incumbent**      Rev. Joanna Farnworth (Chair) (from Jan 22)

**Clergy Team**      Rev. Janet Holmes (Stirchley & Brookside) (until May 21)  
                          Rev. Heather Page (Retired) (until May 21)  
                          Rev. Anne Roberts (Interim Minister) (until June 21)  
                          Rev. Jassica Castillo-Burley (Interim Minister) (from June 21)

**Readers**              Miss Margaret Cartwright (& PCC Treasurer)  
                          Mr Chris Hicks (retired May 2021)

**Churchwardens**    Mrs Doreen Dyson  
                          Mrs Jean Heighway (resigned May 2021) (Deanery Synod Rep)  
                          Mary Richards (appointed May 2021) (& Deanery Synod Rep)

**Deanery Synod  
Reps**                  Mr Chris Hicks  
                          Mr David Broome (& St Leonard's DCC Treasurer)

**Elected Members**

**PCC Secretary**    Mrs Ann Broadhurst (resigned May 2021)  
                          Margaret Southall (appointed May 2021)

**District Wardens**   Mrs Barbara Crawforth (Holy Trinity)  
                          Mrs Jane Hill (St Leonard's)  
                          Mrs Eileen Robertson (St John's)  
                          Mrs Ann Broadhurst (St Mary's)

**Messy Church**      Miss Hannah Yapp (Holy Trinity)

**Church Officers** *(not PCC members)*

**Reader**                Mrs Ronita Hicks (retired May 2021)

**District Warden**    Mrs Glenis Watkins (Holy Trinity)

**District  
Treasurers**          Mrs Jean Heighway (Holy Trinity)  
                          Mr Mike Clarke (Stirchley & Brookside)  
                          Mr Bill Robertson (St John's)  
                          Mr Brian Richards (St Mary's)

**Principal, Dawley Church of England Primary Academy:** Mr N Andrews

**Independent  
Examiner**            Mr Jonathan Hill  
                          Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

**Bankers**              Lloyds Bank, Town Centre, Telford

## 1. Background

The Central Telford Parish is an Anglican Team Ministry working across about a third of Telford, seeking to bring the good news of Jesus into many varied communities. At the start of 2021 there were 4 traditional churches (St Mary, Ketley; St John, Lawley; St Leonard, Malinslee; Holy Trinity, Dawley) and one pioneer ministry (Christian Presence in Stirchley and Brookside) starting to develop within the Team. 2021 has been a year of considerable change in the Parish, as it has been across our entire nation. More details can be found in the Minister's Report, but sadly the change included the resignation of the Pioneer Minister working within Stirchley and Brookside.

CTP is a member of the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership, and seeks to work closely with our ecumenical neighbours, sharing services, mission activities, training courses, school outreach events and more. CTP staff engage with the Deanery via the Chapter and have enjoyed closer working relationships in recent months. CTP welcomes the arrival of Telford Minster into the town and has worked at building relationships with the Minster staff, to maximise the potential of working together in the future and seeing God's Kingdom grow in Telford.

## 2. Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or are elected by the District Church Councils for each of the member churches in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

## 3. Committees

Full meeting of the PCC take place usually monthly to discuss issues and determine policy. The separate DCCs meet 5 or 6 times a year, to focus on local issues, and to make recommendations to the PCC.

## 4. Church Attendance

The figures of Sunday attendance within the parish are as follows:

|               | <b>Electoral Roll Number</b> | <b>Average Sunday Attendance (+ children)</b> |
|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Holy Trinity  | 48                           | 30 (2020 - 28)                                |
| St. Leonard's | 31                           | 26 + 4 (2020 - 24)                            |
| St. John's    | 26                           | 14 (2020 - 18 + 1)                            |
| St. Mary's    | 15                           | 15 (2020 - 16 + 1)                            |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>120</b>                   | <b>85 + 4 (2020 - 86 + 2)</b>                 |

|               | Baptisms  | Weddings | Funerals  |
|---------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Holy Trinity  | 9         | 0        | 30        |
| St. Leonard's | 2         | 1        | 7         |
| St. John's    | 16        | 1        | 12        |
| St. Mary's    | 2         | 1        | 9         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>29</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>58</b> |

## 5. 2021 Interim Minister's Report

2021 has been another year with COVID restrictions.

We started the year with Zoom services, house groups and meetings. As restrictions lifted, we started in person services following government and diocesan guidance.

Jean Heighway resigned as Parish Warden after many years of service. We want to thank her for this. The PCC have elected Mary Richards as her replacement.

Jassica was licensed as Interim Team Vicar via Zoom

At the APCM we said our goodbyes to Heather who was finally retiring, Janet who was feeling God was calling her in a new direction and Edith whose contract ended. Anne was unable to make this meeting, unofficially this was also goodbye to her too. Jassica was also formally welcomed in person as we shared a picnic before the meeting – outside!!!

So, the ministry team went from five clergy to one. Due to this reduced number of clergy, it was decided that there would be 2 services a week consisting of Morning Worship lead by the parish Reader Margaret and Eucharist lead by Rev. Jassica.

The parish has been grateful that Margaret has been able to step up and take on additional services, in addition to her role as Parish Treasurer. Other members of each congregation have also worked tirelessly to enable things to carry on

There had been a backlog of baptism and over the rest of the year there has been a high number baptismal service.

As restrictions lifted, we were able to have many of our Christmas events: Christingle, Experience Christmas, Mother's Union dinner and carol service, Fairs, socials, and church carol services.

We have also thankful for the support of The Minster clergy, especially on Remembrance Sunday and over the Christmas period.

After a long interregnum the process to appoint a new Team Rector took place and Rev Joanna Farnworth was appointed with her licensing taking place Jan 2022

It has been a difficult year financially especially due to COVID

Revd Jassica Castillo-Burley Interim Minister

## **6. Parish Wardens Report 2021**

At the beginning of 2021 the country entered another period of lockdown during the Covid19 pandemic. Our church buildings were closed for worship. Funerals were restricted to 30 attendees, with only Holy Trinity Dawley being made available if a church service was requested.

Parish Worship continued on Zoom on Sundays at 10:30 and 5:30 plus a weekday informal online gathering. CTEP services continued on Facebook Live and YouTube. Lent Groups took place online, as did Meetings. In Holy Week Rev Kevin Roberts led online reflections. Many church members had adapted to these forms of gathering but as in 2020, attempts were made to keep in touch with all our parishioners through safe personal contact.

Rev Heather Page created a simple form of Stations of the Cross which were displayed in our churchyards, so that people might be encouraged to reflect on the Passion and take a prayer walk.

It was decided to open our churches for worship on Easter Sunday in April with two short simple services in order to limit numbers for safe spacing. This was a joyful break in the time of restrictions. By the beginning of May restrictions eased further and Sunday Worship began again on a fortnightly rota basis.

Activities began to creep back into the diary. All churches managed to hold an event or two during the summer and autumn months, boosting social interaction and much needed fund-raising.

Staffing has been the major focus of the year. In January Bishop Sarah provided additional clergy assistance in the form of Rev Jassica Castillo-Burley and Rev Edith Quirey, both from North Shropshire. They appeared on our screens and helped to cover funerals particularly. We appreciated their support during those months.

As planned, Rev Heather retired (properly this time!) in May. In the same month Rev Janet Holmes' position as Pioneer Minister for Stirchley & Brookside ended and Janet chose to leave the Parish to continue her studies and take up new projects. We were very sorry to say goodbye to both of them and thank God for the blessing they have brought to the Parish in recent years.

At this time, we also lost the support of Lydia Farnham as Administrator when she moved to a role at Resource. Sincere thanks to Lydia for her excellent Minute taking/processing and her contribution towards the website and social media. Her absence has meant more work for Sharon Hanson in the Church Office. Huge thanks to Sharon for all the work she does for the Parish.

After Easter came the news of Rev Anne's illness which meant she could not continue as our Interim Team Rector. Anne had provided wonderful leadership during a very difficult year and we were all sad to know that we would not be able to get to know each other better in 2021. We continue to pray for Anne and husband Kevin.

Rev Jassica took on the daunting task of becoming Interim Minister and she was licensed online at the beginning of May. At the Annual Parish Church Meeting in May, Mary Richards was elected as Parish Warden alongside Doreen Dyson. The vacancy was caused by the stepping down of Jean Heighway due to ill-health. Jean had been Warden for many years and the Parish owes a great deal to her knowledge, wisdom and hard work over the years. Thank you and God Bless Jean.

Jassica, with the help of Reader Margaret Cartwright, has organised services and kept everything going admirably. Jassica and her family have brought a lively, refreshing approach to our worship. Margaret deserves special mention as she has combined a demanding job with helping to plan and lead services, as well as looking after the Parish finances.

Other clergy have helped: Telford Minster staff Rev Matt Beer and Rev Steph Worrall; Rev Lisa Harper; Rev Lynne Morris; Rev Kevin Roberts; Rev Christopher Landau and Readers Roni & Chris Hicks. (Apologies if we've left anyone out.) Sincere thanks to all, particularly with providing support for Christmas services.

Telford Minster still await completion of their permanent home at Meeting Point House. They were using St Leonard's as their Worship space until they needed additional room for children's work, when they moved to St John's Church & Hall. We hope and pray that these links with the Minster will continue and grow.

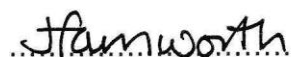
Alongside all these changes ran the process of recruitment for a Team Rector. The Parish Profile had been approved at the beginning of February and all was ready for advertising but Bishop Michael wished to delay until a time when face-to-face interviews could be planned. Finally, in August, a Familiarisation Day was held for candidates to visit the Parish and meet people, followed by an Interview Day. Eventually, in September, the announcement was made of the appointment of Rev Joanna Farnworth as the new Team Rector for Central Telford and Associate Archdeacon of Salop. This was joyful news. In the following months' time was spent preparing Malinslee Vicarage for Jo's move from Manchester in December.

We thank God for steering us through the last year and look forward with hope and faith as we face whatever challenges 2022 throws at us.

Doreen Dyson  
Mary Richards

Parish Wardens

Approved by the PCC on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

.....

Reverend Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

.....

Margaret Cartwright (PCC Treasurer)

## **Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Central Telford**

Registered charity number: 1140301

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021 which are set out on the following pages.

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

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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 come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

Signed:   
Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA  
Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance  
St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Date: 02/09/2022

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish

CHARITY REGISTRATION NO 1140301

**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the period from 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021**

|                                                             | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>£ | Prior year<br>Total Funds<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Incoming resources                                          |                          |                            |                     |                                |
| Incoming resources from generated funds                     | -                        | -                          | -                   | 8.83                           |
| Voluntary income                                            | 55,273.15                | 15,782.50                  | 71,055.65           | 64,218.58                      |
| Investment income                                           | 70.23                    | 0.06                       | 70.29               | 17,445.19                      |
| Activities for generating funds                             | 13,602.12                | 0.92                       | 13,603.04           | 6,726.74                       |
| Other incoming resources                                    | 60,854.40                | 80.00                      | 60,934.40           | 90,152.13                      |
| <b>Total income</b>                                         | <b>129,799.90</b>        | <b>15,863.48</b>           | <b>145,663.38</b>   | <b>178,551.47</b>              |
| Resources used                                              |                          |                            |                     |                                |
| Cost of generating funds                                    | -                        | -                          | -                   | 65.70                          |
| Investment management costs                                 | 142.74                   | -                          | 142.74              | 118.38                         |
| Charitable activities                                       | 2,414.15                 | -                          | 2,414.15            | 21,035.68                      |
| Governance costs                                            | 98,557.76                | 2,587.55                   | 101,145.31          | 129,450.19                     |
| Other resources used                                        | 45,859.50                | 1,000.00                   | 46,859.50           | 69,791.17                      |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                    | <b>146,974.15</b>        | <b>3,587.55</b>            | <b>150,561.70</b>   | <b>220,461.12</b>              |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b> | <b>(17,174.25)</b>       | <b>12,275.93</b>           | <b>(4,898.32)</b>   | <b>(41,909.65)</b>             |
| Transfers:                                                  |                          |                            |                     |                                |
| Gross transfers between funds - in                          | -                        | -                          | -                   | -                              |
| Gross transfers between funds - out                         | -                        | -                          | -                   | -                              |
| Other recognised gains / losses                             |                          |                            |                     |                                |
| Gains/losses on investment assets                           | -                        | -                          | -                   | (70.56)                        |
| Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use       | 432.32                   | -                          | 432.32              | -                              |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                | <b>(16,741.93)</b>       | <b>12,275.93</b>           | <b>(4,466.00)</b>   | <b>(41,980.21)</b>             |
| Reconciliation of funds                                     |                          |                            |                     |                                |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                          | <b>75,950.47</b>         | <b>68,251.72</b>           | <b>144,202.19</b>   | <b>186,182.40</b>              |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b>                          | <b>59,208.54</b>         | <b>80,527.65</b>           | <b>139,736.19</b>   | <b>144,202.19</b>              |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**CHARITY REGISTRATION NO 1140301**  
**Balance Sheet Detailed**

|                       |                                          | <b>As at<br/>31/12/2021<br/>£</b> | <b>As at<br/>31/12/2020<br/>£</b> |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>   |                                          |                                   |                                   |
|                       | 6050: Hill & Smith Holdings Plc          | 2,011.52                          | 1,579.20                          |
|                       | <b>Total Fixed assets</b>                | <b>2,011.52</b>                   | <b>1,579.20</b>                   |
| <b>Current assets</b> |                                          |                                   |                                   |
|                       | 6501: Bank current account               | 47,214.77                         | 58,401.52                         |
|                       | 6505: Bank deposit account               | 19,511.66                         | 5,216.49                          |
|                       | 6510: CBF deposit account                | 72,731.51                         | 77,673.95                         |
|                       | 6590: CTP Share account                  | 231.38                            | 31.33                             |
|                       | 6591: Compassion bank account            | 298.27                            | 396.77                            |
|                       | 6700: Bank current account               | 4,044.09                          | 2,977.94                          |
|                       | 6710: Easy Access Account                | (0.01)                            | (0.01)                            |
|                       | <b>Total Current assets</b>              | <b>144,031.67</b>                 | <b>144,697.99</b>                 |
| <b>Liabilities</b>    |                                          |                                   |                                   |
|                       | 6699: Agency collections                 | 2,775.00                          | 2,075.00                          |
|                       | 6621: Parish Share Arrears               | 3,532.00                          | —                                 |
|                       | <b>Total Liabilities</b>                 | <b>6,307.00</b>                   | <b>2,075.00</b>                   |
|                       | <b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>       | <b>139,736.19</b>                 | <b>144,202.19</b>                 |
| <b>Reserves</b>       |                                          |                                   |                                   |
|                       | Excess / (deficit) to date               | (4,898.32)                        | (41,909.65)                       |
|                       | Z01: Starting balances                   | 144,202.19                        | 186,182.40                        |
|                       | Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets | —                                 | (70.56)                           |
|                       | Z02: Other gains/(losses)                | —                                 | —                                 |
|                       | Z03: Gains and losses own use            | 432.32                            | —                                 |
|                       | <b>Total Reserves</b>                    | <b>139,736.19</b>                 | <b>144,202.19</b>                 |

| <b>Represented by Funds:</b> |                   |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Unrestricted                 | 16,118.78         | 28,268.94         |
| Designated                   | 43,089.76         | 47,681.53         |
| Restricted                   | 80,527.65         | 68,251.72         |
| Endowment                    | —                 | —                 |
| <b>Total</b>                 | <b>139,736.19</b> | <b>144,202.19</b> |

