

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST. MICHAELS, TWERTON, BATH

England & Wales · Charity number 1147405

Details

Other names ST. MICHAELS PCC, TWERTON

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2012-05-23

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Activities

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

Activities: St. Michael and All Angels, Twerton is an Anglican Parish Church which provides Sunday and weekday services, teaching and children's groups, marriage and funeral services. Rose Cottage is a church-based Community Cafe and Centre which provides meals and help for those in Twerton. The Rec House is a church-based performing Arts Centre used mainly by schools and young people in the community.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Bath And North East Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£138,206	£155,615	-	-
2023-12-31	£127,991	£160,531	-	-
2022-12-31	£177,892	£177,087	-	-
2021-12-31	£181,713	£146,399	-	-
2020-12-31	£155,064	£133,647	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christina Joyce		2025-05-04
James Hicks		2022-05-15
KIRSTY PITKIN		2022-05-15
Michael Smith		2024-03-24
Rachel Shill		2024-03-24
Richard Eaton		2022-05-15
Scott Joyce		2025-05-04
Scott Wheatley		2024-03-24

Accounts



Annual Report and Accounts

for the Parochial Church Council of
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, TWERTON ON AVON

Incumbent
Vacant

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LLOYDS BANK Plc

Independent Examiner
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MICHAEL SMITH CHURCH WARDEN

22/6/25

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PCC

For the year ended 31st December 2024

Legal and administrative information

Charity details

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Twerton on Avon. It is part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, Watery Lane, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1RL.

Charity Registration number: 1147405

Details of Trustees

PCC Members are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Elected members normally serve for three-year terms.

The following served as trustees and as members of the PCC during the year following the APCM:

Incumbent (Chair):	Richard White (January-June)
Team Vicar:	Vacant (role likely to be dissolved)
Curate:	Ben Knotley (January-February)
Church Wardens:	Chris Tatchell Michael Smith
Deputy Church Warden:	Vacant
Deanery Synod Representatives:	Rachel Hicks Scott Wheatley
Treasurer:	Tom Riley
Secretary:	Kirsty Pitkin
Safeguarding Officer:	Qamar Rafiq
Elected Members:	Richard Eaton Nicky Grizzell Lisa Morris James Hicks

Structure, governance and management

Governing Constitution

The PCC is governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure (1956) and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969, as amended).

Recruitment of Trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), other churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. In addition, ordained clergy who are licensed to the parish are ex officio members of the PCC, as are the elected representatives to Deanery Synod and representatives from the Parish who are Diocesan Synod members. All those who attend our services and members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Nominations are called and persons voted for at an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Use of volunteers

The PCC employs a number of staff but also makes significant use of volunteers to carry out its work. Volunteers are involved in all aspects of the work and are supervised by leaders accountable to the PCC.

Organisational Structure

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The full PCC met twelve times during the year. Given its wide responsibilities, the PCC has a small number of committees which sometimes meet between full meetings of the PCC, with each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life, as detailed below:

Visionary Leadership Committee: Comprising some PCC members and other lay and staff representatives of church ministries assisting the Rector and PCC in discerning vision for local ministry. We did not need to meet this year.

Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. We met once this year.

Missions Committee: Assisting the PCC on external giving matters. We did not need to meet this year.

Marlbrook Finance Committee: Comprising a selection of PCC members, admin staff and volunteers from both churches to discuss, draft proposals and advise on matters of joint finance across the team ministry. We met once this year.

Risk Management

The PCC reviews the key risks facing the Church, the controls in place to mitigate them and any action required on an ongoing basis. The PCC continues to review and develop the strategic direction of the Church and considers how its exposure to risk changes as a result.

Objectives

Background

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Michael's Church, the Lighthouse Centre, and the Rose Cottage.

Purpose: To follow Jesus in living upwards to God, inwards to each other, and outwards beyond the church walls.

Vision: To see God's river of life transform the church, Twerton and Oldfield Park. (Ezekiel 47)

Mission: Refuge and rescue

- Providing places of refuge to those in crisis and those in need (Lighthouse Ministry)
- Introducing Jesus, our rescuer, through extended families on mission reaching out to people of peace (Missional Communities)

These aims and objectives are in line with the deanery's current threefold vision:

- Prayerfulness
- Hospitality
- Innovation

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The 'Gathered and Scattered' approach to operating as a church community has its challenges but continues to bear fruit primarily in enabling a disciple-making culture with a clear balance of UP-IN-OUT. There are six Missional Communities at St Michael's each with the mandate to

become extended families of disciples on mission to reach and make new disciples in pockets of Twerton and beyond:

- Roots & Shoots (reaching those with roots in Christianity)
- Agape (loving and drawing in those on the edge)
- Wild Church (modelling kingdom family across the generations)
- Bread and bread (modelling hospitality by sharing meals together)
- Bellringers (reaching out through the joyful tradition of bellringing)
- Marlbrook Minis (reaching out to young families with toddlers)

We also operate our Lighthouse ministries:

- Lighthouse Café at Rose Cottage (opens Monday - Thursday)
- Lighthouse Chaplaincy at St Michael's Junior School (three days a week)
- Lighthouse Centre hosts a food bank distribution run by a team of volunteers from St Michael's Church and Genesis (Tuesdays and Thursdays).

See detailed reports from Lighthouse Ministry staff below.

Public Benefit Statement

The PCC takes its responsibilities as a charity very seriously. The church has always contributed a great deal to the community and will strive to continue to do so. The reports below describe some of the work that St Michael's has undertaken over the last year and includes reports for the Lighthouse Ministry.

The PCC seeks to be as inclusive as possible in its work and strives to reach out to people of all ages and backgrounds. Our aim is to involve as many people as possible in both running and participating in events and activities, many of which are facilitated by volunteers. The worship, groups and activities are open to anyone within and outside the local community. The Church building, the Lighthouse Centre and the Rose Cottage are important local resources and are used by various groups and individuals not directly connected to the Church for their own activities and events.

While many who join us in our gatherings are very generous in their donations to the PCC, there is no requirement for anyone attending services to donate money to the church. Any charges levied for specific activities and events are kept as low as possible, and the PCC will always look to help where people are struggling to afford the cost.

The PCC has forged strong links with a range of individuals and organisations. It supports the work of other churches and charitable organisations in Bath, the UK and throughout the world to promote the Christian faith and to help the vulnerable and needy from all faiths and backgrounds.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Activities and engagement

Church attendance

At the time of the APCM there were 38 names on the electoral roll, compared to 73 names in March 2024. As with many churches this does not necessarily provide the most accurate picture of attendance. There are many on the electoral roll who don't attend regularly and many more who are not on roll who attend both Missional Communities and Sunday Celebrations regularly.

Leadership Team Report

2024 has been a year of change with key people moving on but we also employed new members of staff.

In February, we said goodbye to Ben Knotley after Richard White had announced that he was leaving the church and the Church of England and could therefore no longer mentor Ben. Ben moved to Holy Trinity, Combe Down so that he could continue his training as a curate.

In June, we appointed Jo Fee as our Children and Youth Leader. She works for both churches in the Marlbrook Team. Shortly after starting she established the Marlbrook Minis toddler group in the Lighthouse Centre on a Friday morning.

In June, Gwen Kearley retired as the chaplain of St. Michael's Junior School after many years of faithful and fruitful ministry characterised by a love of the children and parents. In her place we appointed Beth Cook as the new chaplain to begin working in the school from September.

Richard, Catherine, Ben and Joshua left at the end of June as Richard was unable to get assurances about support that Richard needed from Bishop Michael as he was against the decision taken by the General Synod on the issue of LLF which the Bishop supports.

In December, we said goodbye to Nathan and Lucy and their family as God had clearly directed Nathan to a new job with Genesis in Bath and also as a Pioneer Minister with St. John's, Keynsham. They are sadly missed by both the Church and the community. Mike Smith has taken on the role of being in charge of the Lighthouse Ministry on a voluntary basis until the new Minister is appointed, and an advert was placed for a cook for Rose Cottage Café.

In June, we began the period of vacancy (interregnum) which ends when a new minister takes up their role. The place of the Rector was then the responsibility of the wardens, Mike Smith and

Chris Tatchell. Both churches in the Marlbrook Team began receiving support from the Diocese which included visits by Bishop Michael, Rev Claire Horton and the Rev Debbie Pow.

Archdeacon Adrian left and was replaced by Rev Charlie Peer. There were several meetings to explain the process of vacancy and we had a joint meeting of the two churches to discern the heart of Marlbrook, what it does and how God is using it to further the kingdom in our communities. All the information was then passed on to the Parish Profile team made up of Tim Brind and Scott Joyce representing St. Michaels and Kirsty Pitkin and Carol Campbell representing Ascension. They then set about the immense task of producing the Parish Profile.

Before leaving Richard set up a Leadership Team consisting of the wardens from both churches and various others.

Because of the division in the church over the decision by the General Synod on LLF we had support from Rev Claire Horton and the Rev Justine Woolley in separate meetings to help heal the hurt felt by both sides.

The saga of the pews being sold by mistake while they were in the care of Bath Abbey continued. It was established who they had been sold to and that he had sold them on to various buyers. He contacted them to see if any were willing to sell them back to us but they all declined and so we could do no more. The Chancellor accepted that we had done all that we could to retrieve some of the pews and granted a permanent faculty for their removal. However, the temporary faculty to lay a carpet did not become permanent and we were instructed to remove it at some point. This will have to be dealt with by the new incumbent.

Finances continued to be a cause for concern but Tom our treasurer did a valiant job and throughout the year the situation improved. We are still facing great difficulties and we were only able to pay half of our parish share to the diocese.

We still have the Quinquennial reports findings to resolve. The cost of the proposed work is in the region of £1-2 million. Again, this is going to be a challenge for the new incumbent. It is likely that a bid will have to be made to the National Lottery Heritage Fund.

Missional communities continued throughout the year and continued to attract new members. Agape, Roots and Wild Church meet at different times throughout the week. Wild Church and Jo Fee oversee family events throughout the year, such as an Easter Egg Hunt, Summer Fair and Christmas Party. Again, a challenge for the new incumbent will be to decide whether Missional communities continue as they are and how to structure the service pattern for both churches so that it is manageable.

During the vacancy it has been the role of the lay leadership of both churches to undertake the responsibility for managing the churches activities, worship and mission. They have endeavoured to maintain the unity of Marlbrook but with each church having a separate identity.

The staff have taken on additional responsibilities and tasks handed over to them by the departing Rector.

As is usual during a vacancy, some members of the church have left but some have also joined. Overall, the number attending services has dropped slightly.

During the year many people stepped up and into roles that have been demanding and we are very thankful for their commitment and hard work. There are also many people who give of their time and talents who often go unnoticed but who are vital for the smooth running of the church and its activities and outreach. The body of Christ needs everyone to do their part so that the body remains healthy.

Finally, we look forward to appointing a new incumbent, confident that God will put in place the right person to build on the faithful work preparing the ground and sowing the seed of the gospel undertaken by the previous ministers. Let's continue in prayer for the new season ahead.

Chris Tatchell (churchwarden)

Wardens' Report

Church

Roof repairs

Following the theft of roof lead in March 2023, our Ecclesiastical insurance claim was finally granted and Emery Building Company carried out and completed the repairs in November 2024. The church architect Mark Taylor visited during repair work and was very impressed by the standard of work. Smartwater forensic liquid was also applied to the necessary areas of the roof, as per the conditions of the insurance company. All costs associated are to be reimbursed under the insurance claim.

Boiler and heating

DME Heating Engineers serviced the boiler at a cost of £175.77. Large-scale repair work (£1,155.71) to the boiler now means the heating works. We also installed a variable resistor at a cost of £617.31.

Church cleaner

Due to funding pressures, the church cleaner's contract ceased in May, causing increased workload for staff. Volunteers were sought to help and we made an appeal to reinstate the cleaner with offers of giving.

Churchyard and Lighthouse gardener

Due to funding pressures, the gardener's contract ceased in May.

Mice

A mouse and evidence of mice were observed so traps were installed. The hospitality team and church users were advised to observe cleanliness and tidiness. No more mice have been seen since.

Lighting upgrades

The overhead lights have been upgraded to LEDs by ACE Energy. The electricians costs were £2,982.92 and scaffolding costs were £720. Funding for the lighting upgrades was obtained from Medlock Trust (£1,200) and Sabina Sutherland Trust (£500).

Pews removal

In June, the wardens received a faculty decision from the Diocese solicitor (Stone King) that they had agreed to the permanent removal of the pews (but not the floor covering i.e. carpets). The contestment was taken to Bath Abbey and as a gesture of goodwill they will pay the registry fee (£270). A private buyer had sold our pews - see faculty documentation for full details.

Tree plaque

In June, the wardens granted permission for Treescapes to put plaques on two trees in the churchyard: the giant redwood (*sequoiadendron giganteum*) by the entrance path and the common yew (*taxus baccata*) to the south side of the church. This is part of the Treescapes trails of Twerton and Bath.

Bells

In September, the Bell Ringers Association provided local bell ringers to teach bell-ringing every Thursday evening.

Uprising in flooring in kitchen

In October, Chris Tatchell investigated underneath flooring but found no apparent reason for the bulge in the floor. The area was made safe whilst we seek advice for what might cause the uprising.

Lighthouse Centre

Garden

The ceasing of the churchyard gardener's contract has impacted the gardening in the Lighthouse Centre garden. This needs attention but we lack volunteer capacity. The users and projects of the Lighthouse Centre are keen to use the garden and they do try to contribute. The Twerton Hackers group tends the garden when they have capacity. The current risks of the unkempt and under maintained space are noted.

Funding for utilities costs

Leonard Laity Stoate Trust donated £1,500 in May towards the utility costs associated with the Lighthouse Centre.

Rats

In July, rats in the outside bin. Swift action was taken in regards to pest control and the building's users were told not to put rubbish in the bin outside but take it home or down to the large waste bin at Rose Cottage.

Housekeeping

A new dishwasher was donated by Sainsburys. We introduced a new housekeeping policy which is displayed to cover the dishwasher and to increase cleanliness in regards to risk of pests.

Rose Cottage

Café kitchen extractor and ventilation system

REAL CKS Ventilation Services quoted £10,880 for a system design and install in February. Further research and attention needed.

Thrift Shop café

In February, Nathan oversaw Rachael starting a thrift shop cafe in Rose Cottage. Nathan went through all lawful checks and obligations with the Charity Commission and council.

Redecorating café

Throughout the year Iain and Susan Kyle blessed the café with their artistic talent and redecorated the area, with the permission of the wardens.

Bleed Box

In June, BANES council installed a bleed box for the community with the wardens permission. The church is not responsible for its maintenance or use.

Play pirate ship

Nathan secured funding from Curo and Travis Perkins (£1,500) to install new play equipment and garden furniture for Rose Cottage.

Food standards agency

In November, the Food Standards Agency health inspector carried out a spot-check on the café, finding mice droppings and other more administrative issues. Nathan thought it best, with the agreement of the inspector, to voluntarily temporarily close down the café to deep clean the premises and follow the inspector's requirements. This also included booking in a pest control agent. The FSA officer re-inspected and was pleased with the team's efforts. He will visit again as a follow-up in 2025.

Upstairs room hire

A Christian counselling business called 'Well-Being Garden' were interested in leasing the upstairs. Due to our inexperience of such matters the wardens and staff opted to seek proper legal advice and diocesan advice regarding tenancy and then also wait for the future incumbent's and churches' vision and priorities.

Fire risk assessments

Fire risk assessments on all three buildings were carried out as per schedule in November by Radcliffe Fire at a cost of £720. A detailed report with remedial actions was presented to the PCC. The report advised that Rose Cottage café needs commercial standard wired in smoke alarms urgently as the domestic smoke alarm system is not good enough for a commercial cafe. We are currently awaiting the quote.

Chris Tatchell and Mike Smith (churchwardens)

Deanery Synod Report

Rev. Debbie Pow has been working as Assistant Area Dean, with Rev. Roger Driver taking over from Stephen Girling as Area Dean in September 2024.

February 2024

The main point of discussion was the new online portal for the Parish Giving Scheme, which the diocese encourages all parishes to adopt.

The purpose of this scheme is to switch to an electronic online device for giving and donations; but also register on the PGS website so people can donate remotely through the website. This allows all churches to gain immediate donations either from services or visitors via a debit/credit card donation. The online portal also allows people to choose to make a regular payment by direct debit.

The benefits of the Parish Giving Scheme include:

1. The money goes to the Church quicker.
2. The diocese is able to contact all direct debit givers and notify them of any change in inflation, allowing them to up their donations if they wish.
3. It is a quicker and more efficient way for churches to gain their Gift Aid credit.
4. Improving safety by not having cash left on Church premises.

St Michael's has signed up for the Parish Giving Scheme. However, we will still be accepting cash donations as well.

May 2024

We heard stories of 'God in the grass roots', such as the work of the chaplains at the universities, plus about youth ministry across Bath: 'The open generation', encouragement from a city-wide Alpha, the ministry of 'Incoming' 18s-30s and student ministry.

There were also presentations from Grace Church, who were founded under a Bishop's Mission Order, and also about a new monastic community: 'Still Waters'; information from a leader of 'Greenhouse', a national initiative for building new worshipping communities.

Bath Abbey, a 'Living church and not just a historic monument' and City Chaplains also shared about their vision and work.

We heard about a Deanery Pastoral Care course that had run.

September 2024

Jenny Hollingsworth and Matthew Pinnock from the Diocese gave a presentation on Parish Share, looking at the new Common Fund system, which is a new Benefice Share system with foundation principals of:

- Mutual support and generosity
- Transparency
- Independent data
- Awareness of local context

This is calculated in three parts:

- **Part A:** The cost of paid for stipendiary ministry deployed to a benefice.
- **Part B:** Diocesan wide costs e.g., archdeacon, curates...
- **Part C:** Mutuality and generosity contribution of Parts A and B to support areas of multiple deprivation and areas of rural sparsity.

Questions about this were answered and other related updates, including about how a paper was presented to the Bishop's Council about paying parish share via the Ephesian Fund but it was decided it could be managed internally under restrictions within the diocese.

Rachel Hicks and Scott Wheatley (Deanery Synod representatives for St Michael's)
Mirren Derby (Deanery Synod representatives for Ascension)

Staff Reports

Lighthouse ministries

The PCC desires to see the community within Twerton reached with the good news of the gospel. The Lighthouse outreach initiatives are the expression of love and gospel of the St Michael's Church in Twerton.

In 2024 the following activities constitute our outreach to the community:

Lighthouse Centre

The Lighthouse Centre continues to host the Genesis Food Bank which provides food and support on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Food vouchers are required to access this service. During 2024, approximately 38 people visited the Food Bank and received food each week. Other agencies such as the Developing Health and Independence (DHI), Bath College have used the Lighthouse Centre to provide support and encouragement to many people with a variety of needs.

The Lighthouse Centre also hosts Bath Community Kitchen (BCK), which is an organisation established during Covid and uses communal meals and cookery workshops to improve the physical and mental wellbeing of people in Bath and the surrounding areas. During 2024, BCK provided free three course healthy and delicious meals at the lighthouse. The aim of BCK is to inspire people to eat and cook healthily. BCK is at the Lighthouse Centre every Thursday

evening and has been a great success. It is a great atmosphere where anyone and everyone from the community is welcome. The food is fantastic, well prepared and served by a team of volunteers. The people that come are from a diverse range of backgrounds and social status. The average number of people is between 25-30. It is great to be part of something that is really serving the community in a kind and positive way.

The Lighthouse Centre also hosted community groups such as the Rainbows and Brownies, and The Nest Project, which provides resources for families with very young children.

Chaplaincy at St Michaels Junior School

After the retirement of Gwen Kearley in July, Beth Cook was appointed as our new chaplain to St Michael's Junior School and started work in the school in September 2024. The funding for the post is currently made by the school and contributions from Willats Trust and a donor. Applications will be made so the funding will continue. Feedback from the teaching staff is very positive in Beth's contribution to school life.

Gwen and Beth participated in or contributed to the following activities:

- Chaplaincy training day and School Leaders and Parish Partners Conference at Flourish House
- An emotions coaching course
- Taking a group of seven Year 4 children to visit Cleeve Court Dementia Care Home each week, forming strong bonds
- Preparing the termly and weekly Collective Worship rotas and leading worship once a week
- Helping Jo Fee (Children and Youth Leader) during her termly visit to lead collective worship
- Forming a group of twelve mini-chaplains from Years 4 and 5. They help to lead collective worship once a fortnight and try to live out the Christian values on the playground
- Meeting one on one with a number of children who need someone to talk to/pray with
- Helping the school to lead their Christmas Worship at the church where it was full of children and parents (standing room only!)
- Making pom-poms with the BIF club (Bible Is Fun Club) for the Bath Welcomes Refugees Christmas market stall
- Running a prayer space for children to engage with prayers for **their home** (families and school), **our neighbours** (people in other countries who may be struggling- particularly because of the climate crisis), **power** (those making big decisions for our world) and the **environment** (for creation and showing how we can look after it well). Some prophetic drawings and prayers came from this time.
- Establishing a culture at break and lunch time where children can come and chat about what's going on in their lives
- Sending out a weekly reflection to all staff and invite them to pray

- Meeting weekly with some staff before school to pray
- Serving hot chocolate and a biscuit to those who pay 50p which helps to raise money for fun things for the children or for special events
- Encouraging children to take part in the 40 acts challenge during lent - encouraging generosity.
- Planning an Easter Experience at the church for each class to attend Easter prayer spaces.

Twerton Hackers

The Twerton Hackers consist of the churchwarden Mike Smith and three other men and occasional volunteers who visit the homes of folk who are struggling to maintain their garden or house. All of the men are retired and bring various skills and experience to clear gardens and do repairs to enable vulnerable people to have the opportunity to take control of their garden or parts of their home.

The Twerton Hackers work for two hours a week on Tuesday mornings. Names of people requiring assistance come from contacts within the church and social services.

Some examples of the work include:

1. Clearing a vegetable patch and building a metal shed at St Michaels School.
2. Continuing to maintain two areas of land to create a community garden. This has included planting many bulbs for spring flowers
3. Clearing the garden in the Lighthouse Centre
4. Assisting a woman in a wheelchair who could not get access to her garden because it was so overgrown. It took three weeks to clear the garden with numerous visits to the recycling centre.

The aim of the Twerton Hackers is to express the love of God in a practical way. Those receiving the help are made aware that we represent their local church and they are given a Gospel of Mark and the leaflet 'Journey into Life.' One man whose garden we did has come to men's curry nights and the Christmas services.

Bell Ringing

In the summer, a group of visiting bell ringers came to St Michaels. A number of church folk attended to listen and decided to create a bell ringing group from St Michaels. PCC representative Scott Wheatley arranged for two trainers to attend on Thursday evenings and during the summer and winter a number of folk have become regular attenders and been trained to ring the bells.

Instruction and practice takes place every Thursday evening and it is pleasing that some people

from outside the church are attending and taking part in the bell ringing. We are also glad that there is a wide range of people learning to or practicing ringing bells. This includes teenagers.

There has been a favourable response from the community. It is hoped that the bell ringing will 'proclaim' to the community the church is active and welcoming.

Rose Cottage

The Cafe and Charity Shop is the main outreach initiative of St Michaels Church. In 2024, Nathan Gale continued to manage and inspire the volunteers throughout the year. Rachel Fowden continued to manage the Thrift Shop at Rose Cottage. A range of clothing and bric-a-brac are for sale and there are regular visitors. There were initial problems with clothing etc being left outside Rose Cottage but donations are now being well managed and rarely are donations left outside the property.

With food donations from Fare Share and Bookers Cash and Carry, meals are provided at a very good price in the cafe. The cafe is generally open from Monday to Thursday and continues to provide a range of food for the community. The PCC are very grateful for the commitment and enthusiasm of the volunteers who regularly work at Rose Cottage. Nathan is paid by the church but Rose Cottage would not be able to open without the help of the volunteers.

The PCC are also grateful for the generosity of Curo and Travis Perkins, who donated money to purchase a children's climbing frame which is in the form of a pirate ship. The Twerton Hackers used their DIY skills to build the frame. It has been well used and is for children under eight years old.

The Cafe has also provided space for agencies to 'drop in' and we have used a table to inform the community of the service they provide. This has included the department of work and pensions and Bath Funeral Directors.

Unfortunately, during an inspection by the Environmental Health evidence of mice was found in the store cupboard and other areas on the ground floor. The cafe was closed for a few days for a deep clean to take place and locations where mice could get access were identified and sealed. The cafe now has regular visits by a pest control company.

Nathan left at the end of 2024. The PCC decided that a cook should be recruited to continue the good food at affordable prices. We are pleased that Morgan Lynch was successful in the interview and started in January 2025.

Mike Smith (Lighthouse Outreach Lead)

Children and Youth

2024 saw my appointment across Marlbrook as Children and Youth Leader. This began in a voluntary capacity from March-June 2024 and turned to paid employment from 17th June 2024. During the start of my appointment, I held a vision evening which gave the congregation an opportunity to share the main areas of provision and their hopes for the future. I have broken up this report into subcategories Sundays, outreach work, involvement with schools and hopes for the future.

