



The Parish of: Easebourne, Lodsworth and Selham

West Sussex

**TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
AND
FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

OF THE

**PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
For the year ended 31 December 2022**

Incumbent

Revd Canon Derek Welsman

Independent Examiner

Trevor James

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Charity Registration No 1151500

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF
ST MARY, EASEBOURNE, ST PETER'S LODSWORTH AND ST JAMES SELHAM
REGISTERED CHARITY: 1151500
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Structure, governance and management

The parish is a charity registered with the Charity Commission under the name of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Easebourne, Lodsworth and Selham with the Registered Charity Number 1151500.

During the year the following served as members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC):

Incumbent:	The Revd Canon Derek Welsman	Chairman
Curate	The Revd Liz Yonge	
Wardens:	Mrs Alison Davis	
	Mr Philip Stringer (Elected May 2022)	
	Mr Deryck Hamon	
	Mrs Lynne Todd	
	Mrs Janet Colman	
Secretary:	Mrs Elizabeth Bounton	
Treasurer:	Mr Tony Kelly	
Deanery Synod Reps:	Mr Eric Bounton (Assistant treasurer Lodsworth)	
	Mr Roger Bricknell	
	Mr Peter Marsh (Elected May 2022)	
Elected Members	Mr David Pack	
	Mr Bill Howkins	
	Mrs Emma Glue (Safeguarding Officer)	
	Mrs Penny Tree	
	Mr Peter Marsh	
	Mrs Patricia Anne Sankey	
	Mrs Trish Slade	
	Mrs Nicky Edgley	
	Mrs Rosie Drayson	
	Mr Jeremy Adams (assistant treasurer Selham)	

Standing Committee: Each church holds a standing committee to execute the day to day running of each church community and building. The Standing committee will include: Rector, Church Wardens, Treasurer, Secretary and all elected representatives for the said church community.

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of certain ex-officio members (the incumbent/priest-in-charge, curate, lay readers licensed to officiate in the church), the churchwardens and members of the Deanery, Diocesan or General Synods and 12 members of the separate church communities (four from each church) who are elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Members are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and we try to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

Aim and purposes

The primary objective of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Revd Canon Derek Welsman, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

What we planned to do to achieve our charitable objectives.

When planning our activities for the year, our incumbent and the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on 'charities for the advancement of religion'. The council has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016, fully recognising its duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

Through its Mission Action Plan the Charity sets out the following objectives:

Unity: In January 2022, we joined our three PCCs together and became the Priory Churches. As we move forward, we commit ourselves, across our three church families to promote and explore unity in our new shared life, by:

- Using our fifth Sundays to celebrate together with services in our school, on one of our farms, in the field at St Peter's and one other event to promote our shared life.
- Taking every opportunity to work together, worship together and socialise together.
- Support each other through attending each other's fetes, social events and associated events.

More Open: *'A family of all ages, loving and serving, contributing and receiving, being transformed and growing together in ways that appropriately reflect the importance of each context and place.'* (Diocesan Strategy 2021)

- Setting up of new Pilgrim groups across the three churches to help us continue our journeys of discipleship.
- Creating worship that is truly 'All Age'
- Churches that are open and welcoming to all.
- Continue our work with families through Messy Church

More Converted: *'A church which communicates the Gospel effectively, so women men and children come to a living, personal and transforming faith in Jesus Christ and join their local church family on a journey to Know, Love and Follow Jesus.'* (Diocesan Strategy 2021)

- Working with our deanery family in delivering an Emmaus course. An opportunity for us to walk alongside people as they explore the stories of Jesus.

More Generous: *'A church characterised by a radical generous response to the self-giving of Jesus Christ with his life...in this household of faith there are 'no needy among them; wealthier parishes contribute joyfully to sustain ministry in deprived areas and economically deprived parishes don't feel a liability to the rest.'* (Diocesan Strategy 2021)

- A church community committed to generously supporting ministry by meeting the challenge of paying 100% of Parish ministry costs and beyond.
- To continue to support our local, national and international charity partners.

