

St.Nicholas Church Bradfield

Bradfield, Sheffield S6 6LG

Trustees Report for the year 01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023

Charity Registration number 1149020

St.Nicholas Church is in the Parish of Bradfield, within the Diocese of Sheffield.

The governing documents of the Charity are:

The Parochial Church Council (Powers) Measure 1956 as amended and The Church Representation Rules (contained in Schedule 3 to the Synodical Government Measure 1969) as amended.

The Charities principal objective is to promote the whole mission of Bradfield Church in the Parish of Bradfield.

The main activities undertaken in relation to this objective are:

- Regular public Worship open to all
- Pastoral work within the Parish of Bradfield
- Supporting other Charities, mainly within the UK
- Fundraising activities open to the Community

During 2023 Bradfield Church has been without an Incumbent.

During 2023 there were 8 Weddings and 2 blessings, 10 Funerals and 6 Infant and child baptisms.

The Church was able to host the Bradfield Music Festival in 2023.

Other events included a MacMillan Coffee morning, Ploughman's Lunches, a Christmas Fayre and the Harvest Barn Dance.

Once again, a Bradfield Calendar was produced, proving to be a great success and raised over £1,000 for Church Funds, following a competition where people were asked to submit their own photos.

The Church "Safeguarding Safe Church Policy" document has been reviewed and is in line with current legislation and Diocesan guidance. There were no safeguarding issues during 2023.

The Church was open most days for visitors and private worship and the number of casual visitors continues to increase following the end of Covid restrictions.

Administrative details

The PCC Members who served during 2023 are:

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| Mrs P Bancroft | |
| Mr J Barrand | Churchwarden Chair |
| Mrs S Barrand | PCC secretary and deputy Churchwarden |
| Mrs J Bird | |
| Mr R Chamberlin | Organist |
| Mrs J Gregory | Deputy Churchwarden from April 2023 |
| Mrs J Hodson | Churchwarden |
| Mrs C Leichert | Safeguarding Officer |
| Mr Jack Marples | |
| Mr John Marples | Deputy PCC Secretary, Tower Captain |
| Mrs N Marples | |

Mrs M Norman PCC Treasurer
Dr J Panniker
Mrs M Sheldon
Mrs E Walker
Mrs C Walton
Mr R Walton

There is currently a vacancy for a Giving Co-ordinator and Gift Aid Secretary.

PCC Members may be co-opted or elected by the PCC and/or members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll. There are approx. 96 names on the electoral roll at 31/12/23

The PCC met 16 times during 2023. More meetings were held than usual due to the planning required for the loss of the Incumbent and subsequent period without a Rector in Charge. From September 2022, plans have been made to move towards Focal Ministry and joining with other Churches in the surrounding area under one Ordained Priest, with a Focal Minister taking the regular Sunday Services. 5 members of the Congregation have been completed the Focal ministry Foundation Course with a view to assisting with Sunday Services. 2 of the focal ministers presented a midnight service of Christmas Eve, consisting of local carols and readings. This was extremely well received and attended.

All Covid guidelines in relation to taking Communion and Church opening were regularly reviewed in accordance with The Diocese of Sheffield advice.

Financial Summary

The accounts for the financial year 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023 have been prepared by the treasurer, Jane Gregory, following the standing down of Mary Norman in April 2023. They have been independently validated by Malcolm Vallance

Total receipts were £61,822, and payments amounted to £52,250 (of which £32,230 based on the accounts to 31/12/2023). In addition to the General fund, there are 5 restricted funds. These accounts may only be used for the purposes for which the money was donated. They are the Fabric fund, the Building Fund, the Windows Fund, the Childrens Fund and the Churchyard fund.

The Fabric fund is money held in respect of the maintenance and upkeep of the Church and stood at £18,859 at 31/12/2023 .

The Windows fund is money allocated to the repair and renovation of the stained glass windows, as an ongoing project. This stood at £44,993 in the accounts to 31/12/2023. The Dixon and Bowlby window renovations were completed in February 2023 at which point the funds were depleted.

The Churchyard fund was set up as a result of a donation towards the upkeep of the Church yard.

The Childrens Fund was set up following a bequest of £5000 to be used to assist with Childrens Mission in Church.

Gift Aid

The church is still recovering financially from the results of the pandemic and the weekly giving and Envelope Giving has reduced. In 2023 £0 was recovered from HMRC for Gift Aid, due to the lack of a Giving Director. This will be resolved and the backdated claim made in 2024.

Report prepared by Jane Gregory, deputy Church Warden

Signed on behalf of the PCC 23/09/ 2023.

