THEPAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WELLINGTON SOMERSET

England & Wales · Charity number 1159809

Details

Other names	ST JOHN'S PCC WELLINGTON
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2015-01-06
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

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Activities

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

Activities: Regular public worship open to all. Pastoral Work, visiting sick and bereaved Provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation Teaching and promotion of Christianity, including taking school assemblies. Church Mission through events, meetings and activities for senior citizens, parents, toddlers and other special needs groups. Supporting other charities in the UK and overseas.

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Classification

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

Geography

- Somerset

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£142,714	£140,720	-	-
2023-12-31	£109,071	£108,904	-	-
2022-12-31	£143,903	£152,577	-	-
2021-12-31	£291,000	£270,000	-	-
2020-12-31	£388,316	£427,589	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Colin George Simpson	Chair	2023-10-05
Andrew Maddocks		2022-05-08
Christine Mary Hayes		2024-05-05
Diane Donohue		2022-05-08
JUDITH ANN DUFOUR		2020-11-09
Joanne May Leigh		2023-05-14
John Kevin Massey		2025-05-04
Lenore Clarke		2022-05-08
Richard John Wallis Elloway BA		2025-05-04
William Owen Brown		2020-11-09

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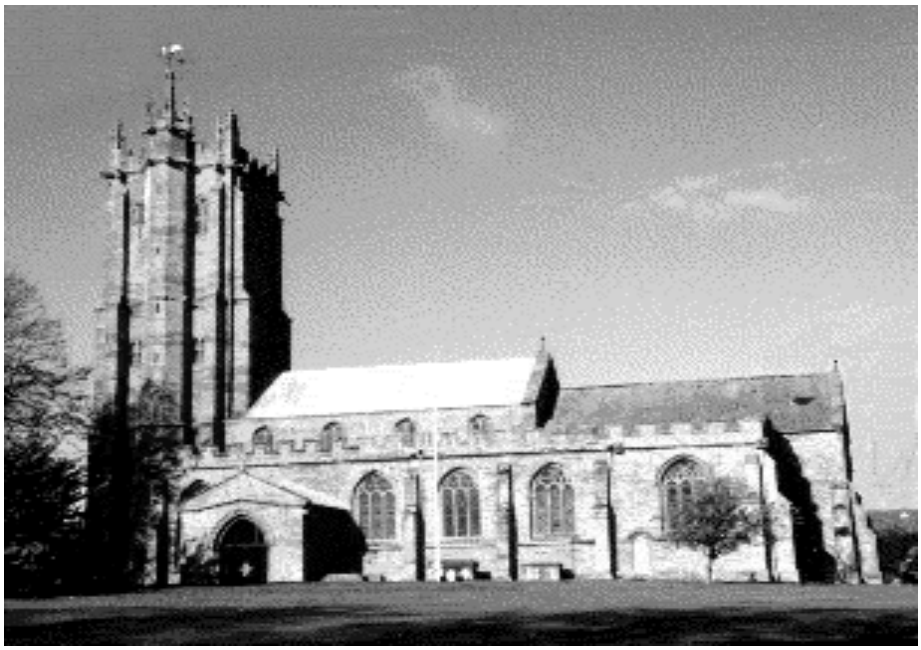
Accounts

The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Wellington



Annual Report for 2024

Priest in Charge:	**Reverend Colin Simpson**
Churchwardens:	**Andrew Maddocks** **Jo Leigh**
PCC Treasurer:	**Henry Richbell**
PCC Secretary:	**Sharon Chorley**

The Parochial Church Council and Church Officers

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music, and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:-

- Focussing on growing and nurturing the Christian community of St John, improving what we have in place at the moment, and building on what we do well
- Building St John's as a more visible Christian witness in Wellington by improving our existing links with the town and parish
- Being innovative within the town and parish, emphasising more social action, in these difficult current times
- Working with St John's Primary School, which is a church school

To facilitate our work, we must maintain the fabric of the Church.

There are three places for members of the PCC to sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. In 2024, we had two representatives, William Brown and Diane Donohue.

MEMBERS ON THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL IN 2024

NAME	POSITION	FIRST ELECTED
Rev'd Colin Simpson	Priest in Charge	Licensed October 2023
Andrew Maddocks	Churchwarden & Deputy Chairperson	May 2023
Jo Leigh	Churchwarden	May 2023
Henry Richbell	PCC Treasurer	May 2022
Sharon Chorley	PCC Secretary	Appointed May 2021
Judith Dufour	PCC Member	May 2022
Julie Morton	PCC Member	May 2022
Lenore Clarke	PCC Member	May 2022
Barbara Allen	PCC Member	May 2022
John Young	PCC Member	May 2023 (resigned Jun 2024)
Ciaran Clapham	PCC Member	May 2023 (resigned Jun 2024)
Marilyn Neale	PCC Member	May 2022 (resigned Jun 2024)
Christine Hayes	PCC Member	May 2024
William Brown	Deanery Synod Rep	April 2020
Diane Donohue	Deanery Synod Rep	May 2022

Martin Arthur

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St John the Baptist Parish Church, Wellington Somerset.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St John the Baptist Parish Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St John the Baptist Parish Church (Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

M J Arthur.

Martin Arthur
FMAAT, FFA, FIPA, FFTA, MIH, ACIE.
21st February 2025

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2024

The following accounts have been prepared on an Income and Expenditure basis and produce the following totals:

Total Income	142,713.55
Total Expenditure	140,720.35
Surplus for the year	**£1,993.20**

As detailed in the Income and Expenditure account.

Approved by the Standing Committee of the Parochial Church Council on: _____

And signed on its behalf by:-

_____ _____

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following two pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2024

		A	B	C	D
	Total Funds	**Current A/C NatWest**	**Restricted current A/C NatWest**	**Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF**	**Deposit A/C Restricted CBF**
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2024	66,701.93	1,142.24	47.38	1,003.82	64,508.49
Bank as at 31st Dec 2024	31,803.36	3,153.44	47.38	1,043.96	27,558.58
Nett movement of funds	**-34,898.57**	**2,011.20**	**0.00**	**40.14**	**-36,949.91**

St John the Bapist Income and Expenditure Account 2024

Income	
Regular Income	
Donation not in Church Service	3672.26
Offerings in Church Service	8075.44
Planned Giving	48181.50
PCC Statutory Fees	3724.00
Gift Aid Reclaim	14398.99
VAT Reclaim	842.67
Legacies	1000.00
Other Income	
Fundraising	4486.63
Sales	85.70
Interest	164.94
Lettings	13864.37
Concerts	1202.15
CBF Deposit Fund	39500.00
Hospitality In	3486.92
Flower Fund	103.70
Grants	-75.72
	142713.55

Expenditure	
Administration	
Bank Charges	370.85
Insurance	2712.69
Licences and Subsriptions	805.57
Telephone	1016.76
Office Running Costs	1228.25
Professional Fees	572.00
Buildings	
Grounds Maintenance	2166.00
Office Equipment	1117.89
Cleaning	2494.60
General Repairs	6694.03
Utilities	4071.76
Quinquennial Inspection	1215.00
General	
Learning Community	5483.78
Fundraising Costs	1505.46
Hospitality	2262.07
Mission	124.00
Service Costs	1112.75
Flowers	122.08
Gifts and Donations	0.00
PCC Expenses	0.00
Staff	
Clergy Expenses	2150.54
Salaries & Wages	13269.40
Income Tax and NI	1307.09
Pensions	1281.28
Parish Share	84266.00
Organist	3370.50
Fees	0.00
	140720.35

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens 2024 and the Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2023 of the Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Wellington held on Sunday, May 5th at 11.00 a.m. 2024

Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens

(This meeting was open to all residents in the parish and those on the Electoral Roll)

The meeting started at 11.00 a.m. and Colin began with a prayer.

1. **The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners which took place on Sunday, May 14th 2023** had been circulated before the meeting. There were no objections so the minutes were accepted as a true record.
2. **Election of Churchwardens.** Colin had received two completed nomination forms for the post of two Churchwardens which had been properly proposed and seconded. These were from Andrew Maddocks and Joanne Leigh. There were no objections to this. Colin was happy to announce that they were duly re-elected.
3. **Chairman's Remarks.** Colin thanked Andrew and Jo for the support that they have given him since he arrived in October and also for their continuing service.

This concluded the Annual Meeting of Parishioners

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2023

(Only those present that are on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote)

1. **Apologies** were received from Barbara Allen, John and Angie Massey, Ken and Christine Winhall, Ann and Martyn Hooper, Judith Dufour, Jane and Adrian Exell, Andrew Norris and Fiona Brown.

2. **Minutes of the APCM of the 14th May 2023** were sent out before the meeting and there were no matters arising for these. Colin asked that they be accepted as a true record of the meeting and signed them.

3. **Presentation of the Electoral Roll**. 3 people have been added – Richard Elloway, Valerie Nuttall, and Diana Smith, 5 people died – Margaret Bowen, Pamela Elloway, Frank Figg, Daphne Swan, and Joy Grant, 3 people moved away – Grahame and Alison Woodward, and Patricia Short. Total is now 140, was 145. Maralyn Norman was thanked for her work as Electoral Roll Officer.

4. **Presentation of the Annual Parish Report**. The Annual Report contains the Annual Accounts and reports on the activities, including safeguarding, the fabric, and the inventory. Colin said that he would take it section by section to see if anyone had any questions.
   Churchwarden's Report – no questions. Andrew wanted to let people know that the Quinquennial is taking place in June.
   Occasional Offices – no questions.
   Sacristan Report – no questions.
   Intercessions – no questions. Colin asked for his thanks to be recorded to those who offer their contributions to this each week, whilst not diminishing his thanks to all.

Prayer Ministry – Diane Donohue said that she thought the prayer ministry offered is too public and asked if we could have a screen. Alison Norris thought this might be a safeguarding issue to which Colin replied that we could just have the person receiving the prayer behind the screen.
Church Flowers – no questions. Lenore asked for Julie Morton to be added to the list of people who help.
Midweek Communion – Colin wanted to record his thanks to Ian Brierley for leading this valuable service each week.
Care Home Communion Group – Diane Donohue said that she has offered to help with this but no one has got back to her.
St John's Churchyard – Colin said that we need to look into having the flag pole base removed, this had been highlighted as a trip hazard on the recent insurance visit.
Pastoral Companions – no questions. Colin said that he would arrange another opportunity for the companions to meet soon.
Concerts – no questions.
Hall bookings – Tessa stated that the Warm Spaces session is no longer held on a Friday morning but on a Friday lunchtime instead.
Fairs – Lenore said that only the two fairs which had been held in the church were mentioned but two had also been held in the hall.
Talking Café – Maggie wanted to tell everyone how much she and others value attending the talking café each week.
Babies and Toddlers – Ciaran said that we need more volunteers to help with this and this should be advertised outside St John's, maybe with Churches Together.
Tea@3 – a couple of people mentioned that this had been cancelled the last two times. Sharon said that this was due to lack of volunteers so Colin asked for more volunteers to come forward.
Warm Spaces – no questions.
Women's Refuge – no questions.
Foodbank – James asked to stress that demand is increasing at the Foodbank and our donations have never recovered to the extent that they were before covid when giving was put on hold.
Bible Reading Notes – no questions.
Morning Prayer – Colin asked to record his thanks to Ian and those who come to this.
Open the Book – no questions.
School Chaplain – Colin said that Helena does a wonderful job and we should encourage her work with our links to the school.
Bellringing – Diane Donohue asked if the bellringers could play a tune instead of just ringing. Colin explained that we only have 5 bellringers so this would be impossible as you would need a team of about 12. He asked if anyone would like to learn a new skill, they should let the churchwardens know. Christine Hayes wanted to record her thanks to the bellringers as she loves to hear the bells.
Tone Deanery Synod report – no questions
Safeguarding Report – Colin said he will be offering safeguarding training sessions in the church now that he has completed the 'Train the Trainer' course.

Thank you – Colin asked to record his thanks to everyone without whom the church couldn't operate, from those making the tea to others offering prayer.

5. **Finance** – Colin realised that we hadn't discussed finance yet and asked if anyone had any questions about the figures included in the annual report. Someone asked what 'other income' was, Henry replied that this was money from refreshments offered at various activities. Jackie Buttrick asked what the Learning Community Fund covers. Colin replied that there is very little left in this but the PCC would be looking at this. He then asked Henry for his comments.
Henry said that we need to generate more income as last year we were £10,000 short on our parish share and this year we are already shorter than that. Colin explained that we need to pay our parish share as the Diocese runs at a loss of £1.8m a year and lost a quarter of its staff last year. We have been trying to fund our ministry rather than pay the parish share but this can't go on for much longer.

William Brown said that the next round of the Diocesan consultation on the Parish Share is taking place in Taunton and people need to attend this. Patrick Clarke asked Henry if he had a figure in mind of what people should give each month. Henry replied that the figure given by the Diocese is £600 per person, per year so £50 per month. The Church of England recommends that people give 5% of their disposable income i.e. the money people have left after paying all of their bills and necessary monthly expenses. This will, of course, differ from person to person.

6. **Election of Officers.**
   a. *Electoral Roll Officer* – Maralyn Norman was very happy to continue this role.
   b. *Tone Deanery Synod* – no nominations for Synod additional people.
   c. *Elections to Parochial Church Council* – Colin said that he had received a nomination form, properly proposed and seconded, for Christine Hayes. She was duly elected as there were 3 spaces available. Two other people had expressed an interest in joining the PCC however they had not been on the Electoral Roll for the required period of at least 6 months.

7. **Appointment of Independent Examiner** – Martin Arthur was happy to continue this role, there were no objections.

8. **Any other business**
   Diane Donohue asked how long you have to be on the Electoral Roll in order to join the PCC, Colin replied the rules on the form state 6 months. Richard Elloway asked if this makes sense when there are gaps on the PCC and people want to join but Colin said it's not a rule that he can waive, it's a CofE rule.
   Diane Donohue asked about lack of parking at the church for people needing access to park when they have disabilities. Colin agreed that this is a problem and a challenge that the fabric and churchyard working group are already looking into.
   Shirley Rayson asked if we are going to have a full-time organist. Colin replied that the PCC decided at the last meeting to have organists on a rota to give us flexibility for when they have other commitments.
   There were no other questions.

9. **Chairman's remarks.** Colin wanted to record his thanks to all of the retired clergy – Alison, Andrew, James, Stephen and Ian. He thanked them for their ministry and their support. He also wanted to thank the people of St John's for their welcome, hospitality and commitment, it is a joy to be here.

10. Colin ended the APCM with the Grace.

PCC Meeting

(A brief meeting of the PCC took place after the APCM with just the PCC members)

Colin asked if Henry was happy to continue as Treasurer. He was and there were no objections.

Colin asked if Sharon was happy to continue as PCC Secretary. She was and there were no objections.

The date of the next meeting was set for Tuesday, 25th June at 7.00 p.m.

Sharon said that she would email a proposal for future dates of meetings to all PCC members.

The meeting concluded at 1.00 p.m.

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the Church of England Churches of West Buckland and Wellington

A Year in Review

As I look back and reflect on my first full year as your parish priest, it strikes me as remarkable to think of all that we have achieved in 12 short months.

At the end of a long period without a priest, churches and the people who love them are often tired. People have to be found to complete the many things that happen unnoticed and the uncertainty surrounding the recruitment of a new incumbent weighs heavily on all involved. This is what I found when I arrived in October 2023. People were pleased to see me, but the relief brought with it a recognition of how hard the communities of our two churches had been working through the vacancy.

Since my first Christmas with you I have seen this hard work at first hand and my overwhelming emotion is one of gratitude for your continued efforts on behalf of the Kingdom of God. Thank you for not thinking 'we have a priest now, he can get on with it' but sharing in the joys and challenges of our common life together.

During this past year we have had our moments, and I have been deeply saddened by some of the things that have happened and things we no longer do. Although this often happens when someone new joins an established team, it has been a difficult time and I hope we can heal our wounds and grow from our experiences.

One thing that I have noticed growing throughout 2024 is a certain positive energy. It has come into our worship, your engagement with the 'Tea with the Vicar' exercise, some of the fruits of which you may have already seen and should see more around you at the APCM, and the willingness of people to join in with all manner of tasks. If I start to mention one or two, I am guaranteed to leave someone important out, but I hope you realise that I see what you have been doing, and I thank you for it all.

Our life as Christian communities continues to have its challenges, and there is much still to do, but as we worship and pray, study the scriptures and reach out in service to our community, that positive energy, even the Holy Spirit, will lead us to even greater things as we discern our Way with Christ together.

Every Blessing, Colin

The Reverend Colin G Simpson

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Churchwardens' report

BUILDINGS AND CHURCHYARD

Fabric

The mandatory Quinquennial Survey and Report took place in June and was carried out by Jonathan Rhind Architects, Rumwell, Taunton.

The report was received in December. It found that, in general, the state of the church building did not cause immediate concern. A copy of the report has been available for inspection in the noticeboard racks next to the Office. The Architect did identify aspects that should be attended to in the next two-year period, others that should be addressed in the following three and five-year periods. There are enormous cost implications.

We were already aware of certain water ingress problems, and to some extent, we have been able to act on these ourselves, such as maintaining the water channels to the drains and the drains themselves. It has been necessary to bring in specialists to clear our roofs and hoppers of tree debris, which is particularly bad in autumn months from the trees in the churchyard. We are advised that the roofs of the church should be cleared of debris twice a year.

On the advice of the architects, a specialist company was engaged in surveying and reporting on the drainage system that is entirely dependent on soakaways built many decades ago. The report found the soakaways were inefficient due to blockages. The soakaways were systematically flushed. Again, the report on the drainage finding is available in the church.

The so-called 'Choir Vestry', next to the library and corridor, has long been used as a storage facility only. This has been due largely to the dampness from the outside wall, where it has been regularly drenched with rainwater. The external hopper and downpipe were incapable of coping with the increasingly heavy downpours we have been experiencing. In early February, a specially designed water deflector was added to the problem area, and this appears to have substantially improved the situation. The wall is beginning to dry out, and in the not-too-distant future, we hope that the internal conditions will allow the room to be redecorated and be a space useful for other things, such as meetings.

Security

Care of our church has long involved considerations surrounding security. The roof is alarmed with a 24-hour reporting system. Several incidents have necessitated a review of personal safety. A new Panic Alarm system has been installed, and consideration has been given to upgrading our ageing CCTV system. We invited a local security expert to survey our locks and our present CCTV.

Insurance

Our Church insurers asked to examine our insurance policy by visiting the church last Spring. They were generally happy with our attention to the requirements of the policy, but made several detailed recommendations.

Churchyard

The long and overgrown edge between the church hall and the neighbouring housing was eventually cut back by a contractor in the most appalling weather in December.

The grass cutting has been maintained by Wellington Town Council, and help was given by their grounds team in cutting back the foliage around the gravestones on the east boundary wall.

The memorial beds have been extended and maintained, and together with the bushes and foliage between the Hall and Church, thanks to our own brilliant team under the leadership of John Morton. The same team saw the fruition of their marathon daffodil-bulb planting task and wilding area during last Spring.

Some pruning was also carried out on the smaller trees, and work was needed to make safe several branches on the larger trees resulting from storm-damaging winds last winter.

