

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF EDGELEY AND CHEADLE HEATH, STOCKPORT

England & Wales · Charity number 1153830

Details

Other names ST MATTHEW'S PCC, STOCKPORT

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2013-09-17

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Activities

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

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Stockport

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£108,676	£130,539	-	-
2023-12-31	£96,491	£135,156	-	-
2022-12-31	£187,790	£218,581	-	-
2021-12-31	£147,615	£150,580	-	-
2020-12-31	£175,828	£120,011	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Jeremy Beatty	Chair	2023-06-18
Andrew Ogden		2023-04-30
Arthur Karl Bullock		2025-05-04
Ian David McGill		2023-04-30
Jonathan Paul Adams		2022-05-01
Julie Okundaye		2025-05-04
June Margaret Edgar		2021-05-15
KAREN LAVINIA PERRY		2017-04-02
Kenneth Hazeldine		2017-04-02
MARK GOODWIN		2018-05-11
Mark William Rushton		2025-04-05
Mary Agnes Constance Siwiak-Jaszek		2026-05-10
Michael Taylor		2021-05-15
Philip Ernest Scott James		2025-05-04

Accounts

Monetary Assets		£	£
Current Bank Account Edgeley & Cheadle Heath		7218	
Other Accounts St Matthew's Vernon Account CBF Deposit		9883 42357	
			<u>59458</u>
Designated Funds			
Legacies/ In Memory		20317	
Flowers		303	
Children's Church		578	
Restricted Funds and Grants			
Friends of the Holy Land		5	
Community Development Manager Donations		11076	
Warm Spaces			
Toddle Time Grants		615	
Buildings			
Restricted	Church Refurbishment and Maintenance	19521	
			<u>52416</u>
			7043

Receipt & Payment Accounts

		2024		2023	
Receipts		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors					
	Gift Aid Giving		37885		37246
	Planned Giving		1958		1835
	Collections and other giving		5480		3205
	Restricted Collections for charity		1505		1525
	Income Tax recovered		10441		11783
			57269		55593
Voluntary Income from other sources					
Grants R*	Community Development Manager		21470		10420
Grants R*	Warm Spaces grant (activities/energy)				1620
Grants R*	Toddle Time grants		1095		500
	Fund Raising events		1849		1712
			24414		14253
Income from Investments					
	Interest		3084		2430
			3084		2430
Income from charitable and ancillary trading					
	Fees		2227		1201
	Church Booking Fees		590		2570
	Church House Booking		8490		3265
	Printing		5		
	Cellnex		8260		8875
	Sale of church brass				400
	Sale of food				72
			19572		16383
Other Income					
	Legacy		1000		
	Sundry Receipts		1187		1339
	Pure energy rebate				4440
	Octopus energy rebate				1453
	Toddle Time contributions (non R*)		1272		
			3458		7232
Buildings					
Grant R*	Reclaimed VAT (building work)		878		
Grant R*	SMBC (to mount memorial boards)				
Grant R*	Building work grants				600
			878		600
<u>Total Receipts</u>			<u>108676</u>		<u>96491</u>

Payments

	£	£	£	£
Grants				
Charitable Giving	1490		1848	
		1490		1848
Activities directly related to the work of the church				
Parish Share	60993		58089	
Ministry Expenses	8566		5820	
Church Running Costs	9035		9042	
Utilities	10665		11809	
Church House Running Costs	450		1797	
Cost of Services	0		0	
Grant R* part Salaries incl. NI & Pension	31506		32228	
Support costs & mission	0		0	
D* Children's church				
R* Warm Spaces activities/energy	400		1220	
R* Toddle Time grants	792		315	
		122407		120320
Church Management & Administration				
Fund Raising Expenses	310		450	
Administration	944		1036	
Printing Costs	1747		1355	
		3002		2841
Other				
R* Flowers	24			
Sundry Payments				
Laptop for PCC secretary use			469	
Vicarage refurbishment contribution			3400	
Toddle Time expenses	52			
Cellmax mast survey	228			
		304		3869
Buildings				
Grant R* Roofing Project				
R* Church Refurbishment	2577		5695	
R* AV system laptop and projector bulb			584	
R* Architect fee	759			
R* Church House				
		3336		6279
Total Payments		130539		135156

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Income from planned giving (with and without Giftaid) has seen minimal change since the previous year. The significant increase in collections this year was the result of a single one-off donation.

For 2024, the total grants received by our community development manager were close to covering the net salary drawn from these restricted funds. There have been a few small restricted grants relating to our Toddle Time and Who Let the Dads Out activities. There was a small amount of reclaimed VAT on Church building repairs that was returned to the restricted building fund.

There was a small increase in interest as a result of the general raising of interest rates. Throughout 2024, there was a reorganisation of the Church House invoicing system. Income from Church House bookings has been more accurately classified as such compared with previous years. The income from renting the tower space for the Cellnex mast was largely unchanged, although will be significantly reduced in future years.

We received a single £1k legacy in 2024. Funds for Toddle Time have been accounted for separately this year, the previous year's figure would have been similar to the current year if listed separately.

Our parish share increased by 5% since the previous year, this item has generally been our single largest operating cost. There was a significant increase in ministry expenses compared with the previous year. We have yet to decide on a satisfactory method of separating all the costs associated with Church House from the Church building. Church House management was changed at the end of 2024 and is expected to be accounted for differently in future years.

There is a single item relating to quantity surveying for the tower mast, we expect to be reimbursed for this in the following year.

There was a single payment made from the restricted building fund related to Church repairs. Details of this are contained in the building group report.

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Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which give me reasonable cause to believe that accounting methods were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or the accounts do not accord with the accounting methods.

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J.J.C. Freeman

Stable Court

20a Leigh Way

Weaverham

Accounts



St Matthew's Church
The Parish of Edgeley & Cheadle Heath
APCM
Sunday 21st April 2024

