

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JAMES ARNSIDE AND STORTH VILLAGE CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1143293

Details

Other names ST JAMES PCC, ARNSIDE

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2011-08-09

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

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: Regular public worship open to all
Provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation
Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses, small groups & school assemblies
Pastoral work, visiting the sick & bereaved
Promoting Christianity mission through the staging of events, meetings, the distribution of literature for all
Supporting other charities in the UK & overseas

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Cumbria

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£58,927	£63,921	-	-
2023-12-31	£57,542	£55,542	-	-
2022-12-31	£50,124	£58,798	-	-
2021-12-31	£65,542	£59,818	-	-
2020-12-31	£56,655	£59,764	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
ALAN JOHN MITCHELL		2011-07-11
BARBARA HOLDSWORTH		2013-06-21
Delyth Rose Langdon		2021-05-06
Diana Lesley Jackson		2023-11-08
Edgar Colin Shepherd		2020-10-18
Elizabeth spence hay		2019-04-07
Helen Leach		2025-04-30
Ian Service		2015-06-24
JOHN EDWARDS		2011-08-12
Rev Hannah Caroline Wallace		2022-06-25
Richard Hamer		2025-04-30
SUSAN DOREEN SWIRE		2024-07-10
Sandra anne humphery		2019-08-08
Stephanie Marguerite woodburn		2019-04-07
stephanie jane grace griffith		2016-04-17

Accounts

Your Ref:
Our Ref: DK/Arnside/ARFS/2024

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The PCC Secretary
C/o Mr A Mitchell
To All PCC Members

Date: 21st March 2025

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Dear PCC Members,

Independent Examiner's Management Letter re Annual Report and Financial Statements 2024

I have now completed my Independent Examination (IE) of the Annual Report and Financial Statements 2024 (ARFS), and in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (CA), the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 (CAR), and the Church Representation Rules 2020 (CRR), and bring to your attentions the following items:

Nothing to report

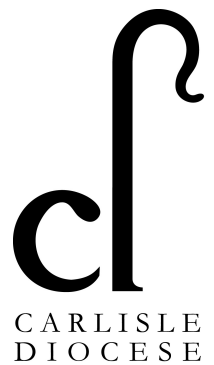
Yours sincerely

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David Knox Ph.D, B.Ed, ACIB, FCIE, KLJ, OMLJ
Charity Independent Examiner
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

Accounts

The Parochial Church Council
of
The Parish Church
of
Saint James, Arnside *with* Storth



Annual Parish Report
and
Financial Statements
for the year ended
31st December 2022

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

for the year ended 31st December 2022

Reference and Administration Information

The Parish Church of St James, Arnside is situated in Church Hill, Arnside.

It is part of the Diocese of Carlisle within the Church of England and is closely involved with the two Church of England Schools in the parish: Arnside National Primary and Storth Primary, electing Foundation Governors to serve on their respective Governing Bodies.

The church enjoys strong relationships with Arnside Methodist Church and Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church as members of Arnside Christians Together. And, as part of the Diocesan vision of 'God for All' sits within the Kent Estuary Mission Community, working collaboratively in mission and ministry with the local church communities – Church of England and Methodist – within Arnside, Beetham, Heversham, Levens, Storth and Milnthorpe.

The church is a Registered Charity in England and Wales (Registered Charity No. 1143293).

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	Cumbria, LA7 7AS	*(PCC Secretary)

Ex-Officio Members of the PCC

Those who have served during 2022 are:

Incumbent <i>(Priest-in-Charge)</i>	The Reverend Andrew B Norman	
Assistant Curate	The Reverend Hannah Wallace	
Lay Readers	Ian Service Jenny Skinner	
Churchwardens:	Ian Service Edgar Shepherd	Elected APCM 2022 Elected APCM 2022

Representatives on the Deanery Synod:

Annette Brown	Elected APCM 2020
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Representatives of Storth Village Church (co-opted APCM for one year)

Barbara Holdsworth	Co-opted
Beth Hay	Co-opted

ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The following are elected members of the PCC on a three-year cycle unless otherwise stated.

John Edwards	Elected APCM 2020
Sandra Humphery	Elected APCM 2020
Edward G Taylor	Elected APCM 2022 * 1 year
Stephanie Griffith	Elected APCM 2022 * 1 year

Sandy Felton	Elected APCM 2021
Delyth Langdon	Elected APCM 2021
Anne Jackson	Elected APCM 2022 * 2 years
Alan Mitchell	Elected APCM 2022 * 2 years

Roger Mashiter	Elected APCM 2022
Steph Woodburn	Elected APCM 2022
Tom Bradford	Elected APCM 2022

There is one vacancy on the PCC from the 2022 electoral cycle.

Members of the Standing Committee:

The Reverend Andrew B Norman
Mr Ian Service
Mr Edgar Shepherd
Mr Alan Mitchell
Mrs Steph Griffith
Mrs Anne Jackson
Mrs Sandy Felton

Bank:

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(Re-appointed APCM 2022)

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England, in accordance with the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measures 1956 as amended. Its members are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), in accordance with the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended and Church Representation Rules 2006. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016.

The Priest-in-Charge, Assistant Curate, Lay Readers, Churchwardens and Deanery Synod representatives are ex-officio members of the PCC. The continuing relationship between the Benefice and the Methodist Church known as Storth Village Church (SVC) enables two further ex-officio members of the PCC from SVC, both of whom are registered on the Church Electoral Roll of the Benefice. All those attending public worship regularly are encouraged to register on the Church Electoral Roll and are then eligible to stand for election to the PCC.

Standing Committee: The PCC is required to appoint a Standing Committee by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. Its membership is constituted as follows: Clergy, Chair/Vice-Chair PCC, Church Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary and two members of the PCC.

Objectives and Activities: St James PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, The Reverend Andrew B Norman, promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social, and ecumenical as stated in the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended.

Activities include: Regular **public worship** open to all; The provision of **sacred space** for personal prayer and contemplation; **pastoral work**, including visiting the sick and bereaved; **teaching** of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups; promotion of Christianity through the staging of **events and meetings** and the distribution of literature; promoting the **whole mission** of the Church with activities for people of all ages; supporting other **charities** in the UK and overseas.

These objectives are encapsulated and progressed through the Diocesan Strategy 'God for All'. This vision encompasses four themes: follow daily, speak boldly, care deeply, tread gently. In the coming years we will seek to ensure that the parish church is fully aligned to seeking this vision for our church and community. This will be done in collaboration with our ecumenical partners in Arnside village, through Arnside Christians Together, and with fellow church communities across the Kent Estuary Mission Community. Further information about the 'God for All' vision can be found here: www.godforall.org.uk and www.kentestuarymissioncommunity.com.

The PCC has ensured that a robust risk assessment is in place, which has been regularly reviewed and updated.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT

As of 1st January 2023, there were **105** on the Church Electoral Roll. A completely new Electoral Roll was formed in 2019, carried out in the months leading up to the 2019 APCM and the New Roll Number at that time was 107. Subsequently, several members have moved away.

In the month of October, the average adult Sunday attendance over the four Sundays was 56.

During the week 120 children attend on Wednesday for School Church accompanied by 13 adults.

Weekly attendance numbers have been regular over the year with an average of 175 different people recorded attending over that period.

Occasional Offices:

Baptisms:	8
Weddings:	1
Funerals in Church:	4
Funerals at Crematorium	1

The appointment of PCC Roles for 2022 was placed on the notice board at the back of the church.

During the year (2022) the PCC / Standing Committee met on the following dates:

- 19th January PCC (15 present, 1 apology)
- 8th February Standing Committee (6 present, 1 apology)
- 16th March PCC (14 present, 2 apologies)
- 4th May APCM & PCC (13 present, 3 apologies)
- 13th June Standing Committee (6 present, 1 apology)
- 13th July PCC (14 present, 4 apologies)
- 10th August Standing Committee (6 present, 1 apology)
- 14th August Extraordinary PCC meeting (10 present, 8 apologies)
- 14th September PCC (11 present, 7 apologies)
- 9th November PCC (17 present, 1 apology)

During the course of the year the Standing Committee met regularly to conduct the business of the PCC and deal with any pressing issues that needed to be addressed. The minutes of these minutes were circulated to the full PCC for their approval and agreement. The PCC met regularly bi-monthly. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (see Safeguarding report page 19).

Stephanie Griffith

REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2022 accounts have been produced on a receipts and payments basis as in previous years.

Following two years of Covid uncertainty, with difficult financial predictions, we have entered a more stable year, and were able to commit to some improvements to our church. We have completely upgraded the entire lighting system to all new LED fittings which will help to offset an increase in electricity tariff that came in from Nov 2022. In addition, a major repair was made to the east window protection screen to prevent leaks, and a new ventilation hopper fitted to one of the west windows. Both these upgrades were paid for by the fabric fund. In addition, we have bought all new pew runners for the main body of the church, paid for by the general fund but the costs have been partly offset by appeal donations. Our total expenditure on these projects was £13.3K.

Our freewill offering increased slightly by 1% to £27043, plate collections were £2656 up from £1755, St James Day donations fell but at the back end of the year the response to the pew runner appeal has netted £1450 which with gift aid will provide a gross £1800. Our Patronal Festival BBQ was well supported by all the local churches. We are grateful for 2 legacies during the year which provided £3500. Fees from funerals fell, and receipts from use of the church for other activities have not got back to pre-Covid levels. Despite a lot of work on the magazine, advertising revenue has fallen off.

Due to falls in equity values our Church of England Fund shares held by the CCLA show a fall in value of 9% compared to the end of 2021. More important, however, the dividend income from the shares is being maintained, and has increased by around £5K per annum due to the investment last year of the proceeds of the sale of 1 Woodclose Cottage. The Woodclose Maintenance account has now been closed.

Discussion arose in the year concerning the Anglican Storth Mission Fund, and it was agreed that the fund could support a contribution of a sixth of the Parish Offering on an ongoing basis. In 2022 units to the value of £4k were sold to facilitate this.

