

**Report and Accounts for the Parochial Church
Council of Hornsey Parish Church
2020**



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¹ The accounts are given separately in the Annual Report and Financial Statements document.

1. Aims and Purposes

Hornsey Parish Church seeks to make Christ known to the people of Hornsey & celebrate His presence. The means by which we do this are with worship and prayer; by ministering to the whole community so the needs of the vulnerable are met; by calling lay people to varied service; working with children and young people by various means including maintaining close partnerships with our schools. We also aim to maintain our buildings to be sacred places and high quality resources for the community, and to be good stewards of our finances to resource our mission.

2. Objectives and Activities

Our current Mission Action Plan 2016 – 2020 “Destination: Gospel Growth” set three main priorities for Hornsey Parish Church during that period:

- To grow as a church in depth of the Spirit and breadth of inclusion;
- To encourage more people to own and live out our vision;
- To reach out to our community as a creative and compassionate presence.

To achieve this, the PCC are leading a church that seeks to be a space where God can be encountered:

- Through Stillness, Prayer and Worship;
- In the compassionate service one with another, and especially those in need;
- In beauty of the arts;
- Making the spirituality of children and young people a priority.

As we emerge from the pandemic and begin to rebuild our lives and our life as a community in Christ, it will be more important than ever to work together to shape a MAP which gives us a pathway to recovery and a cornerstone for our mission as an open and engaging church. To this end, a new MAP is being considered, building on its predecessor and focusing on three priorities:

- Loving God;
- Loving our neighbour;
- Loving Creation.

It is our intention that the PCC will adopt this new MAP in 2021.

The reports of the activities of our church over this past year bear testimony to the ways we are fulfilling these aims and hope to do so more in the years ahead.

3. Achievements and Performance

The reports contained in this document record the life of Hornsey Parish Church as it successfully offers opportunities:

- to worship God and to grow in prayer;

- Ministry to the congregation and throughout the parish, increasing our compassionate ministry this year to include more presence in the east of the parish through our new open-air Tower Eucharist;
- By calling lay people to serve the mission of the church both at home and in the community;
- To continue to prioritise the spirituality of our children and youth, and extending this with the hope to still provide a Homework Club and Parents/Carers and Toddlers group on Campsbourne, led by YMCA Community Youth Worker, Nina Saint, as part of her Y Hornsey projects;
- The buildings are well maintained and their potential is being stretched through our community spaces renewal project HPC 60/60 (see report p46);
- Good stewardship of finances which are well budgeted and the financial report shows a successful financial strategy; the appointment of a professional Fundraiser is an important addition to this area of parish life;
- Given the effects of the pandemic, and whilst there has been inevitable reduction in weekly attendance at worship, we feel confident that the community is staying with us, and our broad range of online worship and nurture opportunities have broadened our reach considerably;
- Our musical life is going from strength to strength under the leadership of our Music Director.
- Also, the range of services offered online during the challenging times of COVID-19 show a flexibility and adaptability that is encouraging.

4. Financial Review

The 2020 figures show that things were not as bad as had been anticipated, but in line with projection, not particularly positive. Due to the on-going lockdowns and COVID-19 restrictions, income took a big hit, but costs were also somewhat contained.

The following factors helped to keep the income stream going:

- 1 Planned giving was a life-saver – a big thanks to all who contribute in this way;
- 2 Gift Aid was claimed for two years, and that bolstered things a bit;
- 3 We received 2 legacies for a total of £14,000;
- 4 The Autumn appeal met with a great response, and thanks to those who gave so generously.

We are holding grants for Nina's work at the YMCA and in the community, and these will be paid out accordingly.

All plate collections and other income streams like Noah's Ark, Meeting Point and coffee money all stopped as of last March, and although singly they are relatively small, together they make a large part of the daily proceeds for the on-going mission of the church.

Church hall lettings also dried up after the initial lockdown, but the regular hall users came back when they could. The Ballet School also came back and of course we now have the

Haringey Food Bank Hub working out of the hall. In all the income came to a total of £29,000, but of that we had to refund some hall users because of the subsequent lockdowns to the tune of approximately £3,000. In the end, we still took approx. £26,000 (against a budgeted income of £40,000) and we have now received money from Haringey Council for the Food Hub for the space they are using.

Other income – the Virtual Christmas Market raised nearly £1,400 (usually takings are approx. £3,500) but thank you to everyone who made it happen and those who supported it.

In terms of expenditure, there were a few savings across the board – staff costs reduced as we are no longer employing a Hall Manager, nor a Hall cleaner. Ricardo has been doing a great job with taking over Trevor's duties. There were some extra repairs done in the Curate's flat.

I have to report to you that for the Church / Hall Development in 2020, we spent £70,000 getting to the planning stage, for which we got permission just before Christmas. This now leaves £27,958 in the account which was set up with John Tibbit's legacy.

Also, in expenditure going forward, with roof repairs costing > £20k we may be having to dip into the reserves to pay for this. These reserves may also have to go towards the Common Fund Offer, to which the PCC voted to pledge the same sum for 2021 as 2020 (£43,260).

Once again, we would like to thank each and every one of you for your generous support in what has been a very difficult year for most of us, in one way or another. This means we can carry on our mission in the local community and can look forward to getting together again when the situation allows.

Another big thank you to Winnie, for all her hard work.... We have not seen her for a whole year, but she has been steadfastly doing a great job from home. Thanks also to Fr. Bruce, to Stephen and all those who have helped our Treasurer, Lotti, in this year of challenges.

5. Reserves Policy

The PCC policy is to set reserves aside to act as a buffer for any times of difficulty or of development. Reserves are identified within the various funds held by the PCC. Funds designated as unrestricted for the general running and maintenance of the parish and its buildings or as restricted funds². A restricted fund can only be used in accordance with the purposes designated for it.

The PCC has reserves set aside for the HPC 60/60 project to cover when the hall will not be able to generate any income, which will be during refurbishment. To that effect, a separate savings account was opened, and funds from the hall account are now held there.

The legacy from John Tibbett has been reserved as a Development Fund and is being used to pay for fees on the HPC 60/60 project. At the end of 2020, most of this fund has been spent, as approved by the PCC.

As we hold reserves we will do our best not to pass the financial impact of COVID-19 on to the Diocese.

² The Financial Statements identify unrestricted and restricted funds.

6. Plans for Future Periods

We plan to continue to make Christ known according to our mission statement through the priorities set in our Mission Action Plan. Central to this will be the next stages of our community spaces renewal project HPC 60/60 (see report p 46). We look forward to our new curate, Mthr Mitzi James, being priested in June. Getting back to worshipping in the church more and more, as guidance allows, is a pressing hope, and we look forward to learning from the experience of worshipping online, and in other ways, that will inevitably affect life in the future. Our weekly Eucharist, outside, at St Mary's Tower, is a significant new missional opportunity for which we are grateful. We will continue our commitment to grow as a church with discernment at its heart, listening to the Holy Spirit and trying to respond to any as yet unforeseen needs that may present themselves.

7. Risk Management

The PCC are committed to managing, and if practicable to reducing, the major risks that they have already identified. They also seek to identify new risks as they arise and subject them to the same process of management and reduction. The PCC has professional support from Precision Services, who provide building management and health and safety services.

8. Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council of Hornsey Parish Church is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is a Registered Charity and the appointment of PCC members is governed by and set out in the Church Representation Rules.

The PCC consists of the Rector, the two Churchwardens (elected for a five-year term), twelve members³ elected by the APCM (each elected for a three-year term) and Deanery Synod members⁴ elected for a three-year term (one member from 2020). Any other clergy attached to the parish are ex-officio members of the PCC. There can be up to two co-opted members as well. The PCC meets four to five times a year.

There is a Standing Committee made up of the Churchwardens, Treasurer, Clergy, and co-opted members which meets regularly and has the authority to make some decisions on behalf of the PCC.

Day to day management is carried out by the Rector, Fr Bruce Batstone, and his delegates.

9. Administrative Information

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³ The number of elected members is determined on the basis of the number of persons entered on the Electoral Roll, in accordance with guidance supplied by the Diocese.

⁴ The number of elected Deanery Synod members is determined from the Electoral Roll in force at the start of their term of office, in accordance with Diocesan rules. From 2020 the number is one.

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PCC composition to December 2020 (the Rector, Churchwardens and all elected members are trustees of the charity):

Ex-officio members

Fr Bruce Batstone	Rector
Mthr Anna Stuttard	Curate
Debbie Langdon-Davies	Churchwarden (until 11 October 2020)
Richard Hodges	Churchwarden
Annie Perkins	Churchwarden (from 11 October 2020)

Elected members

Chris Arnold	PCC Member
Michael Baker	PCC Member
Mari-Wyn Burley	PCC Member (until 11 October 2020)
Ian Blaney	PCC Member (from 11 October 2020)
Stephen Driver	PCC Member and PCC Secretary
Cliff Eldred	PCC Member
Cynthia Gooding	PCC Member
Angus McIndoe	PCC Member (until 11 October 2020)
Lesley Matthew	Deanery Synod (until 11 October 2020), PCC Member (from 11 October 2020)
Elle-Mae Netherton	PCC Member
Grace Readings	PCC Member
Jean Ruskin	PCC Member
Charlotte (Lotti) Wander	PCC Member (until 11 October 2020) and PCC Treasurer
Sue Westbrook	PCC Member
Richard (Ricardo) Williams	PCC Member (from 11 October 2020) and Associate Churchwarden (from 11 October 2020)
Patricia Brown	Deanery Synod (until 11 October 2020)
Annie Perkins	Deanery Synod (until 11 October 2020)
Nina Saint	Deanery Synod (from 11 October 2020)

Co-opted members

Ian Blaney	Associate Churchwarden (until 11 October 2020)
Charlotte (Lotti) Wander	PCC Treasurer (co-opted from 11 October 2020)

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Safeguarding Statement

Hornsey Parish Church believes that safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone and is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all those who are vulnerable (children, young people and vulnerable adults). We expect all of our staff, volunteers and those who use our premises to share this commitment and value the support of those who worship here in achieving this.

If you have any concerns please contact the Safeguarding Officer - Naomi Malone, Fr Bruce or any member of the Safeguarding Group.

Important numbers:

Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser:	020 7932 1224
Suzie Long	020 7932 1255
CCPAS (Now known as 31:8) helpline:	0303 003 1111
Family Lives (previously Parentline):	0808 800 222
Childline:	0800 1111

THIS CHURCH IS CONCERNED ABOUT DOMESTIC ABUSE



Hornsey Parish Church:

- Understands domestic abuse to be the abuse of a person physically, sexually, psychologically, spiritually, emotionally, socially or financially within an intimate or family-type relationship, which forms a pattern of coercive and controlling behaviour. This can include forced marriage and so-called 'honour crimes'.
- Holds that domestic abuse in all its forms is unacceptable and irreconcilable with the Christian faith and Christian way of living.
- Accepts that domestic abuse is a serious problem, which occurs in church families as well as in wider society.
- Undertakes to listen to, support and care for those affected by domestic abuse.
- Will always place the safety of adults and children affected by domestic abuse as the highest priority.

Speak to a member of the clergy or the Safeguarding Team if you are concerned about domestic abuse, either for yourself or someone you know

NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE: 0808 2000 247

LOCAL HELPLINES

Hearthstone 0208 888 5362 open Mon - Fri 9-4pm

Solace Women's Aid 0808 802 5565 open Mon - Fri 10 - 4 Tues 6-8pm

Rector's Report

I'm writing this report on Wednesday in Holy Week, the first really warm day we have had this year. Trevor and I were able to sit in the garden to have lunch which was such a great treat, and an unusual thing to be doing at this stage of Lent I must say!

Having outside space is so easily taken for granted, and I know that in many conversations I have had with people who are blessed with balconies, terraces and/or gardens, never has this gift been more appreciated. And the local parks and gardens have literally been a life saver, whether we are lucky to have our own outside space or not.

A growing mission priority in our church is that we may be a people who **Love Creation**, alongside our two other main priorities of **Loving God** and **Loving our Neighbour**.

Our **Loving Creation** group has met regularly since its inception about eighteen months ago, discussing issues such as procurement of services, concentrating initially on waste disposal, which has led the PCC to change contracts to using a much greener alternative provider. We are looking to create a gardening club, to help raise awareness of ways we can **Love Creation** better at church, and in our homes too. Also, we hope to hold a short festival in the Autumn, to launch this priority, alongside the rest of our **new Mission Action Plan**, which is shaped around the three priorities above: **Loving God**, **Loving our Neighbour** and **Loving Creation**, and which is central to all that we are and hope to be as the parish church in Hornsey, as encapsulated in the evolving vision of **HPC 60/60**.

Throughout the months of the pandemic, new and imaginative ways to keep worship going have been offered, and it has been so pleasing to see the way that online worship has encouraged participation far beyond the confines of those able to attend in person. And whilst I am so looking forward to public worship in the parish church resuming on Good Friday, we are committed to continue live streaming, to include those not ready to return to church yet, and also to continue to reach out to the new online community that has gathered in the past year. **Loving God** underpins all we are and all we do of course, and worship and prayer are at the very centre of this life.

I have felt privileged to lead worship more regularly on the site of the ancient parish church of St Mary's. Celebrating the Eucharist at St Mary's Tower each Sunday for nine months of the year feels a very exciting development, and we look forward to growing and nurturing that congregation, alongside that at the parish church on the corner of Cranley Gardens and Park Road.

We are so very lucky to be a training parish, and the arrival of Mthr Mitzi in July was timely in many ways. Her gifts and talents, and experienced and prayerful presence, are often commented upon and much appreciated. We look forward to her priesting in June. Thanks also to Fr Dennis for his steady and generous support. So many priests do not have clergy colleagues, so I feel very blessed.