Approved by the PCC on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

*Joanna Farnworth*

Reverend Joanna Farnworth (Chair)

*M. Cartwright*

Margaret Cartwright (Treasurer)

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021**

|                                                       | General<br>£      | Designated<br>£ | Restricted<br>£  | This year<br>£    | Last year<br>£    |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>                             |                   |                 |                  |                   |                   |
| <b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>        |                   |                 |                  |                   |                   |
| 0160 - Youth Fund                                     | -                 | -               | -                | -                 | 1,000.00          |
| 0102 - Gift Aid Tax Refund                            | -                 | -               | -                | -                 | 362.50            |
| 0110 - Direct Giving Envelopes - non gift aid         | 6,992.50          | -               | -                | 6,992.50          | 6,938.18          |
| 0101 - Gift Aid Envelopes/Donations                   | 30,631.00         | -               | -                | 30,631.00         | 30,191.02         |
| 0601 - Recoverable Income Tax                         | 8,504.41          | -               | -                | 8,504.41          | 14,129.59         |
| 0303 - Sundry Donations                               | 2,570.32          | -               | 20.00            | 2,590.32          | 5,074.23          |
| 1020 - Bank/Building Society Interest                 | 40.27             | 0.05            | 0.06             | 40.38             | 362.86            |
| 1040 - Dividends & Trust Income                       | 29.91             | -               | -                | 29.91             | 17,082.33         |
| 0301 - Plate Collections                              | 4,756.35          | -               | 512.50           | 5,268.85          | 2,973.06          |
| 0850 - Grants                                         | 1,700.00          | -               | 15,250.00        | 16,950.00         | 3,400.00          |
| 1210 - Gross income from fund raising                 | 6,525.07          | -               | -                | 6,525.07          | 1,143.00          |
| 1041 - Investments income                             | -                 | -               | -                | -                 | 8.83              |
| 0550 - Donations appeals etc                          | -                 | -               | -                | -                 | 140.00            |
| 1230 - Children and young people                      | 33.57             | -               | -                | 33.57             | -                 |
| 1212 - Christian Aid income                           | 85.00             | -               | -                | 85.00             | 10.00             |
| 1240 - Church Hall lettings and rent                  | 6,236.00          | -               | -                | 6,236.00          | 4,599.36          |
| 1211 - Special Appeals gross fundraising income       | 841.05            | -               | -                | 841.05            | 981.00            |
| 1213 - Special Restricted Projects income             | -                 | -               | 0.92             | 0.92              | 3.38              |
| <b>Incoming resources from generated funds Totals</b> | <b>68,945.45</b>  | <b>0.05</b>     | <b>15,783.48</b> | <b>84,728.98</b>  | <b>88,399.34</b>  |
| <b>Other incoming resources</b>                       |                   |                 |                  |                   |                   |
| 1310 - Other Income                                   | 20.00             | -               | 80.00            | 100.00            | 5,057.61          |
| 1102 - PCC local fees                                 | 758.00            | -               | -                | 758.00            | 1,140.00          |
| 0150 - Payments received from other CTP accts         | 45,984.50         | -               | -                | 45,984.50         | 68,814.29         |
| 1101 - Fees received                                  | 14,011.00         | -               | -                | 14,011.00         | 13,583.92         |
| 1402 - VAT and other refunds                          | 80.90             | -               | -                | 80.90             | 300.00            |
| 1215 - Income adjustment                              | -                 | -               | -                | -                 | 1,256.31          |
| <b>Other incoming resources Totals</b>                | <b>60,854.40</b>  | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>80.00</b>     | <b>60,934.40</b>  | <b>90,152.13</b>  |
| <b>Incoming resources Grand totals</b>                | <b>129,799.85</b> | <b>0.05</b>     | <b>15,863.48</b> | <b>145,663.38</b> | <b>178,551.47</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure (continued)**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021**

|                                                 | General<br>£      | Designated<br>£ | Restricted<br>£ | This year<br>£    | Last year<br>£    |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Resources used</b>                           |                   |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| <b>Cost of generating funds</b>                 |                   |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| 2202 - Bank Charges                             | 142.74            | -               | -               | 142.74            | 118.38            |
| 2401 - Costs of fund raising                    | -                 | -               | -               | -                 | 65.70             |
| <b>Cost of generating funds Totals</b>          | <b>142.74</b>     | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>142.74</b>     | <b>184.08</b>     |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>                    |                   |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| 2100 - Donations/Gifts                          | 2,254.15          | -               | -               | 2,254.15          | 20,761.99         |
| 1871 - Christian Aid donations                  | 160.00            | -               | -               | 160.00            | 50.00             |
| 2600 - Cafe Church/Special Events               |                   |                 |                 |                   | 223.69            |
| <b>Charitable activities Totals</b>             | <b>2,414.15</b>   | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>2,414.15</b>   | <b>21,035.68</b>  |
| <b>Governance costs</b>                         |                   |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| 2201 - Training                                 | 20.00             | -               | -               | 20.00             | 695.00            |
| 2303 - Housing costs / Rents                    | 1,730.40          | -               | -               | 1,730.40          | 570.00            |
| 2304 - Clergy Working Expenses                  | 495.15            | -               | -               | 495.15            | 4,361.44          |
| 2320 - Payment of parish share to the Diocese   | 59,532.00         | -               | -               | 59,532.00         | 74,610.00         |
| Parish Share Support                            | (7,383.00)        | -               | -               | (7,383.00)        | (16,744)          |
| 2331 - Repairs/replacements/new items           | 5,935.43          | -               | 2,459.55        | 8,394.98          | 15,178.82         |
| 2350 - Salaries/Wages/Honoraria                 | 3,579.37          | -               | -               | 3,579.37          | 4,691.70          |
| 2355 - Insurance                                | 8,871.39          | -               | -               | 8,871.39          | 9,133.51          |
| 2365 - Flowers                                  | -                 | -               | -               | -                 | 45.00             |
| 2370 - Children and Young People                | 276.00            | -               | -               | 276.00            | 1,372.71          |
| 2411 - Printing / Copying / Publicity           | 486.07            | -               | -               | 486.07            | 1,074.35          |
| 2520 - Audit Fees                               | 500.00            | -               | -               | 500.00            | 500.00            |
| 2535 - Licence Fees                             | 827.54            | -               | -               | 827.54            | 1,166.88          |
| 2620 - Decoration Scheme                        | 250.00            | -               | -               | 250.00            | 250.00            |
| 2351 - Administrators Salary                    | 2,366.35          | -               | -               | 2,366.35          | 2,684.98          |
| 2305 - External Clergy Expenses                 | 12.24             | -               | -               | 12.24             | 75.00             |
| 2306 - Lay Parish Working Expenses              | 72.36             | -               | -               | 72.36             | 3,024.05          |
| 2330 - Running costs (inc Gas, Water, Electric) | 7,902.45          | -               | 128.00          | 8,030.45          | 11,762.02         |
| 2601 - New Building or other major works        | -                 | -               | -               | -                 | 10,000.00         |
| 2340 - Church Hall costs                        | 2,446.44          | -               | -               | 2,446.44          | 1,348.03          |
| 2332 - Church Maintenance                       | 384.00            | -               | -               | 384.00            | 384.00            |
| 2345 - Churchyard maintenance                   | 2,221.05          | -               | -               | 2,221.05          | 2,359.49          |
| 2232 - Other working expenses                   | 649.52            | -               | -               | 649.52            | 907.21            |
| <b>Governance costs Totals</b>                  | <b>98,557.76</b>  | <b>0.00</b>     | <b>2,587.55</b> | <b>101,145.31</b> | <b>129,450.19</b> |
| <b>Other resources used</b>                     |                   |                 |                 |                   |                   |
| 2150 - Payments made to other CTP accts         | 44,184.50         | 1,000.00        | 1,000.00        | 46,184.50         | 64,314.29         |
| 2630 - Other Payments                           | 208.00            | -               | -               | 208.00            | 5,208.88          |
| 2640 - Returned Fees                            | 467.00            | -               | -               | 467.00            | 268.00            |
| <b>Other resources used Totals</b>              | <b>44,859.50</b>  | <b>1,000.00</b> | <b>1,000.00</b> | <b>46,859.50</b>  | <b>69,791.17</b>  |
| <b>Resources used Grand totals</b>              | <b>145,974.15</b> | <b>1,000.00</b> | <b>3,587.55</b> | <b>150,561.70</b> | <b>220,461.12</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**

**Fund Movement by Type Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021**

| <b>Fund and type</b> | <b>Fund balances brought forward<br/>£</b> | <b>Incoming Resources<br/>£</b> | <b>Outgoing Resources<br/>£</b> | <b>Transfers<br/>£</b> | <b>Gains and Losses<br/>£</b> | <b>Journal Entries<br/>£</b> | <b>Fund balances carried forward<br/>£</b> |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| <b>CTPShare</b>      |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Designated           | 31.33                                      | 0.05                            | 1,000.00                        | —                      | —                             | —                            | 31.33                                      |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>31.33</b>                               | <b>0.05</b>                     | <b>1,000.00</b>                 | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>31.33</b>                               |
| <b>EAA</b>           |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Designated           | 1.88                                       | —                               | —                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | 1.88                                       |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>1.88</b>                                | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>1.88</b>                                |
| <b>General</b>       |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Unrestricted         | 31,860.76                                  | 129,799.85                      | 145,974.15                      | —                      | 432.32                        | —                            | 28,268.94                                  |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>31,860.76</b>                           | <b>129,799.85</b>               | <b>145,974.15</b>               | <b>-</b>               | <b>432.32</b>                 | <b>—</b>                     | <b>28,268.94</b>                           |
| <b>LDBF</b>          |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Designated           | 44,056.50                                  | -                               | -                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | 44,056.50                                  |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>44,056.50</b>                           | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>44,056.50</b>                           |
| <b>Lewis</b>         |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Restricted           | 80.98                                      | —                               | —                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | 80.98                                      |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>80.98</b>                               | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>80.98</b>                               |
| <b>Outreach</b>      |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Restricted           | 10.00                                      | —                               | —                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | 10.00                                      |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>10.00</b>                               | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>10.00</b>                               |
| <b>Restr</b>         |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Restricted           | 25,032.19                                  | 100.00                          | -                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | 25,132.19                                  |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>25,032.19</b>                           | <b>100.00</b>                   | <b>-</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>25,132.19</b>                           |
| <b>Spec-BLDG</b>     |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Restricted           | 40,176.00                                  | —                               | —                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | 40,176.00                                  |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>40,176.00</b>                           | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>40,176.00</b>                           |
| <b>Special</b>       |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Restricted           | 3,033.53                                   | 15,763.48                       | 3,587.55                        | —                      | —                             | —                            | 3,033.53                                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>3,033.53</b>                            | <b>15,763.48</b>                | <b>3,587.55</b>                 | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>3,033.53</b>                            |
| <b>ZReval</b>        |                                            |                                 |                                 |                        |                               |                              |                                            |
| Restricted           | (80.98)                                    | —                               | —                               | —                      | —                             | —                            | (80.98)                                    |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>    | <b>(80.98)</b>                             | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>                        | <b>—</b>               | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>                     | <b>(80.98)</b>                             |
| <b>Grand Totals</b>  | <b>144,202.19</b>                          | <b>145,663.38</b>               | <b>150,562.70</b>               | <b>—</b>               | <b>432.32</b>                 | <b>—</b>                     | <b>139,736.19</b>                          |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Fund Movement by Type Selected period: 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020**

| Fund and type       | Fund balances brought forward<br>£ | Incoming Resources<br>£ | Outgoing Resources<br>£ | Transfers<br>£ | Gains and Losses<br>£ | Journal Entries<br>£ | Fund balances carried forward<br>£ |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>CBF</b>          |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Designated          | 2,634.86                           | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 2,634.86                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>2,634.86</b>                    | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>2,634.86</b>                    |
| <b>CTPShare</b>     |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Designated          | 4,486.24                           | 3,601.40                | 8,056.31                | —              | —                     | —                    | 31.33                              |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>4,486.24</b>                    | <b>3,601.40</b>         | <b>8,056.31</b>         | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>31.33</b>                       |
| <b>EAA</b>          |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Designated          | 1.88                               | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 1.88                               |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>1.88</b>                        | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>1.88</b>                        |
| <b>General</b>      |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Unrestricted        | 55,532.63                          | 172,846.69              | 200,039.82              | —              | (70.56)               | —                    | 28,268.94                          |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>55,532.63</b>                   | <b>172,846.69</b>       | <b>200,039.82</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>(70.56)</b>        | <b>—</b>             | <b>28,268.94</b>                   |
| <b>Hosp</b>         |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Designated          | 956.96                             | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 956.96                             |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>956.96</b>                      | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>956.96</b>                      |
| <b>LDBF</b>         |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Designated          | 44,056.50                          | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 44,056.50                          |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>44,056.50</b>                   | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>44,056.50</b>                   |
| <b>Lewis</b>        |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Restricted          | 80.98                              | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 80.98                              |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>80.98</b>                       | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>80.98</b>                       |
| <b>Outreach</b>     |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Restricted          | 10.00                              | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 10.00                              |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>10.00</b>                       | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>10.00</b>                       |
| <b>Restr</b>        |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Restricted          | 28,782.19                          | 250.00                  | 4,000.00                | —              | —                     | —                    | 25,032.19                          |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>28,782.19</b>                   | <b>250.00</b>           | <b>4,000.00</b>         | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>25,032.19</b>                   |
| <b>Spec-BLDG</b>    |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Restricted          | 40,176.00                          | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | 40,176.00                          |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>40,176.00</b>                   | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>40,176.00</b>                   |
| <b>Special</b>      |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Restricted          | 9,545.14                           | 1,853.38                | 8,364.99                | —              | —                     | —                    | 3,033.53                           |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>9,545.14</b>                    | <b>1,853.38</b>         | <b>8,364.99</b>         | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>3,033.53</b>                    |
| <b>ZReval</b>       |                                    |                         |                         |                |                       |                      |                                    |
| Restricted          | (80.98)                            | —                       | —                       | —              | —                     | —                    | (80.98)                            |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>(80.98)</b>                     | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>                | <b>—</b>       | <b>—</b>              | <b>—</b>             | <b>(80.98)</b>                     |
| <b>Grand Totals</b> | <b>186,182.40</b>                  | <b>178,551.47</b>       | <b>220,461.12</b>       | <b>—</b>       | <b>(70.56)</b>        | <b>—</b>             | <b>144,202.19</b>                  |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2021**

**1. Notes to the Accounts**

- a. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities (SORP) and applicable accounting standards (FRS102).  
The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.
- b. Cashflow Statement  
Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.
- c. The Parochial Church Council of the Central Telford Parish has approved the format and layout of these accounts. The PCC is made up of representatives of all the member churches.
- d. You will see from the accounts that the bank balance held at the 31st December 2021 was £ 144,031.67. That is made up as follows –

|                       | <b>2021</b>        | <b>2020</b>        |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Central Accounts      | £ 39,509.49        | £45,663.52         |
| Stirchley & Brookside | £0.00              | £2,559.18          |
| Holy Trinity          | £28,265.76         | £28,062.90         |
| St Johns              | £55,321.04         | £56,725.00         |
| St Leonards           | £16,891.38         | £6,528.00          |
| St Marys              | £4,044.09          | £5,159.39          |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>£144,031.67</b> | <b>£144,697.99</b> |

Team Consolidation

The accounts also show a total income of £145,663.38 (2020: £178,551.47) and a total expenditure of £150,561.70 (2020: £220,461.12). Please bear in mind these figures are the gross income and gross expenditure and include the monies which moves across the parish between the various accounts. These amounts total £46,184.50 income and £46,184.50 expenditure.