As mentioned earlier the Fabric Fund paid for the new lights and window upgrades. This mopped up all the deposit funds but we did not have to touch the income shares in the Church of England Fund held by the CCLA

Looking ahead there will be challenges facing us. Energy costs are a concern, and our very favourable gas tariff will terminate in Feb 2024. Our Parish Offering rises by 5% in 2023 to £46.2K. In addition, our Quinquennial Inspection could involve building costs of £17-£25K over the next 5 years.

Yet again we have been well supported this year by Kay Crabtree and John Edwards, in respect to the Freewill offering scheme, the HMRC Gift Aid recovery Scheme, and our bespoke Spreadsheet System that has to supply a surprising amount of financial data to the Charity Commission and C of E financial database for parish returns, not forgetting Sandy Felton who compiles the annual parish report. As always, we are grateful to Dr David Knox our Independent examiner for voluntarily doing our examination of accounts over the last 15 years.

Alan Mitchell

Policies: All policies reside in the church vestry and can be viewed by anyone who wishes to see them. The PCC does not believe that The Parish of St James is subject to any substantial risks beyond the liabilities disclosed in the financial statements. The PCC has no employees who are paid for their work. It holds public and liability insurance policies.

Risk Assessment Policy: The PCC has a Risk Assessment policy and a Risk Assessment Register, which is reviewed on a regular basis. All financial activities are carried out according to the Charity Commission's guidance. The PCC also has a Bribery and Corruption Policy that ensures financial transactions are fully transparent.

Health & Safety: The PCC's Health & Safety Officer reviews the maintenance of the premises on a regular basis and reports any concerns to the PCC. An **Accident Book** and **First Aid** equipment is located in the kitchen.

Reserves Policy: PCC has agreed to invest any surplus funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. Balances of the funds held are shown separately against each fund in the financial report of this APCM pack.

Safeguarding People Policy: The PCC has adopted in full the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy. The last review updated the policy and was approved by the PCC In January 2022. The Parish Safeguarding Handbook (Version 2: October 2018) is kept in the Vestry. All those required to do so have undergone the statutory training - C3 for the incumbent, Lay Readers and the Parish Safeguarding Officer and C0 and C1 for all PCC members. All recruitment happens within a Safer Recruitment framework. Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Yvonne Service, who attends regular Diocesan Briefings as they arise.

Summary and looking forward:

In the coming financial year, the continuing and increasing challenge to work with the churches around the Kent Estuary to meet the costs of ministry locally, in the Deanery and across the Diocese. There will also be financial implications surrounding the development of the Kent Estuary Mission Community. Our obligations as a charitable body will continue to adhere to Charity Law as it continues to be amended and develop.

Connected organisations and charities

The PCC is responsible for the activities and management of the Annie Pickering Charity No. 500252, details of whose assets and their management are shown in the Financial Statements.

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

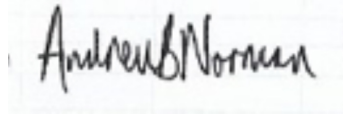
The PCC is responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of The Parish of St James financial activities during that year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the PCC should follow best practice and:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- * Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- * Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for: 1) keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Parish of St James and enable it (the PCC) to ensure that the annual financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006. 2) Safeguarding the assets of St James and taking reasonable steps for prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This Annual Report and Financial Statement was approved by the PCC on 8th March 2023

The Revd Andrew B Norman:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andrew B Norman", written on a light-colored background.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 on a receipts and payments basis. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Fund accounting

Endowment Funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the PCC's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted Funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor, and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted Funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated Funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for the use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Funds designated as invested in fixed assets for the PCC's own use are abated in line with those assets' annual depreciation charges in the SOFA. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC will move any surplus to other general funds.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the accounts due are readily quantifiable. Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furniture held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

ST. JAMES CHURCH, ARNSIDE
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2022

GENERAL ACCOUNT - UNRESTRICTED FUND

2021	Receipts	2022	2021	Payments	2022
24,229	Gift Aided Planned Giving	23,881	-	Cost of generating funds	14
2,558	Other Planned Giving	2,562	313	Charitable Donations	448
1,755	Collection at Services	2,656	32,312	Arnside Parish Share	36,632
1,335	Gift Day Donations	1,102	836	Salaries & Support	1,129
120	Other Voluntary Giving	10	1,611	Incumbent Expenses	2,030
348	Donations Non-Recurring	1,775	-	Assistant Clergy Expenses	345
7,209	HMRC Tax Recovered	7,111	117	Mission & Evangelism costs	218
-	Legacies	3,500	7,193	Church Running Expenses	7,864
-	Grants Recurring	-	2,964	Church Utilities	3,799
-	Grants Non-Recurring	-	-	Bookstall	-
-	Fund Raising Events	-	508	Magazine	838
4,564	Investment Income	5,025	-	Governance Costs	-
955	PCC Fees	872	-	Major Works	5,482
290	Use of Church Facilities	785			
-	Bookstall	-			
809	Magazine	845			
44,171	Total Receipts	50,124	45,854	Total Payments	58,798
(1,684)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(8,674)			
8,475	Transfers between funds	12,988			
-	Transfers between funds - Storth	-			
-	Transfers between funds	288			
6,791	Net Movement of Fund	4,601			
19,534	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	26,326			
26,326	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22	30,927			

Purpose: The General Unrestricted funds of the PCC.

WOODCLOSE ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2021	Receipts	2022	2021	Payments	2022
623		-	-	Repairs	-
-		-	-	Insurance	-
-		-	1,760	Major Works - improvements	-
623	Total Receipts	-	1,760	Total Payments	-
(1,138)	Excess of Receipts over payments	-			
250	Transfers from Annie Pickering fund	-			
(250)	Transfers between funds	(488)			
(1,138)	Net Movement of Fund	(488)			
1,626	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	488			
488	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22	-			

Purpose: A designated fund for the repairs and maintenance of the Woodclose property which has now been sold and this account has now been closed.

FLOWER ACCOUNT- RESTRICTED FUND

2021 Receipts	2022	2021 Payments	2022
<u>282</u> Donations	<u>260</u>	<u>298</u> Cost of Flowers	<u>233</u>
282 Total Receipts	260	298 Total Payments	233
 (16) Excess of Receipts over Payments	 27		
- Transfers between funds	-		
<u>(16) Net movement of Fund</u>	<u>27</u>		
 72 Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	 55		
<u>55 Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22</u>	<u>82</u>		

Purpose: A Restricted fund for flowers and floral arrangements in church

STORTH EXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUND

2021 Receipts	2022	2021 Payments	2022
<u>10,224</u> Income from CBF Investment Units	<u>2,157</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
10,224 Total Receipts	2,157	- Total Payments	-
 10,224 Net movement of Fund	 2,157		
- Purchase/Sale of CBF Investment units	4,000		
- Transfer to General Fund	-		
<u>(10,224) Transfer to Storth Fund</u>	<u>(6,157)</u>		
- Net Movement of Fund	-		
 - Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	 -		
<u>- Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22</u>	<u>-</u>		

Purpose: A Expendable Endowment fund being the sale proceeds of the former Storth Church Building.
To provide funding for Storth Church

ANNIE PICKERING ACCOUNT PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Registered Charity in England & Wales. Charity No: 500252

2021 Receipts	2022	2021 Payments	2022
<u>8,475</u> Income from CBF Investment Units	<u>12,988</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
8,475 Total Receipts	12,988	- Total Payments	-
 8,475 Net movement of Fund	 12,988		
<u>(8,475) Transfer to General Fund</u>	<u>(12,988)</u>		
- Net Movement of Fund	-		
 - Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	 -		
<u>- Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22</u>	<u>-</u>		

Purpose: A Permanent Endowment fund being the Legacy Estate of Annie Pickering, for the mission and work of the church in Arnside.

STORTH ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2021 Receipts	2022	2021 Payments	2022
600 Gift Aided Planned Giving	600	11,688 Storth Parish Share	7,368
- Other Planned Giving	-	41 Charitable Donations	-
150 HMRC Tax Recovered	150	- Church Running Expenses	-
1,275 Donations	-		
- Legacies	-		
1 Investment Income	17		
2,026 Total Receipts	767	11,729 Total Payments	7,368
(9,703) Excess of Receipts over Payments	(6,601)		
10,224 Transfers between funds	6,157		
522 Net Movement of Fund	(444)		
2,180 Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	2,701		
2,701 Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22	2,257		

Purpose: A designated fund for the work of the Anglican church in Storth.

FABRIC ACCOUNT - RESTRICTED FUND

2021 Receipts	2022	2021 Payments	2022
150 Fund Raising Events	-	- Fund raising costs	-
- Donations	250	- Church Maintenance	-
2 Investment Income	20	- Major Works and Fees	7,790
- Legacies	-		-
152 Total Receipts	270	- Total Payments	7,790
152 Excess of Receipts over Payments	(7,520)		
- Transfer between funds	200		
152 Net Movement of Fund	(7,320)		
-			
7,461 Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	7,613		
7,613 Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22	292		

Purpose: A Restricted fund for the maintenance and major repairs to the church building and roof, and also including the organ, heating, plumbing and electrical systems within the church.