Maintenance

Many acts of DIY have taken place on doors and cupboards by skilled individuals among our church members. To them, we extend our thanks and appreciation.
To all those who attend monthly cleaning sessions, and to Patrick Clarke who clears our rubbish bins for his weekly trip to the Recycling Centre, a big, big 'thank you' on behalf of all church members.

ACTIVITIES

2024 has seen some very positive progress with the regular church activities. Warm spaces secured a grant from Wellington town Council to allow them to continue their valuable service for another winter with the purchase of additional soup making machines, and attendance has increased. Our thanks go to Lois and Roger Webb and their team of volunteers for the hard work they put in to make this a fantastic provision.
Talking café is also growing in its success with many more people attending each week. They offer a vital service to the community, offering a safe space for people to come and chat, discuss their problems, and find support when things are troubling them over a cuppa and some biscuits. Thanks go out to all the volunteers who give up their time for this, lending support, being a listening ear, but never judging anyone.
Tea @3, held once a month, run by Judith Dufour, has developed into a well-supported and greatly enjoyed time.
The first Saturday of each month has now become Clean and Coffee time, when a merry band of volunteers come together to make sure the church is clean and tidy. Colin with his extended feather duster, Andrew with the trusty drain cleaners, Patrick with his paint, and many others with their dusters and polish, clean and dust for two happy hours sustained by cake and coffee. It's a great opportunity to do something practical for everyone of all abilities. Seated, standing, or up ladders. We have jobs for everyone, young and old.

Throughout the past 12 months, we have seen many coffee mornings and fairs. These are always well attended with the cake stall, Bric a Brac, and craft stall, a firm favourite for all. The funds raised are a very welcome addition to the church finances, and the events are loved by everyone. There is so much hard work that goes into the organisation of these events, and our thanks go to Lenore Clarke, Sue Rackley, and the many bakers who make the wonderful cakes and treats on sale. There is a waiting list of stall holders wanting space at future events, and we are hopeful that these will continue to be on the events calendar for the forthcoming year ahead.

Musical Events

Andrew Maddocks has arranged many events this last year, Recitals, choral events, and social gatherings. All have been much appreciated and well attended. It is his passion for music and fantastic organisational abilities that make these such a success, but the hard work that goes on behind the scenes often goes unnoticed. A huge thank you goes to Andrew for his tireless dedication to the church and its wider congregation. He is well on the way to arranging the next program of events, and we are all very excited to see what he will offer us this year.

On a sad note, 2024 saw the end of the Toddler group, which had been running since the end of Covid. This was a hard decision to make, but with insurance and the necessary legislative hurdles that need to be jumped to run such a service, it was not something that we felt was possible to be continued. The new St Johns Vision for the future will hopefully give more opportunities to reach out to the wider community in the coming years, and we will definitely be looking at where the church can best support the local community in other ways and it is likely that children and young people will be a focus of our ongoing mission, but this may not be in the ways we have previously worked. It is an exciting time for us all, and we are really looking forward to supporting more people in the community around Wellington.
Jo Leigh and Andrew Maddocks
Churchwardens

Annual Treasurer's Financial Report 2024

The accounts have been duly examined, and the examiner's certificate is attached to this report.
On first glance, the accounts seem to be reasonable in that the bottom line shows a surplus of £1993.20 for the year, but this is far from the truth. In order to pay our parish share in full, we have had to use £ 39,500.00 of our savings.
If we compare 2023 and 2024, our regular income has little difference between the years, other than the fact that in 2024, we reclaimed some VAT under the Listed Places of Worship scheme, and we received a small legacy. In addition, we were able to catch up with the Gift Aid money.
With regards to what we call Other Income, the big difference was lettings, which were significantly down due to the health visitors relocating to the town library. In addition, we did not get any grants during the year, which further reduced our income. All other areas were slightly up in 2024, which is encouraging.
If we look at expenditure in the various categories:
Administration was only up by normal price inflation, and the vacancy costs we had in 2023 did not appear in 2024.
Buildings had a significant increase in that we had grounds maintenance costs in 2024 that we didn't have in 2023, mainly due to the hedge cutting that was necessary. Likewise, we had our Quinquennial undertaking, which increased the costs in the area.
General expenditure was higher in almost every area, but this was something we expected.
Staff costs were as expected, but we caught up with our tax liabilities after considerable difficulties getting the HMRC to give us online access. In the end, we settled the bill manually. Again, and as expected, we saw a significant increase in clergy expenses as Reverend Colin settled in.
As stated earlier, our savings took a hammering in order for us to fully pay our parish share and are now at the level where we would not be able to cover the shortfall in 2025 if normal incomes remain at 2024 levels.
Henry Richbell
Treasurer

Reports from various church activities

Occasional Offices

In 2024, we had 7 baptisms, 2 weddings, 13 funerals in church, 9 funerals at the crematorium, and 3 burials of ashes in the memorial garden. There has been a trend towards people going to the crematorium and not having a church funeral service in recent years; however, this year that seems to have changed, with more funerals taking place in church. More people are getting married at licensed venues rather than in church.
Sharon Chorley

Sacristan Report

The Sacristan duties are the responsibility of Jennie Wilson and Sue Rowley, who, together with Lenore Clarke, oversee all the Vestry jobs. These are done on a weekly basis and incorporate the laundering of the altar cloths, maintaining the candles by filling with oil, changing the wicks, etc., and re-ordering the wafers used for Holy Communion. Lenore takes responsibility for changing the high altar frontals, the Lady Chapel altar cloth, and looking after the servers' robes.

Since last year's report, there have been a few changes in the Vestry. The furniture has been changed around to facilitate better manoeuvrability for the serving team and to improve access to the clergy vestments and servers' robes. The very old, frayed curtains screening the cupboard have been replaced with fresh curtains, and the ancient candles have been replaced with new, modern ones, which are easier to maintain.

The serving duties are carried out by Lenore, Patrick, Lois, Diane, Fiona, and Iris, who do an excellent job and ensure that our Sunday Communion services run smoothly. Our thanks and appreciation go to them all.
Sue Rowley and Jennie Wilson

Intercessions

We are presently a group of five who lead the intercessions Sunday by Sunday at the 9.30 am service. On behalf of the congregation, we bring the everyday situations of the world into the presence of God.
Judith Dufour

Prayer Ministry

We are a small group who believe in the power of prayer and who are available each Sunday in the Lady Chapel after the service to listen and pray with those who ask for prayer. It may be for themselves or for friends and family for whom they have a concern. We pray over the names of all those who have been listed on the prayer board. All are welcome, and it is confidential.
Judith Dufour

Church flowers

We have a fairly small band of people who manage to decorate the Church beautifully on special occasions i.e. Easter, Harvest, Christmas, and Weddings. The flowers for these are all paid for with the money donated by members of the congregation.
At other times, we use the beautiful silk flowers which have been donated. We would welcome new people to join us.
Lenore Clarke

Midweek Communion

This ancient service of Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer 1662 continues to be said in our church on Thursday morning, continuing a tradition which goes back many years, I believe as far back as the early 1950s. It has only changed slightly in format for those many years, and still the enthusiastic congregation, slightly less than last year, something in the region of 22 people attend every Thursday, sometimes more. Coffee is served afterwards, and many stay and have a chat and catch up with news. We also support the Women's Refuge in Taunton with gifts and supplies, and we also support Link Hope with Christmas shoe boxes which go to Eastern Europe, this year to Ukraine. Do come and join us if you can, you will be most welcome.
Reverend Ian Brierley

Care Home Communion Group

On behalf of St John's, a dedicated and faithful team visit the Care and Nursing Homes around Wellington each month to lead worship. We hold a variety of services, ranging from Communion to Services of the Word, accompanied by songs and hymns. We are always struck by the power of a Christian memory; how a resident without sight can sing 'Praise my soul the King of heaven'; and how a resident unable to remember names and places can recite the Lord's Prayer. If requested, we visit individuals in their rooms, to share prayer and conversation and to offer prayers at the end of life. Ministry in care home environments is challenging and full of surprises and the unexpected, so do pray for those who exercise this valued ministry. We encourage residents and staff to keep growing in their faith or to find faith for the first time. And we would all say that our faith has grown through this ministry as we always leave blessed and our lives enriched by those we worship with.
Reverend Canon Stephen Bowen

St John's Churchyard Report

The Memorial Beds have been regularly tidied up and maintained. One of the beds has been extended by 2 metres. The hedge at the rear of the churchyard has been reduced in height and trimmed. The shrubs in the shrubbery have been cut back to a manageable size. The paths and patio adjacent to the hall have been weeded and tidied up. The driveway has been cleared of tree debris and leaves as and when necessary. The wildflower area is still a work in progress.
Julie Morton

Pastoral Companions

A number of "Companions" are each responsible for a small group, keeping in contact, sending birthday cards and visiting as and when needed. We are at the moment working to refresh and relaunch the Pastoral Companions to make sure everyone is included and no one is forgotten.
Judith Dufour

Concerts and Events

Concerts and Events by organisations hiring the church:

- Wellington Choral Society
    - November 30 Requiem Mass - Mozart
    - March 29 Oratorio: Elijah - Mendelssohn
- Wellington Film Festival
    - April 5 & 19

- Blackdown Community Choir
    - July 11
    - December 5
- Somerset Youth Orchestra and Somerset Youth Concert Band
    - July 23 & 24
- Wellington Silver Band Concert
    - December 6
- JW3
    - December 14
- Collegium Singers
    - December 16
- Blackdown Early Music Project
    - August 24

Charity

- Pamela Elloway Memorial Concert
    - April 6

Concerts and Events promoted by St John's

- An Evening with Hazel Prior the author
    - July 12
- Duo Correa (flute & guitar Colombian music)
    - October 12
- Fairs and Coffee Mornings
    - Coffee June 22; November 16
    - Fairs Autumn; Winter February 15

Special Sung Services

- Patronal Festival Evensong sung by In Ecclesia
    - June 23
- Parish Candlelit Carol Service with the Wellington Silver Band
    - December 17
- Service of Nine Lessons and Carols sung by The Popham Voices
    - December 23
- Choral Evensong sung by In Ecclesia
    - January 12

Special thanks:
All the Stewards who helped to welcome the audiences
Sue Rackley, Lenore Clarke, Jo Leigh, Andrew Maddocks for Management
Sharon Chorley for Administration
Andrew Maddocks

Hall bookings

St John's Hall and church bookings have been going well this year, generating a good sum of money for the church. Sadly, we lost a regular booking from the Health Visitors in September as they moved to brand new council-funded facilities. This left a big hole in our finances as they had used the church three days a week. However, new groups are starting to enquire, and we now have a regular Slimming World Group as well as occasional block bookings from the local NCT Group and a diabetes care group. Other local groups use the hall now and then, such as the Wellington Twinning Association or Wellington Choral for their AGM.
Sharon Chorley

Coffee Mornings

We had two fundraising coffee mornings in 2024 in the hall at St John's. The first was held in June and had a gardening and plant theme. The second was held in November and had a Christmas theme. There were a number of stalls at both of them for which people donated things, baked cakes, and made craft-themed gifts. Volunteers from the congregation helped to organise the day and man the stalls. Both were very well attended by church members and people from the wider community. Over £1000 was raised at each one, bringing in vital funds for the running of the church.
Lenore Clarke

Fairs

St John's hosted one Spring Fair in April 2024. It was well supported, and we raised an amazing £1350. We have improved the marketing of these events, and we also have a reliable and efficient team who volunteer to set up and serve on the day. We have no expenditure to deduct because we have 10-12 stallholders who pay £10 per table, and this money buys various provisions for the refreshment stand and hot food. Also, we offer £10 towards ingredients for 4 main bakers, and any left over goes into the takings. These events are great fun, and everyone pulls together. I think it would be a good fundraiser for the church to host at least 3 of these per annum.
Sue Rackley

Talking Café

The Tuesday morning Talking café continues to go from strength to strength. We regularly have upwards of 25 customers. It has developed into a real community where people come to find friendship and support as well as refreshments and information. Some even find the confidence to join us for church services, which is a real bonus. We continue to serve “good” coffee, tea, and biscuits. Recently, people have been bringing cakes when it is their birthday – a real treat. We have Moyra to gently play the piano in the background, including Happy Birthdays! We did try to have a sing-song once – it did not end well, but we had fun!
We still have the Village Agent to give support and advice on any topic - Jackie has developed good relationships with our regulars. At the end of 2024, a new initiative was introduced – The Spark Café. This is run by Dave, who is available to give advice and help to those who do not have access to digital devices or need a little extra help to get online and deal with things such as Blue Badge Applications or the NHS App. We also have representatives from the Job Centre, Nick, and Nicky, who come to us every few weeks. They give advice about employment and benefits.
Some of our customers have been referred to us from the local doctor’s surgeries. I love the idea that talking café is on prescription!
We have had one major change this year. Unfortunately for us, we said goodbye to Dee in December. Dee had been leading Talking Café for a while and felt that it was time to retire. She has done an amazing job, and we thank her for her dedication, leadership, and service.
On a very sad note, we have lost two of our regular customers – Paul, who was an amazing inspiration to all of us, died of a stroke, and Barry, who passed away after a tragic accident. Both sadly missed.
Looking forward to 2025 – We are facing a reduction in our funding from CCS (the organisation that funds the Village Agents), because of their own funding cuts. ASDA, who provided our milk and biscuits, no longer have a Community Fund so have withdrawn their support. We will need to look for alternative funding sources, but we will keep going!

Finally, Talking Café could not run without the dedication and commitment of its volunteers. Thank you to everyone who has given up their time to make this such a successful, enjoyable, and special time of the week. As always, we are looking for more volunteers. If you feel you would like to join the team, please speak to Sandie or one of the other volunteers.
Sandie and the Talking Café Team.

Tea@3

This was established as we came out of the Covid lockdown to promote the rebuilding of friendships and conversation over tea and cake. It still continues to flourish on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month, September to June, in the Hall and is a welcoming space not only for Church members but also for the wider community.
Judith Dufour

Warm Spaces

This season, we continued our sessions from 12 pm to 2 pm every Friday, providing a Soup lunch with cake and coffee. We have had lots of new faces coming in regularly and staying for the full two hours.
This has enabled us to have conversations with them over the five months that we have been meeting.
We have a great team that enables us to share preparation, kitchen duties, and sitting and talking to people.
There is always a hum of conversation going on, and the atmosphere is warm and friendly.
I would like to say a personal 'thank you' to all our volunteers, for their commitment and willingness to help and their concern for those we have served, as well as those who have helped us with making sure we have the supplies we need. We are hoping we can be back in November 2025 for another session of Warm Space.
Lois Webb

The Women's Refuge

We have continued to support the Refuge throughout this past year. They are extremely grateful for all the donations we have been able to deliver. Donations have come from various other sources, including the Inner Wheel of Wellington and other people decluttering, as well as ourselves.
The need is ever-increasing as ladies find themselves seeking refuge for numerous reasons.
Good quality household items are always needed as they leave the refuge when they are safe and are re-housed. Please continue to give this very important charity your full support. Thank you very much
Lenore Clarke

Foodbank

The need remains significant and pressing. Stocks in the Taunton warehouse of the Trussell Trust are as low as they have been for a number of years. St. John's as a church community has contributed hardly anything for more than a year now; it is to be hoped that some contributions are being made at collection points in the main supermarkets in Wellington.
Each week, on average, some dozen or more people are being fed through the Wellington branch, and it remains the case that most of the volunteers are active members of the different church communities in Wellington. If you would like to join us please see James Bradnock.
James Bradnock

Bible Reading Notes

For many years, members of St. John's have found regular Bible reading notes helpful.
Bible Reading Fellowship publish various notes three times a year and everyone would find something to suit them, whether it's regular or large print copies of ' New Daylight' or editions of ' Bible Reflections for older people' amongst others.
C.W.R. have produced a hardback copy of 366 daily readings to replace their bi-monthly booklets.
If you would like to see copies of what is available, please let me know and I can let you see some samples.
Tessa Bradnock

St John's School chaplain

Thank you for all your support and your prayers as the exciting work at school continues. Please do read the children's reports on the noticeboard in church or my longer version.

Pupil Chaplains

- Regular weekly sessions: stories, prayer, Bible activities, preparation for events
- Presenting stories in assembly, e.g. Two Builders
- Acting the story of Daniel for reception class
- Helping with school services in church
- Preparing and delivering tea party for the elderly in church hall
- New cohort of 12 in September; training with Mike Haslam, commissioning
- Visiting the Old Vicarage to tell and sing the Christmas story

Reception class and year 1

- Godly Play sessions: creation, Noah, Abraham, the Good Shepherd
- Visit to church about baptism
- Interactive Easter story in class

Year 4

- Story of Zacchaeus and salvation
- Introduction to Easter
- Easter Experience in church

Year 5

- Sessions on incarnation, the birth of Jesus and of St John the Baptist

Year 6

- In-class version of the Easter Experience
- Transition sessions using *It's Your Move* booklet

General

- Whole-school day on the Two Builders story: hosting creative prayer room
- Attending training with staff on spirituality in school
- Preparing for and being in school during SIAMS inspection (September)
- Attending meetings of the school ethos group
- Being available to chat
- Meeting with Colin to review work

Helena Power

Bellringing Report

The bells at St. John's continue to regularly welcome people to Sunday morning worship, weddings, and other special occasions thanks to the successful 'team' of ringers. We had several visiting teams of ringers throughout the year, including some from North Curry, Taunton, and Winkleigh in Devon.
There is still plenty of room in our group, so if anyone wishes to join us, please contact me.
David Grabham

Tone Deanery Synod Report

There were Tone Deanery Synod meetings in February. May and October in 2024.

Personnel Changes/Election of Officers

The Deanery said farewell to Revd Alan Ellacott, team vicar, Wellington Team Ministry and Revd Martin Walker, Rector of Wivey and the Hills. And welcomed Revd Colin Simpson as vicar of the new benefice of Wellington and West Buckland), Revd Suzy Kirkham as incumbent of Deane Vale benefice and Bradford-on-Tone and Nynehead and Revd Andy Barton as incumbent of West Tone benefice.
Sue Levinge became the Synod Treasurer.
Dilly Bradley, William Brown, Tony Setter, Martin Valuks and Suzy Kirkham were elected to the Deanery Pastoral and Mission Group (DMPG) joining the Area Dean Helene, Lay Dean Charles, Secretary Sarah and Treasurer Sue.
Revd Colin Simpson was unanimously elected as the Clergy rep on Diocesan Synod and William Brown, Dilly Bradley and Charles Doble were re-elected as Lay Reps for the Deanery.

Major Discussion Topics

Early in the year, there was discussion about the shortcomings of the Stats for Mission and how it failed to reflect and understand our churches, their roles in the community, and the outreach that is done.
Discussion around the proposal to change from a Parish Share to a Benefice Share was a big topic of conversation during 2024. Synod members were urged to attend consultation meetings along with other PCC meetings, although many felt that the consultation was perfunctory. There were many concerns expressed about the new system, which was due to come into place in 2025. Actions suggested for PCCs included staying in touch with consultation process, getting involved with *Save the Parishes* (www.savetheparish.com), working on a cultural change to giving and discipleship. In the last meeting of the year, disappointment was expressed that figures payable for the Benefice had not been received.