Sundays

There has been a focus on a Sunday morning to improve the provision provided on a Sunday morning in the Lighthouse Centre on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. I had meetings with parents and the teams at St Michaels to discuss how we could achieve this and the steps forward. We reinstated a group for the older children which meet in the Food Bank room. This provided a space for older children to flourish and be able to explore their faith in a deeper way. We adapted the structure of the morning for the younger group several times to suit the needs of the children better. Across Marlbrook we have also reinstated having an action worship song and an all-age game during the service. The children seem to have responded well to this change in structure. On the 2nd and 4th Sundays we have Wild Church which has been running for a few years. There are regular meetings to discuss how this is going. I have joined the leadership team for Wild Church. For months with a 5th Sunday it has been agreed that these will be Marlbrook wide altogether services, which I will lead.

Outreach work

During 2024 we held several outreach events to reach the local community to encourage more families into the church and to spread the gospel. These events were an Easter egg hunt, a family fun day and a Christmas party. These were birthed from the Wild Church team but the whole of Marlbrook was encouraged to get involved, both through donations and helping out on the day. We have reflected on these after each event and have made amendments along the way to ensure that we are improving upon these each time. Additionally to this, in September we launched a toddler group on a Friday morning for parents and toddlers to come along for an hour and a half which follows a very simple routine and is another chance to reach the community.

Schools

I have had meetings with Becky (head) and Beth (chaplain) at St Michael's Junior School about how the church can be involved in the work already going on at the school. We agreed that I will lead a collective worship assembly once every six weeks to support the links between the church and school. This is also an opportunity to talk about Wild Church and to encourage families to come along to this.

Hopes for the future

We would love to see the children and youth work grow in 2025 and beyond. It is my prayer that the team will grow and we will see many of the congregation be stirred to help with the children in some capacity whether that is helping on a Sunday morning or with the outreach events that are happening. It is also my prayer that we will see more families coming to church regularly and will get to know the love and hope that I and so many others have in our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ. It would also be amazing to be able to offer more regular outreach for the youth in the area.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone at St Michaels for the love, encouragement and grace they have shown me since I have taken on this role. I truly would not have been able to do this role without the continued support that you have all shown me. I would also like to say a special thank you to the wardens, the Marlbrook minis team, the Sunday morning teams and the Wild Church team. I simply could not do my role without you and I am so thankful to you.

Jo Fee (Children and Youth Leader)

Finance report

Our main priorities this last year have been to significantly reduce our deficit while not cutting back on our mission to the community. We also wanted to leave ourselves in a position to show willing to the Diocese and pay a reasonable proportion of our parish share, without breaching our reserves policy. I am pleased to report that all these objectives have been achieved. This is no mean feat, particularly in the current economic climate and given the fact that we were in an interregnum for the last 6 months of the year.

So we are truly thankful to God for his amazing provision, through the continued faithfulness and generosity of members of our congregation as well as various Trusts who have enabled this to be possible. We are also thankful to all those who have worked so hard and volunteered their time, including those from our community who have given literally hundreds of hours to serving in Rose Cottage and elsewhere.

Note on deficit:

1. While the end of year receipts and payments deficit was just under £17.5k (down from £32.5k the year before), this figure was in spite of us not receiving the £10.5k Gift Aid recovery for 2023 in this financial year that we were due. If this tax had been recovered before the year end (as would have been the case, had we not encountered an issue with HMRC), the cash deficit would have been reduced to approx £7k. With the gains recorded in our investment assets of just over £5k, our total net assets would have reduced by just £2k.

2. Our plan for next year is to reduce the deficit to zero, while still continuing to pay at least 50% of our parish share.
3. Our unrestricted reserves are down to £31.6k, but this figure would have been just over £42k had the Gift Aid been recovered (which it now has been). So we have managed to remain within our reserves policy which states that the PCC '*aim to hold reserves equal to three months' unrestricted running costs*'.

Significant factors to note this year include:

- 10% increase in regular giving.
- 87% increase in other donations. (This did include leaving gifts for Richard, our vicar, Gwen, our former chaplain, and Nathan, our Lighthouse Manager).
- 21% reduction in utility costs.
- 34% reduction in administration costs
- 58% reduction in maintenance costs.
- 3% increase in annual salary costs. Pay rises from June for church staff to keep pace with inflation, but we did cut back on paying for gardening and church cleaning, relying instead on the kind help of volunteers.
- Rose Cottage café opened two extra days from April, and incorporated a community thrift shop on a Monday, increasing our ministry to the community but also increasing net annual revenue (in spite of rising food costs) by nearly £2.5k, while still keeping prices low and affordable for local customers, many of whom are struggling financially.
- Charitable giving (included in 'external donations'): we reduced our regular giving by £240/mth from April, by ceasing to support for Lux and Southside Family Project. However, we continued our regular support for the following charities: Open Doors, Mercy in Action, Genesis Trust, Ripple Effect (formerly Send a Cow), CMJ and Bridgecare. NB. The increase showing against 'external donations' is due to leaving gifts being included this category, as well as advances for Jo Fee's salary which were repaid in full (shown as 'other income') by Ascension church (the other church in our benefice) which pays her wages.
- Parish share: we managed to pay 50% this year (up from 30% the previous year).
- Revenue from rents/hires was 45% down, in spite of attempts to boost bookings. This was due in part to the loss of regular bookings from NEST, the Brownies and ACT, but also due to local organisations having reduced budgets to use our facilities. However, we did gain two new bookings that fitted with our vision to serve our community – one from Bath City Football Club, the other from Bath Community Kitchen. Even though our buildings are well used by the church and community, there is still plenty of capacity (in particular, we are still yet to rent out the upstairs of Rose Cottage). So, there is definitely potential to increase revenue from bookings next year.

We would like to thank the following for their generous grants over this past year:

- **Medlock Trust:** £1,200 towards new lighting in the church.
- **Sabina Sutherland Trust:** £500 towards new lighting in the church.
- **Curo:** £1500 for equipment at Rose Cottage

- **Jeff & Margo Lestz Foundation:** £500 towards our missional communities
- **Willats Trust:** Half of our chaplain Gwen's salary from April to July. Sadly, this grant couldn't be transferred to our new chaplain Beth, and fresh applications were closed until 2025.
- **Leonard Laity Stoate Charitable Trust:** £1,500 towards Lighthouse utility costs.

I would also like personally to thank Colin Goater, our independent examiner, for his kindness, wisdom and help, and Leigha Shakespeare, our trainee bookkeeper who has worked so hard to keep on top of all the complexities of our accounts.

A massive thankyou is also due to our amazing congregation, church wardens, PCC, staff and numerous volunteers without whose efforts our ministry would not have been able to continue. And the biggest thank you of all goes to our wonderful faithful Father in heaven, who has provided for us and encouraged and sustained us through his love, faithfulness and grace throughout a challenging year.

Tom Riley (Treasurer)

PCC responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a treasurer. While it may delegate some of its duties, this does not remove its legal responsibilities.

Charity law requires the PCC as trustees of the Church to prepare an annual report and financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. The PCC is also required to ensure that these are subjected to an annual independent examination or audit and to present these to the APCM in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

In preparing these financial statements, the PCC is required to:

- 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; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable accounting standards.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

St Michael's Twerton
Receipts and Payments Account
For the period from 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	74,719.22	351.56	25,471.36	-	100,542.14	93,999.47
Income from charitable activities	29,689.38	-	-	-	29,689.38	25,465.97
Investments	404.11	-	2,840.40	-	3,244.51	2,885.35
Other income	4,730.12	-	-	-	4,730.12	5,639.83
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	109,542.83	351.56	28,311.76	-	138,206.15	127,990.62
Payments						
Raising funds	-	-	-	277.25	277.25	277.25
Expenditure on charitable activities	102,259.06	26,768.46	26,134.96	-	155,162.48	160,079.53
Other expenditure	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	175.00
Total Payments	102,434.06	26,768.46	26,134.96	277.25	155,614.73	160,531.78
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	7,108.77	(26,416.90)	2,176.80	(277.25)	(17,408.58)	(32,541.16)
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	38,079.52	50,552.96	14,731.18	277.25	103,640.91	42,678.35
Gross transfers between funds - out	(45,153.32)	(29,950.38)	(28,537.21)	-	(103,640.91)	(42,678.35)
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains	34.97	(5,814.32)	(11,629.23)	-	(17,408.58)	(32,541.16)
Net movement in funds	241.16	(5,814.32)	(12,051.89)	5,158.79	(12,466.26)	(32,541.16)
Reconciliation of funds						
Excess of receipts over payments at beginning of the year	28,722.08	8,511.12	36,844.83	136,342.58	210,420.61	242,961.77
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	28,963.24	2,696.80	24,792.94	141,501.37	197,954.35	210,420.61

St Michael's Twerton

Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/12/2024	As at 31/12/2023
Fixed assets		
6401: Vernon Terrace	51,000.00	51,000.00
6402: St Peters Black Rock	7,200.25	6,817.72
6403: St Peters M&G	74,005.79	70,218.98
6404: Twerton-on-Avon SS Trust CCLA	9,295.33	8,305.88
Total Fixed assets	141,501.37	136,342.58
Current assets		
01: PCC Twerton C/A	14,643.45	17,923.79
02: PCC Twerton Savings	3,305.09	3,153.23
03: Church Building Fund	-	-
04: Rec House C/A	7,657.23	9,923.17
05: Rec House Savings	-	-
06: Rose Cottage Cafe C/A	23,152.24	26,176.11
07: Rose Cottage Centre C/A	8,111.17	17,317.93
08: Rose Cottage Centre Savings	-	-
09: Vicar's Pastoral Account	-	-
10: Vicar and Churchwardens C/A	-	-
1003: St Peter's SS - Black Rock CIF Accumulat	-	-
Total Current assets	56,869.18	74,494.23
Liabilities		
6699: Agency collections	416.20	416.20
Total Liabilities	416.20	416.20
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	197,954.35	210,420.61
Reserves		
Excess/(deficit) to date	(17,408.58)	(32,541.16)
Z01: Starting balances	210,420.61	242,961.77
Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	4,942.32	-
Total Reserves	197,954.35	210,420.61

Represented by Funds

General (Unrestricted)	28,963.24	28,722.08
Designated	2,696.80	8,511.12
Restricted	24,792.94	36,844.83
Endowment	141,501.37	136,342.58
Total	197,954.35	210,420.61

St Michael's Twerton
Fund movement summary
Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

Fund	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
CharDon - Charitable donations	168.60	-	-	-	-	-	168.60
Cleaner Fund - Cleaner Fund	-	280.00	-	-	-	-	280.00
ComeToTable - Come To The Table	2,004.60	-	439.60	(1,125.60)	-	-	439.40
Ephesian Fund - Ephesian Fund	-	301.56	-	-	-	-	301.56
GrdwkRes - Groundwork grant	440.00	-	-	-	-	-	440.00
MisComms - Mssionals Communities	58.52	500.00	96.59	-	-	-	461.93
Parish Share - Parish Share	19,958.64	-	16,500.00	(3,458.64)	-	-	-
WarmSpace - Warm Space	1,040.90	-	-	-	-	-	1,040.90
General - General fund	28,722.08	109,542.83	102,434.06	(7,073.80)	-	206.19	28,963.24
AssocMn - Associate Minister	1,425.60	-	-	-	-	-	1,425.60
LightCandF - Lighthouse Children and Families	51.27	12,071.76	13,188.16	1,112.18	-	-	47.05
Youth - Youth Work	5,463.76	-	-	-	-	-	5,463.76
Interns - Internships	473.40	-	31.00	-	-	-	442.40
ChurchBuil - Church Building	11,767.65	3,234.50	4,138.63	(5,300.00)	-	-	5,563.52
Lighths - Lighthouse	4,532.51	4,788.06	3,478.94	-	-	(422.66)	5,418.97
RecHoProj - Rec House Projects	4,729.02	-	-	(4,624.02)	-	-	105.00
LightCafe - Lighthouse Cafe	(13,617.28)	4,211.44	10,641.50	20,327.63	-	-	280.29
RoseCBuild - Rose Cottage Building	2,159.92	-	-	-	-	-	2,159.92
BellFund - Bell Fund	23.00	96.00	-	-	-	-	119.00
SendaCow - Send a Cow	40.00	-	-	-	-	-	40.00
WeekendAwy - Church weekend away	719.53	-	-	-	-	-	719.53
Farewells - Farewell Gifts from church	165.00	3,180.00	3,210.00	(135.00)	-	-	-
Vicar - Vicar's Pastoral	3,751.31	-	1,179.00	-	-	-	2,572.31
VerTerr - Vernon Terrace	51,000.00	-	-	-	-	-	51,000.00
BlackRock - St Peters Black Rock	6,817.72	-	277.25	277.25	382.53	-	7,200.25
MandG - St Peters M&G	70,218.98	-	-	-	3,786.81	-	74,005.79
CCLA - Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA	8,305.88	-	-	-	989.45	-	9,295.33
Totals	210,420.61	138,206.15	155,614.73	-	5,158.79	(216.47)	197,954.35

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Analysis of Receipts and Payments Selected period: 01 January 2024 to 31 December 2024

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Receipts						
Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	2,426.35	-	121.00	-	2,547.35	2,691.50
002 - Planned Giving, GA	36,514.74	50.00	2,976.50	-	39,541.24	34,485.77
003 - Grants	1,500.00	-	15,879.76	-	17,379.76	15,278.77
004 - Donations	14,439.98	-	6,071.44	-	20,511.42	10,971.23
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	57.50	-	422.66	-	480.16	10,810.92
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	19,780.65	301.56	-	-	20,082.21	19,761.28
Donations and legacies Totals	74,719.22	351.56	25,471.36	-	100,542.14	93,999.47
Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	5,730.00	-	-	-	5,730.00	10,327.02
009 - Church Activities	196.80	-	-	-	196.80	81.86
011 - Weddings	880.00	-	-	-	880.00	1,268.00
012 - Funerals	228.00	-	-	-	228.00	261.00
013 - Cafe Receipts	22,654.58	-	-	-	22,654.58	13,528.09
Income from charitable activities Totals	29,689.38	-	-	-	29,689.38	25,465.97
Investments						
007 - Interest	151.86	-	-	-	151.86	-
008 - Investment	252.25	-	2,840.40	-	3,092.65	2,885.35
Investments Totals	404.11	-	2,840.40	-	3,244.51	2,885.35
Other income						
019 - Other income	4,730.12	-	-	-	4,730.12	5,639.83
Other income Totals	4,730.12	-	-	-	4,730.12	5,639.83
Receipts Grand Totals	109,542.83	351.56	28,311.76	-	138,206.15	127,990.62
Payments						
Raising funds						
133 - Investments	-	-	-	277.25	277.25	277.25
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	277.25	277.25	277.25
Expenditure on charitable activities						
101 - Administration	5,244.94	-	-	-	5,244.94	8,004.43
102 - Salaries	40,880.31	1,808.57	12,279.56	-	54,968.44	52,904.70
103 - HMRC	6,268.55	-	-	-	6,268.55	5,996.13
104 - Pensions	2,673.96	-	1,348.20	-	4,022.16	3,351.80
105 - Staff Expenses	23.89	-	-	-	23.89	154.28
106 - Mission and training	176.00	35.59	61.00	-	272.59	6,715.89
107 - Church Activities	448.45	-	-	-	448.45	1,863.00
108 - Equipment	1,445.82	86.66	500.00	-	2,032.48	4,557.76

					Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
109 - Insurance	4,279.12	1,455.72	-	-	5,734.84	5,428.16
110 - External Donations	15,115.12	-	4,389.00	-	19,504.12	11,720.00
111 - Pastoral	218.14	-	-	-	218.14	300.00
112 - Bank Charges	18.93	-	-	-	18.93	-
113 - Cleaning	2,170.76	-	-	-	2,170.76	1,415.33
114 - Utilities	4,942.21	5,174.78	3,418.57	-	13,535.56	17,159.21
115 - Hospitality	-	-	-	-	-	106.93
116 - Worship	50.44	-	-	-	50.44	-
119 - Minor maintenance	5,543.42	35.00	2,982.92	-	8,561.34	15,170.29
120 - Major maintenance, church	43.20	-	1,155.71	-	1,198.91	4,975.00
121 - Cafe Activities	12,058.01	1,672.14	-	-	13,730.15	7,034.03
122 - Rec Project Activities	-	-	-	-	-	44.00
124 - Children and Families Activities	-	-	-	-	-	80.00
126 - Diocese	440.00	16,500.00	-	-	16,940.00	9,979.32
127 - Major maintenance, Rec H / Rose C	-	-	-	-	-	3,030.25
131 - Cost of refreshments	217.79	-	-	-	217.79	89.02
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	102,259.06	26,768.46	26,134.96	-	155,162.48	160,079.53
Other expenditure						
132 - Independent Examiner	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	175.00
Other expenditure Totals	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	175.00
Payments Grand Totals	102,434.06	26,768.46	26,134.96	277.25	155,614.73	160,531.78

St Michael's Twerton

Statement of Assets and Liabilities (by code) As at: 31 December 2024

Class and nominal code	General (Unrestricted)	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset - Investments						
6401: Vernon Terrace	-	-	-	51,000.00	51,000.00	51,000.00
6402: St Peters Black Rock	-	-	-	7,200.25	7,200.25	6,817.72
6403: St Peters M&G	-	-	-	74,005.79	74,005.79	70,218.98
6404: Twerton-on-Avon SS Trust CCLA	-	-	-	9,295.33	9,295.33	8,305.88
Total	-	-	-	141,501.37	141,501.37	136,342.58
Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand						
01: PCC Twerton C/A	3,217.37	(448.50)	11,874.58	-	14,643.45	17,923.79
02: PCC Twerton Savings	203.59	-	3,101.50	-	3,305.09	3,153.23
04: Rec House C/A	2,990.45	1,911.25	2,755.53	-	7,657.23	9,923.17
06: Rose Cottage Cafe C/A	20,938.19	1,234.05	980.00	-	23,152.24	26,176.11
07: Rose Cottage Centre C/A	1,613.64	-	6,497.53	-	8,111.17	17,317.93
Total	28,963.24	2,696.80	25,209.14	-	56,869.18	74,494.23
Liability - Agency Accounts						
6699: Agency collections	-	-	416.20	-	416.20	416.20
Total	-	-	416.20	-	416.20	416.20
Net total assets	28,963.24	2,696.80	24,792.94	141,501.37	197,954.35	210,420.61
Represented by						
General (Unrestricted)	28,963.24	-	-	-	28,963.24	28,722.08
Designated - Ephesian Fund	-	301.56	-	-	301.56	-
Designated - LightCafe	-	321.64	-	-	321.64	1,187.00
Designated - LightCandF	-	47.05	-	-	47.05	47.05
Designated - Lighths	-	2,026.55	-	-	2,026.55	2,653.05
Designated - RecHoProj	-	-	-	-	-	4,624.02
Restricted - AssocMn	-	-	1,425.60	-	1,425.60	1,425.60
Restricted - BellFund	-	-	119.00	-	119.00	23.00
Restricted - CharDon	-	-	168.60	-	168.60	168.60
Restricted - ChurchBuil	-	-	5,563.52	-	5,563.52	11,767.65
Restricted - Cleaner Fund	-	-	280.00	-	280.00	-
Restricted - ComeToTable	-	-	439.40	-	439.40	2,004.60
Restricted - Farewells	-	-	-	-	-	165.00
Restricted - GrdwkRes	-	-	440.00	-	440.00	440.00
Restricted - Interns	-	-	442.40	-	442.40	473.40
Restricted - LightCafe	-	-	(41.35)	-	(41.35)	(14,804.28)
Restricted - LightCandF	-	-	-	-	-	4.22
Restricted - Lighths	-	-	3,392.42	-	3,392.42	1,879.46
Restricted - MsComms	-	-	461.93	-	461.93	58.52
Restricted - Parish Share	-	-	-	-	-	19,958.64
Restricted - RecHoProj	-	-	105.00	-	105.00	105.00
Restricted - RoseCBuild	-	-	2,159.92	-	2,159.92	2,159.92
Restricted - SendaCov	-	-	40.00	-	40.00	40.00

Class and nominal code	General (Unrestricted)	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Restricted - Vicar	-	-	2,572.31	-	2,572.31	3,751.31
Restricted - WarmSpace	-	-	1,040.90	-	1,040.90	1,040.90
Restricted - WeekendAwy	-	-	719.53	-	719.53	719.53
Restricted - Youth	-	-	5,463.76	-	5,463.76	5,463.76
Endowment - BlackRock	-	-	-	7,200.25	7,200.25	6,817.72
Endowment - CCLA	-	-	-	9,295.33	9,295.33	8,305.88
Endowment - M&ndG	-	-	-	74,005.79	74,005.79	70,218.98
Endowment - VerTerr	-	-	-	51,000.00	51,000.00	51,000.00
Total	28,963.24	2,696.80	24,792.94	141,501.37	197,954.35	210,420.61



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	St Michael's and All Angels Church, Twerton, Bath PCC		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2024	Charity no (if any)	1147405
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to: • examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, • to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and • to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.		
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.		
Independent examiner's statement	In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect: • accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or • the accounts do not accord with the accounting records I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.		
Signed:	Colin M Goater	Date:	7th Apr 2025
Name:	Colin Michael Goater		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	102 Freeview Road		

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts



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St Michael's

**2023 Report and Accounts for the
Parochial Church Council of
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, TWERTON ON AVON
*Part of the Marlbroom Team***

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PCC
For the year ended 31st December 2023

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity details

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Twerton on Avon. It is part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, Watery Lane, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1RL

Charity Registration number: 1147405

Details of Trustees

PCC Members are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Elected members normally serve for 3-year terms.

The following served as trustees and as members of the PCC during the year following the APCM:

Incumbent (Chair)	Richard White	
Team Vicar	<i>Vacant (role likely to be dissolved)</i>	
Curate	Ben Notley	
Church Wardens	Chris Tatchell Iain Kyle	
Deputy Church Warden	<i>Vacant</i>	
Deanery Synod Representative	Rachel Hicks & Scott Wheatley	
Treasurer (Co-opted onto PCC)	Tom Riley	
Secretary	Kirsty Pitkin	
Safeguarding Officer	Qamar Rafiq	
Elected Members	Richard Eaton Julie Lewis Nicky Grizzell Lisa Morris James Hicks	
Reader	Emeritus (co-opted onto PCC)	Dilys Smith

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Constitution or Document

The PCC is governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956) and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

Recruitment of Trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), other churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. In addition, ordained clergy who are licensed to the parish are ex officio members of the PCC, as are the elected representatives to Deanery Synod and representatives from the Parish who are Diocesan Synod members. All those who attend our services/members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Nominations are called and persons voted for at an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Use of volunteers

The PCC employs a number of staff but also makes significant use of volunteers to carry out its work. Volunteers are involved in all aspects of the work and are supervised by leaders accountable to the PCC.

Organisational Structure

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The full PCC met eight times during the year. Given its wide responsibilities, the PCC has a small number of committees which sometimes meet between full meetings of the PCC, with each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life, as detailed below:

Visionary Leadership Committee: comprising some PCC members and other lay & staff representatives of church ministries assisting the Rector and PCC in discerning vision for local ministry. We did not need to meet this year.

Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. We met once this year.

Missions Committee: Assisting the PCC on external giving matters. It met once this year.

Marlbrook Finance Committee: comprising of a selection of PCC members, admin staff and volunteers from both churches to discuss, draft proposals and advise on matters of joint finance across the team ministry. We did not meet this year.

Risk Management

The PCC reviews the key risks facing the Church, the controls in place to mitigate them and any action required on an ongoing basis. The PCC continues to review and develop the strategic direction of the Church and considers how its exposure to risk changes as a result.

OBJECTIVES

Background

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Michael's Church, the Lighthouse, and the Rose Cottage Centre

Purpose: To follow Jesus in living *upwards* to God, *inwards* to each other, and *outwards* beyond the church walls.

Vision: To see God's river of life transform the church, Twerton *and Oldfield Park**. (Ezekiel 47)

Mission: REFUGE & RESCUE

- Providing places of *refuge* to those in crisis & those in need (Lighthouse Ministry)
- Introducing Jesus, our *rescuer*, through extended families on mission reaching out to people of peace (Missional Communities)

These aims and objectives are in line with the deanery's current threefold vision:

- Prayerfulness
- Hospitality
- Innovation

**this addition has been included following a renewed commitment from both churches to serve under a shared Marlbrook vision*

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The 'Gathered & Scattered' approach to operating as a church community has its challenges but continues to bear fruit primarily in enabling a disciple-making culture with a clear balance of UP-IN-OUT. There are three *Missional Communities* each with the mandate to become extended families of disciples on mission to reach and make new disciples in pockets of Twerton and beyond:

- **Roots & Shoots** (reaching those with roots in Christianity)
- **Agape** (loving and drawing in those on the edge)
- **Wild Church** (formally known as 'Families' modelling kingdom family across the generations)

Lighthouse Ministry

- Lighthouse Café at Rose Cottage (opens Tuesday, Wednesday and re-introduced Thursday opening hours toward the end of 2023)
- Lighthouse Chaplaincy at St Michael's Junior School (Gwen Kearley works 3 days a week in school)
- Food Bank distribution run by a team of volunteers from St Michael's church & Genesis. This operates Tuesdays & Thursdays at the Lighthouse Centre
- The Warm Space initiative launched in 2022 to meet the needs of those battling the food and energy crisis, transitioned in April 2023 to an all-year-round community meal project called 'Come to the Table' facilitated by a coordinator (Lauren Cattle) funded by a grant from Quartet.