The net income was £99,478.88 and the net expenditure was £104,377.20 giving a shortfall for the year of £4,898.32 (2020: (£41,909.65)).

- e. For information we have set out below the details of the income and expenditure of each of the churches which may help the understanding of the overall position

| <b>Church Name</b>                   | <b>INCOME</b>      | <b>EXPENDITURE</b> |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Central Accounts                     | £59,838.76         | £70,224.79         |
| Stirchley & Brookside                | £-                 | £2,559.18          |
| Holy Trinity                         | £26,694.85         | £26,491.99         |
| St Johns                             | £16,492.56         | £17,896.52         |
| St Leonards                          | £35,901.80         | £25,538.42         |
| St Marys                             | £6,735.41          | £7,850.80          |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                        | <b>£145,663.38</b> | <b>£150,561.70</b> |
|                                      |                    |                    |
| <b>Difference</b>                    |                    | <b>(£4,898.32)</b> |
| <b>Gain/Loss on investment asset</b> |                    | <b>£432.32</b>     |
| <b>B/F from previous year</b>        |                    | <b>£144,202.19</b> |
| <b>Carried forward</b>               |                    | <b>£139,736.19</b> |

**Notes to accompany the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)**

**2. Funds**

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

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members. They do include the transactions, assets etc. of each of the six churches, which make up the single parish of Central Telford. The names of those churches are listed elsewhere within this document.

**3. Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and there is certainty of receipt.

Voluntary Income and capital sources

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

Grants and Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

Funds raised from fetes, fairs and similar events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

Other ordinary income

Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

Income from Investments

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Any tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

Gains and losses on investments.

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

**4. Resources Used**

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the SOFA category. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional on the recipient satisfying performance or other discretionary requirements to the satisfaction of the Board. Grant offered subject to such conditions, which have not been met at the year end, would be noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure

Grants

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

**Notes to accompany the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)**

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

The Diocesan quota or Parish share is accounted for when payable. Any quota unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and shown as a creditor in the balance sheet. The parish share was not paid in full in 2021 with an outstanding balance of £3,532.

**5. Fixed Assets**

*Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10 (2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.*

No value is placed on movable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

The Parish has overall responsibility for one other building, the Church Hall at St John's Lawley.

The hall at St. John's is run and maintained by the District Church Council at the church and was valued at £216,000. It is in a good state of repair as it has been recently refurbished. This value is below expected market value.

Investments

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December 2021 £2,011.52 (2020 £1,579.20), and held within Hill & Smith Holdings Plc

**6. Current assets**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for any amounts that may prove uncollectible. No such amounts are due for 2021.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the Bank or Building Society. At present monies are held in a deposit account with the Central Board of Finance by three District churches as well as an amount held centrally.

Investments are held as a part of the Central Accounts. These include shares in Hill & Smith PLC. Details of this are held centrally.

All dividends and interest received on these investments are included in the accounts under the heading of "Investment Income".

|                         | Unrestricted<br>Funds   £ | Restricted<br>Funds   £ | 2021 Total<br>£ | 2020 Total<br>£ |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Bank Current Accounts   | 8,851                     | 42,408                  | 51,259          | 61,379          |
| Bank Deposit Accounts   | (228)                     | 19,739                  | 19,512          | 5,216           |
| CBF Deposit Accounts    | 51,576                    | 21,155                  | 72,732          | 77,674          |
| CTP Share Account       | 231                       | -                       | 231             | 31              |
| Compassion Bank Account | 299                       | -                       | 299             | 397             |
|                         |                           |                         |                 |                 |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>60,730</b>             | <b>83,303</b>           | <b>144,032</b>  | <b>144,698</b>  |

**Notes to accompany the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)**

**7. Going Concern**

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, although the parish however was unable to pay it's parish share in full last year with an outstanding balance of £3,532, having benefitted from a Special Assessment of £23,596, a Share Write-off of £3,195 and Share Support of £7,383.

**8. Public Benefit**

The trustees of the Charity are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity.

The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical the parish of Central Telford it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:-

Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers: and

Promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

**9. Staff costs**

|                          | <b>2021</b> | <b>2020</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Wages & Salaries         | £5,945.72   | £7,376.68   |
| Average no. of employees | 1           | 1           |

During the year, the PCC employed 1 part time employee, and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

**10. Related Parties**

2 trustees were paid £192.78 in respect of reimbursement of travel and phone expenses during the year. Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £7,906 for the year 2021.

**11. Creditors due within one year**

|                                       | <b>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>2020<br/>£</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Other creditors ( <i>restricted</i> ) | 2,775             | 2,075             |
| Parish Share (2021)                   | 3,532             | -                 |
|                                       |                   |                   |
| <b>Total Creditors</b>                | <b>6,307</b>      | <b>2,075</b>      |

The Parish Share requested for 2021 was £93,706 which was reduced by Special Assessment of £23,596 to £70,110. The parish paid £56,000, received Parish Share Support from Wellington All Saints of £1,540 (2020: £7,979), received Parish Share Support from the Diocese of £5,843 (2020: £8,765) and the Diocese wrote off £3,195 – leaving arrears at the end of the year of £3,532.

**Notes to accompany the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 December 2021 (continued)**

**12. Summary of Assets by Fund - 2021**

|                     | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>2021<br/>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>2020<br/>Total<br/>£</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Investment Assets   | 2,011                               |                                   | 2,011                       | 1,579                       |
| Current Assets      | 60,729                              | 83,303                            | 144,032                     | 144,698                     |
| Current Liabilities | (3,532)                             | (2,775)                           | (6,307)                     | (2,075)                     |
|                     |                                     |                                   |                             |                             |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>59,208</b>                       | <b>80,528</b>                     | <b>139,736</b>              | <b>144,202</b>              |

**13. Summary of Assets by Fund - 2020**

|                     | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>2020<br/>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>2019<br/>Total<br/>£</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Investment Assets   | 1,579                               | -                                 | 1,579                       | 1,650                       |
| Current Assets      | 84,091                              | 60,607                            | 144,698                     | 186,652                     |
| Current Liabilities | -                                   | (2,075)                           | (2,075)                     | (2,119)                     |
|                     |                                     |                                   |                             |                             |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>85,670</b>                       | <b>58,532</b>                     | <b>144,202</b>              | <b>186,182</b>              |



Central Telford Parish

## Parish Safeguarding Policy

Dated: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Reviewed)

The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish will take all reasonable care to ensure the safety of the children, young people and vulnerable adults for whom it bears responsibility.

1. Pam Spellen is our approved Safeguarding Co-ordinator for the calendar year 2020 and she is the point of contact through which concerns about child protection will be channelled. (From November 2020 our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Helen Vellacott.)
2. She is responsible to the PCC for ensuring that these procedures are implemented.
3. The PCC will work towards adopting the recommendations of the House of Bishops as published in the Policy for Safeguarding Children

*Protecting All God's Children (2010)*

and *Promoting a Safe Church (2006)*

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media/37405/promotingasafechurch.pdf>

4. The PCC will ensure full compliance with Health and Safety Guidelines.
5. The PCC is directly responsible for the following groups which include children and young people:
  - *Messy Church*
  - *Lawley Smallies*
  - *Little Fishes*
  - *Jolly Tots of Malinslee*
  - *Trinity Tots*
6. Community groups who use Church buildings in the Parish or hire the Church Hall will be required to satisfy the PCC that they have a Safeguarding policy, if they do not have their own policy, the PCC will present their own Safeguarding policy for group to adopt and implement. These currently (Updated for early 2020) include
  - Slimming World
  - Tai chi
  - Scouts association (scouts, cubs, beavers)
  - Rhythm time
  - Rainbows
  - WI
  - Tae Kwondo
  - Pilates

7. Validation: Leaders must be aged 18 or over working with children and young people, under 18s may assist with leadership roles but must be supervised at all times. Community groups who use Church buildings in the Parish or hire the Church Hall will be required to complete the Parish Building Hire Verification Form.

- Applicants will be required to complete the Lichfield Diocesan declaration.
- Applicants will be required to provide two references using the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy form.
- Before appointment or the continuation of any appointment, appointees may need to apply for and supply clearance from the Disclosure & Barring Service.

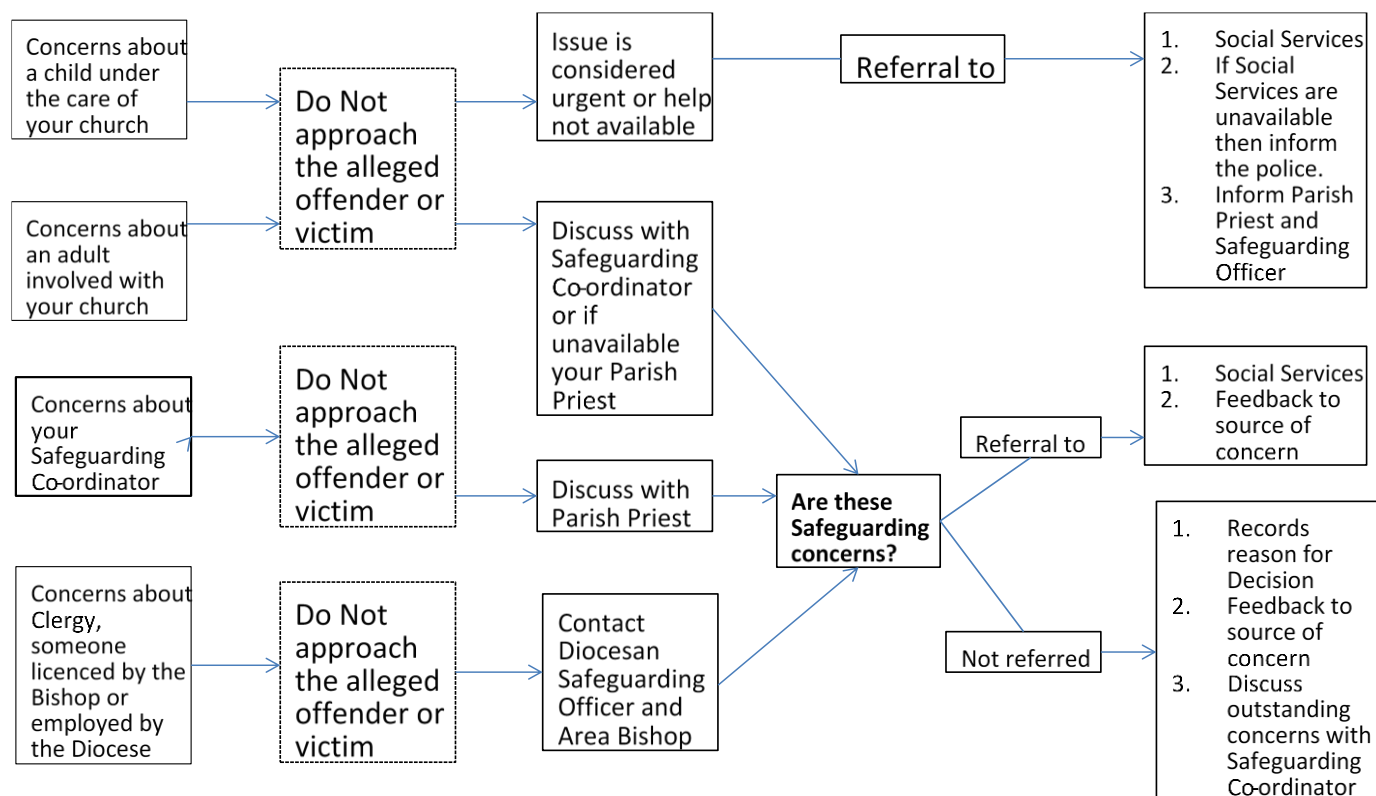
8. Only suitable and responsible people may become key holders, references will be taken up in accordance with the Safer Recruitment policy and they will be required to complete the Lichfield Diocese Declaration. Access and Usage of Church Buildings will be monitored as far as is reasonably possible.
9. Completed declaration forms and references will be confidential to and securely held by the Incumbent or, in the event of a vacancy, by the Rural Dean or Archdeacon.
10. The PCC will use the Disclosure & Barring Service for checking leaders' criminal records where appropriate. This will be done via the Safeguarding Office, St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD
11. The PCC requires groups listed in 5 to provide, in writing, at least the following:
- A list of its current leaders and details of their roles, provision for training and support
  - When and where the group meets, its normal working pattern and the age range it covers.
12. The PCC require groups that are working with children and young people:
- To agree clear roles for leaders
  - Set up structures to train and support their leaders in their roles
  - Agree statements of working practice.
13. The PCC reserves the right to decline a request for use of a church building when it considers the suggested activity is incompatible with the Christian faith.
14. The PCC will provide leaders and those working in Safeguarding access to guidance and training in the understanding of child/vulnerable adult abuse.
15. The PCC will issue clear guidelines for avoiding situations where children or young people could be in danger.
16. The PCC will publish on the notice boards at the back of the church and in the Church Hall, a copy of the Diocesan Safe Guarding Flow Chart (available on the Diocesan website) In addition, all validated leaders and key holders will be given a copy.
17. The PCC will carry public liability insurance and will insure all leaders and staff for personal accident.
18. The PCC will implement a plan to monitor annually that the procedures are being followed.
19. The PCC will make a copy of this policy and its procedures available, if requested, at The Archdeacon's visitation.
20. This Policy and its procedures will be monitored by the Safeguarding Co-ordinator who will report to the PCC annually.
21. The PCC will review the policy and its procedures annually in the month of November for implementation the following calendar year.