Mandatory safeguarding training and using the Safeguarding Dashboard was another dominant issue. The Diocesan Safeguarding team have introduced a “Train the Trainer” scheme so that in-person training can be offered to small groups, which is particularly helpful for those for whom online training is too challenging. Concern was expressed that people may step down from leadership roles rather than do the training.
An inspiring talk on Growing faith with children, young people and families from Andy Levett and Helena Power (Schools Chaplain in Wellington and Rockwell Green) in the final meeting of the year shared lots of ideas of what is possible when working with young people and their families
Andy made two ‘offers’ of support from himself/the Go Team:

The Growing Faith conversation cards – a free resource for PCC discussions (one pack per parish)
The offer of a follow up visit from Andy to facilitate a benefice wide conversation.

The Synod agreed to support The Home Service on 10Radio with a £60 donation towards promotional materials.
Sarah Messenger

Safeguarding Report

Diocesan News

In March 2025, it will be the turn of Bath and Wells to be audited by the INEQE Safeguarding Group. The audit is part of a national programme, commissioned by the Archbishop’s Council, to conduct an intensive and comprehensive review of safeguarding at each diocese and cathedral in the Church of England. This has led to a busy year across the diocese and within parish safeguarding teams. Bishop Michael says, “These audits have been beneficial in other dioceses by providing valuable insights into safeguarding practices and ways to further improve them.” The diocese continues to be a great source of help and advice, and someone from the team has always been available throughout the year when I have needed to contact them.

Parish Dashboard
In his Ad Clerum, Bishop Michael advised that the use of Safeguarding Dashboards is now diocesan policy and must be completed by all parishes. I have been continually updating ours online and have found it a useful tool to keep up with safeguarding legislation. Our dashboard is currently 91% complete, so still a work in progress, but we are fairly up to date.

Training Update
It is now a requirement for all PCC members to complete Basic Awareness, Foundation, and Domestic Abuse Awareness safeguarding training. Most PCC members have completed both of the first two levels and most have completed the final one. Colin has provided training sessions in the church hall for PCC members and other volunteers to do this. He will be setting up more sessions through 2025 to try and provide all of the necessary training. I will also encourage those who can complete the sessions online to do so however, some do not have access to a computer.

Safer Recruitment
I have continued to safely recruit new volunteers to activities at St John's. Some of the activities that were in place have sadly closed this year due to a lack of leaders and volunteers.
Safeguarding continues to be an item on every PCC agenda, where I'll ask if anyone has any concerns about anyone or questions about safeguarding. This makes sure that we continually monitor our safeguarding situation. This is a huge part of caring for everyone who participates in our church, either as members of the congregation, visitors to church, people attending groups or volunteers who help us every day. Thank you to everyone for continuing to help make this possible.
As always, if anyone has any questions or concerns, I'm here to help so please contact me.
Sharon Chorley, Parish Safeguarding Officer stjohns.wellington@googlemail.com 01823 665254

And finally

*The reports above are from people who have taken leadership roles in our church, but many others do little jobs quietly in the background, so a big **THANK YOU** to all.*

THEPAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WELLINGTON S

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Accounts

The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Wellington

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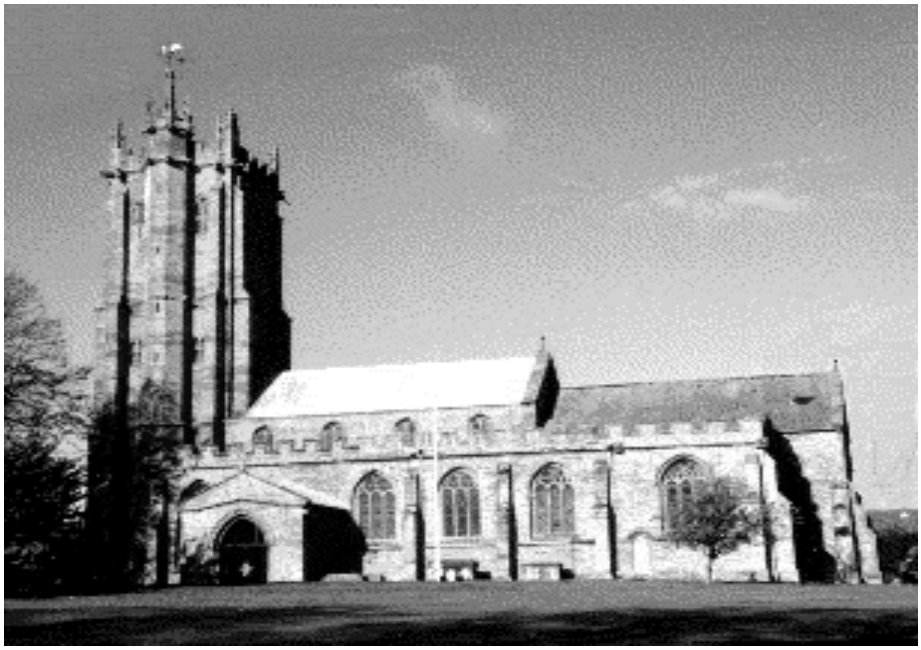

Annual Report for 2023

Priest in Charge:	**Reverend Colin Simpson**
Churchwardens:	**Andrew Maddocks** **Jo Leigh**
PCC Treasurer:	**Henry Richbell**
PCC Secretary:	**Sharon Chorley**

The Parochial Church Council and Church Officers

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:-

- Focussing on growing and nurturing the Christian community of St John, improving what we have in place at the moment and building on what we do well
- Building St John's as a more visible Christian witness in Wellington by improving our existing links with the town and parish
- Being innovative within the town and parish, emphasising more social action, in these difficult current times
- Working with St John's Primary School, which is a church school

To facilitate our work we must maintain the fabric of the Church.

There are three places for members of the PCC to sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. In 2023 we had two representatives, William Brown and Diane Donohue.

MEMBERS ON THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL IN 2023

NAME	POSITION	FIRST ELECTED
Rev'd Colin Simpson	Priest in Charge	Licensed October 2023
Andrew Maddocks	Churchwarden & Deputy Chairperson	May 2023
Jo Leigh	Churchwarden	May 2023
Henry Richbell	PCC Treasurer	May 2022
Sharon Chorley	PCC Secretary	Appointed May 2021
Sue Rackley	PCC Member	May 2021
Judith Dufour	PCC Member	May 2022
Julie Morton	PCC Member	May 2022
Lenore Clarke	PCC Member	May 2022
Barbara Allen	PCC Member	May 2022
John Young	PCC Member	May 2023
Ciaran Clapham	PCC Member	May 2023
Marilyn Neale	PCC Member	May 2022
William Brown	Deanery Synod Rep	April 2020
Diane Donohue	Deanery Synod Rep	May 2022

Independent examiners certificate

Martin Arthur

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St John the Baptist Parish Church, Wellington Somerset.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St John the Baptist Parish Church
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St John the Baptist Parish Church (Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

M J Arthur.

Martin Arthur
FMAAT, FFA, FIPA, FFTA, MIH, ACIE.
6th March 2024

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2023

The following accounts have been prepared on an Income and Expenditure basis and produce the following totals:

Total Income	109,070.56
Total Expenditure	108,904.17
Surplus for the year	**£166.39**

As detailed in the Income and Expenditure account.

Approved by the Standing Committee of the Parochial Church Council on: 27 Feb 2024

And signed on its behalf by:-

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following two pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2023

		A	B	C	D
	Total Funds	**Current A/C NatWest**	**Restricted current A/C NatWest**	**Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF**	**Deposit A/C Restricted CBF**
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2023	70,556.22	975.85	112.98	972.64	68,494.75
Bank as at 31st Dec 2023	66,701.93	1,142.24	47.38	1,003.82	64,508.49
Nett movement of funds	**-3,854.29**	**166.39**	**-65.60**	**31.18**	**-3,986.26**

St John the Bapist Income and Expenditure Account 2023

Income	
Regular Income	
Donation not in Church Service	5300.89
Offerings in Church Service	6936.50
Planned Giving	48682.17
PCC Statutory Fees	2095.00
Gift Aid Reclaim	8385.53
VAT Reclaim	0.00
Other Income	
Fundraising	3577.09
Sales	41.63
Interest	86.36
Lettings	17013.00
Concerts	1182.10
CBF Deposit Fund	6000.00
Hospitality In	3977.14
Flower Fund	183.32
Grants	5609.83
	109070.56

Expenditure	
Administration	
Bank Charges	341.57
Insurance	2550.41
Licences and Subsriptions	884.28
Telephone	1183.70
Office Running Costs	953.12
Vacancy Costs	753.23
Professional Fees	526.90
Buildings	
Grounds Maintenance	0.00
Office Equipment	662.50
Cleaning	2358.50
General Repairs	6108.20
Utilities	3302.58
Programmes	
Learning Community	7186.09
Fundraising Costs	97.66
Hospitality	1648.82
Mission	288.90
Service Costs	411.41
Flowers	37.86
Gifts and Donations	66.90
PCC Expenses	0.00
Staff	
Clergy Expenses	156.13
Salaries & Wages	12445.80
Income Tax and NI	0.00
Pensions	1290.86
Parish Share	63068.75
Organist	2580.00
Fees	0.00
	108904.17

Surplus/(Deficit for Year) **£166.39**

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens and the Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2022 of the Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Wellington held on Sunday, May 14th 2023 at 11.00 a.m.

Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens

(This meeting was open to all residents in the parish and those on the Electoral Roll)

Meeting started at 10.55 am with a prayer from church warden Christine Winhall (CW).

2 parts to this meeting.

1. **Meeting of parishioners and election of church wardens**
2. **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

The first part is open to anyone resident in the parish.

Minutes from last year's Election of Churchwardens meeting – Lenore Clarke (LC) proposed, William Brown seconded. Majority in favour.

Election of church wardens – Andrew Maddocks (AM) and Jo Leigh. No need to vote as only two applications for the two posts. CW declared them as new church wardens.

AM presented a speech praising CW's 6 year service as church warden at St John's, followed by flowers from LC and a thank you card from the congregation.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2022

Part 2 of meeting – apologies from Dean and Jane Bowden, David and Julie Banham, James and Ciaran Clapham, Ken Winhall, Giles and Barbara Godber, Ann Fry, Jackie Buttrick, Sue Rackley, James and Tessa Bradnock, Sharon Chorley.

Minutes from last year's APCM. Julie Morton proposed acceptance, seconded by William Brown

Matters arising from last year– Sylvia Waymouth asked about bumps in the drive – it is now fixed.

Lenore Clarke asked about the mess in the church hall and surrounding areas last year – improvements now made by being more tidy and organised with big plastic containers holding items like toys, angel obelisks and electrical items. Managed to reorganise the choir vestry. The churchyard has more defined area for wilding.

Finance – always flagged up. But a finance sub-committee has been organised to raise awareness for the congregation.

So, we have dealt with most of the questions raised last year.

Presentation of the electoral roll by Maralyn Norman. 145 on electoral roll last year. 9 names have been removed. 7 deaths and 2 people moved away. And 9 new names have been added so the number stays the same.

Presentation of the Annual Parish Report including reports on the fabric and inventory. Available in the office to peruse. Included in the report are summaries of what people are doing.

Christine Winhall opened the floor for questions, reminding parishioners it was a good year. Sylvia Waymouth praised Christine for her work and said it had been a happy year.

Election of Electoral Roll Officer – Maralyn Norman continues with the role and supported and much appreciated by parishioners in attendance.

Elections to the PCC. This year Kieven Yim, John Massey and Fiona Brown are leaving after their 3 (4 year because of COVID) years of service. Thank you from Christine Winhall for their service. 3 spaces available with 2 filled by John Young and Ciaran Clapham. Unanimous approval from the floor.

Election to the Deanery Synod. This year is the new triennium for the Deanery, so fresh people have to be appointed. 2 places filled – William Brown and Diane Donohue. Unanimous approval from the floor.

Appointment of Independent Examiner/Auditor. Henry Richbell, St John's treasurer proposed that Martin Arthur to be auditor again next year with seal of approval from the floor.

Any Other Business

Christine Winhall says a big thank you to all PTO colleagues. 2 of whom are present at the meeting Rev Andrew and Alison Norris. All have helped tremendously. End is in sight with hopefully a new incumbent will come in very soon. Also a big thank you to Martin Kirkbride who looked after us in 2022.

Andrew Norris remarked that Christine has done an amazing job for St John's. Privilege to serve, it has become a happier place and taking St John's to a better place in the future.

He closed the meeting with a prayer.

Meeting finished at 11.20 am.

Annual Report from the Priest in Charge

This short report covers the period from my licensing in St John's on 5th October until the end of the church year on 31st December 2023.

My abiding memory of the first few months of my time with you is the Spirit-filled welcome that both Sandie and I received as we moved to minister among you. At the licensing service itself there was a palpable feeling of the presence of the Holy Spirit infusing the service and the hospitality afterwards with joy. This continued in the succeeding months, and we would both like to thank you all for your individual and collective part in that welcome.

My ministry to date has been focussed on getting to know and understand the two parishes and presiding over significant festivals and celebrations. I have been privileged to preside at several funerals and our time together at Christmas, when we played host to so many people for whom church is not a regular part of their life, was a time filled with hope for the opportunities we are going to have to 'Live and tell the Story of Jesus' in the coming years.

It has already become clear that within the parishes (and the wider deanery) there is a need for the healing of past wounds, being open about their causes and remedies, and agreeing a way of being a church that minimises the risk of these things happening again. This is unlikely to be very easy, but I am looking forward, in the months and years to come, to spending time together thinking about our places in the church and our community, (individually as people and in each parish but also as a benefice) in the hope of developing a shared understanding of our roles in the service of God and the communities which surround us.

The welcome I have received and the dedication and commitment of the members of the congregations in the benefice give us a strong base from which to grow into our stated aim of 'Sharing Joy and Hope in our communities'.

With Every Blessing for our future together,

Colin

The Reverend Colin G Simpson
Priest-in-Charge, St Mary, West Buckland and St John the Baptist Wellington

Churchwarden's report

Changes

Christine Winhall stepped down at the last APCM after holding the position of Churchwarden for six years and handed the reins to Andrew Maddocks and Joanne Leigh. Interim Team Rector Martin Kirkbride's term came to an end, and we began the process of finding a full-time Minister. The recruitment process took us to October when we held the Licensing Service for the Reverend Colin Simpson as Priest-in-Charge of the proposed new Benefice of St John's and St Mary the Virgin, West Buckland. It is hoped that soon His Majesty the King will confirm the establishment of the Benefice. Despite Bishop Michael being unable to conduct the Licensing Service on health grounds, it was a most joyous occasion with the Hosting team laying on a fantastic spread for everyone afterwards.

Buildings and Churchyard

There were no building works carried out in 2023 but we did have several large trees pruned that posed a hazard to the public footpath and a neighbour's grounds to the west of the church drive. Maintenance tasks such as testing of the lightning conductor, servicing of the various boilers for both heating and hot water, and testing the roof alarm have been completed. There have been some minor repairs to the security lighting, an upgrade of the Wi-Fi, and the installation of new display shelving for leaflets. An important survey was completed in January when an historic conservation company was asked to examine the roof area after several incidents of water ingress. The two-man team cleared enormous amounts of tree debris that were having a severe impact on the gutters and drainpipes to cope with rainwater dispersal. It is felt that regular inspections of the church roof and the dampness of the walls must now take place.
All works are recorded in the logbook, and this can be viewed upon request.

The Church Inventory

The church inventory has been checked and remains mostly unchanged from last year. We have purchased soup-makers for the Warm Space Team, some additional hot water flasks and a replacement kettle. New leaflet display stands have been sited near the office and the Wi-Fi system has been upgraded.
Much needed chairs with armrests and a chair storage rack have been purchased with a very generous donation from Christine Hayes.
With the help of the children from St John's Primary School and the planting work led by Julie Morton and the Churchyard Working Group, two thousand daffodil bulbs have been planted in the church grounds. These were kindly donated by David Dufour.
The full church inventory is kept in the office and is available for inspection upon request.
Jo Leigh and Andrew Maddocks
Churchwardens

Reports from various church activities

Occasional Offices

In 2023 we had 7 baptisms, 2 weddings, 4 funerals in church, 10 funerals at the crematorium and 5 burials of ashes in the memorial garden. There is a trend towards people going to the crematorium and not having a church funeral service. Also, more people are getting married at licensed venues rather than in church.
Sharon Chorley

Sacristan Report

The weekly Sacristan duties are the responsibility of Sue Rowley and Jennie Wilson who, together with Lenore Clarke, oversee all the Vestry jobs. Sue and Jennie's jobs incorporate responsibility for the laundering of the altar cloths, maintaining the candles by filling with oil, changing the wicks, etc., ordering the candle oil and the wafers used for Holy Communion and occasionally cleaning the silverware (candlesticks and crosses) for special services. Lenore organises changing the high altar frontals and Lady Chapel cloths as well as numerous other jobs including looking after the servers' robes, flower arranging, etc., to name just a few.
Since last year's report Lenore, Patrick, Fiona and Iris have continued their serving duties, in addition we are very pleased now to welcome Lois and Diane to the serving team. Our team of servers do a grand job and ensure that our Sunday Communion services run very smoothly, whilst Keith continues to carry out this job at the Thursday morning services. Our thanks go to them all.
Sue Rowley

Intercessions

We are a group of six who regularly lead prayers on a rota basis week by week. What are we doing? We bring the everyday situations of our world, its light and its darkness into the presence of God. On behalf of the congregation, we ask that he will soften the hearts and minds of those who have the power to shape His world. Where does our vision come from? We study the scriptures set for the day, the theme of the preacher, and follow the events of the week. Sometimes we are given the words we need, but it is never in our strength but in the strength of Him who leads us. There are many prayer book "helps" on which we can draw. Our aim? To express the voice of all God's children in St John's as we worship together week by week.
Judith Dufour

Prayer Ministry

We are a small Team who believe in the power of prayer and are available each Sunday in the Lady Chapel at the end of the service to listen and to pray with all who have a need, whether for themselves, a family member or a friend, or a situation. It is strictly confidential.
We pray over the names of all those who have been listed on the prayer board..
We pray before the service for those who are leading worship that God will speak through them to touch our lives, and for each person present that they may know God's love.
Judith Dufour

Church flowers

We are a small group of ladies from the church; Jean Kinch, Ann Fry, Joy McDermott, Jacquie Govier, Julie Morton and myself, who work to enhance the look of the church with suitable arrangements.
At certain times of the year, particularly Easter and Christmas, we ask parishioners to help by donating towards the cost of the flowers. At Harvest time we supply everything from our own gardens and the hedgerows. The rest of the year we make arrangements using fresh greenery and good quality silk flowers due to the cost of fresh flowers.
We would love it if other members of the church would come and join our happy band.
Lenore Clarke

Midweek Communion

This ancient service from the Book of Common Prayer 1662 has been said in our church for many years, I believe as far back as the early 1950s. It has only changed slightly in format for those many years and still, the attending congregation has not changed that much something in the region of 26 people attend every Thursday, sometimes more. Coffee is served afterwards and many stay and have a chat and catch up with news. We support the Women's refuge in Taunton with gifts and supplies and we also support Link Hope with Christmas shoe boxes that go to Eastern Europe, this year to Ukraine. Do come and join us if you can, you will be most welcome.