(See detailed reports from Lighthouse Ministry Staff below)

Public Benefit Statement

The PCC takes its responsibilities as a charity very seriously. The church has always contributed a great deal to the community and will strive to continue to do so. The reports below describe some of the work that St Michael's has undertaken over the last year and includes reports for the Lighthouse Ministry.

The PCC seeks to be as inclusive as possible in its work and strives to reach out to people of all ages and backgrounds. Our aim is to involve as many people as possible in both running and participating in events and activities, many of which are facilitated by volunteers. The worship, groups and activities are open to anyone within and outside the local community. The Church building, the Lighthouse and the Rose Cottage Centre are important local resources and are used by various groups and individuals not directly connected to the Church for their own activities and events.

While many who join us in our gatherings are very generous in their donations to the PCC, there is no requirement for anyone attending services to donate money to the church. Any charges levied for specific activities and events are kept as low as possible, and the PCC will always look to help where people are struggling to afford the cost.

The PCC has forged strong links with a range of individuals and organisations. It supports the work of other churches and charitable organisations in Bath, the UK and throughout the world to promote the Christian faith and to help the vulnerable and needy from all faiths and backgrounds.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

ACTIVITIES & ENGAGEMENT

Church attendance

At the time of the APCM there were _73_ names on the electoral role, compared to _68_ names in May 2023. As with many churches this does not necessarily provide the most accurate picture of attendance, and there are many on the electoral role who don't attend regularly or have moved on and many more who are not on role who attend both Missional Communities and Sunday Celebrations regularly.

Rector's Report

2023 has been a year of consolidation, contending and challenge in the life of St Michaels and the wider Marlbrook benefice.

Consolidation

Both PCCs in the Marlbrook Team renewed their commitment in 2022 to revitalising a shared ministry vision and this included the sharing of staff team and mutual support, including the administrative staff focusing their support toward the roles of warden and treasurer. During the last year we have adapted to a new way of working and it has led to the mutual flourishing of both churches as well as relieving the pressure upon our church wardens and treasurer allowing these key roles to feel more manageable. This year we were able to invest some funds in communicating this renewed vision in our online platforms and building signage. We developed a new Marlbrook brand, a new shared website and new signs at all of our buildings displaying to the community that we have entered a new chapter with a fresh vision for transformation.

All three missional communities continue to bare fruit with new people joining and reaching out to those on the margins, provide places of belonging and enable an approach to discipleship that encourages all involved to engage in disciple-making. Two huddles of leaders met regularly to provide support and accountability for lay leadership. One, called the Garden Huddle, served the established leaders in mission & ministry and the other, Greenhouse Huddle, provided a context for praying and sharing missional ideas. During the Autumn both huddles were invited to join an online course run by a church in Bradford called 'Introduction to Disciple-Making Movements'. It offered spiritual formation principles, a missional toolkit and a framework for disciple-making.

The relationship between Lighthouse projects and other mission and ministry continues to strengthen and is far more undergirded by prayer with a significant increase in corporate prayer throughout the week. With a focus on being prepared for revival during the Autumn, we began the term with a week of prayer & fasting, the launch of a monthly 'Revival Ready' prayer meeting and a new catechesis course called 'Firm Foundations' offering monthly sessions for seekers to explore the foundations of the Christian Faith through a question & answer format.

In July, we welcomed the arrival of Revd Ben Notley as Curate. Despite having to battle medical challenges, he quickly settled into life in the benefice and made a positive impact on both the churches and those in the wider community. In the short time he was with us he managed to gain experience in a range of ministry settings and served the churches with uplifting preaching and pastoral care, particularly nurturing those facing difficult personal challenges. Having Ben around did help to minimise the impact of the deanery plan and the pastoral reorganisation upon Marlbrook, but conversations continue with regards to how the deanery commit long-term to supporting ministry in Magnificat parishes. With a plan yet to be firmly agreed, and proposals on the table relating to the retention of Ascension Vicarage for ministry purposes, we placed on pause both the Lee Abbey Small Missional Community project and the recruitment of a youth & children's worker.

Contending

When I arrived four and half years ago, I was informed there was a temporary faculty that had been used to remove the pews from the church. This had since lapsed and required a review and submission

of a permanent faculty. However, following an attempted application it came to light that the pews that had been stored with Bath Abbey's pews had mysteriously been disposed of without our knowledge when the Abbey sold their pews. This meant that it would be very difficult for the Chancellor to insist that the St Michael's pews be re-instated. Therefore, an investigation along with a re-submission for a permanent faculty for the removal and disposal of said pews was submitted at the end of 2023. We posted notices offering local residents the opportunity to register their objections and historic preservation societies were also consulted. Following an extension of this notice period at the request of Historic England and the Victorian Society, we await the Chancellor's final decision and will continue to contend for ministry to remain at the centre of decision making as well as requesting those who are responsible for the mistakes be held to account. This has to be dealt with carefully however, due to the informal nature of the arrangement that had been made with regards to the storage of our pews and the lack of proper monitoring in the intervening years.

Another area in which some felt compelled to contend related to the decision by the House of Bishops in February 2023 to commend prayers of blessing for same-sex couples and revise the guidance for clergy in same sex partnerships. This has caused significant division both within the Church of England and across the global Anglican communion. The Marlbrook clergy felt extremely concerned by the decision to introduce liturgy and practices that appear contrary to the Church's own doctrine and made their concerns known to both churches and senior leadership in the Diocese. With the Bishops apparent support for such reforms, the PCC voted to support the clergy in contending publicly taking the difficult decision to pause their parish share contributions to the diocese and reviewing their partnerships during 2023. Allocated share contributions have been kept in a restricted fund ready to be released to the diocese as and when the PCC decides to resume payments again. However, due to the deficits in our own financial accounts we may need to review this decision to continue holding parish share contributions, which are a voluntary gift, in 'restricted funds' and consider moving them to a 'designated fund' in order to allow greater flexibility going forwards.

Challenge

Despite efforts by a few parishes in the diocese and many more across the country warning Bishops not to proceed down the route they have taken on LLF, the marginal support from General Synod for their proposals means that the trajectory has been set and Prayers of Love & Faith were formally commended for use in December 2023. This left clergy like myself feeling isolated from the institution to which I had sworn oaths of allegiance. I had the difficult choice of whether I continue to submit to the authority of Bishops who would no longer defend the doctrine of marriage or whether I have to make the difficult decision to resign? One way that Bishops could enable clergy to resolve this problem would be to offer alternative episcopal oversight (invite and extend authority to a Bishop who holds to orthodox teaching) for those who don't feel able to submit to their diocesan Bishop. However, this was not something Bishop Michael was willing to consider here in Bath & Wells and, therefore, I had to make the hard decision to inform the Bishop and the churches that I would be resigning in 2024 ending five years of fruitful ministry. One of the unfortunate consequences of this decision was that the Curate's placement would need to change and so Marlbrook would have to prepare for two members of clergy leaving in quick succession. This was unavoidable but was discussed and discerned early on in the process to allow Ben the time to explore the implications and come to terms with the inevitable transition.

Whilst 2023 again saw new people joining the church, there were also some who found that they could not remain in membership following the decisions taken by the PCC to support the clergy in contending for orthodoxy. With increasing ministry demands, additional staff and cost of living, income has not kept up with expenditure this year and we face a significant monthly deficit. We are also facing some

very significant capital projects following the Quinquennial inspection identifying various significant repairs needed on the church building. There will be some difficult decisions ahead for the PCC as they consider how to respond to and resolve these financial challenges in the midst of a vacancy. Please pray and consider how you might play your part in this season ahead to support continued ministry in Marlbrook and serving the local community in Twerton.

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who has given sacrificially with time, energy and financial support this year. Thank you to those who have led our missional communities and volunteered many hours in serving ministries across the church. Thanks to the amazing staff team and PCC for all your dedication and vision. We thank our church wardens, Iain Kyle & Chris Tatchell. We also thank Tom Riley, who gallantly offered to support the PCC as co-opted treasurer this year and although lacking confidence in this role has helped to provide some stability in what has been a difficult year. We continue to see the merit of the paid administrative support being focused around supporting both the roles of warden and treasurer enabling these voluntary roles to be more manageable and efficient as ministry continue to place additional demands upon our limited finances and fragile historic buildings. Finally, thank you to all of you for your prayer, support and, at times, hard questions and challenge that have helped Catherine and I to lead you as well as we could with the Lord's help through some choppy waters. We continue to pray for you and cheer you on in your commission to be disciple-makers in the places and the people to which you have been called.

- *Richard White (Team Rector)*

Deanery Synod Report 2023

- *Verbal Report given by Rachel Hicks & Scott Wheatley*

Following a period of consultation with implicated PCCs the following proposals were voted through November's Deanery Synod. Bath Deanery Synod recommend to Bishop Michael that:

1. When the Incumbency of Freshford, Limpley Stoke and Hinton Charterhouse falls vacant, the next Incumbent be a House for Duty.
2. When there is a vacancy for an Incumbent in the Bath Abbey with St Michael's Without Group Ministry (apart from Abbey Rector), that the vacancy is not filled until a review is carried out for the DMPG with the 2 PCC's, to enable the Group Ministry to transition from 4 stipendiary incumbents to 3.
3. A pioneering Incumbent be appointed to the benefice of St Barnabas, Southdown.
4. The Marlbrook Team be dissolved and a benefice of St Michael's Twerton with Ascension Oldfield Park be created under 1 full-time Incumbent.
5. The Diocese be asked to support an application to use Ascension Vicarage for a new missional community house.

And that:

6. The Area Dean and Lay Dean continue to help Incumbents identify partnerships benefices to offer more shared leadership and support.
7. The DMPG identify additional people and resources for the Magnificat parish of St Michael's Twerton.

These proposals did not take into account the feedback provided by the Marlbrook Team Council and after enquiring the following response was given by the Area Dean:

We decided that as the proposals are 'guidance' to inform the Bishop in his decision making, and as the feedback was very mixed in its form and extent, that we would give the result of the vote to the Bishop and offer the feedback as additional information.

There is clearly a lot more work for the DMPG to do, not least in the light of current and forthcoming vacancies. We had a short discussion on your proposal for more resources for Twerton but need more information and further consideration, that's more for us for 2024, and a steep learning curve for the new DMPG. (Email from Revd Stephen Girling 21.11.23)

- Deanery Synod Reps & Rector

Staff Reports

Lighthouse Ministry Report

2023 has been a hard year for all and because of this Lighthouse Ministry has seen an increase in demand for support. This has taken many forms from supplying food to advice and help with work and or benefits. I will break down what each of our Lighthouse Ministry arms have done in this last year and where we would like to see improvements for the coming year.

Rose cottage

The cafe has seen an increase in numbers through the door (120 -150 a week) as we have seen people in our community reach for something even if many don't know what. The cafe has the same issues many have in the form of dramatic increases of food costs and energy bills and much more but during this time we have endeavoured to keep our prices rock bottom to offer a place for all to come even if they don't have much there was still a place they could come and hang out and not feel like a charity with hands out.

That being said we made the decision that we would make a fund available for those that can't afford it and pay forward. This has had a great reception and been very positive for the customers that need to use it and the ones who like to provide for it. The uptake has not been as big as I thought it would be and I am not entirely sure why but it is on offer and we are making folk aware. We have expanded our opening hours with an extra 2 days. This includes Thursday cafe opening and then on Mondays we launched a thrift shop cafe. We have also improved our coffee offer to the public signing a contract with *Rijo* coffee. They have supplied us with a new coffee machine which will enable us to provide much better quality and a greater variety of coffee as well as hot chocolate.

We have been able to support and love many people this last year which has made our relationships deepen and give us the foundation to share the gospel. We have seen a bit of growth with the inter church prayer meeting on a Tuesday morning at 8:30am. We have regulars from Genesis and Mercy in Action all doing stuff on our high street. The most recent innovation has been the thrift shop cafe launched in February of this year. After the charity shop closed Rachel, who ran it, came over and started volunteering for us and as time went by I felt she was ready to take on some more responsibility. So she will be running the day. We are selling clothes and other soft stuff in a jumble sale style whilst selling cakes and coffee to customers. All proceeds go toward the Lighthouse Ministry.

Lighthouse Centre

We continue to house the food bank which can be accessed on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. We have been actively strengthening our partnership with Genesis (the umbrella charity for foodbank) in a few ways one of which is inviting team members to the Tuesday prayer time. Other agencies reaching out from the Lighthouse Centre are Bath Collage, DHI and Nest Project. Again, Nest is a long term partnership which we are continuing to build on. We have Bath College holding adult learning and cookery courses. As it stands there is only one vacant slot on a Monday at the moment so I am really pleased to be finally seeing the vision of our doors open every day in both centres becoming a reality.

Come to the Table (formally Warm Space)

In November 2022 we started running a Warm Space, aiming to reduce the cost of living for people in Twerton. Our customers were able to access a warm environment, with kind and friendly volunteers to enjoy delicious hot meal. As time progressed and spring came, it became apparent that everyone who used the warm space was not only benefiting from a free meal, but also the sense of community and friendship it harboured. So, we decided to continue to run throughout the summer and transition into a community meal called 'Come To The Table'. We focused less on giving away as many free meals as possible, and more on developing relationships and supporting people whilst being generous with food and company. We aimed to make the atmosphere like a positive family dinner table, where all were welcome, and that is what it has become. The customers and volunteers rely on this social interaction each week and the overall kindness shared, people chat, play games together, and some occasionally bring their guitars and have a sing along. Throughout the time we have been running, we have benefitted from grant funding allowing us to distribute over 2'500 meals and it has become a highlight in many peoples week. The project will draw to a close at the end of March 2024.

Chaplaincy at St Michaels

Looking back over the past year it's good to be able to share some highlights from a Chaplaincy perspective at St Michael's Junior Church School - in no particular order:

- Strong links have been re-established at Cleeve Court Dementia Care Home this year with children from Years 4/5&6 visiting regularly. The children have grown in confidence as they have made friends at the Home , and I've given support to some when they learned about the death of one of their much loved residents.
- Prepare weekly / termly plans for Collective Worship in school and help to lead on a weekly basis.
- Richard and Nathan have continued to visit the school to lead Worships on a Wednesday.
- On going work with the Chaplaincy Crew - a group of 12 children from Years 4/5 who help to lead and input ideas into the Worships.
- The school have visited St Michael's Church for their Christmas Service and for the first time in a few years parents were able to join us.
- Lunchtime BIF Club (Bible is Fun) continues to meet on a Monday lunchtime, currently for an enthusiastic group of Year 4 children.
- Richard, Rachel and Gwen continue to help support the school in preparing for the SIAMS inspection, due this academic year.
- Continued links with Bristol Children's Help Society who run Barton Camp for children - contact with parents to enable children to attend a half-term camp.

- Planned and ran a Prayer Space for the school - an opportunity for children and staff to spending a time giving 'Thanks' whilst engaging in a variety of creative activities. Feedback from this was positive - the children have commented since how much they enjoyed the activities!
- Lunchtime 'open space' in the Chaplaincy room to support those children who need some quiet time with Lego, jigsaws and drawing.
- Send out a weekly 'Prayer for the Week' to all staff of the school.
- Meet on a Thursday morning to pray for the school with Nicky Grizzell.
- Serve 'Hot chocolate & biscuits' each week to those who pay their 50p, which helps to build up funds for charity giving /special events in school.
- Initiate a Lent Challenge for the school - with the aim of helping to keep the cross at the centre of the Easter story.
- Supported children from the school as they prayed in the recent 850th Celebrations at the Abbey for the St John's Foundation.
- Opportunities to get alongside staff - to listen, encourage, supporting practically and through prayer.

It continues to be a privilege to be in the school each week as a practical expression of my faith and the Churches' commitment to bless the school community.

The lighthouse garden team (Twerton hackers)

The Lighthouse gardening group continued this year working in the gardens and sometimes the homes of people in need of help and unable to undertake the work themselves or need help to get started. The group consists of four men who are retired with various DIY and gardening skills. They have occasional help from other folk, men and women who are able to assist. Most of the work is undertaken in the Twerton Parish but we have travelled further afield to assist. We refer to ourselves as the 'Twerton Hackers.' We meet on Tuesday mornings We always start at Rose Cottage with a coffee and then spend a couple of hours working. It is enjoyable for us to work together see great progress and make a difference in people homes and lives. We have been referred work from Mercy in Action, social services and individuals. Examples of our work are as follows

1. We continue litter pick on the high street and work on the community garden in Hanna Close
2. The hackers helped a single mum with mental health difficulties with her garden, overrun with brambles and painted her 10 year old daughters bedroom walls that had been stained with damp
3. We cleared a large growth of Ivy that had covered an elderly ladies house and was causing her great distress. This required several trips to the recycling centre
4. We have continued to help the local nursery and this year we will be helping the staff create safe area in St Michael school for the children to grow and hopefully eat herbs and vegetables

The aim of the hackers continues to be to glorify God as we help those struggling to cope with their gardens. We are continuing to make Lighthouse Ministries a model of refuge and rescue, wanting to see all our buildings with doors open offering some sort of support and love from the Marlbrook family or close partners. We want to be more than practical help which is why we are gospel driven to see lives transformed.

- Nathan Gale, Lighthouse Leader

FINANCIAL REVIEW

- *Verbal Report given by Tom Riley (Treasurer)*

PCC Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a treasurer. While it may delegate some of its duties, this does not remove its legal responsibilities.

Charity law requires the PCC as trustees of the Church to prepare an annual report and financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. The PCC is also required to ensure that these are subjected to an annual independent examination or audit and to present these to the APCM in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

In preparing these financial statements, the PCC is required to:

- 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; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable accounting standards. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

St Michael's Twerton Charity number: 1147405 For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023						
Receipts and Payments Account						
	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	75,212.13	50	18,737.34	-	93,999.47	143,902.38
Income from charitable activities	22,066.60	3,399.37	-	-	25,465.97	31,110.25
Investments	2,885.35	-	-	-	2,885.35	2,879.57
Other income	5,639.83	-	-	-	5,639.83	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	105,803.91	3,449.37	18,737.34	-	127,990.62	177,892.20
Payments						
Raising funds	-	-	-	277.25	277.25	277.25
Expenditure on charitable activities	96,063.57	14,910.94	49,105.02	-	160,079.53	173,494.06
Other expenditure	175	-	-	-	175	3,315.20
Total Payments	96,238.57	14,910.94	49,105.02	277.25	160,531.78	177,086.51
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	9,565.34	-11,461.57	-30,367.68	-277.25	-32,541.16	805.69
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	406.34	14,575.47	27,142.04	554.5	42,678.35	80,906.93
Gross transfers between funds - out	-35,026.33	-5,492.22	-1,882.55	-277.25	-42,678.35	-80,906.93
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains	-25,054.65	-2,378.32	-5,108.19	-	-32,541.16	805.69
Net movement in funds	-25,054.65	-2,378.32	-5,108.19	-	-32,541.16	-4,246.21
Reconciliation of funds						
Excess of receipts over payments at beginning of the	53,776.73	10,889.44	41,953.02	136,342.58	242,961.77	247,207.98
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	28,722.08	8,511.12	36,844.83	136,342.58	210,420.61	242,961.77
Represented by						
General (Unrestricted)	28,722	-	-	-	28,722	53,777
Designated - ChurchBuil	-	-	-	-	-	191
Designated - LightCafe	-	1,187	-	-	1,187	-
Designated - LightCandF	-	47	-	-	47	47
Designated - Lighths	-	2,653	-	-	2,653	6,027
Designated - RecHoProj	-	4,624	-	-	4,624	4,624
Restricted - AssocMin	-	-	1,426	-	1,426	1,426
Restricted - BellFund	-	-	23	-	23	23
Restricted - CharDon	-	-	169	-	169	169
Restricted - ChurchBuil	-	-	11,768	-	11,768	12,559
Restricted - ComeToTable	-	-	2,005	-	2,005	-
Restricted - Farewells	-	-	165	-	165	240
Restricted - GrdwkRes	-	-	440	-	440	440
Restricted - Interns	-	-	473	-	473	473
Restricted - LightCafe	-	-	-14,804	-	-14,804	165
Restricted - LightCandF	-	-	4	-	4	3,095
Restricted - Lighths	-	-	1,879	-	1,879	1,879
Restricted - MisComms	-	-	59	-	59	165
Restricted - Parish Share	-	-	19,959	-	19,959	-
Restricted - RecHoProj	-	-	105	-	105	105
Restricted - RoseCBUILD	-	-	2,160	-	2,160	1,990
Restricted - SendaCow	-	-	40	-	40	89
Restricted - Vicar	-	-	3,751	-	3,751	3,751
Restricted - WarmSpace	-	-	1,041	-	1,041	9,201
Restricted - WeekendAwy	-	-	720	-	720	720
Restricted - Youth	-	-	5,464	-	5,464	5,464
Endowment - BlackRock	-	-	-	6,818	6,818	6,818
Endowment - CCLA	-	-	-	8,306	8,306	8,306
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Sub-totals	720 -	-	-	-	-	720
Farewells Restricted	240 -		75 -	-	-	165
Sub-totals	240 -		75 -	-	-	165
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Sub-totals	8,306 -	-	-	-	-	8,306
Totals	242,962	127,991	160,532 -	-	-	210,421

Analysis of Receipts and Payments

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Receipts						
Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	2,442 -		250 -		2,692	1,157
002 - Planned Giving, GA	33,516	50	920 -		34,486	41,616
003 - Grants	561 -		14,717 -		15,279	38,501
004 - Donations	8,121 -		2,850 -		10,971	30,455
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	10,811 -	-	-		10,811	9,996
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	19,761 -	-	-		19,761	22,178
022 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and legacies Totals	75,212	50	18,737 -		93,999	143,902
Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	9,540	788 -	-		10,327	13,141
009 - Church Activities	82 -	-	-		82	103
011 - Weddings	1,268 -	-	-		1,268	724
012 - Funerals	261 -	-	-		261	673
013 - Cafe Receipts	10,916	2,612 -	-		13,528	11,078
014 - Rec Project Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
015 - Youth Work Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
016 - Children and Families Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
017 - Deanery Chaplaincy Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
018 - Parish weekend	-	-	-	-	-	5,391
021 - Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	22,067	3,399 -	-		25,466	31,110
Other trading activities						
Other trading activities Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments						
007 - Interest	-	-	-	-	-	13
008 - Investment	2,885 -	-	-		2,885	2,867
Investments Totals	2,885 -	-	-		2,885	2,880
Other income						
019 - Other income	5,640 -	-	-		5,640 -	-
020 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	5,640 -	-	-		5,640 -	-
Receipts Grand Totals	105,804	3,449	18,737 -		127,991	177,892
Payments						
Raising funds						
118 - Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-
133 - Investments	-	-	-	277	277	277
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	277	277	277
Expenditure on charitable activities						
101 - Administration	7,929	50	25 -		8,004	3,715
102 - Salaries	18,028 -		34,877 -		52,905	52,076
103 - HMRC	4,696	1,300 -	-		5,996	2,132

104 - Pensions	-	-	3,352 -		3,352	4,039
105 - Staff Expenses		104 -	50 -		154	81
106 - Mission and training		831	684	5,200 -	6,716	1,527
107 - Church Activities		1,776	87 -	-	1,863	506
108 - Equipment		4,403	150	5 -	4,558	8,812
109 - Insurance		4,270	1,158 -	-	5,428	4,320
110 - External Donations		11,645 -		75 -	11,720	11,400
111 - Pastoral		300 -	-	-	300	756
112 - Bank Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
113 - Cleaning		1,415 -	-	-	1,415	476
114 - Utilities		4,466	7,292	5,401 -	17,159	8,932
115 - Hospitality		107 -	-	-	107	89
116 - Worship	-	-	-	-	-	8,878
117 - Parish Weekend	-	-	-	-	-	4,251
119 - Minor maintenance		14,059	1,111 -	-	15,170	25,394
120 - Major maintenance, church		4,975 -	-	-	4,975 -	-
121 - Cafe Activities		3,915	2,999	120 -	7,034	6,160
122 - Rec Project Activities		44 -	-	-	44 -	-
123 - Youth Activities	-	-	-	-	-	60
124 - Children and Families Activities	-	-	80 -	-	80	228
125 - Deanery Activities	-	-	-	-	-	30
126 - Diocese		9,979 -	-	-	9,979	29,351
127 - Major maintenance, Rec H / Rose C		3,030 -	-	-	3,030 -	-
128 - Professional fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
129 - Clergy phone	-	-	-	-	-	-
130 - Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-
131 - Cost of refreshments		89 -	-	-	89	130
134 - Clergy recruitment	-	-	-	-	-	-
135 - Visiting preacher	-	-	-	-	-	150
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals		96,064	14,911	49,105 -	160,080	173,494
Other expenditure						
132 - Independent Examiner		175 -	-	-	175	175
136 - New Works	-	-	-	-	-	3,140
Other expenditure Totals		175 -	-	-	175	3,315
Payments Grand Totals		96,239	14,911	49,105	277	160,532
						177,087



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A		Independent Examiner's Report	
Report to the trustees/ members of	St. Michael's and All Angels Church Twerton Bath PCC		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st December 2023	Charity no (if any)	1147405
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to: • examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, • to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and • to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.		
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.		
Independent examiner's statement	In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect: • accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or • the accounts do not accord with the accounting records I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.		
Signed:	Colin M Goater	Date:	14th March 2024
Name:	Colin Michael Goater		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	102 Freeview Road		

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Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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St Michael's Twerton
Charity number: 1147405
For the period from 01 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Receipts and Payments Account