SCHOOL BIBLE ACCOUNT- RESTRICTED FUND

2021 Receipts	2022	2021 Payments	2022
211 Donations	227	177 Grants of school bibles	101
- HMRC Tax Recovered	-		-
211 Total Receipts	227	177 Total Payments	101
34 Excess of Receipts over Payments	126		
- Transfers between funds	-		
34 Net movement of Fund	126		
8 Bank Accounts as at 1/1/22	42		
42 Bank Accounts as at 31/12/22	168		

Purpose: A Restricted Fund to provide a bible to children leaving Arnside National School and Storth Church of

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted General Fund	Designated Woodclose Fund	Designated Storlh Fund	Designated Fabric Fund	Restricted Fabric Fund	Restricted School Bible Fund	Restricted Flower Fund	Expendable Endowment Storlh Fund	Permanent Endowment Annie Pickering Charity	TOTALS	
										2022	2021
Cash held	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	-	-	82	55
Current account	9,665	-	801	-	89	168	-	-	-	10,722	9,233
CBF Deposit Account	21,282	-	1,457	-	203	-	-	-	-	22,942	27,936
	30,947	A/c Closed	2,257	A/c Closed	292	168	82	-	-	33,746	37,224
Debtors											
Income Tax recoverable as at 31/12/22	5,232	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,232	4,964
Other Assets											
CBF Income shares (1)	158,406	-	-	-	-	-	-	71,582	436,683	666,671	759,861
No: of Units	7666.77							3464.53	21135.19		
CBF Accumulation shares (2)	-	-	-	42,747	-	-	-	-	-	42,747	47,061
No: of Units	-	-	-	805.82	-	-	-	-	-		
Liabilities											
Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	600	527
Fund Balance as at 31/12/22	193,985	A/c Closed	2,257	42,747	292	168	82	71,582	436,683	747,796	848,584

FUNCTIONAL ASSETS

de-mountable staging	printer / copier	large barbecue	piano	tree stand	projector screen
microwave cooker	water boiler (new)	carpet cleaner	4 ladders	electric organ	
overhead projector	television set	workmate bench	3 kettles	electronic projector	

NOTES

Investment funds unit price as at 31st December 2022

(1)	CBF Income investment fund units	20.6614	per unit
(2)	CBF Accumulator investment fund units	53.0480	per unit

Signed on behalf of Arnside Parochial Church Council on 2023

The Revd. A B Norman



(chair)

A J Mitchell



(Treasurer)

8th March 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Parochial Church Council of St James, Arnside with Storth:

CHRISTIAN GIVING REPORT 2022

Freewill Offering:

Gift Aid Contribution	£19,859.00	April to December 2021
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Tax Claimed	£4,965.16
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Gift Aid Contribution	£6,275.00	January to March 2022
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Tax Claimed	£1,568.80
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GIFT AID SMALL DONATION SCHEME: £727.50	April 2021 to March 2022
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Total Tax Refund for 2022 £7,261.46

Membership in the Freewill Offering Scheme

Non-Gift Aid	4
Gift -Aid	14
Standing Order	29 {including 4 not gift aided}

Kay V Crabtree

ORGAN and CHOIR

Choir membership at St. James' Church Arnside currently numbers 12, with average Sunday attendances being in the region of eight. Rehearsals are usually held in church on Wednesday afternoons at 2.30 pm. These take place in a relaxed and informal atmosphere and are generally regarded as being both useful and enjoyable. If anyone feels they would like to come along and either listen or, better still, join us they would be most welcome. Advanced singing skills or musical knowledge not required!

Following the return to near-normality after the Covid pandemic, a start has been made on reintroducing Choral Matins on an occasional basis. One such service was held at the end of October '22 and was judged to be very successful, particularly as it had been 3 years since it was last undertaken. We hope to follow this with three more during 2023, in April, July and October.

I would like to add my thanks to all the choristers for the enthusiasm and support that you have shown week by week throughout the year. Sunday worship is undoubtedly enriched by your efforts and dedication.

Charles Humphery

HEALTH and SAFETY

There have been no Health and Safety issues in the last year and no major issues. PAT testing was carried out on seventeen items, all were found to be in good working order. All firefighting equipment was checked and replenished as necessary. Recently, small new plans of the church building showing fire exits have been sited around the building.

Roger Mashiter

CHURCH FABRIC

(under Section 50 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018)

Works completed during 2022:

East Window checked for leaks and Perspex screen cleaned.	April 2022
West End South Aisle window remade with opening hopper.	April 2022
Painting walls and pipes around the main Altar.	May 2022
Pipe organ serviced and small repairs carried out.	May 2022
Church room heaters and kitchen water boiler serviced.	August 2022
Gents toilet leak repaired.	August 2022
Hamsworthy boilers in cellar serviced.	September 2022
2 carbon monoxide detectors placed in kitchen and cellar.	September 2022
All light fittings in the church replaced with LED lights.	October 2022
Main nave and chancel supplied with pew cushions.	November 2022
Kitchen taps repaired.	January 2023

Overall, the church building is in very good condition. All work done is recorded in the church log book, with names of contractors and the cost of the work. We are currently considering the priorities of the initial report from our Quinquennial Architect Mr Paul Groot. We are also considering improvements to lower our carbon footprint and lowering our maintenance costs.

Ted Taylor

SAFEGUARDING

All members of the PCC from St James have completed basic Safeguarding Training, in line with guidance from the Church of England and the Diocese of Carlisle. Those co-opted members of the PCC from Storth Village Church Storth complete the training with the Methodist Circuit. Several members have also completed the Domestic Abuse Safeguarding Training. The Reverend Andrew Norman (Priest-in-Charge), The Reverend Hannah Wallace (Assistant Curate), Ian Service (Churchwarden) and Yvonne Service (Parish Safeguarding Officer) have completed basic, foundation, recruitment, domestic abuse, and leadership safeguarding courses. Enhanced DBS (with Barring Information) certificates have been approved for seven church members assisting with the Village Messy Church. There have been no Safeguarding incidents or referrals during 2022. Safeguarding information posters are placed the notice boards of the church, together with other associated information.

Yvonne Service

DEANERY SYNOD and MISSION COMMUNITY

Kendal Deanery Synod

There were three meetings of the Kendal Deanery Synod during 2022. The parish Deanery Synod representative is Annette Brown. At the APCM in 2022 Anne Jackson, who has served as a Deanery synod representative for several years decided to stand down, we record our thanks to Anne for the years she has represented the parish at Deanery level. In response to this decision, Sand Humphrey indicated her willingness to also attend Deanery Synod meetings to ensure a better representation from the parish.

The Rural Dean of Kendal is the Reverend Canon Anne Pettifor (Team Vicar in the Rainbow Parish around Kirkby Lonsdale), the Assistant Rural Dean is the Reverend George Briggs (Vicar of St Thomas', Kendal and St Catherine's Crook), the Secretary to the Deanery is Peter Clarke from Heversham and the Treasurer to the Deanery is Andy Denton from Sedbergh.

The first meeting of the year was held at St Thomas' Kendal, with a spotlight discussion on 'Follow Daily' and how we might live out our discipleship in everyday life. This was enabled through a panel conversation, with members including: Chris Hopwood (Pioneer Minister in Carlisle), Cameron Butland (Bishop's Chaplain and Diocesan Spirituality Adviser), Alison Fleetwood (Diocesan Healing Adviser) and Christopher Landau (Director of ReSource).

The second meeting of the year in July was held at Brigsteer Village Hall at which the synod was addressed by Nicky Smith (Diocesan Director of Ministry) regarding the new Diocesan lay training programme, 'The Discipleship Project' which was planned to begin later in September 2022

The third meeting of the year in October was held at Holy Trinity, Kendal, with a spotlight discussion on 'Speak Boldly'. The synod was addressed by Michael Manley (Canon Missioner at Carlisle Cathedral) reflecting on how we might have confidence in sharing and living out our faith in Jesus Christ publicly, practically and confidently. At this synod, the synod debated and gave their support for a motion to be proposed at Diocesan Synod regarding the funding (or lack of) available for maintaining the fabric of Grade 1 listed church buildings. It is hoped that this will be debated at Diocesan Synod in 2023.

The Deanery Ascension Day Eucharist was held at St Michael and All Angels, Beetham where we welcomed the Bishop of Carlisle as our preacher.

In the early months of 2022, the Deanery coordinated and offered three opportunities for people across the Deanery to come together to study the *Living in Love and Faith* material prepared by the Church of England to reflect on issues surrounding marriage, identity, gender, and the implications for our faith and understanding as a Church. These were very well attended and offered time for conversation, learning and prayer around these important issues which are of increasing significance to our common life and practice as the Church of England. It was recognised that there was great benefit to the Deanery in coming together to share in such learning opportunities, and it is hoped that these can be further promoted and enabled on future occasions.

Annette Brown

Kent Estuary Mission Community

The Mission Community Partnership continued to meet during 2022. The parish representatives on the Partnership are Annette Brown and Sand Humphrey. These meetings continued to offer an opportunity for the different communities of the Mission Community to meet and discuss, to foster connection and collaboration as the Mission Community continues to take shape.

During the year two 'twin' focuses seemed to emerge from these conversations, one relating to how the Mission Community engages with our local schools, and the other, how we relate to the spiritual and pastoral care of older people. From these discussions, it was decided that the re-launching of 'Open the Book' (a way of sharing Bible stories with children through drama and interaction) would be explored. Alongside this, work was also progressed regarding how the churches could work together on supporting those facing some of the difficulties and frustrations associated with old age.

Towards the end of the year, the idea was proposed that the Mission Community work together to support and fund a website to promote our shared mission and ministry together. This was launched towards the end of 2022 and can be found: www.kentestuarymissioncommunity.com.

In 2022, the Leadership Group of the Mission Community met bi-monthly to help strengthen and coordinate the joint work of the Mission Community. This has helped provide stronger definition and clarity as we respond to the encouragement from the Diocese and District to ensure that the Mission Community is understood as the primary unit for our shared mission and ministry as church communities, working ecumenically, to reach out to our communities with God's love revealed in Christ. Although there is still much to be done to make this a firm reality, we continue to ask for God's grace and strength as we look ahead to the new possibilities and opportunities that are offered through our shared work together. The arrival of Hannah Wallace as Assistant Curate to the Kent Estuary Mission Community in July 2022 has added further encouragement to this direction of travel, which we hope will bear fruit as we look to the years ahead.

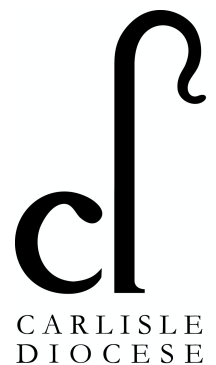
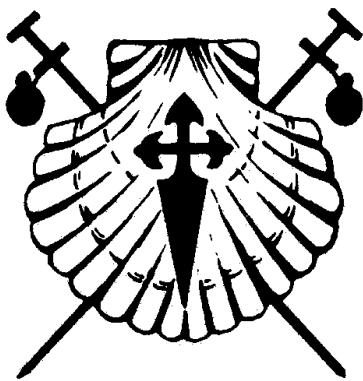
Towards the end of the year two other emerging aspects of our shared life as a Mission Community also began to come together. First, the shared exploration of the Christian history of the Kent Estuary and its usefulness and appropriateness for helping to shape a future direction of travel for ministry and mission. And second, the proposal that the Mission Community explore ways of drawing together to explore 'pioneering' and new, fresh ways that the church might engage with those underrepresented in our church communities. With God's help, we hope that both projects will bear fruit in 2023.