Minutes of Annual Parochial Council Meeting

	Opening prayers Rev. Jeb Beatty lead the meeting and began in prayer.																			
	Present: Rev. Jeremy Beatty, Nicky Beatty, Norma Stowman, Heather Travers, Mary Mitchell, Audrey Mannion, Sylvia Parker, Arthur Bullock, Shum Goodwin, Grace Anderson, Margaret Phillis, Karen Perry, Karen Bailey, Heather Williams, Heather Adams, Jon Adams, Emese Vamosi, Stephanie Haynes, Graham Mitchell, Ian McGill, Ian Riley, Pam Robinson, Mark Goodwin Apologies: Ken Hazeldine, Mark Rushton, Julia Blundell, Lois Haslam																			
	Minutes of Previous APCM Held on Sunday 1 May 2023 Minutes of the previous APCM were circulated via email and proposed and seconded by Grace Anderson and Heather Williams.																			
	Appointment of Tellers: No need for tellers as there was no need to vote this year.																			
	Election of Church Wardens Of our current wardens, Mike Taylor is standing again and Mary Mitchell is standing down. Mike Taylor – Proposed: June Edgar; Seconded: Mary Mitchell - elected unopposed. Jeb explained that though Mary is to step down as Warden she is willing to stay on until the 31 st July when we have to have another warden in place. No objections from PCC. Thank you, Mary. So, before July Jeb will be talking to some people and is sure we will have a person in place by then. PCC proposed a vote of thanks should go to Mike and Mary for all they have done this year and a special thank you to Mary for all her hard work during some tricky and difficult years. All in favour.																			
	Election of Representatives for the PCC We require 12 members as we are over 100 congregation – Shum Goodwin is standing down, (a big thanks to her for her service over the last 3 years) leaving 1 position open. We need 5 members this year. <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Proposed PCC representative</th><th>Proposed by...</th><th>Seconded by...</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Mary Mitchell (3 years)</td><td>June Edgar</td><td>Sylvia Parker</td></tr> <tr> <td>June Edgar (3 years)</td><td>Sylvia Parker</td><td>Mary Mitchell</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ken Hazeldine (3 years)</td><td>June Edgar</td><td>Sylvia Parker</td></tr> <tr> <td>Karen Perry (1 year)</td><td>June Edgar</td><td>Sylvia Parker</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ruth Windsor (3 years)</td><td>Ken Hazeldine</td><td>Mike Taylor</td></tr> </tbody> </table> Vote: All in favour, subject to finalising paperwork.		Proposed PCC representative	Proposed by...	Seconded by...	Mary Mitchell (3 years)	June Edgar	Sylvia Parker	June Edgar (3 years)	Sylvia Parker	Mary Mitchell	Ken Hazeldine (3 years)	June Edgar	Sylvia Parker	Karen Perry (1 year)	June Edgar	Sylvia Parker	Ruth Windsor (3 years)	Ken Hazeldine	Mike Taylor
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	Synod (ex officio on PCC) allowed 3 representatives. Mark Rushton and Julie Okundaye are remaining on as representatives. Without a third volunteer at present, we have a casual vacancy.																			
	Appointment of Welcomers/Sidespersons These are to be chosen by the PCC – Mike has previously explained that a Sidesperson is the correct name for the role and are not just Welcomers. They are expected to go to the Arch Deacons visitation where Wardens																			

	are sworn in to post. Thanks go to all the current and newly added Sidespeople on the rota pinned in the vestibule – Mark Rushton, Christine Dawson, Ruth Windsor, Karen Perry, June Edgar, Tim Morley, Di Bebb, Karen Bailey, Mark Goodwin, Shum Goodwin, Sandra Lambourn, Ian McGill, Ken Hazeldine, Mike Taylor, Steph Haynes (especially for her help at Baptisms).
	Report on changes in electoral roll since last APCM Julie Johnson has gathered and updated the Electoral Roll, a copy of which will be kept in the safe and a name only list will be posted on the notice board. There are now 112 members on the Parish Electoral Roll up from 105 last year with 7 new members. 4 deaths last year (Fred Dean; Dorothy Mowbray; Alan Mycock; David Truman; We said a prayer in our hearts for all of them). 3 removed from the roll. New to roll: Hakeem Adediwuma; Maria Andrzejewska; Lois Beatty; Nicola Beatty; Susan Bowker-Reeve; Mary Crawshaw; Andrew Dawes; Thomas Dawes; Lawson Etoqmaike; Sunday Onibokun; Christiana Akomolafe; Ian Riley; Christine Watson; Lorraine Wildman. List of just names are to go up on the notice board - if anyone has any change of next of kin details to pass them on to her for her to update her files. Julie pointed out a discrepancy on the APCM report handout given in church and Jeb said he'd rectify it. Jeb thanked Julie on our behalf for all her work on the electoral roll.
	Safeguarding Policy: statement for Safeguarding Children, Young People, and Vulnerable Adults. As required, the policy statement that we have signed up to from the diocese was read by Jeb Beatty, as well as the national policy. He said we hope to be growing our work with children in church and this policy is an important policy to us all. The diocesan guidelines for safeguarding are on our website. The policy will need to be signed off by the PCC, and a poster will be put on the notice board. Safeguarding June Edgar took up the post of Safeguarding Officer this year. She said there are no incidents to report. Thanks go to June for her conscientious, hard work. <i>Heather Adams pointed out that Clergy and Readers do do the courses but June doesn't need to chase them up.</i> Jeb wanted to reinforce the point that safeguarding though difficult and sometimes tedious is a necessary and important process for our church members, our church and everybody that comes into contact with it. <i>Please note the Diocese now requires all Trustees of PCCs with charitable status to be DBS checked and certificated. New PCC Trustees are asked to apply for an enhanced DBS check and also to do basic safeguarding course and send the certificates to our Safeguarding Officer. There is also a HMRC Fit and Proper Persons Declaration as well as a PCC Member Trustee Eligibility Declaration to read and sign – if you haven't done so please see a Warden or Secretary about it.</i>
	Financial Review – year ending 2023 Arthur went through his report and explained a few points brought up in it. He said that the figures are not as bad as they seem – the shortfall of income over expenditure last year can partly be attributed to not having as many grants for CDM salary but doesn't take into account overlap of new grants coming in. There was also a drop in gift aid of circa £10K but that was because of a gift the year before. Arthurs Report See the Annual Report ----- Approval of Accounts passed by John Freeman Heather Williams: proposed Mark Rushton: seconded All in favour and none against Sylvia reminded us about the appointment of our financial examiner. John Freeman is still willing to do it for us and for free. Appointment of Independent Examiner John Freeman does it all for free and at his own expense. Proposal : that John Freeman be appointed independent examiner again for the current financial year Proposed – Mark Goodwin; Seconded – Shum Goodwin. Unanimously agreed.

	Thanks to John Freeman (auditor and advisor) for his continued support of our treasury team and agreeing once again to do it (free) for another year. And Julie J reminded us to thank all those who count and do the banking <i>Jeb to send a thank you card to John.</i> Mike T reminded us that the finances look complicated and we can get lost in the figures but it is obvious there is a shortfall. Jeb said that he would bring a presentation on giving to a Sunday service in the near future.
	Annual Report (separate doc) Thanks go to all involved in church life and all its activities. Proposed: Seconded: Grace Anderson ALL in favour
	The meeting closed around 12:45

Item 10 – Accounts

1. Church accounts for 2023 have been prepared, and were audited by John Freeman who approved them on 2 March 2024, with no outstanding issues. They were received and approved by PCC at its meeting on Tuesday 26 March.
2. There has been a significant decrease in donations of around £10k compared with 2022. Part of this apparent decrease was the result of a large one-off donation in 2022. The remainder of the decrease is mostly attributed to a decrease in the number of people donating, as opposed to a fall in typical amounts donated.
3. Our Community Development Manager received slightly over £10k worth of grants towards her work. This resulted in an apparent decrease of £13k in the restricted fund over the course of the year. This apparent decrease was partially the result of a £10k grant being received in November 2022. So far, the restricted fund for our CDM has remained reasonably solvent since its inception. Our community development manager was granted a backdated 6% pay rise from April; an amount comparable to clergy stipends. A long-term policy for determining pay rises during times of relatively high inflation rates has not currently been established.
4. The church building works programme was completed, its remaining oddments resolved, and the final payment (around £5k) made. We received a one-off donation of £600 towards the building works, although no other contributions towards this fund.
5. The apparent large £7k increase in utilities costs needs to be factored-in with the £4.4k energy rebate we received through the Parish Buying scheme. This indicates that, while energy costs have increased significantly, our effective increase has not been as severe as an initial inspection of the expenses may suggest.
6. There was a large one-off cost of £3.4k towards refurbishing the vicarage. The diocese carried out some refurbishment and redecorating of the property during the interregnum period and split the cost half-and-half with the parish.
7. The Financial Statements, Statement of Assets & Liabilities and the Bank Reconciliation are attached.
8. Questions are invited.