More Engaged: *'A church where people have a sense of vocation to love, expressing itself in service; and a church family that nurtures and encourages that vocation.'* (Diocesan Strategy 2021)

- Strengthening our relationship with our schools.
- Fully supporting the work of FSW in our deanery.
- Becoming ECO churches
- Finding new ways to support the lonely vulnerable and isolated in our villages

The Charity maintains an overview of worship throughout the year and works with the Rector to promote services that match the needs of our local community. The services and worship put faith into practise through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament. When planning the activities, the charity and the incumbent consider the Charity Commissions guidance on 'public benefit' and in particular, the specific guidance on 'Charities for the advancement of religion'.

Achievement and performance*Church attendance*

There are 221 parishioners on the churches electoral roll, 143 at St Mary's, 45 at St Peter's and 33 at St James'. The average weekly attendance counted during October was 70 St Mary's, 20 St Peter's and 15 St James' - but this number increased at festivals.

Review of the year

The full PCC met 6 times during the year with an average level of attendance of 90%. Committees met between meetings and minutes of their deliberations were received by the full PCC and discussed where necessary.

Churches at the heart of community: The Priory Churches set themselves the challenge of being churches set at the heart of village life and community. The three church communities dedicate themselves to being: open, inclusive and accessible to all. The churches provide public worship, occasional offices (weddings baptisms and funerals) and silent space at the heart of village life. The communities work hard to maintain their ancient buildings as a community asset and tend the church yards and burial sites so that families can visit their loved ones buried there.

The Priory Churches through their action plan work to create churches that are '**More open**' – meaning, setting their shared life in the context of their local setting. In 2022, this facilitated the setting up of a new toddler group aimed at offering space for parents and carers to meet and socialise. In 2023 this will extend to a new weekly afternoon tea 'drop in' for those who need to meet others and live on their own. The Priory Churches also seek to '**tell their story of faith**' as expressed in the Aims and Purposes of the charity – 'The primary objective of the PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England' -through actively offering opportunities to explore the values of Christianity. In 2022, after the pandemic, this meant that three people from the church were confirmed by Bishop Ruth. The churches also set at their heart of desire to be '**generous**'. This is seen in their support of church life through the plate, but also in the way they maintain their church buildings. This is also demonstrated through their support of charities both local, national and international. Finally, the Priory Churches, through their action plan, want to be '**More Engaged**'. This is seen in their work with both our local schools and with other village organisations such as our parish councils and uniformed organisations. The Priory Churches also continue to support the Diocesan Charity 'Family Support Work' reaching the most vulnerable local families. The 'More Engaged' also means that the Priory Churches, through to the work of the PCC are setting a challenging ECO church agenda, seeking new ways to help protect the environment and playing their part in tackling global climate change.

Schools: For the Priory Churches, the relationship with their two schools is an important one. With the Church of England Primary school the work is supportive but also an active working relationship. Through the clergy team, each week there are two acts of Collective Worship, supporting the school's Collective worship across the week. On a Tuesday the Revd Liz Yonge works with year five children to deliver Collective worship in the classroom; delivered by the children but supported by Liz. On a Thursday, with musicians from the parish, the clergy team lead the main act of Collective worship for the week. The church congregation also volunteer across the week to hear children read and support wider school projects. Over the course of the year the Primary school hold five services in St Mary's: Easter, end of term, Harvest, Remembrance and Christmas. The teaching staff will also make class visits to the church in support of the RE curriculum. The clergy team both serve as governors and support the teaching of RE where required.

Conifers, an independent school also has a good working relationship with the church. Across the year Conifers hold services in the church and will invite the clergy team to take assemblies when required.

This working relationship with our schools demonstrates the importance of community life and the churches place within it. The Priory Churches and the schools benefit greatly from the mutual support that is offered and the strong relationships promotes the strong sense of community that lies at the heart of village life.

Worship: Offering public worship that is accessible and open to all remains a key part of the Priory Churches life. Across the year and through the seasons of the church's calendar good quality worship is essential for the community's vibrant encounter with God. The strength of the three churches shared life is that across a month there is mixed and varied styles of worship. From Book of Common Prayer holy communion and evensong, through common worship Order One and Order Two holy communion, to family focused worship and the experimental Celtic evening prayer, the sheer diversity of styles affords accessibility across the traditions. Adding to this, the baptism, wedding and funeral ministry, the Priory churches place 'being church for the wider community' as a key part of their shared life in God and the richness and diversity of worship demonstrates the churches commitment to this..