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts						
Donations and legacies	75,212.13	50	18,737.34 -		93,999.47	143,902.38
Income from charitable activities	22,066.60	3,399.37 -	-		25,465.97	31,110.25
Investments	2,885.35 -	-	-		2,885.35	2,879.57
Other income	5,639.83 -	-	-		5,639.83 -	-
Other trading activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Receipts	105,803.91	3,449.37	18,737.34 -		127,990.62	177,892.20
Payments						
Raising funds	-	-	-	277.25	277.25	277.25
Expenditure on charitable activities	96,063.57	14,910.94	49,105.02 -		160,079.53	173,494.06
Other expenditure	175 -	-	-		175	3,315.20
Total Payments	96,238.57	14,910.94	49,105.02	277.25	160,531.78	177,086.51
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer	9,565.34	-11,461.57	-30,367.68	-277.25	-32,541.16	805.69
Transfers:						
Gross transfers between funds - in	406.34	14,575.47	27,142.04	554.5	42,678.35	80,906.93
Gross transfers between funds - out	-35,026.33	-5,492.22	-1,882.55	-277.25	-42,678.35	-80,906.93
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains	-25,054.65	-2,378.32	-5,108.19 -		-32,541.16	805.69
Net movement in funds	-25,054.65	-2,378.32	-5,108.19 -		-32,541.16	-4,246.21
Reconciliation of funds						
Excess of receipts over payments at beginning of the year	53,776.73	10,889.44	41,953.02	136,342.58	242,961.77	247,207.98
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	28,722.08	8,511.12	36,844.83	136,342.58	210,420.61	242,961.77

Represented by						
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Restricted - BellFund	-	-	23 -	-	23	23
Restricted - CharDon	-	-	169 -	-	169	169
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Restricted - LightCafe	-	-	-14,804 -	-	-14,804	165
Restricted - LightCandF	-	-	4 -	-	4	3,095
Restricted - Lighths	-	-	1,879 -	-	1,879	1,879
Restricted - MisComms	-	-	59 -	-	59	165
Restricted - Parish Share	-	-	19,959 -	-	19,959 -	
Restricted - RecHoProj	-	-	105 -	-	105	105
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WeekendAwy Restricted	720 -	-	-	-	-	720
Sub-totals	720 -	-	-	-	-	720
Farewells Restricted	240 -		75 -	-	-	165
Sub-totals	240 -		75 -	-	-	165
Vicar Restricted	3,751 -	-	-	-	-	3,751
Sub-totals	3,751 -	-	-	-	-	3,751
VerTerr						
Endowment	51,000 -	-	-	-	-	51,000
Sub-totals	51,000 -	-	-	-	-	51,000
BlackRock						
Endowment	6,818 -		277	277 -	-	6,818
Sub-totals	6,818 -		277	277 -	-	6,818
MandG						
Endowment	70,219 -	-	-	-	-	70,219
Sub-totals	70,219 -	-	-	-	-	70,219
CCLA						
Endowment	8,306 -	-	-	-	-	8,306
Sub-totals	8,306 -	-	-	-	-	8,306
Totals	242,962	127,991	160,532 -	-	-	210,421

Analysis of Receipts and Payments

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Receipts						
Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	2,442 -		250 -		2,692	1,157
002 - Planned Giving, GA	33,516	50	920 -		34,486	41,616
003 - Grants	561 -		14,717 -		15,279	38,501
004 - Donations	8,121 -		2,850 -		10,971	30,455
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	10,811 -	-	-		10,811	9,996
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	19,761 -	-	-		19,761	22,178
022 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donations and legacies Totals	75,212	50	18,737 -		93,999	143,902
Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	9,540	788 -	-		10,327	13,141
009 - Church Activities	82 -		-		82	103
011 - Weddings	1,268 -	-	-		1,268	724
012 - Funerals	261 -		-		261	673
013 - Cafe Receipts	10,916	2,612 -	-		13,528	11,078
014 - Rec Project Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
015 - Youth Work Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
016 - Children and Families Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
017 - Deanery Chaplaincy Activities	-	-	-	-	-	-
018 - Parish weekend	-	-	-	-	-	5,391
021 - Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	22,067	3,399 -	-		25,466	31,110
Other trading activities						
Other trading activities Totals	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investments						
007 - Interest	-	-	-	-		13
008 - Investment	2,885 -	-	-		2,885	2,867
Investments Totals	2,885 -	-	-		2,885	2,880
Other income						
019 - Other income	5,640 -	-	-		5,640 -	-
020 - Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income Totals	5,640 -	-	-		5,640 -	-
Receipts Grand Totals	105,804	3,449	18,737 -		127,991	177,892
Payments						
Raising funds						
118 - Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-	-
133 - Investments	-	-	-	277	277	277
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	277	277	277
Expenditure on charitable activities						
101 - Administration	7,929	50	25 -		8,004	3,715
102 - Salaries	18,028 -		34,877 -		52,905	52,076
103 - HMRC	4,696	1,300 -	-		5,996	2,132

104 - Pensions	-	-	3,352 -		3,352	4,039
105 - Staff Expenses		104 -	50 -		154	81
106 - Mission and training		831	684	5,200 -	6,716	1,527
107 - Church Activities		1,776	87 -	-	1,863	506
108 - Equipment		4,403	150	5 -	4,558	8,812
109 - Insurance		4,270	1,158 -	-	5,428	4,320
110 - External Donations		11,645 -		75 -	11,720	11,400
111 - Pastoral		300 -	-	-	300	756
112 - Bank Charges	-	-	-	-	-	-
113 - Cleaning		1,415 -	-	-	1,415	476
114 - Utilities		4,466	7,292	5,401 -	17,159	8,932
115 - Hospitality		107 -	-	-	107	89
116 - Worship	-	-	-	-	-	8,878
117 - Parish Weekend	-	-	-	-	-	4,251
119 - Minor maintenance		14,059	1,111 -	-	15,170	25,394
120 - Major maintenance, church		4,975 -	-	-	4,975 -	-
121 - Cafe Activities		3,915	2,999	120 -	7,034	6,160
122 - Rec Project Activities		44 -	-	-	44 -	-
123 - Youth Activities	-	-	-	-	-	60
124 - Children and Families Activities	-	-	80 -	-	80	228
125 - Deanery Activities	-	-	-	-	-	30
126 - Diocese		9,979 -	-	-	9,979	29,351
127 - Major maintenance, Rec H / Rose C		3,030 -	-	-	3,030 -	-
128 - Professional fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
129 - Clergy phone	-	-	-	-	-	-
130 - Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-
131 - Cost of refreshments		89 -	-	-	89	130
134 - Clergy recruitment	-	-	-	-	-	-
135 - Visiting preacher	-	-	-	-	-	150
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals		96,064	14,911	49,105 -	160,080	173,494
Other expenditure						
132 - Independent Examiner		175 -	-	-	175	175
136 - New Works	-	-	-	-	-	3,140
Other expenditure Totals		175 -	-	-	175	3,315
Payments Grand Totals		96,239	14,911	49,105	277	160,532
						177,087



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A		Independent Examiner's Report	
Report to the trustees/ members of	St. Michael's and All Angels Church Twerton Bath PCC		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st December 2023	Charity no (if any)	1147405
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		
Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to: • examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act, • to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and • to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.		
Basis of independent examiner's statement	My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.		
Independent examiner's statement	In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect: • accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or • the accounts do not accord with the accounting records I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.		
Signed:	Colin M Goater	Date:	14th March 2024
Name:	Colin Michael Goater		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	102 Freeview Road		

BATH BA2 1DZ

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts



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St Michael's

**2022-23 Report and Accounts for the
Parochial Church Council of
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, TWERTON ON AVON
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PCC
For the year ended 31st December 2022

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity details

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Twerton on Avon. It is part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, Watery Lane, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1RL

Charity Registration number: 1147405

Details of Trustees

PCC Members are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Elected members normally serve for 3-year terms.

The following served as trustees and as members of the PCC during the year following the AGM:

Incumbent (Chair)	Richard White
Team Vicar	Robert Pimm (retired October 2022)
Reader	Dilys Smith

Church Wardens	Chris Tatchell Iain Kyle
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Deputy Church Warden	<i>Vacant</i>
Deanery Synod Representative	Rachel Hicks
Treasurer	Chris Turner
Secretary	Kirsty Pitkin
Safeguarding Officer	Qamar Rafiq

Elected Members	Richard Eaton Julie Lewis Chris Turner Scott Wheatley Nicky Grizzell Lisa Morris James Hicks
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Constitution or Document

The PCC is governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

Recruitment of Trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), other churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. In addition, ordained clergy who are licensed to the parish are ex officio members of the PCC, as are the elected representatives to Deanery Synod and representatives from the Parish who are Diocesan Synod members. All those who attend our services/members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Nominations are called and persons voted for at an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Use of volunteers

The PCC employs a number of staff but also makes significant use of volunteers to carry out its work. Volunteers are involved in all aspects of the work and are supervised by leaders accountable to the PCC.

Organisational Structure

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The full PCC met nine times during the year. Given its wide responsibilities, the PCC has a small number of committees which sometimes meet between full meetings of the PCC, with each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life, as detailed below:

Visionary Leadership Committee: comprising some PCC members and other lay & staff representatives of church ministries assisting the Rector and PCC in discerning vision for local ministry. We did not need to meet this year.

Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. We did not need to meet this year.

Missions Committee: Assisting the PCC on external giving matters. It met once this year.

Marlbrook Finance Committee: comprising of a selection of PCC members, admin staff and volunteers from both churches to discuss, draft proposals and advise on matters of joint finance across the team ministry.

Risk Management

The PCC reviews the key risks facing the Church, the controls in place to mitigate them and any action required on an ongoing basis. The PCC continues to review and develop the strategic direction of the Church and considers how its exposure to risk changes as a result.

OBJECTIVES

Background

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Michael's Church, the Lighthouse, and the Rose Cottage Centre

Purpose: To follow Jesus in living *upwards* to God, *inwards* to each other, and *outwards* beyond the church walls.

Vision: To see God's river of life transform the church, Twerton *and Oldfield Park**. (Ezekiel 47)

Mission: REFUGE & RESCUE

- Providing places of *refuge* to those in crisis & those in need (Lighthouse Ministry)
- Introducing Jesus, our *rescuer*, through extended families on mission reaching out to people of peace (Missional Communities)

These aims and objectives are in line with the deanery's current threefold vision:

- Prayerfulness
- Hospitality
- Innovation

**this addition has been included following a renewed commitment from both churches to serve under a shared Marlbrook vision*

Strategy for achieving the objectives

The 'Gathered & Scattered' approach to operating as a church community has its challenges but continues to bear fruit primarily in enabling a disciple-making culture with a clear balance of UP-IN-OUT. There are three *Missional Communities* each with the mandate to become extended families of disciples on mission to reach and make new disciples in pockets of Twerton and beyond:

- **Roots & Shoots** (reaching those with roots in Christianity)
- **Agape** (loving and drawing in those on the edge)
- **Wild Church** (formally known as 'Families' modelling kingdom family across the generations)

A fourth missional community, E.A.T, made the decision to take a break from meeting, but those in the group have joined other communities and the leaders remain committed to the vision and are seeking God for direction about future mission.

Lighthouse Ministry

- Lighthouse Café at Rose Cottage (opens Tuesday & Wednesday)
- Lighthouse Chaplaincy at St Michael's Junior School.
- Food Bank distribution run by a team of volunteers from St Michael's church & Genesis. This operates Tuesdays & Thursdays at the Lighthouse Centre
- A new Warm Space launched to meet the needs of those battling the food and energy crisis

(See reports from Nathan & Gwen below)

Public Benefit Statement

The PCC takes its responsibilities as a charity very seriously. The church has always contributed a great deal to the community and will strive to continue to do so. The reports below describe some of the work that St Michael's has undertaken over the last year and includes reports for the Lighthouse Ministry.

The PCC seeks to be as inclusive as possible in its work and strives to reach out to people of all ages and backgrounds. Our aim is to involve as many people as possible in both running and participating in events and activities, many of which are facilitated by volunteers. The worship, groups and activities are open to anyone within and outside the local community. The Church building, the Lighthouse and the Rose Cottage Centre are important local resources and are used by various groups and individuals not directly connected to the Church for their own activities and events.

While many who join us in our gatherings are very generous in their donations to the PCC, there is no requirement for anyone attending services to donate money to the church. Any charges levied for specific activities and events are kept as low as possible, and the PCC will always look to help where people are struggling to afford the cost.

The PCC has forged strong links with a range of individuals and organisations. It supports the work of other churches and charitable organisations in Bath, the UK and throughout the world to promote the Christian faith and to help the vulnerable and needy from all faiths and backgrounds.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

ACTIVITIES & ENGAGEMENT

Church attendance

At the time of the APCM there were 70 names on the electoral roll, compared to 67 names in May 2022. As with many churches this does not necessarily provide the most accurate picture of attendance, and

there are many on the electoral role who don't attend regularly or have moved on and many more who are not on role who attend both Missional Communities and Sunday Celebrations regularly.

Rector's Report

Weekend Away

Following a period of embedding and consolidation of mission and ministry, St Michael's enjoyed a successful weekend away in June at Windmill Farm in Oxfordshire. Due to the generous donations we were able to not only cover costs of this event but have a designated fund for future church retreats.

Deanery Pastoral Reorganisation

Following the news of the Diocesan 5 year plan to reduce stipendiary costs with a requirement to make savings of five posts within the Bath Deanery, I received a proposal from the Area Dean to explore the possibility of St Barnabas coming into the Marlbrook Team with a view to sharing resources across a larger team. Together with the wardens from all three churches, Robert and I began discussions with St Barnabas PCC about whether this was viable. However, the initial willingness to explore this partnership was hampered both by the withdrawal of the incoming curate, and then further complicated by some theological disagreements. However, despite this plan for expansion being placed on hold, it precipitated both Ascension & St Michael's PCCs responding positively to the call to embark on a renewal of the Marlbrook vision preceding the retirement of its team vicar, Robert Pimm. This has enabled a much closer partnership and sharing of resources. Both administrators have adapted their roles to serve the wider team with one post administering the maintenance of buildings and the other finance & bookings. The Lighthouse leader and chaplaincy roles remain focused on Twerton. Further information about the deanery plan can be found under the Deanery Synod Report

Energy Crisis – Sacrifice to Serve

Following reports of the coming increases in energy costs both PCCs made a decision to share a building for gathered services on services and it was decided that St Michaels building would temporarily close (except for occasional offices and occasional school services) for the winter resulting in an estimated saving of £6000. This proved to not only save us money but also enabled the fostering of relationships between congregations and combined with a grant from National Grid, we also were able to resource a Warm Space food project feeding up to 80 people in Twerton over the winter period. We can also celebrate the fact that we reduced our carbon footprint by reducing our use of gas and electricity. We further invited and received a green energy audit from 'Green Journey' who identified measurable ways we could save energy and reduce our environmental impact. PCC have considered these proposals and when capacity allows will continue to explore how to integrate greener solutions into the future running of our buildings. If this is an area you are able to provide time and expertise then please contact the wardens.

Pews & Re-ordering Project

Those who have been long-time members of St Michaels will recall when the last of the pews were removed. In October 2017 we were given temporary permission to reorder the internal space by removing the remaining nave pews, moving 5 radiators to the sides and laying a carpet over the whole space thus creating one large, open, flexible space. This temporary license expired on 31st August 2018 but the combination of a vacancy and then Covid in the following years delayed the application to make these

changes permanent. These changes had also formed part of a much grander project called the 58:12 Project that aimed to re-develop the site to enable an accessible integrated space for the wider community. PCC revisited this project in 2022 and discerned that embarking on such a costly ambitious building project in the context of a cost of living crisis was inappropriate, but that we should still seek to apply for a permanent faculty for the removal of the pews. The process is ongoing and the DAC require more detail about both the history and future vision for the building before submitting the application to the chancellor.

Lee Abbey Small Missional Community house

You may remember that last year we signalled a desire to establish a missional community house in partnership with Lee Abbey and identified Rose Cottage 1st Floor as the preferred location. We had plans drawn up and planning permission was granted. Contractors have inspected and quoted and applications for grant funding have been submitted. However, we only managed to secure very small amounts of funding and the only two quotes we have received are deemed cost prohibitive. We continue to trust that the vision for a community house of prayer and mission is from God and are open to exploring alternative avenues to enable this project to progress including the use of alternative buildings. The vision was never about a particular building but about a community of people committing to a life of prayer and mission in the parish(es).

Giving Thanks

Wonderfully, we can say again that our general giving has increased, our buildings are all being utilized and new people have joined the church in the last year. Thank you to everyone who has given sacrificially with time, energy and financial support. Thank you to those who have led our missional communities and volunteered many hours in serving ministries across the church. Thanks to the amazing staff team and PCC for all your dedication and vision. We thank our church wardens, Iain Kyle & Chris Tatchell who are standing for another year. Our treasurer, Chris Turner, has taken the difficult decision not to stand for another term and so I'd like to take this opportunity to say a special thank you to him for all he has done to enable the smooth, efficient, strategic and faith-filled use of the gifts given and grants awarded over the last three years. We continue to see the merit of the paid administrative support being focused around supporting both the roles of warden and treasurer enabling these voluntary roles to be more manageable and efficient as ministry demands continue to place additional demands upon our limited finances and historic buildings. Our next Quinquennial inspection is booked for the summer of 2023.

- *Richard White (Team Rector)*

Deanery Synod Report 2022

It has been a year full of significant developments on Deanery Synod, all of which have had a very direct impact on Ascension Church and The Marlbrook Team. We make no apologies for the length of this year's report as we feel it is essential to understand the wider situation and how it is impacting on all church communities. The 3 key areas of focus have been:

- The Deanery Plan which has been developed in response to financial challenges facing the diocese and involves pastoral reorganisation within the diocese
- A detailed session on the state of finances within the diocese led by Matthew Pinnock, Diocesan Head of Finance and Operations, who gave a presentation on the Diocese's Financial position at January's meeting.

- The proposals for General Synod and the resulting debate and decisions, around same sex relationships and marriage. These proposals come after several years of listening to God and one another through the Living in Love and Faith process which many have engaged with

Each meeting began with a time of worship together through music and a time of prayerful and biblical reflection.

We have also had Archdeacon Ven Dr. Adrian Youings and The Rural Dean Stephen Girling in attendance at 2 Ascension PCC meetings allowing our PCC opportunities for discussion and questions on our way forward as a church.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all [Ephesians 3;20-21]

The Deanery Plan

This is an extensive document outlining a Diocesan 5-year plan [2022-2027]. It defines and details the pastoral re-organisation that will take place. This is in response to a necessary reduction in resources that had been outlined in advance to PCCs within the diocese [Archdeacon Adrian's visit to PCC in May 2022] and which all PCC members had the opportunity to respond to.

Essentially the reduction equates to 5 full time clergy or equivalent across Bath – 22 down to 17.

Decisions around the level of licensed ministry will reflect the number of people in the worshipping congregations under its care. [N.B this is not the same as the number on the electoral roll]

No vacancies will be advertised until proposals have been considered by the Deanery Mission and Pastoral Group [DMPG]

Church growth will be pursued through a “mixed ecology” of church. Traditional worshipping congregations [church buildings on Sunday] alongside growth through outside groups based around common interests [e.g. sport] or common spaces [café/pub/school etc.] Pioneering projects are to be encouraged [e.g. café church, muddy church].

Partnerships between churches to enable sharing of resources is to be developed.

The Deanery Leadership Team will be responsible for recruiting and training Lay Worship Assistants [LWA's] and Lay Pastoral Assistants [LPA's]

The changes need to be seen alongside the diocese work on “enabling ministries”

<https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/ministry/enabling-ministries/>

Bishop Ruth [Taunton] says: “ We have already done a lot of reflection on what it means to be Church. Over the next few years, we shall continue to put that thinking, praying, listening into practice. We will build on what is good among us and developing new ideas and ways of organising our life together”

The main points arising from the discussions around the plan were extensive with many questions raised at the November 2022 Deanery Synod meeting. It is clear that significant financial savings need to be made. Several members expressed concern about the capacity of the laity to take up the roles of LWA and LPA.

The Deanery Plan is going to place a high level of demand on the remaining clergy and the laity. We raised the concern about the burden on lay readers and general laity who are currently leading and managing churches on a voluntary basis and the real possibility of burn out for some of these, especially where there are very few within a church prepared to take on these roles. Also, the pressure on our ordained ministers when they may have a considerable increase in work load. We asked for the number of Marlbrook Team ordained ministers in the draft plan to be corrected to reflect the current situation following Robert's retirement. A few other practical concerns were raised e.g. The special nature of the needs of Magnificat parishes; focus on partnerships to ensure “no one in ministry alone”; not prioritising urban over rural parishes; not undermining new growth by removing essential resources, alongside some

specifics relating to accuracy and accessibility of language within the document. The time for discussion of the lengthy plan was limited.

Claire Horton is available for parish support and spoke briefly about her role. Mike Taylor [Freshford Church] spoke about training of Lay Worship Assistants – An 8-session course for those interested in leading worship.

The 5 Year Deanery Plan is available should more detail be required

Current Deanery Financial position:

Reading reflection: Ecclesiastes 11 v 1-6

We had a very detailed meeting on this in January led by Matthew Pinnock where the finances were presented with great clarity and questions were answered. I have identified some of the key points from his presentation below: A breakdown was given of financial contributions across the Deanery over time, so it was easy to see the clear shortfalls which the Deanery 5-year plan is attempting to address.

Diocese overview – Key Statistics – *this really does set the whole financial challenge in context, particularly the drop in regular worshippers since 2014 - a drop of over 20%. Interestingly, the drop in Parish share is only approx. 10% but this means that fewer people are contributing more financially:*

Stipend £27,764
Pension contributions 28%
Housing costs >£7k
Estimated average cost of stipendiary minister >50K
Estimated adult population of the diocese 800,000
Estimated regular worshippers 2014 21,926
Estimated regular worshippers pre pandemic 18,962
Estimated regular worshippers current 16,117
Parish share received in 2019 £10.2m
Parish share received in 2022 £9m
Number of benefices in the diocese 178
Cost of minister x Benefices £8.9m

Matthew and Stephen Girling presented us and our church communities with the following questions:

- What opportunities exist to grow our church communities?
- What could we do differently to appeal to our existing and new church communities?
- How do we nurture and cherish those inside the church without them taking on all the financial pressures?
- How do we encourage the wider community to support their local church

One key question from the deanery synod reps. was about parish share and whether this should be reduced if a vicar was not being replaced. It was explained that all the parish share monies are put into 1 pot and then divided out to pay for the stipendiary clergy.

This was a very interesting and challenging meeting which clearly laid out the very stark challenges that the church is facing and the urgent need for action. Again, further details are available if required.

General Synod Proposals for Same sex relationships and marriage

This has been another significant development which will have an impact on all churches and follows on from several years of listening praying and discussion through the Living in Love and Faith process.

Richard has kept both churches fully updated on the issue and made his own position very clear to all which has been extremely helpful.

Matt Orr was elected to be one of our Deanery Synod representatives at General Synod and he produced an excellent series of daily video clips explaining the debates taking place at General Synod in February. Other representatives are Christina Baron, James Cary, Emma Joy Gregory and Nic Tall. Those in the House of Clergy were The Revd. Roger Driver, The Revd. Simon Robinson, The Revd. Jo Stobart and The Ven Dr. Adrian Youngs.

A final decision is to be made by The Bishops in July, allowing clergy the opportunity to feedback their responses. A letter from The Rt Rev Michael Beasley [Bishop of Bath and Wells] and the Rt Rev. Ruth Worsley Bishop of Taunton was sent to all PCC's and is available should more detail be required.

So, in summary this was a year with major challenges for the Anglican community and a sense of urgency in addressing them. For anyone thinking of becoming a bit more involved in understanding the issues, finding solutions to these issues and contributing to how the church moves forward, we can highly recommend standing for Deanery Synod. It has certainly been a very interesting 3-year experience and we would be very happy to talk it through further with anyone who might be considering it.

Kath Brownell [Ascension]

Fiona McCartney [Ascension]

Rachel Hicks [St. Michaels]

Staff Reports

Lighthouse Ministry Report

2022 has been a hard year for all and because of this we have seen our outreach (lighthouse) become in more demand. This has taken many forms from supplying food support to advice and help with work and or benefits. I will break down what each of our outreach arms have done in this last year and where we would like to see improvements for the coming year.

Rose cottage

The cafe has seen an increase in numbers through the door (120 -150 a week) as we have seen people in our community reach for something even if many don't know what.

The cafe has the same issues many have in the form of dramatic increases of food costs and energy bills and much more but during this time we have endeavoured to keep our prices rock bottom to offer a place for all to come even if they don't have much there was still a place theory could come and hang out and not feel like a charity with hands out.

That being said we made the decision that we would make a fund available for those that can't afford it through a 'pay it forward' scheme. I have to admit that this has brought its own challenges as we have yet to find a way so people can come in and get food but at the same time look like they are paying as normal as while some don't have an issue I believe some would rather go without asking instead of asking. So this is point one for the coming year we want to develop a way for a discrete transaction to happen.

We are only open two days a week at the moment and this is partly due to me having Thursday as my study day so Tuesday and Wednesday are our main days again. This will be looked at for the next year when my studies come to an end or we hire a kitchen manager.