Receipt & Payment Accounts

		2023		2022	
Receipts		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors					
	Gift Aid Giving		37246		47095
	Planned Giving		1835		2267
	Collections and other giving		3205		2411
	Restricted Collections for charity		1525		1296
	Income Tax recovered		11783		13987
			55593		67055
Voluntary Income from other sources					
Grants R*	Community Development Manager		10420		27715
	CDBF energy grant				1218
	Warm Spaces grant (activities/energy)		1620		
	High Sheriff Grant		500		
	Fund Raising events		1712		934
			14253		29866
Income from Investments					
	Interest		2430		663
			2430		663
Income from charitable and ancillary trading					
	Fees		1201		1166
	Church Booking Fees		2570		895
	Church House Booking		3265		3350
	Sale of furniture				200
	Printing				
	Cellnex		8875		11094
	SMBC council tax refund				455
	EIG				
	Sale of church brass		400		
	Sale of food		72		
			16383		17159
Other Income					
	Legacy				37263
	Sundry Receipts		1339		804
	Pure energy rebate		4440		
	Octopus energy rebate		1453		
			7232		38067
Buildings					
Grant R*	Reclaimed VAT (building work)				20753
Grant R*	SMBC (to mount memorial boards)				
Grant R*	Building work grants		600		14260
			600		35013
<u>Total Receipts</u>			<u>96491</u>		<u>187824</u>

Payments

	£	£	£	£
Grants				
Charitable Giving	1848		1330	
		1848		1330
Activities directly related to the work of the church				
Parish Share	58089		56397	
Ministry Expenses	5820		4855	
Church Running Costs	9042		8986	
Utilities	11809		4833	
Church House Running Costs	1797		997	
Cost of Services	0			
Grant R* part Salaries incl. NI & Pension	32228		30879	
Support costs & mission	0			
D* Children's church				
R* Warm Spaces activities/energy	1220			
R* High Sheriff Grant	315			
		120320		106947
Church Management & Administration				
Fund Raising Expenses	450		96	
Administration	1036		723	
Printing Costs	1355		1234	
		2841		2053
Other				
Flowers				
Sundry Payments				
Laptop for PCC secretary use	469			
Vicarage refurbishment contribution	3400			
		3869		0
Buildings				
Grant R* Roofing Project				
R* Church Refurbishment	5695		108253	
R* AV system laptop and projector bulb	584			
R* Church House				
		6279		108253
<u>Total Payments</u>		<u>135156</u>		<u>218581</u>

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Monetary Assets		£	£
Current Bank Account Edgeley & Cheadle Heath		1642	
Other Accounts			
St Matthew's Vernon Account		9424	
CBF Deposit		69707	
			<u>80774</u>
Designated Funds			
Legacies/ In Memory		22942	
Flowers		327	
Children's Church		578	
Restricted Funds and Grants			
Friends of the Holy Land		5	
Community Development Manager Donations		12833	
Warm Spaces		400	
High Sheriff grant		259	
Buildings			
Restricted	Church Refurbishment and Maintenance	21762	
			<u>59106</u>
			21668

Edgeley Cheadle Heath Accounts 2023

Bank Account Reconciliation		Current Account	
Balance as per statement			
	31/12/2023		1,749.23
Add Uncleared Lodgements			
	03/01/2024	Collections	428.20
	04/01/24	Collections	100.00
			2,177.43
Less Unpresented Cheques			
201503	31/12/2021	Childrens Society	200.00
201501	31/12/2023	Assigned Fees	300.00
201460	31/12/2023	Verger fee	35.00
			535.00
Balance as per cash sheets			<u>1,642.43</u>
All Accounts			
		Current Account	1,642.43
		Vernon Account	9,424.46
		CBF Account	69,706.85
	31/12/2023	<u>Total</u>	<u>80,773.74</u>
Restricted funds			
	Church refurbishment and maintenance		21,761.66
	Grants for Community Development Manager		12,833.25
	Friends of the Holy Land		4.97
	Warm Spaces grant		400.00
	High Sheriff grant		259.00
Designated funds			
	Oil Candles (on order David will have bill)		-
	Flowers		327.02
	Childrens Church		578.39
	Hardship fund		
Unspent Legacies(unrestricted)			
	Used for Pam's pension		22,942.00
	other uses eg parish share need PCC permission		
	Total restricted/designated funds		59,106.29
	GENERAL RUNNING COSTS IN CURRENT A/C		21,667.45

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St Matthew's

Parish of Edgeley and Cheadle Heath



APCM ANNUAL REPORT

Churchwardens' Report 2022

The year 2022 saw great changes in the life of our church. The most momentous of these was the departure of David and Lucy Brewster in July for a new ministry as wardens of Foxhill. Since David had been vicar of our parish since its inception in 2007, and prior to that vicar of St Mark's since 2003, he had played a central role in all that had taken place in the life of the church and the parish. The great regard in which David and Lucy were held by many in the church and in the wider community was fully marked at their departure in July, and they continue to be held in great affection by many.

For the period following David's departure the Bishop of Stockport, Sam Corley, proposed an interim arrangement with a final year curate based in Marple, who he felt would benefit from some additional experience. Jeremy Beatty (Jeb) joined the team on placement in August, to assist the wardens and the church as whole through the vacancy period. This was on the clear understanding that legal responsibility for the oversight of the church remained with the wardens and the arrangement did not place St Matthew's or Jeb under any long-term obligation.

Jeb has continued David's positive work with local schools, taken baptisms and funerals, supported Telephone Prayers, Wednesday Communion, Toddle Time and built relationships with church members. He has regularly led Sunday services, preaching and presiding and was very involved in the planning and delivery of the Christmas programme. The combination of lay ministry and having Jeb as a resource has enabled the church to sustain its programme through the vacancy period.

We are grateful to Jeb for all his efforts to maintain the life of the church over this period. We are appreciative of his willingness to throw himself fully into all aspects



of church life, of his warmth and good humour, of his good organisation, and of his care and guidance of our church family.

Churchwardens' Report on the Fabric of the Building

2022 saw the completion of the substantial internal reordering of the church building which was begun the previous year. The major changes were: removal of the old internal west porch and its replacement by internal glazed doors; removal of the font from its central position under the tower to a position adjacent to the south column of the tower arch, with a new plinth, thus allowing unobstructed access to the nave and a clear view of the church interior from the west end; creation of two toilets in the south porch, one of them fully accessible; a new, more substantial kitchen area in the south-west corner of the nave; creation of a nave dais, with internal ramp, extending from the old chancel step; installation of two new central heating boilers in the old organ space; adapting of the organ space to be a storage area, with the organ speakers positioned on high shelves; replacement of nave pews by chairs.

The error of disposing of the pews before the faculty for the changes was received led to a Consistory Court being held in June. This criticised the illegality of our actions but approved the faculty for the changes.

Repair work remains to be done, including stonework repairs specified in the last Quinquennial Inspection, gutter repairs, and making good of broken flagstones on the drive, but overall the building is now in good shape for the future.