Thank you to everyone who has helped us this year to **Love our Neighbours** too. I can't imagine that there is anyone who has not been significantly affected by Covid-19. Whether through bereavement; loss of job security; financial hardship; strains on mental health and feelings of isolation. It continues to be a very tough time, and in the midst of much hardship, it has been wonderful to see the ways that people in the congregation, and wider church

community, have looked after one another, taking time and care to minister God's love by reaching out. Our Winter Night Shelter contribution has continued, albeit slightly differently, and our support for the Food Banks has grown to help meet the challenges faced by sisters and brothers in our community in a variety of ways. As part of this, our Church Hall has been supporting this **Love our Neighbour** priority by its use as a Food Bank Hub since December 2020.

I am delighted that a group has formed to look at a wide range of issues to do with inclusion in our church. This group, working from an excellent document called A Place to Belong, is helping us to make sure we are a truly welcoming church, ensuring access is possible for everyone. This is proving to be a very happy complement to our **Threefold Priorities of Love**. It will help to inform HPC 60/60 as it continues to unfold amid the challenges the pandemic has posed.

A Place to Belong was offered as part of the triennial Archdeacon's Visitation which took place this year. His report was very encouraging indeed, and his comments on our church governance pay tribute to the work and commitment of our church officers. Amongst them I particularly want to thank Stephen Driver, who steps down from the PCC this year after six years of distinguished ministry in the post of PCC Secretary.

Special thanks need to be expressed to the Ministry Team who have supported us with stability, generosity and bucketfuls of imagination. It has not been easy for them either, but their approach to the challenges of the last year or so has reminded me how very blessed we are to have such a wonderful team.

Thank you also to our Churchwardens Team, Richard Hodges, Annie Perkins and Ricardo Williams. They are a great support, and deep wells of wisdom and encouragement, doing so much for us all. In my report last year, I paid tribute to both Debbie Langdon-Davies and Ian Blaney, who stood down from their duties as Churchwardens, but want to register thanks here for their preparedness to stay as part of the team until the Autumn when we could eventually hold the APCM.

One of the commitments that Churchwardens make is to take care of the incumbent, and our present team are doing this superbly, just as their predecessors have in my nine and a half years in Hornsey. Such kindness can never be taken for granted and I give much thanks for it.

And to return to the Rectory garden, where my report began, it would be a great omission were I not to thank you all for your support and prayers for Trevor and I in this very challenging year for us personally. Since his cancer diagnosis last May, he has courageously faced a lot of different treatments with great stoicism and goodwill. I think the next months will continue to challenge us, and there may well be a time when I need to step back more to support the one who continues to be my mainstay of human support in so many ways.

May God bless us all, as we pilgrimage together, **Loving Him, Loving each other**, and **Loving the Creation** in which we can flourish

Fr Bruce

Churchwardens' Report

Introduction

What a strange year it has been. As the Covid pandemic took hold, Church of England churches were obliged to close completely, not even clergy were permitted access, and all services including baptisms and weddings in church were banned, as was private prayer. Online services from the Rectory took their place, as best they could. Eventually, after many months, the churches were allowed to reopen and what we now have is a reduced, risk assessed, version of public worship with masks, reduced numbers and limited singing, and no socialising inside afterwards. On Sundays in church we hold a 10:30am Eucharist and at the Tower an open air service at 4pm. The Covid guidelines restrict the congregation to 30 members for church services indoors. The open air services at the Tower are proving so popular that we are thinking of making them a permanent summer feature, perhaps one of the gifts of the pandemic.

Thanks are due to Mitzi, Nina and Jean who have taken the main strain for keeping the church open for private prayer during Lockdown. The decision to open for private prayer from dawn to dusk was a brave but ultimately correct and inspiring one and a sign to the outside world that the Church is alive and pursuing its mission in the face of Covid. The sight of the church doors flung open, inviting everyone in and letting God's grace flow out was very moving and seemed to bring comfort and solace to the many who come. A huge thanks is owed to them and to Richard Hodges, Ricardo Williams and others in the team who by rota opened and closed the church each day and maintained its Covid safety. Let us hope and pray we can continue.

Meanwhile, often behind the scenes, we have been very busy with activities other than services as outlined below. The main task of Churchwardens is to relieve the clergy of as much church business and administration as possible; there is now so much of this that they really could not cope without the valued help they receive from others which is gratefully acknowledged.

Safeguarding

Please see the separate report on Safeguarding (p.23). Safeguarding is everybody's responsibility. If you have any concerns or suggestions, however minor, please speak to any of the Clergy, Churchwardens or Safeguarding Group, who will listen to you.

Fabric

Church flat roof: repairs to two of the flat roofs and associated gutters around the church were completed in February. The roofs concerned are along the main, southern, frontage and on the eastern side above the kitchen, vestry and toilets. These had been leaking for many years, especially above the congregation toilet, and in the vestry. Funds did not run to recovering all the flat roofs but the two that were dealt with were the worst affected. The work carried out was removal and disposal of the existing asphalt roof coverings including bitumen membrane within the cantilevered concrete gutter; repairs to the existing substrata with sand and cement screed to ensure an even finish prior to new asphalt installation; installation of new Polymer Modified Asphalt roof coverings including gutters; introduction of new edge

trim between the flat areas and the gutter to provide sufficient movement between the two; and painting of two coats of white solar reflective paint to new roofs on completion. At the same time advantage was taken of having builders on site to redecorate all the cast-iron downpipes and replace with zinc the lead covering over the main entrance gable which was stolen last spring.

The contractors employed were DBR Leadwork and total cost for work was £19,217 plus VAT, and Paul Jackson's fees which came to £1,040 plus VAT. Funding for this project has largely been from reserves but we were assisted by being offered two grants, one of £7,563 from the National Churches Trust, and another of £2,000 from the Sabina Sutherland Trust. Many thanks are due to these charities and also to fundraisers Leah Stuttard and Hannah Southgate. The contractor's bill has mostly been paid (a 5% retention remains outstanding) and Hannah is in the process of claiming the grants.

Church bell: In its report of 18th April 2019 Nicholson Engineering identified various problems with the bell or more exactly its fittings. These are that it swings wildly when the bell rope is pulled, sometimes striking the surrounding stonework; the bell rope is fraying badly where it enters church from the ceiling; and that the fittings need complete replacement being worn and corroded, having not received much attention since the bell was first installed. The work recommended comprises a mixture of overhaul of the bell fittings and improvements to restrict its swing and prevent the rope from fraying. The current estimate for the cost of this work is £8,534 plus VAT; there may be a discount for use of own labour under the supervision of Nicholson Engineering. Paul Jackson has also identified a possible split in the stonework just below the scar caused by bell strikes. If the stone has split it could be unstable and liable to fall out. He has therefore recommended we cease using the bell until the stonework has been examined and repaired. He thinks this might cost an additional £1,000. In addition, the diocese has, as part of the faculty application process, imposed a new requirement for a specification for the scaffolding to be used. This will add another £1,250 to the total cost. The PCC has pledged £6,000 towards this project, £5,000 for the bell and another £1,000 for stonework repairs; the Middlesex Guild of Change Ringers has promised a grant of £1,000 and a grant from the Barron Bell Trust has been applied for. It is much to be hoped that it will be possible to commence with this project this year.

Lighting: A large number of failed lightbulbs and fittings, over 20 of them, in church was replaced by J&L Electrical UK at a cost of £1,020 plus VAT. Many of the lights are high up in the nave and access to them required use of a scaffold tower which increased the cost.

Future: Other works being contemplated for the church are new disabled facilities where the vestry now is and removal of the vestry to the area between the Church Room and NE side of the church.

Quinquennial inspection: The latest quinquennial was carried out by Paul Jackson in November 2020. Most of the highest priority category 1 items are being dealt with under the work described above. The category 2 items will be reviewed as soon as possible and carried out as time and funding permit.

Church hall roof: after the church, the hall is our most important window to the outside world and the centre of our mission to the non-churchgoing inhabitants of our parish.

Despite this it is now very much showing its age with its perennially leaking roof the main concern. Even if there had been no lockdown most hall users would object to a leaking roof and we have been very fortunate in the interest shown by the Haringey Food Bank Hub who have taken the space during lockdown despite the leaks and no heating. It had been hoped that the leaks would be treated as part of the 60/60 project. That is still the intention but postponement of any development of the hall to the medium-term future and the increasing magnitude of the problem mean that the make do and mend approach to hall repairs adopted hitherto is no longer sufficient. The problem with fixing the leaks has been that although it is clear where the drips are emerging it is not so easy to establish where water enters. This means that much of the patching applied in the past has not been in exactly the right position and so not as effective as it should have been. Paul Jackson's view is that the main problem is with the upstands or flashing around the inside of the parapet roof which have pulled away from the wall in many areas with the resulting gap allowing in water. His suggested solution is to replace these upstands and as much of the roof surface as is necessary. We are in the process of obtaining quotes for this work and we hope that it will be able to proceed this summer.

Church hall heating: In their spring inspection the Beaver Co. condemned the three Drugasar ART10 hall heaters. They had all developed internal cracks making them unsafe to use. The Standing Committee has agreed to their replacement with new versions of the same model, which is the one recommended by the Beaver Co. for churches and halls, at a cost of £4,019 plus VAT.

St Mary's Tower and Churchyard

The 'Faithful Servants' monument was successfully installed at a cost of around £300, contributed by the Friends, plus VAT. It looks very well on the chapel wall except that the lighting there is not usually good enough for the inscription to be easily read. Improving the chapel lighting will be considered as also will be lighting outside on the terrace.

Paul Jackson carried out a Quinquennial Inspection of the tower in June 2020. The main items needing attention are measures to deal with damp in the chapel floor which has caused wet rot in several places; also repairs to the spiral staircase where several of the steps are worn or delaminating.

Covid meant that most of the Friends' activities, including open days and school visits, could not take place during 2020 although gardening days have continued. It is not yet known what events will be permitted this year. Intimate Space events inside the tower have likewise been curtailed although outdoor events in the churchyard, including the very popular Mary Bevan concerts, have taken place when lockdown relaxations allowed. One unexpected blessing of Covid has been the success of the Sunday afternoon open air communion services at the tower which have been well attended by those eager for something less remote than online worship. It is hoped that these will continue while Covid persists and beyond.

Health and Safety

Precision: Because of Covid the Precision annual inspection did not take place until March 31st and April 1st 2021. The various recommendations made in the resulting report will be reviewed within the next few weeks.

Pest control: Following sightings of rats in the vicinity of the church and hall Pest Link was engaged to make recommendations and undertake the necessary actions. A series of traps was placed around and within both buildings to catch rats and mice. Initial results indicated no resident rat or mouse population inside but quite considerable rodent activity outside and intermittent mouse infestation in the hall most likely attracted by the food currently being stored there. Because of the traps activity has been reduced but not eliminated altogether. Pest Link have secured vents, drain covers and other gaps to prevent further ingress.

General Finance

The Treasurer's report will give a full overview of our general finances (see p.4). We are very lucky to have Lotti who has undertaken enormous amounts of work to provide the PCC with accurate and helpful budgets and accounts. We would like to thank her for all her efforts which are much appreciated. Winnie, working from home continues to give the church her valuable expertise as Finance Assistant and we are very grateful for her hard work too. Having a working budget continues to help us to plan our future.

Fundraising

The Fundraising group has continued to meet although obviously it has been unable to arrange the normal fundraising activities. A full fundraising report is given elsewhere (see p.44). Chris Arnold and Grace Readings have been creative in thinking of ways forward. Of note, Fr Bruce's video appeal and letter before Christmas was a huge success, bringing in around £2000 in donations before Christmas. The Virtual bazaar was also a success.

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Please see separate report about the Hall re-development (p.46).

Events and Social

The Pandemic has rather curtailed any live events and social activities.

However some social events have gone online. We have held a post church social via Zoom at noon every Sunday. These have proved to be convivial times for a chat and have had an international flavour when friends to the parish Rosie Ward from France and Ute Nicolai in Germany drop in. It has been an example of how friendships have been able to reach out across the miles in Pandemic times in ways that were previously unimagined.

A very successful one off social via Zoom was the Mother's Union Coffee Morning in the Spring. Wonderfully organised by Pearl Larney and Naomi, a happy group of Mother's Union members and friends appeared online for two hours of convivial chit-chat.

The great annual social event that is The Bazaar was unable to take place in its normal format. However, thanks to Lesley Matthew's organising skills and tenacity and Pastoral Assistant Phil Jury's technical wizardry a virtual Bazaar was held. It evolved into a stylish online Market Website selling wonderful Arts and Crafts items: knitting from Jenny Ray, Wooden Cribs by Katharine Ward; Jams and Preserves by Catriona, Richard Hodges and Lorraine; Beautiful fresh foliage table decorations by Lesley, Cakes and Christmas puddings

cooked by Annie, Catriona and Lorraine; and beautiful wooden and pottery crafts made by Trevor's sister. Although the social aspect was obviously missing, by focussing on Arts and craft's stalls we were able to keep up the annual tradition in some way and the system of pre-ordering cakes, decorations and craft items worked so well that this facility may continue this year. Lesley Matthew who so heroically delivered all the orders to people's homes, may appreciate a click and collect service at a live event again this Autumn. Having kept the tradition going, this year we look forward to being able to hold the Bazaar in 3D.

In maintaining one to one contacts, the ministry team have kept up with church members by phone. I know that this has been particularly appreciated by those without the internet.

Looking forward, we are hoping to start things up again in person soon and some outdoor activities are beginning now. A gardening group has been set up under the charge of Ricardo and had its first session in April. We are hopeful that the parish outing will be able to resume before too long. A trip to Norwich is planned for the summer and Fr Dennis' Monday walking group is hoping to resume soon. Anyone interested in participating in any of these activities is very welcome. Look out for further details on the weekly sheets.

Conclusion and Thanks

This has been one of the strangest years in our history. It must be the first time in over 1,000 years that churches have been closed for worship. The closures have brought both challenges and gifts to our faith.

We are very grateful to our Ministry team and the congregation for their hard work and steadfastness in the last year to help us weather these very difficult times. As listed above there are many thanks owed to those who kept the church open since October and our gratitude goes out to them.

We have rejoiced in Mother's Mitzi's arrival in our Parish and are so grateful for her kind and steady ministry to us all. At times when Fr Bruce has been busy with caring duties, Mother Mitzi has calmly stepped up to the plate to take on responsibility. We look forward to her Priesting in June and hold her in our prayers.