All said and done we have been able to support and love many people this last year which has made our relationships deepen and give us the foundation to share the gospel.

We also started an inter church prayer meeting on a Tuesday morning at 830 we have regulars from genesis and mercy in action all doing stuff on our high street.

Lighthouse centre

We continue to house the food bank which can be accessed on Tuesday and Thursday. We have been actively strengthening our partnership with genesis (the umbrella charity for foodbank) in a few ways one of which is inviting team members to the Tuesday prayer time ., Other agencies reaching out from the lighthouse centre are bath collage DHI and nest. Again, nest is a long term partnership which we are continuing to build on.

Chaplaincy at St Michaels

A window into some of highlights from the Chaplaincy at St Michael's Junior Church School April 2022 – April 23

- Celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee
- Said 'goodbye' to staff who left the school and helped welcome new staff in September
- Helped lead the school in a time of Remembrance for HM The Queen
- Encouraged Twerton Infants to join us in the church for Harvest, Christmas and Easter celebrations. Staff and children from both schools have said how it's been to be altogether
- Richard and Nathan continue to join Gwen in leading worships in the school on Wednesdays. We have been using a resource 'It's Jesus' which draws on stories from the gospels.
- Richard and Gwen (and Rachel) helping support the school in getting ready for the SIAMS (Church School inspection)
- Working with the Chaplaincy Crew – 12 children from Year5/6 to help lead worships
- Lunchtime BiF Club for children in Years 5/6
- Praying weekly with Nicky Grizzell in school for school
- Conversations with children and staff; sharing in their joys and pains
- Opportunities to support staff practically and to follow up at times outside of school
- Helping to re-establish links with Cleeve Court after Covid and taking in groups of children
- Helped support some of our Muslim children through Ramadan
- Helping the school community to remember that in a constantly changing world that God loves us unconditionally and that He is Immanuel 'God with us'!

Lighthouse garden team

Mike Smith started the Gardening Group as part of the timebank charity in 2020. At the request of the charity a small group started clearing and then planting in a small piece of land that was overgrown and strewn with litter. As part of the church Mike also offered the groups services to clear and tidy the gardens of vulnerable people who were unable to look after their gardens.

In February 2021 social services contact Mike to see if they could clear a back garden and move play equipment so that a child could use the garden as her father was unable to do so because of injury.

Since that time the group now consisting of four men who regularly attend and others who may help on an ad hoc basis have cleared numerous gardens and planted hundreds of bulbs in the Twerton area.

Examples of their work is as follows

1. The parents of a four old boy with learning and behavioural difficulties asked for help and the Hackers have cleared and levelled part of the garden and built a trampoline which has enabled the child to use the garden which was considered unsafe
2. The Hackers cleared a garden that had not been touched for 16 years. With the help of other volunteers the garden was cleared and allowed the family to have access to the garden
3. On the first Tuesday of the month the Hackers will work on the community gardens in Twerton and litter pick on the high street
4. The Hackers regularly attend a children's nursery (first steps) that is a charity and help clear the borders and help create areas where preschool children can grow vegetables

The aim of the Gardening Group is to help those in need and who are feeling overwhelmed with an overgrown garden. It is hoped that these actions reflect the love of God that can be seen in the life and death and resurrection of Jesus.

- Nathan Gale, Lighthouse Leader

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial year for St Michael's is the calendar year, from January to December. Overall income for the year 2022 was approximately £178k, an slight decrease of £3,000 on last year. The overall expenditure for the year was approximately £177k indicates a higher level of spending from the 2021 total of £146k. Therefore, in 2021 we oversaw a small surplus of £800, compared to a surplus of £35,000 last year. At the end of 2022, the financial assets of St Michaels total £242k comprising £136k in endowment funds, and £107k in cash reserves. Of these cash reserves, approximately £54k is restricted, meaning it can only be used for the purposes specified by the donors.

I am immensely grateful to all those who give to Saint Michaels and your support means a lot. We say it almost every week, but we rely on giving for everything that we do. This year has seen an incredible amount of financial pressure, with interest rates rising and the energy crisis still ongoing. It's therefore all the more a testament to God's goodness to see the giving within our church family just continue to rise. Thank you to everyone who is either a regular giver or has ever donated to St Michael's.

The PCC agreed a budget last year with a greater focus on spending. As we had received such a great surplus the last two years, we felt that now was the time to invest that into some of our projects. We invested in initial investigations for how to transform the upstairs of Rose Cottage into a small missional community house. There are also plans for repairs to the church building based on recommendations from the previous Quinquennial and to work to improve the energy efficiency of our Church building to support the Church of England's plan to be net zero by 2030.

Many of you pledged money to support the recruitment of a Next Generation lead worker in 2020, a role we hoped would oversee our work with children and youth. We did not try to recruit for this role in 2022, as we have been waiting to see what the Marlbrook team relationship looks like. Both churches have a desire for a youth and children's worker and both have some reserves set aside for that purpose. All the money donated in 2020 has been kept as restricted to Youth work, and we have over £5,000 reserved to support this.

The PCC have pledged to make sure that we donate 10% of the previous year's unrestricted income (meaning money received with no conditions on what we can spend it on) on giving to external causes. In 2022, in addition to increasing regular giving to the charities we donate to every month (Bridgemoor, Youth for Christ, Southside, Ripple Effect, Genesis Trust, Mercy in Action, Church Ministry among Jewish people and Open Doors, for Christians in Nigeria) we made one-off donations to the following causes:

- The Life Project
- The Nest Project

- Bath Food Bank
- Barnabas Aid, focussed on Christian flood victims in Pakistan
- Church Ministry among Jewish people, Mercy fund
- Ripple Effect

PCC Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a treasurer. While it may delegate some of its duties, this does not remove its legal responsibilities.

Charity law requires the PCC as trustees of the Church to prepare an annual report and financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. The PCC is also required to ensure that these are subjected to an annual independent examination or audit and to present these to the APCM in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

In preparing these financial statements, the PCC is required to:

- 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; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable accounting standards. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

St Michael's & All Angel's Twerton

Charity number: 1147405

Financial Statement for the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

Receipts and Payments Account

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Excess of receipts over payments for the year	53,777	10,889	41,953	136,343	242,962	247,208
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Unrestricted						
General fund	53,777	-	-	-	53,777	49,509
Designated						
Church Building	-	191	-	-	191	-
Lighthouse	-	6,027	-	-	6,027	7,526
Lighthouse Cafe	-	-	-	-	-	12,579
Lighthouse Children and Families	-	47	-	-	47	-
(Note 2) Rec House Projects	-	4,624	-	-	4,624	4,624
Restricted						
(Note 2) Associate Minister	-	-	1,426	-	1,426	1,426
(Note 2) Bell Fund	-	-	23	-	23	23
Charitable donations	-	-	169	-	169	5
Church Building	-	-	12,559	-	12,559	7,259
Church weekend away	-	-	720	-	720	-
Farewell Gifts from church	-	-	240	-	240	40
(Note 2) Groundwork grant	-	-	440	-	440	440
(Note 2) Internships	-	-	473	-	473	473
Lighthouse	-	-	1,879	-	1,879	1,517
Lighthouse Cafe	-	-	165	-	165	6,899
Lighthouse Children and Families	-	-	3,095	-	3,095	3,322
Missionals Communities	-	-	165	-	165	463
(Note 2) Rec House Projects	-	-	105	-	105	105
Rose Cottage Building	-	-	1,990	-	1,990	-
(Note 2) Send a Cow	-	-	89	-	89	89
Vicar's Pastoral	-	-	3,751	-	3,751	3,839
Warm Space	-	-	9,201	-	9,201	-
Youth Work	-	-	5,464	-	5,464	5,674
Endowment						
(Note 3) St Peters Black Rock	-	-	-	6,818	6,818	8,272
(Note 3) St Peters M&G	-	-	-	70,219	70,219	72,709
(Note 3) Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA	-	-	-	8,306	8,306	9,414
(Note 3) Vernon Terrace	-	-	-	51,000	51,000	51,000

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset						
Vernon Terrace	-	-	-	51,000	51,000	51,000
St Peters Black Rock	-	-	-	6,818	6,818	8,272
St Peters M&G	-	-	-	70,219	70,219	72,709

	Twerton-on-Avon SS Trust CCLA	-	-	-	8,306	8,306	9,414
Total		-	-	-	136,343	136,343	141,394
Current Asset							
	PCC Twerton C/A	17,698	8,805	37,180	-	63,683	75,857
	PCC Twerton Savings	52	-	3,102	-	3,153	3,140
	Rec House C/A	4,647	2,037	944	-	7,628	5,371
	Rose Cottage Cafe C/A	16,690	47	980	-	17,717	9,118
	Rose Cottage Centre C/A	14,690	-	165	-	14,854	12,431
Total		53,777	10,889	42,369	-	107,035	105,917
Liability							
	(Note 4) Agency collections	-	-	416	-	416	103
Total		-	-	416	-	416	103
Net total assets		53,777	10,889	41,953	136,343	242,962	247,208

Notes 1 to 6 on the following pages form part of these accounts.

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. These funds were not used in 2022.
3. To quote Black Rock correspondence: *Capital at Risk. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.* The PCC benefits from four endowment funds:
 - Vernon Terrace: capital sum on £51,000 with the income and gains from this being deposited early each year into the Associated Minister restricted fund, retaining the original capital sum.
 - St Peter's Sunday School and Parish Room charity (number 264498) comprises two investment funds, with Black Rock and M&G investments. In 1988 the PCC used capital from this fund to refurbish the Rec House. Recoupment of this is over a 60-year period and is partly met by annual reinvestment from St Michael's of £450-£172.75 to Black Rock and £277.75 to M&G. Black Rock provides solely capital growth whilst M&G also provide quarterly dividends. The purpose of the charity is to support the "church hall" and so all receipts and payments relate to the Lighthouse (formerly called Rec House) restricted fund .
 - Twerton on Avon SS Trust: investment with CCLA with dividends paid quarterly, for general funds.
4. Balance of Agency funds at year end, payable to Diocesan Wedding/Funeral Fees.

5. Fund movement by type

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfer	Gains & Losses	Closing
Charitable Donations						
Restricted	5	164	-	-	-	169
Sub-totals	5	164	-	-	-	169
Groundwork Grant						
Restricted	440	-	-	-	-	440
Sub-totals	440	-	-	-	-	440
Missional Communities						
Designated	-	-	498	498	-	-
Restricted	463	200	-	-498	-	165
Sub-totals	463	200	498	-	-	165
Warm Space						
Designated	-	1,775	3,223	1,448	-	-
Restricted	-	10,000	799	-	-	9,201
Sub-totals	-	11,775	4,022	1,448	-	9,201
General fund						
Unrestricted	49,509	102,588	96,141	-2,179	-	53,777
Sub-totals	49,509	102,588	96,141	-2,179	-	53,777
Associate Minister						
Restricted	1,426	-	-	-	-	1,426
Sub-totals	1,426	-	-	-	-	1,426
Lighthouse Children and Families						
Designated	-	100	472	418	-	47
Restricted	3,322	14,075	13,854	-449	-	3,095
Sub-totals	3,322	14,175	14,326	-31	-	3,142
Youth Work						
Restricted	5,674	-	210	-	-	5,464
Sub-totals	5,674	-	210	-	-	5,464
Internships						

Restricted	473	-	-	-	-	473
Sub-totals	473	-	-	-	-	473
Church Building						
Designated	-	425	234	-	-	191
Restricted	7,259	5,300	-	-	-	12,559
Sub-totals	7,259	5,725	234	-	-	12,751
Lighthouse						
Designated	7,526	6,938	7,372	-1065	-	6,027
Restricted	1,517	1,095	1,003	270	-	1,879
Sub-totals	9,043	8,033	8,375	-794	-	7,757
Lighthouse Building						
Designated	-	-	794	794	-	-
Sub-totals	-	-	794	794	-	-
Rec House Projects						
Designated	4,624	-	-	-	-	4,624
Restricted	105	-	-	-	-	105
Sub-totals	4,729	-	-	-	-	4,729
Lighthouse Cafe						
Designated	12,579	14,500	18,026	-9,053	-	-
Restricted	6,899	7,267	23,539	9,537	-	165
Sub-totals	19,479	21,767	41,565	484	-	165
Rose Cottage Building						
Designated	-	-	902	902	-	-
Restricted	-	7,875	4,983	-902	-	1,990
Sub-totals	-	7,875	5,885	-	-	1,990
Bell Fund						
Restricted	23	-	-	-	-	23
Sub-totals	23	-	-	-	-	23
Send a Cow						
Restricted	89	-	-	-	-	89
Sub-totals	89	-	-	-	-	89
Weekend Away						
Restricted	-	5,391	4,671	-	-	720
Sub-totals	-	5,391	4,671	-	-	720
Farewell Gifts						
Restricted	40	200	-	-	-	240
Sub-totals	40	200	-	-	-	240
Vicar's Pastoral						
Restricted	3,839	-	88	-	-	3,751
Sub-totals	3,839	-	88	-	-	3,751
Vernon Terrace						
Endowment	51,000	-	-	-	-	51,000
Sub-totals	51,000	-	-	-	-	51,000
St Peters Black Rock						
Endowment	8,272	-	277	277	-1,454	6,818
Sub-totals	8,272	-	277	277	-1,454	6,818
St Peters M&G						
Endowment	72,709	-	-	-	-2,490	70,219
Sub-totals	72,709	-	-	-	-2,490	70,219
Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA						
Endowment	9,414	-	-	-	-1,108	8,306
Sub-totals	9,414	-	-	-	-1,108	8,306
Totals	247,208	177,255	177,106	-	-5,052	242,305

6. Analysis of Receipts and Payments

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Receipts						

6a. Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	1,157	-	-	-	1,157	2,210
002 - Planned Giving, GA	40,898	-	718	-	41,616	34,855
003 - Grants	-	1,775	36,726	-	38,501	38,946
004 - Donations	21,931	-	8,524	-	30,455	36,142
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	9,996	-	-	-	9,996	9,757
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	22,015	-	163	-	22,178	28,183
022 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	1,000
Donations and legacies Totals	95,997	1,775	46,131	-	143,902	151,093
6b. Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	2,234	10,863	45	-	13,141	13,821
009 - Church Activities	81	23	-	-	103	-
011 - Weddings	724	-	-	-	724	62
012 - Funerals	673	-	-	-	673	116
013 - Cafe Receipts	1	11,077	-	-	11,078	6,860
014 - Rec Project Activities	-	-	-	-	-	6,530
018 - Parish weekend	-	-	5,391	-	5,391	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	3,712	21,962	5,436	-	31,110	27,389
6c. Investments						
007 - Interest	13	-	-	-	13	2
008 - Investment	2,867	-	-	-	2,867	3,229
Investments Totals	2,880	-	-	-	2,880	3,232
Receipts Grand Totals	102,588	23,737	51,566	-	177,892	181,713
Payments						
6d. Raising funds						
133 - Investments	-	-	-	277	277	277
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	277	277	277
6e. Expenditure on charitable activities						
101 - Administration	3,506	209	-	-	3,715	3,082
102 - Salaries	19,876	-	32,200	-	52,076	54,835
103 - HMRC	-1,207	3,339	-	-	2,132	4,993
104 - Pensions	-	-	4,039	-	4,039	4,038
105 - Staff Expenses	81	-	-	-	81	147
106 - Mission and training	151	739	637	-	1527	693
107 - Church Activities	296	-	210	-	506	237
108 - Equipment	4,058	4,754	-	-	8,812	989
109 - Insurance	3,335	639	346	-	4,320	4,574
110 - External Donations	11,285	115	-	-	11,400	15,022
111 - Pastoral	518	-	238	-	756	389
113 - Cleaning	248	228	-	-	476	536
114 - Utilities	2,973	4,372	1,587	-	8,932	7,929
115 - Hospitality	89	-	-	-	89	61
116 - Worship	8,878	-	-	-	8,878	1,777
117 - Parish Weekend	-	-	4,251	-	4,251	590
119 - Minor maintenance	12,112	8,298	4,983	-	25,394	11,813
121 - Cafe Activities	211	5,687	262	-	6,160	4,446
123 - Youth Activities	-	-	60	-	60	37
124 - Children and Families Activities	43	-	185	-	228	35
125 - Deanery Activities	30	-	-	-	30	190
126 - Diocese	29,351	-	-	-	29,351	29,351
131 - Cost of refreshments	130	-	-	-	130	206
135 - Visiting preacher	-	-	150	-	150	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	95,966	28,381	49,147	-	173,494	145,972
6f. Other expenditure						
132 - Independent Examiner	175	-	-	-	175	150
136 - New Works	-	3,140	-	-	3,140	-
Other expenditure Totals	175	3,140	-	-	3,315	150
Payments Grand	96141	31521	49147	277	177087	146400



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

St. Michael's and All Angels Church Twerton Bath PCC

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1147405

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

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

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Colin M Goater

Date: 4th March 2023

Name: Colin Michael Goater

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

Address: 102 Freeview Road

BATH BA2 1DZ

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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St Michael's & All Angel's Twerton

Charity number: 1147405

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Church weekend away	-	-	720	-	720	-
Farewell Gifts from church	-	-	240	-	240	40
(Note 2) Groundwork grant	-	-	440	-	440	440
(Note 2) Internships	-	-	473	-	473	473
Lighthouse	-	-	1,879	-	1,879	1,517
Lighthouse Cafe	-	-	165	-	165	6,899
Lighthouse Children and Families	-	-	3,095	-	3,095	3,322
Missionals Communities	-	-	165	-	165	463
(Note 2) Rec House Projects	-	-	105	-	105	105
Rose Cottage Building	-	-	1,990	-	1,990	-
(Note 2) Send a Cow	-	-	89	-	89	89
Vicar's Pastoral	-	-	3,751	-	3,751	3,839
Warm Space	-	-	9,201	-	9,201	-
Youth Work	-	-	5,464	-	5,464	5,674
Endowment						
(Note 3) St Peters Black Rock	-	-	-	6,818	6,818	8,272
(Note 3) St Peters M&G	-	-	-	70,219	70,219	72,709
(Note 3) Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA	-	-	-	8,306	8,306	9,414
(Note 3) Vernon Terrace	-	-	-	51,000	51,000	51,000

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Class and nominal code	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Last year
Fixed Asset						
Vernon Terrace	-	-	-	51,000	51,000	51,000
St Peters Black Rock	-	-	-	6,818	6,818	8,272
St Peters M&G	-	-	-	70,219	70,219	72,709

	Twerton-on-Avon SS Trust CCLA	-	-	-	8,306	8,306	9,414
Total		-	-	-	136,343	136,343	141,394
Current Asset							
	PCC Twerton C/A	17,698	8,805	37,180	-	63,683	75,857
	PCC Twerton Savings	52	-	3,102	-	3,153	3,140
	Rec House C/A	4,647	2,037	944	-	7,628	5,371
	Rose Cottage Cafe C/A	16,690	47	980	-	17,717	9,118
	Rose Cottage Centre C/A	14,690	-	165	-	14,854	12,431
Total		53,777	10,889	42,369	-	107,035	105,917
Liability							
	(Note 4) Agency collections	-	-	416	-	416	103
Total		-	-	416	-	416	103
Net total assets		53,777	10,889	41,953	136,343	242,962	247,208

Notes 1 to 6 on the following pages form part of these accounts.

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. These funds were not used in 2022.
3. To quote Black Rock correspondence: *Capital at Risk. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.* The PCC benefits from four endowment funds:
 - Vernon Terrace: capital sum on £51,000 with the income and gains from this being deposited early each year into the Associated Minister restricted fund, retaining the original capital sum.
 - St Peter's Sunday School and Parish Room charity (number 264498) comprises two investment funds, with Black Rock and M&G investments. In 1988 the PCC used capital from this fund to refurbish the Rec House. Recoupment of this is over a 60-year period and is partly met by annual reinvestment from St Michael's of £450-£172.75 to Black Rock and £277.75 to M&G. Black Rock provides solely capital growth whilst M&G also provide quarterly dividends. The purpose of the charity is to support the "church hall" and so all receipts and payments relate to the Lighthouse (formerly called Rec House) restricted fund .
 - Twerton on Avon SS Trust: investment with CCLA with dividends paid quarterly, for general funds.
4. Balance of Agency funds at year end, payable to Diocesan Wedding/Funeral Fees.

5. Fund movement by type

Fund	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfer	Gains & Losses	Closing
Charitable Donations						
Restricted	5	164	-	-	-	169
Sub-totals	5	164	-	-	-	169
Groundwork Grant						
Restricted	440	-	-	-	-	440
Sub-totals	440	-	-	-	-	440
Missional Communities						
Designated	-	-	498	498	-	-
Restricted	463	200	-	-498	-	165
Sub-totals	463	200	498	-	-	165
Warm Space						
Designated	-	1,775	3,223	1,448	-	-
Restricted	-	10,000	799	-	-	9,201
Sub-totals	-	11,775	4,022	1,448	-	9,201
General fund						
Unrestricted	49,509	102,588	96,141	-2,179	-	53,777
Sub-totals	49,509	102,588	96,141	-2,179	-	53,777
Associate Minister						
Restricted	1,426	-	-	-	-	1,426
Sub-totals	1,426	-	-	-	-	1,426
Lighthouse Children and Families						
Designated	-	100	472	418	-	47
Restricted	3,322	14,075	13,854	-449	-	3,095
Sub-totals	3,322	14,175	14,326	-31	-	3,142
Youth Work						
Restricted	5,674	-	210	-	-	5,464
Sub-totals	5,674	-	210	-	-	5,464
Internships						

Restricted	473	-	-	-	-	473
Sub-totals	473	-	-	-	-	473
Church Building						
Designated	-	425	234	-	-	191
Restricted	7,259	5,300	-	-	-	12,559
Sub-totals	7,259	5,725	234	-	-	12,751
Lighthouse						
Designated	7,526	6,938	7,372	-1065	-	6,027
Restricted	1,517	1,095	1,003	270	-	1,879
Sub-totals	9,043	8,033	8,375	-794	-	7,757
Lighthouse Building						
Designated	-	-	794	794	-	-
Sub-totals	-	-	794	794	-	-
Rec House Projects						
Designated	4,624	-	-	-	-	4,624
Restricted	105	-	-	-	-	105
Sub-totals	4,729	-	-	-	-	4,729
Lighthouse Cafe						
Designated	12,579	14,500	18,026	-9,053	-	-
Restricted	6,899	7,267	23,539	9,537	-	165
Sub-totals	19,479	21,767	41,565	484	-	165
Rose Cottage Building						
Designated	-	-	902	902	-	-
Restricted	-	7,875	4,983	-902	-	1,990
Sub-totals	-	7,875	5,885	-	-	1,990
Bell Fund						
Restricted	23	-	-	-	-	23
Sub-totals	23	-	-	-	-	23
Send a Cow						
Restricted	89	-	-	-	-	89
Sub-totals	89	-	-	-	-	89
Weekend Away						
Restricted	-	5,391	4,671	-	-	720
Sub-totals	-	5,391	4,671	-	-	720
Farewell Gifts						
Restricted	40	200	-	-	-	240
Sub-totals	40	200	-	-	-	240
Vicar's Pastoral						
Restricted	3,839	-	88	-	-	3,751
Sub-totals	3,839	-	88	-	-	3,751
Vernon Terrace						
Endowment	51,000	-	-	-	-	51,000
Sub-totals	51,000	-	-	-	-	51,000
St Peters Black Rock						
Endowment	8,272	-	277	277	-1,454	6,818
Sub-totals	8,272	-	277	277	-1,454	6,818
St Peters M&G						
Endowment	72,709	-	-	-	-2,490	70,219
Sub-totals	72,709	-	-	-	-2,490	70,219
Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA						
Endowment	9,414	-	-	-	-1,108	8,306
Sub-totals	9,414	-	-	-	-1,108	8,306
Totals	247,208	177,255	177,106	-	-5,052	242,305

6. Analysis of Receipts and Payments

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Receipts						

6a. Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	1,157	-	-	-	1,157	2,210
002 - Planned Giving, GA	40,898	-	718	-	41,616	34,855
003 - Grants	-	1,775	36,726	-	38,501	38,946
004 - Donations	21,931	-	8,524	-	30,455	36,142
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	9,996	-	-	-	9,996	9,757
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	22,015	-	163	-	22,178	28,183
022 - Legacies	-	-	-	-	-	1,000
Donations and legacies Totals	95,997	1,775	46,131	-	143,902	151,093
6b. Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	2,234	10,863	45	-	13,141	13,821
009 - Church Activities	81	23	-	-	103	-
011 - Weddings	724	-	-	-	724	62
012 - Funerals	673	-	-	-	673	116
013 - Cafe Receipts	1	11,077	-	-	11,078	6,860
014 - Rec Project Activities	-	-	-	-	-	6,530
018 - Parish weekend	-	-	5,391	-	5,391	-
Income from charitable activities Totals	3,712	21,962	5,436	-	31,110	27,389
6c. Investments						
007 - Interest	13	-	-	-	13	2
008 - Investment	2,867	-	-	-	2,867	3,229
Investments Totals	2,880	-	-	-	2,880	3,232
Receipts Grand Totals	102,588	23,737	51,566	-	177,892	181,713
Payments						
6d. Raising funds						
133 - Investments	-	-	-	277	277	277
Raising funds Totals	-	-	-	277	277	277
6e. Expenditure on charitable activities						
101 - Administration	3,506	209	-	-	3,715	3,082
102 - Salaries	19,876	-	32,200	-	52,076	54,835
103 - HMRC	-1,207	3,339	-	-	2,132	4,993
104 - Pensions	-	-	4,039	-	4,039	4,038
105 - Staff Expenses	81	-	-	-	81	147
106 - Mission and training	151	739	637	-	1527	693
107 - Church Activities	296	-	210	-	506	237
108 - Equipment	4,058	4,754	-	-	8,812	989
109 - Insurance	3,335	639	346	-	4,320	4,574
110 - External Donations	11,285	115	-	-	11,400	15,022
111 - Pastoral	518	-	238	-	756	389
113 - Cleaning	248	228	-	-	476	536
114 - Utilities	2,973	4,372	1,587	-	8,932	7,929
115 - Hospitality	89	-	-	-	89	61
116 - Worship	8,878	-	-	-	8,878	1,777
117 - Parish Weekend	-	-	4,251	-	4,251	590
119 - Minor maintenance	12,112	8,298	4,983	-	25,394	11,813
121 - Cafe Activities	211	5,687	262	-	6,160	4,446
123 - Youth Activities	-	-	60	-	60	37
124 - Children and Families Activities	43	-	185	-	228	35
125 - Deanery Activities	30	-	-	-	30	190
126 - Diocese	29,351	-	-	-	29,351	29,351
131 - Cost of refreshments	130	-	-	-	130	206
135 - Visiting preacher	-	-	150	-	150	-
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	95,966	28,381	49,147	-	173,494	145,972
6f. Other expenditure						
132 - Independent Examiner	175	-	-	-	175	150
136 - New Works	-	3,140	-	-	3,140	-
Other expenditure Totals	175	3,140	-	-	3,315	150
Payments Grand	96141	31521	49147	277	177087	146400



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

St. Michael's and All Angels Church Twerton Bath PCC

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1147405

Set out on pages

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

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

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Colin M Goater

Date: 4th March 2023

Name: Colin Michael Goater

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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BATH BA2 1DZ

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts

Marlbrook

team

...for wherever this water flows everything will come alive!
Ezekiel 47:9

**2021 Report and Accounts for the
Parochial Church Council of
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, TWERTON ON AVON
*Part of the Marlbrook Team***

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PCC
For the year ended 31st December 2021

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity details

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Twerton on Avon. It is part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, Watery Lane, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1RL

Charity Registration number: 1147405

Details of Trustees

PCC Members are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Elected members normally serve for 3-year terms.