Community Development report for APCM

During 2020/21, the groups who normally meet in church were supported through creative use of Church House and gardens or a local community centre. It was good to finally welcome our community back into church following the completion of the building project in the summer. Our Community Development Manager (CDM) supported the building project by securing around £30K in grants towards the work, as well as implementing the Adopt-a-Chair project which secured over £11K in grants and donations. It was good to see the return of the Christmas Fair, which was very well attended by the local community. Across the community, our CDM continued to raise the profile of the church through her connections with other churches, venues, schools, charities and community groups, helping them build sustainability through networking and securing funding. Towards the end of 2021, a grant was secured from the local council to open a Warm Space, offering free lunches, hot drinks, and a place to chat to all in our community. During this year, our CDM celebrated 10 years in her role and the celebration event to mark the occasion was attended by over 60 people, with 20 different organisations represented. The Friendly Fridays project, of which our CDM is a co-project lead, continues to go from strength to strength and is seen as a flagship project across the whole of Stockport.

Pam Robinson

Mothers' Union

Mothers' Union meets every third Saturday at 1pm in Church. We have 15 members to date, we have, sadly, lost 4 members this year due to personal circumstances or the rather substantial rise in Tribute subscription.

At the moment we do not have a Branch Leader as Rita stood down from Office in January, nor do we have a Treasurer as Sandra also stood down in January, but is continuing to deal with the money until the end of the year.

At our last meeting it was agreed, due to the lack of Officers, to change our Status to become a Fellowship of the Mothers' Union. This means we have no Officers, no Bank Account and no AGM, we pay our Tribute Subs direct to Head Office and any Fund Raising money is also sent direct into the Denary Bank Account. We still receive the Mothers' Union Matters Brochure each quarter and can still attend all the various events.

We have decided to postpone applying for Fellowship until the end of this year, as we need to have the authority of our Incumbent, which we cannot do at the moment. Also, we have paid our Tribute, our Branch Subs and our Denary Subs for this year, so it makes sense to wait.

We have a full Programme planned for this year with various Speakers and activities and anyone is welcome to attend our meetings.

We would like to thank Rita and Sandra for their Service to us over the years and Jeb and Julie for their support.

Di Bebb, Secretary.



Choir

Well, what can we say, we are a very small group at the moment, but we love to get together and sing for the Glory of God. We only sing once a month as a choir now and we are grateful for that opportunity, it means so much to us.

We want to say a MASSIVE thank you to Heather who has supported us so much and plays for us on our 'Choir Day', thanks Heather – you're a star.

Of course, anyone who wants to join us will be very welcome, just have a word with one of us.

We do enjoy getting together to sing with others when Corrine and Andy have something special for us to sing, what a treat to sing with parts in a large choir, thank you to Corrine and Andy for making those moments happen.

Thank you to all who support our little band – for us - we will 'keeeep singing' for as long as we can.

Di Bebb

Toddle Time report

April 2022 - Apr 2023

What an eventful year we have had! In April 2022, we were a small group of regulars meeting in York Street Community Centre. The space was not ideal, but it enabled us to support our families as best we could, whilst the work in St Matthew's was completed.

In June 2022, we moved back to Church House gardens, where we were able to provide sand, water and messy play. We also had to say "goodbye" to David and his guitar – song time hasn't been the same since!

Then finally, we were able to move into the new space of St Matthew's – and it's been brilliant on all levels. Numbers have grown around our faithful attenders, as we have expanded into the space that is now so easy to create.

In October, we were able to celebrate 10 years of Toddle Time – with additional funding from Forever Manchester allowing us to provide each family with a party bag. On a week by week basis, we are able to self-fund our activities, but small grants like this mean we can buy treats to help our families feel like they belong.



We have been able to watch our children develop in skills and in confidence, and run up the (long) path to come and play. Their parents, grandparents and carers are well known to the team, as we are able to spend time chatting with them, finding out a little about their lives. And often news will reach the team and the prayer chain as needed. It's wonderful to know that our families are supported in prayer from the congregation.

We have had some really positive feedback from our families, that I want to share here as it is testament to all the people that make it happen every week: Sylvia, Mike, Becca, Audrey, Heather P, Sandra, Heather T, Gabby and Jeb.

"Thanks to you and the team who make Fridays what they are"

"Thank you! It's an amazing service that you provide"

"Just to say that x and y are loving your toddler group. It is very welcoming and is very well run"

Karen Bailey

Safeguarding Report for 2022

A safeguarding issue was reported to St Matthew's, however, as this was an external matter it was dealt with externally.

All relevant DBS checks were updated.

June Edgar applied to be Assistant Safeguarding Recruiter in December '22.

The following online Safeguarding training courses were completed, however, a few volunteers still to complete:



Basic Awareness

Foundation

Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse

Online Safeguarding Officer Training was cancelled and rescheduled for April '23.

Leadership Training still to be completed as cancelled.

Karen Perry

Safeguarding Officer

Deanery Synod Report

Stockport Deanery synod meet and discuss what is going on in their churches, diocese & general synod (what is going on at national level) one of the topics discussed was about church ages ranges with a guest speaker of Jonathan Masters from Chester diocesan youth/children & families office.

The meeting are conducted in Church with a short service before the minutes & agenda.

Mark Rushton

Financial Report

We have had a 7% nominal increase in gift aid giving compared with last year, little nominal change in non-gift aided planned giving. Other types of giving are down by £3k, partially because of a large one-off donation last year, partially because some Church House bookings were miscategorised as ordinary donations shortly after it reopened. The treasurer and the church warden have since improved their communication in Church House matters and the 2022 Church House figures should be correct.



There was a significant mistake in the 2021 accounts; the restricted charity collections in 2021 should have been £2654. This error occurred from copying over two wrong spreadsheet data cells into the annual report's restricted charity collection and donations sections and does not affect the remainder of the 2021 accounts. The actual £1.3k fall in restricted collection is due mainly to the one-off sponsored walk in 2021, together with there being a much larger collection for Barnabus in April 2021.

The income tax recovered is roughly in-line with the gift aid giving increase. For other income sources, we received a number of grants towards our community development manager, including a single £10k grant. We also received a £1.2k grant from the diocese towards energy bills, although this does not come close to covering the increased energy costs. We held a Christmas fair in 2022, for the first time in 3 years, hence the reappearance of fund raising events. Church and Church House booking fees have recovered to pre-lockdown levels. There has been no substantial change in the Cellnex mast rates; the apparent increase is due to irregular scheduling of their quarterly payments.

We received two large legacies in 2022 totalling £37k, all unrestricted. The treasurer is now categorising donations for refreshments as sundry receipts, hence the increase in this amount.

We received a total of £14k of grants towards building works in 2022, largely towards the chairs. We purchased the chairs and paid the builders for the building works and were able to reclaim VAT of £20.7k towards remaining payments and future works.

There was significantly more expenditure on church building works (£108k) compared with the previous year. This sum is almost entirely composed of paying the building contractors for completing the planned church development works and the purchase of chairs.

The obvious major change in church activities costs is the doubling of utilities expenses, caused by the well-publicised increases in energy prices.