Reverend Ian Brierley

Care Home Communion Group

Alongside the weekly worship offered at St John's, a small and faithful team visit the Care and Nursing Homes around Wellington each month to lead worship. We bring a simple service of prayers and communion with traditional hymns to a group in their communal lounge. We are always struck by the power of a Christian memory; how a resident without sight can sing 'Praise my soul the King of heaven'; and how a resident unable to remember names and places can recite the Lord's Prayer. We also visit individuals in their rooms, if requested, to share prayer and conversation. There can be very real challenges faced by those leading worship in care home environments so do pray for our dedicated team who exercise this wonderful ministry. We encourage residents and staff to keep growing in their faith or, perhaps indeed, to find faith for the first time. And we would all say that our faith has grown through this ministry and we always leave blessed by those we worship among.

Reverend Canon Stephen Bowen

St John's Churchyard Report

During the past year the churchyard at St John's has been kept tidy by a dwindling number of volunteers. The main attention has been to maintain the two Memorial beds and the shrubbery between the Church and hall. A specialist firm was used to trim and tidy up the large conifer hedge at the rear, and qualified tree surgeons dealt with some dead wood and branches in the lime trees overhanging a neighbouring garden and public footpath that was causing safety issues.

A "work in progress" is to develop a wild flower area in the front area thus encouraging biodiversity. With the help of some volunteers and children from St John's School 2000 donated spring bulbs have been planted around this area. To discourage parking on the grass No Waiting cones have been implemented.

It has not been possible to tidy up and clear an overgrown area in the far-right-hand corner of the churchyard – action on the green waste, broken flag pole and dead trees will be necessary this coming year.

Many thanks to all those who helped in the maintenance of the churchyard.

Julie Morton

Pastoral Companions

The Companions continue to look after their individual groups, to keep in touch by telephone, to visit and to pray with members as requested. We have lost two or three Companions this year, but have also gained two new ones. We plan to hold a thank you tea and thanksgiving service in early New Year when we look forward to the encouragement and a new working relationship with our newly appointed Vicar, Rector Designate Colin Simpson.

Judith Dufour

Concerts

In 2023, St John's hosted 2 Choral Society concerts, 2 Blackdown Early Music concerts, a Collegium, a JW3 and a new 'In Ecclesia' concert. Also, Popham Voices performed a 'Nine Lessons & Carols' service. As many choirs do not always stick to their timings, there is a need to scrutinise the booking forms in order for the church not to lose money. Also, better control of the number of tickets sold for the 'In Ecclesia' concert was required due to Health & Safety concerns. An Events team was started in November. As we were no longer part of a larger Team this meant fewer people attended the Nine Lessons as it was not advertised in St Giles, Stawley & Ashbrittle churches.

Sue Rackley

Hall bookings

The hall and church bookings for St John's have been going well this year, generating a good sum of money for the church.

The hall is used every day, Monday to Friday, by various groups, our main booking being the Health Visitors who now use it during the day on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Sadly, our regular yoga class ended at the end of 2023 as the instructor moved away. However, we now have a regular healthcare diabetes class on a Tuesday evening, several NCT courses booked throughout the year, and our warm spaces initiative on a Friday morning. Tea at Three use the hall every other Thursday afternoon. A local art group use the hall once a month to meet and paint. Other local groups use the hall now and then such as the Wellington Twinning Association or Wellington Choral for their AGM.

Sharon Chorley

Fairs

St John's held two Fairs in 2023, one in March and one in September. The Spring Fair was the more successful, raising over £1400 whilst the Autumn one raised over £750. This was because the spring one had far more volunteers and cake bakers as well as more time to market it on social media, school newsletters and town notice boards.

Sue Rackley

Healthy Community Hub & Talking Café

This Tuesday morning café continues to be popular and well-supported. Attendees appreciate the welcome, refreshments, inclusiveness, advice, help, support and friendship that they find at this drop in café. Some have developed meaningful relationships within the group. The Village Agents enjoy coming to St John's Church and value the peace they find here. All their clients are very appreciative of the help they receive and the opportunity to meet other people in a safe space. Dee leads this group with regular help from Jeannie and others. More helpers are needed for the rota. If you can carry a teapot, welcome people at the door, sit and listen, pray with people or play a musical instrument then your help would be appreciated. Ideally, we need six helpers each week to run smoothly and efficiently.

Marilyn Neale

Babies & Toddlers Café

This Wednesday group continues to thrive as new parents attend and toddlers are reluctant to leave! Children who have started school miss attending church and pop back during the holidays. The Health Visitors who are in the hall bring in any apprehensive parents to us to encourage them to join in. We block the Chancel area off with chairs which helps the babies to meet in the children's area and the toddlers to play in the South side of the church. Children are encouraged to use the toddler tables and chairs for their food and drink to minimize mess. We are grateful for the ongoing support of chair movers at 3 pm on Mondays and Wednesdays. If you can move chairs, carry teapots, wash up, talk with parents, play with children or welcome people at the door we would be grateful for your help. Ideally, we need 6 helpers morning and afternoon to run smoothly and efficiently. The parents and health visitors really appreciate and value the support and encouragement they receive from this drop in café which gives people the opportunity to make new friendships and share any concerns they might have.

Marilyn Neale

Tea@3

We continued to enjoy Tea, Cake and Conversation on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month in the Church Hall from March to our Christmas special on 7th December when we were joined by John Young who played Christmas music and we all enjoyed "a good sing". We have several regular helpers who enjoy baking, and we are able to offer a variety of delicious cakes with tea or coffee in a warm room. New friendships have been made and we are encouraged by the visits of friends from the wider community. At the end of the afternoon everyone joins in to clear, wash up and tidy the Hall!

Judith Dufour

Warm Spaces

This season we changed the time of this group to 12 -2, providing a Soup lunch with cake and coffee. We have had more people coming in regularly and staying for the full two hours.
This has enabled us to have had conversations with them over the five months that we have been meeting. We have a great team that enables us to share preparation, kitchen duties and sitting and talking to people. There is always a hum of conversation going on and the atmosphere is warm and friendly.
I would like to say a personal 'thank you' to all our volunteers, for their commitment and willingness to help and their concern for those we have served, also those who have helped us with making sure we have the supplies we need. We are hoping we can be back in November 2024 for another session of Warm Space.
Lois Webb

The Women's Refuge

The ladies who run the refuge are always very grateful for our contributions, especially when they ask for something special and I put out a request in the newsletter and a list on the box, the members of the church are always very quick to help. They always need household items for when their clients go out to live in one of their safe houses, where they start to manage their own households again, with the help of the refuge ladies of course. They have recently acquired 3 more houses for this purpose. At the right time, they also need ladies' clothing, makeup and everything needed for themselves after losing everything. I would like to thank everyone for the support they have given me over the years as without it I wouldn't be able to help them.
Lenore Clarke

Foodbank

The Foodbank in Wellington is based in the URC hall and is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m. It is a satellite of the Trussell Trust's centre in Taunton and therefore a part of the national network. This year has been busy although the difficulties caused by the change in financial support to Universal Credit have largely disappeared. Most weeks food is given to between 15 to 40 people and in addition to basic supplies, toiletries and other necessities are usually available.
The Foodbank relies on donations and the gratitude of many of those who receive the food is heart-warming, so if you are a regular giver, thank you, and if you are not please consider becoming one, either through a collecting point in a local supermarket or in the marked box by the font in St. John's. The need remains.
James Bradnock

Bible Reading Notes

Bible Reading Notes continue to be a helpful resource for members of our congregation.
The majority of people subscribe to Bible Reading Fellowship notes which are published three times a year, and everyone would find something to suit their needs whether it's ordinary copies or a large print version of 'New Daylight' or even 'Bible Reflections for Older People.'
C.W.R. (Crusade for World Revival) have recently ceased their bi-monthly booklet of 'Every Day with Jesus' readings and produced a 'forever' hardback copy of 366 dated readings priced at £19.99, a good investment! Please see me if you would like to see sample copies or need any more information. Thank you.
Tessa Bradnock

Morning Prayer

The Divine Office or, as it is more commonly known today, Morning Prayer has been said in our church for many years at 8.30 am each day for as long as I can remember. It was usually the responsibility of the Vicar to say prayers on behalf of his parishioners each day Morning and Evening, but due to many and varying commitments that is not always possible. A small group of us however are continuing this obligation on behalf of the church. It is now mainly said using the Zoom facility on our computers at home, every day Monday to Saturday, and I say Evening Prayer on my own on behalf of the church at home most evenings, not on Zoom. Our new Vicar Colin is happy for this arrangement to continue. If you would like to join us at any time you do not have to commit to every day, just give me a call on 01823 666101 and I can give you the Zoom link and any other information.
Reverend Ian Brierley

Open the Book

Open the Book has continued to be welcomed by the local schools. The OTB team has members from many churches in the Wellington area, so it really is a Churches Together outreach activity. The team are committed to bringing bible stories alive through drama to primary children and have had lots of good feedback from staff. Building on these relationships, it was a joy to involve many in the community in the making and distributing of knitted donkeys at Christmas, one for each class who know us through OTB. We hope they are being well cared for! Currently, OTB is brought to St Johns, Wellesley Park, Beech Grove, IKB and Langford Budville Schools.

As is often the case with projects, times change, organisations amend regulations and volunteer availability is not always guaranteed so it becomes necessary to look at alternatives. We are currently looking at the future of OTB in the coming academic year, and how best to work alongside others who work with schools in the area.

As always, we welcome others who would enjoy participating in sharing the Good News the Bible brings to all ages.

Jackie Buttrick

St John's School chaplain

This has been another busy year, and I'd like to thank you for your support and prayers.

Pupil Chaplains

- Regular weekly hour: stories, prayer, Bible activities, preparation for events
- Two collective worships on school values
- What qualities would make a good rector?/Interview day
- Helping with school services in church
- Preparing and delivering tea party for the elderly in church hall
- Keeping church informed through PC noticeboard
- New cohort: promoting, selecting, training with Mike Haslam, commissioning
- Making Christmas cards for all staff

Reception class

- Godly Play sessions: creation; Noah; Advent and Christmas

Year 1

- Godly play session: Good Shepherd and Holy Family

Year 5

- Godly Play sessions: Great Family (Abraham); Exodus
- Easter story and activity session
- Accompanying children on school trip

Year 6

- Transition sessions with pairs of children using *It's Your Move* booklet
- Accompanying children to Year 6 pilgrimage gathering at Taunton Minster
- General
- Being around on playgrounds at lunchtimes
- Attending fetes, fundraisers, disco and Christmas dinner
- Making connections with parents at the church baby and toddler group
- Encouraging a new volunteer helper
- Supporting children and staff over sad loss of Olivia Foster
- Attending Chaplaincy gathering
- Meeting with Colin to review work

Helena Power

Bellringing Report

The bells at St. John's continue to regularly welcome people to Sunday morning worship, weddings and other special occasions thanks to the successful 'team' of ringers from the Wellington, Rockwell Green and Langford Budville churches. In May we rang at St. John's church on the morning of the coronation of His Majesty King Charles III and in the afternoon we rang at St. Peter's at Langford Budville and All Saints at Rockwell Green. We were joined by octogenarian John Hill who had rung for the coronation of Elizabeth II and the christening of the present King Charles. We also rang for two weddings at St. John's in June and welcomed visiting ringers to our tower in September from Woodbury in Devon and a countrywide based band in October who rang a peal lasting over three hours. Colin our new rector was also warmly welcomed to St. John's with ringing taking place before his licensing service on the 5th October.

The bells themselves and ancillary equipment are at present in good condition and, thanks to the assistance of Darren Woodyer from the North Curry tower, we successfully replaced the existing unsafe handrail on the tower stairs. This year we are exploring improving the security of the tower entrance, the ringing chamber and the belfry and decorating the ringing chamber. Our numbers increased by one last year as we welcomed a new recruit into our group who quickly become a very useful and capable ringer. There is however still plenty of room in our group so if anyone wishes to join us please contact me.

David Grabham

Tone Deanery Synod Report

The Synod met three times in 2023: on 7 March at St Andrew's church, Wiveliscombe, on 21 June at St Mary's church, Bishops Lydeard and on 3 October at Holy Cross church, Hillfarrance. Synod met for its first meeting of 2024 on 1 February at St John's, Wellington.

After considering feedback/alternative plans, the Deanery Mission & Pastoral Group (DMPG)/ Leadership group presented the proposed pastoral plan to reduce the number of stipendiary posts from 7 to 6 as part of the five-year plan to the Deanery Synod for approval. That being given the plan was taken forward to the Archdeaconry Mission & Planning Group (AMPG) for consideration. Once approved, the deanery will have six benefices.

Synod continued to examine ways to improve communication at all levels from church members to deanery level. While there are many examples of good practice, improvement is needed in Living and telling the story of Jesus as well as more practical communication.

A new triennium began after the APCM season with a change in membership. Ian Aldridge stood down as Secretary and Alison Toogood as Treasurer. Both were thanked for their service. As were all reps who stood down from Synod. Including our own Ken Winhall, who has also been on the DMPG for several years. Sarah Messenger (Hillfarrance) was appointed Secretary and Sue Levinge (Chipstable) offered to be Treasurer. Charles Doble has remained in post as our Lay Dean. Our house of Laity representatives to Diocesan synod have also agreed to remain in post, Charles Doble, Dilly Bradley, William Brown. We have appointed a new house of Clergy representative to Diocesan Synod, Revd Colin Simpson.

The meeting in October was briefed about the Diocese shortfall (£2million per annum) which is currently being financed by property sales and that discussion had begun on how to deal with this debt in a sustainable way. Bishop Michael is encouraging Parishes to share their thoughts and ideas on other ways to deal with the debt ahead of any change to the Common Fund plan during the ongoing consultation which is about to enter its second round. The Diocese Finance team will consider the input and produce a new model. There was a discussion about the impact of the proposed change and the challenges this represents to churches, most of whom are struggling to raise enough money to care for their church building and pay the existing Parish Share. Gary Watson – Diocesan Lead Giving & Funding Advisor talked about 'Encouraging Generosity 'in the October meeting, where he outlined the ways that the Diocese can help individual parishes to examine ways to increase their income in relatively simple ways.

There have been several changes in the clergy:

- Rev Mark Hurley left the Benefice of Bishops Lydeard with Lydeard St. Lawrence, Bagborough, Combe Florey and Cothelstone
- Rev Colin Simpson was installed as Vicar of Wellington and West Buckland
- Rev Suzy Kirkham was appointed as Priest in charge of the Deane Vale Benefice and Assistant Curate at Bradford-on-Tone and Nynehead

The Diocese is currently in consultation on how to change the common fund plan. The current plan being developed from consultation is for the diocese the move from a parish share model to a benefice share model. I urge anyone who would like to attend consultation the diocese's consultation session as this is a big piece of work, which will affect how we finance our benefice and the diocese going forward.
William Brown

Safeguarding Report

Diocesan News
The Diocesan Safeguarding Team announced in 2023 that the Bath and Wells Diocese would be audited for Safeguarding in April 2025. The areas of particular focus are the new Church of England National Safeguarding Standards and how closely these align with our current work. This means that the Diocese has been and is still updating some of the information available on its website and has also been making changes to the Parish Dashboards to reflect these changes. The Parish Dashboard is now compulsory for each church to use so that the Diocese can use the information provided by each parish for the Safeguarding Audit. The safeguarding team for Wellington and West Buckland have been busy inputting information into this dashboard.

Training Update
It is now a requirement for all PCC members to have completed Basic Awareness and Foundation safeguarding training. ALL PCC members have completed both of these levels which is great, thank you to them! There is new legislation for 2024 which means that all PCC members must also complete Domestic Abuse Awareness training so we have been encouraging the PCC to complete this too, about half have done so. There was some confusion over whether PCC members needed to complete the training as the rules now state that they only have to do some of the levels if they are charity trustee members. St John's PCC are charity trustee members but St Mary's are not so different rules apply to both.

Safer Recruitment
The DBS check provider for the Diocese changed in 2023 and the procedure became more involved. The guidance over which roles need DBS and their relevant training also changed so Sharon made a start on defining each volunteer's role and making sure they have the relevant checks and training in place. She also took a training course in December to help with this. The change of DBS provider offered an opportunity to have someone else sign up to carry out DBS checks. Christine Winhall did so and is now authorised to carry out DBS checks.

Restructure of the team
With the arrival of our new priest-in-charge, Reverend Colin Simpson, the structure of our team changed. We were no longer a team of thirteen parishes and now consisted of Wellington and West Buckland. This meant that all of the other churches in the previous team were now responsible for their own safeguarding. Sharon compiled instructions on how to fill in the parish dashboards and updated all of these parishes with their existing records so that they could continue doing their own. She also informed the Diocese who was now responsible for the dashboard and safeguarding in each of those churches.
Safeguarding continues to be an item on every PCC agenda where I'll ask if anyone has any concerns about anyone or questions about safeguarding. This makes sure that we continually monitor our safeguarding situation. This is a huge part of caring for everyone who participates in our church, either as members of the congregation, visitors to church, people attending groups or volunteers who help us every day. Thank you to everyone for continuing to help make this possible.
As always if anyone has any questions or concerns, I'm here to help so please contact me.
Sharon Chorley, Parish Safeguarding Officer stjohns.wellington@googlemail.com 01823 665254

And finally

*The reports above are from people who have taken leadership roles in our church, but many others do little jobs quietly in the background, so a big **THANK YOU** to all.*

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The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Wellington

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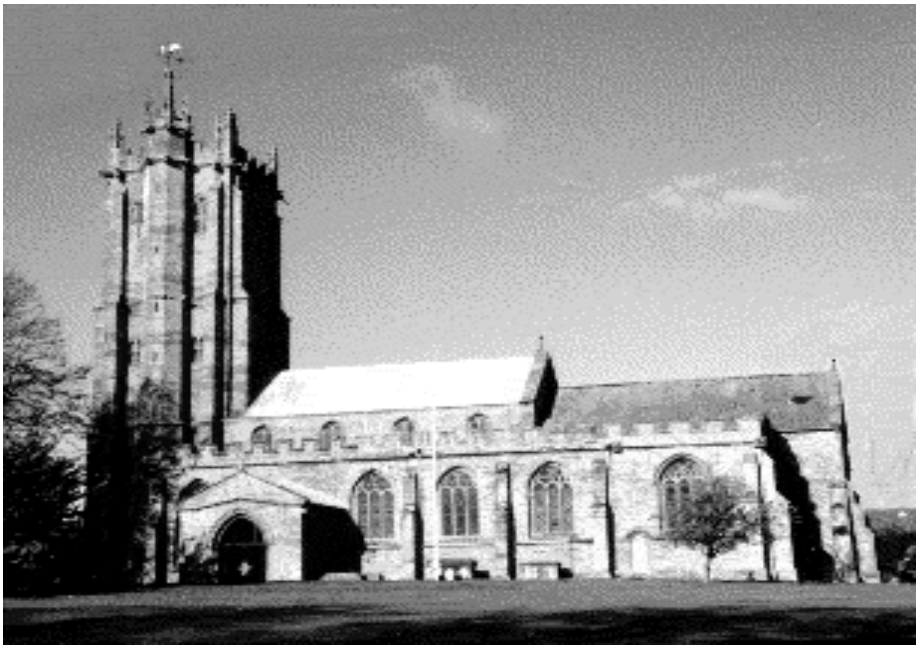

Annual Report for 2022

Interim Team Rector:	**Rev Martin Kirkbride**
Churchwarden:	**Christine Winhall**
PCC Treasurer:	**Henry Richbell**
PCC Secretary:	**Sharon Chorley**

The Parochial Church Council and Church Officers

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:-

- Focussing on growing and nurturing the Christian community of St John, improving what we have in place at the moment and building on what we do well
- Building St John's as a more visible Christian witness in Wellington by improving our existing links with the town and parish
- Being innovative within the town and parish, putting an emphasis on more social action, in these difficult current times
- Working with St John's Primary School, which is a church school

To facilitate our work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church.