Agreed at the CTP PCC Meeting on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Reviewed at CTP PCC Meeting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020

In June 2020 Rev Tim Storey (Rector) left the Parish, as did Pam Spellen (Safeguarding Co-ordinator) On arrival in July 2020. Revd Anne Roberts became the Safeguarding Lead, until the PCC agreed for Helen Vellacott from St Mary's Church to be appointed as Safeguarding Co-ordinator in November 2020.

# IN THE EVENT OF A SAFEGUARDING ISSUE IN YOUR CHURCH



## Contact Numbers

Safeguarding Co-ordinator: **Helen Vellacott** (07311409209)

Parish Priest: Until June 2021 Interim Minister Rev. Anne Roberts (07470400301).

From June 2021 Rev Jassica Castillo-Burley (01952 957348)

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer (Children): **Kim Hodgkins** (01543 306030)

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer (Adults): **Neil Spiring** (01782 266066)

Shrewsbury Area Bishop **Rt. Revd. Sarah Bullock** (01743 235867)

Telford & Wrekin Safeguarding Children: 01952 385385

Police: Call 101



Central Telford Parish

## Parish Building Hire Verification Form

Dated: June 2020

|                                                                                       |                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Name of Person or Company</b>                                                      |                                         |
| Church or Building being hired                                                        |                                         |
| Date of Booking                                                                       |                                         |
| Start Time of Booking                                                                 |                                         |
| End Time of Booking                                                                   |                                         |
| Nature of Booking                                                                     |                                         |
| Agreed fee for Booking                                                                |                                         |
| Is This a Regular Booking                                                             | <b>Yes/No</b>                           |
| I have read and agree to abide by the terms of the Lichfield Diocesan declaration     | <b>Signed</b> (On Behalf of the Hirer)  |
| Own Risk Assessment for Covid Secure Procedures                                       |                                         |
| Complying with all procedures as identified on Parish Risk Assessment for Coronavirus |                                         |
| Reference 1 Name                                                                      |                                         |
| Reference 1 Address                                                                   |                                         |
| Reference 1 Telephone                                                                 |                                         |
| Reference 1 Email address                                                             |                                         |
| Reference 2 Name                                                                      |                                         |
| Reference 2 Address                                                                   |                                         |
| Reference 2 Telephone                                                                 |                                         |
| Reference 2 Email address                                                             |                                         |
| DBS Clearance for those involved in the event has been seen by the Parish             | <b>Signed</b> (On Behalf of the Parish) |
| Confirmation of Booking                                                               | <b>Signed</b> (On Behalf of the Parish) |

PCC of Central Telford Parish – June 2017

## **Appendix A**

### **Holy Trinity Church, Dawley – District Churchwarden's Report 2021**

Memory plays tricks - I was sure we didn't start back to worship until mid-summer, but looking at the service book I see that we actually had our first Sunday service of the year (apart from 3<sup>rd</sup> January) on Easter Sunday, 4<sup>th</sup> April. Then I remembered the preparation – moving chairs, cleaning, moving and covering whatever we could and actually measuring the gaps between chairs, but even so having two short services to stop having to be close to each other. The next service was in May after which we seemed to have our alternate Sunday services. Looking through the book I see the numbers were not much different from before Covid, people were glad to be back and enjoyed a distanced chat. Outside of course.

Looking back to that spring and summer brings some shocking memories too: Anne suddenly going off to hospital, and discovering that she was very ill, soon after that Heather having to have serious surgery and then finally Jean Heighway starting months of treatment which we pray is nearly ended now. We have anxiously waited for news and prayed for them. We wish them all to be well and living happy active lives but if that is not to be then may God's grace give them strength and peace in spite of everything.

Messy Church restarted in the summer. It has had to be slightly different, with family groups going around together. Numbers are not what they were before Covid but everyone seems to enjoy the activities, the stories, the singing and not least, the lunch. Trinity Tots started back in the autumn. It was a slow start but it soon picked up and there are lots of new children, many of whom are very young.

The first Mothers' Union meeting was in October and it started with tea and chat. We had some new faces too, along with the faithful regulars. In November we had our Christmas meal at the Madebrook and enjoyed the food and the cheerful company. Our Carol service in December was a very enjoyable occasion, and a good way to finish our programme for the year.

The church roof has had a few leaks, mostly in the tower region but they were soon fixed. We also had a new tap in the churchyard as the old one kept leaking and eventually made a very big puddle. The drain was also dug out so it is a great improvement for those who come to tend graves and need water.

Christmas seemed strange without our Crib service, which we decided not to risk in case we got as many as in the past so that they would have to be squashed together. We had a Carol service on a Tuesday evening and we wondered if anyone would come but the congregation, although not enormous, was reasonable and people really seemed to enjoy singing the familiar carols through their masks and listening to those beautiful readings. However, the Midnight communion had a very small congregation but it gave it an intimate feel and when Jassica asked if anyone wanted to sing the first verse of Once in Royal David's City a young man who comes regularly, volunteered. He has a lovely voice and sang it beautifully.

A new member of the congregation, who was beginning to take part in church life and was active in Trinity Tots, leading their sing song at the end of the morning, was baptized in October. She had been diagnosed with a serious illness and is still having treatment but I believe the baptism helped her.

Sheila Gaunt, a regular worshipper and a member of the Mothers' Union was on the way, with her husband, to join family in the south for Christmas when she suddenly and peacefully died without any warning. A lovely way to die but what a shock for all her friends and family.

We are so grateful to Jassica for keeping regular services going as well as all the rest of her ministry, yet still finding time and enthusiasm to pop in to Trinity Tots and Messy Church. Her Baptisms are becoming legendary and none of us will hear “This little Light of Mine” in the same way again. Thanks also to Roy for his wonderful stories and also to Elnathan for his music – what a talented young man. We hope we are going to be working and worshipping with you all for a long time to come.

Now we are looking forward to a new chapter for the Parish as we welcome Revd. Jo Farnworth who will be licensed in January. What has God in store for us in 2022?

Glenis Watkins  
District Church Warden

Barbara Crawforth  
District Church Warden

## **Appendix B**

### **St. John the Evangelist Church, Lawley – District Churchwarden's Report 2021**

Covid and a major reduction of clergy has made this another challenging year. We lost four vicars from the parish, and were only replaced by two vicars, one who had just finished their curacy.

Then we got an interim Team Rector and one more vicar was removed. The interim Team Rector became seriously ill which left the parish with one vicar to look after four churches. Thankfully she was willing to take on the role of Team Rector!

The parish spent many months of preparation from 2020 to late 2021 before we were allowed to advertise for a new Team Rector. In the meantime, thankfully we were helped by various clergy within and outside of the parish.

When the church was opened again for twice monthly services, some of our loyal parishioners returned and we have had some new faces in the church as well.

We managed to continue with Bible Study, initially on Zoom but then in church.

We have not been able to pay a full parish share as much of our money is designated or restricted and obviously the collections are poor at the moment.

We have since July shared our building with the new Minster as their building is taking a long time to be useable. They were able to run all the Christmas services with their own, which took a load off our clergy. We are very grateful for their help!

We can still enjoy our meetings on Sundays and are able to share our hopes for the future.

Eileen Robertson

District Churchwarden

St John's Church, Lawley

## **Appendix C**

### **St. Leonard's Church, Malinslee – Deputy Church Warden's Report 2021**

Another year has gone by with not a lot happening.

Services continued every two weeks. We welcomed Rev Jassica and her family to CTP.

Jassica was a real breath of fresh air, so full of life and enthusiastic. Her christenings are not be missed. All families said how much they enjoyed the service. Jassica has been a great support in everything that we do at St Leonards.

We were very sad to hear the news of Rev Anne's cancer. Anne has always been in our prayers.

We started Jolly Tots up again every week. All were so pleased to be back, we struggled with numbers as some parents are still unsure about mixing. Jassica came most weeks to join in conversations, play and of course sing.

We had a Christmas party with just the toddlers. We did not open it up to other families due to Covid restrictions. The party went really well and everyone enjoyed playing, doing crafts, sharing food, and reading the Christmas story around the crib and of course singing.

Gillian started Knit and Natter up again. Numbers vary, the ladies are very glad to be able to meet again.

Our Coffee Mornings have also started up again. We didn't do any crafts as we felt it was still not safe for us all handling the materials.

We started a pop-up food bank. Graham picks up food from Aldi, Co-op, and Marks and Spencer's. We are open to the local residents on Tuesday and Friday mornings. When the weather was ok, we held it outside then moved into church during the winter months. It has been a great success. We get a lot of fresh meat which we freeze, then can make meals up when needed. We have been able to reach out to lots of people who are in need of a little extra help.

We attended Malinslee lights and did a Tombola and held a Christmas fair at the end of November which made £653.10, which was greatly received to our depleting funds.

Jane Hill  
District Churchwarden

## **Appendix D**

### **St. Mary's the Virgin, Red Lake – District Churchwarden's Report 2021**

All our Church services from January – April were on Zoom, this meant most of our regular church members did not join us as a lot of them were not comfortable with computers for one reason or another.

Early in January the Parish were prepared for the recruitment of a Team Rector / Associate Arch Deacon. It was a very long process. Mary Richards and Doreen Dyson was selected by the P.C.C. to be on the interview board. In August a familiarization day was held, and all were invited from all four churches to meet the candidates. Only one got through the interview and I am now able to say it was Rev. Joanne Farnworth. More details will be given in the Parish Wardens Report.

During February and March, Lent groups took place and was led by those of us who are used to leading in the Informal services. Heather, Helen, Mary, Margaret, and Doreen. Our thanks to Heather for her help and encouragement. We also would like to thank Rev. Kevin Roberts for his help with Sunday services, and taking our Ash Wednesday service.

In May Jassica was licenced as Interim Team Leader, she had a massive job ahead of her, as she had four churches to support. Luckily, we have had some support throughout the year from visiting clergy, taking morning services, funerals, and weddings, Rev. Lynn Morris, Rev. Edith Quirey, Rev. Matt Beer, Rev. Steph Worrall, Rev. Christopher Maclean. Many thanks to them.

Heather was willing to stay with us until we had someone more permanent, unfortunately through ill health she had to retire. Heather has now had treatment and is now recovering; we wish her well. Rev. Anne Roberts left us before she would have liked due to ill health. We continue to pray for a full recovery. We thank Anne for her leadership, encouragement, and guidance through the many problems we came up against. Rev. Janet's contract came to an end, she decided to leave and return to her studies We wish her well in all she does. This was a sad time for St. Mary's.

We have had a culture shock at St. Mary's, in order to keep everyone safe, using books caused concern. Power point was an alternative, we were loaned a screen from Hadley Church (many thanks to them). Now we have our own which was a gift from Rev. Janet. Richard Page has been a great help to us with the technology involved in operating the monitor. Many thanks to him. Without the power point I don't know how we would have managed to continue with our services, because of restrictions. I know a good many of us like the tradition of using books, myself included. We will have to wait and see how we will have to live our lives with Covid and keep safe.

We were able to have our Harvest Festival. Again, well supported, thanks to all who contributed, all the produce was taken to Dawley Food Bank. Remembrance Service was led by Rev. Christopher Landau who also took our Midnight Mass. Many thanks to him. The Meadows School decided to have their Christingle service at the school.

The children did come for Christmas Experience, this was led by Pam Spellen. As always, the children were very responsive and well behaved, a credit to their school. We were unable to have our usual Crib service due to lack of available clergy.

Our Carol service was held on a Monday, (as this was the only day Jassica was free.) That's a first for us, but went well, very enjoyable. (No choir pieces were sung).

We thank Jassica for taking on a massive task of Interim Team Rector. We realise it was not easy. We also appreciate how hard it was to accommodate all the four churches over the Christmas period especially. Thank You.

As always, our thanks go to Margret, Cheryl, and Ann for decorating the Christmas Tree and candle sticks. Ann and Helen for keeping our church so clean each Saturday they never fail us. Not forgetting Brian who works behind the scenes as treasurer, ensuring the organ is well maintained, and dealing with problems that occur such as a leaking roof and heating services.

Fund raising events.

Afternoon Tea in July

Bingo/Fish& Chips in September, November

Open House at Judy's in September

Funny Stories, Quiz, Coffee in December (Rev. Lyn Morris.)

Church Wardens:

Ann Broadhurst

Doreen Dyson.

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# Accounts

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**Annual Report & Financial Statements  
of Account for the Central Telford Parish  
Charity Registration No 1140301  
for 2020**

**Incorporating the Churches of  
Holy Trinity, Dawley  
St. Leonard's, Malinslee  
St. John's, Lawley  
St. Mary's, Ketley  
and Stirchley & Brookside Community**

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**Team Rector**            Vacant

**Clergy Team**            Rev. Janet Holmes (Stirchley & Brookside)  
                                  Rev. Heather Page (Retired)  
                                  Rev. Anne Roberts (Interim Minister) July 2020 – June 2021

**Parish Wardens**       Mrs Doreen Dyson                    PCC Secretary    Mrs Ann Broadhurst  
                                  Mrs Jean Heighway

**Readers**                Miss Margaret Cartwright       Mrs Ronita Hicks

**Holy Trinity**            Mrs Barbara Crawforth (District Churchwarden)  
                                  Mrs Glenis Watkins (District Churchwarden)

**St. Leonard's**           Mrs Jane Hill (District Churchwarden)

**St. John's**                Mrs Eileen Robertson (District Churchwarden)

**St. Mary's Ketley**       Mrs Doreen Dyson (District Churchwarden)  
                                  Mrs Ann Broadhurst (District Churchwarden)

**Principal, Dawley Church of England Primary Academy:**    Mr N Andrews

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**Financial Co-ordinator - Central Telford**            Miss Margaret Cartwright

**Treasurers**

**Holy Trinity**                Mrs Jean Heighway

**Stirchley & Brookside**       Mr Mike Clarke

**St. John's**                   Mr Bill Robertson

**St. Leonard's**               Mr Dave Broome

**St. Mary's**                   Mr Brian Richards

**Examiner**                Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance

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**Bankers**                Lloyds Bank, Town Centre, Telford

## 1. Background

The Central Telford Parish is an Anglican Team Ministry working across about a third of Telford, seeking to bring the good news of Jesus into many varied communities. At the start of 2020 there were 4 traditional churches (St Mary, Ketley; St John, Lawley; St Leonard, Malinslee; Holy Trinity, Dawley) 2 churches meeting in secular locations (River and Springfield) and one pioneer ministry (Christian Presence in Stirchley and Brookside) starting to develop within the Team. 2020 has been a year of considerable change in the Parish, as it has been across our entire nation. More details can be found in the Minister's Report, but sadly the change included the closure of River and Springfield churches.