Arthur Bullock

Assets & Liabilities December 2022

Monetary Assets

	£	£
Current Bank Account		
Edgeley & Cheadle Heath	27,806	
Other Accounts		



St Matthew's Vernon		
Account	24,159	
CBF		
Deposit	67,542	
		<u>119,507</u>
Designated Funds		
Legacies/ In		
Memory	25,567	
Flowers	327	
Children's Church	578	
Oil		
Candles		
Restricted Funds		
and Grants		
Friends of the Holy		
Land	9	
Community Development		
Manager Donations	25,860	
Buildings		
Church Refurbishment and		
Restricted Maintenance	27,440	
		<u>79,781</u>
		39,726

Receipt & Payment Accounts

	2022		2021	
Receipts	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors				
Gift Aid Giving	47095		44153	
Planned Giving	2267		2287	
Collections and other giving	2411		5431	
Restricted Collections for charity	1296		5403	
Income Tax recovered	13987		12729	
	67,055		70,002	



Voluntary Income from other sources

Grants R*	Community Development Manager	27715	22470	
Grant R*	HMRC job retention (2 salaries)		4277	
	CDBF energy grant	1218		
	Fund Raising events	934		
		29,866		26,747

Income from Investments

Interest	663	126	
	663		126

Income from charitable and ancillary trading

Fees	1166	2156	
Church Booking Fees	895	360	
Church House Booking	3350		
Sale of furniture	200		
Printing			
Cellnex	11094	7955	
SMBC council tax refund	455		
EIG			
	17,159		10,471

Other Income

Legacy	37263		
Sundry Receipts	804		
	38,067		-

Buildings

Grant R*	Reclaimed VAT (building work)	20753	1582	
Grant R*	SMBC (to mount memorial boards)			
Grant R*	Building work grants	14260	38677	
		35,013		40,259

Total Receipts

187,824 **147,607**

Payments

		£	£	£	£
Grants					
	Charitable Giving	1330	5403		
		1,330		5,403	
Activities directly related to the work of the church					
	Parish Share	56397	55154		
	Ministry Expenses	4855	5284		
	Church Running Costs	8986	8120		
	Utilities	4833	2358		
	Church House Running Costs	997	969		



	Cost of Services		0	
Grant R* part	Salaries incl. NI & Pension	30879	29853	
	Support costs & mission		0	
D*	Children's church			
		106,947		101,737
Church Management & Administration				
	Fund Raising Expenses	96	98	
	Administration	723	1252	
	Printing Costs	1234	1667	
		2,053		3,016
Other				
	Flowers			
	Sundry Payments			-
Buildings				
Grant R*	Roofing Project	108253		
R*	Church Refurbishment	9	40300	
R*	Church House			
		108,253		40,300
<u>Total</u>				
<u>Payments</u>		<u>218,581</u>		<u>150,456</u>
R*= Restricted Funds				
D*= Designated Funds				



Receipt & Payment Accounts

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Grant R*	HMRC job retention (2 salaries)			4277	
	CDBF energy grant	1218			
	Fund Raising events	934			
			29866		26747
Income from Investments					
	Interest	629		126	
			629		126
Income from charitable and ancillary trading					
	Fees	1166		2156	
	Church Booking Fees	895		360	
	Church House Booking	3350			
	Sale of furniture	200			
	Printing				
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	SMBC council tax refund	455			
	EIG				
			17159		10471
Other Income					
	Legacy	37263			
	Sundry Receipts	804			
			38067		0
Buildings					
Grant R*	Reclaimed VAT (building work)	20753		1582	
Grant R*	SMBC (to mount memorial boards)				
Grant R*	Building work grants	14260		38677	
			35013		40259
<u>Total Receipts</u>			<u>187790</u>		<u>147607</u>

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Church Management & Administration				
Fund Raising Expenses	96		98	
Administration	723		1252	
Printing Costs	1234		1667	
		2053		3016
Other				
Flowers				
Sundry Payments				
		0		0
Buildings				
Grant R* Roofing Project				
R* Church Refurbishment	108253		40300	
R* Church House				
		108253		40300
<u>Total Payments</u>		<u>218581</u>		<u>150456</u>

R*= Restricted Funds

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of the Parish of Edgeley and
Cheadle Heath Parochial Church Council**

I report on the accounts for the year ending 2022 which are set out on the attached sheets.

Respective Responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:-

Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act

Follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and

State whether particular matters have come to my attention.

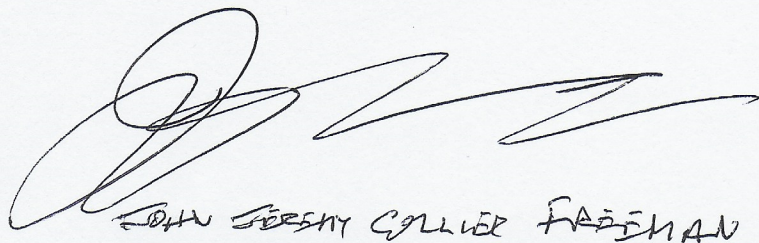
Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a view of the accounting methods kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion of the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention which give me reasonable cause to believe that accounting methods were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or the accounts do not accord with the accounting methods.

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.



JOHN JOSEPH COLLIER FREEMAN

J.J.C. Freeman

Accounts



St Matthew's Church
The Parish of Edgeley & Cheadle Heath
APCM
Sunday 1st May 2022

Minutes of Annual Parochial Council Meeting

	Opening prayers David Brewster opened with a prayer to ask God for wisdom and understanding																								
	Attendees: Mary Mitchell, Graham Mitchell, Ruth Winsor, Ian McGill, Steph Haynes, Heather Williams, June Edgar, Mike Taylor, Mark Abercrombie, Ken Hazeldine, Julia Blundell, Norma Stowman, Di Bebb, Mark Rushton, Debbie Allen (visitor) Karen Bailey, Corinne Ogden, Andy Ogden, Audrey Mannion, Julie Johnson, Sylvia Parker, Lois Haslam, Rebecca Brewster, Jon Adams, Heather Adams, Arthur Bullock, Shum Goodwin, Mark Goodwin, David Brewster Apologies: Karen Perry, Grace Anderson, Linda Cosgriff, Pam Robinson																								
	Appointment of Tellers: Julie Johnson Proposed: Mark Goodwin, Seconded: Shum Goodwin, All in favour																								
	Election of Church Wardens Current Wardens are willing and happy to continue Mike Taylor - elected unopposed. Mary Mitchell - elected unopposed David made the point that they will need our support and if at all possible to say yes when asked for help.																								
	Election of Representatives for the PCC There are 5 people due to retire from the PCC this year – Andy and Corinne Ogden, Karen Bailey, Sylvia Parker and Mark Goodwin. Thanks go to all of them for their service to the PCC. Mark Goodwin as PCC Secretary is to be co-opted. David asked if anyone wanted to go on and Jon Adams (1 year), Ruth Winsor (1 year) and Julia Blundell (3 years) said they would. Karen Bailey volunteered to go back on again for 3 years and Corinne Ogden volunteered for 1 year if required. <table><tr><th>Proposed representative</th><th>PCC</th><th>Proposed by...</th><th>Seconded by.....</th></tr><tr><td>Jon Adams (1 year)</td><td></td><td>Lois Haslam</td><td>Di Bebb</td></tr><tr><td>Ruth Winsor (1 year)</td><td></td><td>Lois Haslam</td><td>Di Bebb</td></tr><tr><td>Julia Blundell (3 years)</td><td></td><td>Lois Haslam</td><td>Di Bebb</td></tr><tr><td>Karen Bailey (3 years)</td><td></td><td>Lois Haslam</td><td>Di Bebb</td></tr><tr><td>Corinne Ogden (1 year)</td><td></td><td>Lois Haslam</td><td>Di Bebb</td></tr></table> Vote: All in favour Mark Goodwin was co-opted onto the PCC so he could continue as PCC Secretary.	Proposed representative	PCC	Proposed by...	Seconded by.....	Jon Adams (1 year)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb	Ruth Winsor (1 year)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb	Julia Blundell (3 years)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb	Karen Bailey (3 years)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb	Corinne Ogden (1 year)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb
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Karen Bailey (3 years)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb																						
Corinne Ogden (1 year)		Lois Haslam	Di Bebb																						
	Appointment of Welcomers/Sidespersons A rota for the future needs to be done – we mustn’t forget this role is a shop window for our church and a lovely smile is a nice way to greet our parishioners and guests. Current Welcomers are: Claire Abercrombie, Arthur Bullock, Christine Dawson, Bom Ghalley, Indira Ghalley, Anne Littlewood, Sylvia Parker, Karen Perry, Mark Rushton, Mike Taylor, David Truman, Ruth Windsor. Anyone else wanting to join this ministry is very welcome – all who want to join can go along to the Arch Deacons visitation at St. George’s, Hyde on the 6 th June 2022.																								
	Report on changes in electoral roll since last APCM Julie Johnson has gathered and updated the Electoral Roll, a copy of which will be kept in the safe and a name only list will be posted on the notice board when it becomes available. Julie read her electoral role report: there are now 100 members on the Parish Electoral Roll up from 95 last year with 5 new members. Julie remarked that it was really good to note that there were no deaths last year.																								
	Safeguarding Policy: statement for Safeguarding Children, Young People, and																								