There are three places for members of the PCC to sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. A new triennium for the Deanery Synod starts in June 2023, so the three places are available. In 2022 we had two representatives, Ken Winhall and William Brown.

MEMBERS ON THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL IN 2022

NAME	POSITION	FIRST ELECTED
Rev'd Martin Kirkbride	Interim Team Rector & Chairperson	Licensed September 2021 Finished April 2023
Christine Winhall	Churchwarden & Deputy Chairperson	April 2017
Henry Richbell	PCC Treasurer	May 2022
Sharon Chorley	PCC Secretary	Appointed May 2021
Fiona Brown	PCC Member	April 2018
John Massey	PCC Member	April 2018
Kieven Yim	PCC Member	May 2018
Sue Rackley	PCC Member	May 2021
Judith Dufour	PCC Member	May 2022
Julie Morton	PCC Member	May 2022
Lenore Clarke	PCC Member	May 2022
Barbara Allen	PCC Member	May 2022
Andrew Maddocks	PCC Member	May 2022
Diane Donohue	PCC Member	Co-opted May 2022
Marilyn Neale	PCC Member	May 2022
William Brown	Deanery Synod Rep	April 2020
Ken Winhall	Deanery Synod Rep	April 2020
Rev'd Richard Kelley	Ex Officio, Pioneer Curate	Ordained June 2020 Moved on to further training January 2023

Independent examiners certificate

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
St John the Baptist Parish Church, Wellington Somerset.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of St John the Baptist Parish Church
I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the St John the Baptist Parish Church (Charity) for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report
As the charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

Independent examiner's statement
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material 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 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts 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 confirm that there are no other matters to which your attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

M J Arthur.

Martin Arthur
FMAAT, FFA, FIPA, FFTA, MIH, ACIE.
1st March 2023

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PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

The following accounts have been prepared on an Income and Expenditure basis and produce the following totals:

Total Income	143,902.56
Total Expenditure	152,577.49
Deficit for the year	**-£8,674.93**

As detailed in the Income and Expenditure account.

Approved by the Standing Committee of the Parochial Church Council on:

And signed on its behalf by:-

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following two pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2022

		A	B	C	D
	Total Funds	Current A/C NatWest	Restricted current A/C NatWest	Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF	Deposit A/C Restricted CBF
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2022	133,509.99	9,650.78	2,094.72	31,048.78	90,715.71
Bank as at 31st Dec 2022	70,556.22	975.85	112.98	972.64	68,494.75
Nett movement of funds	**-62,953.77**	**-8,674.93**	**-1,981.74**	**-30,076.14**	**-22,220.96**

St John the Bapist Income and Expenditure Account 2022

Income		Expense	
Regular Income		**Administration**	
Donation not in Church Service	1719.85	Bank Charges	350.04
Offerings in Church Service	5976.62	Insurance	2120.04
Planned Giving	46299.22	Licences and Subsriptions	635.17
PCC Statutory Fees	2312.00	Telephone	1108.53
Gift Aid Reclaim	10275.36	Stationery	285.66
VAT Reclaim	910.88	Photocopying	927.80
		Professional Fees	534.00
Other Income		**Buildings**	
Fundraising	3303.75	Grounds Maintenance	530.00
Sales	304.91	Office Equipment	2886.46
Interest	14.83	Cleaning	2350.99
Lettings	8039.00	General Repairs	5962.31
Concerts	1192.01	Utilities	3737.38
Sumup	1526.73		
Mission Transfer	19612.82	**Programmes**	
CBF Deposit Fund	36110.89	Childrens Work	717.09
Hospitality In	2916.40	Fundraising Costs	484.80
Flower Fund	97.00	Hospitality	1435.54
Ukraine Appeal	1540.29	Mission	2326.86
Grants	1750.00	MES	572.12
		Recovery Grant	678.73
		Service Costs	849.54
		Flowers	162.95
		Miscellaneous	76.00
		PCC Expenses	170.07
		Staff	
		Clergy Expenses	1600.85
		Salaries & Wages	17746.25
		Income Tax and NI	244.14
		Pensions	1308.00
		Parish Share	101733.37
		Organist	870.00
		Fees	172.80
	143902.56		**152577.49**
Surplus/(Deficit forYear)	**-8674.93**		

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens and the Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2021 of the Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Wellington held on Sunday, May 8th 2022 at 11.00 a.m.

Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens

(This meeting was open to all residents in the parish and those on the Electoral Roll)

Apologies:- Anne and Ron Williams, Adrian and Jane Exell, Fiona and William Brown, John and Angela Massey, Jenny Bache, Margaret Bowen, Shirley Rayson

Martin started with a prayer and thanked everyone for being there.

The meeting now began.

1. The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners of May 2021 had been circulated. Sylvia Waymouth proposed that these were accepted. Martin asked for a show of hands and the minutes were accepted unanimously as a true record with no objections.
2. Election of Churchwardens. Martin has received one completed nomination form for the post of two Churchwardens, namely Mrs Christine Winhall. This was proposed by Barry Salter and seconded by Patrick Clarke. Martin asked for a show of hands. The decision was unanimous with no objections so he was happy to announce that Christine was duly re-elected.
3. Martin's Remarks. Martin started by giving huge thanks to John Young who was stepping down as Churchwarden in order to concentrate on other commitments. He stated that he had been very grateful for John's judgement, help and advice during his time so far at St John's. He also wanted to give thanks to Christine for all that she had done and let her know how grateful we are for all of the work that she does for us all at St John's.

This concluded the Annual Meeting of Parishioners

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2020

1. *Apologies*

Anne and Ron Williams, Adrian and Jane Exell, Fiona and William Brown, John and Angela Massey, Jenny Bache, Margaret Bowen, Shirley Rayson

2. Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on May 23rd for approval and signature

The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting. Sylvia Waymouth proposed that these were accepted. Martin asked for a show of hands in approval. The minutes were accepted unanimously as a true record with no objections.

3. Matters arising

Martin asked if there were any matter arising from the minutes, there were none.

4. *Presentation of the Electoral Roll, dated May 2022*

Julie Morton presented the electoral roll and announced that the year started with 145 people however 10 people came off this year for various reasons but another 10 people joined so we finish the year still with 145 people. Julie presented the report to Sharon and was thanked for her work.

5. *Presentation of the Annual Parish Report of the PCC for 2021 including the reports on safeguarding, the fabric and inventory*

This had been circulated before the meeting. Martin asked if there were any questions on this, there were none. He asked if we could formally adopt this report with a show of hands. This was proposed by Andrew Maddocks and seconded by Julie Morton. The decision was unanimous with no objections, the report was accepted as a true report of last year.

6. Elections

Electoral Roll Officer

It was noted last year that Julie Morton did not want to continue in this role for this year. Christine announced that we have another volunteer, Maralyn Norman. This was proposed by Julie Morton and seconded by Lenore Clarke. Martin asked for a show of hands, this was accepted unanimously with no objections. Christine thanked Julie for all of her time and hard work over the years and also thanked Maralyn for taking on the role.

Elections to Parochial Church Council

Sharon announced that we had received several paper nominations. These were for Julie Morton, Lenore Clarke, Marilyn Neale, Diane Donohue, Barbara Allan and Andrew Maddocks. Christine pointed out that Diane had not been on the electoral roll for 6 months so would need to be co-opted from the PCC which would be done after the meeting. Judith Dufour stated that she had been missed off the list. She had been on the PCC last year as Ex-officio but now needed to be nominated for this year. All of these people had all been correctly nominated and seconded and were duly elected. No need for an election as we had enough spaces.

7. *Appointment of Independent Examiner or Auditor*

Christine said that Aspin Waite had been the auditor for this year but now that we have a new volunteer for Treasurer, Henry Richbell, he might want to use someone else. Henry has not started in his role yet so would give this some thought and it would be approved in the future.

8. Any other business

Sylvia Waymouth asked if anything could be done about the bumps in the drive from the tree roots as she in concerned that someone might have an accident. Christine replied that David Grabham has been liaising with the tree surgeon. He is coming on Friday 20th May to crop some of the branches as they are causing an obstruction and he would then start working on the roots.

Andrew Maddocks asked if anything more had been done on the online magazine. Christine replied that we have tried to put one together but hit a few problems with the software however we would still like to do one. She reiterated that communications are really important and that we had done well at this over the year with written, verbal and visual approaches. We'd had four churchwarden newsletters, our weekly welcome sheet and the survey. Verbally, we'd had three churchwarden surgeries and regular Tea@3 organised by Judith. We also have eighteen pastoral companions who are the backbone of our church and look after our congregation and we are thankful for all that they do. Visually we have been updating the noticeboards and putting out banners. We have also sent out videos of the services during the pandemic.

We have delivered 1000 leaflets to the new housing developments. We've had regular notices in the Edge magazine and we now have 522 followers on Facebook plus our website is regularly visited. She finished by saying that we would get the magazine up and running as soon as possible.

Lenore asked when the mess at the back of the hall would be tidied up as its dangerous. There are sand boxes full of sand and water and a cable drum plus others bits and pieces. Christine said that we will sort this out.

James Bradnock wanted to comment on the fact that the church garden looks neglected and does not give a good impression. The approach to the church is important and needs to be kept in good order. He particularly mentioned the Anne Squire garden which needs tidying up. This was noted. Christine commented that it was a shame that William Brown was unable to attend as he is leading on bio diversity and some areas need to be left for wild flowers.

Diane Donohue wanted to suggest that some consideration be given to parking at the church, particularly for people with disabilities. She asked if we can convert part of the grass at the front. This was noted and will be discussed further at another meeting although Graham Street remarked that this had been explored before and we cannot tarmac over this area as there are graves underneath. We should look at other solutions that could be laid on the grass.

Judith gave her thanks for rectifying the report to include the pastoral companions and their important role.

Giles Godber proposed that we give our thanks to Martin and the wonderful job that he has done and continues to do through getting to know us and the parishes. A round of applause was given.

James Bradnock had some questions to submit on behalf of David Dufour – he asked for clarity on the financial report i.e. what exactly was our parish share in 2021 and what is it in 2022, how much did we pay in 2021 and why was it not paid in full, will the PCC commit to paying the outstanding balance, can we increase giving from the church community. James reiterated that we do need to talk about money and we all should look carefully at our financial contribution. Christine replied that the parish share for last year has now been paid in full at the beginning of 2022. Martin Kirkbride said that finance is something that he would like us to actively look at. This Diocese has now joined the Parish Giving Scheme which offers the option for inflation linked increases. 86% of his previous parish were members and it gives a great boost to giving so he is very enthusiastic about using this.

Chairman's remarks

Martin said that over the last 10 months he has focused on visiting the whole team and that during the first few months some may have felt that he was absent. This, he feels, points out to the Diocese that it's difficult for a Team Rector to engage with all 14 churches. We may seem like we are in sense of limbo but this will now change and from the Diocese and Deanery perspective we should see some progress in the next few months. He will be continuing as Team Rector but where he was invested team wide previously, he will now be making St John's and the Wellington community his focus. We will now be re-establishing Wellington's civic church at St John's starting with hosting the Jubilee service on the 5th June. As we emerge from lockdown, we are seeing the development of many new ministries. He gave his thanks to John, Christine and Sharon and also his colleagues and retired clergy. He asked if there were any questions. There were none so he finished the meeting with a prayer.

PCC Meeting

(A brief meeting of the PCC took place after the APCM with just the PCC members)

The new PCC appointed the following unanimously:-

PCC Treasurer – Henry Richbell

PCC Secretary – Sharon Chorley

PCC Member – Diane Donohue

Christine handed out a proposal for future dates of meetings. The next meeting is proposed to be on Tuesday 12th July at 7.00 p.m.

Churchwarden's report

Buildings

There were no major building works conducted in 2022 although the tree roots were pruned and the drive re-laid as you come up the driveway. The regular tasks have all taken place such as the clearing of gutters, testing the lightening conductor, carrying out minor electrical and plumbing works as well as the servicing of the hall and church boilers and the servicing of the roof alarm. The log book is up to date and can be examined any time if requested.
Christine Winhall

The church inventory

The Church inventory has been checked in 2022/3 and is largely unchanged from last year. We have had the addition of equipment for our hospitality (teapots, table-cloths etc) and an increase in the number of toys. Some of these belong to the Toy Library. New large rugs have been bought to make the children's area more comfortable, and also for the vestry. A new addition is the community library of jigsaws and games, which is in the church for people to borrow items or swop them if they wish. During the year we have also upgraded the office equipment (computer and photocopier plus a new desk). The full church inventory is available for inspection at any time and is kept in the office.
Christine Winhall

Reports from various church activities

Occasional Offices

In 2022 we had 16 Baptisms, 1 wedding, 9 funerals in church, 11 funerals at the crematorium and 1 burial of ashes in the memorial garden. There is a trend towards people going to the crematorium and not having a church funeral service. The baptisms were encouraging. It is partly due to our outreach to young families

with the toddlers and babies group, and also there are some catch up baptisms after the isolation during the covid pandemic.
Christine Winhall

Sacristan Report

Sue Rowley and Jennie Wilson are responsible for the Sacristan duties, which include checking supplies of candle oil and communion wafers and wine. Due to the slight change in our Eucharist procedure, however, not so much wine is now used due to Covid safety procedures. The duties also include responsibility for taking care of the linen and we are pleased to add the acquisition of a new altar cloth, taking our total to three.

The Sunday serving team has gained a new server in Iris who is doing a grand job, along with the other members of the team, Lenore, Patrick and Fiona. We are very grateful to them for making themselves available on such a regular basis. If anyone would like to consider joining the team, please don't hesitate to put your name forward.
Sue Rowley

Intercessions

We are a group of six encouraged by Stephen Bowen who regularly lead prayers on a rota basis week by week. What are we doing? We bring the everyday situations of our world, its light and its darkness into the presence of God. On behalf of the congregation we ask that he will soften the hearts and minds of those who have the power to shape His world. Where does our vision come from? We study the scriptures set for the day, the theme of the preacher, and follow the events of the week. Sometimes we are given the words we need, but it is never in our strength but in the strength of Him who leads us. There are many prayer book "helps" on which we can draw. Our aim? To express the voice of all God's children in St John's as we worship together week by week.
Judith Dufour

Prayer ministry

We are a small Team who believe in the power of prayer and are available each Sunday in the Lady Chapel at the end of the service to listen and to pray with all who have a need, whether for themselves, a family member or a friend, or a situation. It is strictly confidential.
We pray over the names of all those who have been listed on the prayer board..
We pray before the service for those who are leading worship that God will speak through them to touch our lives, and for each person present that they may know God's love.
Judith Dufour

Church flowers

We are a small happy group of 6 ladies who manage to keep the Church looking lovely throughout the year. At the moment we only do arrangements with fresh flowers at Christmas, Easte and Harvest (at all times funded by members of the congregation, for which we are truly grateful) this is due to the increase in the price of fresh flowers.
At other time we use good quality silk flowers, some of which have been supplied by strangers and at other purchased by us from our funds, but we always use fresh greenery.
We are always looking for others to join us.
Lenore Clarke

Midweek Communion

It has now been four years since Tim our last Rector asked me to lead the Thursday morning communion service and look after the congregation. This ancient service from the Book of Common Prayer has been said in our church for many years, I have learnt so far that it was being said as far back as the early 1950's. It has not changed in format for those many years and still the congregation has not changed that much something in the region of 24 people attend every Thursday, sometimes more. Coffee is served afterwards and many stay and have a chat and catch up with news. We also support the Women's refuge in Taunton with gifts and supplies and also we support Link Hope with Christmas shoe boxes which go to Eastern Europe, this year to Ukraine. Do come and join us if you can you will be most welcome.
Rev Ian Brierley

Homes Communion Group

During the latter half of 2022 we have been able to return to visiting the Nursing Homes and Care Homes surrounding our town with prayer, praise and Communion, to support the residents and staff and to rebuild relationships after Covid restrictions. We bring a simple service of prayers and communion with traditional hymns to a group in their communal lounge. It is a precious thing to see a smile of recognition on the residents faces as we sing familiar hymns and to hear someone recite the Lord's prayer who would not normally hold a conversation. We also visit individuals in their rooms if requested, to share prayer and conversation.
We have a small Team who are happy to give their time to visiting once a month but would love to have a few more join us.
We celebrated "older age" at a 9.45 am service in November at which Stephen Bowen presided and Stephen Norris spoke encouraging others to become part of the Homes Communion Group. We pray that God will call others to this ministry.
Stephen and Andrew have many years experience working with Homes and older age groups and are very supportive, helpful and encouraging to us.
Judith Dufour

Churchyard report

The churchyard at St John's has been kept tidy by a number of volunteers during the past year, with special attention given to the Memorial Beds and shrubbery at the rear.
Work has been carried out on various trees within the churchyard by qualified tree surgeons – one overhanging a neighbouring property and one in a conservation area touching the Church tower.
David Dufour kindly donated another 500 spring bulbs and these have been planted around the grounds
Finally the pathway near the large tree has been levelled out and resurfaced, making it much safer.
Julie Morton

Pastoral Companions

The Companions continue to look after their individual groups, to keep in touch by telephone, to visit and to pray with members as requested. Sadly we have lost two or three Companions this year, through retirement or ill health and we are grateful for all their time, love and compassion given for those they have watched over. We have two new Companions who have each taken on a small group.
In April Martin Kirkbride led our annual service at which we rededicated ourselves to this work and we then enjoyed tea in the Hall.
Judith Dufour

Concerts 2022

In 2022, the number of concerts almost returned to pre-Covid times. The Choral Society performed in March and October whilst Amici in July. In August, Blackdown Early Music hired the church for a rehearsal. December was busy with the Collegium Singers, the entertaining JW3 'Spirit of Christmas' and a packed out church for the traditional Popham Voices' service . Hiring fees, collections and takings from refreshments means these events bring in valuable income to St John's. Hosting winter afternoon concerts is an avenue to explore but would mean more volunteers to man these.
Sue Rackley

Hall bookings 2022

The hall and church bookings for St John's have been going really well this year. In particular, our hall has been very well used and attracts a number of regular bookings, generating a good sum of money towards the church.
The hall is used every day, Monday to Friday, by various groups, our main booking being the Health Visitors who now use it during the day on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. We have a regular yoga class on a Tuesday evening and our warm spaces initiative on a Friday morning. Tea at three use the hall every other Thursday afternoon. Other local groups use the hall now and then such as the Wellington Twinning Association or Wellington Choral for their annual AGM. Its also well used by families who have christenings in the church, to have a gathering after the service.
Sharon Chorley