The following served as trustees and as members of the PCC during the year following the AGM:

Incumbent (Chair)	Richard White
Team Vicar	Robert Pimm
Reader	Dilys Smith
Church Wardens	Dan Shaw
Deputy Church Warden	<i>Vacant</i>
Deanery Synod Representative	Rachel Hicks (formerly Lewis)
Treasurer	Chris Turner
Secretary	Jennie Brind (May - July 21) Kirsty Pitkin (co-opted September – present)
Elected Members	Luke Brightwell Jennie Brind (resigned July 21) Julie Lewis Trish Rolfe Chris Turner Habla Mormi John

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Constitution or Document

The PCC is governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956) and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

Recruitment of Trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), other churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. In addition, ordained clergy who are licensed to the parish are ex officio members of the PCC, as are the elected representatives to Deanery Synod and representatives from the Parish who are Diocesan Synod members. All those who attend our services/members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Nominations are called and persons voted for at an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Use of volunteers

The PCC employs a number of staff but also makes significant use of volunteers to carry out its work. Volunteers are involved in all aspects of the work and are supervised by leaders accountable to the PCC.

Organisational Structure

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The full PCC met six times during the year. Given its wide responsibilities, the PCC has a small number of committees which sometimes meet between full meetings of the PCC, with each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life, as detailed below:

Visionary Leadership Committee: comprising some PCC members and other lay & staff representatives of church ministries assisting the Rector and PCC in discerning vision for local ministry. Met 3 times this year.

Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. We did not need to meet this year.

Missions Committee: Assisting the PCC on external giving matters. Met once this year.

Risk Management

The PCC reviews the key risks facing the Church, the controls in place to mitigate them and any action required on an ongoing basis. The PCC continues to review and develop the strategic direction of the Church and considers how its exposure to risk changes as a result.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Background

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Michael's Church, the Lighthouse, and the Rose Cottage Centre

Objectives and Activities

Purpose: To follow Jesus in living *upwards* to God, *inwards* to each other, and *outwards* beyond the church walls.

Vision: To see God's river of life transform the church, Twerton, and beyond. (Ezekiel 47)

Mission: REFUGE & RESCUE

- Providing places of *refuge* to those in crisis & those in need (Lighthouse Ministry)
- Introducing Jesus, our *rescuer*, through extended families on mission reaching out to people of peace (Missional Communities)

These aims and objectives are in line with the deanery's current threefold vision:

- Prayerfulness
- Hospitality
- Innovation

Strategy for achieving the objectives

Emerge:

- UP: As a people on fire for God, soaked in the river of His Spirit and faithfully committed to the words, works and ways of Jesus. Pursuing a vision so great that it will only happen if God moves in power.
- IN: extended family – growing in number, increasing in love for one another, sharing food, sharing what we have, leading one another to grow as UP-IN-OUT disciples.
- OUT: a missional church empowered by the Holy Spirit, connecting with & inviting new 'not-yet-believers' into community, serving the poor & providing refuge for those in crisis. Responding with faith to invitations from other local churches to resource leadership, vision, people and finance.

Establish

- Rhythms of gathering and scattering
- A leadership team & identifying and releasing new leaders to be disciple-making-disciples
- Setting out some vision goals for the year, in line with the deanery vision, to strengthen our prayerfulness (Lee Abbey Community House), hospitality (building works) & innovation (sustainable energy solutions)

Embed

- Continue patterns of weekly prayer on Thursdays & Sundays
- Planning a church weekend away in June 2022 to embed relationships & vision

- Continuing what is showing to be fruitful following the lifting of Covid restrictions (gathered and scattered, online mid-week prayer, outdoor festival services) and being willing to stop what was inhibitive or unhelpful (zoom option during celebrations, zoom meetings, restrictions within gatherings e.g. movement, intinction method for communion only, etc.)

The 'Gathered & Scattered' approach to meeting as a church community has its challenges but continues to bear fruit primarily in enabling a disciple-making culture with a clear balance of UP-IN-OUT. There are currently four *Missional Communities* each with the mandate to become extended families of disciples on mission to reach and make new disciples in pockets of Twerton and beyond:

- **Roots & Shoots** (reaching those with roots in Christianity)
- **Agape** (loving and drawing in those on the edge)
- **Family** (modelling kingdom family across the generations)
- **E.A.T** (Every Ability Together reaching those with visible and invisible disabilities to discover their kingdom identity)

Lighthouse Ministry

- Lighthouse Café at Rose Cottage (opens Tuesday & Wednesday)
- Lighthouse Chaplaincy at St Michael's Junior School. Gwen (Chaplain) reduced her days from 4 down to 3 in March 2022
- Food Bank distribution run by a team of volunteers from St Michael's church & Genesis. This operates Tuesdays & Thursdays at the Lighthouse Centre
- Space offered to partner various organizations and agencies to support the mission to provide spaces of refuge and facilitate life transformation

(See reports from Nathan & Gwen below)

Public Benefit Statement

The PCC takes its responsibilities as a charity very seriously. The church has always contributed a great deal to the community and will strive to continue to do so. The reports below describe some of the work that St Michael's has undertaken over the last year and includes reports for the Lighthouse Ministry and school Chaplaincy.

The PCC seeks to be as inclusive as possible in its work and strives to reach out to people of all ages and backgrounds. Our aim is to involve as many people as possible in both running and participating in events and activities, many of which are facilitated by volunteers. The worship, groups and activities are open to anyone within and outside the local community. The Church building, the Lighthouse and the Rose Cottage Centre are important local resources and are used by various groups and individuals not directly connected to the Church for their own activities and events.

While many who join us in our gatherings are very generous in their donations to the PCC, there is no requirement for anyone attending services to donate money to the church. Any charges levied for specific

activities and events are kept as low as possible, and the PCC will always look to help where people are struggling to afford the cost.

The PCC has forged strong links with a range of individuals and organisations. It supports the work of other churches and charitable organisations in Bath, the UK and throughout the world to promote the Christian faith and to help the vulnerable and needy from all faiths and backgrounds.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Church attendance

At the time of the APCM there were _67_ names on the electoral role, compared to _61_ names in September 2020. As with many churches this does not necessarily provide the most accurate picture of attendance, and there are many on the electoral role who don't attend regularly or have moved on and many more who are not on role who attend both Missional Communities and Sunday Celebrations regularly.

Rector's Report

It has been another challenging year but as Covid restrictions finally and fully lifted we have been able to see the fruits of the pruning we experienced as a church during the pandemic. Jesus said to his disciples in John 15:2 *"[My Father] cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit, he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful."* Whilst there may have been pain in the process, I believe we are a closer to being a community of disciple-making disciples on mission to see God's river of life transform the church, Twerton and beyond. Across the country many dioceses are also having to prune and re-align resources. Our own diocese has not been immune to the financial challenges and so we will be prayerfully preparing for changes affecting our own deanery and pray this will likewise lead to greater fruitfulness.

Celebrating & Thanks

Wonderfully, our general giving has increased, our buildings are all being utilized and new people have joined the church in the last year. Thank you to everyone who has given sacrificially with time, energy and financial support. Thank you to those who have led our missional communities and volunteered many hours in serving ministries across the church. Thanks to the amazing staff team and PCC for all your dedication and vision. I want to particularly honour our treasurer, Chris Turner and outgoing church warden, Dan Shaw. Chris continues to demonstrate remarkable dedication to both excellent accounting and communicating complicated financial reports in accessible ways, managing the demands of this role with full-time work, marriage and other areas of ministry in the church. I am also grateful to Dan who agreed to continue as a solo warden for another year and I have been very grateful for his leadership as we navigated more change and his encouragement to PCC to revisit building projects ahead of the next Quinquennial inspection due sometime in 2023. He has decided not to stand for another year but has kindly agreed to be consulted and offer informal legal advice when required. I also want to thank Katrin Amlacher who stepped down from her role as Parish Safeguarding Officer last September. She helped us with the transition to the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard, which helps us keep track and monitor our policies and training. I have held the position of PSO in the interim and am happy to announce that, following successful completion of safer recruitment procedures, Qamar Rafiq will be formally appointed to the role at the next PCC meeting and will undergo

necessary training with the diocese. In the meantime, please continue to report any safeguarding concerns to me at safeguarding@stmichaelstwerton.com.

Changes

One challenge has been how we support the role of church warden & treasurer in a parish with multiple listed buildings, growing staff team & significant financial budgets, but relatively low voluntary capacity to take on such demanding roles. PCC therefore decided that the most efficient and sensible decision was to adapt one of the current staff roles to directly support these church offices (Warden & Treasurer). The previous church administrator role came to an end last year with Sarah Jenkin's departure and we advertised for a new role of 'Buildings manager with finance'. Jennie Brind took up this position in the summer of 2021 and this new arrangement has been working really well, though will be under review this year as new people with different skills and capacity take up new roles and we continue to adapt to changing structures and the evolving shape of the Marlbrook Team ministry.

Through prayer and discussion, PCC agreed not to resurrect the 58:12 project to re-develop the church site, but rather to focus our attention, energy and resources toward specific missional projects. Some of these proposals were outlined to the church in January 2022 and please find below an overview of these projects:

Developing the Lighthouse Ministry

Last year we launched and developed our Lighthouse outreach ministry, promoting Nathan Gale to Lighthouse Leader, increasing his hours, and releasing him to enrol on a theology course with a day for study each week. Part of Nathan's remit is to develop and establish a Lighthouse support network that builds a circle of both regular financial donations and prayer around the Lighthouse ministry. This will not only provide a more predictable and stable income stream but will allow us to expand the reach and capacity of Lighthouse, help other churches and organisations connect with Twerton, and strengthen the prayer covering for the mission work. Some of the developments we are dreaming about are maximising the café's income and missional potential, offering a rehabilitative program for people overcoming addictions and being able to respond more effectively to needs as they arise in the community.

Lee Abbey Small Missional Community house

Following a year of prayer, conversations, and visiting we are planning to open a Missional Community House in partnership with Lee Abbey. The intended location is the first floor of Rose Cottage and we have instructed an architect to assist us in returning this space back to residential accommodation before recruiting individuals who sense a calling to live here as missionaries amongst us, praying and serving the vision of St Michael's. Due to the age and condition of the building and the fact that the café will continue to operate downstairs, we need to follow expert advice, submit planning applications and meet specific regulations in order for it to be a habitable space. In the meantime we are continuing the conversation with the Lee Abbey trustees and will provide regular updates on the project. This project has the Bishop's endorsement and is being viewed with interest as a potential replicable model of resourcing mission and ministry within a changing landscape in the diocese.

Reducing our Carbon Footprint

In line with the Church of England's commitment to become 'net-zero carbon' by 2030, this year we began to explore the possibility of renewing our heating systems both to reduce costs but also to take seriously our role as stewards of this particular part of God's creation. We have been speaking to experts and sustainable energy solutions will remain on the agenda for the coming year. Here is an illustration of some of the ways we will be exploring reducing our carbon footprint as a church in the future:



1. Well-maintained



2. Buy renewable



3. Waste less



4. Electric not gas/oil



5. Generate more



6. Offset the rest

Measuring success?

Whilst the growth in giving, church membership and projects are indeed things to celebrate and may well be both a symptom of and a means by which we can further invest in spiritual health of the church, it is easy to just use these three measurements alone to ascertain their success rate as an organization. I would encourage us to keep in mind some of the ways Jesus seemed to measure success:

- Sacrificial overflowing love for God: is worship & prayer more or less of a priority?
- Life transformation and gospel fluency: have we matured and grown as disciples?
- Love for one-another: do we love more people than before and are we loving them enough to speak both comfort and challenge?

- Making new disciples: are we enabling everyone to step into God's mission to meet not-yet believers and introduce them to Jesus?
- Growing & releasing new leaders: are we encouraging and enabling people to take risks and step into their gifts and calling to lead?

It is difficult to measure these things in concrete ways as a whole community but one of the reasons for continuing our *Gathered and Scattered* approach and establishing a lay leadership team to work alongside the PCC was to keep these priorities on the agenda and hold ourselves accountable for becoming a people committed to the vision of seeing God's river of life bring transformation to the church, Twerton and beyond.

With the upcoming retirement of our Team Vicar, Robert, the arrival of a training Curate, and the renewal of the Marlbrook Team ministry, we are looking ahead to a more collaborative future with opportunities to bless and resource other churches as well as to learn and receive support. We believe God is training us up to send us out, with new communities being planted, existing communities multiplying and everyone discovering their calling as God builds His kingdom in the city of Bath. I invite you to ask God how He is calling you to commit to the vision this year and make a difference in these communities.

- *Richard White (Team Rector)*

Deanery Synod Report

Deanery Synod is a group of clergy and elected lay representatives of all the Church of England churches in the diocese. There have been three meetings over the year and we are now meeting in person again. Rev Richard White attends, as well as myself from St Michael's.

I am passionate about churches working together in the area, as together we are stronger for Jesus and can learn from each other and support each other. Different churches may sometimes have different focuses and needs but it's good to collaborate and see what encouragements in the body of Christ there have been, what outreach initiatives, as well as prayerfully support each other and discern new ways forward. Although Deanery Synod is a Church of England network, there have been presentations from leaders of other denominations and a growing desire to work more together.

Some of the priorities for the work of Deanery Synod for 2022 are:

● Relationship/Sharing

- Reaching out and relationships - being intentional about networking opportunities in the deanery, listening and learning from each other, working together
- Collaborative working across parishes and traditions so we're less separate, breaking down stereotypes, encouraging one another, continuing links made during Covid, welcoming diversity
- Let's ask the ecumenical question more
- Sharing ideas, such as about children and youth ministry
- Unity
- One church in Bath, generosity of spirit towards each other

● Personal revival

- Love would be our motivation in all we do
- Us all to take personal responsibility and stay connected to God

● Support education - plus support rural areas

● Mission and Relationships

- How do different parishes grow their church membership?
- Be more outward looking (purposefully missional)
- More support for evangelism

- o Be welcoming and consider integration of new and old people
- o Engage with community visibly- To serve one another on our knees
- o Creative hospitality – meet where people are
- o One church in Bath: generosity of spirit towards each other
- o Working with/around sporting activities, that often take place on Sundays
- o Consistent positive message
- o Welcome all, growth in love for each other
- o Encourage each other to be more confident in relation to the problems of the world/society
- o Links to other Christian groups, broaden links, strengthen and learn

● Growth

- o Ways to encourage families back to church
- o 'Re-igniting' parishioners
- o We need to be on the front foot with the message of the gospel

Different focuses in meetings have included the environment and how we can make changes in our churches and communities to help steward our world (Lucy Turner also accompanied to that meeting), including a focus on CAFÉ BANES (Christian Action for Environment in BANES), which has Christians from over 30 churches in the area and we looked at the theology of care for the environment, heard from different environmental projects different churches and communities are involved with and had a talk from Sarah Grimes, chair of Transition Bath – informing us about steps, like looking at the power of community, renewable energy, ebikes and other possible options.

Deanery Synod has promoted a **Home for Good** event, a central **Living in Love and Faith** course and there have been joint church prayer events in the Abbey on Shrove Tuesday and last November. There is a new **24-7 prayer opening at the SDA chapel next to the Abbey**, between Ascension and Pentecost, **26th May – 5th June** with a launch event on 24th May 7:30-9pm at Bath Abbey. (Let's support it!)

If you'd like to know more, do ask, there is scope for another representative in the future too!

- *Rachel Hicks (Deanery Synod representative for St Michael's)*

Staff Reports

Chaplaincy at St Michael's School

Reflecting back on the last few months it continues to humble me to see how God provides opportunities to share His love in the school community.

Here are a few things that have been happening:

- Richard and Nathan have been back in to share in our worship times this term. We have been thinking about some of the people Jesus met in their homes from Luke's Gospel and how He shared His love with them. Our last one of the series, the Emmaus Road, we are working together as a staff team to lead the school Easter Service at church.
- A few weeks ago one child expressed an interest in finding out more about Jesus – that's exciting! Conversations have started about how best to support the child and the inviting him and his family to church.
- We have also been looking at the Lord's Prayer in Worships and with the help of a Tool Kit – helping the children to see the relevance of the prayer for our lives today.
- I have been working with a group of children to form the 'Chaplaincy Crew' - made up of a group of children who can help lead worships for the children. Richard has also been working with a small group of these children to form a 'Band' - watch out Glastonbury!
- We are planning to re-start the lunchtime BIF Club (Bible is Fun) after Easter on Thursday lunchtimes – something I have been wanting to do for a long time but because of the restrictions during Covid

this hasn't been possible. This is something I would value your prayers for in the coming weeks as plans are made.

- The school took part in the National Day of Reflection on 23rd March. Parents, grandparents and children came to add their memories to our Wall of Reflection. This gave me some lovely opportunities to listen and share while families unpacked some of their feelings and thoughts about their loved ones.
- I continue to give support to some children who have been bereaved recently and this has opened up opportunities to talk about God, heaven and faith.
- Whilst numbers of children/staff off with Covid levelled after Christmas, in the last couple of weeks we have had large numbers of children off school with positive tests. Obviously this continues to be a challenging time and puts pressure on the families, staff and the other children at school.

These are just some of the highlights, but I thank God for the daily opportunities to get alongside staff and children in class and outside in the playground, to give a listening ear, support and encouragement. Several staff are leaving at Easter and your prayers would be appreciated for new staff who are joining the school.

- Gwen Kearley, School Chaplain

Lighthouse Ministry Report

In the last year we have seen a lot of comings and goings with the Lighthouse Centre. We started off the year filling all the time slots with different agencies offering different services and this is how we got there:

Step1

We called time on the recording studio and decided to turn the then rec house into a bustling hub for our community . This started with the emptying of all the buildings and getting ready for a repurpose.

Step 2

We put a new floor in the old recording room and turned that into the new foodbank cupboard and combined room for our kids on a Sunday. This has had a great positive response from all that are using it, from larders to kids and volunteers at food bank who are not all from St Michaels.

Step 3

Finding open and willing partners to come and fill time slots to offer our community what support that might be needed. This consisted of Bath college, Food bank, DHI, Nest , Clean slate, Southside family support, Young advocates plus more one off bookings.

Conclusion

While some of the agencies have since stopped due to various reasons from funding to staff issues we still have a very busy building offering so much. We have had countless good reports from staff, agencies and service users of what a great venue the lighthouse centre is and how it's great that stmichaels has been able to open its doors to make this happen.

We are never done right now. We as a team are looking at other ways we can serve this great community and who might be a good sustainable partnership going forward.

- Nathan Gale, Lighthouse Leader

Fabric Report

Church Building

It has been wonderful to see all three of our buildings back in regular use following the easing of COVID restrictions, none more so than our treasured main building, with regular worship services resuming in Easter 2021 (continuing a pattern of regular worship stretching back 500 years).

Our building continues to stand the test of time, the urgent repairs to the roof having been carried out following the last Quinquennial Survey in 2018 and regular maintenance ongoing, but significant work is required to modernise the electrical and heating systems and bring them into line with our long term vision of carbon neutrality. To that end, Richard met with the Diocesan Buildings Adviser, Emma Brown, earlier this year to discuss our aspirations and options for improvement.

A key area for improvement is our heating system, which is currently (although not unusually for a Victorian church building) very inefficient, in large part burning gas to heat empty roof space. A number of potential options are available, including solar panels on the roof (subject to Conservation Area consents) and ground source heat pumps. It was recommended that we arrange a proper survey of the building to assess viable heating solutions; I would encourage the new warden(s) to take this forward with Jennie's assistance (and mindful that the next Quinquennial Survey is due in 2023).

On Emma's recommendation, and with PCC's agreement, we are also working up an application for permanent removal of the pews, which PCC agreed had been a success.

We hired a weekly gardener in the autumn to help maintain the churchyard (in addition to the high level maintenance carried out by the Council) and have benefitted from the tidier and more attractive environment. Occasional recreational drug use has continued to be a problem and we have taken precautionary steps, including installation of a safe needle disposal bin and gloves (for use by the gardener and staff) and warnings to parents and carers to supervise children on our gathered weeks.

Lighthouse Centre

As Nathan has reported, the Lighthouse Centre (formerly known as the Rec House) has been permanently repurposed from its former use as a commercial recording studio to support our growing Lighthouse Ministry and community outreach. The building remains in regular use by the church for children's work and smaller gatherings.

A new wireless alarm system has been installed and, following an attempted break-in/vandalism earlier this year, PCC approved the installation of CCTV to improve security.

Signage has been erected in the accessway/parking spaces outside the building which has improved accessibility and safer use of this area by vehicles.

The future ownership and use of the Full Moon pub (not owned by the Church) remains uncertain but it will be helpful for the new warden(s) to note that the Church owns a small strip of land comprising part of the accessway and car park adjoining the Lighthouse Centre, for which a small annual fee is charged.

Rose Cottage

New wireless alarm system installed (in parallel with the Lighthouse Centre).

The first floor office has been in limited use following the rise of increased home-working during the COVID pandemic. With the boiler needing to be replaced (now carried out) and the central heating system serviced, PCC approved relocation of the office to unused space on the ground floor, where it remains.

In an exciting new vision project (mentioned by Richard above) PCC has approved the change of use of the first floor from offices (back) to residential, specifically for use as a Missional Community House in partnership with Lee Abbey. Jennie is ably organising the various architects, contractors and planning consents required to realise this vision and I encourage the new warden(s) to continue to support her in what promises to be a fruitful new chapter in the life of our worshipping community.

It has been a privilege to serve as warden in the last couple of years and I am indebted to Richard and Jennie for shouldering much of the administrative load. We are incredibly blessed to enjoy these historical buildings and I look forward to seeing them blossom into their full potential as we continue to seek and serve the lost.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial year for St Michael's is the calendar year. Overall income for the year 2021 was approximately £181k, an increase of 26k on 2020, and the 2021 expenditure of £146k indicates a higher level of spending from the 2020 total of £133k. Therefore, in 2021 we oversaw a surplus of £35k, compared to a surplus of £21k last year and a shortfall of £20k in the previous 2 years. At the end of 2021, the financial assets of St Michaels total £247k comprising £141k in endowment funds, and £106k in cash reserves. Of these cash reserves, £31k is restricted, meaning it can only be used for the purposes specified by the donors.

I am immensely grateful to all those who give to Saint Michaels and your support means a lot. We say it almost every week, but we rely on giving for everything that we do. I'm aware that these past few years have come with significant financial pressures, so to see the planned giving from our church family just continue to rise is simply amazing. Thank you to everyone who is either a regular giver or has even just thrown the odd donation our way.

One of the big drives that I have had this year is to embody the "Everyone gets to play" ideas of mission that we have been exploring as a church. This has been done by encouraging members and volunteers to fill in expenses claims to contribute to the ministry they're involved in with St Michaels. Richard and the staff team are not best placed to know where exactly all the money should be spent, so we now have a way of letting the church, the people, channel the resources that we have. It has been really exciting to see some of things the expense claims cover. This varies from food to craft materials, from easter eggs to sports equipment.