**Annette Brown
Sand Humphery**



Accounts

The Parochial Church Council
of
The Parish Church
of
Saint James, Arnside *with* Storth



Annual Parish Report
and
Financial Statements
for the year ended
31 December 2021

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

for the year ended 31st December 2021

Reference and Administration Information

The Parish Church of St James, Arnside is situated in Church Hill, Arnside.

It is part of the Diocese of Carlisle within the Church of England.

The church is a Registered Charity in England and Wales (*Registered Charity No. 1143293*).

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	Cumbria, LA7 7AS	*(PCC Secretary)

Ex-Officio Members of the PCC

Those who have served during 2021 are:

Incumbent(s) (<i>Priest-in-Charge</i>)	The Reverend Andrew B Norman
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Lay Reader(s)	Jenny Skinner Ian Service
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Wardens:	Edgar Shepherd	Elected APCM 2021
	Ian Service	Elected APCM 2021

Representatives on the Deanery Synod (appointed for 3 years until APCM 2022)

Anne Jackson	Elected APCM 2019
Annette Brown	Elected APCM 2019

Representatives of Storth Village Church (co-opted APCM for one year)

Barbara Holdsworth	Co-opted
Beth Hay	Co-opted

ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The following are elected members of the PCC on a three-year cycle:

Nancy Hogg	Elected APCM 2021
Sandy Felton	Elected APCM 2021
Delyth Langdon	Elected APCM 2021
John Edwards	Elected APCM 2020
Sandra Humphery	Elected APCM 2020
Barry Hogg	Elected APCM 2020
Roger Mashiter	Elected APCM 2019
Alan Mitchell	Elected APCM 2019
Stephanie Griffith	Elected APCM 2019
Edward G Taylor	Elected APCM 2019
Steph Woodburn	Elected APCM 2019

Bank:

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Independent Examiner:

Dr David Knox
Number 12, Inglemere Gardens, Arnside, Carnforth, LA5 0BX
(*Re-appointed APCM 2019*)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE and MANAGEMENT

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England, in accordance with the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measures 1956 as amended. Its members are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), in accordance with the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended and Church Representation Rules 2006. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016.

The Priest-in-Charge, Reader, Wardens and Deanery Synod representatives are ex-officio members of the PCC. The continuing relationship between the Benefice and the Methodist Church known as Storth Village Church (SVC) enables two further ex-officio members of the PCC from SVC, both of whom are registered on the Church Electoral Roll of the Benefice. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Church Electoral Roll and are then eligible to stand for election to the PCC.

Standing Committee: The PCC is required to appoint a Standing Committee by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. Its membership is constituted as follows: Clergy, Chair/Vice-Chair PCC, Church Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary and two members of the PCC.

Objectives and Activities: St James PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, The Reverend Andrew B Norman, promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as stated in the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended.

Activities include: Regular **public worship** open to all; The provision of **sacred space** for personal prayer and contemplation; **pastoral work**, including visiting the sick and bereaved; **teaching** of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups; promotion of Christianity through the staging of **events and meetings** and the distribution of literature; promoting the **whole mission** of the Church with activities for people of all ages; supporting other **charities** in the UK and overseas.

These objectives are encapsulated and progressed through the Diocesan Strategy 'God for All'. This vision encompasses four themes: follow daily, speak boldly, care deeply, tread gently. In the coming years we will seek to ensure that the parish church is fully aligned to seeking this vision for our church and community. This will be done in collaboration with our ecumenical partners in Arnside village and with fellow church communities across the Kent Estuary Mission Community. Further information about the 'God for All' vision can be found here: <https://www.godforall.org.uk>.

Through 2021, like 2020, and the ongoing restrictions, limitations and uncertainties of the Coronavirus pandemic, the Parochial Church Council in all its undertakings has ensured that the parish church in all its worship, mission and ministry has followed all necessary regulations, guidelines and instructions. The PCC has ensured that a robust risk assessment is in place, which has been regularly reviewed and updated.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT

As of 1st January 2021, there were **101** on the Church Electoral Roll. A completely new Electoral Roll was formed in 2019, carried out in the months leading up to the 2019 APCM and the New Roll Number at that time was 107. Subsequently, several members have moved away.

In the month of October, the average adult Sunday attendance over the four Sundays was: **35**. During the week 120 children attend on Wednesday for School Church accompanied by 13 adults. Weekly attendance numbers have been regular over the year with an average of 85 different people recorded attending over that period.

Occasional Offices:

Baptisms:	1
Weddings:	2
Funerals in Church:	6
Funerals at Crematorium	3
Service of Thanksgiving	1

The appointment of PCC Roles for 2021 was placed on the Notice Board at the back of the church.

During the year (2021) the PCC met on the following dates:

- 6th May APCM & PCC (All present (18)
- 22nd June Standing Committee (6 present, apologies 1)
- 1st July PCC (17 present, apologies 1)
- 27th July Standing Committee (All present (7)
- 15th September Standing Committee (6 present, apologies 1)
- 23rd September PCC (8 present, apologies 10)
- 13th October Standing Committee (5 present, apologies 2)
- 11th November PCC (12 present, apologies 6)

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held in May.

During the course of the year the Standing Committee, when permitted under national Coronavirus restrictions met regularly, to conduct the business of the PCC and deal with any pressing issues that needed to be addressed. The minutes of these minutes were circulated to the full PCC for their approval and agreement. The PCC met regularly from May to November as permitted under national Coronavirus restrictions. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (see Safeguarding report page 19).

Stephanie Griffith

REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2021 accounts have been produced on a receipts and payments basis as in previous years.

We have now been dominated by the Covid-19 Pandemic for two financial years, making financial predictions difficult. Our first budget prediction for 2021 was done in June 2020 using a planning model provided by the Diocese, however, early in 2021 during the third lockdown we revised this using the same model. Our prediction showed a negative balance of £11K. A budget revision dated 16 Feb 2021 was presented and approved by the PCC.

The proposal was to raise the Storth proportion of the Parish Offering by £8k for 2021, utilising monies in the Mission Church Endowment Fund that can be used for C of E purposes.

During the year in the GENERAL FUND our Freewill Offering only fell by 3% on 2020, and achieved £26786. However, with less services, our collection in the plate fell by 33% on the previous year, £890 down. On the positive side the St James Day donations increased by £750 and we were able to celebrate with a Songs of Praise in the church grounds.

Other activities are dramatically reduced, this includes use of Church facilities, bookstall, fees from funerals and weddings, and magazine income. Receipts fell by £1.78k, but our investment income from the C of E Bank income shares was sustained. In addition, it should be noted that the year-end value of C of E income shares rose 14.3% on the year, but as these are based on equity values they can fall and rise.

£8000 of units in the STORTH MISSION FUND were sold to support the Parish Offering, despite this the Fund was valued at £3k more at the end of the year due to the value of C of E income shares. Storth also benefitted by a £1275 windfall that arose from moving the account from Nat West to Yorkshire Bank (now Virgin Money).

After 20 months of effort we completed the sale of 1, Woodclose Cottages on 9th September 2021. The sale achieved £215k gross, £208,457.00 net, the proceeds of which were invested in the Annie Pickering Fund by the Diocese. As the Diocese managed to make the investment before the end of September we benefitted from an increased dividend of almost £1.5k at the end of November.

Many thanks for the work done by the Diocesan Registrar, Diocesan Property Manager, and the Diocesan Finance Director, plus our PCC nominees.

We have a very favourable gas tariff with SSE that takes us into 2024. We have re-negotiated an electricity contract with EDF for Nov 2022. We also have a charitable broadband tariff with EE.

Many thanks to Kay Crabtree who has continued to oversee our Freewill Offering Scheme and the Gift Aid Rebates that are negotiated with HMRC. Our tax rebate in the year has totalled £7359. Also, thanks to John Edwards for much help and advice and keeping the spreadsheets functioning. We are also lucky to have one of the most qualified examiners in the UK, and we thank Dr David Knox for the thoroughness of his examination procedures.

Alan Mitchell

Policies: All policies reside in the church vestry and can be viewed by anyone who wishes to see them. The PCC does not believe that The Parish of St James is subject to any substantial risks beyond the liabilities disclosed in the financial statements. The PCC has no employees who are paid for their work. It holds public and liability insurance policies.

Risk Assessment Policy: The PCC has a Risk Assessment policy and a Risk Assessment Register, which is reviewed on a regular basis. All financial activities are carried out according to the Charity Commission's guidance. The PCC also has a Bribery and Corruption Policy that ensures financial transactions are fully transparent.

Health & Safety: The PCC's Health & Safety Officer reviews the maintenance of the premises on a regular basis and reports any concerns to the PCC. An **Accident Book** and **First Aid** equipment is located in the kitchen.

Reserves Policy: PCC has agreed to invest any surplus funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. Balances of the funds held are shown separately against each fund in the financial report of this APCM pack.

Safeguarding People Policy: The PCC has adopted in full the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy. The last review updated the policy and was approved by the PCC In January 2019. The Parish Safeguarding Handbook (Version 2: October 2018) is kept in the Vestry. All those required to do so have undergone the statutory training - C3 for the incumbent, Readers and the Parish Safeguarding Officer and at least C0 for all PCC members. All recruitment happens within a Safer Recruitment framework. Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Yvonne Service, who attends regular Diocesan Briefings as they arise.

Summary and looking forward:

In the coming financial year, the continuing and increasing challenge to work with the churches around the Kent Estuary to meet the costs of ministry locally, in the Deanery and across the Diocese. There will also be financial implications surrounding the development of the Kent Estuary Mission Community. Our obligations as a charitable body will continue to adhere to Charity Law as it continues to be amended and develop.