Charitable work: The Priory churches place charitable support at the centre of church life. Across the year, the three church communities seek to find ways to support local, national and international charities and their work. On a weekly basis, there are collections for Stonepillow of items such as food and clothing. There is also a shopping trolley in St Mary's – but all three churches are encouraged to donate. Stonepillow is also supported at Christmas, when the collection from St Mary's and St Peter's carol services are used to pay for the homeless Christmas dinner at St Jo's. In 2022, the three churches also came together at Harvest to hold a special service in support of homelessness. The collection from this service also went to support Stonepillow. On a weekly basis, the church

community also supports the local Foodbank in Midhurst. In a time of national cost of living crisis, this collection point is vital in supporting and helping local families. Through Lent, the three churches commit themselves to supporting an international charity. In 2022, this continued to be Education West Africa, a charity set up to support education in Sierra Leone. In 2022 the Priory churches continued their support for the charity Family Support Work. This Deanery wide project has facilitated a FSW worker to work across our deanery bringing much needed support to vulnerable local families. After our successful Farm Service in July, the Priory Churches were able to make a generous donation to a local charity supporting struggling farmers. In December the Priory churches donated their collections from their Christingle services to the work of the Children's Society. Supporting the Children's Society is also supported through Collection Boxes that people have in their homes. The Priory Churches have also supported the work of the Royal British Legion by donating the collection from the village remembrance services. The Priory Churches also support the Church of England primary school in the parish by purchasing items to support collective worship and the teaching of RE. In recent years this has meant the purchase of bibles for the school. The purchase of a 'Big Freeze' which tells the bible story across a large banner, bought in support of the teaching resource used in the classroom. In 2022, after a successful school service, the Priory churches were able to purchase a new Paschal Candle stand for the collective worship area – this candle is lit each time the children gather as a focus for worship. The priory churches look to support charity in many different and varied ways. Their support for the local Macmillan service is through offering St Mary's church as a focus for bereavement support in the form of two-yearly services of remembrance and the holding of the annual Tree of Hope at Christmas which raises essential funds for the charities work. The Priory churches also support Macmillan through their Rector acting as a chaplain when needed. Across the year, this level of charitable support focuses very clearly on the Priory Churches commitment to a generous and focused community life together.

Children's work: During the year 2022, we were delighted the abatement of Covid restrictions allowed us to offer St. Mary's as a community space once more. During this period we have re-launched our toddler group, Little Lambs to great success; providing music, toys, food and fun for the children, and a place of much-needed fellowship and support for their parents/carers, many of whom were deprived of opportunities to meet other adults in a similar position during lockdown. We have also restarted our Messy Church offering, providing a fun, nurturing and creative environment for primary-aged children and a great opportunity for parents/carers to both spend 'quality time' with their children, whilst also connecting with other local parents in a welcoming and comfortable space. The provision of a meal at each service provides some help for those struggling with the cost of living crisis and we advertise this offering through both local schools and community support workers to reach as many in our community as possible. All sessions were warmly received and a fuller programme for the forthcoming year has already been established. Revd Liz Yonge

Repairs to the church: The three church buildings of the parish are important places of public worship and venues for occasional offices. The PCC works hard each year to maintain the church buildings for the local community for public access and places of prayer and peace at the heart of village life.

The war memorial at St Mary's was repaired and conserved over two days in June and August 2022 with funds from the War Memorials Trust, the Cowdray Estate, Easebourne Parish Council and the PCC. A service of rededication was held on Remembrance Sunday.

Preparations for the repair of the Spire and Bell Tower, identified by the 2018 Quinquennial Inspection and delayed due to the restrictions imposed by the Covid 19 pandemic, have taken a major step forward. A major fundraising campaign has been initiated and two thirds of the required funds have been raised. Current plans are for the works to commence in Spring 2023. Philip Stringer - Churchwarden

Luckily, we have had quite a peaceful year as far as dear old St. Peter's is concerned. Having spent the past 12 or so years repairing re-ordering, redecorating and re-roofing Lynne and I thought we'd have a year off! Instead, we've been concentrating on Churchyard ecology and have planted a 16 tree ring of fruit trees for the Platinum Jubilee we are now planting around 300 hedging plants.