Soup Lunches

Soup lunches proved to be a hit with the congregation during the first half of 2022 as Kieven and Iris organised, promoted, cooked and prepared each event with the help of many volunteers. The first one took place on Valentine's Day and included a choice of soups, desserts and a candy gift set. The other soup lunch took place in March not long after the war in Ukraine started. It was decided that all proceeds from the lunch would go towards the Ukraine fund. In total, after expenses, more than £700 was donated. As well as soup, there was a Korean style salad which made up the colours of the rainbow, and proved to be a hit with the patrons.
Finally, a lunch was organised to celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth 2 on October 1. More than 70 people attended the 3 course meal. Guest chef Freddie and his wife Vicky took on cooking duties and produced a delicious menu fit for royalty. Chris Patterson organised logistics and cooked apple crumble for dessert. 6 tables were set in the hall, each one named after a royal residence. Each table was headed by a host who helped to serve the food and clear up the table after each course. This event was a huge success having guests from within and outside the church. More than £700 was donated to the church.
Kieven Yim

Autumn Fair 2022

By holding the Autumn Fair on November 12 th , we beat the Christmas rush of local fairs and attracted a good crowd. Over 20 volunteers helped with setting up, manning stalls, running raffles and refreshments as well as clearing up. We had 8 external stall holders along with St John's popular cake and craft stall making nearly £600! In order to attract more families, we introduced children's stalls and craft activities and 'Name the Teddy' and we saw many families attend. We marketed the event on local Wellington social media sites as well as St John's Facebook/website. In total, we raised £1179 and feedback from stall holders, volunteers and attendees was enthusiastic. I would like to host a Spring or Easter Fair in March.
Sue Rackley

Healthy Community Hub and Talking Cafe

Jeannie who has been an important part of this project but is currently off sick so Dee from Living Light Church is helping me along with some of our regular attendees. The Village Agents work has increased and they could now do with two agents being available each week as the demand for help and advice grows. If we were interested then I think there could be the opportunity to continue serving the community with informative health talks in the afternoons eg talks on diabetes, cancer, heart problems etc. followed by small discussion groups and tea. We already know the potential from the response to the Prostrate Cancer talk. Poppy who represents MIND is available most weeks if people need a confidential chat. We have leaflets from various groups to encourage people to seek further help where needed. My vision is that we will have a member of the clergy or a chaplain available every week and the opportunity for a short mid-day service after the morning session. We already have interesting conversations such as 'are angels spirits?'
Marilyn Neale

Babies and Toddlers drop in Cafe

This is an evolving group as last year's babies are now toddlers and therefore more challenging. The parents are responsible for their children as this is not a pre-school group but an opportunity to drop in and meet other parents and children. Everyone is very appreciative of what we do and are sad when they have to leave us to return to work. We use chairs to block access to the altar and Lady Chapel - this is not full proof but does act as a deterrent. Rev Alison is a wonderful support and is able to help most weeks. My vision for this group would be to have a member of clergy or chaplain available all day. The health visitors have been grateful for our offer of prayer support.
Helpers are always welcome at both groups as we need servers for refreshments and listeners in conversations. Gradually more people are putting their names on the rotas. We are very grateful to James Bradnock for organising a team of helpers to move chairs and tables on Mondays and Wednesdays. It only takes 15 minutes but makes an enormous difference to our workload.
Marilyn Neale

Tea@3

Tea, cake and conversation continued on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month in the Church Hall from March to our Christmas special on 1st December when 31 people enjoyed tea and carols led by John Young. Tea@3 started when we came out of Covid lockdown to encourage our Church family to renew friendships and enjoy each other's company. It has continued to flourish. Also, we have visitors from the wider community dropping in. Thanks to several regular helpers who enjoy baking, we are able to offer a variety of delicious cakes with tea or coffee in a warm room. New friendships have been made and ideas shared. At the end of the afternoon everyone joins in to clear, wash up and tidy the Hall!
Judith Dufour

Reading Club

During 2022 we held a weekly reading club for children from St John's School. This was regularly attended by three families, and the children involved benefited. It was decided at the end of the Christmas Term however to finish it, as the take up had not been as expected. The school run quite a lot of after school clubs which seem to fit in with parents' plans better. It was appreciated while it lasted. Thanks goes to Kieven Yim, Richard Morse and Emma Peacock who gave their time to help.
Christine Winhall

Warm Spaces November – December

In response to the Government initiative, wwe provided a 'Warm Space' on a Friday Morning 10 – 12 offering a warm welcome to all who are struggling with energy bills this winter.
We have 12 volunteers who help regularly, there are always 3 on duty, ladies and men, so no one is ther alone.
We have ejoyed the privilege of talking to those who have come in and joined us. There are several regulars who we see most weeks/. We had a total of 20 join us on Fridays over November and December.
We hope that we have been an encouragement to all who have joined us.
Lois Webb

The Women's refuge

All the items I take to the refuge are always greatly appreciated. Many of our church family give me items regularly (i.e. Jean Figg with knitted items for children) also the Inner Wheel of Wellington have collections for us. Unfortunately, people have been leaving items in the church or even on the doorstep which have not been up to standard and I spend a lot of time going through bags very carefully. What I always say is if you would not wear or use it, please don't leave it. In future I will leave a list of items the ladies require with our donation box, which will obviously change with the seasons.
Lenore Clarke

Foodbank

Unlike many other Foodbanks, especially in the north of England, although there has been roughly a 20% increase in the demand in Taunton this year, the Foodbank in Wellington has not experienced such an increase. However, there still is a need and every week between four or five and as many as thirty people are being fed through the Wellington branch.
Donations are once again being collected from Waitrose and the Co-Op, as well as from several of the churches in Wellington. If you wish to do so, please make a donation in the collecting box by the font in St John's (preferably on a Sunday) or if you wish to make a money donation please give it to Sharon in the office (marked for the Wellington Foodbank) or to James Bradnock. And Thank You!
James Bradnock

Bible reading notes

For many years members of St. John's have appreciated regular Bible Reading Notes.

The Bible Reading Fellowship (B.R.F.) and Crusade for World Revival (C.W.R.) both produce publications either bi-monthly or three times a year.
There is something for everyone including a large print version and a set of reflections for older people.

There may be new, or less new, members of St. John's who would like to know more and perhaps try something new. If you would like to see copies of what is available please see me.

Many thanks
Tessa Bradnock

Morning Prayer

The Divine Office or as it is more commonly known today Morning Prayer has been said in our church for many years at 8.30am each day for as long as I can remember. It was usually the responsibility of the Vicar to say prayers on behalf of his parishioners each day Morning and Evening. That for various reasons has not happened now for a number of years. A small group of us are continuing this obligation on behalf of the church. It is mainly said using the Zoom facility on our computers at home and a few join from church on a Tuesday, Wednesday and sometimes Thursday, and I say Evening Prayer on my own on behalf of the church at home each evening. If you would like to join us at any time you do not have to commit to every day, just give me a call on 01823 666101 and I can give you the Zoom link and any other information.
Rev Ian Brierley

Open the Book update 2022

The Open the Book team have been busy this past year and have had the joy of visiting some new schools in the area. We have been back to Langford Budville which we know so well and continue to visit the IKB school which now has 3 year groups. They are both always very welcoming,
Our new schools are Beech Grove and Wellesley Park. We were a little taken aback when we found ourselves telling our stories to several hundred children, not our usual number in the "audience". We look forward to visiting the younger children in St Johns School in 2023.
We had a wonderful time telling the story of Moses in the Bullrushes and after 4 "performances" we could probably have done it in our sleep. It was a privilege to share with the children and we had encouraging comments from the staff. We included a song for the children to join in with, and there were many ooohs and aaahs when we produced a guitar to accompany them.
As always I am grateful for the time, energy and skills of the team and hope that others might feel led to join us.
Jackie Buttrick

School Chaplain report

<u>School in general</u>

- Spring 2022: I visited every class with a session on butterfly moments for the Reminiscence Learning project, linking this to the school motto.
- Year 6: I used the 'It's Your Move' books in various sessions and they enjoyed a special leavers' afternoon at St John's church.
- From Sept. 2022: Working closely with the Year 5 teacher to deliver whole class Godly Play sessions tailored to the RE curriculum.
- ongoing conversations with the RE lead about encouraging the Christian ethos in the school

<u>The pupil chaplains</u>

- hosted a very successful community tea party at St John's church in July 2022
- commissioning ceremony in October involving both new and previous cohorts
- the first ever Pupil Chaplain pilgrimage to Wells (details on noticeboard)
- have weekly hour long sessions and regularly lead collective worship.

Further details can be supplied on request and I would like to thank the church for continued funding of the project. Very much appreciated. Also, just to mention, they always need governors...
Helena Power

Bellringing Report for 2022

The bells at St. John's continue to ring out regularly for Sunday services and special occasions thanks to the ongoing support of ringers from Wellington, Rockwell Green and Langford Budville. This merger was proposed following Covid after several ringers retired from ringing and has since proved highly successful. A brief summary of our past year is as follows:-
In April we took part in (and won!!) the Bath and Wells Diocese 6 bell Method Striking Competition which was held at Langford Budville. In June we rang a quarter peal at St. John's to celebrate Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the 2nds Platinum Jubilee and sadly in September we rang to mark her passing. This was followed by ringing to celebrate the accession of King Charles the 3rd. We hosted two visiting bands - the Sidmouth ringers in November and more recently the 'Raving Ringers' who rang so expertly at our Sunday service on the 15th January 2023. We also hope to ring to mark His Majesties Coronation later this year.
The bells themselves and ancillary equipment are at present in good condition but we are looking this year to replace the handrail on the tower stairs and, possibly, redecorate the ringing chamber.
David Grabham

Mwenda

The biggest achievement for our link parish Mwenda this past year has been the start of works to supply water to the Priest House and Church. During July 2022 a bore hole was sunk. Unfortunately there has been political change in Zambia and work on this project has stopped. Bishop Robert Mumbi has been in contact with the authorities and has been assured work will commence again as soon as possible. With ever increasing costs worldwide, extra funds will be required to complete the project. When this is completed it would be wonderful if a visit could be arranged to celebrate with the congregations the achievements of this link. We pray for their Priest Fr Chabala Mwansa, the congregations of Mwenda and the completion of this project.
June Best

Tone Deanery report for 2022

Tone Deanery Synod met three times in 2022. On February 24th there was a discussion about churchyards and encouraging biodiversity within them. At this meeting the Archdeacon Simon Hill also spoke about where we were now in regard to the pandemic.
At the meeting on May 12th there was a presentation by Emma Brown, (Diocesan Church Buildings officer) about the future of our church buildings. This generated a lot of interest, questions and answers. There was also a report by Rev Helene Stainer on the leadership team report, who are concentrating on Deployment.
The third meeting on October 19th went into more detail on the deployment options. There was a lot of discussion by people across the Deanery about which parishes would be able to work together.
2023 sees the start of a new triennium for the Deanery, so three new representatives are sought from St Johns. Hopefully you can see from this report that it is not a lot of work to be a Deanery Synod rep, and some interesting topics are covered.
Ken Winhall

And finally

The reports above are from people who have taken leadership roles in our church, but there are many many others who do little jobs quietly in the background, so thank you to all. There is one person though who needs a special mention, our parish administrator Sharon Chorley. The work she does to keep things moving smoothly is very much appreciated and she has managed this despite all the difficulties caused by coming out of the pandemic and getting back to "normal", so thank you Sharon. Sharon is also the safeguarding officer, and her report on this is below
Christine Winhall

Annual Safeguarding Report 2022

Diocesan News

The Bath and Wells website has recently been updated with improved information and resources about safeguarding. There have also been some changes on the safeguarding team.
The manager, Ben Goodhind, has new contact details. He no longer uses his work mobile so please contact him via 01749 588917. He has an app so that this number will reach him wherever he is.
Another change is that out of hours cover this will now be provided by Thirty One Eight (an Independent Christian Safeguarding Organisation) via a dedicated call centre. This will cover 5pm to 12pm every week day evening, 7am to 12pm on the weekend and also bank holidays and Christmas. During these times, you are advised to contact the Safeguarding Helpline on 0303 003 1111 for emergency safeguarding queries. The Diocesan Safeguarding Office will then receive a report from them so that follow up advice and support can be offered to the caller. All of this information is included on a new safeguarding poster which is already displayed in church.
Leonie Jones at the Diocese is now the person to contact for any queries about safeguarding training or DBS checks. Her contact details are email Leonie.Jones2@bathwells.anglican.org or telephone 01749 588907.

Training Update

As many of you know, it is now a requirement for all PCC members to have completed C0 and C1 safeguarding training. Nearly all PCC members have completed both of these levels which is great. All Churchwardens should also complete the next level of training, the C2 course. Our present Churchwarden, Christine, is completely up to date with her training. The C2 course has not been available for some time due to covid and also staff shortages within the Diocesan Safeguarding Team but is now being offered on zoom or via in-person training at Flourish House. The page can be accessed on the Events & training page of the Bath and Wells Diocese website. Many of our volunteers who lead our activities in church also need to complete this training and they have been given the necessary information to proceed with this.

Safer Recruitment

This has been our main focus over the last year. Following advice from the Diocese, all volunteers helping with activities taking place in the church should be safely recruited. This means they should have a job role and person specification, fill out an application form and also be DBS checked if necessary and complete the necessary safeguarding training. We also need two references on file for each volunteer. This is still very much an ongoing task as it's a huge job to complete but we are making good progress. I've recently learned that there will be an add-on to the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard which deals with safer recruitment. This will be a great help in making sure that we are doing the right things.

I am continuing to update the online Parish Dashboard which has proved invaluable in keeping our safeguarding up to date. We also have regular safeguarding meetings in order to discuss any updates and ongoing work.

Safeguarding continues to be an item on every PCC agenda where I'll ask if anyone has any concerns about anyone or questions about safeguarding. This makes sure that we continually monitor our safeguarding situation. This is a huge part of caring for everyone who participates in our church, either as members of the congregation, visitors to church, people attending groups or volunteers who help us every day. Thank you to everyone for continuing to help make this possible.

As always if anyone has any questions or concerns, I'm here to help so please contact me.

Sharon Chorley Parish Safeguarding Officer stjohns.wellington@googlemail.com 01823 665254

THEPAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WELLINGTON S

England & Wales - Charity number 1159809

Accounts

The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Wellington

In the
Wellington & District Team Ministry

Annual Report for 2021

Interim Team Rector:	**Rev Martin Kirkbride**
Churchwardens:	**Christine Winhall** **John Young**
PCC Treasurer:	**Jenny Bache**
PCC Secretary:	**Sharon Chorley**

The Parochial Church Council and Church Officers

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:-

- Worship and prayer, learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- Missionary and outreach work using funds raised by Rev Selina Garner, who moved on from her post as Missioner in the summer of 2021
- Working with St John's Primary School, which is a church school.

To facilitate our work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church.

There are three places for members of the PCC to sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church. Only two were filled in 2021.

MEMBERS ON THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL IN 2021

NAME	POSITION	FIRST ELECTED
Rev'd Tim Treanor	Team Rector and Chairperson	Licensed October 2013 Retired July 2021
Rev'd Martin Kirkbride	Interim Team Rector & Chairperson	Licensed September 2021
John Young	Churchwarden	August 2021
Christine Winhall	Churchwarden & Deputy Chairperson	April 2017
Jenny Bache	PCC Member & PCC Treasurer	April 2018
Fiona Brown	PCC Member	April 2018
John Massey	PCC Member	April 2018
Kieven Yim	PCC Member	May 2018
Janet Hall	PCC Member	May 2021 Resigned November 2021
Sue Rackley	PCC Member	May 2021
Ken Winhall	Deanery Synod Rep	April 2020
William Brown	Deanery Synod Rep	April 2020
Rev'd Selina Garner	Ex Officio, Team Missioner	Licensed October 2016 Left October 2021
Rev'd Richard Kelley	Ex Officio, Pioneer Curate	Ordained June 2020
Judith Dufour	Ex Officio, Pastoral Chaplain	April 2019

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens and the Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2020 of the Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Wellington held on Sunday, May 23rd 2021 at 3.00 p.m. online

Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens

(This meeting was open to all residents in the parish and those on the Electoral Roll)
As this meeting was held online using Webex, the voting was done by 'no dissent'

Present:- Tim Treanor, Christine Winhall, Selina Garner, Richard Kelley, John Young, Fiona Brown, William Brown, Ken Winhall, Jenny Bache, Judith Dufour, David Dufour, Alison Woodward, John Morton, Julie Morton, Sue Rackley, Ian Brierley, James Bradnock, Tessa Bradnock, Kieven Yim, Maralyn Norman, Sharon Chorley, Lenore Clarke (lost her connection part way through) and Pamela Adams (by phone)

Apologies:- Grahame Woodward, John Massey, Angela Massey, Jane Exell, Adrian Exell, Ron Williams, Anne Williams, Ann Everett and Emma Treanor

Tim started with a prayer and thanked everyone for being there.
Christine mentioned that William Brown had a query before the meeting started. He wanted to question whether the APCM was valid as the notice of it taking place was only on the church door and not available to everyone. Tim replied that it was as the Church Representation Rules 2020 still apply so the correct procedures have been followed as much as they can in these times.

The meeting now began.

1. The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners of October 2020 which applied to 2019 had been circulated. There were no objections so the minutes were accepted as a true record.
2. Election of Churchwardens. The Rector has received one completed nomination form for the post of two Churchwardens, namely Mrs Christine Winhall. There were no objections to this. He was happy to announce that she was duly re-elected.
3. Rector's Remarks. The Rector wanted to give thanks to Christine for all that she had done, joyfully supported by Ken. We are hugely blessed by all that she does pastorally and behind the scenes. He said that it is a sadness that she does not have another Churchwarden to take up the reins with her. He asked that we all be exceptionally supportive and kind to her over the coming year.

This concluded the Annual Meeting of Parishioners

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting for 2020

(Only those present that are on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote)
There were 23 people present online via Webex (as above)

1. Apologies were received from Grahame Woodward, John Massey, Angela Massey, Jane Exell, Adrian Exell, Ron Williams, Anne Williams, Ann Everett and Emma Treanor

2. Minutes of the APCM of the 25th October 2020 (for 2019) were sent out before the meeting and there is one matter arising from these:-
the appointment of an independent examiner. Unfortunately David Law could not continue to examine our accounts this year. After investigation the final solution is to go to a paid independent examiner, Aspen Waite. Thanks to Jenny's extensive work this cost us less than it normally would. Tim asked if there were any questions on this, there were none.

3. Presentation of the Electoral Roll, 3 people have been added – William Brown, Deborah Brown and Marilyn Neale, 3 people died – Peter Horsford, Ray Salisbury and Cynthia Drohan. Total is now 145, was 152. Julie was thanked for her work.

4. Presentation of the Annual Parish Report. The Annual Report contains the Annual Accounts and reports on the activities including safeguarding, the fabric and inventory.
Tim asked if there were any questions, we would take it section by section.
Financial – Ian Brierley asked if the accounts could it be made easier to understand? He also asked how much the church contributes to mission work. Tim replied that St John's acts as a resourcing church for mission for the benefice so there are lots of transfers in and out. The money comes to us from the Diocesan Fund for Church Growth and from Rural Ministries. Jenny explained that we had a large legacy a few years ago which was split between buildings and mission. She set up a bank account solely for mission and any payment in to there has to be transferred to the PCC account and then the deposit account so it does get complicated. She is trying to find a simpler way of doing things but the auditor was happy with what she had done. The PCC does not pay any money to mission. The mission income last year was £32,500 and they paid out £33,097.73. There was some money in there to start with so the account was in the black. It was asked if the PCC gave any money to charity, they don't as this is done by special collections in church.
Selina explained that budgets from the Diocese and Rural Ministries have both come to an end but that Richard secured a grant of £7,000 earlier this year. We also raised some money for mission through the angel project. A large amount of money had been spent on the fabric of the building and there was huge credit to Christine, Grahame and others for making this possible. There were no other comments on the financial aspect of the report.