We are very grateful to Fr Dennis for his continuing pastoral care of us all during the pandemic. I have been comforted and stimulated by his insightful, sometimes left field, sermons. Patricia has been a huge help as a trainee in the ministry team. As she approaches her ordination as Deacon in July we wish her well in her curacy at Mthr Anna's church in Enfield. Philip Jury has continued to be invaluable in his knowledge of all things computing and his general can do attitude to things. I cannot tell you the number of times he has rescued me with last minute requests for help.

Other members of the ministry team, Nina Saint, Naomi Malone and Pam Curran have been notable for their quiet witness and service. Between them they have kept the multifarious strands of the parish going, keeping in touch with everyone, delivering beautiful sermons and producing videos for the children, to name but a few of their contributions. Thank you.

Finally, a huge thanks to our anchor and leader, the Rector, Fr Bruce. It is his faithful witness to Christ, gentle guidance in all matters of faith and his wonderful sense of humour and fun that keeps us all on a steady path. We are very lucky to have him as our Rector. As

he devotes more time to his partner in his illness, we wish them both all the best and hold them in our prayers.

Richard Hodges and Annie Perkins
Churchwardens

Ricardo Williams
Associate Churchwarden

Curate's Report

Introduction

I am writing this report as we approach Holy Week and this feels appropriate as the Way we have all had to walk this past year has involved many downs and ups, disappointments, revelations and of course joy. This past year has indeed been strange times for all of us living, working and worshipping during a pandemic but the love, kindness, prayers and hospitality of those I have met face to face and online have sustained me as I set off on my training wheels as your curate.

I would like to begin by thanking Fr Bruce for his kindness, patience, supervision and gentle teaching (and to both he and Trevor for allowing me to occasionally spoil Peggy Woolly). Also, I would like to express deep gratitude to the exceptionally gifted and kind members of the Ministry Team, our Churchwardens (Debbie, Richard, Annie and Ricardo), our Sacristan Jean, PCC Secretary Stephen, Treasurer Lotti and the members of the PCC for welcoming me to the parish and supporting me ever since I arrived during the first Lockdown last Summer.

I feel blessed to have been called to a parish that is part of such a supportive cluster and to have been given the opportunity to serve as deacon – with thanks to the other two incumbents Fr Ben and Fr Patrick for their prayers and support in my training and ministry.

Lucy, our outgoing PA, was wonderfully patient and generous with her time during her final month with us and her encyclopaedic knowledge provided me with a really helpful induction to life at Hornsey Parish Church.

I have always been a competent user of technology but never really used social media and so it was a steep learning curve getting to grips with Facebook and livestreaming services - but what a joy to be able to include so many people in our worship and not be limited by where or how they are. Thanks must go to Kelyn, Phil Harnett and Phil Jury for their expertise and support of the parish social media accounts and website. you're missing), and I miss every one of you. You are all in my prayers.

Open Church

Risk Assessments were never covered whilst at seminary and so it is with gratitude and relief that I have joined a parish which, even before the pandemic, was already streets ahead when it came to the safety and health of the congregation and hall users. I am especially grateful to Debbie, Nina and Jean for their contributions as we prepared to open the church for private prayer. Being able to keep the church open during the day, particularly, during this last lockdown, has been so beneficial to so many who valued the opportunity to come into church to pray, just sit quietly or light a candle and has brought a great many positive comments from the local community.

Open Air Eucharist

The innovation of the Sunday afternoon Open-Air Eucharist at the Tower has been another gift of ministry and mission during my first year at Hornsey. With thanks to Fr Bruce for the idea and to Fr Ben at Holy Innocents for presiding at the Tower over the Summer months.

We were able to offer the sacrament whilst the church building was closed and continue to do so now to those who would rather not worship in a building.

The Tower is a relaxed service where children, dogs and those who are curious about what church looks like are all welcome and that is in no small part to the hard work and friendly presence of Chris Arnold, Phil, Nina and Patricia. I very much look forward to seeing this important ministry in the East of the parish develop over the coming months.

St Mary's and School Assemblies

The leadership team and Governors have made me very welcome and although due to the pandemic this ministry, like much else, has had to have been adapted in order to be delivered safely, it has been an absolute delight to join the ecumenical Schools Ministry Team - and to especially be alongside Naomi and Nina in their ministry to the children and staff. I had very little experience of working in schools and none of leading school assemblies and so am grateful that I can develop this area amongst such a supportive and talented team.

Pastoral Care and Discipleship

This has, for obvious reasons, been an area that looks very different to what any of us had anticipated. However, I was grateful to be able to contribute to the organisation and dedication of the Ministry Team in calling and contacting those who may be isolated on a weekly basis. As and when it is safe to do so, I look forward to meeting more parishioners in church and in their gardens/homes and also re-establishing our presence and ministry amongst those living in sheltered housing and care homes.

With Fr Bruce, Annie Perkins and Stephen Driver, it has been a privilege to help to lead the Advent and Lent courses. Thank you to all those who attended the sessions and for the insights and prayer that we shared.

YMCA

I have taken over as chaplain of The North London YMCA which is now officially a part of City YMCA. I give thanks for the work of my predecessors, Fr Ben and Mthr Anna. I am pleased to report that the new Chief Executive has recognised the work and importance of the chaplaincy and has extended our contract for one year until 31st March 2022.

Patricia has provided a comprehensive report on our activities over this reporting period, and I am so grateful to her for her knowledge and loving care and ministry to the staff and residents of the YMCA.

Whilst our offering of online ministry to the staff and residents has been welcomed, it is indeed with deep regret that we have not been able to be physically present to staff and residents as often as we would have liked but we will continue to keep the physical safety of the residents as a priority and follow necessary guidelines and directions of the Hostel management. I look forward to resuming the full chaplaincy services with our three Pastoral Assistants over the forthcoming year.

Conclusion

I thank you for your prayers and support of me as your curate and I hold you and the mission and ministry of our church in my prayers every day. I remain grateful to God for calling me to serve in Hornsey and, as we look with hope to be able to emerge from out of lockdown, I look forward to sharing our faith and perhaps one day even meeting you face to face over a cup of tea and a biscuit.

Mother Mitzi James

Pastoral Assistant Report

Church-based Ministry

With COVID restrictions coming and going, in varying degrees, throughout the year, church ministry has looked very different this year. I have been responsible for the live-streaming of services, initially when the church was closed to public worship and also now that we are open again. We have also been livestreaming our Zoom-based Morning Prayer offering onto Facebook, for public consumption.

Virtual Christmas Market

In lieu of a physical Christmas market, which would usually be held in the church hall, I helped to organise an online Christmas market offering seasonal goods from different virtual stalls “manned” by members of the congregation. I created the website, liaised with and relayed the orders to the stallholders, and kept track of orders and income. Ultimately the Christmas Market brought in over £1,300.

Study and Formation

Along with the other Pastoral Assistants on the North London Pastoral Assistant (NLPA) scheme, I have attended regular formation sessions: Ignatian spiritual formation with Fr Bruce and theological study sessions with Fr Peter Anthony. These have been useful and interesting sessions, despite the inability to meet in person as would have been the case in previous years. I am looking forward to continuing these, if I remain for a second year – and looking forward to the potential return of physical meeting, visits, and retreats that may form part of this.

YMCA Chaplaincy

The chaplaincy at the YMCA has similarly been impacted by COVID restrictions. We haven’t been able to go into the building itself for regular things like ‘Snack and Chat’ but we have been providing a weekly prayer offering, for both staff and residents. We’ve been alongside the staff as they (at YMCA North London) went through a recent merger with the City branch, with their jobs at risk.

Night Shelter

I helped to coordinate and run the Winter Night Shelter with Lorraine Fincham, which this year was a static shelter in the Annex of Holy Innocents, with different local churches having responsibility for each night. This ran from December through to the end of March, offering a much-appreciated service to five homeless people (whose number varied as they came and went, and as they found accommodation). I was inspired by the willingness of so many people to help in a variety of ways: in giving their time by being there in person; by cooking for the guests; and by donating to the shelter. Dunn’s bakery generously offered us baked goods each evening.

Phil Jury

Safeguarding Report

The **Safeguarding Group** members are Fr Bruce, Mthr Mitzi, Naomi Malone (Church Safeguarding Officer), Nina Saint and Debbie Langdon-Davies (Children's Champions), Cynthia Gooding, Clare Goymer, and Sue Westbrook. Coral Lowcock and Kathryn Johnson are safer-recruiting officers.

I would like to thank Debbie Langdon-Davies for being an exceptional Church Safeguarding Officer, we are truly grateful for her service. Debbie handed over to me on the 5th October 2020.

Many thanks to Clare Goymer for processing all the DBS clearance applications as Lead Recruiter and Evidence Checker. These roles are combined at HPC as they are both part of the DBS process.

Since the summer of 2020, the Ministry Team meet once a term with the CSO to discuss and adopt Diocesan advice, address specific Safeguarding issues, and to report on progress on various developments at the Pastoral Staff meeting, rather than having a separate meeting. Clare Goymer, Cynthia Gooding and Annie Perkins, our Church Warden, will be invited once a year to the Pastoral meeting, in the summer term. This reflects the fact that many of the protocols for Safeguarding are now in place, and that the work of the group is now focused on offering support to those who need it. As this conflates with much of the pastoral work of the clergy team, it makes sense to hold our meetings together.

Hornsey Parish Church takes its safeguarding responsibilities very seriously, and Safeguarding is an agenda item for every PCC meeting, in addition to the full annual report to the APCM and another to the PCC in May or June. This year the annual report to the PCC is for the June meeting.

We are a **Domestic Abuse Aware Church**. As a church and as individuals we have increased our understanding of some of the issues around this difficult and distressing subject, and also have a greater understanding of healthy relationships. There are information leaflets posted around the church and Hall for anyone needing further advice and support. Sue Westbrook recently attended a new initiative run by Haringey Council, it is a community engagement pilot- Violence Against Women and Girls. The idea is to provide training for organisations who can act as a safe space and where posters can be displayed and signposting can be offered. They are particularly hoping to engage with places of worship and Food Banks. Sue has registered to attend the level 2 course on the 28th of April 2021. If anyone is interested in working together to offer a safe space for girls and women in Hornsey and Stroud Green please could you contact Mthr Mitzi or Naomi.

If you or anyone you know is affected by Domestic Abuse, you can speak to any member of the Clergy and the Safeguarding Group.

Our annual Safeguarding Morning in February 2021 was led by Adam Cummins, the Computer Lead at Mary's School, on Zoom. He gave a superb presentation on the many facets of E Safety in our school and community. It was followed by a wide-ranging discussion. We were pleased to welcome people from the Beacon Lodge Trust and our neighbouring churches.

Codes of Conducts for use by the Church Choir, Tower Singers and the members of the cast and team of The Sound of Music are now in place. These codes will be adapted for other uses as the need arises.

We have also requested that anyone with a role in church, whether voluntary or not, sign the Confidential Declaration form. Thank you to those who have signed this and also those who have completed the online Safeguarding Training when requested. Thank you also to Trevor Williamson who continues to check and oversee Risk Assessments for our many and various church activities.

Covid 19: a protocol on safely re-entering church by individuals to undertake specific tasks, and for opening for Private Prayer has been established. Covid will be an agenda item for all Safeguarding meetings. We are following Diocesan and National Church guidelines.

During the past year the Safeguarding Group has:

- Held a Safeguarding morning in February 2021.
- Conducted a Parish Safeguarding Self Audit as recommended by the CofE and reported the results to the PCC.
- Continued to employ a Safer Recruitment process.
- Members of the PCC have completed the Diocesan e-learning Safeguarding training. Anyone with a role in church signs the Confidential Declaration, and Code of Conduct.

Naomi Malone
Church Safeguarding Officer

Safeguarding Statement

Hornsey Parish Church believes that safeguarding is the responsibility of everyone and is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all those who are vulnerable (children, young people and vulnerable adults). We expect all of our staff, volunteers and those who use our premises to share this commitment and value the support of those who worship here in achieving this.

If you have any concerns please contact Fr Bruce, Naomi or any member of the Safeguarding Group.

Important Numbers:

Diocesan Safeguarding Adviser:	020 7932 1224
Suzie Long	020 7932 1255
CCPAS (Now known as 31:8) helpline:	0303 003 1111
Family Lives: (previously Parentline)	0808 800 2222
Childline:	0800 1111

YMCA Chaplaincy Report

Hornsey Parish Church provides chaplaincy services to the YMCA in Crouch End, primarily to the residents and staff at the hostel for some 150 homeless young people on Tottenham Lane.

The chaplaincy team welcomed Mother Mitzi during lockdown which everyone will agree was a difficult time to take the lead. There have been many changes at the YMCA within this past year. The pandemic, COVID, has changed how we outreach but has not lessened the impact of Chaplaincy Team.

YMCA still collects donations of food from the supermarkets i.e. Sainsburys, Lidl and Marks and Spencer. Many of the residents even during the lockdown have moved into supported living accommodation. This past year we have not been able to support residents moving on because of restrictions and this is one of the biggest losses of our chaplaincy service. The YMCA has allowed the leftover supplies to be collected and used for the Hornsey foodbank.

Last Easter and this year we have been able to supply Easter eggs and cards with something being provided for each member of staff and every resident.

We have increased staff prayers and have provided a meditative 'Midweek pause' which is offered in an Ecumenical manner. At this time to increase prayers seems rather fitting.

At Christmas each resident received a gift. They were all wrapped by our 'PA trio' who also made prizes that came in the shape of a cracker shape decoration for the Christmas tree. The team were present for an 'isolated' Christmas dinner, Hall and tree decorating, and the residents created beautiful murals to represent the different countries that 'the residents' represent.

We would love to thank our very own 'Music director Ed and the Choir' for coming to the YMCA and being the heart of the carols. Members of the community were remarking about the singing for many weeks later! And everyone enjoyed the event.