Vulnerable Adults.

As required, the policy statement that we have signed up to from the diocese was read by David Brewster.

The diocesan guidelines for safeguarding are on our website.

The policy will need to be signed off by the PCC, and a poster will be put on the notice board.

Karen Perry our Safeguarding Officer reports that there were no incidents (period ending December 2021).

Rebecca Brewster has renewed her DBS check

Also, the Diocese now requires all Trustees of PCCs with charitable status to be DBS checked and certificated. So our PCC Trustees have been asked to apply for an enhanced DBS check and also to do basic safeguarding course and send the certificates to Karen Perry our Safeguarding Officer.

Financial Review - year ending 2021

Arthur Bullock went through the accounts

- We paid Parish Share (£55,000 - 1% up) without legacy help this year. He asked that the PCC approve use of legacy money for future payments.
Jon Adams asked if Parish Share was going up by 1% again - Arthur not sure but said 1% was low due to Covid so more likely to be higher - he will check.
- We had £4000 planned giving, £2000 Gift Aid and £2000 non planned giving
- We had around £10,000 legacy off Bernard Elsdon (former priest)
- Telecoms income: without the telecoms income we may struggle to pay Parish Share. It is due for renewal in 2025 so we are OK till then, but after that the rent is due to go down. Arthur noted that with our legacy money we could cope for a little while.

Arthurs Report

For 2021, we were narrowly able to pay our parish share in full without having to draw on legacies; by a margin of a few hundred pounds. We have a remaining legacies of £28k available which can be used to fund our parish share following permission from the PCC. At the close of 2021 we had £20k available and restricted for our community development manager and £101k restricted or designated for church building works.

2021 saw moderate increases in planned giving compared with 2020 and substantial increases in restricted collections for charities. The latter is attributed to there being fewer Covid-19 restrictions on services in 2021, compared with during 2020. Our CDM was able to secure significantly more grants towards her work in 2021 than the previous year. There were some furlough receipts from early 2021, before the furlough scheme was wound-up; the amount was accordingly smaller than in 2020.

It is important to note that we received £8k per annum from renting out our tower as a mast. Without this source of income, we would struggle to remain solvent in the long term. Mast rental rates are expected to drop in 2025, but this is not an immediate issue.

There was an unusual discrepancy in our utilities payments, these being down £2.8k in 2021, compared with 2020. This has been attributed to us receiving a £1.7k refund in our church water bill in 2021, following us being overcharged in 2020.

David Brewster proposed a vote of thanks to Arthur for all his hard work in his first year as Treasurer, and Sylvia Parker (previous Treasurer) noted how it was especially deserving as Arthur had no proper hand over or training because of Covid and he'd prepared it well enough that our independent examiner John Freeman had signed off his accounts. A round of applause was given.

Heather Adams asked a question regarding how our Parish Share is worked out and David Brewster explained how, due to calculations including our economic profile of the area and other factors, we pay 0.85 of the full amount.

Finance Report Accepted

Sylvia Parker: proposed

Norma Stowman: seconded

	All in agreement
	Appointment of Independent Examiner Mike Taylor proposed and Heather Williams seconded: that John Freeman be appointed independent examiner again for the current financial year. Unanimously agreed. Thanks to John Freeman (auditor and advisor) for his continued support of our treasury team and agreeing once again to do it (free) for another year. Shum Goodwin proposed and Mark Rushton seconded: That Mark Goodwin send a thank you card.
	Annual Report David Brewster ran through his report of the last year ☐ 2021 started in lockdown – we were in church but with restrictions: Masks - quiet – no talking and no communion ☐ 20th June we started communion again – just bread (dipped in wine later) ☐ We said goodbye to Jill Elston our trainee, after 2 years with us. Some of us went to see her ordained Deacon in July of 2021 and she will be Priested soon in June 2022 ☐ In July 2021 we had the Consistory Court led by Judge Turner – we found him firm but fair and we got our faculty to go ahead with the building work and new chairs. We thought it would take 12 weeks but has taken longer – David thanked all those who have been coming in regularly to clean up and prepare church for services while the work has been going on. ☐ David is back into schools now after nearly 2 years ☐ Pam was furloughed for parts of last year and had a fazed return to work. David suggested if you want to know more about Pam’s work to ask to see the PCC Minutes where she has made full reports. ☐ Christmas and Christingle were smaller than usual. ☐ Phone worship on Tuesday mornings has been a triumph and we have Jill Elston to thank for introducing it to us. David said it was a real blessing to all who take part. ☐ Toddle Time – started again in September 2021; outside at first then moved to York Street and goes from strength to strength – Karen Bailey said recently they had to turn people away as they had reached their quota. ☐ Church House has been utilised throughout the pandemic with child minders, book group and other groups using it, so money has been coming in. Thanks go to Steph Haynes and Mike Taylor for the upkeep of the House gardens – lots of great work has been done and it looks lovely. ☐ Choir sang at Christmas and 9.30 and 11.15 services in church moved to 10.30 Shared worship ☐ We had 15 baptisms, 2 weddings and 8 funerals in Church and 9 at the Crematorium. Shum Goodwin proposed a vote of thanks and best wishes to David Brewster now that he and Lucy have announced they will be leaving us in July. On all our behalf’s she said we have been truly blessed by having him and his family here with us in our parish of Edgeley and Cheadle Heath. They have been with us for nearly 20 years, which is much longer than they should have been. Whoever we get to replace David will have very big shoes to fill (physically and metaphorically ;-). Thank you David, we love you. David replied that we made it easy for him to love and minister to us, too. He said there had never been any really hard things to deal with, only tricky ones. Karen Bailey asked if we could use his words ‘easy to love’ on our parish profile. Julie Johnson said David had told her he was thankful his new job meant he wasn’t going to another parish, so we couldn’t accuse him of abandoning us for others.