Communications – William Brown stated that he didn't think communication from the church had been particularly good as you were only kept informed of things if you had signed up to the mailing list. Tim replied that A Church Near You is updated regularly by Christine and Sharon and also the team website had been rebuilt. The Facebook page has had thousands of people watching some of our posts, it is something that we are constantly working on. The age group of our churches is older and they don't use social media so much but there is always room for improvement. Tim said that we are doing a much better job at communication now than pre covid and we have tried to be thoughtful in communicating with people. There were no other questions.

Fabric – Julie asked how much more work there is to do on the church. Christine replied that there was still quite a bit of work to do on the choir vestry as all the plaster has to come off. With regard to the Quinquennial report there was still work to be done on the windows and the stonework on the clerestory. We also have to sort out the tarmac by the tree and where the

plaster has failed inside. Julie replied that her concern was more when the church is going to be a serviceable church again. Christine said that it is now. There were no other questions.

Safeguarding – Tim asked if there were any questions on this part of the report from Sharon, there were none. He gave his thanks to Sharon, Selina and Christine for keeping on top of this.

Tone Deanery – Tim asked if there were any questions on this part of the report from Ken, there were none.

Everyone agreed that this was an acceptable report of last year and Tim concluded that part of the meeting

5. Election of Officers.
   Electoral Officer - Julie was asked if she was happy to do this for another year. She said that she would carry on for one more year only and asked for this to be noted. Tim gave his thanks to Julie.
   Tone Deanery Synod – no nominations for Synod additional people.
   Elections to Parochial Church Council
   Tim informed us that we have received two nominations in paper and one from the floor. Sue Rackley and Janet Hall had been correctly nominated and seconded so are duly elected. John Young was nominated by William Brown and Judith Dufour seconded him. No need for an election as there are nine spaces.

6. Appointment of Independent Examiner – Jenny nominated Aspen Waite and Tessa seconded. Tim asked how much it cost this year, Jenny replied that it was £473.10. Everyone was happy with this.

7. Any other business - Ian Brierley asked when can we open for Thursday morning services. Tim replied that we can look at this in the next stage of the road map out of lockdown, his personal view would be thinking about how we can meet the need of these people to gather with worship and hospitality together with going on growing in later life and the Anna Chaplains. Tim encourages the PCC to look at this.
   Julie Morton said that people would like to know why St Johns isn't open when other churches in the benefice are. Tim replied that the choir vestry was emptied and the hall and church were full of items so there have been physical problems as well as covid security concerns. It was discussed that its a misconception that all of our churches are open and that usually only one church is open for services each weekend. Some have been open for private prayer only. St John's will now be open every Wednesday for this between 9.30 and 12.30. John Young stressed that the meeting about the Thursday services should take place as a matter of urgency. William wanted to give his thanks to Tim for his service as this is his last APCM before he leaves. David stated that we should involve everyone in the discussion about Thursdays rather than just the PCC. Tim agreed and it was decided that we should do this by the Autumn when people have emerged from lockdown. Fiona wanted to celebrate that the morning prayer team had met physically and online but we should keep the online presence going for those who can't attend church yet. She proposed that we put a meeting in place to discuss this, noted.

   Rectors comments. Tim said that its appropriate to look forward as his journey comes to an end. He wants everyone to know that a huge amount of thought has gone on over lockdown about how we can emerge. He particularly wanted to thank Christine, Selina and Richard who put a lot of effort in to this. Tim thanked people for the work that has already taken place but urged them to come together to discuss how to move forward and to share joy and hope with the community. His final comment was about the vacancy and that he wanted to commend to everyone to be a church that is alive and buzzing. He finished with a prayer.

PCC Meeting

(A brief meeting of the PCC took place after the APCM with just the PCC members)

Tim wanted to thank everyone for being members of the PCC as this would be a very important year.

Tim asked if Jenny was happy to continue as Treasurer. She stated that she was although she would be happy for someone to help her.

The proposal for Secretary is that Sharon Chorley should do this as part of her duties. The PCC can appoint someone who is not a member of the PCC to this role. This was all agreed.

Christine said that she would send round a proposal for future dates of meetings.

The meeting concluded at 3.40 p.m.

Independent Examiner's Certificate
for the PCC Accounts

Report to the trustees of: ST JOHN THE BAPTIST WELLINGTON **Parochial Church Council**

On accounts for the year ended: 31 DECEMBER 2021 Charity Number (if applicable): 1159809.

Set out on pages 1 - 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect,

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

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: MRDoyle **Date:** 26/4/22

Name: Mark Doyle

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): N/A

Address: Aspen Waite Doyle Chartered Certified Accountants, Old Town Hall, Wellington, Somerset TA21 8LS

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

The following accounts have been prepared on a 'Receipts and Payments' basis and produce the following totals:

Total Receipts	290,625.72
Total Payments	269,790.85
Surplus for the year	**£20,834.87**

As detailed in the Receipts & Payments account.

Church Asset List

Library books & equipment
Office equipment
Churchyard equipment
Kitchen/hall equipment

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on: 28/04/22
And signed on its behalf by:-

Chairman

Treasurer

The following nine pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2021

		A	B	C	D
	Total Funds	**Current A/C NatWest**	**Restricted current A/C NatWest**	**Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF**	**Deposit A/C Restricted CBF**
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2021	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Bank as at 31st Dec 2021	133,509.99	9,650.78	2,094.72	31,048.78	90,715.71
Nett movement of funds	**20,834.87**	**5,443.88**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**9,835.36**
Adjustments to Bank:-				Note1	Note 1
Cheque 003443 not cashed		-143.94			
Cheque 003444 not cashed		-144.59			
Transfer from CBF Acc Jan 22					691.18
Adjusted Bank Figures	**21,237.52**	**5,155.35**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**10,526.54**
Represented by:					
Cash Book as at 1st Jan 2021	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
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Nett entries recorded	**20,834.87**	**5,443.88**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**9,835.36**

Note 1

Interest on CCLA Accounts included in final reconcilation

Plus Grants for Learning Community Mission Fund

Transfer £691.18 taken from PCC Bank 31/12/21 in CCLA Restricted Account Jan 22

Outstanding Cheques issued December 21 Cashed January 2022

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1	**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2021**								**Restricted & General Deposit Accounts**						
2	**Receipts**									Restricted			General		
3			**Notes**	**2021**	**2020**	**2021**	**2020**			**2021**			**2021**		
4						**Mission**	**Mission**		**B/F 2020**	**£80,880.35**			**£22,036.32**		
5						**5551.55**	**£6,149.28**								
6	Planned Giving														
7		Gift Aided		44,030.12	48,022.52										
8		**Gift Aided (Mission)**		**90.00**		**90.00**									
9		Non Gift Aided		7,883.90	7,742.00										
10		Gift Aid Tax recovered	**1**	14,717.43	11,870.98										
11		**Gift Aid Tax (Mission)***	**1**	**22.50**				**Transfers****							
12	Collections - all services			2,771.64	2,447.33										
13	Collections - restricted		**2**	724.41	878.37										
14		Donations													
15		**Restricted PCC / (Mission)***	**3**	**50.00**	**2,520.39**	**50.00**	**£2,520.39**			**£8,370.14**	**Mission**				
16		Unrestricted PCC Account	**3**	1,210.51	678.25					**£39,562.05**	**Buildings**				
17	Special Appeals Mission		**3a**	**16,076.30**	**1,715.00**	**16,076.30**	**1715.00**								
18		Special Appeals PCC Account	**3a**	1,173.13	8,160.21										
19		Grants to Mission in CCLA	**4**	**2,499.99**	**9,999.96**					**£833.33**	**Mission**		**Paid Direct to CCLA Dep Acc**		
20	**18**	**Transfers PCC to CCLA**								**£1,666.66**		**Transfer**			
21	**18**	**Transfers PCC to Mission**				**13,768.20**	**£18,189.61**	**Transfers****							
22	Grants PCC Account		**4a**	1,250.00	4,250.00										
23	**Grants (Mission Account)**		**4a**	**13,370.14**	**10,000.00**	**13,370.14**	**£10,000.00**								
24	Legacies		**5**	10,500.00	21,501.00					**1500.00**	**Buildings**		**9000.00**		See Note 6
25	Fund Raising		**6**	2,673.96	1,712.16										
26	Church Hall Hire		**6**	1,770.00	535.00										
27	PCC Fees			2,557.50	1,759.00										
28	Magazine & Literature			73.67	65.18										
29	Bank & Deposit Interest		**7**	62.37	609.84				**Interest**	**46.60**			**12.46**		
30	Insurance Claim (Roof)			9,098.16	837.60										
31	Sundry Income		**8**	6,210.49	10,904.04										
32	Sundry Income Mission PCC		**8a**	0.00	**75.00**		**£75.00**								
33		**(See Note 20 below)**		**138,816.22**	**146,283.83**	**43,354.64**	**£32,500.00**			**£132,859.13**			**£31,048.78**		
34	Account Transfers			**48,154.80**	**80,285.79**					**£92,401.83* - (Mission Inc £44,187.97+ CCLA Int £59.06)**					
35		Cashbook PCC		**£186,971.02**	**£226,569.62**					(See C + D + E below Transfers)					
36		**Cashbook**		**£290.625.72**	**£338,316.71**		**Cashbook £290,625.72 =**		**£ 186971.02 + £51,287.60 + £9,012.46 + £43,354.64 Mission Inc)**						
37	**Payments**														
38			**Notes**	**2021**	**2020**										
39	Parish Share		**9**	-41,727.11	-57,758.58										
40	Clergy & Readers Expenses		**10**	-1,693.09	-1,567.85										
41	Worship Costs		**11**	-1,533.50	-1,676.92										
42	Salaries														
43		Organists (Excl Nest & Tax)	**12**	-3,934.92	-3,902.45										
44		Secretarial Incl Nest NI & Tax	**12**	-6,138.78	-4,951.58										
45		Mission Salaries	**12**	**-10,796.34**	**-13,296.86**										
46	Church Running Costs & Administration														
47		Church Cleaner		-933.50	-216.00										
48		Electricity	**13**	-561.95	-411.11										
49		Gas	**13**	-1,135.43	-1,982.20										

Page 3 cont...

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
50		Insurance	13	-2,006.51	-2,140.29										
51		PCC Expenses (Audit)		-473.10	0.00										
52		Telephone		-797.67	-788.39										
53		Photocopying		-1,315.60	-1,636.78										
54		Stationery & Printing		-915.47	-381.05										
55		Postage		-264.00	-226.24										
56	Building Costs														
57		Repairs & Renewals	14	-2,477.81	-1,931.27										
58		Church & Churchyard Maintena	14	-324.98	-694.00										
59		Building Projects	15	-27,661.78	-70,539.78										
60	Other Expenses														
61	Magazine & Literature														
62	Church Hall Upkeep				-109.64										
63	Subscriptions & Fees		16	-140.00	-140.00										
64	Church Flowers		17	-160.49	-56.05										
65	Fund Raising - Costs		18	-902.75	-84.32										
66		Miscellaneous	19	-807.36	-613.30										
67	Mission Giving														
68	Mission Account PCC		20	-391.74	-54.81										
69		See Mission Account	20	-9630.08	-19,573.73	-9,630.08	-19573.73								
70		See Mission Account	20				-50.00		Transfer direct to CCLA Restricted						
71	Other Charitable Giving		21	-566.21	-823.14										
72				-117,290.17	-185,556.34										
73	**Account Transfers**			**-64,236.97**	**-39,895.48**	**-37,181.39**	**-13474.00**			**£64,236.97 = £73,867.05** - 9,630.08 Mission**					
74		**Cashbook PCC**		**-181,527.14**	**-225,451.82**						**See A + B + C (Transfers)**				
75	**Transfers from Gen acc to PCC**				**-3,000.00**										
76	**Transfers PCC to Gen CCLA**		**A****	**-9,000.00**											
77	**Transfer from Gen CCLA - Rest**				**-70,000.00**			**Transfers**						See Notes Page 11	
78	**Transfer from PCC - Rest CCLA**		**B****	**-51098.85**	**-18,000.00**			**Transfers**		**-£13,000.00**	**Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission**				
79	**Transfer from PCC - Mission**		**C****	**-13,768.20**	**-18,189.61**			**Transfers**						See Notes Page 11	
80	**Transfer from CCLA Rest - Gen**				**-7,337.09**			**Transfers**		**-£28,452.24**	**Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission**				
81	**Transfer CCLA (R) to PCC**		**D****	**-41,452.24**	**-70,702.58**			**Adjust**		**-£691.18**	**Not In CCLA Account until January 2022**				
82	**Transfer from Mission - PCC**		**E****	**-37,181.39**	**-13,474.00**										
83		**Balances**				**-46,811.47**	**-£597.73**			**£90,715.71**			**£31,048.78**		
84		**Cashbook**		**£269,790.85**	**£427,589.22**				**£269,790.85 + £181,527.14 + £41.452.24 CCLA + £46,811.47 Mission**						
85		**Surplus / Deficit:**		**£20,834.87**	**-£39,272.51**	**£2,094.72**	**£5,551.55**								
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Income 2021

1 **Gift Aid**

PCC Account	£10,967.43	
Buildings Transfer	£ 3750.00	Gift Aid on Donation for Roof
Mission Account	£22.50	Gift Aid on Donation Mission Account
Total:	**£14,739.93**	

2 **Collections Restricted**

Collections 2020	£ 89.27	Children's Society Christmas Collection
	£124.16	Christian Aid Christmas Collection
Totals	**£213.43**	
Balance due of Sum up Payts	**£75.10 will be paid to PCC January**	
Actual **Totals**	**£288.53**	

Final cheques for £288.53 to Christian Aid & Children's Society issued December 21 - Cashed January 2022

3 **Donations – PCC Account**

Unrestricted	£620.18	Soup Lunches Transfer PCC – Mission
Sum Up Payments	£125.52	Soup Lunches Transfer PCC – Mission
Donations (PCC)	£157.50	Various
Sum Up Payments	£307.31	PCC Sum up Donations
	£1210.51	

3 **Donations - Mission Account**

St Mellitus Donation	**£50.00**	**Held in Mission Bank Account**
Total	**£1,260.51**	

3a **Special Appeals PCC Account**

Roofing Appeal	£289.41	Transfer PCC –CCLA Restricted
Sale of old Chairs& Equipment	£ 769.52	Transfer PCC – CCLA Restricted
Church Flowers Appeals	£ 114.20	
Totals	**£ 1,173.13**	

3a **Special Appeals – Mission Account**

Donation towards Roof Appeal (PCC)	**£15,164.71**	**Transfer to PCC - CCLA Account**
Donations Angels of Hope	**£786.59**	
Donations Covid-19 Expenses	**£125.00**	
Totals held in Mission Account	**£16,076.30**	

4 Recurring Grants (Restricted for Sole Use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee)

Rural Ministries **£2,499.99 Final Payments**

These monthly grants are held in or paid to the CCLA Restricted Deposit Account (Mission Allowance)

4a Grant (Non-Recurring)

Historic England Grant (Final Payt.)	£ 1,250.00	Roof Appeal
TotalPCC	**£ 1,250.00**	

Grants that are restricted for sole use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee.

Ministry Experience Scheme	**£2,000.00**	**Held in Mission Bank Account**
Grants All Churches Trust	**£7,300.00**	**Transfer to PCC – CCLA Mission**
Pioneer for Mission	**£1,070.14**	**Transfer to PCC – CCLA Mission**
Wellington Town Council	**£3,000.00**	**Transfer to PCC – CCLA Buildings**
Total Mission Grants	**£13,070.14**	

This non-recurring grants were paid direct to the New Mission Bank Account and £11,370.14 transferred via the PCC Account to Restricted CCLA Account

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Legacies (Designated)	£1,000.00	Rimmer
	£500.00	Farrant
	£1,500.00	

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA Restricted Deposit Account.

Legacies (Unrestricted)	**£9,000.00**	Salisbury & Tracey
	£10,500.00	**Total Legacies**

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA General Deposit Account.

5 Fund Raising

Hall Lettings	**£1770.00**
Sunday Coffee	£372.44
Coffee Mornings	£510.98
Concerts (including deposits)	£1,718.54
Other Events	£72.00
Totals:	**£2,673.96**

7 Bank Interest

Bank interest	£3.31 PCC General Account for year 2021
Interest on CCLA accounts	£12.46 General Deposit Account &
	£46.60 Restricted Deposit included in accounts
	£62.37

8 Sundry Income

Refund of Float (T Treanor)	£35.60	
Photocopying Payments	£50.00	
Just Giving, Amazon IAS	£28.81	
VAT Refund	£5,288.37	
Planned Giving (Parishioner)	£200.00	**for Reimbursement (Now in Care Home) Note 19**
Total	**£5,602.78**	

Income from other Church Activities

Votives, Church Christmas Card Flowers	**£401.81**
Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes	
Team Contributions to use of Photocopier	**£205.90**
Total Sundry	**£6,210.49**

See Income Note 8a Expenditure Note 20

Monies included in Collections & Donations

Tommy Statue Royal British Legion Donation £200.00

Collections taken on 7/11/21 & 14/11/21

Wellington Stroke Club

Carol Service 19/12/21 Collection £157.17+ £191.74

Sum Up Payments £34.57

Expenditure

9 Parish Share **-£41,727.11.** **£41,746.03** Arrears C/F to 2022 (Includes £17,250.78 B/F from 2020 due to drop in Income 2020 and closure of all Church Activities during Covid-19 It is the PCC's intention that these arrears be settled as soon as financially possible in the coming year.

10 Clergy Expenses

Rectors Expenses	**-£1,693.09**

11 Worship Costs

Cost of Candles, Wafers, Baptism Cards, etc.	-£430.92
Music Costs, Licence, Organ Repairs	-£1,102.58
	-£1,533.50

12 Salaries PCC

Organist Excl Tax & Nest Pensions	-3,934.92
Rector's PA Excl Tax,N I & Nest Pensions	-5,223.31
Nest Pensions, Tax & NI	-£916.67
	-10,073.70

12 Mission Salaries (Incl Tax and Nest Pension Contributions (Paid through PCC Account)
Monthly Transfers Received to PCC from Mission Account See Note 20 Mission

-£10,596.34

Total Payroll	**-£20,870.04**

13 Gas & Electricity

Electricity	**-£561.95**
Gas	-£1,135.43
	-£1,697.38

13 Insurance £2,006.51 Reduction in Fee due to the Installation of Smartwater

Building Costs

14 Buildings & Maintenance – Routine Maintenance & Repairs + Graveyard

E Bound AVX (Roof Alarm)	1,014.85	Funded by PCC
Boiler Service	£221.70	
Miscellaneous	-219.81	
Cushions	-99.28	Funded by Buildings Money
Electrical Maintenance	£770.63	**£691.18 Funded by Buildings Money****
Fire Extinguisher Annual Cert	-151.54	
	-2,477.81	
	- £ 324.98	Expenses Churchyard Maintenance & Upkeep
	-2,802.79	

£691.18 refunded to CCLA Designated Buildings Money December 2021. In CCLA Account January 2022

15 Buildings & Maintenance – Major Repairs

Replacement Chairs	-4689.60	
E Bound AVX (Roof Alarm)	-67.20.	Call Out
Corbel Masonry	-17,627.05	Final Payment for Roof Repairs
Hobbs Electrical	-232.80	Office Refurbishment (Electrics)
Daniel Bedford Electrics	-3,830.61	outside Electrics– Part Funded by Grant from Wellington Council
	-26,447.26	
Roof and Building Repairs	-£1,214.52	Final Architects & Planning Fees (Roof and Structural Work)
Total Buildings and Maintenance	**-27,661.78**	

All Major Building works have been funded through Donations, Grants and Legacies held in Restricted CCLA Accounts by St John's. We have received Insurance Monies to help with the Roof Costs Balances of the claimed grants and Insurance were settled during 2021.