The PCC have pledged to make sure that we donate 10% of the previous year's unrestricted income (meaning money received with no conditions on what we can spend it on) on giving to external causes. In 2021 in addition to the charities we donate to every month (Youth for Christ, Southside, Send a Cow, Genesis Trust, Mercy in Action, Church Ministry among Jewish people and Open Doors, for Christians in Nigeria) we donated to the following causes:

- Bath City Farm

- Covid 19 donations for computer equipment for students in need at Twerton Infants School and St Michaels Junior School
- Genesis Trust
- Grow for Life
- Life Project
- Nest Project

By the end of 2021, we had £1,500 of the budgeted external donations left unspent. The PCC's giving sub-committee elected to keep a reserve for reacting to any need for donations over the Christmas period and the underspend has now been donated to charities supporting refugees fleeing from Ukraine (Bath Welcomes Refugees, Julian House, Hill House retreats and World Jewish Relief).

Many of you pledged money to support the recruitment of a Next Generation lead worker in 2020, a role we hoped would oversee our work with children and youth. We have advertised multiple times for this role and have been unable to recruit each time. The money is still set aside for this purpose and we are currently reconsidering whether we need to adapt the role and how best to proceed. If you have any ideas or know of anyone who would be interested, please get in touch with the PCC.

The detailed breakdown of the 2021 accounts can be found in the following pages of this report. Please note, all figures presented in the following part of the report are rounded to the nearest pound. If you have any questions, or ideas please get in touch by emailing treasurer@stmichaelstwerton.com

- *Chris Turner (Treasurer)*

St Michaels and All Angels, Twerton

2021 End of Year Financial Statements

St Michaels and All Angels Church, Twerton, Bath

Charity number: 1147405

Financial statement for year ending 31 December 2021.

Receipts and Payments Account

		Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Receipts							
Donations and legacies	(Note 8a)	107,999	890	42,203	—	151,093	132,202
Income from charitable activities	(Note 8b)	5,128	21,959	300	—	27,388	19,970
Investments	(Note 8c)	2,334	—	896	—	3,231	2,891
Total receipts		115,463	22,849	43,400	—	181,713	155,064
Payments							
Raising funds	(Note 8d)	—	277	—	—	277	450
Expenditure on charitable activities	(Note 8e)	81,001	13,030	51,940	—	145,972	133,047
Other expenditure	(Note 8f)	150	—	—	—	150	150
Total payments		81,151	13,307	51,940	—	146,399	133,647
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer		34,311	9,541	(8,539)	—	35,313	21,417
Transfers							
Gross transfers between funds - in	(Note 7)	—	3,678	12,862	—	16,541	28,741
Gross transfers between funds - out	(Note 7)	(12,146)	(715)	(3,678)	—	(16,541)	(28,741)
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains / losses		22,164	12,505	643	—	35,313	21,417
Net movement in funds		22,164	12,505	643	10,669	45,983	11,058
All assets at 01 January 2021		27,343	12,224	30,931	130,724	201,224	190,166
All assets at 31 December 2021		49,508	24,729	31,574	141,394	247,207	201,224
Represented by							
Unrestricted							
General fund		49,508	—	—	—	49,508	27,343
Designated							
Lighthouse		—	7,526	—	—	7,526	2,324
Lighthouse Cafe		—	12,579	—	—	12,579	8,415
Rec House Projects	(Note 4)	—	4,624	—	—	4,624	1,484
Restricted							
Associate Minister	(Note 5)	—	—	1,425	—	1,425	891
Bell Fund	(Note 2)	—	—	23	—	23	23
Charitable donations	(Note 2)	—	—	5	—	5	5
Church Building	(Note 2)	—	—	7,259	—	7,259	7,259
Farewell Gifts from church		—	—	40	—	40	—
Groundwork grant		—	—	440	—	440	440
Internships	(Note 2)	—	—	473	—	473	473
Lighthouse		—	—	1,516	—	1,516	2,926
Lighthouse Cafe		—	—	6,899	—	6,899	5,530

Lighthouse Children and Families		—	—	3,322	—	3,322	3,844
Maternity Pay from HMRC (Note 3)		—	—	—	—	—	(1,631)
Missionals Communities		—	—	463	—	463	—
Rec House Projects (Note 2)		—	—	105	—	105	—
Rose Cottage Building		—	—	—	—	—	28
Send a Cow (Note 2)		—	—	88	—	88	88
Vicar's Pastoral		—	—	3,839	—	3,839	4,402
Youth Work		—	—	5,673	—	5,673	6,650
Endowment							
St Peters Black Rock (Note 5)		—	—	—	8,271	8,271	8,588
St Peters M&G (Note 5)		—	—	—	72,708	72,708	62,900
Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA (Note 5)		—	—	—	9,414	9,414	8,235
Vernon Terrace (Note 5)		—	—	—	51,000	51,000	51,000

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
Vernon Terrace -	—	—	—	51,000	51,000	51,000
St Peters Black Rock -	—	—	—	8,271	8,271	8,588
St Peters M&G -	—	—	—	72,708	72,708	62,900
Twerton-on-Avon SS Trust CCLA -	—	—	—	9,414	9,414	8,235
Totals	—	—	—	141,394	141,394	130,724
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
PCC Twerton C/A -	41,655	10,028	24,173	—	75,856	50,205
PCC Twerton Savings -	38	—	3,101	—	3,140	3,137
Rec House C/A -	2,304	2,122	943	—	5,370	3,395
Rose Cottage Cafe C/A -	—	9,118	—	—	9,118	4,765
Rose Cottage Centre C/A -	5,509	3,461	3,459	—	12,430	9,267
Totals	49,508	24,729	31,678	—	105,916	70,771
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections - (Note 6)	—	—	103	—	103	272
Totals	—	—	103	—	103	272
Grand total	49,508	24,729	31,474	141,394	247,207	201,224

Notes 1 to 7 on the following pages form part of these accounts.

Notes

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. These funds were not used in 2020.
3. Statutory Maternity Pay was received not as payments but as a credit against the HMRC payments. At the end of the calendar year, we have £2,529 credit in the HMRC PAYE account which is carried over to 2021 and will be used to pay 2022 staff HMRC costs.
4. The income gained from Rec House project activities was gained from selling the Rec House recording equipment acquired in previous years.
5. To quote Black Rock correspondence: *Capital at Risk*. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

The PCC benefits from four endowment funds:

- Vernon Terrace: capital sum on £51,000 with the income and gains from this being deposited early each year into the Associated Minister restricted fund, retaining the original capital sum.
- St Peter's Sunday School and Parish Room charity (number 264498) comprises two investment funds, with Black Rock and M&G investments. In 1988 the PCC used capital from this fund to refurbish the Rec House. Recoupment of this is over a 60-year period and is partly met by annual reinvestment from St Michael's of £450-£172.75 to Black Rock and £277.75 to M&G. Black Rock provides solely capital growth whilst M&G also provide quarterly dividends. The purpose of the charity is to support the "church hall" and so all receipts and payments relate to the Lighthouse (formerly called Rec House) restricted fund
- Twerton on Avon SS Trust: investment with CCLA with dividends paid quarterly, for general funds.

6. Balance of Agency funds at year end, payable to Diocesan Wedding/Funeral Fees.

7. Fund movement by type

		Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
Charitable donations							
Restricted		5	—	—	—	—	5
	Sub-total	5	—	—	—	—	5
Groundwork grant							
Restricted		440	—	—	—	—	440
	Sub-total	440	—	—	—	—	440
Missional Communities							
Restricted		—	600	136	—	—	463
	Sub-total	—	600	136	—	—	463
General fund							
Unrestricted		27,343	115,463	81,151	(12,146)	—	51,908
	Sub-total	27,343	115,463	81,151	(12,146)	—	51,908
Associate Minister							
Restricted		891	534	—	—	—	1,425
	Sub-total	891	534	—	—	—	1,425
Lighthouse Children & Families							
Designated		—	—	1,162	1,162	—	—
Restricted		3,844	14,040	15,799	1,237	—	922
	Sub-total	3,844	14,040	16,962	—	—	922
Youth Work							
Restricted		6,650	—	976	—	—	5,673
	Sub-total	6,650	—	976	—	—	5,673
Internships							
Restricted		473	—	—	—	—	473
	Sub-total	473	—	—	—	—	473
Maternity Pay from HMRC							
Restricted		(1,631)	—	1,944	3,575	—	—
	Sub-total	(1,631)	—	1,944	3,575	—	—
Church Building							
Restricted		7,259	—	—	—	—	7,259

	Sub-total	7,259	—	—	—	—	7,259
Lighthouse							
Designated		2,324	8,262	3,060	—	—	7,526
Restricted		2,926	418	1,827	—	—	1,516
	Sub-total	5,250	8,680	4,888	—	—	9,043
Rec House Projects							
Designated		1,484	3,140	—	—	—	4,624
Restricted		—	105	—	—	—	105
	Sub-total	1,484	3,245	—	—	—	4,729
Lighthouse Cafe							
Designated		8,415	11,447	9,084	1,801	—	12,579
Restricted		5,530	27,612	24,442	(1,801)	—	6,899
	Sub-total	13,946	39,060	33,527	—	—	19,478
Rose Cottage Building							
Restricted		28	—	5,850	5,821	—	—
	Sub-total	28	—	5,850	5,821	—	—
Grounds maintenance							
Restricted		—	50	400	350	—	—
	Sub-total	—	50	400	350	—	—
Bell Fund							
Restricted		23	—	—	—	—	23
	Sub-total	23	—	—	—	—	23
Send a Cow							
Restricted		88	—	—	—	—	88
	Sub-total	88	—	—	—	—	88
Farewell Gifts							
Restricted		—	40	—	—	—	40
	Sub-total	—	40	—	—	—	40
Vicar's Pastoral							
Restricted		4,402	—	563	—	—	3,839
	Sub-total	4,402	—	563	—	—	3,839
Vernon Terrace							
Endowment		51,000	—	—	—	—	51,000
	Sub-total	51,000	—	—	—	—	51,000
St Peters Black Rock							
Endowment		8,588	—	—	—	(317)	8,271
	Sub-total	8,588	—	—	—	(317)	8,271
St Peters M&G							
Endowment		62,900	—	—	—	9,808	72,708
	Sub-total	62,900	—	—	—	9,808	72,708
Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA							
Endowment		8,235	—	—	—	1,178	9,414
	Sub-total	8,235	—	—	—	1,178	9,414
Grand total		201,224	181,713	146,399	—	10,669	247,207

8. Analysis of receipts and payments

					Total	
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
8a. Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	2,209	—	—	—	2,209	2,496
002 - Planned Giving, GA	33,563	338	954	—	34,855	32,691
003 - Grants	1,476	—	37,469	—	38,946	32,582
004 - Donations	32,765	—	3,377	—	36,142	31,152
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	9,756	—	—	—	9,756	17,159
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	27,229	552	402	—	28,183	15,121
022 - Legacies	1,000	—	—	—	1,000	1,000
Total	107,999	890	42,203	—	151,093	132,202
8b. Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	2,005	11,515	300	—	13,820	10,127
011 - Weddings	62	—	—	—	62	23
012 - Funerals	116	—	—	—	116	199
013 - Cafe Receipts	—	6,859	—	—	6,859	9,620
014 - Rec Project Activities	2,945	3,585	—	—	6,530	—
Total	5,128	21,959	300	—	27,388	19,970
8c. Investments						
007 - Interest	2	—	—	—	2	36
008 - Investment	2,332	—	896	—	3,229	2,855
Total	2,334	—	896	—	3,231	2,891
INCOME TOTAL	115,463	22,849	43,400	—	181,713	155,064

8d. Raising funds

133 - Investments	—	277	—	—	277	450
Total	—	277	—	—	277	450

8e. Expenditure on charitable activities

101 - Administration	3,028	54	—	—	3,082	2,614
102 - Salaries	19,696	—	35,138	—	54,835	57,432
103 - HMRC	631	4,245	116	—	4,993	5,552
104 - Pensions	—	—	4,037	—	4,037	2,389
105 - Staff Expenses	147	—	—	—	147	—
106 - Mission and training	520	36	136	—	693	440
107 - Church Activities	210	26	—	—	236	108
108 - Equipment	389	138	461	—	989	636
109 - Insurance	3,521	371	680	—	4,574	4,521
110 - External Donations	14,308	694	20	—	15,022	12,622
111 - Pastoral	75	—	313	—	388	500
113 - Cleaning	286	213	35	—	536	500
114 - Utilities	3,456	2,037	2,434	—	7,928	7,926
115 - Hospitality	60	—	—	—	60	—
116 - Worship	1,776	—	—	—	1,776	699
117 - Parish Weekend	590	—	—	—	590	—

119 - Minor maintenance	2,481	2,137	7,194	—	11,813	4,334
121 - Cafe Activities	—	3,075	1,370	—	4,445	5,633
122 - Rec Project Activities	—	—	—	—	—	4
123 - Youth Activities	37	—	—	—	37	—
124 - Children & Families Activities	34	—	—	—	34	—
125 - Deanery Activities	190	—	—	—	190	280
126 - Diocese	29,351	—	—	—	29,351	26,669
131 - Cost of refreshments	206	—	—	—	206	—
135 - Visiting preacher	—	—	—	—	—	100
Total	81,001	13,030	51,940	—	145,972	133,047

8f. Other expenditure

132 - Independent Examiner	150	—	—	—	150	150
Total	150	—	—	—	150	150

EXPENDITURE TOTAL	81,151	13,307	51,940	—	146,399	133,647
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GRAND TOTAL	34,311	9,541	(8,539)	—	35,313	21,417
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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of **St. Michael's and All Angels Church Twerton Bath PCC**

On accounts for the **31st December 2021** Charity no **1147405**
year ended (if any)

Set out on pages (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

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

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

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Colin M Goater

Date: 25th March 2022

Name: Colin Michael Goater

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or

body (if any):

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BATH BA2 1DZ

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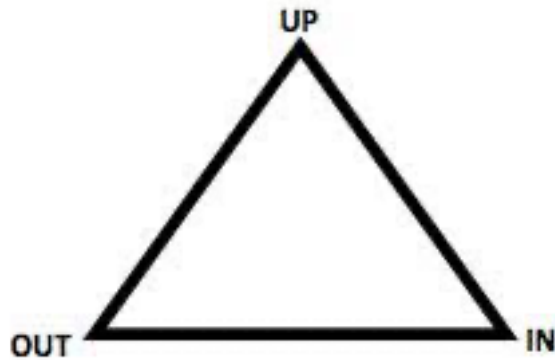
Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Accounts



**2020 Report and Accounts for the
Parochial Church Council of
ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS, TWERTON ON AVON**

Incumbent
Rev Richard White

Bank
LLOYDS BANK Plc

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PCC
For the year ended 31st December 2020

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Charity details

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Twerton on Avon. It is part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Rectory, Watery Lane, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1RL

Charity Registration number: 1147405

Details of Trustees

PCC Members are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Elected members normally serve for 3-year terms.

The following served as trustees and as members of the PCC during the year following the AGM:

Incumbent (Chair)	Richard White
Team Vicar	Robert Pimm
Reader	Dilys Smith
Church Wardens	Luke Brightwell Dan Shaw
Deputy Church Warden	Rae Maddocks
Deanery Synod Representative	Rachel Lewis
Treasurer	Chris Turner
Secretary	Jennie Brind
Elected Members	Jennie Brind Julie Lewis Rae Maddocks Trish Rolfe Chris Turner Habila Mormi John

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing Constitution or Document

The PCC is governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are the Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956) and the Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969 as amended).

Recruitment of Trustees

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our Rector), other churchwardens, and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church. In addition, ordained clergy who are licensed to the parish are ex officio members of the PCC, as are the elected representatives to Deanery Synod and representatives from the Parish who are Diocesan Synod members. All those who attend our services/members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Nominations are called and persons voted for at an Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM).

Use of volunteers

The PCC employs a number of staff but also makes significant use of volunteers to carry out its work. Volunteers are involved in all aspects of the work and are supervised by leaders accountable to the PCC.

Organisational Structure

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent. The full PCC met eight times during the year. Given its wide responsibilities, the PCC has a small number of committees which sometimes meet between full meetings of the PCC, with each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life, as detailed below:

Standing Committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council. We met 3 times this year.

Finance Committee: Assisting the PCC on financial and fundraising matters. Met two times this year.

Missions Committee: Assisting the PCC on external giving matters. Met twice this year.

Risk Management

The PCC reviews the key risks facing the Church, the controls in place to mitigate them and any action required on an ongoing basis. The PCC continues to review and develop the strategic direction of the Church and considers how its exposure to risk changes as a result.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Background

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of St Michael's Church, the Rec House, and the Rose Cottage Centre

Objectives and Activities

Purpose: To follow Jesus in living *upwards* to God, *inwards* to each other, and *outwards* beyond the church walls.

Vision: is to see God's river of life bring transformation to the church, Twerton, and beyond. (Ezekiel 47)

Mission: Providing places of *refuge* to those in need, releasing missional communities to *rescue* those turning to God, introducing individuals to the *restorative* love of Jesus.

These aims and objectives are in line with the deanery's objectives to see the following:

- Everyone a **disciple**
- Every disciple a **disciple-maker**
- Every day a **discipleship opportunity**
- Everywhere a **discipleship invitation**
- Our church building a **discipleship centre**
- Our church family a **discipleship community**

Strategy for achieving the objectives

2020 began with two vision days, allowing us to explore and catch a refreshed vision for the future. We re-framed our purpose, taught into Ezekiel 47 painting a picture of the 'river of life' vision, and began a conversation about strategy. We invited people with a heart to grow as missional leaders to gather as a 'huddle' meeting weekly for spiritual formation and learning how to build a discipleship culture. Following the government's lockdown at the start of the pandemic, the church community began gathering weekly on Zoom (virtual meeting platform), as we felt this offered the best opportunity for engagement as well as interactivity. As the lockdown restrictions eased in the summer, we gathered a strategy group comprising representatives from staff, PCC and the congregation to plan for how to continue building on the foundations of the past in establishing an UP, IN, OUT culture within the COVID restrictions. We launched a new 'Gathered & Scattered' approach to meeting as a church community allowing us to alternate meeting as a gathered church and scattering into smaller, lightweight, low-maintenance communities. We launched three *Missional Communities* each with the mandate to become extended families of disciples on mission to reach and make new disciples in pockets of Twerton and beyond:

- **Roots** (exploring the roots of Christianity)
- **Twerton Central** (loving local Twerton residents)

- **Families** (modelling kingdom family across the generations)

We have continued the process of reviewing and discerning how best to ensure our resources and facilities best facilitate the aims and objectives set out above. We had to adapt and respond to needs as during the changing restrictions. We were forced to close Rose Cottage for periods of the year, youth work was put on hold and the church building was also closed for a number of months. Some staff were placed on the government furlough scheme, and our youth minister transitioned from furlough to maternity leave. Food bank was centralized and so we no longer had a local hub. In November we launched a new weekly food and support initiative called 'Lighthouse', whereby people from the local community could come into the church building for hot food and receive food parcels. In addition, we continued to seek to:

- ensure our gathered **Celebrations** enable everyone to worship the transformational God and create space for people to be transformed in his presence, encourage the sharing of personal stories of transformation and be challenged to be agents of transformation through bible-based preaching.
- provide support to children, staff and families through the **Chaplaincy** at the local Junior School
- provide people with **resources** and tools to help their discipleship
- gather a regular **leadership huddle** to support and foster accountability within the leadership teams of missional communities
- offer space and support to **local agencies and organisations** seeking showing compassion to those in need

Public Benefit Statement

The PCC takes its responsibilities as a charity very seriously. The church has always contributed a great deal to the community and will strive to continue to do so. The reports below describe some of the work that St Michael's has undertaken over the last year and includes reports for the work of Rose Cottage and school Chaplaincy.

The PCC seeks to be as inclusive as possible in its work and strives to reach out to people of all ages and backgrounds. Our aim is to involve as many people as possible in both running and participating in events and activities, many of which are facilitated by volunteers. The worship, groups and activities are open to anyone within and outside the local community. The Church building, the Rec House and the Rose Cottage Centre are important local resources and are used by various groups and individuals not directly connected to the Church for their own activities and events.

While many who join us in our gatherings are very generous in their donations to the PCC, there is no requirement for anyone attending services to donate money to the church. Any charges levied for specific activities and events are kept as low as possible, and the PCC will always look to help where people are struggling to afford the cost.

The PCC has forged strong links with a range of individuals and organisations. It supports the work of other churches and charitable organisations in Bath, the UK and throughout the world to promote the Christian faith and to help the vulnerable and needy from all faiths and backgrounds.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities our Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

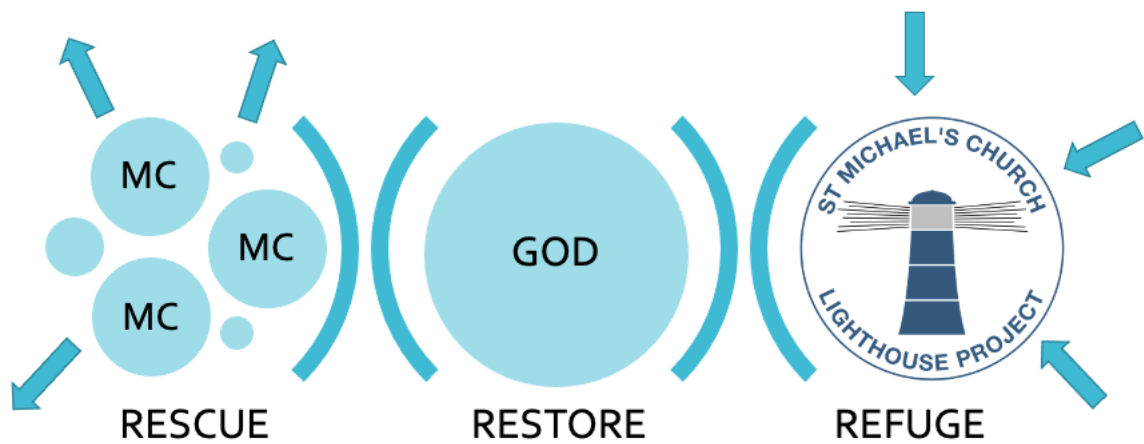
ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Rector’s Report

Whilst this last year has been filled with challenge, it has been an honour to see how God has been at work, building resilience, deepening faith, releasing many into new areas of ministry and reaching people in need. Whilst some initiatives have had to pause or stop, it has been encouraging to see the launch of three new missional communities, a new outreach project (Lighthouse drop-in), and many people growing and stepping out as disciples and exploring their God-given gifts for the first time.

It was difficult saying goodbye to the Tony Russel and Chris Guiver, and as warden and treasurer, we were left with two strategic leadership positions to fill. I am particularly grateful to Dan Shaw for stepping into the role of warden with Luke Brightwell continuing as second warden. The role of treasurer at St Michael’s is particularly challenging due to the visionary nature of our outreach initiatives and the varying and complex streams of income. I was so thrilled that Chris Turner agreed to take on the role of treasurer and have been amazed by his ability to perform this role in a voluntary capacity to an extremely high level, whilst holding down a full-time job and committing to lead in various other areas of church life! Furthermore, I have felt very supported by the PCC and appreciate their dedication and commitment, often attending extra meetings, making difficult decisions, and helping share the weight of responsibility in what can only be described as one of the most testing seasons many of us have been through.

We remain convinced that God’s river of life is the only hope for Twerton and through Jesus we pray that God’s river would flow through Twerton, displacing the narrative of depravity with a new story of new life, hope and healing. We long to see revival, the church on fire in their love for God, each other and the wider community. We see God’s pattern of family as the best structure for embodying the UP IN OUT lifestyle and therefore have a vision to see extended families of missionary servants launched into the river of life, like lifeboats on a mission to search and rescue. We also see the value in having organized and structured environments where those in need can find refuge. We have taken the opportunity to review our mission and outreach and have re-articulated it under the following headings:



In 2020 we launched our *rescue* boats (Missional Communities), and plans are progressing to re-establish our various *refuge* ministries under the name 'Lighthouse' encompassing the café, chaplaincy as well as utilizing the building known as the Rec House, to open an additional refuge space that can be used by external organisations wishing to partner with us offering skills and support to compliment what we are already doing. I am very excited to say Nathan Gale will be taking up the role of *Lighthouse Leader* and this will become a more visible leadership role within the life of the church on Sundays and across the wider church community.

One of the generations who have been most affected by the pandemic has been the young with home learning, social restrictions, and children and youth groups being affected. We still believe the next generation are a priority within St Michael's vision and in the Autumn, we advertised for a new staffing position, Next Generation Leader, but received no applications. We plan to re-advertise in the summer term of 2021 believing this is a critical role within the life of the church in equipping families and missional communities to disciple their children, but also to partner with the school chaplain in reaching the next generation outside the church in Twerton. Please pray for God to bring the right person and for provision of funds to support this ministry.

We began 2021 by calling the church to be blown by the Holy Spirit. We can't be sure what the future looks like but as we lean into God we are seeking to listen well, to love better, and live into God's river of transformation. There may be further challenges ahead, but we are confident God will continue guiding us and will draw many into life with Him.

Church attendance

At the time of the APCM there were 61 names on the electoral role, compared to 56 names in September 2020.