St.Nicholas Church Bradfield
Income & Expenditure to 31 December 2023

| <u>Income</u> | £ |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Church Services | 2023 |
| Planned Giving | £ 16,910.00 |
| Plate Collections | £ 14,006.00 |
| Card Reader | £ 3,383.58 |
| Wedding/Funeral/Baptism Fees | £ 6,492.35 |
| Wedding/Funeral/Baptism Collections | £ 1,435.63 |
| | £ 42,227.56 |
| Other Income | |
| Gift Aid reclaim HMRC | £ - |
| Church Hire | £ 200.00 |
| Diocesan Energy Grant | £ 6,150.00 |
| Just Giving | £ 51.65 |
| Interest From CCLA Accounts | £ 628.41 |
| Wallbox | £ 106.00 |
| Other | £ 387.00 |
| | £ 7,523.06 |
| Donations | |
| Various Anonymous | £ 4,150.00 |
| Abbeydale Singers | £ 300.00 |
| Bradfield Music Festival | £ 1,400.00 |
| Brass Band Recording | £ 250.00 |
| Watchouse Donation | £ 750.00 |
| Various < £100 | £ 153.00 |
| | £ 7,003.00 |
| Fundraising | |
| Barn Dance Profit | £ 686.50 |
| Bradfield Calendar | £ 900.00 |
| Harvest Sale | £ 142.20 |
| Ploughmans Lunches | £ 2,383.79 |
| Monthly Draw | £ 956.00 |
| | £ 5,068.49 |

Total Income for the Year ended 31 December 2023

£ 61,822.11

Expenditure

| | | |
|--|---|-----------|
| Broadband | £ | 486.97 |
| Stationary, Printing & Photocopier | £ | 2,243.58 |
| Churchyard | £ | 4,021.00 |
| Gas & Electric | £ | 6,641.43 |
| Church Insurance | £ | 7,780.34 |
| Licences | £ | 172.39 |
| Organ & Organist | £ | 3,192.00 |
| Diocesan Common Fund | £ | 12,000.00 |
| Clergy Expenses | £ | 136.40 |
| Yorkshire Water Rectory & Watchhouse | £ | 267.66 |
| Watchhouse Rent | £ | 5,883.48 |
| Bell Repair Fund | £ | 5.00 |
| Consumables | £ | 246.55 |
| Burglar Alarm repair & servicing | £ | 1,870.91 |
| 2 Cash Machines | £ | 590.00 |
| Audit Fees for 2021 & 2022 | £ | 500.00 |
| Sheffield City Council Bins | £ | 280.32 |
| Carpet Cleaning | £ | 360.00 |
| Churchwarden reimbursement of expenses | £ | 518.50 |
| Christmas Tree | £ | 80.00 |
| Ecclesfield Deanery | £ | 25.00 |
| Fire Safety | £ | 125.40 |
| General Expenses | £ | 554.00 |
| Repairs & Renewals | £ | 3,270.00 |

Total Expenses for the Year ended 31 December 2023

£ 51,250.93

Excess Income over Expenditure to 31 December 2023

£ 10,571.18

Assets at 31 December 2023

£

PCC General Funds

| | | |
|------------------------------|----------|-------------------------|
| Co-Operative Current account | £ | 26,104.09 |
| Leeds Building Society | £ | 1,961.00 |
| Cash on Hand | £ | 766.42 |
| Co-Operative Fabric account | £ | 18,859.25 |
| | £ | <u>47,690.76</u> |

Investment Assets

| | |
|---|--------------------------|
| CCLA Investment Fund - Held by Custodian Trustee at Sheffield Diocese | £22,989.59 |
| CCLA Investment Fund | <u>£22,243.62</u> |
| | <u>£45,233.21</u> |

Restricted Fund Accounts to 31 December 2023

CCLA Childrens Fund 2023

| | Income £ | Expenses £ |
|----------|-----------------|---------------|
| Interest | £ 162.37 | £0.00 |
| | <u>£ 162.37</u> | <u>£0.00</u> |

CCLA Windows Account 2023

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| Interest | £ 948.80 | |
| Grant from Garfield Weston | £ 4,000.00 | |
| M Eaton Stonemason Deposit | | £ 13,984.80 |
| Pendle Glass Windows Survey | | £ 960.00 |
| | <u>£ 4,948.80</u> | <u>£ 14,944.80</u> |

CCLA Fabric Account 2023

| | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------|
| transferred in 31/7/23 | £ 30,000.00 | |
| Interest | £ 193.32 | £0.00 |
| | <u>£ 30,193.32</u> | <u>£ -</u> |

CCLA Fabric (Kitchen) Account 2023

| | | |
|-----------|-------------------|------------|
| Interest | £ 1,367.10 | |
| Donations | £ 1,340.00 | £ - |
| | <u>£ 2,707.10</u> | <u>£ -</u> |

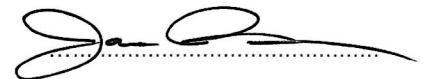
Restricted Funds

| | |
|------------------------------|--------------------|
| CCLA Fabric Fund | £ 30,193.32 |
| CCLA Building Fund (Kitchen) | £ 14,287.21 |
| CCLA Windows Fund | £ 44,993.80 |
| CCLA Childrens Account | £ 5,228.56 |
| | <u>£ 94,702.89</u> |

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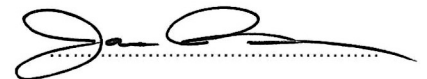
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