We hope to get DAC permission to strip and re seal our pews this year and replace the floorboards in the central area, which will be a time consuming job in itself. Besides which, who knows what the impending Quinquennial will throw up! Deryck Hamon – Churchwarden

Burial Grounds: The three PCCs see the work of maintaining our church yards and burial grounds as essential to supporting our village life. The Parish Council continued to support the church with vital financial contributions to grass cutting. All five of our burial sites place a huge financial burden on the PCCs with routine cutting of grass and essential repairs. During this year, care and maintenance of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission's (CWGC) headstones for the 17 casualties buried in our churchyards from the First and Second World Wars, has been provided by Eyes On Hands On volunteers. In addition, applications for CWGC signs have been made for three of our cemeteries to help increase awareness of war graves in the United Kingdom.

Safeguarding: Sadly in 2022 our Safeguarding officer Sue Parry passed away. Her work in ensuring good Safeguarding practise across our three churches was to a very high standard – she is a great loss to our church life. Thankfully, her legacy will continue in her daughter Emma Glue, who through Guiding has established strong credentials for taking the lead in this important work and joins us as our Safeguarding Officer.

The PCC and the safeguarding team continue to build on the work established when the parish was awarded the Simple Quality Protects Mark for safeguarding from the Diocese of Chichester. This mark assures those who attend our churches that all good practise is in place to deal with children and vulnerable adults. All three churches fully comply with the Church of England's guidance on safeguarding all children and vulnerable adults. Through its Safeguarding Committee and the dedicated Safeguarding officers, the PCCs work using the Diocesan Simple Quality Protects mark to ensure good practise. This means that the PCCs follow all safer recruiting procedures: Using the DBS to check those who hold key roles in the church – using for key people all training pertaining to Safeguarding provided by the Church of England and ensuring that all places of worship are safe and secure for those who attend – especially children and vulnerable adults. Under current guidelines there is a requirement that all Church wardens comply to safeguarding training to the level of Leadership. It is also a requirement that all PCC members undertake basic Safeguarding training. Each year, before the APCM the PCCs review the Diocesan Safeguarding Policy, which when passed is posted in our churches in public view. In 2022 there were no Safeguarding incidents in our three parishes.

Eco Church: The Priory Churches continue with the ambitious plan to make our church buildings and communities more environmentally connected. This plan requires each church community to assess its impact upon the environment and to seek ways to change that impact. The small changes to our shared life, such as using mugs instead of disposable cups are embedded. At Easebourne, the area set aside in the churchyard for a wildflower garden, had mixed success due to the drought. Plans are to use seedbombs in prepared areas of the churchyard to encourage rewilding. Links with Easebourne Primary School eco-warriors remain strong. They school have signed up to the Caring for God's Acre initiative and the CWGC volunteer has signed up for the CWGC project with iNaturalist, measuring biodiversity at CWGC locations. Already a significant species of fungi (Earthstars *Genus Geastrum*) has been noted. All three Priory Churches measure their carbon footprint using the Church of England's energy footprint tool. This measures the amount of carbon produced annually by heating and lighting the church buildings. Scores are measured for energy efficiency based on building size and attendance. All three churches have a high efficiency score (rated between A+ to A) despite their different carbon footprints. Going forward we plan to work through the Practical Path to NetZero Carbon checklist.

Diocesan Strategy: In 2020 the Diocese launched its new strategy called 'Vision For Growth'. This strategy calls the peoples of God in the Diocese of Chichester to a new agenda working together on mission, outreach and financial sustainability. The strategy sets at its heart a new model for moving forward: More Open, More Converted, More Generous and More Engaged. This strategy was used in creating the Mission Action Plan for the Priory Churches, which can be seen at the beginning of this document.

Financial review

The Receipts and Payments Account on page 7 shows a combination of the results of the three churches at Easebourne, Selham and Lodsworth. A combined surplus for the year of £18,937 on unrestricted funds was recorded (excluding a legacy net receipt of £9,702 which has been allocated to a Designated Projects Fund), comprising £8,781 from Easebourne, £4,920 from Selham and £5,236 from Lodsworth.

Similarly the Statement of Assets and Liabilities on page 8 combines the cash and investment assets of all three churches for the first time and shows overall net assets of £500,143 on the charity's unrestricted funds, although this includes the sum of £159,702 which has been allocated by the Trustees to Designated Funds for longer term projects.