I would once again like to thank the members of the Mothers Unions for their continued support within the YMCA and still making the welcome packs. I was also very proud to tell everyone that the Christmas cards were 'handwritten' by the 'Mothers Union'. Everyone received them with such gratitude.

I am still part of the National Chaplains Steering group and this year we have agreed that at this difficult time it has been wise to support the staff and national Chaplains through the many changes by daily prayer groups and online meetings and creating additional training groups.

I want to thank the congregation for their donations and their support for this chaplaincy outreach.

With Every Blessing

Patricia Brown
Assistant YMCA Chaplain

West Haringey Deanery Synod, Report

Since our last APCM in October, Deanery Synod has not met, due both to the complications of COVID-19 and to a reorganisation. We were previously part of the Deanery of West Haringey; this has been united with the Deanery of East Haringey to form the larger Deanery of Haringey, which will elect new officers in due course.

We look forward to providing a full account of the new Deanery's activities next year.

Nina Saint

Deanery Synod Representative

Electoral Roll Report for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting of Hornsey Parish Church on Sunday 9th May 2021

At last year's APCM, there were 118 people on our Electoral Roll.

Since then, 2 people have been removed and 9 more people have joined, and we now have 125 members.

The Electoral Roll will be open again for new applications immediately after the APCM.

Nina Saint

Acting Electoral Roll Officer

Church Chaplain

As church chaplain, Pam's role asks her to place prayer and worship at the heart of our common life together. In practice this asks her to support those in need, look out for absent people, help with sick communions and visit where needed. Also to take part in funerals, weddings, church services and be responsible for leading the Contemplative Prayer Group and keeping it with a high profile.

Due to a combination of technological challenges and convalescence after an accident, Pam has been largely absent from the Ministry Team activities this past year. We have missed her greatly, and have kept in touch with her regularly.

During her absence, we have continued to keep pastoral contact with our community the highest priority. With regular telephone calls, emails, sending cards, and house visits when possible, we feel we have kept in touch with those who have wished to hear from us.

The life of prayer continues of course, with daily online Morning Prayer being followed by quite a number of regular attenders, and the Evening Offices led in church and live streamed. Our Contemplative Eucharist continues on a Sunday, and support for members of the Contemplative Prayer Group has been maintained, although the group has not been able to meet physically at all, apart from one or two occasions last Autumn before lockdown.

What Pam wrote in her report last year still holds true: "What has struck me most profoundly, [during this period], is the vital importance of prayer. How we can be spiritually present with God and one another in a very powerful way. All kinds of prayers are valid and especially when they deepen in contemplation, where we gradually move from our heads to our hearts finding in Jesus love, healing and peace in these very difficult days.

The gift of modern technology has helped to make this easier than in the past. We can remain in communion with one another and with the God who loves and heals us all."

Our grateful thanks to Pam for her praying and prayerful presence amongst us, even if apart, and we look forward to new things ahead.

Fr Bruce (reporting for Pam Curran)

Nurture and Reflection Groups

This section covers our various Nurture and Reflection Groups, formal and informal.

Parish Retreat

Our last retreat was in June 2018 at the Carmelite Priory in Boars Hill. It was a very rewarding experience in beautiful surroundings (and lovely weather) but we decided that for a change we wouldn't go on retreat in 2019, but instead hold a Lent of Accompanied Prayer. We did this and it went very well - see APCM report for 2019.

Our next retreat was to have been at Worth Abbey on 12 - 14 June 2020 but it had to be cancelled due to the pandemic. There are currently no plans for another retreat but we would love to arrange one for 2022 in the hope things will have settled down by then.

Acts of the Apostles Study Group

On-line study groups were established to allow meeting together to study the Bible and our mission while under the pandemic restrictions. It started in June 2020 and has met every week apart from a short summer break, Advent, Christmas and Lent. Each session was run on a Monday and a Thursday afternoon, led by Annie Perkins and Stephen Driver.

The sessions are moulded in shape similar to our Pilgrim Groups and have been working through the Acts of the Apostles. Stephen introduces each session with thematic thoughts about the text. The selected Acts text is then read through and discussed, often vigorously. At the end of each session there is an opportunity to meditate on a passage from the bible using the practise of Lectio Divina (reading a short biblical passage prayerfully three times with a period of silence and sharing between each reading). The passage is either chosen from the section of Acts covered or another passage from the bible inspired by the day's theme.

Advent Course 2020

During Advent, three groups met each week, in the Monday/Thursday slot and the Fellowship Hour on a Sunday. Here people gathered to look at the book Frequencies of God, by Carys Walsh, reflecting on Advent themes in the poetry of RS Thomas. Attendance suggested this course was well appreciated, although Sunday was least popular, and the lack of the Sunday Coffee Fellowship was regretted.

Lent Course 2021

This year's Lent course has been based on the I Am sayings in John's Gospel, using the book The Great 'I Am' by David Adam. It was held on-line with weekly sessions on Mondays and Thursdays. Annie Perkins and Mthr Mitzi led the respective sessions with assistance from Stephen Driver.

The Coffee Fellowship on Sundays also continued with a thematic following of The Great 'I Am' book.

Meeting Point

Meeting Point was set up over 25 years ago to provide a drop in coffee, light lunch and fellowship to anyone in the community. It became popular with those who had attended the Midweek Eucharist and also others who as noon struck would appear in time for a lunch of soup and salad amongst friends.

Sadly, Meeting Point is one of the activities that had to stop during the pandemic. During Lent, virtual meetings were held in normal Meeting Point hours led by Nina Saint and Phil Jury. While participants joined in from home with their own lunches, Lenten themes were discussed and there was a period of contemplative prayer.

As lockdown restrictions are eased we will begin to look ways of going forward in a Covid safe way. Annie hopes that next year there will be better news to report.

Parish Fellowship

The Parish Fellowship has been unable to thrive this year owing to the restrictions imposed by the Covid emergency. The future, though, does offer us possibilities, not least the hybrid meeting where face2face and online combined might allow for those who cannot attend because of weather or infirmity. On an occasional basis, we may continue with the addition of having a "Wisdom" role, even leading to contributing to sermons and commentary. We could also include Retreats in our agenda and in a local inexpensive way.

Further thoughts on nurture

During this year, we feel that Hornsey Parish Church has made a good offering of opportunities to nurture faith by gathering people in groups.

Huge thanks to Annie and Stephen for a year's worth of weekly bible studies working through the Acts of the Apostles. And grateful too to Fr Dennis for his offerings of one-off nurture, and also a walking group to complement the Advent and Lenten programme.

Due to circumstances, Going Places is not really happening this year, but we look forward to offering more opportunities to gather and grow in due course.

Contributions from Rachel Swann, Annie Perkins, Stephen Driver, Fr Dennis and Fr Bruce

Lay Schools Worker Report

St Mary's CofE Primary School

With the first lockdown for the COVID-19 pandemic we had to comply with the various restrictions limiting our access to the school premises. We have had a year of filming assemblies for St Mary's School and joining the classes on Zoom. For the four weeks before the 2021 Easter holidays we were able to go into school, with one class in the hall and the rest joining on Zoom. We had a theme of: Hands, Face, Space, linking it with Jesus' life and miracles. The Holy Week assembly was able to be outside in the playground with the Juniors, which was wonderful.

I hope to be able to start the Bible Lunch Clubs during this Summer term. We will also be starting our classes preparing the children to receive Holy communion and to be confirmed on the 11th of July at St Mary's Tower.

Sunday School

Nina and I have been sending out resources for our young people, especially during Advent and Lent. We did a window of the week, in our homes during Advent. This Lent we used the Church of England's resources. We have stayed in touch with our families, through emails, calls and cards. We are looking forward to being able to meet in person, hopefully in the near future.

Noah's Ark

I have kept in touch with our families during the pandemic. I attended the Diocesan toddler group conference last year and I recently took part in their prayer meeting on Zoom. Hopefully we will be able to resume the toddler group soon, in some format.

Naomi Malone
Lay Schools Worker

Youth Activities

This has been a sad and difficult year for all of us, including our young people. One said to me that it felt to her as if all the fun had been drained from her life; and others have felt the stresses of lockdown or the weight of bereavement on their families.

Following both Government and Diocesan guidelines, neither Youth Fellowship nor Georgians has met in person during the past year. Youth Fellowship had a few Zoom meetings, particularly to have the chance to say goodbye to Lucy Emanuel, who had been such an important part of Youth Fellowship for two years; but our young people, like the rest of us, have largely felt Zoomed-out.

In the initial period of lockdown, we provided a weekly resource for at-home spirituality—ways to connect with each Sunday's Gospel reading, and to the seasonal celebrations of the wider Church; as the pandemic has continued, we have been looking at more individual ways to support our young people and their families.

One of the silver linings of the current restrictions is that young people have been welcomed back into reading more regularly, both on Sunday mornings and at our open-air eucharist at the Tower on Sunday afternoons. As restrictions continue to lift, we look forward to continuing to include them in our main liturgies.

As we all work to recover from the social, emotional and economic effects of the pandemic, please hold our young people and their families in your prayers.

Nina Saint

Y Hornsey

Y Hornsey is the outreach project established by Hornsey Parish Church along with the YMCA North London and Holy Innocents Church, designed to provide pastoral and practical support to local children, young people and their families. Our work is entirely supported by grants from our funders; their generosity enables us to provide help that is desperately needed, and would otherwise simply wouldn't be available. Our funders this year are:

- The Beacon Lodge Charitable Trust
- The Bishop of London's Mission Fund
- The Greig Trust
- The Friendly Hand

The pandemic has, of course, dramatically altered the lives of the families we serve, as well as the ways in which we are able to help them. For most of the year we have turned away from running groups and towards providing individual support, which takes a different form for each family; they present us with their concerns or needs and we try to provide appropriate help within whatever restrictions are in place at the time. This can range from providing assistance with home schooling or the many issues parents face during lockdown – sleep problems, sibling conflicts, aggression, anxiety or withdrawal, regressed behaviour, etc. – to support with employment, finances, immigration status, housing, health issues or anything else.

This year we have had an especially productive connection with St. Mary's School. They have, of course, been struggling to respond to each new set of government directives and to meet the needs of all their pupils. They have been very generous in finding ways to allow Y Hornsey to work with their children despite the stringencies of lockdown. We have run some group activities (when possible) and the children have asked for more, including specialised groups to help them process their experiences and learn new coping strategies. As the year has gone on, more children are being referred to us for individual care—most particularly a number who have experienced family bereavement.

Please hold the families we serve in your prayers—this is a difficult time for all of them.

Nina Saint

Church Music Report

The past 12 months have been a challenging time for music at Hornsey Parish Church. The Covid-19 pandemic has sadly curtailed many of our regular activities. Nevertheless, the year has brought several sparkling musical highlights which promise brighter times ahead. There continues to be outstanding support for music-making within the church community, for which I am enormously grateful.

I am particularly indebted to Kelyn Bacon Darwin for her energetic, efficient, friendly and generous management of choir personnel, including masterminding choir Zoom calls, organizing virtual choirs, and maintaining a rota of Sunday singers to ensure Covid-secure services. I am also hugely thankful to Mthr Mitzi, Patricia Brown, Nina Saint, Phil Jury, Fr Dennis and Fr Bruce for their constant support and celebration of all the music we were able to provide. I continue to be inspired and uplifted by all the musicians in the church, especially the choir, who have adapted to every new situation with their signature energy, positivity and musicality: thank you all!

Hornsey Parish Church Choir continues to have regular singers in all 4 voice parts. In Spring 2020, our focus was on virtual choir recordings, many of which are available on our YouTube channel. Although it was disappointing to have such a long period without singing together in person, there was a silver lining: our recordings online have now reached a wide audience, with more than 2000 views.

In the summer, I provided some hymns, improvisation and voluntaries for the outside services at the Tower, which have recently been reprised. It is particularly useful to have the current good quality electric keyboard in the Tower for this purpose, and I am grateful to Chris Arnold for his organization of the Tower space and the sound system.

The choir was able to resume singing regularly in Sunday services in the Autumn, with a maximum of 8 socially distanced singers, making full use of the choir stalls on both sides of the church. Soon afterwards we resumed Thursday rehearsals in preparation for a very beautiful and moving live-streamed 'Compline for All Souls'. For me, this was the greatest musical highlight of the year, and my particular thanks and congratulations go to every member of the choir.

Unfortunately, our musical celebration of Christmas was rather muted, due to the imposition of further lockdown restrictions. We were therefore particularly glad for the opportunity to share some cheer with carol singing at the YMCA in Crouch End, at the Tower carol service and at the crib service, through the medium of pre-recording. Music continued during the Christmas period and into the early months of 2021, with a pianist singing the hymns during live-streamed services, either myself or a deputy.

In the past few weeks, the choir has returned to sing Sunday morning services, and already we have provided excellent renditions of Wood 'This Joyful Eastertide' and Miller 'Draw Near with Faith'. While I anticipate that the Trinity Term will continue to have limited numbers of singers and reduced Thursday rehearsals, I am optimistic that we might return to something closer to normality for the Michaelmas term, after our summer break.

Sadly, the Covid-19 pandemic has meant that our talented choral scholars were unable to see out the full year of their contracts with us. When restrictions allow, and possibly in

Michaelmas 2021, we will offer the scholars the opportunity to return for another year. Where they are unable to do so, we hope to recruit new scholars, following the successful process we ran in 2019.

We are currently seeking funding to support the scheme for future years, both from within the church community and from external sources. Please do get in touch with myself or Fr Bruce if you would like to contribute financially to this extremely valuable part of our musical life, or if you have any candidate names to suggest as future scholars.

My work as Music Director has been consummately supported by a number of deputy organists and conductors in the past year. In particular I thank Marion Bettsworth, Joe Mason, Paul Ayres and Gary Cheung.

The musical life of the church continues to be rich and varied beyond Hornsey Parish Church Choir. Our worship has been enhanced by instrumental contributions from Zachary Bacon Darwin and Chris Ward. We are always looking for further instrumentalists who are interested in contributing to our worship or concert projects: please get in touch! In the wider community, we were particularly fortunate to benefit from the wonderful professional concerts organized at the Tower by Mary Bevan. Tower Singers rehearsals have been paused due to the pandemic, though we hope that these will resume as restrictions ease.