	Norma Stowman wished David, on our behalf, a wonderful holiday (he was going just after the meeting) and to go home and pack!
	Mike Taylor asked that between now and the PCC Meeting of 24th May the congregation send any questions about the interregnum, and how we go forward either to himself, Mary Mitchell or Mark Goodwin
	The meeting closed around 12:45 with a lovely prayer given by David Brewster that we should all be a blessing to our Parish.

Receipt & Payment Accounts

		2021		2020	
Receipts		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors					
	Gift Aid Giving	44153.17		39,384	
	Planned Giving	2286.9		4,646	
	Collections and other giving	5431.07		4,160	
	Restricted Collections for charity	5402.79		1,680	
	Income Tax recovered	12728.55		10,779	
			70,002		60,649
Voluntary Income from other sources					
Grants R*	Community Development Manager	22470		14,835	
Grant R*	HMRC job retention (2 salaries)	4277.34		9,401	
	Asda (for community support)			300	
	CDBF (for help during Covid)			2,000	
	Fund Raising Events			906	
			26,747		27,442
Income from Investments					
	Interest	134.48		498	
			134		498
Income from charitable and ancillary trading					
	Fees	2156		1,826	
	Church Booking Fees	360		1,000	
	Church House Booking			2,157	
	Printing			19	
	Cellnex	7955.4		7,875	
	EIG			130	
			10,471		13,007
Other Income					
	Legacy			73,817	

	Sundry Receipts		115	
		-		73,932
Buildings				
	Reclaimed VAT (building work)	1582.35		
Grant R*	SMBC (to mount memorial boards)		300	
	Building work grants	38677		
		40259.35		300
<u>Total Receipts</u>		<u>147,615</u>		<u>175,828</u>

Payments

	£	£	£	£
Grants				
Charitable Giving	5526.52		1,667	
		5526.52		1,667
Activities directly related to the work of the church				
Parish Share	55154.1		54,744	
Ministry Expenses	5283.62		3,883	
Church Running Costs	8119.76		9,588	
Utilities	2357.72		5,106	
Church House Running Costs	969.35		1,539	
Cost of Services	0		446	
Grant R* part Salaries incl. NI & Pension	29852.91		27,143	
Support costs & mission	0		1,052	
D* Children's church			195	
		101,737		103,696
Church Management & Administration				
Fund Raising Expenses	97.54			
Administration	1251.6		1,538	
Printing Costs	1666.68		1,650	
		3,016		3,188
Other				
Flowers			25	
Sundry Payments			135	
		-		160
Buildings				
Grant R* Roofing Project				
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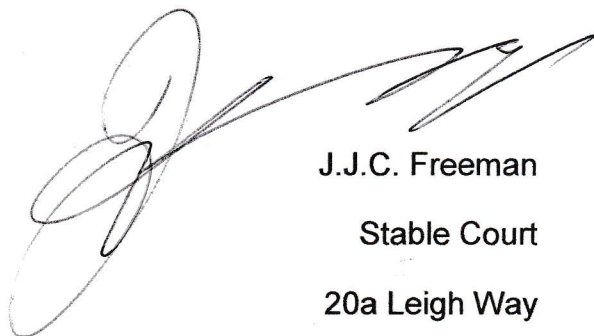
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9th April 2022

Accounts



St Matthew's Church
The Parish of Edgeley & Cheadle Heath
APCM
Sunday 16th May 2021

Minutes of Annual Parochial Council Meeting

	Opening prayers Following the Whole Parish Service the meeting started around 11:40 with a prayer by Rev David Brewster. He prayed that we remember that doing the business of the church is a part of loving you in all ways, so we pray for this meeting today that you will be in it all.															
	<u>Attendees:</u> Audrey Mannion, Ken Hazeldine, Rev Julie Johnson, Sylvia Parker, Mike Taylor, Lois Haslam, Grace Anderson, Clare Abercrombie, Shumzan Goodwin, Mark Goodwin, Mark W Rushton, Arthur Bullock, Karen Perry, Pam Robinson, Steph Haynes, Graham Mitchell, Jon Adams, Heather Adams, Jill Elston, Roy Williams, Rebecca Brewster, Rev David Brewster. Apologies: Andy and Corinne Ogden, others had to leave early or could not attend															
	Appointment of Tellers: Julie was appointed as Teller and given a form to use, but it wasn't necessary – use next year?! Proposed: David Brewster. Seconded: Jon Adams All in favour															
	Election of Church Wardens Graham stepped down this year after serving an extra year to his 6. Big thank you to him and to Mary for their hard work and all they do in the church – David said Graham is always willing and able and always with a smile. Graham and Mary have been fantastic in their work, and a HUGE vote of thanks was proposed by Rev David Brewster followed by a round of applause. Graham will continue to help out with the practical things around church and opening up, etc. A new Warden was needed so Mike Taylor put himself forward. <table><tr><td>Proposed churchwarden</td><td>Proposed by...</td><td>Seconded by.....</td></tr><tr><td>Mike Taylor</td><td>Di Bebb</td><td>Ken Hazeldine</td></tr><tr><td>Mary Mitchell</td><td>Audrey Mannion</td><td>Grace Anderson</td></tr></table> Vote: Mike Taylor - All in favour. Mary Mitchell – continues unopposed David Brewster swore in Mike Taylor and Mary Mitchell after the APCM concluded – last year it was attempted online but wasn't found suitable.	Proposed churchwarden	Proposed by...	Seconded by.....	Mike Taylor	Di Bebb	Ken Hazeldine	Mary Mitchell	Audrey Mannion	Grace Anderson						
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	Election of Representatives for the PCC There are 4 places available on the PCC this year. Thanks to all those who come off this year. David asked if anyone wanted to go on and Shum Goodwin and June Edgar said they would. Ken Hazeldine and Karen Perry both volunteered to go back on again. <table><tr><td>Proposed PCC representative</td><td>Proposed by...</td><td>Seconded by.....</td></tr><tr><td>Shum Goodwin</td><td>Karen Perry</td><td>Mark Rushton</td></tr><tr><td>June Edgar</td><td>Mark Goodwin</td><td>Shum Goodwin</td></tr><tr><td>Karen Perry</td><td>Mark Rushton</td><td>Mark Goodwin</td></tr><tr><td>Ken Hazeldine</td><td>Mark Goodwin</td><td>Shum Goodwin</td></tr></table> Vote: All in favour Graham Mitchell was co-opted onto the PCC so he could share his valuable knowledge and wisdom.	Proposed PCC representative	Proposed by...	Seconded by.....	Shum Goodwin	Karen Perry	Mark Rushton	June Edgar	Mark Goodwin	Shum Goodwin	Karen Perry	Mark Rushton	Mark Goodwin	Ken Hazeldine	Mark Goodwin	Shum Goodwin
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	Election of Deanery Synod Representatives Grace Anderson will continue to be our representative for St Matthew's Church at Deanery Synod meetings. David said we are now allowed 3 representatives and emphasised how he felt it was an exciting and a great thing to be involved in. Mark Rushton put himself forward. <table><tr><td>Proposed Deanery Synod representative</td><td>Proposed by...</td><td>Seconded by.....</td></tr><tr><td>Mark Rushton</td><td>Graham Mitchell</td><td>Steph Haynes</td></tr></table> Vote: All in favour	Proposed Deanery Synod representative	Proposed by...	Seconded by.....	Mark Rushton	Graham Mitchell	Steph Haynes									
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	Appointment of Welcomers/Sidespersons David thanked the current Welcomers for their important role in church (and smiles!) saying, “when we get back to normal please continue that ministry which is so essential for visitors to be greeted with smiles and welcome – he said he could even see your smiles even through the masks! Current Welcomers are: Claire Abercrombie, Lyndsey Blackburn, Arthur Bullock, Christine Dawson, Bom Ghalley, Indira Ghalley, Anne Littlewood, Sylvia Parker, Karen Perry, Mark Rushton, Mike Taylor, David Truman, Ruth Windsor. Anyone else wanting to join this ministry is very welcome.
	Report on changes in electoral roll since last APCM Julie Johnson has gathered and updated the Electoral Roll, a copy of which will be kept in the safe. Julie read her electoral role report: there are now 95 members on the Parish Electoral Roll down from 97 last year. Vi Wilson has sadly died. Roy Williams has come on. John and Val Hodgkinson have emigrated.
	Safeguarding Policy: statement for Safeguarding Children, Young People, and Vulnerable Adults. As required, the policy statement that we have signed up to from the diocese was read by David Brewster. The diocesan guidelines for safeguarding are on our website. The policy will need to be signed off by the next PCC meeting, and a poster will be put on the notice board. Karen Perry our Safeguarding Officer reports that there were no incidents in 2020. The following have been sent information to apply for DBS Certification: • Rebecca Brewster • Heather Williams
	Financial Review – year ending 31/12/2020 Sylvia Parker read out her report and said the financial statement has been posted at the back of church for people to read. The total receipts and payments for 2020 are detailed on the financial statement. Donations were received towards the cost of a Community Development Manager and also support from HMRC job retention scheme. We also received grants from Asda for community support; from Chester Diocesan Board of Finance, for help during Covid and from Stockport Council, to mount the memorial boards. A grant was received from Forever Manchester through the Community Hub Account. During the year we have continued to support the Children’s Society, Barnabas, Wellspring and the Dagher family in the Holy Land. We have again paid our Parish Share in full. At the end of the year there was £14,480 in our current accounts and £138,550 in savings accounts (Vernon Building Society and Central Board of Finance Deposit Fund). We have restricted £100,000 of this towards refurbishing the church building. There was £560 in the Community Hub Account. It is PCC policy to try and maintain a balance of unrestricted funds which equates to six months unrestricted payments. This is equivalent to £40,780 and we just have enough free reserves to meet this. Our payments are also down, but not by much, we are still paying parish share, standing charge on fuel, insurance etc., at the same rate as usual. I have needed to use the tax reclaim money which I usually keep towards the £12,000 parish share deficit we pay at the end of the year. This is in answer to the diocese request that we use any “rainy day” we have put aside. We have also received a substantial legacy of £73,000 This means that we have a healthy balance in all accounts of over £150,000. I think that by the end of the year some of this money should be restricted. After Sylvia read her brief report she asked for any questions – none. Finance Report Accepted Grace Anderson: proposed Mark Rushton: seconded All in agreement A vote of thanks to Sylvia, Mike and the finance team for their continued hard work and diligence. Special thanks to Sylvia who remained on as Treasurer even though she should have stepped down last year and now retires. She thanked Mike Taylor for doing lots of the work during the Pandemic while she was self-isolating. And a vote of thanks for Arthur Bullock who is taking over her role. – followed by a round of applause.