CTP is a member of the Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership, and seeks to work closely with our ecumenical neighbours, sharing services, mission activities, training courses, school outreach events and more. CTP staff engage with the Deanery via the Chapter and have enjoyed closer working relationships in recent months. CTP welcomes the arrival of Telford Minster into the town and has worked at building relationships with the Minster staff, to maximise the potential of working together in the future and seeing God's Kingdom grow in Telford.

## 2. Membership

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or are elected by the District Church Councils for each of the member churches in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

## 3. Committees

Full meeting of the PCC take place usually monthly to discuss issues and determine policy. The separate DCCs meet 5 or 6 times a year, to focus on local issues, and to make recommendations to the PCC.

## 4. Church Attendance

The figures of Sunday attendance within the parish are as follows:

|               | Electoral Roll Number | Average Sunday Attendance (+ children) |
|---------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------------|
| Holy Trinity  | 54                    | 28 (2019 - 32 + 2)                     |
| St. Leonard's | 31                    | 24 (2019 - 27)                         |
| St. John's    | 28                    | 18 + 1 (2019 - 20 + 2)                 |
| St. Mary's    | 25                    | 16 + 1 (2019 - 16 + 1)                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>138</b>            | <b>86 + 2 (2019 - 95 + 5)</b>          |

|               | Baptisms | Weddings | Funerals |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Holy Trinity  | 4        | 0        | 47       |
| St. Leonard's | 0        | 0        | 7        |
| St. John's    | 1        | 0        | 18       |
| St. Mary's    | 1        | 1        | 18       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | 6        | 1        | 90       |

Notes: 2020 was a year like no other so statistics will not follow usual patterns. Average Sunday attendance figures have been impacted by the Covid pandemic and the closure of our churches for many months. It is not easy to know how many have attended the live-streamed CTEP services on a Sunday, so figures can only be an estimate.

## 5. 2020 Interim Minister's Report

At the start of 2020, it was known that there would be significant changes in the staffing of the Team. But church life has a momentum of its own, regardless of staffing and all the churches had hopes and plans for 2020. Inevitably, the emergence of a pandemic changed everything. Tim and Lee's departures could not be marked by the usual gatherings, the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations for Holy Trinity had to be cancelled and very sadly decisions were made to close both Springfield and River churches. The national lockdown in March meant that proper pastoral support for these two hurting congregations was limited. The other 4 churches had to suddenly close their doors for Easter and would not reopen until August.

The buildings were shut but the church was active, in new ways. Pastoral care of congregations was divided between the DCC members, and renewed efforts made to support those living alone. The Food Bank supported many more local families. The Central Telford Ecumenical Partnership offered a joint Sunday service, initially via Facebook. Church members found other ways of worshipping online, connecting with services in the UK and overseas.

I was unexpectedly appointed as an Interim Minister to the parish, arriving in July, to support the churches in handling the Vacancy and in navigating the regulations around covid-19. It has been a privilege to work alongside the Staff, church officers and all the congregations as together we have coped with risk assessments, PPE, social distancing, Zoom and copious amounts of hand sanitizer. We have been back in the buildings for worship, when it has been safe to do so, and we have coped with change and new patterns of worship. Everyone has been touched by the ravages of Covid, some losing loved family members, others experiencing isolation and fear. No one has been immune to suffering and cost.

What I want to pay tribute to, is that in all of this, from July to the end of December, I did not hear a single moan. The scale of the epidemic put everything else into perspective. Of course, we all missed things... no Summer Parties, no Christmas Fairs, no large gatherings, no Crib services etc. Too many funerals, too many food parcels, too many cancelled weddings, too many missing faces from our lives, too many days inside our homes. But the good folk of CTP have adapted and been determined to get through it. By the end of 2020 we were offering services on Zoom as well as the CTEP service, now on YouTube. Zoom PCC in the winter was better than turning out in the cold. Christmas Experience was filmed and delivered to schools, activity packs went out to all the children connected with the churches and our Christmas Day congregations were the best for years. We were all discovering that worship can happen anywhere and at any time, because God is omnipresent.

So thank you CTP for your welcome. Thank you to each of you who has contributed in any way to making sure that church life continued, even when we locked the doors. Thank you everyone who has visited an older person and offered practical help. Thank you Wardens and others, who do so much behind the scenes. Thank you Heather and Janet, Margaret, Chris and Roni for your leadership of umpteen services during 2020. Thank you all the CTEP team, it has been so good to share in services with you and leave all the technology in your capable hands! Thank you to everyone who has given financially, and I still thank God for the miracle of allowing us to pay our Parish Share in 2020. Thank you Lichfield Diocese for sending us Jassica and Edith as Assistant Interim Ministers in January 2021.

Writing this early in 2021, we are still in a national lockdown, we still meet on zoom, twice on a Sunday and for midweek meetings and Bible study. We still get involved in weekly CTEP services and pray together as leaders each week. We have no idea what church will look like when we do return to face to face worship. We cannot go back to how it used to be, and perhaps we do not want to. This is a new era. The Deanery is exploring how all the churches can best work together for many more people in Telford to meet Jesus and choose to follow Him. We are all facing immense financial challenges. But looking back on 2020, God was faithful so we have no reason to believe that he won't be the same in 2021.

2020 will never be forgotten, but now as we look to the future, with hopefully a new Team Rector to join us on the journey in the summer, may we take with us the good things that we have experienced and learned during this tough year. We step into the future with a faithful God who does not change. May we too be faithful disciples of Christ, open to his calling and determined to share our faith with others in our communities, many of whom are searching for meaning after this world-shaking experience.

Revd Anne Roberts    Interim Minister

## **6. Parish Wardens Report 2020**

When we spoke of changes to come in last year's report, we had no idea of the greatness of the challenges we were to experience.

No one could have envisaged what the world has had to endure in 2020. A Corona Virus pandemic, a terrible virus which has affected every family in one way or another. Our country was placed into lockdown in March to try and stop the spread of the virus.

Restrictions were put in place; churches could hold services, two metre spaces had to be in place, hands sanitized, and face masks worn, among other things. No singing was the hardest, as singing is good for the soul. It was wonderful how everyone worked hard to support their church family, the community, the lonely, and the needy.

Our thanks to all Wardens and officers of the four churches for taking on the extra work and responsibility that has been involved.

Our thanks to Margaret our treasurer for keeping us informed and on track with finances. Not being able to fund raise was a worry and affected our income greatly. We are pleased to say the Parish Share has been paid in full thanks to generous donations received. Sadly, River Church, and Springfield closed in April.

During the summer we said farewell to Rev. Tim Storey, and Rev. Lee Plummer, also Pam Spellman although we hope to see Pam with her work with the Minster.

Rev. Anne, Rev. Heather. Rev. Janet have done a wonderful job of keeping our spirits up, and well informed of services, and help that is available to get us through a really difficult time, a big thank you to them.

Also, thanks to Lydia for her swift and accurate minutes of the P.C.C.

Throughout the year the rules kept changing, we were in and out of lockdown.

After discussions with P.C.C. it was decided in the interest of the vulnerable and age group of some of our congregations and a responsibility to keep them safe, we would close our churches.

Zoom was introduced and to many of us was a first, we were able to have Sunday services, meet and chat. We were able to hold P.C.C. and D.C.C. meetings, and most of all keep all our church family together. Our thanks to Rev. Anne, Heather, Janet, not forgetting Richard Page who has been a great help to everyone sorting things out when technology has gone wrong.

Restrictions were relaxed for Christmas morning and all four churches were able to have a very special service.

We are told the virus will be always with us like the flu, we will put our are faith in God and we know he will make us strong to cope with it.

Jean Heighway  
Parish Warden

Doreen Dyson  
Parish Warden

Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish

CHARITY REGISTER NO 1140301

Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020

|                                                                 | Unrestricted<br>funds | Restricted<br>funds | Endowment<br>funds | Total<br>funds     | Prior year<br>total funds |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>                                       |                       |                     |                    |                    |                           |
| Incoming resources from generated funds                         | 8.83                  | —                   | —                  | 8.83               | 26.59                     |
| Voluntary income                                                | 62,368.58             | 1,850.00            | —                  | 64,218.58          | 151,383.13                |
| Activities for generating funds                                 | 6,686.00              | 3.38                | —                  | 6,689.38           | 23,768.06                 |
| Investment income                                               | 17,445.19             | —                   | —                  | 17,445.19          | 605.62                    |
| Other incoming resources                                        | 89,939.49             | 250.00              | —                  | 90,189.49          | 110,966.69                |
| <b>Total income</b>                                             | <b>176,448.09</b>     | <b>2,103.38</b>     | <b>—</b>           | <b>178,551.47</b>  | <b>286,750.09</b>         |
| <b>Resources used</b>                                           |                       |                     |                    |                    |                           |
| Cost of generating funds                                        | 65.70                 | —                   | —                  | 65.70              | 624.30                    |
| Investment management costs                                     | 118.38                | —                   | —                  | 118.38             | 211.00                    |
| Charitable activities                                           | 20,885.68             | 150.00              | —                  | 21,035.68          | 7,836.31                  |
| Governance costs                                                | 123,485.20            | 5,964.99            | —                  | 129,450.19         | 143,252.60                |
| Other resources used                                            | 63,541.17             | 6,250.00            | —                  | 69,791.17          | 119,537.89                |
| <b>Total expenditure</b>                                        | <b>208,096.13</b>     | <b>12,364.99</b>    | <b>—</b>           | <b>220,461.12</b>  | <b>271,462.10</b>         |
| <b>Net income / (expenditure) resources<br/>before transfer</b> | <b>(31,648.04)</b>    | <b>(10,261.61)</b>  | <b>—</b>           | <b>(41,909.65)</b> | <b>15,287.99</b>          |
| <b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>                          |                       |                     |                    |                    |                           |
| Gains / losses on investment assets                             | (70.56)               | —                   | —                  | (70.56)            | 305.76                    |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>                                    | <b>(31,718.6)</b>     | <b>(10,261.61)</b>  | <b>—</b>           | <b>(41,980.21)</b> | <b>15,593.75</b>          |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>                                  |                       |                     |                    |                    |                           |
| <b>Total funds brought forward</b>                              | <b>107,669.07</b>     | <b>78,513.33</b>    | <b>—</b>           | <b>186,182.40</b>  | <b>170,588.65</b>         |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b>                              | <b>75,950.47</b>      | <b>68,251.72</b>    | <b>—</b>           | <b>144,202.19</b>  | <b>186,182.40</b>         |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**

**CHARITY REGISTER NO 1140301**

**Balance Sheet detailed**

|                                          | <b>As at<br/>31/12/2020</b> | <b>As at<br/>31/12/2019</b> |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Fixed assets</b>                      |                             |                             |
| 6050: Hill & Smith Holdings Plc          | 1,579.20                    | 1,649.76                    |
| <b>Total Fixed assets</b>                | <b>1,579.20</b>             | <b>1,649.76</b>             |
| <b>Current assets</b>                    |                             |                             |
| 6500: War Stock                          | —                           | —                           |
| 6501: Bank Account                       | —                           | 897.27                      |
| 6501: Bank current account               | 58,401.52                   | 72,429.09                   |
| 6505: Bank deposit account               | 5,216.49                    | 14,727.10                   |
| 6505: Restricted Fund Bank Deposit       | —                           | —                           |
| 6510: CBF Deposit Fund                   | —                           | —                           |
| 6510: CBF deposit account                | 77,673.95                   | 88,304.66                   |
| 6520: Nellie Lewis                       | —                           | —                           |
| 6521: Vicar and Church Wardens           | —                           | —                           |
| 6590: CTP Share account                  | 31.33                       | 4,486.24                    |
| 6591: Compassion bank account            | 396.77                      | 537.27                      |
| 6700: Bank current account               | 2,977.94                    | 5,270.02                    |
| 6710: Easy Access Account                | -0.01                       | -0.01                       |
| <b>Total Current assets</b>              | <b>144,697.99</b>           | <b>186,651.64</b>           |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                       |                             |                             |
| 6699: Agency collections                 | 2,075.00                    | 2,119.00                    |
| <b>Total Liabilities</b>                 | <b>2,075.00</b>             | <b>2,119.00</b>             |
| <b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>       | <b>144,202.19</b>           | <b>186,182.40</b>           |
| <b>Reserves</b>                          |                             |                             |
| Excess / (deficit) to date               | (41,909.65)                 | 19,266.22                   |
| Z01: Starting balances                   | 186,182.40                  | 166,610.42                  |
| Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets | (70.56)                     | 305.76                      |
| Z02: Other gains/(losses)                | —                           | —                           |
| <b>Total Reserves</b>                    | <b>144,202.19</b>           | <b>186,182.40</b>           |

| <b>Represented by Funds</b> |                   |                   |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Unrestricted                | 28,268.94         | 55,532.63         |
| Designated                  | 47,681.53         | 52,136.44         |
| Restricted                  | 68,251.72         | 78,513.33         |
| Endowment                   | —                 | —                 |
| <b>Total</b>                | <b>144,202.19</b> | <b>186,182.40</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**CHARITY REGISTER NO 1140301**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020**