Both our organ and our grand piano (on loan) continue to be in good condition. Both have been tuned in the past year and will be due for tuning again in the early summer. There is some mild damage to the piano soft pedal and lid, caused by gradual wear and tear. The organ swell box mechanism will require replacing in the near future, for which I will obtain a quotation at the next tuning appointment.

Ed Hughes
Music Director



Mothers' Union Report

We only managed three meetings in Mothers Union last year, January, February and March, when Lucy Emanuel castle led the Quiet Hour. for Lent in the Chapel.

Members were very generous and we were able to send, in addition to our MU subscription, £300 for our Charities, including Away from it all Holidays and Overseas.

Wendy again worked hard on her allotment and she would bring her lovely vegetables to the Book Shop for members to buy and she raised £300 for the Homes of Promise in Uganda.

Due to lockdown, we could not meet up. Later in the year, we would meet up with the Book Shop and go to the Parish Hall, wearing our face masks and keeping our distance, sit and make wash bags for the YMCA. This year, for the first time, members wrote Christmas cards for the 170 residents.

We also had a Mothers Union Christmas raffle, made cakes, jam and Christmas decorations, giving half of the money raised to the Church.

We are hoping that we will be able to meet up again very soon.

Ann Jones

Winter Night Shelter 2020/2021 Season

The last year was very different for the shelter as it was for most of us. The Covid-19 pandemic changed the whole way that All People All Places ran the Winter Night Shelter. Following several Co-ordinators meetings, many of the churches supporting the shelter decided they were unable to provide support for their evening, night and morning shifts. This was for various understandable reasons, but it did leave many uncovered nights, so a decision was made to run a static shelter from the Annexe behind Holy Innocents Church. The space was transformed into a freshly decorated main living space with five individual bedrooms. A large fridge/freezer, microwaves and a dining table and chairs were placed in the space along with the existing sofas and the light changed to standard floor lights and suddenly a more comfortable, relaxing area was created to welcome our first set of guests.

Due to the restrictions, we were unable to run our open evening, so we leafleted a few local streets and emailed our 'faithful' band church members and community volunteers and incredibly we had enough people to run skeleton group to cover the newly outlined shift patterns. As usual we covered the first seven weeks starting on Friday 4th December until 29th January. This soon changed to nine weeks as 'Crisis at Christmas' did not take our guests this year as they usually did and as HPC was covering Friday evening we suddenly had Christmas and New Year's Day to add to our rotas to cover. Just as we thought we had finished our sessions for this year it was realised that they were no churches to take on the second half of the rota for Saturday and Sunday evenings, so HPC provided full cover for all the Saturday evening shift for another eight weeks from Saturday 6th February until our last night on 27th March and also provided dinner for the Sunday evening for this period as well.

The usual five shifts (evening, Dunn's collection, dinner preparation, overnight and breakfast) were changed to reduce risk of spreading Covid-19. The evening shift was split into two-hour slots with just two people on each shift. Two volunteers to open up and prepare the shelter for the guests between 5-7pm. One person to collect the kindly donated pastries, bread and sandwiches for guest's lunches from Dunn's as they closed each Friday evening. Two more volunteers from 7-9pm to serve dinner and sit with guests. Two more volunteers from 9-11pm to ensure guests settled down well for the night. The two overnight shift volunteers arrived at 11pm and left at 6.30am and slept on folding beds in the main living space. The two breakfast shift volunteers arrived at 6.30am and woke the guests and prepared breakfast. They also ensured that guests took a packed lunch with them and left the shelter by 8am in the morning. This sounds a very simple but was much more complicated to arrange and run this year, with more shorter shifts with less volunteers to assist made the time and energy the volunteers gave even more amazing.

Once the Shelter started it was full immediately and remained so with guests coming in for a few nights or in some cases several months. We provided a warm and safe place for guests to sleep and supplied some excellent dinners and breakfasts. Many of the dinners were supplied by volunteers who were unable to visit the shelter, so we worked out a socially distanced non-contact delivery process to allow volunteers to bring food to the shelter before the guests arrived.

Although this year we were unable to include the children's afternoon visits from St Mary's C/E Primary School and Campsbourne School, some of the staff of St Mary's C/E Primary School prepared meals for the shelter.

All People All Places were also still able to provide a more permanent shelter for guests across Haringey at Woodside Avenue which supported guests that were unable to come to the Annexe.

Thank you everyone for supporting the shelter this year again, whether it be by volunteering or donating money. There are too many people to name individually but without the volunteers and your support the shelter would not have opened this season.

Lorraine Fincham and Phil Jury

Foodbank Report

Holy Trinity Foodbank

Since the last report, apart from interim Sermon remarks, a year has made an enormous difference to us. This report tries to describe to you, as best it may, the radical changes that have occurred.

We no longer can keep up with weighing food in and out just now because it all happens so fast, so much bigger (5 – 7 x bigger, each and every week) than a year ago. Then there's Covid and we can't get too close to our guests. We receive at least 100 + requests for mouths to be fed every week. Our high point (low point, from another point of view) has been over 129 mouths on more than one occasion just recently. Just to give a feel – between September last year and December we fed 658 occasions/souls/mouths. Between January and mid-April this year we fed 1445 occasions/souls/mouths. Each mouth gets about 10 -13 kgs of food with value £15 - £20.

So where is all this coming from – if you do that calculation, it is alarming. A year ago the majority of our incoming food was from collection points, including St Mary with St George. We haven't been able to do that from Churches (although always a supply from HPC when it is open – big thanks) but mercifully and thankfully money has flowed in from everywhere, including generously, HPC. A large amount comes in from stores and individuals and shops. The money now goes out again fairly promptly as we supplement stocks with weekly buying. We're very grateful to all who give cash or food and this now includes the Borough of Haringey whose Food Storage Hub has occupied our Church Hall. Interestingly, the stock taking at Holy Trinity Foodbank is undertaken by photograph which is conveyed to a purpose-built WhatsApp where the buying decisions are made collectively whilst reviewing the images of stock levels. There isn't time for weighing in and counting stock.

A year ago we largely expected our guests to be Voucher-certified by an Agency. This no longer applies and our Guests are allowed to self-certify as well, with a little interview procedure, and then further interviews as time goes by - during which we also take an interest in whether there is any way in which we can signpost Guests for additional help. This has been especially noted where families with children are concerned. We are grateful in this context also to Hornsey Parochial Charities who fund kitchen utensil cooking needs. We also receive supplies from kind donors, and stores, of bread and fresh food although, with regard to this latter, we are extremely careful that it is fresh. And, we mustn't forget delivery volunteers, some of whom come from our own congregation – big thanks to them.

Occasionally, during the year, we have had to respond to starvation cases – people dumped outside prison suddenly, women fleeing domestic attack, some who have simply not known to whom to turn for help and have come the end of the road, a horrible thing – not having had food for some days but fortunate for someone to have put them in touch with us. Fortunately, these are rare – once or twice a month.

Volunteers have grown in number – just come simply out of the woodwork. They then have a Contract and Training and are carefully inducted. Of course, contact with our guests is distanced and as many as eight volunteers may be on duty at any given time to bring our Guests through, who, themselves now have to queue. Teams now take turns on Sundays with different teams every Sunday. The 'management' has had to change too. Previously we were

run by Alice Kadel who had bravely founded, with Andrij Choli, and then skilfully run, the Foodbank from the outset seven years ago. With the onset of this year we have had to evolve a 'management collective' in case any one of us hit ill health or worse (through Covid) and also to evolve strategies for dealing with new contingencies.

There is a lot of activity behind the scenes – packing food parcels, dealing with calls, organising volunteers, referring people, stocking up food and attending Haringey Food Project Meetings with other Foodbanks. We have to say that we are one of the smaller entities and reflection must be engaged on what is happening for such need to exist in our Borough! We have to add also that a proportion (small, fortunately) of our Guests are not eligible for Benefits. It is conceivable that existence of Foodbanks such as ours reduces crime and certainly, suffering. During the year we joined IFAN – the Independent Food Agency Network where we attend meetings and also make representation to Government.

The future? We are unsure what is going to happen. We know that economically for some people in our society, things will not improve and a higher level of unemployment impacts on us. Equally, we have watched with enormous relief that Universal Credit was not cut. However, whether that continues in this way we do not know. We also are unable to anticipate the future of Furlough. We stand as ready as can be, grateful to Holy Trinity church for coping with this flow of humanity and storage, processing the Funds and now setting up an independently Charity alongside.

The details of the Foodbank are available on the web at www.holytrinityfoodbank.org and we have a communications link via htfoodbank@gmail.com and 5 other emails from the website. There are also telephone numbers where members of the public and Agencies and clients sometimes make contact.

Fr Dennis Bury

Loving Creation

In February 2020 I was afforded the opportunity to co-facilitate the Lent course with Fr Bruce. We focused on the theme of Caring for God's Creation through combining scripture readings with audio/visual interviews from Ruth Valerio followed by discussion and reflection from those attending. After several sessions Covid-19 government guidelines drew a sudden veil over it continuing as we entered into lockdown and closed the doors. Undeterred however, a core group of attendees wished to continue exploring the environmental issues and impacts raised, not only from the course but also from previous initiatives held at HPC.

In April 2020, the Loving Creation (LC) group was formed. We held our first Zoom meeting in late April and have continued monthly thereof. Our first achievement was to compile a simple Loving Creation Charter from which actions were agreed and assigned to group members. For example, in support of our overall declaration - to love creation at HPC – and aspire to spend our financial resources on services and suppliers that are as authentic to this as possible, prompted an initial audit of our procurement of products and services. This resulted in committing to moving our waste management provider away from Veolia to First Mile, who are committed to 100% zero landfill. This means that all non-recyclable waste is converted to local green energy instead of being burnt or buried, whilst recyclable items are collected via a range of suitable recycling bags collected by First Mile 24/7. There is also a considerable cost saving on using the First Mile service as opposed to Veolia and to date, a free training workshop on what can and cannot be recycled was given to two of the LC members on Zoom, who found it informative and helpful. We will continue to engage with First Mile further in 2021 in respect of additional training and sustainability awareness, particularly in view of re-opening the hall.

Regular purchases such as printing paper, soap, cleaning products and general church consumables were also considered in the audit in terms of their environmental impact and subsequent changes made.

Our second declaration - to only procure services that are authentic to loving creation – led to a decision to prioritise discussions with the Finance Panel in respect of HPC's banking provider.

Our third declaration - to aspire to encourage and support our community to live like this at home – resulted in HPC registering with Eco Church. Eco Church is a scheme run by A Rocha UK equipping churches to care for God's creation through their worship, buildings, land, community engagement, and individual lifestyles. Former Pastoral Assistant Lucy Emanuel originally carried out the research into joining Eco Church and Mthr Mitzi subsequently took up the batten to complete the registration process. There is a wealth of resources and support from their website which will no doubt enhance our commitment towards fulfilling our LC charter.

Our December meeting in 2020 with Debbie Colville from the Eco Church team at St. James' in Piccadilly was deeply inspiring and led to a decision to plan for a week-long event in September 2021, to highlight what we can all do to contribute towards reducing our carbon footprint. Debbie is more than happy to assist with our event planning ideas along with her co-team member Petra Griffiths.

It has been a pleasure to facilitate the LC group this past year and I feel we are in a very strong position to continue building on our achievements and collaborations as we venture into 2021/22.

Georgie Lyttleton
Loving Creation Group Facilitator

Church Hall Lettings

The Church Hall is currently (as at mid-February) let out to Haringey Council as a food distribution centre for food banks. This arrangement is likely to end in early March although Haringey may ask for an extension (they have done so in the past).

It has not been possible to hire out the studio or the church room since the third lockdown began.

It is likely that the Gabrielle Rowley School of Dance will return to the studio as soon as it is legally possible.

There are many other parties keen to rent out the hall and studio as soon as it's possible.

The BBC sent a location manager to look at the church as a potential setting for a shoot in early summer.

Following a pricing review, prices for hiring church spaces have been raised slightly.

Fr Bruce continues as acting hall manager.

Ricardo Williams

Administrator

The Church Bookshop

It was rather strange reading the bookshop report from last year. It all seemed like a very distant memory, and of course no mention of what was to come.

The bookshop has had its world turned upside down, just like everything else. We closed completely for the first lockdown, but then under Pearl's supervision, as the situation became clearer, we reopened and changed our opening hours to allow the shop time to clear of any trace of the virus, alternating Fridays and Saturdays. We provided hand sanitiser and masks, and put in a one-way system. On warm days, people staffing the shop sat outside, leaving the bookshop free for our customers to browse. I think all our regulars really appreciated the shop being open again, and the return of some normality.

After Christmas we closed once again for the third lockdown. During this time, we have been able to take delivery of donations and have spent time sorting out the books, reorganising the shelves, and getting the shop ready for reopening. I should like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have made donations during the pandemic.

We shall continue to operate our opening hours as after the first lockdown, opening once a week, and alternating Fridays and Saturdays. This ensures we can keep the shop free of Covid and maintaining a healthy space for our customers to visit.

Our new opening hours are:

10.00 to 12.00noon Friday morning (on alternate weeks)

10.00 to 1.00pm Saturday morning (on alternate weeks)

We appreciate very much all the help we've had during the last year, especially Wendy, Dorothy, Ruth and Ann, and we look forward to welcoming all our helpers back once we get back into the swing again.

If you have any books you would like to donate, please get in touch via our email address: thebasementbookshop@gmail.com, or ring me on 07779 264085.

Thank you!

Cathy Edis and Pearl Larney

Fundraising Group

The fundraising committee has met twice since the last APCM in October. Uncertainty caused by the pandemic, as well as awareness of the economic hardship this has brought to many, has continued to make it difficult to plan activities.

There have, however, been a number of bright spots. First is the continued generosity of the congregation in regular giving through standing orders – this makes a huge difference and is greatly appreciated.