Connected organisations and charities

The PCC is responsible for the activities and management of the Annie Pickering Charity No. 500252, details of whose assets and their management are shown in the Financial Statements.

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

The PCC is responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of The Parish of St James financial activities during that year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the PCC should follow best practice and:

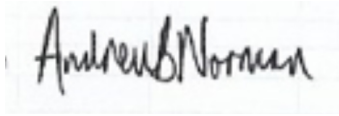
- * Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- * Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- * Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for: 1) keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Parish of St James and enable it (the PCC) to ensure that the annual

financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006. 2) Safeguarding the assets of St James and taking reasonable steps for prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This Annual Report and Financial Statement was approved by the PCC on

The Revd Andrew B Norman:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andrew B Norman", written over a light blue grid background.

10/2/22

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 on a receipts and payments basis. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Fund accounting

Endowment Funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the PCC's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted Funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor, and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted Funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated Funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for the use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Funds designated as invested in fixed assets for the PCC's own use are abated in line with those assets' annual depreciation charges in the SOFA. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC will move any surplus to other general funds.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the accounts due are readily quantifiable. Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furniture held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

ST. JAMES CHURCH, ARNSIDE
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2021

GENERAL ACCOUNT UNRESTRICTED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
24,832	Gift Aided Planned Giving	24,229	60	Cost of generating funds	-
2,801	Other Planned Giving	2,558	949	Charitable Donations	313
2,645	Collection at Services	1,755	40,316	Arnside Parish Share	32,312
585	Gift Day Donations	1,335	213	Salaries & Support	836
95	Other Voluntary Giving	120	1,103	Incumbent Expenses	1,611
228	Donations Non-Recurring	348	-	Assistant Clergy Expenses	-
7,348	HMRC Tax Recovered	7,209	62	Mission & Evangelism costs	117
-	Legacies	-	6,517	Church Running Expenses	7,193
-	Grants Recurring	-	3,195	Church Utilities	2,964
-	Grants Non-Recurring	-	182	Bookstall	-
-	Fund Raising Events	-	411	Magazine	508
4,459	Investment Income	4,564	-	Governance Costs	-
1,266	PCC Fees	955	-	Major Works	-
515	Use of Church Facilities	290			
60	Bookstall	-			
1,112	Magazine	809			
-	Insurance claims & Misc income	-			
45,946	Total Receipts	44,171	53,007	Total Payments	45,854
(7,061)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(1,684)			
6,819	Transfers between funds	8,475			
-	Transfers between funds storth	-			
0	Transfers between funds	-			
(242)	Net Movement of Fund	6,791			
19,776	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	19,534			
19,534	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	26,326			

Purpose: The General Unrestricted funds of the PCC.

WOODCLOSE ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
-		623	-	Repairs	-
-		-	380	Insurance	-
-		-	1,533	Major Works - improvements	1,760
-	Total Receipts	623	1,913	Total Payments	1,760
(1,913)	Excess of Receipts over payments	(1,138)			
234	Transfers from Annie Pickering fund	250			
	Transfers between funds	(250)			
(1,679)	Net Movement of Fund	(1,138)			
3,305	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	1,626			
1,626	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	488			

Purpose: A designated fund for the repairs and maintenance of the Woodclose property.

STORTH ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
600	Gift Aided Planned Giving	600	3,684	Storth Parish Share	11,688
-	Other Planned Giving	-	-	Charitable Donations	41
150	HMRC Tax Recovered	150	-	Church Running Expenses	-
-	Donations	1,275			
-	Legacies	-			
5	Investment Income	1			
755	Total Receipts	2,026	3,684	Total Payments	11,729
(2,929)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(9,703)			
2,318	Transfers between funds	10,224			
(611)	Net Movement of Fund	522			
2,791	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	2,180			
2,180	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	2,701			

Purpose: A designated fund for the work of the Anglican church in Storth.

FABRIC ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
-	Investment Income	-	-	Church Maintenance	-
-	Total Receipts	-	-	Total Payments	-
	Excess of Receipts over Payments	-			
-	Sale of CCLA units	-			
-	Transfer between funds	-			
	Net Movement of Fund	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	-			

Purpose: The Legacy fund in the Estate of Lucy E Atkinson, to be used for the major repairs and maintenance of the church building and roof. Fund now at nil and closed.

FABRIC ACCOUNT - RESTRICTED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
-	Fund Raising Events	150	-	Fund raising costs	-
-	Donations	-	657	Church Maintenance	-
213	Investment Income	2	-	Major Works and Fees	-
-	Legacies	-			-
213	Total Receipts	152	657	Total Payments	-
(444)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	152			
-	Transfer between funds	-			
(444)	Net Movement of Fund	152			
7,904	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	7,461			
7,461	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	7,613			

Purpose: A Restricted fund for the maintenance and major repairs to the church building and roof, and also including the organ, heating, plumbing and electrical systems within the church.

SCHOOL BIBLE ACCOUNT- RESTRICTED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
320	Donations	211	394	Grants of school bibles	177
-	HMRC Refund	-			-
320	Total Receipts	211	394	Total Payments	177
		-			
(73)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	34			
	Transfers between funds	-			
(73)	Net movement of Fund	34			
81	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	8			
8	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	42			

Purpose: - Arestricted fund to a bible to children leaving Arnside National School and Storth Church fo England School

FLOWER ACCOUNT- RESTRICTED FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
50	Donations	2,021	108	Cost of Flowers	298
50	Total Receipts	282	108	Total Payments	298
		-			
(58)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(16)			
	Transfers between funds	-			
(58)	Net movement of Fund	(16)			
130	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	72			
72	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	55			

Purpose - A Restricted fund for flowers and floral arrangements in church:

STORTH EXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUND

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
2,318	Income from CBF Investment Units	10,224			-
-	Miscellaneous Income	-			-
2,318	Total Receipts	10,224		Total Payments	-
2,318	Net movement of Fund	10,224			
-	Transfer to General Fund	-			
(2,318)		(10,224)			
-	Net Movement of Fund	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	-			

Purpose: A Expendable Endowment fund being the sale proceeds of the former Storth Church Building.
To provide funding for Storth Church

ANNIE PICKERING ACCOUNT PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Registered Charity in England & Wales. Charity No: 500252

2020	Receipts	2021	2020	Payments	2021
6,819	Income from CBF Investment Units	8,475			
234	Cottage Rent	-			
7,053	Total Receipts	8,475		- Total Payments	-
7,053	Net movement of Fund	8,475			
(6,819)	Transfer to General Fund	(8,475)			
(234)	Transfer to Woodclose Fund				
-	Net Movement of Fund	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/21	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/21	-			

Purpose: A Permanent Endowment fund being the Legacy Estate of Annie Pickering, for the mission and work of the church in Arnside.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER 2021

	Unrestricted	Designated	Designated	Designated	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	Restricted	Expendable	Permanent	TOTALS
	General Fund	Woodclose Fund	Storh Fund	Fabric Fund	School Bible Fund	Flower Fund	Storh Fund	Annie Pickering Charity			
Cash held	-	-	-	-	-	55	-	-	55	72	
Current account	3,056	488	1,219	4,429	42	-	-	-	9,233	17,268	
CBF Deposit Account	23,270	-	1,483	3,183	-	-	-	-	27,936	13,540	
	26,326	488	2,701	7,613	42	55	-	-	37,224	30,860	
Debtors											
Income Tax recoverable as at 31/12/21	4,964	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,964	5,063	
Other Assets											
Woodclose Cottage	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200,000	
CBF Income shares	179,541	-	-	-	-	-	85,374	494,946	759,861	483,259	
No. of Units	7666.77	-	-	-	-	-	3645.63	21135.19	47,061	40,064	
CBF Accumulation shares	-	-	-	47,061	-	-	-	-	-	-	
No. of Units	-	-	-	805.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Liabilities											
Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Creditors	527	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	527	600	
Fund Balance as at 31/12/21	210,304	488	2,701	7,613	42	55	85,374	494,946	848,584	758,666	

FUNCTIONAL ASSETS

de-mountable staging	printer / copier	large barbecue	piano	tree stand	projector screen
microwave cooker	water boiler (new)	carpet cleaner	electric organ		
overhead projector	television set	workmate bench	3 kettles	electronic projector	

NOTES

- (1) cottage sold 9/9/21
- (2) CCLA Income investment fund units 23,4181 per unit
- (3) CCLA Accumulator investment fund units 58,4015 per unit

Signed on behalf of Arnside Parochial Church Council on

2022

The Revd. A B Norman (chair)

10/2/22

A J Mitchell (Treasurer)

Independent Examiner's Report to the Parochial Church Council of St James, Arnside with Storth:

Your Ref:
Our Ref: DK/Arnside/ARFS/2021

Private & Confidential
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C/o Mr A Mitchell

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Dear PCC Members,

Independent Examiner's Management Letter re Annual Report and Financial Statements 2021

I have now completed my Independent Examination (IE) of the Annual Report and Financial Statements 2021 (ARFS), and in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (CA), the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 (CAR), and the Church Representation Rules 2020 (CRR), and bring to your attentions the following items:

None

Yours sincerely



David Knox Ph.D, B.Ed, ACIB, FCIE, KLJ, OMLJ, BMLJ, PSLJ
Charity Independent Examiner
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners

CHRISTIAN GIVING FREEWILL OFFERING

FREEWILL OFFERING 2020	April to December 2020
Gift Aid Contributions	£20,253.09
Tax Claimed	£5,063.57 (Including Interest)

FREEWILL OFFERING 2021	January to March 2021
Gift Aid Contributions	£6,415.50
Tax Claimed	£1,603.88

GIFT AID SMALL DONATIONS SCHEME (Claim on £2,767.10)	April 2020 to March 2021
Tax Claimed	£691.78

Note: Gift Day Contributions, for 2021 contributions are included in Freewill Offering.