|                                                              | Unrestricted      | Designated      | Restricted      | Endowment | Total<br>This year | Total<br>Last year |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Incoming resources</b>                                    |                   |                 |                 |           |                    |                    |
| <b><i>Incoming resources from generated funds</i></b>        |                   |                 |                 |           |                    |                    |
| 1041 - Investments income                                    | 8.83              | —               | —               | —         | 8.83               | 26.59              |
| 0101 - Gift Aid Envelopes/Donations                          | 30,191.02         | —               | —               | —         | 30,191.02          | 39,798.30          |
| 0102 - Gift Aid Tax Refund                                   | 362.50            | —               | —               | —         | 362.50             | 2,195.00           |
| 0110 - Direct Giving Envelopes - non gift aid                | 6,938.18          | —               | —               | —         | 6,938.18           | 9,757.70           |
| 0160 - Youth Fund                                            | 1,000.00          | —               | —               | —         | 1,000.00           | 1,780.00           |
| 0301 - Plate Collections                                     | 2,973.06          | —               | —               | —         | 2,973.06           | 11,454.91          |
| 0303 - Sundry Donations                                      | 4,124.23          | 600.00          | 350.00          | —         | 5,074.23           | 25,059.63          |
| 0550 - Donations appeals etc                                 | 140.00            | —               | —               | —         | 140.00             | 104.05             |
| 0601 - Recoverable Income Tax                                | 11,129.59         | 3,000.00        | —               | —         | 14,129.59          | 13,260.50          |
| 0850 - Grants                                                | 1,900.00          | —               | 1,500.00        | —         | 3,400.00           | 47,875.19          |
| 1212 - Christian Aid income                                  | 10.00             | —               | —               | —         | 10.00              | 89.59              |
| 1230 - Children and young people                             | —                 | —               | —               | —         | —                  | 8.26               |
| 1206 - Sale of items                                         | —                 | —               | —               | —         | —                  | 259.20             |
| 1210 - Gross income from fund raising                        | 1,143.00          | —               | —               | —         | 1,143.00           | 10,568.52          |
| 1211 - Special Appeals gross fundraising income              | 981.00            | —               | —               | —         | 981.00             | 1,540.70           |
| 1213 - Special Restricted Projects income                    | —                 | —               | 3.38            | —         | 3.38               | 3.64               |
| 1240 - Church Hall lettings and rent                         | 4,562.00          | —               | —               | —         | 4,562.00           | 11,396.00          |
| 1020 - Bank/Building Society Interest                        | 361.46            | 1.40            | —               | —         | 362.86             | 238.26             |
| 1040 - Dividends & Trust Income                              | 17,082.33         | —               | —               | —         | 17,082.33          | 35.62              |
| <b><i>Incoming resources from generated funds Totals</i></b> | <b>82,907.20</b>  | <b>3,601.40</b> | <b>1,853.38</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>88,361.98</b>   | <b>175,451.66</b>  |
| <b><i>Other incoming resources</i></b>                       |                   |                 |                 |           |                    |                    |
| 0150 - Payments received from other CTP accts                | 68,814.29         | —               | —               | —         | 68,814.29          | 79,300.05          |
| 1101 - Fees received                                         | 13,583.92         | —               | —               | —         | 13,583.92          | 19,513.30          |
| 1102 - PCC local fees                                        | 1,140.00          | —               | —               | —         | 1,140.00           | 1,229.00           |
| 1215 - Income adjustment                                     | 1,256.31          | —               | —               | —         | 1,256.31           | 7.61               |
| 1310 - Other Income                                          | 4,807.61          | —               | 250.00          | —         | 5,057.61           | 10,164.68          |
| 1402 - VAT and other Refunds                                 | 37.36             | —               | —               | —         | 37.36              | —                  |
| 1402 - VAT and other refunds                                 | 300.00            | —               | —               | —         | 300.00             | 752.05             |
| <b><i>Other incoming resources Totals</i></b>                | <b>89,939.49</b>  | <b>—</b>        | <b>250.00</b>   | <b>—</b>  | <b>90,189.49</b>   | <b>110,966.69</b>  |
| <b>Incoming resources Grand totals</b>                       | <b>172,846.69</b> | <b>3,601.40</b> | <b>2,103.38</b> | <b>—</b>  | <b>178,551.47</b>  | <b>286,418.35</b>  |

## Resources used

### Cost of generating funds

|                              |        |   |   |   |        |        |
|------------------------------|--------|---|---|---|--------|--------|
| 2401 - Costs of fund raising | 65.70  | — | — | — | 65.70  | 624.30 |
| 2202 - Bank Charges          | 118.38 | — | — | — | 118.38 | 211.00 |

### Cost of generating funds Totals

|        |   |   |   |        |        |
|--------|---|---|---|--------|--------|
| 184.08 | — | — | — | 184.08 | 835.30 |
|--------|---|---|---|--------|--------|

### Charitable activities

|                                   |           |   |        |   |           |          |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|---|--------|---|-----------|----------|
| 1871 - Christian Aid donations    | 50.00     | — | —      | — | 50.00     | 416.39   |
| 2100 - Donations/Gifts            | 20,611.99 | — | 150.00 | — | 20,761.99 | 7,094.82 |
| 2600 - Cafe Church/Special Events | 223.69    | — | —      | — | 223.69    | 325.10   |

### Charitable activities Totals

|           |   |        |   |           |          |
|-----------|---|--------|---|-----------|----------|
| 20,885.68 | — | 150.00 | — | 21,035.68 | 7,836.31 |
|-----------|---|--------|---|-----------|----------|

### Governance costs

|                                                |           |          |          |   |           |           |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|---|-----------|-----------|
| 2201 - Training                                | 695.00    | —        | —        | — | 695.00    | 585.78    |
| 2232 - Other working expenses                  | 1,003.21  | —        | —        | — | 1,003.21  | 3,788.02  |
| 2303 - Housing costs / Rents                   | 570.00    | —        | —        | — | 570.00    | 2,770.90  |
| 2304 - Clergy Working Expenses                 | 4,361.44  | —        | —        | — | 4,361.44  | 8,286.86  |
| 2305 - External Clergy Expenses                | 75.00     | —        | —        | — | 75.00     | 529.56    |
| 2306 - Lay Parish Working Expenses             | 3,024.05  | —        | —        | — | 3,024.05  | 1,640.30  |
| 2320 - Payment of parish share to the Diocese  | 57,866.00 | —        | —        | — | 57,866.00 | 75,272.00 |
| 2330 - Running cost(inc Gas,water,electric)    | 3,505.40  | —        | —        | — | 3,505.40  | 2,548.08  |
| 2330 - Running costs(inc Gas, Water, Electric) | 7,719.28  | 1,006.31 | 642.00   | — | 9,367.59  | 6,897.97  |
| 2331 - Repairs/replacements/new items          | 9,977.83  | —        | 5,200.99 | — | 15,178.82 | 5,710.61  |
| 2340 - Church Hall costs                       | 525.06    | —        | —        | — | 525.06    | 1,857.67  |
| 2345 - Churchyard maintenance                  | 2,359.49  | —        | —        | — | 2,359.49  | 1,741.70  |
| 2350 - Salaries/Wages/Honoraria                | 4,691.70  | —        | —        | — | 4,691.70  | 10,571.59 |
| 2351 - Administrators Salary                   | 2,684.98  | —        | —        | — | 2,684.98  | 2,020.82  |
| 2355 - Insurance                               | 9,133.51  | —        | —        | — | 9,133.51  | 10,422.99 |
| 2365 - Flowers                                 | 45.00     | —        | —        | — | 45.00     | 530.44    |
| 2370 - Children and Young People               | 1,372.71  | —        | —        | — | 1,372.71  | 5,204.34  |
| 2411 - Printing / Copying / Publicity          | 1,074.35  | —        | —        | — | 1,074.35  | 1,245.93  |
| 2520 - Audit Fees                              | 500.00    | —        | —        | — | 500.00    | 500.00    |
| 2535 - Licence Fees                            | 1,044.88  | —        | 122.00   | — | 1,166.88  | 948.28    |
| 2601 - New Building or other major works       | 10,000.00 | —        | —        | — | 10,000.00 | —         |
| 2620 - Decoration Scheme                       | 250.00    | —        | —        | — | 250.00    | —         |
| 2650 - Hospitality Expenses                    | —         | —        | —        | — | —         | 178.76    |

### Governance costs Totals

|            |          |          |   |            |            |
|------------|----------|----------|---|------------|------------|
| 122,478.89 | 1,006.31 | 5,964.99 | — | 129,450.19 | 143,252.60 |
|------------|----------|----------|---|------------|------------|

### Other resources used

|                                          |           |          |          |   |           |           |
|------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|---|-----------|-----------|
| 2150 - Payments made to other CTP accts  | 55,014.29 | 7,050.00 | 2,250.00 | — | 64,314.29 | 69,935.05 |
| 2302 - Fees paid to the Diocese          | —         | —        | —        | — | —         | 828.00    |
| 2601 - New building or other major works | —         | —        | —        | — | —         | 36,399.20 |
| 2630 - Other Payments                    | 1,208.88  | —        | 4,000.00 | — | 5,208.88  | 11,962.64 |
| 2640 - Returned Fees                     | 268.00    | —        | —        | — | 268.00    | 413.00    |

### Other resources used Totals

|           |          |          |   |           |            |
|-----------|----------|----------|---|-----------|------------|
| 56,491.17 | 7,050.00 | 6,250.00 | — | 69,791.17 | 119,537.89 |
|-----------|----------|----------|---|-----------|------------|

### Resources used Grand totals

|            |          |           |   |            |            |
|------------|----------|-----------|---|------------|------------|
| 200,039.82 | 8,056.31 | 12,364.99 | — | 220,461.12 | 271,462.10 |
|------------|----------|-----------|---|------------|------------|

# Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Central Telford

Registered charity number 1140301

## Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Central Telford

Registered charity number 1140301

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 which are set out on the following pages.

### Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility

- to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below:

### Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable 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 come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: 

Date: 21/6/21

Jonathan Hill FCMA CGMA  
Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance  
St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield WS13 7LD

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Fund movement by type**  
**Charity Registered No 1140301**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements for the year ended 31 Dec 2020**  
**Fund Movement by Type Selected period: 01 January 2020 to 31 December 2020**

| Fund and type     | Fund balances brought forward | Incoming Resources | Outgoing Resources | Transfers | Gains and Losses | Journal Entries | Fund balances carried forward |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>CAid</b>       |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Restricted        | (31.50)                       | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | (31.50)                       |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>(31.50)</b>                | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>(31.50)</b>                |
| <b>CBF</b>        |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | 2,634.86                      | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | 2,634.86                      |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>2,634.86</b>               | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>2,634.86</b>               |
| <b>CTPSHare</b>   |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | 4,486.24                      | 3,601.40           | 8,056.31           | —         | —                | —               | 31.33                         |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>4,486.24</b>               | <b>3,601.40</b>    | <b>8,056.31</b>    | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>31.33</b>                  |
| <b>Closed</b>     |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | —                             | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | —                             |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>                      |
| <b>EAA</b>        |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | 1.88                          | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | 1.88                          |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>1.88</b>                   | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>1.88</b>                   |
| <b>General</b>    |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Unrestricted      | 55,532.63                     | 172,846.69         | 200,039.82         | —         | (70.56)          | —               | 28,268.94                     |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>55,532.63</b>              | <b>172,846.69</b>  | <b>200,039.82</b>  | <b>—</b>  | <b>(70.56)</b>   | <b>—</b>        | <b>28,268.94</b>              |
| <b>Hosp</b>       |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | 956.96                        | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | 956.96                        |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>956.96</b>                 | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>956.96</b>                 |
| <b>Inactive</b>   |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | —                             | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | —                             |
| <b>Sub-totals</b> | <b>—</b>                      | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>           | <b>—</b>  | <b>—</b>         | <b>—</b>        | <b>—</b>                      |
| <b>LDBF</b>       |                               |                    |                    |           |                  |                 |                               |
| Designated        | 2,116.00                      | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | 2,116.00                      |
| Designated        | 41,940.50                     | —                  | —                  | —         | —                | —               | 41,940.50                     |

|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---|----------------|---|-------------------|
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>44,056.50</b>  | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>44,056.50</b>  |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Lewis</b>        |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | 80.98             | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | 80.98             |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>80.98</b>      | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>80.98</b>      |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Outreach</b>     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | 10.00             | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | 10.00             |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>10.00</b>      | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>10.00</b>      |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Rest</b>         |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | —                 | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | —                 |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>—</b>          | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>—</b>          |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Restr</b>        |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | 28,782.19         | 250.00            | 4,000.00          | — | —              | — | 25,032.19         |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>28,782.19</b>  | <b>250.00</b>     | <b>4,000.00</b>   | — | —              | — | <b>25,032.19</b>  |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Spec-BLDG</b>    |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | 40,176.00         | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | 40,176.00         |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>40,176.00</b>  | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>40,176.00</b>  |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Special</b>      |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | 9,545.14          | 1,853.38          | 8,364.99          | — | —              | — | 3,033.53          |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>9,545.14</b>   | <b>1,853.38</b>   | <b>8,364.99</b>   | — | —              | — | <b>3,033.53</b>   |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Vicar</b>        |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Designated          | —                 | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | —                 |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>—</b>          | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>—</b>          |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>ZReval</b>       |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| Restricted          | (80.98)           | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | (80.98)           |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Sub-totals</b>   | <b>(80.98)</b>    | —                 | —                 | — | —              | — | <b>(80.98)</b>    |
|                     |                   |                   |                   |   |                |   |                   |
| <b>Grand Totals</b> | <b>186,150.90</b> | <b>178,551.47</b> | <b>220,461.12</b> | — | <b>(70.56)</b> | — | <b>144,170.69</b> |

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2020**

## **Notes to the Accounts**

- 1a.** The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Charities (SORP) and applicable accounting standards (FRS102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

### Cashflow Statement

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a cashflow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

- 1b.** The Parochial Church Council of the Central Telford Parish has approved the format and layout of these accounts. The PCC is made up of representatives of all the member churches.
- 1d** You will see from the accounts that the balance held at the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 was £144,697.99. That is made up as follows

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Central Accounts          | £45,663.52 |
| Stirchley & Brookside     | £2,559.18  |
| Chapel of Christ the King | £0.00      |
| Holy Trinity              | £28,062.90 |
| River Church              | £0.00      |
| St Johns                  | £56,725.00 |
| St Leonards               | £6,528.00  |
| St Marys                  | £5,159.39  |

### Team Consolidation

The accounts also show a total income of £178,551.47 and a total expenditure of £220,461.12. Please bear in mind these figures are the gross income and gross expenditure and include the monies which move across the parish between the various accounts. These amounts total £68,814.29 income and £64,314.29 expenditure. The difference includes £5,500 which relates to income received from Springfield Fellowship which is a limited company operating within the parish.

The net income was £109,737.18 and the net expenditure was £156,146.83

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2020 (continued)**

- 1e** For information we have set out below the details of the income and expenditure of each of the churches which may help the understanding of the overall position

| <b>Church Name</b>                   | <b>INCOME</b>      | <b>EXPENDITURE</b>  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Central Accounts                     | £89,370.32         | £78,407.61          |
| Stirchley & Brookside                | £129.33            | £793.93             |
| Chapel of Christ the King            | £0.00              | £897.27             |
| Holy Trinity                         | £24,216.51         | £26,824.09          |
| River Community Church               | £3,452.50          | £32,895.15          |
| St Johns                             | £21,192.63         | £19,184.31          |
| St Leonards                          | £23,538.79         | £32,564.94          |
| St Marys                             | £16,651.39         | £28,893.82          |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                        | <b>£178,551.47</b> | <b>£220,461.12</b>  |
|                                      |                    |                     |
| <b>Difference</b>                    |                    | <b>£(41,909.65)</b> |
| <b>Gain/Loss on investment asset</b> |                    | <b>£(70.56)</b>     |
| <b>B/F from previous year</b>        |                    | <b>£186,182.40</b>  |
| <b>Carried forward</b>               |                    | <b>£144,202.19</b>  |

## **2. Funds**

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

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of church members. They do include the transactions, assets etc. of each of the six churches, which make up the single parish of Central Telford. The names of those churches are listed elsewhere within this document.