Second was our autumn fundraising appeal, with an email campaign and video from Father Bruce, seeking one off donations and also promoting regular giving. The campaign was very successful, raising a total of £2,630, and leading to several inquiries about new or increased standing orders. Thanks again to everyone who contributed.

Third, thanks to the fantastic efforts of Lesley Matthew, Phil Jury and their team, the HPC Virtual Christmas Bazaar made a net profit of £1,391. Lesley was responsible for overall organisation and Phil for creating the website and fielding orders. Special thanks also to Annie for helping co-ordinate and to everyone who was involved in making products for sale.

Finally, we have continued to promote giving via text at services and events, and in our written materials. At the time of writing, we have raised just under £270 through this channel since April 2020 and continue to seek ways to promote this.

The church has continued to work with Hannah Southgate, a professional fundraiser, to make applications for grants in support of maintenance and other larger projects. Through this route we have raised £2,000 towards church roof repairs and £1,000 towards repair of the church bell, with further applications pending.

Fundraising will continue to be very important to church finances in the next year. We are hoping that more certainty over coronavirus regulations and greater understanding of virtual fundraising opportunities will enable us to be more active over the coming year – so do look out for forthcoming events. Ideas for fundraising initiatives and offers of support are always very welcome!

Grace Readings

A Place to Belong Inclusion Working Party

Group Members Annie Perkins (Chair), Clare Goymer, Nina Saint, Roger May

The Place to Belong inclusion working party was set up in January 2021 to put in action recommendations made in the Hornsey Parish Church Inclusion Review 2020. The review highlighted areas where there were barriers, both visible and invisible to all people being able to participate fully in church life.

We are working through the action points contained in the report. Starting with something that was simple to action, we provided large print versions of the weekly sheets. Presently we are concentrating on reviewing access round the church for those with limited mobility. We are writing information on access to put on the webpage and discussing access and facilities for children attending church with the Ministry team.

As part of the review of access around the church, we are looking at ways of providing step free access to and around the church and putting an inclusive loo within the church buildings. This may be a slightly longer-term project than large print weekly sheets.

We are acutely aware that the best people to advise on changes are those who have confronted a barrier. To that end we welcome input from anyone with difficulties of any kind in attending church activities.

Annie Perkins

HPC 60/60 Project

Development Group to December 2020 - Richard Hodges, Fr Bruce Batstone, Debbie Langdon-Davies, Candy Fraser, Gareth Hepworth (Homes for Humanity), David Clare (Homes for Humanity).

This has been a bumpy year for the 60/60 Development group. Our architects, Leo Pelleriti, and our project managers, Homes for Humanity, submitted a set of development plans to Haringey Council for Planning Permission. There were to be 6 flats above a redeveloped hall, with a new glass gallery and community kitchen linked to the Church. The church room was reconfigured, disabled loos provided and the vestry relocated. Outside, the gardens and carpark would be landscaped and there would be a new door to the West of the nave giving level access to the relandscaped gardens.

There was a palpable sense of achievement when planning permission from Haringey for the remodelled halls, new vestry and residential development was granted in late autumn. The original Development Group having got the designs through planning stepped back to allow a newly configured Fundraising Group to take the scheme forward into the New Year. However, life was not that simple. In December an independent study showed that building the flats was not financially viable. The Scheme had been devastated by the effects of the pandemic and a changing economic climate.

As the dust settles from the realisation that there have now been two non-viable schemes the Development Group is going through a period of reflection. It wants to ensure that the next stage will be feasible through to completion.

The **Fundraising Group** took the uncomfortable decision to abandon any idea of building flats above the hall for the foreseeable future. As a further blow our fundraiser advised us that in the current economic climate and with none of the planned injection of cash from the residential side to fund the rest of the development it will not be possible to raise the funds for the development of the hall as the plans stand. We would need to make changes and reign back our ambitions. As a group we are now sifting through our possible options.

In the meantime however, the Hall roof has been leaking badly and the heaters in the main hall were condemned by the gas safety inspectors. The group decided on a “meanwhile” plan for the hall. This is to repair the hall sufficient to make it serviceable for let and use over the next 5-10 years. To that end the heaters are being replaced and subject to PCC approval the hall roof is being repaired. The Ballet School returns in the summer and the intention is to start letting the hall again properly from September. Ricardo Williams and Debbie Langdon-Davies are busy fielding enquiries from potential users.

With COVID restrictions being lifted everyone is doing a tour of the site to see what further opportunities there are for lettings and what people feel about long-term plans for the Hall. Meanwhile, we are looking at the Hall building to see whether there are small changes that can be made to better utilise the space that we have. One promising idea is to reconfigure the stage space in the main Hall.

Inspired by “A Place to Belong”, a report on how to help the welcome at Hornsey Parish Church to be more inclusive (see p.45), there is a distinctive crossover identified relating to one small part of the scheme for which we obtained planning permission. These are changes

to the Church Room, Vestry and West Nave. Although originally considered to be “Phase three” of the development, a reduced version of the designs here looks as if it might be achievable before the major hall development takes place. This could involve putting new loos into the old vestry, that are accessible for everyone. This would involve relocating the vestry to the west of the Church Room. The new West Nave Door would give access to the gardens, which would be redeveloped along the lines outlined by the Loving Creation group to provide a green sanctuary and socialising space, in a COVID safe environment. It must be stressed that these are still ideas being considered by the group and no firm decisions have been made.

While we are thinking about things, we have decided to take a step back from working with the professionals who have accompanied us so far until we have a clearer idea of what we wish to do.

Despite these setbacks, we may yet finish with halls and gardens that fit our needs very well in terms of income generation, mission and spiritual well-being. Covid has turned our world upside down. A period of reflection of what we need now from our Church buildings and landscape will result in a different, but maybe more appropriate scheme for pandemic times.

Annie Perkins

Intimate Space

St Mary's Tower / The Intimate Space / Gardens.

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“London’s smallest and coolest performance space, in a 500 year old Tower.”

Over the last few years the Tower has become a popular venue for a vast variety of activities. And gained a reputation for fringe performances.

“The Intimate Space” has become a recognised brand name for the venue.

As a low cost venue, it has enabled many to use it and do performances that could not have economically been done.

Many of our users are locals, so it is providing a valuable community resource,

We also supply support in the form of publicity (social media), a PA, a projector and even lighting.

All fees go to the FoHCT, with a very small amount covering minimal costs like website hosting and cleaning.

Despite the fact we work on a principle of trust, the users borrow s the key and unlocks and locks up afterwards, we have had no problems or abuse.

As a venue it is managed by Chris Arnold on a voluntary basis.

- Educational classes
- Workshops
- Discussion groups (like Death Café that is a discussion group around death)
- Spoken word – literature / poetry
- Music (of every kind)
- Film
- Exhibitions
- Kids parties
- Meditation
- Drama
- Music examination
- Rehearsal
- Study
- Filming
- Recording
- Photography

- Launches Fred Deakin (Lemon Jelly) launched his new album at the Tower.

Many events are privately run. As such we do not organise events inside the Tower, except during the Crouch End Festival.

Externally we have had a wide variety of musical events, and performances, and the Community Picnic.

Since the Pandemic, we have had to suspend all public performances inside the Tower. We have permitted a number of limited uses, like rehearsals, but under strict Covid guidance.

This has dramatically reduced the income.

Externally, the steps make a great stage and we have been able to facilitate a wide range of Covid safe events.

We worked in 2020 with acclaimed opera singer Mary Bevan (a local) on a range of free open air classical concerts that drew in significant audiences and help bring people in from a wider area, many discovering the Tower and gardens for the first time.

The Tower provided a much need distraction and moral boost from the lockdown and everyone has given it high praise.

We have adapted to Covid regulations, working with both the council and performers to provide a safe environment. All users now need to submit a risk assessment form.

We have also worked with others to put on blues concerts, jazz, folk and a drama performance.

2020 saw a regular Sunday Eucharist service at 4pm, that has a regular congregation. This has allowed the church to re-establish a presence in the eastern end of Hornsey.

Island Café was using the gardens and provided chairs and tables but since the pandemic this has not been the case.

Winter has seen very limited use of the Tower or gardens, due to both weather and lockdown.

The Tower and gardens has really established itself as a centre for the Hornsey community. And as a open air venue (even though we have been doing concerts there for years). Someone said one of the event listing publications called it “North London’s great undiscovered open air venue.”

Looking forward – summer 2021

We did not do any services during winter or the lockdown but have now restarted them in March 2021.

We are already taking bookings for live performances. Mary Bevan is also planning a new series of classical concerts. We are also hosting weekly children’s Spanish classes.

The Crouch End Festival (a mini version) July 16-18th will be using the Tower and gardens as its prime venue for live music, performance, comedy, dance, kids workshops, film nights, etc.

And there is the community picnic.

When Covid regs allow, we plan to start using the inside space again.

While the venue is basic we (FoHCT) are looking to:

- Install external lighting to make exiting the Tower at night safer.
- A large storage unit behind the path for storage of items inside the tower - chairs, tables, PA, etc.

Report by **Chris Arnold**

April 2021

Friends of Hornsey Church Tower Report

Introduction

Friends of Hornsey Church Tower (FoHCT) continue to act as agent to the Rector to assist in respect of maintenance, repair and improvement works to the Tower, Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance. FoHCT is a registered charity and was founded in 1989 with the specific purpose of rescuing the Grade II* listed Tower from a state of accelerating dereliction. The current membership of FoHCT consists of approximately sixty Friends, of whom eleven are committee members. Of these, Richard Hodges represents the PCC, Keith Fawkes, the Hornsey Historical Society and Chris Arnold, The Intimate Space.

The Past Year

Use of the Tower in the normal way has been curtailed by the Government COVID-19 restrictions that have been in force during the whole period covered by this report. However, much has happened in the Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance, both of which have proved to be of considerable value to very many people during these difficult times. We are delighted that the Mayor of Haringey, Cllr. Adam Jogee, has chosen to make FoHCT one of his three Haringey charities to support whilst Mayor. We have benefitted financially from this by way of one third of the proceeds of a highly successful Zoom quiz that he organised. We are extremely grateful for the support he continues to give to FoHCT.

Activities and Events

The restrictions have prevented us from running the Towers and Turrets Tour, originally planned for April 2020 and then for autumn 2020. These also prevented us holding our annual Open Day during the summer or the opening for London Open House in September. Sadly, neither the annual Year 5 St Mary's Primary School visit, nor their end of year celebration in the Garden of Remembrance could take place.

However, the Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance have been extensively used as an essential open space for recreation and enjoyment. Eleven concerts were held over the summer and into the autumn. These were organised in accordance with regulations in force at the time by the internationally acclaimed soprano Mary Bevan MBE and were some of the very few outdoor live events that happened in London. We were privileged to be able to see and listen to many of the world's top musicians at these concerts. Also extremely popular were the jazz concerts put on by the group Blue Notes. The Garden of Remembrance has also been used for church services.

We were able to illuminate the Tower with Christmas lights as usual. Comments we received showed that these were much appreciated during a particularly difficult period of the Covid restrictions. The annual Christmas Carol Service was also held and was a great success.

Work Carried Out

Following recovery from a Muswell Hill garden, the plaque commemorating two faithful servants has been installed in the Chapel.

A plaque has been fixed adjacent to the handrails to the steps up to the terrace. This records that the railings are dedicated to the memory of Vic McRae, who for a number of years urged the FoHCT to have these installed.

A new three-tiered compost storage has been constructed by FoHCT volunteers to receive soft gardening waste and leaves. This is noted in the FoHCT management plan submitted to Keep Britain Tidy.

Future Work Planned

In previous year's reports I noted the need for external storage to be provided as soon as possible to allow efficient use of the Tower. The crypt is not a suitable place for storing what often has to be moved out of the Chapel to allow it to be used easily. A secure metal store has been found and a suitable site identified in the west border area of the Churchyard. Funding for this is now available from FoHCT and we will shortly be providing the information necessary for a faculty to be applied for.

An external lighting scheme has been designed by FoHCT for the terrace area for which funding is also available from FoHCT. It is proposed that a faculty application for this is made in conjunction with that for the external storage, again with FoHCT providing the necessary information to accompany the application.

Future Work Required

More internal storage is also necessary and, as noted in my 2019 report, a proposal has been made by Chris Arnold for the construction of low-level storage beneath the Chapel west window, incorporating timber from the existing panelling. Although this would take up floor space, it would allow the room to be de-cluttered, including the removal of the free standing storage cupboard, which does not meet the current needs. Sufficient funding would be required for this to be constructed to an adequate standard, as would a faculty.

With the progressive lifting of the Covid restrictions there will be opportunity to resume the continuous effort to prevent the Tower from falling back into a state of disrepair.

The last Quinquennial Report, dated June 2020, identified the following:

1. Urgent works requiring immediate attention – two items.
2. Works recommended to be carried out over the next twelve months - eight items.
3. Works recommended to be carried out over the quinquennial period – ten items.
4. Works needing consideration beyond the quinquennial period – five items.
5. Works recommended to improve energy efficiency of the structure and services – none.
6. Works recommended to improve disabled / general access to use the building – five items.
7. Recommendations – nine items.

We note the following section of the Quinquennial Report. We will be very happy to liaise with the PCC, if this is thought necessary, to assist with this and with the specific items identified in the QR:

“e) Although the Measure requires the church to be inspected every five years, it should be realised that serious trouble may develop in between these surveys if minor defects are left unattended. Churchwardens are reminded by the Care of churches and Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure 1991 to make an annual inspection of the fabric and furnishings of the church, and to prepare a report for consideration by the meeting of the PCC before the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. This then must be presented with any amendments made by the PCC to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. **The PCC are advised to enter into contract with a local builder for the cleaning-out of the down-pipe twice a year or to investigate the DAC’s own programme.**”

A FoHCT ‘Condition Report and Proposed Remedial Works’ was made by FoHCT in 2017 and submitted to the PCC for consideration. Funding will be required to deal with these matters, which if not dealt with will jeopardise future long-term use of the Tower.

Work noted in my 2020 report to deal with dampness in the Chapel still remains to be done.