Membership in the Freewill Offering Scheme is as follows:

Non Gift Aided	4
Gift Aided	15
Standing Orders	30 (including 4 not gift aided)

Therefore, to Summarise Tax Refund Paid into the Accounts for year 2021

Freewill Offering	April – December 2020	£5,063.57
Freewill Offering	January – March 2021	£1,603.88
GASDS	April 2020 – March.2021	£691.78
Total Tax Refund Received During 2021		£7,359.23

Kay Crabtree

ORGAN and CHOIR

I must report that the revived choir has been a huge success story, when one considers that 2 years ago it seemed to be in terminal decline. We now have 11 members, most of whom are 'new blood' and I have been delighted with their enthusiasm. We rehearse regularly on Wednesday afternoons in a very relaxed atmosphere, ready for the following Sunday, and it always seems to be enjoyed by the attendees. Andrew our priest-in-charge is very supportive, and I am currently working with him on a gradual expansion of the number of hymns and canticles in our Sunday services following relaxation of Covid restrictions.

The organ remains in good condition, with no serious faults showing at present. For maintenance we remain in the care of Derek Matthews and his assistant Victor - a very able team.

Charles Humphery

HEALTH and SAFETY

There have been no Health and Safety issues in the last year. Thanks to Churchwardens and Clergy for keeping us safe during this continuing pandemic. In accordance with the various pandemic 'lock downs' the church was closed for several weeks between January and March.

PAT testing and Fire Extinguisher testing were carried out in February.

Roger Mashiter

CHURCH FABRIC

(under Section 50 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018)

Work completed this year:

- Repairs to Church letterbox. £79.90.
- Replacing slipped and broken slates between two roofs. £70.00.
- Church organ repairs and servicing. £95.00.
- Servicing Church room gas heaters and kitchen boiler. £100.00.
- Annual servicing of Hamworthy C.H. boilers. £272.16.
- Sound system. Identifying faults in system and effecting repairs. 2 visits. £381.60.
- **Total cost: £998. 66**

Overall the church building is in very good condition. We are currently considering the priority requirements of the initial report from our quinquennial architect, Mr Paul Grout, for the new Quinquennial.

Ted Taylor

SAFEGUARDING

During 2021 the Diocese of Carlisle welcomed a new Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser, Jo Van Lachterop. All members of the PCC from St James have completed basic Safeguarding Training, in line with guidance from the Church of England and the Diocese of Carlisle. Those co-opted members of the PCC from Storth Village Church Storth complete the training with the Methodist Circuit. Several members have also completed the Domestic Abuse Safeguarding Training. The Reverend Andrew Norman (Priest-in-Charge), Ian Service (Churchwarden) and Yvonne Service (Parish Safeguarding Officer) have completed basic, foundation, recruitment, domestic abuse and leadership safeguarding courses. Enhanced DBS (with Barring Information) certificates have been approved for seven church members assisting with the Village Messy Church. There have been no Safeguarding incidents or referrals during 2021. New safeguarding information posters have been placed the notice boards of the church, together with other associated information.

Yvonne Service

DEANERY SYNOD and MISSION COMMUNITY

Kendal Deanery Synod

There were three meetings of the Kendal Deanery Synod during 2021. The parish Deanery Synod representatives are Annette Brown and Anne Jackson.

The Rural Dean of Kendal is the Reverend Anne Pettifor (Team Vicar in the Rainbow Parish), the Assistant Rural Dean is the Reverend George Briggs (Vicar of St Thomas', Kendal and St Catherine's Crook), the Secretary to the Deanery is Peter Clarke from Heversham and the Treasurer to the Deanery is Andy Denton from Sedbergh.

The first meeting of the year, held on Zoom, was held in March during which the 'spotlight' discussion was led by Professor Linda Woodhead (from Lancaster University) on the God for All theme of 'Speak Boldly'. The synod reflected on the contemporary challenges and opportunities for the Church of England of sharing faith.

The second meeting, also held on Zoom, was held in July during with the 'spotlight' discussion was led by Pam Martin, from the parish church of St John, Levens, on the God for All theme of 'Tread Gently'. Looking at the ways in which churches and communities might respond to the climate emergency as part of the Church of England's commitment to Carbon Zero by 2030.

The third meeting in October, held at Barbon Village Hall (the first in-person meeting since the Coronavirus pandemic). The synod was addressed by the Reverend Aimee Lynch, a priest in the Diocese and one of the Diocesan Living in Love and Faith facilitators, who spoke about the Living in Love and Faith project. Living in Love and Faith is a set of resources from the Church of England produced to help inspire people to think more deeply both about what it means to be human, and to live in love and faith with one another. Living in Love and Faith tackles the tough questions and the divisions among Christians about what it means to be holy in a society in which understandings and practices of gender, sexuality and marriage continue to change. It was hoped that the Deanery of Kendal would seek to explore these resources in early 2022 as part of the Church of England's commitment to learning and talking together about these important topics.

On Ascension Day, Thursday 13th May 2021, the Deanery Eucharist was held at Holy Trinity, Kendal led by clergy from the Helm Mission Community, the preacher was the Reverend Becca Gilbert, Pioneer Minister in the Western Dales Mission Community.

Kent Estuary Mission Community

The Mission Community Partnership continued to meet during the course of 2021. The parish representatives on the Partnership are Annette Brown and Sand Humphrey.

On Sunday 5th September there was a celebration to mark the establishment of the Mission Community at St Thomas' Milnthorpe. This took the form of a Songs of Praise, aided by the Salvation Army Band from Carnforth, with associated readings, hymns and a sermon by the Bishop of Carlisle reminding us of the four themes that form the focus for the Diocesan ecumenical vision of 'God for All': 'Follow Daily, Speak Boldly, Care Deeply, Tread Gently'.

During the year a logo for the Kent Estuary Mission Community was adopted and began to be used. There were also several prayer meetings held both on Zoom and in the various church buildings. In October there was an evening introducing Anna Chaplaincy led by Katherine Froggatt, the Anna Chaplaincy lead for Cumbria, held at St Peter's Heversham, it is hoped that we will be able to establish this work in the Mission Community as we go forward.

The plans for the leadership of the Mission Community are still coming together, with the hope that 2022 will see a clearer structure established for taking forward the collegiality, cooperation and fellowship that we seek as church communities across the Kent Estuary.

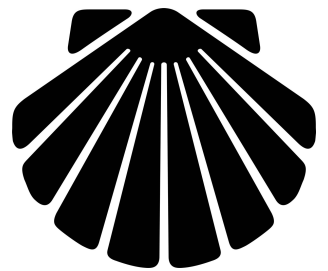
Annette Brown
Andrew B Norman

Accounts

The Parochial Church Council
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ARNSIDE
with Storth Village Church



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for the year ended
31 December 2020

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Reference and Administration Information

St James' Church is situated in Church Hill, Arnside. It is part of the Diocese of Carlisle within the Church of England and is a Registered Charity in England & Wales (Registered Charity No. 1143293).

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Ex-Officio Members of the PCC

Those who have served during 2020 are:

Incumbent(s) The Reverend Andrew B Norman
(*Priest-in-Charge*)

Lay Reader(s) Jenny Skinner
Ian Service

Wardens: Barry Hogg Re-elected APCM 2019
(*served until October 2020 – extended due to Covid-19*)
Ian Service Re-elected APCM 2019
(*served until October 2020 then re-elected APCM October 2020*)
Edgar Shepherd Elected APCM October 2020

Representatives on the Deanery Synod (appointed for 3 years until APCM 2022)

Anne Jackson	Re-elected APCM 2019
Annette Brown	Re-elected APCM 2019

Representatives of Storth Village Church (Ex-officio co-options)

Barbara Holdsworth	To be Re-elected retrospectively
Beth Hay	To be Re-elected retrospectively

ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The following are elected members of the PCC on a three-year cycle:

Nancy Hogg	Re-Elected APCM 2018
Sandy Felton	Re-elected APCM 2018
Glynn Griffith	Re-elected APCM 2018
Roger Mashiter	Re-elected APCM 2019
Alan Mitchell	Re-elected APCM 2019
Stephanie Griffith	Re-elected APCM 2019
Edward G Taylor	Elected APCM 2019
Steph Woodburn	Elected APCM 2019
John Edwards	Re-elected APCM 2020
Sandra Humphery	Elected APCM 2020
Barry Hogg	Elected APCM 2020

The following are members of the Standing Committee:

The Reverend Andrew B Norman	(Priest-in-Charge)
Mr Ian Service	(Churchwarden)
Mr Edgar Shepherd	(Churchwarden)
Mrs Stephanie Griffith	(Honorary Secretary)
Mr Alan Mitchell	(Honorary Treasurer)
Mrs Sandy Felton	(PCC Member)
Mrs Anne Jackson	(PCC Member)

Bankers: Barclays Plc., 9 Highgate, Kendal, LA9 4DF
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Independent Examiner:
Dr David Knox, 12, Inglemere Gardens, Arncliffe, Leeds, LS16 5JY
LA5 0BX (Re-appointed APCM 2019)

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England, in accordance with the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measures 1956 as amended. Its members are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), in accordance with the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended and Church Representation Rules 2006. The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016. The Priest-in-Charge, Reader, Wardens and Deanery Synod representatives are ex-officio members of the PCC. The continuing relationship between the Benefice and the Methodist Church known as Storth Village Church (SVC) enables two further ex-officio members of the PCC from SVC, both of whom are registered on the Church Electoral Roll of the Benefice. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Church Electoral Roll and are then eligible to stand for election to the PCC.

Standing Committee: The PCC is required to appoint a Standing Committee by law. It has power to transact business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. Its membership is constituted as follows: Clergy, Chair/Vice-Chair PCC, Church Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary and two members of the PCC.

Objectives and Activities: St James PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, The Reverend Andrew B Norman, promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical as stated in the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended.

Activities include: Regular **public worship** open to all; The provision of **sacred space** for personal prayer and contemplation; **Pastoral work**, including visiting the sick and bereaved; **Teaching** of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups; Promotion of Christianity through the staging of **events and meetings** and the distribution of literature; Promoting the **whole mission** of the Church with activities for people of all ages; Supporting other **charities** in the UK and overseas.