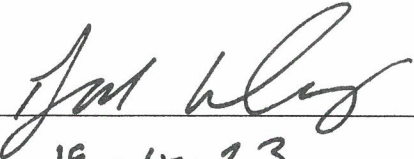
Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to maintain a balance on the general unrestricted funds (excluding Property) which equates to approximately two months' worth of unrestricted payments as contingency against unforeseen situations. Following advice from Chichester Diocese, the PCC has reviewed this policy and adjusted its position to keep £50,000 aside from unrestricted funds as an emergency building/safety fund, and at least six months of current expenditure on ready call for each individual church. The closing balance this year has more than achieved this. The designated fabric fund is retained towards the future cost of the upkeep of the church.

It is PCC policy to invest fund balances with the CBF Church of England deposit fund. A summary of these funds is attached to the financial statement.

This trustees' annual report was approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf by the Revd Derek Welsman, PCC Chairman:

Signed:



Date:

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**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE
ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARY'S, EASEBOURNE
COMBINED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Unrestricted funds £	2022 Restricted funds £	Total funds £	2021 Total funds £
RECEIPTS				
Giving				
Planned giving	48,728	-	48,728	52,424
Collections	16,367	-	16,367	12,680
Grants and donations	10,833	69,633	80,466	19,916
Gift Aid	18,337	-	18,337	13,433
Legacy (Designated Funds)	<u>10,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>-</u>
	104,265	69,633	173,898	98,453
Activities for generating funds				
Refectory	-	-	-	2,241
Village events	2,350	-	2,350	1,553
200 Club income	<u>9,645</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,645</u>	<u>9,904</u>
	11,995	-	11,995	13,698
Church activities				
Fees	17,687	-	17,687	16,805
Other income	<u>1,321</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,321</u>	<u>180</u>
	19,008	-	19,008	16,985
Investments				
Investment income	15,741	-	15,741	16,622
Sale of investments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,000</u>
	15,741	-	15,741	20,622
Total receipts	<u>151,009</u>	<u>69,633</u>	<u>220,642</u>	<u>149,758</u>
PAYMENTS				
Church activities				
Diocesan share	68,907	-	68,907	64,783
Diocese fees	5,097	-	5,097	6,871
Clergy expenses	4,488	-	4,488	3,584
Ministry sundries	5,066	-	5,066	6,849
Services – electricity, gas etc	5,657	-	5,657	4,477
Insurance	8,719	-	8,719	7,421
Church Running & misc expenses	18,364	-	18,364	14,233
Building works and projects	500	-	500	5,792
200 Club prizes	4,700	-	4,700	4,625
Mission	574	-	14,536	4,306
Designated fund expenses	<u>298</u>	<u>13,962</u>	<u>298</u>	<u>-</u>
Total payments	<u>122,370</u>	<u>13,962</u>	<u>136,332</u>	<u>122,941</u>
Net receipts	<u>28,639</u>	<u>55,671</u>	<u>84,310</u>	<u>26,817</u>

The net receipts figure above includes £9,702 which has been allocated by the Trustees to a Designated Projects Fund and is therefore not considered to be available to meet regular operational expenses.

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE
ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARY'S, EASEBOURNE**

COMBINED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	Total funds £
Cash Funds				
Easebourne				
Barclays current accounts	49,502	58,857	-	108,359
CBF Deposit account	76,848	-	-	76,848
	<u>126,350</u>	<u>58,857</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>185,207</u>
Selham				
Barclays current accounts	24,317	-	-	24,317
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Lodsworth				
Barclays current accounts	25,936	-	-	25,936
CCLA deposit account	120	-	-	120
	<u>26,056</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>26,056</u>
	<u>176,723</u>	<u>58,857</u>	<u></u>	<u>235,580</u>
Investment assets				
Easebourne				
Chancel Trust Investment Funds	-	-	2,395	2,395
Sale Henley Mission Investment (Fabric) Funds	-	-	19,845	19,845
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,240</u>	<u>22,240</u>
Selham				
M&G Charitable Income Fund	71,076	-	-	71,076
M&G Charitable Accumulation Fund	14,722	-	-	14,722
	<u>85,798</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>85,798</u>
Lodsworth				
CCLA Repairs Fund	128,500	-	-	128,500
CCLA General Fund	107,935	-	-	107,935
	<u>236,435</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>236,435</u>
	<u>322,233</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,240</u>	<u>344,473</u>
	<u>498,956</u>	<u>58,857</u>	<u>22,240</u>	<u>580,053</u>
Net current assets	1,187	-	-	1,187
Net assets transfers between funds (see page 8)	<u>500,143</u>	<u>58,857</u>	<u>22,240</u>	<u>581,240</u>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE
ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST MARY'S, EASEBOURNE
ANALYSIS OF UNRESTRICTED FUNDS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	General Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total Unrestricted funds £
Net assets before transfers (per page 7)	500,143	-	500,143
Transferred to emergency building/safety fund	(150,000)	150,000	-
Allocated to Lodsworth project fund	(9,702)	9,702	-
Balance carried forward	<u>340,441</u>	<u>159,702</u>	<u>500,143</u>