Possible Future Work

Chris Arnold has suggested the possibility of widening the terrace to make it more suitable for accommodating outdoor events, together with the construction of an awning structure over to make it more weatherproof. This could be made into a fundraising project. The planned removal of the planters at each end of the terrace could be made part of this work as steps could be incorporated here to make access possible from each end. This would greatly facilitate performances held on the terrace.

Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance

Throughout the period of restrictions FoHCT have maintained regular gardening sessions. These have been by invitation only, to limit the number of participants as required by prevailing restrictions. The efforts of the volunteers involved have resulted in the Churchyard and GoR remaining in good shape to accommodate the heavy use made of them during past year. Many compliments have been received, particularly in relation to the beautiful appearance of the GoR.

FoHCT have developed the Tree Planting Project in conjunction with Alex Fraser, Haringey’s Tree and Nature Conservation Manager. A number of trees have been lost and more are to be felled by the Council for H&S reasons. Native species trees have been selected and suitable locations identified. The first stage of planting is planned for the next autumn/winter planting season. One of the trees will be a replacement of the Rowan planted in memory of Fr. Geoffrey Seabrook, which sadly died.

We have been approached again by St Mary’s School to work with them to involve the children in gardening in the churchyard. This is on hold until restrictions are lifted, but we are very keen to start this collaboration as soon as possible. We have suggested that the children could start the ball rolling by planting seeds in pots for subsequent transplanting in the Churchyard and GoR.

FoHCT have applied to Keep Britain Tidy for an eleventh successive granting of the Green Flag Community Award. This necessitated revision of the FoHCT Management Plan, which has to be submitted as part of the application. Each year, the criteria set out by Keep Britain

Tidy becomes stricter and increasing effort is needed to gain it. Of particular importance are matters which affect the decision that are the Council's responsibility. These include: the state of the paths, which are deteriorating; the street lighting; dog fouling; litter, and bin emptying.

It is still necessary for FoHCT volunteers to carry out regular litter picking in the very heavily used Churchyard and GoR. Its proximity to the High Street with its many take-away food and drink outlets results in a considerable quantity of cans, bottles and take-away food cartons being discarded. We are particularly concerned that much of this litter is nonbiodegradable plastic.

Following a number of meetings in 2018 with Council Officers, convened by Cllr. Elin Weston, the Council's 'Management Plan for Hornsey Churchyard' was completed except for the inclusion of one appendix, 'Possible External Grant Funders', to be added by the Council. Two appendices were added, by the Church and FoHCT. The former being 'Definition of Faculty Jurisdiction' and the latter 'The Role of the Friends of Hornsey Church Tower'. A section was also added to be signed by Haringey and the PCC to ratify the agreement. Despite many requests made by Fr. Bruce to the Council to get this matter resolved, we still wait for confirmation that the missing section has been added by the Council and that the Council has agreed to sign the document.

Possible TfL funding noted in my 2019 report to improve the cycle path running through the Churchyard has not materialised.

Health & Safety

Due to Covid restrictions FoHCT has not been involved with the H&S inspections undertaken during the year. However, I have agreed with Richard Hodges that we will go through the reports submitted to check what is identified as needing attention.

FoHCT has added supplementary sections to their Management Plan to cover Covid 19 requirements. These are implemented in FoHCT activities as relevant.

At a fire safety meeting on 20 September 2018 with Andy Maloney (Hornsey Fire Station) we requested a check be made to see if a fire appliance could be brought into the Churchyard and then if it could enable people to be rescued from the roof. The Churchyard entrance is not quite wide enough for a fire engine to gain access easily but is wider than the actual width of fire engines, including aerial ladder platforms. It should therefore be possible to gain access. There was also confirmation that the LFB has equipment able to rescue people from the roof of the tower if necessary, but there would be a problem if that equipment could not be placed near enough to the Tower to be effective. We have been informed that Fire and Rescue Services in the United Kingdom use Integrated 4 Risk Management Plans (IRMPs) to determine how they will respond to emergencies. Guidance for heritage buildings and structures is available on Communities website:

<http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/fire/doc/940468.doc>.

and:

<https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/fire-safety-for-traditionalchurch-buildings/>

FoHCT suggest that contact is made again with our local fire station to see if an IRMP can be drawn up for the Tower.

Future Events

At this time it is still not possible to make definite plans for future events. We do, however, hope that it will be possible to have a socially distanced outdoor Open Day in the not too distant future, and that the twice delayed Towers and Turrets Tour will be possible in 2022, together with other usual events.

Summary of Matters for PCC Consideration

1. The items listed in the most recent Quinquennial Report
2. The 'Condition Report and Proposed Remedial Works' made by FoHCT in 2017 and submitted to the PCC.
3. Support for the proposal for an external store.
4. The need for internal storage, in the chapel.
5. Support for the proposal for external lighting.
6. Resolution of fire engine access requirements, including rescue from the roof.
7. Decisions on what should be done in response to H&S reports requirements and recommendations.
8. Churchyard Management document to be completed by Haringey and signed on behalf of both Haringey and the PCC.
9. Encouragement to more of those associated with St Mary with St George to become Friends of Hornsey Church Tower and, if possible, to become actively involved.

Conclusion

A steady income from 'The Intimate Space' Tower Chapel lettings organised by Chris Arnold is relied on to provide funds needed to maintain the Tower. The Covid 19 restrictions over the past year has paused the previously increasing use of the Tower. We confidently expect that the use will gain momentum again following lifting of these restrictions. The last year has also confirmed the importance of the Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance in their own right, not least to the Church for the outdoor services that have proved so successful. Both Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance are important to future activities in the Tower. The FoHCT is an organisation with a very limited number of active members. We would be grateful if every effort could be made to encourage more of those associated with St Mary with St George to become Friends of Hornsey Church Tower and, if possible, to become actively involved. Increased membership would also add much needed funds. The FoHCT is now in its 31st year of existence. We all need to ensure that the FoHCT can continue to assist looking after the Tower, Churchyard and Garden of Remembrance. For this, a larger active membership is required.

Peter Sanders

Chair: FoHCT

(A Membership Form is attached to the end of the reports)

PCC Secretary's Report

PCC Meetings and Business

The PCC met 5 times during 2020-2021: 7 May 2020, 10 October 2020, 25 November 2020, 17 February 2021 and 21 April 2021. All the meetings were by video conference, in compliance with national guidelines.

As well as routine PCC business, such as finance, fabric and safeguarding, there were discussions on a number of topics and planning of events affecting the parish listed below.

- COVID-19 pandemic and HPC responses to Diocesan and Government instructions, including relevant resolutions.
- The HPC 60/60 Project (detailed report above, p46) and in particular agreeing on various progress steps and approving expenditure;
- Fundraising (detailed report above, p44);
- Loving Creation – development and approval of the Loving Creation Charter and agreeing improvements to our ecological footprint (detailed report above, p.40);
- The Archdeacon's Visitation in September 2020;
- Inclusion with the establishment of the A Place to Belong Inclusion Working Party to look at and make recommendations on access to our various buildings (detailed report above, p44);
- Appointment of Sidespersons which is now the responsibility of the PCC following clarification of the Church of England rules;
- Staffing matters covering:
 - appointment of our new curate, Mthr Mitzi James;
 - arrival of a new Pastoral Assistant, Phil Jury, to replace Lucy Emanuel;
 - appointment of Ed Hughes as Music Director;
 - appointment of Ricardo Williams as interim admin assistant;
 - management of our Church Hall (following the death of our Hall Manager) and use of the hall for the Haringey Foodbank Hub;
 - funding for our youth worker, Nina Saint;
- Approving a procedure for dealing with reporting data breaches under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR);
- Various administrative actions including review and improvement to the office computers;
- Faculty applications for minor works at St Mary's Tower;

More information about the routine topics is given in relevant sections of this Annual Report.

I am grateful to the clergy team and the other church officers for their support, cooperation and efforts in managing and progressing PCC business.

This is my last report as PCC Secretary as I stand down at the 2021 APCM.

Stephen Driver
PCC Secretary



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Held on Sunday 11 October 2020

The meeting was held virtually in accordance with COVID-19 pandemic guidelines. **28** people from the congregation were present.

Note that the meeting had to be postponed from its original scheduled date of 26 April 2020 because of the national lockdown.

First Meeting: Vestry and Parishioners' Meeting

1. Appointment of Chairman of the Meetings

The meetings were chaired by the Rector, Father Bruce Batstone. There were apologies from Vanessa Dunham, Richard Hodges, Paul Little and Lesley Mathew who were unable to attend.

2. Appointment of Clerk to the Meetings

Stephen Driver was appointed Clerk and proceeded to take the Minutes of the Meetings.

3. Election of Churchwardens

Debbie Langdon-Davies is standing down having completed her five years of office as Churchwarden, the standard duration. Fr Bruce offered thanks to for her excellent service. He had a huge appreciation of her generous service, noting her leadership on Health and Safety, on Safeguarding, quiet support of him as Rector and in the past few months her tireless work and support over the pandemic. He also thanked her family for their support of her when devoting so much time to the well-being of the church.

He also offered thanks to Richard Hodges, completing his third year as Churchwarden, for his tireless work for the church, particularly his care for the fabric of our buildings. Ian Blaney is stepping down as Associate Churchwarden and Fr Bruce thanked him for his good support, common sense and support of the running of the Church Hall and the Hall Manager.

Annie Perkins has been nominated as Churchwarden: proposed by Kelyn Bacon Darwin and seconded by Roger May. Richard Hodges has also been nominated: proposed by Phil Jury and seconded by Naomi Malone.

Richard Hodges and Annie Perkins were duly elected to serve as Churchwardens for a fourth and first year, respectively.

Fr Bruce welcomed Annie to her new role and thanked her for her commitment. She is to be Chair of the Development Group.

Richard Williams was appointed as an Associate Churchwarden. It was noted that at present he is covering for Trevor Williamson as Administrator (part-time) for which he is being paid; this is noted in case of potential conflict of interest in the future.

The Vestry and Parishioners' Meeting was concluded

Second Meeting: Annual Parochial Meeting

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 28 April 2019 had been made available in the 2020 APCM Report Pack. The Minutes were agreed (proposer Annie Perkins and seconder Grace Readings) and were signed by Fr Bruce. They are available on the church website.

2. Presentation of the Electoral Roll by the Electoral Roll Officer

The Electoral Roll report had been prepared by Vanessa Dunham, Electoral Roll Officer, and circulated ahead of the meeting. This was an update to the one issued in the Annual Report. There are 118 members on the Electoral Roll (compared to 102 in 2019). The Electoral Roll will reopen immediately after the APCM. Father Bruce expressed thanks to Vanessa for her sterling work over the years on maintaining the Electoral Roll. She has stated she wishes to relinquish the role before the next complete revision of the Electoral Roll; this is scheduled for 2025. She will continue making the marriage returns for the time being.

3. Presentation of the Annual Report

Fr Bruce thanked everyone who had submitted reports on the business and activities of the parish. He also thanked Stephen Driver for organising and assembling the Annual Report, especially under the difficulties of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Annual Report had been published in early June; copies were made available to the congregation, one week in advance of the meeting, both on the Church website and in hard copy. An updated Electoral Report had also been circulated.

The Financial Statements of the Annual Accounts for 2019 were also available with the Annual Report. The PCC had adopted the accounts at its meeting on 15 July 2020.

Fr Bruce thanked the Finance Panel for its work on supervising the parish finances and on achieving finalisation of the 2018 accounts to the required timetable. He thanked all those who had given their time and talents to achieve this.

The meeting adopted the Annual Accounts for 2019.

Fr Bruce updated the meeting on notable matters in the six or so months since the original postponement of the APCM.

- He thanked the Ministry Team for all of its work during the lockdown and since in support of parishioners and other vulnerable people in the parish. They had also made good use of technology for maintaining contact, for meetings and for leading prayers and services on-line.
- He noted the publication of the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA). He was pleased over our robust safeguarding processes and their development over the past few years and with the way the team has led by example, implementing standards and procedures and helping train everyone in safeguarding.

- St Mary's Tower has continued to be used for ministry and outreach in the parish. Intimate Space has provided support for local artists and musicians over the summer, providing a safe performance and exhibition space.
- He thanked the Friends of Hornsey Church Tower (FoHCT) for their care and support of the Tower and the Churchyard. He is pleased that Councillor Adam Jogee, Mayor of Haringey for 2020/21, has chosen the FoHCT as one of the charities to support during his term of office.
- The Open Air Eucharist has been successful and will continue while the weather and light holds. It will then restart around Easter 2021.

4. Questions relating to the reports or any aspect of church life

The meeting was satisfied with the reports and Fr Bruce's update. There were no questions.

5. Elections

5.1 Deanery Synod

Fr Bruce reported that Bishop Rob has reorganised the Deanery Synods in the Edmonton Area. They are being aligned with council boundaries. So the East and West Haringey Deanery Synods will merge into a single Haringey Deanery Synod.

The number of representatives we are allocated on the Deanery Synod is based on our Electoral Roll. For the next three years this is one. Fr Bruce thanked Annie Perkins, Lesley Matthew and Patricia Brown for their service on the Deanery Synod.

Nina Saint was nominated by Ian Blaney and seconded by Patricia Brown. She was duly elected as a member of the Deanery Synod for Haringey for the next three years.

5.2 Nomination of PCC members

Fr Bruce explained that elected PCC members serve for three year terms with around one-third being elected each year; after a term of office there was usually a fallow period of one year before someone could be re-elected.

He thanked the retiring members Angus McIndoe, Mari-Wyn Burley and Lotti Wander for their service. Angus also needed thanks for his work on the church sound system. Mari-Wyn had shown her effectiveness by always being ready for meetings and to ask appropriate challenging questions in the PCC. Lotti has carried out sterling service as Treasurer and as she is willing to carry on in this important role will be co-opted on to the PCC. Lotti is also considering the succession plan for the role.

There were vacancies for three members of the PCC. The following nominations had been received:

Ian Blaney	(proposed: Nina Saint	seconded: Pam Seabrook)
Lesley Matthew	(proposed: Jean Ruskin	seconded: Eddie Griffith)
Richard Williams	(proposed: Patricia Brown	seconded: Cliff Eldred)

The above were duly elected, to serve for three years.