## **3. Incoming Resources**

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy and there is certainty of receipt.

### *Voluntary Income and capital sources*

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.

Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised only when received.

Income Tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised when the income is received.

Grants and Legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement and the amount due.

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements for the year ended**  
**31 December 2020 (continued)**

Funds raised from fetes, fairs and similar events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross.

*Other ordinary income*

Rental income from the letting of Church premises is recognised when the rental is received.

*Income from Investments*

Dividends and interest are accounted for when receivable. Any tax recoverable on such income is recognised in the same accounting year.

*Gains and losses on investments.*

Realised gains and losses are recognised when investments are sold.

Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

#### **4. Resources Used**

Expenditure is included on the accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the SOFA category. Grants payable are charged in the year when the offer is conveyed to the recipient except in those cases where the offer is conditional on the recipient satisfying performance or other discretionary requirements to the satisfaction of the Board. Grant offered subject to such conditions, which have not been met at the year end, would be noted as a commitment, but not accrued as expenditure.

*Grants*

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

*Activities directly relating to the work of the Church*

The Diocesan quota or Parish share is accounted for when payable. Any quota unpaid at 31 December is provided for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and shown as a creditor in the balance sheet. As the Parish Share was again paid in full in 2019 no entry under the heading of creditor is shown this year. This has been the situation for many years.

#### **5. Fixed Assets**

*Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10 (2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.*

No value is placed on movable Church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this to be inalienable property.

**Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish**  
**Notes to accompany the financial statements for the year ended**  
**31 December 2020 (continued)**

All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure within the Statement of Financial Activities and separately disclosed.

The Parish has overall responsibility for one other building, the Church Hall at St John's Lawley.

The hall at St. John's is run and maintained by the District Church Council at the church and was valued at £216,000. It is in a good state of repair as it has been recently refurbished. This value is below expected market value.

*Investments*

Investments are valued at market value at 31 December £1,579.20 (2019 £1,649.76), and held within Hill & Smith Holdings Plc.

## **6. Current assets**

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of fees or other income are shown as debtors less provision for any amounts that may prove uncollectible. No such amounts are due for 2020.

Short-term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the Bank or Building Society. At present monies are held in a deposit account with the Central Board of Finance by three District churches as well as an amount held centrally.

Investments are held as a part of the Central Accounts. These include shares in Hill & Smith PLC. Details of this are held centrally.

All dividends and interest received on these investments are included in the accounts under the heading of "Investment Income".

|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>2020<br/>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>2019<br/>Total<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Bank Current Accounts   | 21,927                              | 39,452                            | 61,379                      | 78,596                      |
| Bank Deposit Accounts   | 652                                 | 14,075                            | 14,727                      | 14,880                      |
| CBF Deposit Accounts    | 56,518                              | 21,155                            | 77,674                      | 88,305                      |
| CTP Share Account       | 31                                  | -                                 | 31                          | 4,486                       |
| Compassion Bank Account | 397                                 |                                   | 397                         | 537                         |
|                         |                                     |                                   |                             |                             |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>84,091</b>                       | <b>60,607</b>                     | <b>144,698</b>              | <b>186,652</b>              |

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**7. Going Concern**

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern

**8. Post-balance sheet events**

The worldwide outbreak of the COVID-19 virus represents a significant event since the end of the financial year. The Charity has reviewed its cash flow forecasts and considered the impact on going concern, concluding that the going concern basis remains an appropriate basis of preparation for these financial statements given the likely cash flow impact of operations for 12 months from the date of signing this report. COVID-19 is considered to be a non-adjusting post year end – for accruals) event and therefore has not been taken into account in preparing these Financial Statements as at 31 December 2020.

**9. Public Benefit**

The trustees of the Charity are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity.

The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical the parish of Central Telford it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:-

Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers: and

Promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

**9. Staff costs**

|                          | 2020   | 2019    |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|
|                          |        |         |
| Wages & Salaries         | £8,832 | £12,592 |
|                          |        |         |
| Average no. of employees | 2      | 2       |

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During the year, the PCC employed 2 part time employees, and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

**10. Related Parties**

5 trustees were paid £2,569.17 in respect of reimbursement of travel and phone expenses during the year.

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £7,036 for the year 2019.

**11. Creditors due within one year**

|                 | <b>2020<br/>£</b> | <b>2019<br/>£</b> |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Other creditors | 2,075             | 2,119             |

**12. Summary of Assets by Fund**

|                     | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>2020<br/>Total<br/>£</b> | <b>2019<br/>Total<br/>£</b> |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Fixed Assets        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Investment Assets   | 1,579                               |                                   | 1,579                       | 1,650                       |
| Current Assets      | 84,091                              | 60,607                            | 144,698                     | 186,652                     |
| Current Liabilities | -                                   | (2,075)                           | (2,075)                     | (2,119)                     |
|                     |                                     |                                   |                             |                             |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>85,670</b>                       | <b>58,532</b>                     | <b>144,202</b>              | <b>186,183</b>              |



Central Telford Parish

## **Parish Safeguarding Policy**

Dated: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 (Reviewed)

The Parochial Church Council of Central Telford Parish will take all reasonable care to ensure the safety of the children, young people and vulnerable adults for whom it bears responsibility.

1. Pam Spellen is our approved Safeguarding Co-ordinator for the calendar year 2020 and she is the point of contact through which concerns about child protection will be channelled. (From November 2020 our Safeguarding Co-ordinator is Helen Vellacott.)
2. She is responsible to the PCC for ensuring that these procedures are implemented.
3. The PCC will work towards adopting the recommendations of the House of Bishops as published in the Policy for Safeguarding Children

*Protecting All God's Children (2010)*

and *Promoting a Safe Church (2006)*

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media/37405/promotingasafechurch.pdf>

4. The PCC will ensure full compliance with Health and Safety Guidelines.
5. The PCC is directly responsible for the following groups which include children and young people:
  - *Messy Church*
  - *Telford Youth Fellowship*
  - *Lawley Smallies*
  - *Little Fishes*
  - *Jolly Tots of Malinslee*
  - *Trinity Tots*
6. Community groups who use Church buildings in the Parish or hire the Church Hall will be required to satisfy the PCC that they have a Safeguarding policy, if they do not have their own policy, the PCC will present their own Safeguarding policy for group to adopt and implement. These currently (Updated for early 2020) include
  - Slimming World
  - Tai chi
  - Scouts association (scouts, cubs, beavers)
  - Rhythm time
  - Rainbows
  - WI
  - Tae Kwondo
  - Pilates

7. Validation: Leaders must be aged 18 or over working with children and young people, under 18s may assist with leadership roles but must be supervised at all times. Community groups who use Church buildings in the Parish or hire the Church Hall will be required to complete the Parish Building Hire Verification Form.

- Applicants will be required to complete the Lichfield Diocesan declaration.
- Applicants will be required to provide two references using the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy form.
- Before appointment or the continuation of any appointment, appointees may need to apply for and supply clearance from the Disclosure & Barring Service.

8. Only suitable and responsible people may become key holders, references will be taken up in accordance with the Safer Recruitment policy and they will be required to complete the Lichfield Diocese Declaration. Access and Usage of Church Buildings will be monitored as far as is reasonably possible.

9. Completed declaration forms and references will be confidential to and securely held by the Incumbent or, in the event of a vacancy, by the Rural Dean or Archdeacon.

10. The PCC will use the Disclosure & Barring Service for checking leaders' criminal records where appropriate. This will be done via the Safeguarding Office, St Mary's House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

11. The PCC requires groups listed in 5 to provide, in writing, at least the following:

- A list of its current leaders and details of their roles, provision for training and support
- When and where the group meets, its normal working pattern and the age range it covers.

12. The PCC require groups that are working with children and young people:

- To agree clear roles for leaders
- Set up structures to train and support their leaders in their roles
- Agree statements of working practice.

13. The PCC reserves the right to decline a request for use of a church building when it considers the suggested activity is incompatible with the Christian faith.

14. The PCC will provide leaders and those working in Safeguarding access to guidance and training in the understanding of child/vulnerable adult abuse.

15. The PCC will issue clear guidelines for avoiding situations where children or young people could be in danger.

16. The PCC will publish on the notice boards at the back of the church and in the Church Hall, a copy of the Diocesan Safe Guarding Flow Chart (available on the Diocesan website) In addition, all validated leaders and key holders will be given a copy.

17. The PCC will carry public liability insurance and will insure all leaders and staff for personal accident.

18. The PCC will implement a plan to monitor annually that the procedures are being followed.

19. The PCC will make a copy of this policy and its procedures available, if requested, at The Archdeacon's visitation.

20. This Policy and its procedures will be monitored by the Safeguarding Co-ordinator who will report to the PCC annually.

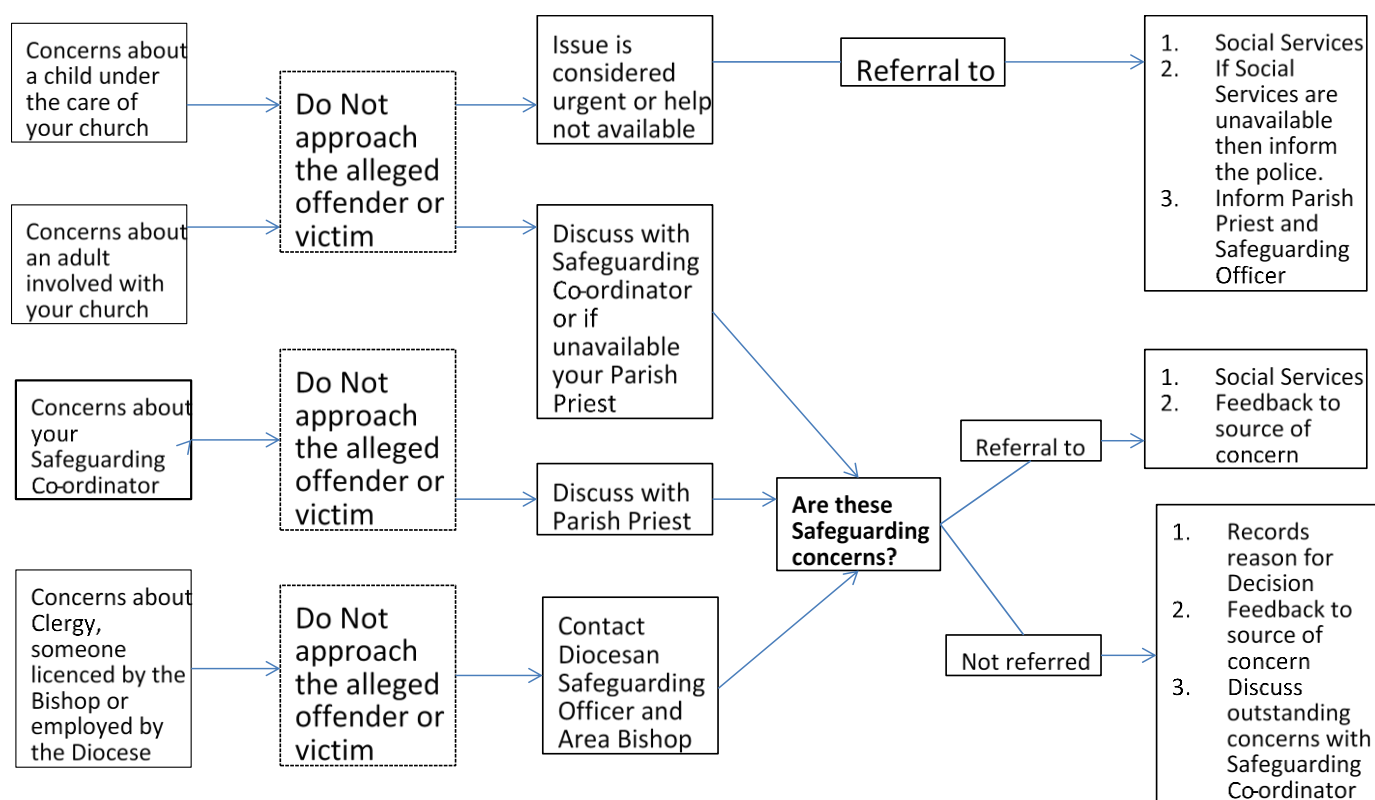
21. The PCC will review the policy and its procedures annually in the month of November for implementation the following calendar year.

Agreed at the CTP PCC Meeting on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2017

Reviewed at CTP PCC Meeting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020

In June 2020 Rev Tim Storey (Rector) left the Parish, as did Pam Spellen (Safeguarding Co-ordinator) On arrival in July 2020. Revd Anne Roberts became the Safeguarding Lead, until the PCC agreed for Helen Vellacott from St Mary's Church to be appointed as Safeguarding Co-ordinator in November 2020.

## IN THE EVENT OF A SAFEGUARDING ISSUE IN YOUR CHURCH



### Contact Numbers

Safeguarding Co-ordinator: **Pam Spellen**. From November 2020 **Helen Vellacott** (07311409209)

Parish Priest: **Rev Tim Storey** (07986 862292) until June 2020. From June Interim Minister Rev. Anne Roberts (07470400301)

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer (Children): **Kim Hodgkins** (01543 306030)

Diocesan Safeguarding Officer (Adults): **Neil Spiring** (01782 266066)

Shrewsbury Area Bishop **Rt. Revd. Sarah Bullock** (01743 235867)

Telford & Wrekin Safeguarding Children: 01952 385385

Police: Call 101



Central Telford Parish

## Parish Building Hire Verification Form

Dated: June 2020

|                                                                                       |                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>Name of Person or Company</b>                                                      |                                         |
| Church or Building being hired                                                        |                                         |
| Date of Booking                                                                       |                                         |
| Start Time of Booking                                                                 |                                         |
| End Time of Booking                                                                   |                                         |
| Nature of Booking                                                                     |                                         |
| Agreed fee for Booking                                                                |                                         |
| Is This a Regular Booking                                                             | <b>Yes/No</b>                           |
| I have read and agree to abide by the terms of the Lichfield Diocesan declaration     | <b>Signed</b> (On Behalf of the Hirer)  |
| Own Risk Assessment for Covid Secure Procedures                                       |                                         |
| Complying with all procedures as identified on Parish Risk Assessment for Coronavirus |                                         |
| Reference 1 Name                                                                      |                                         |
| Reference 1 Address                                                                   |                                         |
| Reference 1 Telephone                                                                 |                                         |
| Reference 1 Email address                                                             |                                         |
| Reference 2 Name                                                                      |                                         |
| Reference 2 Address                                                                   |                                         |
| Reference 2 Telephone                                                                 |                                         |
| Reference 2 Email address                                                             |                                         |
| DBS Clearance for those involved in the event has been seen by the Parish             | <b>Signed</b> (On Behalf of the Parish) |
| Confirmation of Booking                                                               | <b>Signed</b> (On Behalf of the Parish) |

PCC of Central Telford Parish – June 2017

## **Appendix A**

### **Holy Trinity Church, Dawley – District Churchwarden's Report 2020**

The year 2020 was Holy Trinity's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We had planned to hold several events to celebrate it, culminating in a joint Partnership service with the Bishop of Shrewsbury attending. Of course, it was not possible to hold any celebrations and I don't know when will be possible to meet together again. I think it's a waiting game at the moment.