Signed on behalf of The Parochial Church Council of The Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary's, Easebourne


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ST MARY'S, EASEBOURNE
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022		2021
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS			
Giving			
Planned giving	34,346		36,609
Collections	8,573		5,972
Grants and donations	9,273		7,350
Gift Aid recovery	11,767		8,223
Ministry contributions	4,800		6,500
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		68,759	64,654
Activities for generating funds			
Refectory	-		2,241
Fete, fair etc	-		1,553
200 Club income	9,645		9,904
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		9,645	13,698
Church activities			
Fees	12,767		10,916
Other income	199		180
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		12,966	11,096
Investments			
Investment income		1,588	2,740
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Total receipts		92,958	92,188
PAYMENTS			
		-	
Church activities			
Diocesan share	42,036		38,868
Diocese fees	3,623		5,263
Clergy expenses	4,488		3,584
Ministry sundries	5,066		6,149
Services – electricity, gas etc	3,370		3,144
Insurance	6,571		5,194
Church Running & misc expenses	13,823		8,668
Building works and projects	500		5,792
200 Club prizes	4,700		4,625
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Total payments		84,177	81,287
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Net receipts		8,781	10,901
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ST. PETER'S, LODSWORTH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022		2021	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Giving				
Planned giving	9,332		9,805	
Collections	4,451		3,828	
Donations	1,195		1,229	
Gift Aid recovery	4,373		3,990	
Designated fund legacy	10,000		-	
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		29,351		18,852
 Activities for general funds				
Fees	3,564		4,096	
Village events	2,350		-	
Other income	1,122		-	
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Investments		7,036		4,096
Investment income	7,204		7,581	
Sale of investments	-		4,000	
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		7,204		11,581
 Total receipts		<hr/>		<hr/>
		43,591		34,529
 Expenses				
Diocesan share	16,060		16,200	
Diocesan fees	1,454		1,388	
Services – electricity, gas etc	1,905		1,004	
Insurance	1,515		1,613	
Church running costs	3,298		3,822	
Contribution	3,000		5,000	
Charitable giving	292		194	
Misc expenses	831		754	
Designated fund expenses	298		-	
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		28,653		29,975
 Net receipts		<hr/>		<hr/>
		14,938		4,554
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The net receipts above includes £9,702 which has been allocated by the Trustees to a Designated Projects Fund and is therefore not considered to be available to meet regular operational expenses.

ST. JAMES' SELHAM
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022		2021
	£	£	£
RECEIPTS			
Giving			
Planned giving	5,050		6,010
Collections	3,343		2,880
Donations	365		4,944
Gift Aid recovery	2,197		1,220
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		10,955	15,054
 Activities for general funds			
Fees		1,356	1,793
 Investments			
Investment income		6,949	6,301
 Total receipts		<hr/>	<hr/>
		19,260	23,148
 Expenses			
Diocesan share	10,811		9,715
Diocesan fees	20		220
Services – electricity, gas etc	382		329
Insurance	633		614
Church running costs	392		567
Contribution	1,800		1,500
Ministry sundries	-		700
Misc expenses	20		422
Charitable giving	282		405
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		14,340	14,472
 Net receipts		<hr/>	<hr/>
		4,920	8,676
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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Members of the
Parochial Church Council of The Priory Churches
St Mary's, Easebourne, St Peter's, Lodsworth and St James', Selham**

I report on my examination of the Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31st December 2022.

This report is made solely to the PCC, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the members of the PCC those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the PCC and the members of the PCC as a body, for any work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As members of the PCC, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act") and the Church Accounting Regulations. You consider that an audit is not required for the year under the Church Accounting Regulations and section 144 (2) of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under the Church Accounting Regulations and section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 144(2) of the Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of the independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC 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 you as members of the PCC 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 matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met, or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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