These objectives are encapsulated and progressed through the Diocesan Strategy 'God for All', which has been recently refreshed and relaunched. The new vision encompasses four themes: follow daily, speak boldly, care deeply, tread gently. In the coming years we will seek to ensure that the parish church is fully aligned to seeking this vision for our church and community. This will be done in collaboration with our ecumenical partners in Arnside village and with fellow church communities across the Kent Estuary Mission Community. Further information about the 'God for All' vision can be found here: <https://www.godforall.org.uk>

Through 2020 and the restrictions, limitations and uncertainties of the Coronavirus pandemic. The Parochial Church Council in all its undertakings has ensured that the parish church in all its worship, mission and ministry has followed all necessary regulations, guidelines and instructions. The PCC has ensured that a robust risk assessment is in place, which is regularly reviewed and updated.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT

As of 1st January 2021, there were **111** on the Church Electoral Roll. A completely new Electoral Roll was formed in 2019, carried out in the months leading up to the 2019 APCM and the New Roll Number at that time was 107.

In the month of October, the average adult Sunday attendance over the four Sundays was: **36**. In March 2020, following the beginning of the global Coronavirus pandemic, public worship was suspended in line with Government and Church of England guidelines. As such, the church building was closed for physical worship between March and July and then again in November. Therefore, despite the provision of online worship during this time, an average weekly attendance number is not appropriate for 2020. However, numbers were regular each week and during the period of July to December there were 87 different people recorded attending over that period. The pandemic also meant that School Church was also disrupted, resuming again with the beginning of the new academic year in September, with different class 'bubbles' taking turns to come for worship each week.

Occasional Offices:

Baptisms:	0
Weddings:	2
Funerals in Church:	4
Funerals at Crematorium	4

The appointment of PCC Roles for 2020 was placed on the Notice Board at the back of the church.

During the year (2020) the PCC met on the following dates:

19th January 2020	(10 present, apologies 6)
11 th February 2020	(15 present, apologies 3)
11 th June 2020 – Standing Committee	(7 present, no apologies)
8 th September 2020 – Standing Committee	(7 present no apologies)
18th October 2020 APCM	(12 present, apologies 8)
25 th October 2020	(10 present, apologies 8)

As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic, PCC Meetings were affected by restrictions and so were not able to be held on the usual bi-monthly regular basis.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting, following guidance and instruction received from the Diocese of Carlisle was deferred until October and held accordingly.

During the course of the year the Standing Committee, when permitted under national Coronavirus restrictions met regularly, to conduct the business of the PCC and deal with any pressing issues that needed to be addressed. The minutes of these minutes were circulated to the full PCC for their approval and agreement. Between these meetings, the Standing Committee conducted its business through email, ensuring that the PCC were kept up to date. When any decisions needed to be made, particularly regarding the re-opening of the church building for public worship and the provision of a full and comprehensive risk assessment, the members of the PCC were consulted and ask to vote via email. This helped to ensure that the business of the PCC could continue during the uncertainties of the year. For this and all such mercies, we give thanks to God.

Stephanie Griffith

REPORT ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2020 accounts have been produced on a receipts and payments basis as in previous years.

The 2020 Financial year was dominated by the Covid-19 Pandemic, the two lockdowns and restrictions to holding normal services. Total receipts in the General fund fell by £4K on the previous year, although there was a rise in freewill offering of 12.7%. Collections in the plate fell by £3.7K, the St James Day donations were reduced by £1K, and receipts from use of church facilities fell by £1.5K. Magazine contribution also fell by £1K due to a combination of lower advertisement revenues and printing costs. There were no legacies received.

The Parish made a Parish offer to the Carlisle Diocese of £44,000 in 2020 consisting of contribution of £40,316 in the Arnside Accounts and £3684 in the Storth Accounts. This was fully met, with reductions in maintenance and donations balancing the books. We still have to undertake major work on church lighting, wall pointing, and photocopier and IT provision.

We re-checked our budget in mid 2020 to determine our 2021 parish offering, and hope to achieve £44k in 2021. Given a third lockdown at the start of the New Year (2021) predictions are now hazy, but we have managed to renegotiate a gas contract for the next three years on a tariff only slightly increased to our current rate.

The tenant of 1 Woodclose Cottage gave notice on 31 Jan 2020, and a paper was put to the PCC (as trustees of the Annie Pickering Charity) in mid Feb that advised sale of the cottage. This was also agreed by the Diocese which acts as custodians to the Charity. It should be noted that the valuation of the cottage has now been increased in the asset section of the accounts.

However, the Pandemic has caused us severe difficulties, firstly in accessing the deeds which resided in Carlisle Record Office, and in proceeding to Land Registry. We did not attempt to market the property until Dec 2020. In turn this all impacted the Charity funds by £1.7K (council tax, insurance, electricity and legal costs). We also lost £2.5K rental income. These funds could have been made available to the General fund. There will of course be further losses in 2021.

Note that we sold Cottages 3 and 2 in 2001 and 2002. The capital has to be invested and cannot be accessed by the church - the church can only benefit from the income derived from it.

Balances, purposes, assumptions, liabilities, and analysis for the various PCC accounts are detailed in the report of the APCM pack, together with the Statement of Assets and Liabilities (SOAL). It is the policy of the PCC to invest any surplus fund balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Funds. Balances of funds held are shown separately against each fund in the financial report of this APCM pack.

Liabilities: Utilities £600

Payments to PCC Members: - a small immaterial portion of clergy expenses paid to the clergy may have related to their services to the PCC. No other payments or expenses were paid to any other PCC member.

Alan Mitchell

POLICIES:

All policies reside in the church vestry and can be viewed by anyone who wishes to see them. The PCC does not believe that The Parish of St James is subject to any substantial risks beyond the liabilities disclosed in the financial statements. The PCC has no employees who are paid for their work. It holds public and liability insurance policies.

Risk Assessment Policy: The PCC has a Risk Assessment policy and a Risk Assessment Register, which is reviewed on a regular basis. All financial activities are carried out according to the Charity Commission's guidance. The PCC also has a Bribery and Corruption Policy that ensures financial transactions are fully transparent.

Health & Safety: The PCC's Health & Safety Officer reviews the maintenance of the premises on a regular basis and reports any concerns to the PCC. An **Accident Book** and **First Aid** equipment is located in the kitchen.

Reserves Policy: PCC has agreed to invest any surplus funds balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. Balances of the funds held are shown separately against each fund in the financial report of this APCM pack.

Safeguarding People Policy: The PCC has adopted in full the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy. The last review updated the policy and was approved by the PCC In January 2019. The Parish Safeguarding Handbook (Version 2: October 2018) is kept in the Vestry. All those required to do so have undergone the statutory training - C3 for the incumbent, Readers and the Parish Safeguarding Officer and at least C0 for all PCC members. All recruitment happens within a Safer Recruitment framework. Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Yvonne Service, who attends regular Diocesan Briefings as they arise.

Summary and looking forward:

In the coming financial year, the continuing and increasing challenge to work with the churches around the Kent Estuary to meet the costs of ministry locally, in the Deanery and across the Diocese. There will also be financial implications surrounding the development of the Kent Estuary Mission Community. Our obligations as a charitable body will continue to adhere to Charity Law as it continues to be amended and develop.

Connected organisations and charities

The PCC is responsible for the activities and management of the Annie Pickering Charity No. 500252, details of whose assets and their management are shown in the Financial Statements.

ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

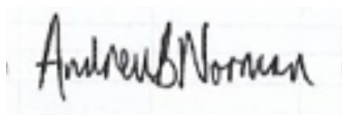
The PCC is responsible for preparing financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of The Parish of St James financial activities during that year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the PCC should follow best practice and:

- * Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- * Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- * State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- * Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for: 1) keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Parish of St James and enable it (the PCC) to ensure that the annual financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006. 2) Safeguarding the assets of St James and taking reasonable steps for prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This Annual Report and Financial Statement was approved by the PCC on

The Revd Andrew B Norman:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Andrew B Norman", written over a light blue grid background.

2nd March 2021

ST. JAMES CHURCH, ARNSIDE
STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2020

GENERAL ACCOUNT UNRESTRICTED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
21,446	Gift Aided Planned Giving	24,832	325	Cost of generating funds	60
3,009	Other Planned Giving	2,801	2,779	Charitable Donations	949
6,333	Collection at Services	2,645	44,282	Arnside Parish Share	40,316
1,553	Gift Day Donations	585	853	Salaries & Support	213
221	Other Voluntary Giving	95	773	Incumbent Expenses	1,103
179	Donations Non-Recurring	228	-	Assistant Clergy Expenses	-
7,807	HMRC Tax Recovered	7,348	50	Mission & Evangelism costs	62
-	Legacies	-	8,358	Church Running Expenses	6,517
-	Grants Recurring	-	3,309	Church Utilities	3,195
-	Grants Non-Recurring	-	161	Bookstall	182
-	Fund Raising Events	-	55	Magazine	411
4,410	Investment Income	4,459	-	Governance Costs	-
1,013	PCC Fees	1,266	-	Major Works	-
2,001	Use of Church Facilities	515			
271	Bookstall	60			
1,742	Magazine	1,112			
-	Insurance claims & Misc income	-			
49,985	Total Receipts	45,946	60,945	Total Payments	53,007
(10,961)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(7,061)			
6,621	Transfers between funds	6,819			
-	Transfers between funds storth	-			
0	Transfers between funds	-			
(4,340)	Net Movement of Fund	(242)			
24,116	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	19,776			
19,776	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	19,534			

Purpose: The General Unrestricted funds of the PCC.

WOODCLOSE ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
-		-	-	Repairs	-
-		-	278	Insurance	380
-		-	-	Major Works - improvements	1,533
-	Total Receipts	-	278	Total Payments	1,913
(278)	Excess of Receipts over payments	(1,913)			
2,808	Transfers from Annie Pickering fund	234			
	Transfers between funds	0			
2,530	Net Movement of Fund	(1,679)			
775	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	3,305			
3,305	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	1,626			

Purpose: A designated fund for the repairs and maintenance of the Woodclose property.