We had two- and a-bit months of normality before lockdown, and in that time, we were able to hold a jolly pancake party and our Mothers' Union held its AGM (with Bingo after the business was completed.) During lockdown we could only meet via Zoom for meetings and services and we were grateful that we could join in with the CTEP Sunday worship organized mainly by the Baptist church. It was lovely during the autumn to be able to meet together in church even with all the restrictions of distancing and cleaning (ourselves and the church), no singing and responses, except quietly behind our masks, no possibility of fellowship over a cup of coffee – but it was still very much appreciated. At Christmas we really missed all the normal celebrations, especially the Crib service and the children visiting for the Experience Christmas activities and the Messy Church party. Although it wasn't the same the Zoom Carol service meant we could at least sing some of the well-known carols, even if it was in our homes. I'm also glad that we could actually go to church on Christmas morning and wish each other Happy Christmas in person – although distanced.

We made sure that all church members were contacted regularly by members of the DCC to check that everyone was coping and to exchange news. In the few months between lockdowns when we were able to hold socially distanced services, congregations held up well. I suppose people were eager to get out and see friends and experience worship together, even if distanced, with which Zoom services just couldn't compare. Some felt unable to attend, for whatever reasons, and we sympathise and hope it won't be too long before we are all happy to come to church.

Lots of fundraising activities were cancelled, there were no fairs, which are HT's main moneymaker. However, we paid our share in full and the insurance and utility bills as well as honouring our commitment to our two sponsored African children.

We sadly said goodbye to Tim, Pam and Lee, their farewells had to be via Zoom, plus staggered visits to Tim's house. However, we were delighted to welcome Anne as interim Rector and her husband Kevin. Anne is a kind, caring person and seems to have settled into the unusual situation really well and we appreciate the worship she and Kevin share. All involved in preparing and ordering services have shown themselves really versatile in the ways they have kept worship going. They have helped us all adapt to new ways of doing things.

As well as the uncertainty of Covid plans we of course are wondering what is going to happen to our parish. The document advertising the Rector's position has been prepared and we are just waiting for the time when it can be publicized. We need to pray that the right person will be drawn to Telford.

We must remember those who are finding circumstances hard to bear, those who are or have been sick and are still dealing with the results and especially we must remember those who have died and those mourning their loss. We ask God's strength and comfort for all. We should also be so grateful to all those who have worked selflessly for others during the pandemic. I should like to add a personal note of thanks to those who not only offered help during Lockdown but who showed such practical kindness when I had an accident in the summer.

God has guided this church for 175 years and for nearly a thousand the Norman church which stood here before. There must have been some difficult or bewildering times in all those years. We know if we ask Him He will guide us through this strange time and hopefully we will emerge stronger, better able to serve the people of Dawley.

Glenis Watkins  
District Church Warden

Barbara Crawforth  
District Church Warden

## Appendix B

### St. John the Evangelist Church, Lawley – District Churchwarden's Report 2020

What a strange year we had in 2020 and it's not over yet!

2020 started with plans for fundraising and drawing new families into St John's with baptisms, story sacks, and lots of Fairs etc. However, all plans were cancelled after the start of the Coronavirus which went round the world in a very short time.

The last service before we were locked down was 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and there was no Sunday service in the church again until 9<sup>th</sup> August 2020. We managed to hold 6 services there on a fortnightly basis until the end of October when lockdown came again. We held the Remembrance service outside the church and we had a service on Christmas day before we were locked down again. Some of the congregation were unable to attend church after March as they were very vulnerable and high-risk people. They were **very** missed people. Zoom has come to the forefront during this time and DCC, PCC and services have been run online since the lockdown.

Only one baptism managed to get in before the first lockdown and all weddings were cancelled.

Funerals continued and services for 8 burials were held in church or by the graveside. 5 services were held at the crematoriums.

The hall which helps us with fundraising went from 13 regular weekly bookings to 3 occasional bookings between lockdowns. This has made it very difficult to cover all expenses for the church and hall including the parish share.

On the good side, although Rev. Tim and Rev. Lee left the parish in May and June, we had the support of Rev Anne Roberts who **whooshed** in like Mary Poppins to fill all the gaps. She has been exceedingly helpful in all areas and has with Heather, kept the parish working.

We are in the process of preparing to advertise for a new Team Rector when the lockdown eases and hope this will be sooner rather than later.

Eileen Robertson

District Churchwarden  
St John the Evangelist Church, Lawley

## **Appendix C**

### **St. Leonard's Church, Malinslee – Deputy Church Warden's Report 2020**

#### **Jolly Tots report St. Leonards Church, Malinslee**

The year started off really well. We had 6 regular Mums and a few that would pop in now and again. We had some enquires about the group for parents to start after Easter, but we never got there due to Covid-19. Once we were able to meet again outside in church grounds, it was great. We would meet about 10.30am and take our lunch with us, or go for a walk to the Town Park. In the sunshine it was wonderful to see the little ones again, they grow so much when you don't see them all of the time.

Some of the parents would meet up to go for walks, 4 of them have built up a really lovely friendship. We have a messenger group and speak to each other often and at the time of writing this we are waiting for Beatrice to be born. Let's hope in 2021 we will be able to all come together again in church.

We did a sponsored walk and raised just under £400 for church funds. We have other ideas for fundraising but at the moment it's not possible to do anything.

Jane Hill

#### **District Churchwardens Report for St. Leonards Church, Malinslee 2020**

We started 2020 with a quiet January. February, we held our pensioners party, with our Christmas dinner as we had to cancel it in December due to the weather. We had 15 people attend and it was followed by a game of bingo. In March we started our Lunch and Bingo up again with 12 attending.

We then started planning for our Easter Fair with new ideas, e.g., selling clothes and inviting outside stall holders to join us, but that's as far as we got as COVID-19 halted everything. We all missed each other so we all tried to keep in touch with each other as much as possible. It was great to be able to open church again in July. Graham carried on with the food bank, he picked up from Aldi and took half of it to Morton Court then half to church on Sunday, as we only had fortnightly services. I would then pick up from Graham and go around to members and Jolly Tots Mums, this was a great success.

In December we made up 60 small Christmas hampers for all our members, Jolly Tots, and other people who we delivered our food bank parcels too.

And that was 2020.

Jane Hill  
District Churchwarden

## Appendix D

### St. Mary's the Virgin, Red Lake – District Churchwarden's Report 2020

To complete our report for 2020 is not good news for anyone, as the Covid virus is still a major problem for the nation. At the time of writing this report we are now in lockdown 3.

In September, although some restrictions were in place, places of worship were allowed to open. We were able to hold two services during the month, one of which was our harvest festival, (obviously keeping space restrictions and sanitization.) During this time of hardship and uncertainty, people gathered together, gave generously, and thanked God for His blessings.

In October two services took place, also we were able to hold our D.C.C. in church. It was nice to see people face to face.

We were pleased we were able to have the fire extinguishers annual check done.

In November, for Remembrance Sunday large gatherings were discouraged, so only a small group of approx. six were at the service around the memorial in the churchyard.

In one respect having the church closed made it easier to get the builders in to have repairs done on the roof of the church, inside and out. Also, a French drain was done alongside the west wall. This in time will stop damp coming through the wall. There are urgent jobs recommended in the quinquennial report. The money used to pay for this was bequeathed to the church.

Although on the second lockdown it was announced the churches were allowed to open P.C.C. held a Zoom meeting, and it was decided in view of our congregation being predominantly of an age that made them vulnerable, it was decided the safety of our parishioners must come first. The church was therefore closed for services, with the exception of Christmas morning, all four churches opened for a service which was special.

On December 16<sup>th</sup> Shropshire Radio encouraged doorstep carol singing. Mary kindly took charge and invited as many locals around the area to join us in singing carols outside the church gates. There was a good response and the Xmas spirit came alive. What better way to cheer people up than a good sing along. Many thanks to Mary.

They do say out of bad comes good. Because people have been advised to stay home and only to go out for essentials, we have tried to keep in contact with our church family. Thanks to all those who have phoned to chat to people who don't have internet, or just to say hello, do you need anything? Many thanks to Helen for sending all the information of church notices and services available on Zoom. Thanks to Ann and Mary for checking the church building and reporting back. Brian has been in church periodically and blew the cobwebs out of the organ, thanks to him for that.

Our thanks to Heather for all that she has done especially at St. Mary's. Although Heather was due to retire, she has agreed to stay with us until a replacement had been found. We thank God we have been blessed with Jassica and Edith now licenced for six months, until we have a permanent replacement. As all services at this moment in time are held on Zoom we look forward to the time we can meet face to face.

I must say I think it's been a learning curve for all of us one way or another. I myself learn something new about Zoom everytime I use it, and it enabled the four churches to interact more and chat and get to know one another a little better. Many thanks to Rev. Anne for her support, advice, and encouragement that she has shown everyone.

District Churchwardens: Doreen Dyson, Ann Broadhurst.

## Appendix E

### Stirchley and Brookside Community Annual Report for 2020



During January, February and March Christian Presence meet in the Sambrook Centre on the first Thursday of the month for the Songs Praise Service. In February we joined our friends at Lakeview Care Home for the regular sing along of favourite songs and hymns. We were also planning for our next season of celebration 'Easter', speaking with the community centres at Stirchley and Brookside and our community partners to work together. Dates had been set in the Diary for the Easter craft activity, the Easter Songs of Praise at St James and the Experience Easter in the primary schools with Pam Spellen and the team. This year was also to be a special year for the Stirchley Scouts whose turn it was to host a regional scout's event for St Georges Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. By early March plans were well under way, we had meet with the Scout leaders to look at the parade, the act of worship and the games and hospitality. The parish council had generously offered the Sambrook Centre and funding had been applied for to pay for the event. We were expecting over 75 people to spend the weekend with us in Telford and that was to include visits to the Blists Hill Museums.

On March 21<sup>st</sup> the announcement of the COVID-19 pandemic and the lock down meant our plans for the forthcoming season were cancelled. However, we were hopeful that by the summer months a normal pattern of events would resume. What was to follow was certainly not what we had expected. When the restrictions were relaxed and people were able to go to work and schools were beginning to re-open and churches were allowed to be used in a limited way, we were exploring ways in which the outreach work could continue. However, the community centres remained closed and the social distancing requirements meant we were unable to meet in the centres.

Brookside Community Centre



The Sambrook Centre Stirchley



St James Church could not be used as a building for regular worship as it was not possible to maintain the 2-metre distance and because the building had no running water.



Over the lockdown's months the Stirchley and Brookside community responded in partnership with the various groups and organisations to identify and meet the needs of the community delivering food supplies and prescriptions to those who were needing to isolate or shield family members.

The Facebook groups became essential methods of communicating what was happening or needed to happen on the ground. Most of the community groups were now meeting online the Big Local partnership met every Friday from April – July as some of the restrictions were lifted the meetings were scheduled fortnightly by September monthly meeting resumed. Between September and December Revd Janet Holmes was on sabbatical and during this time the Central Telford Team provided oversight for the ministry. It was hoped that we may have been able to offer a community carol event but this was not possible. On Christmas Eve we were however able to hold the food share event where donations from a local supermarket were collected from the Community Centre in Brookside or delivered to the door steps of families by volunteers.

To keep in touch with the people who previously attended the Songs of Praise service a telephone contact was made once a month and prayer resources were sent via the post or through e-mail. The community was also made aware of the various church online services and when the churches were open in between the lockdown times. Telephone contact and cards were sent to the Lakeview care Home and to Sandino Court complex to let the residents know we were still there for them.

Lakeview Care Home



Sandino Court Complex



As 2020 came to a close Christian Presence Community, the Brookside Partnership and the Parish Council, and the Local leaders reflected upon all that had happened throughout the year whilst having an eye on the future and being mindful of the uncertainty which still lay ahead. Issues relating to loneliness, poverty, mental wellbeing and environmental concerns were just a few of the conversation topics on the list. So, in the faith and trust of God we wait and watch for where God is leading us in the ministry and mission for this place and its people.

Rev Janet Holmes Community Minister Stirchley and Brookside 19/02/21

## **Appendix F**

### **Central Telford Parish – Working with Schools**

Over the last 4 years, with Pam Spellen's guidance, we have worked hard to develop our relationship with schools, increasing from initial contact with 4 to now having contact with all 15 Primary Schools in the Parish. Schools have been involved in a range of things from visits to church to support aspects of RE to celebrating festivals and inviting parents. Most notable has been the huge number of children who have attended churches across the Parish every festival season to take part in our Experience Christmas, Experience Easter and Experience Harvest. Some schools are not near to a local church and so we have taken the Experiences into their school.

A couple of years ago we also offered Experience Easter Outside, to link to the focus on outdoor learning. The response was overwhelming, and staff and children loved being able to walk the Easter story, journeying from Gethsemane all the way to the empty tomb, which we had built outside. Again, over 1200 children took part and the plan was to run this for Easter 2020 where we had all 15 schools booked in. Sadly, only one session was able to take place before Lockdown was announced and the pandemic halted all our Easter plans.

We were sad to say farewell to Pam, as she moved into a full-time role with Telford Minster, but we are glad she has still been able to continue supporting the schools in our Parish. Experience Christmas was filmed and taken into schools on DVDs with accompanying resources, for use at the end of term.

Cards and letters have been sent to the schools, saying thank you for all that they are doing and reminding them that the local churches pray for them.

Writing this in March 2021, and Experience Easter has just been filmed.....

Revd Anne Roberts, (on behalf of Pam Spellen and all the church members who have been involved in any way.)