For information, the following were previously appointed to the PCC and their terms of office expire in the year indicated: 2021: Chris Arnold, Michael Baker, Stephen Driver, Cliff Eldred and Cynthia Gooding; 2022: Elle-Mae Netherton, Grace Readings, Jean Ruskin and Sue Westbrook.

The Wardens, the Member of the Deanery Synod and the Rector were also members of the PCC with full voting rights.

There was also the possibility to co-opt two further people to become a member of the PCC, if necessary. One of these positions is to be offered to Lotti Wander so that she can continue in her office of Treasurer.

5.3 Request for Volunteers on the Rotas

Fr Bruce thanked all the volunteers for their important work. There has been a hiatus in many of the volunteering duties as a result of the pandemic. It is hoped the rotas can be reactivated in the coming months. At present welcoming, reading and prayers are being done on an ad hoc basis. Paul Little has now volunteered his services.

Volunteers are always welcome for the various rotas: coffee, flower arranging, sound system, and other important rotas. Rotas are managed using ChurchDesk.

5.4 Appointment of an independent examiner of accounts

Beatty & Co had been appointed external examiner for the accounts in 2017. The meeting confirmed continuation of the appointment.

5.5 Any other business

No items of other business were raised.

The Meeting concluded with the prayer led by Fr Bruce

Note that the newly elected Parochial Church Council will meet on 14 October 2020.

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IMMEDIATELY / NEXT 1 APRIL * **For applications made between 1 April and 31 December delete 'NEXT 1 APRIL'*
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This instruction cancels any previous order in favour of the 'Friends of Hornsey Church Tower'

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1. You can cancel this declaration at any time by informing the Membership Secretary.
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**ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH
COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report to the Members on my examination of the financial statements of St. Mary with St. George, Hornsey, Parochial Church Council (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Members of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

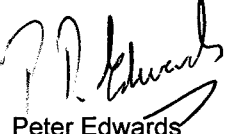
Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



Peter Edwards
Independent Examiner

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Dated: 25/5/21

ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £	Restricted funds 2019 £	Total 2019 £
Income from:							
Donations and legacies	3	63,686	17,409	81,095	63,064	19,457	82,521
Charitable activities	4	74,972	1,770	76,742	81,151	1,910	83,061
Investments	5	78	3,262	3,340	26	3,160	3,186
Total income		138,736	22,441	161,177	144,241	24,527	168,768
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	6	3,392	3,000	6,392	4,515	-	4,515
Charitable activities	7	220,791	17,791	238,582	175,564	21,367	196,931
Total resources expended		224,183	20,791	244,974	180,079	21,367	201,446
Net gains/(losses) on investments	10	-	7,476	7,476	-	17,352	17,352
Net movement in funds		(85,447)	9,126	(76,321)	(35,838)	20,512	(15,326)
Fund balances at 1 January 2020		233,892	251,307	485,199	269,730	230,795	500,525
Fund balances at 31 December 2020		148,445	260,433	408,878	233,892	251,307	485,199

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	11		111,136		112,416
Investments	12		116,197		108,720
			<u>227,333</u>		<u>221,136</u>
Current assets					
Debtors	14	2,158		6,364	
Cash at bank and in hand		238,921		276,104	
		<u>241,079</u>		<u>282,468</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(59,534)		(18,405)	
Net current assets			181,545		264,063
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>408,878</u>		<u>485,199</u>
Income funds					
Restricted funds	16		260,433		251,307
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	17	71,381		140,802	
General unrestricted funds		77,064		93,090	
		<u>148,445</u>		<u>233,892</u>	
			<u>408,878</u>		<u>485,199</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Members on 21/4/21

B. Batstone

Fr. B. Batstone - Chairman

ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

St. Mary with St. George, Hornsey, Parochial Church Council is a religious charity governed by the provisions of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 and by the Church Representation Rules..

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's trust deed, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a true and fair view. This departure has involved following the Statement of Recommended Practice for charities applying FRS 102 rather than the version of the Statement of Recommended Practice which is referred to in the Regulations but which has since been withdrawn.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of freehold properties and to include investment properties and certain financial instruments at fair value. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the Members in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

1.4 Income

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

1.5 Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to that category. Expenditure is recognised where there is a legal or constructive obligation to make payments to third parties, it is probable that the settlement will be required and the obligation can be measured reliably. It is categorised under the following headings:

- Costs of raising funds only applicable where there is a special appeal
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the running of the church and church hall; and
- Other expenditure represents those items not falling into the categories above.

Grants payable to third parties are within the charitable objectives. Where unconditional grants are offered, this is accrued as soon as the recipient is notified of the grant, as this gives rise to a reasonable expectation that the recipient will receive the grants. It is not the practice of the charity to award grants that are conditional on performance.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Leasehold land and buildings	5% Straight Line
Fixtures and fittings	20% Reducing Balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year.

1.7 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs, and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.8 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

1.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

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1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.10 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.11 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the charity is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

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2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the Members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2020	2020	2020	2019	2019	2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	46,285	1,601	47,886	63,064	-	63,064
Legacies receivable	14,000	-	14,000	-	-	-
Performance related grants	3,401	15,808	19,209	-	19,457	19,457
	<u>63,686</u>	<u>17,409</u>	<u>81,095</u>	<u>63,064</u>	<u>19,457</u>	<u>82,521</u>
Donations and gifts						
Standing orders and envelopes	33,641	-	33,641	34,231	-	34,231
Other donations and gifts	1,885	-	1,885	12,503	-	12,503
Flagpole donations	347	-	347	-	-	-
Gift day collections	10,412	-	10,412	1,085	-	1,085
Sundry donations and appeals	-	-	-	12,282	-	12,282
Winter Night Shelter Donations	-	1,601	1,601	2,171	-	2,171
Other	-	-	-	792	-	792
	<u>46,285</u>	<u>1,601</u>	<u>47,886</u>	<u>63,064</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>63,064</u>
Legacies receivable						
Gabrielle Rowley	10,000	-	10,000	-	-	-
Valerie Foulis	4,000	-	4,000	-	-	-
	<u>14,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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3 Donations and legacies

(Continued)

Grants receivable for core activities

St. Mary's C.E School (Greig Trust)	-	14,000	14,000	-	13,333	13,333
Friendly Hand	-	1,808	1,808	-	-	-
Hornsey Parochial	-	-	-	-	6,124	6,124
Listed Place of Worship	401	-	401	-	-	-
Haringey Council	3,000	-	3,000	-	-	-
	<u>3,401</u>	<u>15,808</u>	<u>19,209</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>19,457</u>	<u>19,457</u>

4 Charitable activities

	Charitable Activities 2020 £	Charitable Activities 2019 £
Charitable rental income	17,680	17,680
Other income	59,062	65,381
	<u>76,742</u>	<u>83,061</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	74,972	81,151
Restricted funds	1,770	1,910
	<u>76,742</u>	<u>83,061</u>

5 Investments

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
C.B.F. Income Shares	-	3,262	3,262	3,160
Interest receivable	78	-	78	26
	<u>78</u>	<u>3,262</u>	<u>3,340</u>	<u>3,186</u>
For the year ended 31 December 2019	<u>26</u>	<u>3,160</u>		<u>3,186</u>

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6 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£
<u>Fundraising and publicity</u>				
Staging fundraising events	3,392	-	3,392	3,915
Other fundraising costs	-	3,000	3,000	600
	<u>3,392</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>6,392</u>	<u>4,515</u>
Fundraising and publicity	3,392	3,000	6,392	4,515
	<u>3,392</u>	<u>3,000</u>	<u>6,392</u>	<u>4,515</u>
For the year ended 31 December 2019				
Fundraising and publicity	<u>4,515</u>	<u>-</u>		<u>4,515</u>

7 Charitable activities

	Charitable Expenditure 2020	Charitable Expenditure 2019
	£	£
Staff costs	20,709	24,584
Depreciation and impairment	1,820	1,816
Directly relating to the work of the church	214,613	169,091
	<u>237,142</u>	<u>195,491</u>
Share of governance costs (see note)	1,440	1,440
	<u>238,582</u>	<u>196,931</u>
Analysis by fund		
Unrestricted funds	220,791	175,564
Restricted funds	17,791	21,367
	<u>238,582</u>	<u>196,931</u>

8 Members

None of the Members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

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9 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2020 Number	2019 Number
	4	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Employment costs	2020 £	2019 £
Wages and salaries	20,709	24,584
	<u>20,709</u>	<u>24,584</u>

During the year the Parochial Church Council (PCC) employed a lay worker, a church hall manager, a book-keeper and a cleaner: none of whom were paid £60,000 a year or more. No member of the PCC has received emoluments or has been reimbursed expenses for services as a member of the PCC.

10 Net gains/(losses) on investments

	Restricted funds	Restricted funds
	2020 £	2019 £
Revaluation of investments	7,476	17,352
	<u>7,476</u>	<u>17,352</u>

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11 Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold land and buildings £	Fixtures and fittings £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 January 2020	136,092	3,019	139,111
Additions	-	540	540
At 31 December 2020	136,092	3,559	139,651
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 January 2020	25,749	946	26,695
Depreciation charged in the year	1,298	522	1,820
At 31 December 2020	27,047	1,468	28,515
Carrying amount			
At 31 December 2020	109,045	2,091	111,136
At 31 December 2019	110,343	2,073	112,416

12 Fixed asset investments

	Listed investments £
Cost or valuation	
At 1 January 2020 & 31 December 2020	108,720
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2020	108,720
At 31 December 2019	108,720

13 Financial instruments

	2020 £	2019 £
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss	116,197	108,720

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14 Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	1,830	4,700
Prepayments and accrued income	328	1,664
	<u>2,158</u>	<u>6,364</u>

15 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2020	2019
	£	£
Payments received on account	9,333	9,333
Trade creditors	7,098	4,276
Other creditors	14,801	939
Accruals and deferred income	28,302	3,857
	<u>59,534</u>	<u>18,405</u>

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16 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 January 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Revaluations, gains and losses	Balance at 31 December 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Catechist Funds	238,749	3,262	(1,298)	7,476	248,189
Field Property	18	-	-	-	18
The Rev. Geoffrey Seabrook Memorial Fund	1,606	-	-	-	1,606
Friendly Hand - Angel Fund	5,109	1,808	(3,000)	-	3,917
Urban Quiet	854	1,770	(892)	-	1,732
Hornsey Parochial Charities	4,971	-	-	-	4,971
Greig Trust (St. Mary's C.E. School)	-	14,000	(14,000)	-	-
Other	-	1,601	(1,601)	-	-
	<u>251,307</u>	<u>22,441</u>	<u>(20,791)</u>	<u>7,476</u>	<u>260,433</u>

- Hornsey Parish Catechist Funds are held in connection with the Church of England (registered charity No 260693) and were amalgamated with the Parish Hall Charity under a Schedule of the Commissioners dated 8th August 1986 and comprises funds from the sale of St. Mary's Church Hall. The capital is permanently endowed to provide land and buildings for the use of the Church of St. Mary with St. George in the Parish of Hornsey, and currently consists of the curate's flat and shares in the Central Board of Finance. The income is to be used for general purposes. The London Diocese Fund is the custodian trustee. The members of the PCC are the managing trustees.
- The Church Field Ecclesiastical Charity (registered charity no 260694) is governed by a scheme dated 5th June 1953. The capital is permanently endowed and the income is to be used to maintain and repair the fabric of the church. The members of the PCC are the managing trustees.
- The Reverend Geoffrey Seabrook Memorial Fund comprises donations made towards the cost of acquiring and installing a pyx in memory of the Reverend Geoffrey Seabrook.
- Friendly Hand have provided funds for Christian Youth Activities. Funds given in previous years remain in the Angel Fund.
- Urban Quiet consists of funds raised through remuneration to the current incumbent for teaching and training duties undertaken. Income is to be used for clergy training and development and for the support of retreats and spiritual direction for members of the congregation.
- Hornsey Parochial Charities have provided funds in order to help the acquisition of an electric piano for the Kindle choir.
- The Greig Trust, via St. Mary's C.E. School provides a grant to support the salary costs of the parish's Lay Schools Worker.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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17 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

Balance at 1 January 2019	Resources expended	Balance at 1 January 2020	Resources expended	Balance at 31 December 2020
£	£	£	£	£
169,654	(28,852)	140,802	(69,421)	71,381
169,654	(28,852)	140,802	(69,421)	71,381

In 2016 St. Mary with St. George Hornsey Parochial Church Council (PCC) was left 1/6th of the Estate of the late Mr. John Tibbit which amounted to £262,223. The PCC has agreed that this should be a designated fund, split as follows:-

- £10,000 to be used as an ongoing memorial to John Tibbit and his ministry and
- The balance to be designated as a Parish Development Fund, for the development of the ministry and when approved by the PCC, for future maintenance of the ministry development.

In 2017 work commenced on a development project, Hornsey 60/60, and the PCC agreed to use money from the John Tibbitt Legacy to fund initial works, up to and including a planning application.

18 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted 2020 £	Restricted 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Unrestricted 2019 £	Restricted 2019 £	Total 2019 £
Fund balances at 31 December 2020 are represented by:						
Tangible assets	2,091	109,045	111,136	2,073	110,343	112,416
Investments	-	116,197	116,197	-	108,720	108,720
Current assets/ (liabilities)	145,669	35,876	181,545	231,819	32,244	264,063
	147,760	261,118	408,878	233,892	251,307	485,199

19 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2019 - none).

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS OF ST. MARY WITH ST. GEORGE, HORNSEY, PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

I report to the Members on my examination of the financial statements of St. Mary with St. George, Hornsey, Parochial Church Council (the charity) for the year ended 31 December 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the Members of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act. In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

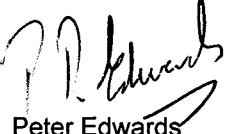
Your attention is drawn to the fact that the charity has prepared financial statements in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has now been withdrawn.

I understand that this has been done in order for financial statements to provide a true and fair view in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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Dated: 25/5/21