STORTH ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
600	Gift Aided Planned Giving	600	4,044	Storth Parish Share	3,684
-	- Other Planned Giving	-	-	- Charitable Donations	-
150	HMRC Tax Recovered	150	-	- Church Running Expenses	-
-	- Donations	-			
-	- Legacies	-			
13	Investment Income	5			
763	Total Receipts	755	4,044	Total Payments	3,684
(3,281)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(2,929)			
4,743	Transfers between funds	2,318			
1,462	Net Movement of Fund	(611)			
1,329	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	2,791			
2,791	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	2,180			

Purpose: A designated fund for the work of the Anglican church in Storth.

FABRIC ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
-	- Investment Income	-	-	- Church Maintenance	-
-	Total Receipts	-	-	Total Payments	-
	Excess of Receipts over Payments	-			
-	- Sale of CCLA units	-			
-	- Transfer between funds	-			
	Net Movement of Fund	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	-			

Purpose: The Legacy fund in the Estate of Lucy E Atkinson, to be used for the major repairs and maintenance of the church building and roof. Fund now at nil and closed.

FABRIC ACCOUNT - RESTRICTED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
-	- Fund Raising Events	-	-	- Fund raising costs	-
220	Donations	-	675	Church Maintenance	657
24	Investment Income	213	-	- Major Works and Fees	-
-	- Legacies	-			-
244	Total Receipts	213	675	Total Payments	657
(431)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(444)			
-	- Transfer between funds	-			
(431)	Net Movement of Fund	(444)			
-					
8,336	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	7,904			
7,904	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	7,461			

Purpose: A Restricted fund for the maintenance and major repairs to the church building and roof, and also including the organ, heating, plumbing and electrical systems within the church.

SCHOOL BIBLE ACCOUNT- RESTRICTED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
279	Donations	320	394	Grants of school bibles	394
-	HMRC Refund	-			-
279	Total Receipts	320	394	Total Payments	394
		-			
(116)	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(73)			
	Transfers between funds	-			
(116)	Net movement of Fund	(73)			
197	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	81			
81	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	8			

Purpose: A Restricted Fund to provide a bible to children leaving Arnside National School and Storth Church of England School.

FLOWER ACCOUNT- RESTRICTED FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
390	Donations	50	321	Cost of Flowers	108
390	Total Receipts	50	321	Total Payments	108
		-			
69	Excess of Receipts over Payments	(58)			
	Transfers between funds	-			
69	Net movement of Fund	(58)			
61	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	130			
130	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	72			

Purpose: A Restricted fund for flowers and floral arrangements in church

STORTH EXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUND

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
4,743	Income from CBF Investment Units	2,318			-
-	Miscellaneous Income	-			
4,743	Total Receipts	2,318		Total Payments	-
4,743	Net movement of Fund	2,318			
	- Transfer to General Fund	-			
(4,743)		(2,318)			
	- Net Movement of Fund	-			
	- Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	-			
	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	-			

Purpose: A Expendable Endowment fund being the sale proceeds of the former Storth Church Building.
To provide funding for Storth Church

ANNIE PICKERING ACCOUNT PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Registered Charity in England & Wales. Charity No: 500252

2019	Receipts	2020	2019	Payments	2020
6,621	Income from CBF Investment Units	6,819			
2,808	Cottage Rent	234			
9,429	Total Receipts	7,053		- Total Payments	-
9,429	Net movement of Fund	7,053			
(6,621)	Transfer to General Fund	(6,819)			
(2,808)	Transfer to Woodclose Fund	(234)			
-	Net Movement of Fund	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 1/1/20	-			
-	Bank Accounts as at 31/12/20	-			

Purpose: A Permanent Endowment fund being the Legacy Estate of Annie Pickering, for the mission and work of the church in Arnside.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT 31ST DECEMBER 2020

	Unrestricted General Fund	Designated Woodcote Fund	Designated Storth Fund	Designated Fabric Fund	Restricted Fabric Fund	Restricted School Bible Fund	Restricted Flower Fund	Expendable Endowment Storth Fund	Permanent Endowment Annie Pickering Charity	TOTALS	
										2020	2019
Cash held	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	-	-	72	130
Current account	9,303	1,626	2,053	-	4,279	8	-	-	-	17,268	16,198
CBF Deposit Account	10,232	-	127	-	3,182	-	-	-	-	13,540	20,526
	19,534	1,626	2,180	-	7,461	8	72	-	-	30,880	36,854
Debtors											
Income Tax recoverable as at 31/12/20	5,063	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,063	4,250
Other Assets											
Woodcote Cottage (1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	200,000	200,000	105,000
CBF Income shares (2)	157,071	-	-	-	-	-	-	82,745	243,442	483,259	452,165
<i>No. of Units</i>	7666.77	-	-	-	-	-	-	4038.83	11882.60	-	-
CBF Accumulation shares (3)	-	-	-	40,064	-	-	-	-	-	40,064	36,355
<i>No. of Units</i>	-	-	-	805.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Liabilities											
Agency Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Creditors	600	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	600	600
Fund Balance as at 31/12/20	181,069	1,626	2,180	40,064	7,461	8	72	82,745	443,442	758,666	634,024

FUNCTIONAL ASSETS

de-mountable staging	printer / copier	large barbecue	piano	tree stand	projector screen
microwave cooker	water boiler (new)	carpet cleaner	4 ladders	electric organ	
overhead projector	television set	workmate bench	3 kettles	electronic projector	

NOTES

- (1) sale valuation tenancy handed back 2020
- (2) CCLA Income investment fund units 20.4873 per unit
- (3) CCLA Accumulator investment fund units 49.7183 per unit

Signed on behalf of Arnside Parochial Church Council on 2nd March 2021

The Revd. A B Norman (chair)

A J Mitchell (Treasurer)

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 on a receipts and payments basis. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

Fund accounting

Endowment Funds are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the PCC's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

Restricted Funds comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor, and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted Funds are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

Designated Funds are general funds set aside by the PCC for the use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only. Funds designated as invested in fixed assets for the PCC's own use are abated in line with those assets' annual depreciation charges in the SOFA. Designated funds remain unrestricted and the PCC will move any surplus to other general funds.

Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the accounts due are readily quantifiable. Dividends are accounted for when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share expected to be paid over is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

Fixed assets

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011. Movable church furniture held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements. Subsequently no individual item has cost more than £1,000 so all such expenditure has been written off when incurred.

Investments are valued at market value at 31st December.

Independent Examiner's Report to the Parochial Church Council of St James, Arnside and Storth Village Church.

I report on the financial statements of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31st December 2020, which are set out on pages 10 to 14.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and independent examiner

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The charity's trustees consider that the audit is not required for this year (under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 45(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 financial statements 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 matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



David Knox *Ph.D, B.Ed, ACIB, FCIE, KLJ, OMLJ, BMLJ, PSIJ.*
Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners
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Arnside

CHRISTIAN GIVING FREEWILL OFFERING

April to December 2019

Gift Aid Contributions £16,361.80

Tax Claimed £4,090.96

FREEWILL OFFERING 2020

January to March 2020

Gift Aid Contributions £5,927.50

Tax Claimed £1,481.88

GIFT AID SMALL DONATIONS SCHEME (claim on £7,702.43)

April 2019 to March 2020

Tax Claimed £1,925.61

Gift Day Contributions For 2020 will be included in Freewill Offering in April to December 2021 (Due to the effect of Covid-19)

Membership in the Freewill Offering Scheme is as follows:-

Non Gift Aided	7	
Gift Aided	19	
Standing Orders	29	Incl. (four not Gift Aided)
Total	55.	

Therefore, to Summarise Tax Refund Paid into the Accounts for year 2020

Freewill Offering	April-December 2019	£4,090.96
Freewill Offering	January - March 2020	£1,481.88
GASDS	April-2019 – March 2020	£1,925.61
Total of Tax Refund Received During 2020		£7,498.45

Kay Crabtree

ORGAN, CHOIR and SANCTURY

Charles Humphery, the organ master, confirms that the organ is in excellent condition, and is being nurtured by Edgar Shepherd (Church Warden) during periods when the church is closed due to the pandemic.

The Choir has gone from strength to strength since Rev Andrew joined us. Unfortunately, the laws of Covid prevent us from singing during services. We all hope and pray for a better future.

Roger Mashiter

HEALTH and SAFETY

There have been no Health and Safety issues in the last year. Thanks to Wardens and Clergy for keeping us safe during this continuing pandemic. In accordance with the various Pandemic 'lock downs' the church was closed for several weeks.

PAT testing and Fire Extinguisher testing were carried out in February.

Roger Mashiter

CHURCH FABRIC

(under Section 50 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018)

Work completed this year:

1. Five-year full electrical inspection.
2. Purchase and application of Smart Water for lead roofing.
3. Lightning conductor examination and testing.
4. Application of silicone to outside north facing wall of Church Room.
5. Annual service of Hamworthy boilers including replacement of thermocouples.

Total cost of above work equates to: £1,241.00.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions non-urgent work will be carried over to 2021. The overall condition of the church is very good and will be properly assessed at the next quinquennial inspection.

Ted Taylor

SAFEGUARDING

Compliance with Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 has been strictly adhered to. There have been no safeguarding issues during the year, however, due notice has been taken regarding Covid-19 requirements in respect of personal safety and the safeguarding of others.

Mr Edgar Shepherd, elected Church Warden in October 2020, has completed both modules of the Basic Awareness and Foundation requirements of the Safeguarding modules as required by those holding the office of Church Warden.

Yvonne Service

DEANERY SYNOD AND MISSION COMMUNITY

During a year impacted by Coronavirus restrictions the Deanery Synod and Kent Estuary Mission Community organised Zoom meetings and kept in touch with members by email. The Kent Estuary Mission Community held a number of Zoom prayer meetings to which everyone in the Kent Estuary area was invited. It is hoped that 2021 will see the work and witness of the Mission Community go from strength to strength as we seek to

Annette Brown