	Appointment of Independent Examiner <i>Sylvia Parker proposed and David Brewster seconded:</i> That John Freeman be appointed independent examiner again for the current financial year. <i>Unanimously agreed.</i> Thanks to John Freeman (auditor and advisor) for his continued support of our treasury team and agreeing once again to do it (free) for another year.
	Any other matters of parochial or general church interest • A well done to everyone from David for staying together and helping each other during this hard time. • David brought up the subject of children in church – going forward, how should we re-engage and draw back in those families that haven't been able to attend during Covid? • David said we need to start the work of reflection on what we have been through and what comes next for us as a church and parish – can we re-imagine a new church life as we begin to open up again. How we should minister and what our mission should be. Questions he thought we should all be thinking about: Who/what do we want to be? Who/what do we think God is calling us to be? What have we found to be important or not important How do we see things now? What needs to change? What have we missed these last 14 months? What didn't we appreciate properly? He thought we will probably have very different answers to these questions than what we would have said 14 months ago. We will do it as a PCC but we all need to it as it involves us all. Think about everything to do with Church life – nothing is out of bounds. It might sound and seem scary but because we love each other we will do it together, looking out for one another. Shum Goodwin proposed (seconded by Mark Goodwin) a big thank you to Rev. David Brewster for all that has been done to keep us going through this very difficult year with Coronavirus and the problems it has given us all and that we all support and love him - All those present were unanimous in their thanks. Julie Johnson pointed out that it is a measure of how much we do love and support David that there were no complaints about him or his ministry to us. David was as usual self-deprecating to this praise (another reason he is so fondly thought of in this Parish).
	The meeting closed around 12:15 with a wonderful prayer given by Grace Anderson

Receipt & Payment Accounts

		2020		2019	
Receipts		£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources from Donors					
	Gift Aid Giving	39,384		37,058	
	Planned Giving	4,646		6,983	
	Collections and other giving	4,160		3,559	
	Restricted Collections for charity	1,680		2,214	
	Income Tax recovered	10,779		10,114	
			60,649		59,928
Voluntary Income from other sources					
Grants R*	Community Development Manager	14,835		27,180	
Grant R*	HMRC job retention (2 salaries)	9,401			
	Asda (for community support)	300			
	CDBF (for help during Covid)	2,000			
	Fund Raising Events	906		3,815	
			27,442		30,995
Income from Investments					
	Interest	498		1,007	
			498		1,007
Income from charitable and ancillary trading					
	Fees	1,826		2,030	
	Church Booking Fees	1,000		3,615	
	Church House Booking	2,157		542	
	Printing	19		71	
	Cellnex	7,875		7,875	
	EIG	130			
			13,007		14,133
Other Income					
	Legacy	73,817		500	
	Sundry Receipts	115		117	
			73,932		617
Buildings					
	Reclaimed VAT (roof)			2,782	
Grant R*	SMBC (to mount memorial boards)	300			
			300		2,782
<u>Total Receipts</u>			<u>175,828</u>		<u>109,462</u>

Payments

		£	£	£	£
Grants					
	Charitable Giving	1,667		2,292	
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Activities directly related to the work of the church					
	Parish Share	54,744		53,408	
	Ministry Expenses	3,883		4,720	
	Church Running Costs	9,588		8,250	
	Utilities	5,106		5,174	
	Church House Running Costs	1,539		1,391	
	Cost of Services	446		990	
Grant R* part	Salaries incl. NI & Pension	27,143		29,359	
	Support costs & mission	1,052		566	
D*	Children's church	195			
			103,696		103,858
Church Management & Administration					
	Fund Raising Expenses			197	
	Administration	1,538		1,193	
	Printing Costs	1,650		1,760	
			3,188		3,150
Other					
	Flowers	25		140	
	Sundry Payments	135		81	
			160		221
Buildings					
Grant R*	Roofing Project			648	
D*	Church Refurbishment	11,300		600	
R*	Church House			75,011	
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<u>Total Payments</u>			<u>120,011</u>		<u>185,780</u>

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