Review of activities undertaken

Key developments during the course of the year included:

Church community

- We have had two Vision Days exploring a renewed understanding of our purpose, vision and strategy, with guest speakers bringing fresh insights. This was underpinned by two teaching series exploring UP, IN, OUT & the River of Life Vision.
- A leader's huddle was launched with an open invite to anyone wishing to grow as a leader. This group has run throughout the year but reduced from weekly to fortnightly meetings in the Autumn.
- We were forced to close the church building in March and moved services online using Zoom. We also launched a daily bible reflection on Facebook with many people taking turn in delivering the devotionals. These then reduced to a weekly session on Zoom in December. We also launched several small groups meeting on zoom enabling discipleship & pastoral support to be shared during the first lockdown.
- We launched a *gathered & scattered* model of gathering on Sundays coinciding with the launch of 3 missional communities replacing the zoom groups. These MCs were launched by core teams who gathered around a shared missional vision.

Rose Cottage

- Following a good start to the year, we the government restrictions forced the café to close in March and the foodbank was moved from Rose Cottage to a central location providing delivery service.
- Nathan Gale was placed on the government furlough scheme and as restrictions changed, we were able to make use of the flexible working arrangements, claiming the furlough grants for hours unworked.
- We then re-opened the café in June and the decision was taken to stay open throughout the summer school holidays. The café remained open until the second lockdown in November.
- We were able to access and receive a government grant and have accessed further funds since to support the re-opening of the café and associated activities.
- In response to growing issues around food poverty, a new food parcel drop-in initiative was launched called Lighthouse. The church was given special permission to open for members of the local community to come and receive a food parcel, occasional hot food offerings, referral to agency support and a listening ear. The weekly session became popular and provided meaningful opportunities to build relationships with those most in need in Twerton. St Michael's received food parcels through the Fare-share scheme.

St Michael's Junior School Chaplaincy

- Gwen continued to work throughout 2020 both delivering online resources & worship as well as being based in the school for periods of the lockdowns to support those children & staff who were able to attend school in-person.
- Richard continues to support Gwen in leading collective worship at St Michael's Junior School, serves as vice-chair of the governors and together with Gwen and the Chair of governors, has re-formed the school's vision statement to tie in with the vision of the church: *"Ready for life" - Working with our community and church to ensure our children are spiritually, emotionally and educationally equipped for life now and in the future.*
- A particular highlight was being able to invite the children from school to come into the church building in their class bubbles to celebrate Christingle in December. This was a precious opportunity to leave the school building and enjoy some in-person activities.

Youth & Children

- The youth group met on Tuesday evenings gathering a group of local young people from year 6-8, until the lockdown restrictions forced the group to close in March 2020. With the pressure of home-schooling and the feeling that there may not be appetite for online engagement from the young people, the decision was taken to place Emma Shaw on the furlough scheme. Following the birth of Emma's daughter, Emma moved from the furlough scheme to a 12-month Maternity Leave.
- Emma and a team of volunteers attended a Youth Work Learning Community taster day in February. The hope was that this would build the team and allow youthwork to continue during Emma's maternity leave. However, COVID put this on pause and will be reviewed again at a later date.
- Children's discipleship groups continued to flourish in the first few months of 2020, until lockdown restrictions forced engagement to move online. Resources were directed to parents, and initially services were intentionally designed to be accessible to all-ages. A regular 'story-time' session on Facebook led by various people helped engage families during the first lockdown. Later on in the year, a new 'Kids Time' session dedicated to engaging children over zoom was launched fortnightly at 10am on Celebration Sundays.
- Creative use of video and media allowed opportunities to share input from the children as well as those unable to access online services with the wider church family.

- The Next Generation Leader Role was advertised with a seed fund generated through generous donations. Sadly, recruitment was unsuccessful.
- Families have engaged positively with the 'Families' Missional Community providing opportunities for multi-generational discipleship and community.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The financial year for St Michael's is the calendar year. Overall income for the year 2020 was approximately £155k, a decrease of 1k on 2019, whilst the 2020 expenditure of £133k represents a decrease of 25% from the 2019 total of £177k. Therefore, in 2020 we oversaw a surplus of £21k, compared to a shortfall of £20k in 2019 and 2018. At the end of 2020, the financial assets of St Michaels total £201k comprising £130k in endowment funds, and £71k in cash reserves. Of these cash reserves, £31k is restricted, meaning it can only be used for the purposes specified by the donor.

2020 was not the year that we forecast when agreeing the budget. I took on the role of Treasurer during the first lockdown and as a PCC we had to make many decisions without knowledge. In March, the PCC made a pledge to pay staff full salaries for at least the next 6 months and although a pay rise was postponed, no member of staff had to take a pay cut. Staff salary costs (salary, HMRC contributions and pensions) are our highest expense at 49% of total expenses.

The government's furlough job retention scheme has been a great blessing this year, providing 14% of all salary costs in 2020. There have been other additional unexpected sources of income; a BANES Business grant of £10k for Rose Cottage and a £5k council tax rebate.

Another godsend has been the generosity of our regular givers. I am immensely grateful to all those who give to Saint Michaels and your support means a lot. At the beginning of the pandemic, I was anticipating a drop in giving as it was clear that some people would be losing their jobs. In fact, planned giving increased by 10% from 2019; what a testimony to God's goodness in people's lives!

Closing our buildings and switching to virtual gatherings has definitely had a financial impact. Our received income from Rose Cottage café, Weddings/Funerals and from rents and hires were understandably less than 2019. We also spent less than forecast on café supplies and utility bills.

In 2020 the PCC have pledged to spend 10% of the previous year's unrestricted income (meaning money received with no conditions on what we can spend it on) on giving to external causes. In 2020 these external donations included:

- Southside Project
- Send a Cow
- Open Doors, specifically towards Christians in Nigeria
- Church Ministry among Jewish People
- Youth for Christ
- Genesis Trust
- Mercy in Action
- Grow for Life

- Covid 19 donations to Twerton Infants School, St Michaels junior school and to Genesis Trust
- Repairing the Charity shop window after a break in
- Joining with Life Church in helping clear a garden for a vulnerable member of the community

For 2020, we set a target of spending £17k on external donations and by the end of December we had spent £12,600. The PCC's giving sub-committee wanted to keep a reserve for reacting to any need for donations over the Christmas period and the underspend has been carried over into 2021. All the unspent money from 2020 has now been donated as gifts to

- Open Doors,
- Christ Church Jerusalem,
- Send a cow lent appeal,
- Life project lent appeal,
- Twerton Infants school and St Michaels Junior school, to buy computer equipment for disadvantaged students unable to learn from home.

Sadly, we were not able to run Youth and Children & Families as expected and spent nothing in this area. This is something that we are keen to change in 2021. Many of you pledged money to support the recruitment of a Next Generation lead worker, a role we hoped would oversee our work with children and youth. We were unable to recruit when we advertised in October/November and the money will be carried over into next year when we hope to advertise again.

As 2021 begins, we anticipate the greater freedom to bless people more. Our Missional communities will be key in reaching out people and have been set a budget to spend, both towards missional activities and towards giving to those outside the church. I look forward to sharing with you all next year how they have been a blessing to others.

Please note, all figures presented in this part of the report are approximate.

PCC Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The PCC is responsible for all parish finance, its management and control, including the appointment of a treasurer. While it may delegate some of its duties, this does not remove its legal responsibilities.

Charity law requires the PCC as trustees of the Church to prepare an annual report and financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. The PCC is also required to ensure that these are subjected to an annual independent examination or audit and to present these to the APCM in accordance with the Church Representation Rules.

In preparing these financial statements, the PCC is required to:

- 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; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for keeping proper accounting records, which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and applicable accounting standards. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

FABRIC REPORT

Approved by the PCC on Monday 26 April and signed on their behalf by Rev. Richard White



St Michaels and All Angels, Twerton

2020 End of Year Financial Statements

St Michaels and All Angels Church, Twerton, Bath

Charity number: 1147405

Financial statement for year ending 31 December 2020.

Receipts and Payments Account

		Notes	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Prior year
		funds	funds	funds	funds	funds	total funds	funds
Receipts								
Donations and legacies	7a	83,167	19,771	29,263	—	132,202	123,741	
Income from charitable activities	7b	2,333	17,336	300	—	19,970	29,093	
Investments	7c	267	—	2,624	—	2,891	3,480	
Other income	7d	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Total receipts		85,768	37,108	32,187	—	155,064	156,314	
Payments								
Raising funds	7e	—	277	172	—	450	450	
Expenditure on charitable activities	7f	75,148	9,389	48,508	—	133,047	161,933	
Other expenditure	7g	150	—	—	—	150	14,415	
Total payments		75,298	9,667	48,681	—	133,647	176,798	
Excess of receipts over payments before transfer		10,469	27,441	(16,493)	—	21,417	(20,483)	
Transfers								
Gross transfers between funds - in	6	5,821	692	22,228	—	28,741	—	
Gross transfers between funds - out	6	(6,534)	(16,435)	(5,772)	—	(28,741)	—	
Excess of receipts over payments before other gains / losses		9,756	11,698	(37)	—	21,417	(20,483)	
Net movement in funds		9,756	11,698	(37)	(10,359)	11,058	(6,684)	
All assets at 01 January 2020		17,587	525	30,969	141,084	190,166	196,850	
All assets at 31 December 2020		27,343	12,224	30,931	130,724	201,224	190,166	
Represented by								
Unrestricted								
General fund		27,343	—	—	—	27,343	17,587	
Designated								
Associate Minister	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Children and Families	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Church Building	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Rec House	8	—	2,324	—	—	2,324	444	
Rec House Building	8	—	—	—	—	—	104	
Rec House Project	8	—	1,484	—	—	1,484	76	
Rose Cottage	9	—	8,415	—	—	8,415	(148)	
Rose Cottage Building	9	—	0	—	—	0	0	
Youth Work	2	—	—	—	—	—	49	
Restricted								
Associate Minister		—	—	891	—	891	381	
Bell Fund	2	—	—	23	—	23	23	
Charitable donations	2	—	—	5	—	5	5	
Children and Families		—	—	3,844	—	3,844	11,327	
Church Building		—	—	7,259	—	7,259	8,169	
Farewell Gifts from church		—	—	—	—	—	(155)	
Groundwork grant	2	—	—	440	—	440	440	
Internships		—	—	473	—	473	553	
Maternity Pay from HMRC	3	—	—	(1,631)	—	(1,631)	—	
Rec House	8	—	—	2,926	—	2,926	2,410	
Rec House Project	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Rose Cottage	9	—	—	5,530	—	5,530	239	
Rose Cottage Building	9	—	—	28	—	28	28	

Send a Cow		—	—	88	—	88	88
SouthSide Project		—	—	—	—	—	—
Vicar's Pastoral	2	—	—	4,402	—	4,402	4,402
Youth Work		—	—	6,650	—	6,650	3,055
Endowment							
St Peters Black Rock	5	—	—	—	8,588	8,588	7,878
St Peters M&G	5	—	—	—	62,900	62,900	74,517
Twerton-on-Avon SS CCLA	5	—	—	—	8,235	8,235	7,688
Vernon Terrace	5	—	—	—	51,000	51,000	51,000

Statement of assets and liabilities

	<i>General</i>		<i>Designated</i>	<i>Restricted</i>	<i>Endowment</i>	<i>This year</i>	<i>Last year</i>
Fixed assets - Investments							
Vernon Terrace -	—	—	—	51,000	51,000	51,000	
St Peters Black Rock -	—	—	—	8,588	8,588	7,878	
St Peters M&G -	—	—	—	62,900	62,900	74,517	
Twerton-on-Avon SS Trust CCLA -	—	—	—	8,235	8,235	7,688	
Totals	—	—	—	130,724	130,724	141,084	
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand							
PCC Twerton C/A -	21,601	1,707	26,896	—	50,205	18,142	
PCC Twerton Savings -	36	—	3,101	—	3,137	23,101	
Rec House C/A -	332	2,481	580	—	3,395	1,638	
Rose Cottage Cafe C/A -	—	4,765	—	—	4,765	2,060	
Rose Cottage Centre C/A -	5,373	3,268	625	—	9,267	1,233	
Vicar's Pastoral Account -	—	—	—	—	—	4,402	
Totals	27,343	12,224	31,203	—	70,771	50,578	
Liabilities - Agency accounts							
Agency collections -	—	—	272	—	272	1,496	
5							
Totals	—	—	272	—	272	1,496	
Grand total	27,343	12,224	30,931	130,724	201,224	190,166	

Notes 1 to 9 on the following pages form part of these accounts.

Notes

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis.
2. These funds were not used in 2020.
3. Statutory Maternity Pay is received not as payments but as a credit against the HMRC payments. At the end of the calendar year, we have credit which is carried over to 2021.
4. To quote Black Rock correspondence: *Capital at Risk*. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed.

The PCC benefits from four endowment funds:

- Vernon Terrace: capital sum on £51,000 with the income and gains from this being deposited early each year into the Associated Minister restricted fund, retaining the original capital sum.
 - St Peter's Sunday School and Parish Room charity (number 264498) comprises two investment funds, with Black Rock and M&G investments. In 1988 the PCC used capital from this fund to refurbish the Rec House. Recoupment of this is over a 60-year period and is partly met by annual reinvestment from St Michael's of £450-£172.75 to Black Rock and £277.75 to M&G. Black Rock provides solely capital growth whilst M&G also provide quarterly dividends. The purpose of the charity is to support the "church hall" and so all receipts and payments relate to the Rec House restricted fund.
 - Twerton on Avon SS Trust: investment with CCLA with dividends paid quarterly, for general funds.
5. Balance of Agency funds at year end, payable to Children's Society, Christian Aid, Dorothy House, Send-a-Cow and Diocesan Wedding/Funeral Fees

6. Fund movement by type

	<i>Opening</i>	<i>Incoming</i>	<i>Outgoing</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Gains/losses</i>	<i>Closing</i>
CharDon - Charitable donations						
Restricted	5	202	202	—	—	5
Sub-total for CharDon	5	202	202	—	—	5
GrdwkRes - Groundwork grant						
Restricted	440	—	—	—	—	440
Sub-total for GrdwkRes	440	—	—	—	—	440
Southside - SouthSide Project						
Restricted	—	300	300	—	—	—
Sub-total for Southside	—	300	300	—	—	—
General - General fund						
Unrestricted	17,587	85,768	75,298	(712)	—	27,343
Sub-total for General	17,587	85,768	75,298	(712)	—	27,343
AssocMin - Associate Minister						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted	381	1,310	—	(800)	—	891
Sub-total for AssocMin	381	1,310	—	(800)	—	891
CandF - Children and Families						
Designated	—	—	526	526	—	—
Restricted	11,327	8,764	16,247	—	—	3,844
Sub-total for CandF	11,327	8,764	16,774	526	—	3,844
Youth - Youth Work						
Designated	49	2,215	—	(2,265)	—	—
Restricted	3,055	4,650	4,062	3,006	—	6,650
Sub-total for Youth	3,104	6,865	4,062	741	—	6,650
Interns - Internships						
Restricted	553	—	80	—	—	473
Sub-total for Interns	553	—	80	—	—	473
MatPay - Maternity Pay from HMRC						
Restricted	—	2,080	3,711	—	—	(1,631)
Sub-total for MatPay	—	2,080	3,711	—	—	(1,631)
ChurchBuil - Church Building						
Designated	—	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted	8,169	—	909	—	—	7,259
Sub-total for ChurchBuil	8,169	—	909	—	—	7,259
RecHouse - Rec House						
Designated	444	2,322	442	—	—	2,324
Restricted	2,410	2,114	1,599	—	—	2,926
Sub-total for RecHouse	2,854	4,437	2,041	—	—	5,250
RecBuild - Rec House Building						
Designated	104	—	212	107	—	—
Sub-total for RecBuild	104	—	212	107	—	—
RecHoProj - Rec House Project						
Designated	76	310	(1,313)	(215)	—	1,484
Restricted	—	—	223	223	—	—
Sub-total for RecHoProj	76	310	(1,089)	8	—	1,484
RoseC - Rose Cottage						
Designated	(148)	32,260	9,799	(13,896)	—	8,415
Restricted	239	12,238	20,843	13,896	—	5,530
Sub-total for RoseC	90	44,498	30,642	—	—	13,946
RoseCBuild - Rose Cottage Building						
Designated	0	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted	28	—	—	—	—	28
Sub-total for RoseCBuild	28	—	—	—	—	28
BellFund - Bell Fund						
Restricted	23	—	—	—	—	23

Sub-total for BellFund	23	—	—	—	—	23
SendaCow - Send a Cow Restricted	88	—	—	—	—	88
Sub-total for SendaCow	88	—	—	—	—	88
Farewells - Farewell Gifts from Restricted	(155)	527	500	128	—	—
Sub-total for Farewells	(155)	527	500	128	—	—
Vicar - Vicar's Pastoral Restricted	4,402	—	—	—	—	4,402
Sub-total for Vicar	4,402	—	—	—	—	4,402
VerTerr - Vernon Terrace Endowment	51,000	—	—	—	—	51,000
Sub-total for VerTerr	51,000	—	—	—	—	51,000
BlackRock - St Peters Black Rock Endowment	7,878	—	—	—	710	8,588
Sub-total for BlackRock	7,878	—	—	—	710	8,588
MandG - St Peters M&G Endowment	74,517	—	—	—	(11,616)	62,900
Sub-total for MandG	74,517	—	—	—	(11,616)	62,900
CCLA - Twerton-on-Avon SS C Endowment	7,688	—	—	—	547	8,235
Sub-total for CCLA	7,688	—	—	—	547	8,235
Grand total	190,166	155,064	133,647	—	(10,359)	201,224

7. Analysis of receipts and payments

	<i>Unrestricted Designated</i>		<i>Restricted</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	<i>Last year</i>				<i>Endowment</i>	<i>This year</i>
7a. Donations and legacies						
001 - Giving	1,996	500	—	—	2,496	1,958
002 - Planned Giving, GA	32,091	—	600	—	32,691	29,648
003 - Grants	2,970	18,421	11,189	—	32,582	40,316
004 - Donations	13,784	850	16,517	—	31,152	27,279
006 - Tax Recovered (Gift Aid)	17,159	—	—	—	17,159	10,587
010 - Planned Giving, Non GA	14,165	—	956	—	15,121	13,951
022 - Legacies	1,000	—	—	—	1,000	—
Total	83,167	19,771	29,263	—	132,202	123,741
7b. Income from charitable activities						
005 - Rents/Hires	2,111	7,716	300	—	10,127	12,509
009 - Church Activities	—	—	—	—	—	49
011 - Weddings	23	—	—	—	23	834
012 - Funerals	199	—	—	—	199	638
013 - Cafe Receipts	—	9,620	—	—	9,620	18,610
014 - Rec Project Activities	—	—	—	—	—	—
015 - Youth Work Activities	—	—	—	—	—	—
016 - Children and Families Activities	—	—	—	—	—	—
017 - Deanery Chaplaincy Activities	—	—	—	—	—	(3,547)
018 - Parish weekend	—	—	—	—	—	—
021 - Fundraising	—	—	—	—	—	—

Total	2,333	17,336	300	—	19,970	29,093
7c. Investments						
007 - Interest	36	—	—	—	36	202
008 - Investment	230	—	2,624	—	2,855	3,277
Total	267	—	2,624	—	2,891	3,480
7d. Other income						
019 - Other income	—	—	—	—	—	—
020 - Insurance claims	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—
INCOME TOTAL	85,768	37,108	32,187	—	155,064	156,314

7e. Raising funds

118 - Fundraising	—	—	—	—	—	—
133 - Investments	—	277	172	—	450	450
Total	—	277	172	—	450	450

7f. Expenditure on charitable activities

101 - Administration	2,614	—	—	—	2,614	3,135
102 - Salaries	20,032	—	37,400	—	57,432	69,790
103 - HMRC	1,848	2,843	860	—	5,552	7,690
104 - Pensions	—	(499)	2,889	—	2,389	6,092
105 - Staff Expenses	—	—	—	—	—	(122)
106 - Mission and training	140	—	300	—	440	151
107 - Church Activities	108	—	—	—	108	—
108 - Equipment	300	233	102	—	636	678
109 - Insurance	3,476	—	1,045	—	4,521	4,539
110 - External Donations	12,420	—	202	—	12,622	5,060
111 - Pastoral	—	—	500	—	500	4,300
112 - Bank Charges	—	—	—	—	—	—
113 - Cleaning	396	—	104	—	500	660
114 - Utilities	2,943	1,406	3,576	—	7,926	11,196
115 - Hospitality	—	—	—	—	—	496
116 - Worship	699	—	—	—	699	1,123
117 - Parish Weekend	—	—	—	—	—	—
119 - Minor maintenance	2,289	996	1,048	—	4,334	4,003
120 - Major maintenance, church	—	—	—	—	—	1,547
121 - Cafe Activities	829	4,405	398	—	5,633	9,064
122 - Rec Project Activities	—	4	—	—	4	112
123 - Youth Activities	—	—	—	—	—	818
124 - Children and Families Activities	—	—	—	—	—	115
125 - Deanery Activities	280	—	—	—	280	—
126 - Diocese	26,669	—	—	—	26,669	27,987
127 - Major maintenance, Rec H / Rose C	—	—	—	—	—	1,808
128 - Professional fees	—	—	—	—	—	170
129 - Clergy phone	—	—	—	—	—	—
130 - Travel	—	—	80	—	80	84
131 - Cost of refreshments	—	—	—	—	—	214
134 - Clergy recruitment	—	—	—	—	—	891
135 - Visiting preacher	100	—	—	—	100	320
Total	75,148	9,389	48,508	—	133,047	161,933

7g. Other expenditure

132 - Independent Examiner	150	—	—	—	150	100
136 - New Works	—	—	—	—	—	14,315

	Total	150	—	—	—	150	14,415
	EXPENDITURE TOTAL	75,298	9,667	48,681	—	133,647	176,798
	GRAND TOTAL	10,469	27,441	(16,493)	—	21,417	(20,483)

8. Rec House: Analysis of Accounts 2020

			Totals		
	Designated	Restricted	2020	2019	
Receipts					
002	Planned giving, Gift Aid		-	0	
003	Grants		-	0	
004	Donations		-	0	
005	Hire	2,322	2,322	965	
005	Hire, Rec House Project	310	310	3,000	
007	Interest		-	0	
008	Investments	2,114	2,114	2,620	
010	Planned giving, non Gift Aid		-	40	
014	Rec House Project activities		-	0	
TOTALS		2,632	2,114	4,746	6,625
Payments					
101	Administration		-	-	
102	Salary, studio missionary		-	10,221	
102	Salary, cleaner		-	64	
103	HMRC	51	51	310	
104	Pension	(1,340)	(1,340)	1,543	
105	Staff expenses		-	-	
105	Staff exp, Rec House Project		-	-	
108	Equipment	22	22	679	
109	Insurance	411	411	572	
113	Cleaning	40	40	38	
114	Utilities	81	1,227	2,379	
119	Minor maintenance	296	296	1,283	
122	Rec House Project activities	4	4	113	
130	Travel		-	-	
127	Major maintenance		-	-	
131	Cost of refreshments		-	-	
133	Investments	277	449	450	
TOTALS		(660)	1,599	939	17,651

Fund totals				
01.01.20	Rec House	444	2,410	2,854
	Rec House Project	76	0	76
	Rec House Bldg	104	0	104
Opening total		624	2,410	3,034
31.12.20	Rec House	2,324	2,926	5,250
	Rec House Project	1,484	0	1,484
	Rec House Bldg	0	0	0
Closing total		3,808	2,926	6,734
	Differences fund totals	3,184	516	3,700

Differences from table with transfers	3,292	515	3,807
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9. Rose Cottage: Analysis of Accounts 2020

				Totals	
		Designated	Restricted	2020	2019
Receipts					
001	Giving	500		500	0
002	Planned giving, Gift Aid		600	600	600
003	Grants	17055	500	17,555	0
004	Donations		11,138	11,138	3,600
	Donations for RC garden			0	1,300
005	Hire	5084		5,084	6,234
006	Tax recovered			0	0
007	Interest			0	0
009	Church activities			0	0
010	Planned giving, non Gift Aid			0	0
013	Cafe receipts	9620		9,620	18,610
019	Other income			0	0
020	Insurance claim			0	0
TOTALS		32,260	12,238	43,997	30,344

Payments					
101	Administration				
102	Salaries		15,850	15,850	14,816
103	HMRC	2,316		2,316	2,227
104	Pension	841	1,227	2,068	2,359
105	Staff expenses			0	0
106	Mission & training			0	0
108	Equipment	210	102	312	0
109	Insurance		633	633	766
111	Pastoral			0	0
113	Cleaning		63	63	126
114	Utilities	1,325	2,429	3,754	4,822
119	Minor maintenance	699	138	837	731
	Garden project			0	40
121	Cafe activities	4,405	398	4,803	8,926
	Garden project			0	100.29
127	Major maintenance			0	1,809
136	New works			0	10,355
TOTALS		9,799	20,843	30,636	47,078

Fund totals

01.01.20	Rose Cottage	(148)	239	91
	Rose Cottage Building	0	28	28
Opening total		(148)	267	119
31.12.20	Rose Cottage	8,415	5,530	13,945
	Rose Cottage Building	0	28	28
Closing total		8,415	5,558	13,973

Differences fund totals	8,563	5,291	13,854
Differences from table with transfers	22,461	(8,605)	13,856



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report
on the accounts**

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

St. Michael's and All Angels Church Twerton Bath PCC

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31st December 2020

**Charity
no (if any)**

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Colin M Goater

Date: 17th March 2021

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.