Other Expenses

16 Subscriptions & Fees

Churches Together Subscription	-£100.00
B/W/DACR B.F Deanery Fee	-£15.00
Friends of Somerset Churches Subscription	-£25.00
	-£140.00

17 Flowers **-£160.49**

18 Fund Raising Costs

Harvest Lunch	-17.00
Concert Expenses	-270.00
Sum Up Station & Misc. Expenses	-502.80
Tea & Coffee	- 43.81
Gift Aid Envelopes	-£69.14)
Totals:	**-£ 902.75**

19 Miscellaneous

Refund of Damage Deposit (Hall)	- £20.00
Church Christmas Meal	-£295.00
Refund Parishioner (Giving)	-200.00
Bank Charges	- 292.36
	-£807.36

20 Mission –PCC Account

RBLI Donation for Remembrance Day Figure	**-£200.00**
Donation to Wellington Stroke Club	-£191.74
	-£391.74

20 Restricted Deposit Account D

2021 Learning Community, Courses, Expenses and Salaries + Covid -19

net movement	**-£9,630.08**
Recharges to PCC Account for Payroll & Expenses.	
	-£37,181.39
Total Mission Expenditure on Missions and Buildings	**-£46,811.47**

Learning Community Expenditure is funded entirely by the Share of 2017 grants from outside agencies and the Diocese which are put straight into CCLA Restricted Deposit Account. PCC invoice monthly for

Expenses, payroll, etc. incurred by the Learning Community. And the extra expenses incurred due to Covid-19. The Mission Fund has provided invaluable help to the Local Community and the Church in providing funds to enables St John's to continue the Church work

21 Other Charitable Giving PCC Account

Cheque Children's Society	-£55.23
issued December 20 – cashed Feb 21	
Children's Society from Proceeds Nov Coffee Morning	-£510.98
Paid out in 2021.	**-£566.21**

Cheques issued December not cashed until January 2022

Children's Society Christmas Collection 2021	-£89.27
Sum up Payments Children's Society paid Jan 22	-£55.32
Sum up Payments Christian Aid paid from PCC 2021 for Jan 22	-£19.78
Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2021	-£124.16
Total	**-£288.53**

Wellington Stroke Club	£191.74
Royal British Legion	£200.00
Children's Society	£501.98 + £144.59 + £55.23 (2020)
Christian Aid	£143.94
Total Charitable Giving 2021	**£1,237.48**

Bank Accounts movement 2020

PCC Current Account (A)

This is used to pay for the day to day running costs of the church. The bank balance brought forward from January 2021 was £4,206.90 and the turnover was £5,443.88 (£186,971.02 income minus £181,527.14 expenditure). This gives the available cash in the bank at the end of December 2021 of£9,650.78

Restricted Current Account (B)

This account is used to pay for missional activities and building work. The bank balance carried forward from 2020 was £5,551.55. The total Income during the year was £43,354.24 and the expenditure in 2021 was £46,811.47 making the total in the bank in December 2021 £2,094.32

Un-restricted Deposit A/C (C)

This deposited account is used to keep two months reserves in case of emergency or for temporary cash flow. In January 2021 the total brought forward from 2020 was £22,086.22 During the year we had unrestricted legacies totalling £9,000.00 and Interest of £12.46 so the total carried forward December 2021 £31,098.68

Restricted Deposit A/C (D)

The restricted deposit account is used to keep legacies and grants that have a restriction on how they must be spent. In January 2021 the total in this account was £80,880.35 To comply with anti-laundering legislation all money paid to the church must be paid into the current account and then transferred to a Deposit Account

During the year £51,978.75 was transferred into this account from grants, legacies and donations, making a total of £132,859.10. The costs for building work amounted to £28,452.24 and £13,000 was transferred to the Mission Current account and spent in accordance with the requirements of the grants received. This gives the closing figure of £90,715.71 on the 31st December however a further £691.18 was transferred from the PCC Bank Account on 31/12/21 but did not appear in Restricted Deposit Account until January 2022. Taking account of this gives an actual balance of £91,406.89 available on 4th January 2022

The 2021 Accounts on Cash Book 5.2 show all the above transactions.

Unallocated figures

Unallocated transfer of £691.18 to the CCLA General Deposit Account in December 1921 Shows in the Deposit Account on 04/01/22.but was deducted from PCC Account in 2021.

Unallocated Cheques issued December 2021 for £288.53 carried forward to 2022. These cheques were cashed in January 2022

Expenditure for 2021 actual figure = £211,589.47

Actual Balance at end of December 2021 = £226,529.62 - £225,451.82 = £1,117.80

(See Reconciliation Sheets 1 & 2)

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least two months Unrestricted payments. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
At end of December 2021 this monies totalled was still in deficit due to £8,000.00 being withdrawn to help PCC Expenditure up to 2020
Monies held in General Deposit Account total £31,048.48 - This includes further legacy money of £9,000.00.

Due to Covid-19 cash flow we are not able to hold any reserves apart from the money held in the General Deposit Account

Churchwarden's report on last year's activities

Looking back over this last year it has been a good one. Thank you John Young for being my co-churchwarden. I have valued your support and we work well together as a team, here is my report about all that has been achieved.

Worship

In the past year, since Tim Treanor's retirement, we have been blessed with the generosity of time and skills of several "retired" clergy. Our Interim Team Rector Martin Kirkbride and Pioneer Curate Richard Kelley have been able to take some services, but their ministry is spread across all 13 parishes in the Benefice, so Rev Canon Stephen Bowen, Rev'ds Alison and Andrew Norris, Rev James Clapham, Rev Mike Haslam and Rev Ian Brierley have filled the gaps- but they have done more than that. The quality of their sermons and slight differences in worship style have given us a rich and varied menu of worship. Christmas and Easter have been special and spiritually uplifting. I think the word is getting around, as on Easter Day we had a full house in the congregation and our services generally are seeing more new people and some younger ones too. Our worship has also been enhanced by about 40 different people leading intercessions, reading, servers, those offering a prayer ministry, giving a good welcome as stewards and in the coffee team, so thank you to all.

Hospitality and social events

Over the last year, as the restrictions due to Covid were gradually eased, we had a plan. Small hospitality groups were organised by our Pastoral Chaplain Judith Dufour, helped by Steph Packham called tea@3. This meets fortnightly on a Thursday afternoon in the hall, when there is much eating of cake, drinking of tea and chatting. Also several soup lunches have been organised by Kieven and Iris Yim, which likewise help people feel more confident in socialising and getting together again. The purchase of equipment to offer "real" coffee has helped us raise our game. Providing a warm welcome and hospitality alongside all the other things we do, seems to have become a thing. And with the coffee/tea and cake there have been many spiritual conversations – or not - as appropriate. A recent survey of the church members showed that our friendliness and welcome was one of the things most valued by our church community.

At Christmas we had lunch at the Beambridge, as we have done in the past, and we have held a couple of coffee mornings, one of which included a pop-up fair. Although these were helpful events to raise funds, they were also enjoyable social occasions.

Concerts from external musical societies and groups have re-commenced, and this has added to the feeling that things are getting back to normal. The last concert by the Choral Society saw the church full to capacity again. Thanks to Sue Rackley for her work on this.

Mission and Outreach

John Young once said to me, "You can never have enough prayer" and we have striven to maintain the prayerful and reflective practice set up by Tim and Selina. This has underpinned our outreach and missional activities.

Nursing Homes

There have always been strong links with the nursing homes and some of them are now beginning to open up for visiting again. Judith Dufour, Maralyn Norman and Steph Packham have been meeting with Rev Stephen Bowen, planning their return. Steph has been formally accepted as an Anna Chaplain in this past year, and takes this work into Linden, where she is also employed part time as an activities co-ordinator. Maralyn has been taking communion in to Camelot, and although Judith has not been able to get back into Chelston yet, she has been taking home communion to some of our housebound members. Stephen Bowen has resumed taking a monthly service at Oaktree Court.

St John's School

Work with St John's school has also been difficult due to the high incidence of Covid there, however Helena Power as our schools and pupils chaplain has done work with the Pupil Chaplains. This is a scheme whereby seven children became pupil chaplains. They are "discipled" and encouraged in their faith by Helena. They promise to follow several rules based on Christian practices and they meet together on a regular basis. (see the notice board for details of their Rule of Life.)
Also tangentially with the school, we are now offering an after school reading club on Tuesdays. Reading with the pupils in school has not been possible, but this alternative is working well. Parents and children call in on their way home and have refreshments, and can read their school books or a book from our children's Christian library, to Kieven Yim, Mairi McDonald or myself and we lay on a few extra activities relating to literacy for them.

Toddlers and Babies group

Our outreach activities also extend to younger age groups and families. On Wednesday mornings the hall is rented out to the NHS Health visitors for the "Healthy Child clinic". Babies are brought in in to be weighed and advice given to the parents or carers, who then come into church afterwards to socialise – more tea/coffee and conversation. Marilyn Neale is the main organiser of this and has a small band of helpers on a rota to offer this valuable service.

Village Agents

Marilyn has a busy day on Wednesdays along with Jeannie Smith, because in the afternoon another social activity is held. The Village Agents come to the church, where anyone from the wider community can come and get advice on any issues about which they are concerned. They are then signposted to the appropriate support agencies. This is an afternoon space to keep an eye on because the NHS (again) is wanting to offer a clinic for adults at the same time, but in the hall. "Health in the High Street" is where you can drop in and have a health check. The organiser is currently working with stakeholders to get this off the ground. Our challenge with these social activities is to offer a spiritual context. Tea/coffee and conversations and maintaining a prayerful presence give the opportunity. It takes the right people to keep that space, which Marilyn and Jeannie are dong successfully in their calm and spiritual way.

Other activities

These include a leaflet drop to as many of the houses in Wellington as possible – especially the new estates – telling people what we do. Thank you to the deliverers in raising our profile.
Richard Kelley has been very active ecumenically with the other churches in the town and is helping with town-wide projects such as "The Pantry" (a stepping stone up from food banks). We also have church members who help as Street Pastors under the guidance of Mike Czerniak.

Charitable giving

Outreach and Mission is not only about engaging with the community, but also includes fund-raising for charities and good causes. This past year we have raised quite a bit of money for charity, giving people opportunities for donating via concerts, soup lunches, coffee mornings, special services and by using our contactless machine. The list is impressive considering we have just been in a pandemic and people's finances are stretched at the moment.

- Christian Aid **£288.53**
- RBLI Donation for Remembrance Day Figure **£200** (making an appearance November 2022)
- Children's Society **£655.57**
- Donation to Wellington Stroke Club **£191.74**
- Taunton Welcomes Refugees **£387.63**
- Sure:- amount unknown, bucket at JW concert
- Ukrainian appeal **£2053.52**

Total Charitable giving £3777.09 (plus some to Sure)

Note: these figures are since the last APCM not the last calendar year 2021, which is always difficult because charitable giving over Christmas is often not cleared through the accounts until January, and I wanted to flag up the generosity towards the Ukrainian appeal.

Buildings

This time last year we still had the builders in replacing the roof on the choir vestry. We were fortunate in that the cost of this major work was covered by donations and fundraising, a couple of grants and the small insurance payout, however that was as far as the money would stretch at the time, so we have not been able to complete the restoration of the vestry. The walls still need to be done as well as the electrics and heating in there.

Another large project was undertaken. The town council gave us a grant following the angels of Hope in Christmas 2020 to fit external electrics in the churchyard. This took a while because digging in the churchyard needed permission, but it was completed in time for Christmas 2021.

Other work over the year has mostly been general maintenance – clearing and repairing guttering – lightening conductor inspection – general electrical work on PIF sensors, lights in the hall and electrical checks of power points– annual boiler maintenance for both church and hall – fire extinguisher checks – organ maintenance – repair to the sound system (new local antennae fitted) – hedge cutting and waste removal. The church logbook is up to date with all these activites and can be examined at any time on request.

John Young and myself are investigating the best way to set up a friends scheme for St John's Church. It is hoped that this will bring in some funds and help, from people interested in the church building. At a recent exhibition in Westpoint, we saw all sorts of things we could do to improve the building, and it would be lovely to do some of them.

Whilst writing about the building and grounds, many thanks to Brian Carter for his vigilance keeping an eye on the church and also Ray Tyler, keeping our driveways tidy and clear of leaves.

The church inventory

One of the responsibilities of a churchwarden is to maintain an inventory of the contents of the church. The annual audit has been done and the records updated. Although the church may look less cluttered there were not many changes to make to the inventory database. The open uncluttered feel has been achieved by a more careful storage and moving things from here to there!

There have been some additions and replacements. The plastic chairs that we used to use in the hall have been replaced by new wooden ones (and cushions made for those that would like to use them) and some small coffee tables purchased. This has made the hall more attractive to hirers, and we had a good price from Dunkerswell Auctions for the old chairs considering their condition with missing screws, rusty legs and some staining on the seats.

Sharon's office has also had a makeover, with a new desk and re-arrangement of the furniture. The social corner of the church has got some new (removable) carpeting, which makes it more comfortable for various groups, and on the other side of the church we strive to keep the Lady Chapel as a holy and quiet place for prayer. As the church is open each day from about 9:00 to 4:00 the number of individuals who come in to make use of this is significant. Here could I extend a thanks to Lenore Clarke and her flower team for making such beautiful flower arrangements in the church throughout the year, and the twins, Jen and Sue for their sacristan duties, faithfully carried out over the year.

Churchyard (caring for God's acre)

Our churchyard is such a special place for the town and church. There are frequently people sitting on the bench or coming to visit the memorial beds, which are so beautifully kept in order by John and Julie Morton and Maralyn Norman. It is a large space and as a closed churchyard (i.e. one in which there are no body burials) maintained by the council.

There is a national movement to encourage the bio-diversity in our churchyards and all green spaces and we tried a few ideas out this last year. Parts of the churchyard have been planted with wild flowers by the council, and David Dufour kindly donated hundreds of daffodil bulbs which have been a joy this spring and last. Sections of the grass have been left to grow, it is hoped to have more control over this than last year and maintain larger cut areas for the publics enjoyment. Last year the council did have problems with both manpower and machinery, which did not help with the overall appearance. Also I think they are beginning to realise that re-wilding is more work than keeping everything cut. This project though should give more opportunity to engage with younger people in the wider community, so plans are being made by William Brown and others.

And finally

I have mentioned one or two people who have taken leadership roles in our church, but there are many many others who do little jobs quietly in the background, so thank you to all of them. There is one more person though who needs a special mention, our parish administrator Sharon Chorley. The work she does to keep things moving smoothly is very much appreciated and she has managed this despite all the difficulties caused by the pandemic, so thank you Sharon.

Other Reports

Safeguarding Report 2021 by Sharon Chorley

As you might all be aware we have had some changes at the Diocese on the safeguarding team with Glynnis Armstrong leaving and being replaced by Ben Goodhind, the new Safeguarding Manager. I recently gave out posters updated with Ben's contact details to be displayed in each church so I hope that you have received them. Please let me know if you haven't and I will send you another one. The Diocese are keen to get each parish signed up to the Parish Safeguarding Dashboard, which you should all have received some information about by now, and hopefully some of you will have signed up. This is a very helpful tool for each PCC to make sure that they are meeting the safeguarding requirements for their church and I do encourage you to have a look if you haven't already.

I would like to thank those PCC members who have undertaken the C0 Basic Awareness safeguarding training this year. I can report that most members of every single PCC in our benefice have now completed this which is a great achievement. The Diocese have now stipulated that every PCC member will also need to complete the next level of training, the C1 Foundation course. This, again, can be done online and there will be training courses offered in person at the Diocese later in the year. This is a 'work in progress' and we appreciate that it can't be done immediately but just something to be aware of over the next few months. If you haven't already, you will receive some information about training and dates from me soon.

We continue to keep A Church Near You and our team website up to date with the latest safeguarding contacts and have recently added some information at the request of the Diocese. This is promoting the 'Safe Spaces' scheme which is a free and independent support service for anyone who has experienced abuse, however long ago, in relation to the Church of England, the Church in Wales, or the Catholic Church of England and Wales. Details are on the aforementioned web pages and also on the Bath and Well Diocese website.

Thank you again for your help and support over the last year and I hope that we can continue to work on our safeguarding framework together. Please remember that I am always here to help!

Tone Deanery report 2021 by Ken Winhall

There were only two meetings of the Deanery in 2021, on 1st July and 4th November.

1st July

The meeting was held in St Andrew's Church Wiveliscombe. It was the first meeting of the new triennial which started in June the previous year, so elections were made. Charles Doble was elected as Lay Chair, Alison Toogood as Treasurer, Ian Aldridge as secretary. One of our church members was elected onto the Diocesan Synod – William Brown, along with Charles Doble and Dilly Bradley.

The meeting discussed four questions:-
What do you value most about your church as part of your community?
What are the biggest challenges facing your community?
How can church members support the challenges the community face?
As we seek a new Bishop, what are our priorities as a parish, benefice, deanery and diocese?

Charles then spoke about re-organisation. The Diocesan Synod has be re-organised and the number of reps reduced to 73. There are various plans as to how to progress post Covid including focal ministry and mixed ecology ministry. Charles said how the current Church of England financial model is under increasing strain, especially in rural areas. There are now 47 churches within the diocese with a membership of four or less.

4th November

The deanery synod met on 4th November in Milverton Parish Rooms. It was an open meeting for anyone to attend.

Rev Charlie Peer from the Diocese was a guest speaker and he spoke about enabling ministry. He is the head of Mission Support and Ministry development. We had some discussion time around our tables. To help the discussion each table was give some questions to consider looking at the position of the church in the wider community (e.g. How do you think the wider community would describe the local church?)

Charlie Peer touched on the fact that the Diocese was looking at re-organisation and the important role that focal ministry would have in the churches. He felt this was not a good name for it but it was about lay people being involved in one area such as a school, nursing home or church.

We had to consider what excited us and what concerned us.

Excited:- Cotford St Luke building a new church, People coming out of the woodwork with digital opportunities for groups. Concerns:- Not getting young families in, Drugs.

There were also the topics of finance and safeguarding on the agenda.

Please note, all Deanery Synod meetings are open to all who are interested in coming. At the next one on 12th May, Emma Brown, the church buildings advisor is talking about building work and re-ordering.

Independent Examiner's Certificate for the PCC Accounts

Report to the trustees of: ST JOHN THE BAPTIST WELLINGTON **Parochial Church Council**

On accounts for the year ended: 31 DECEMBER 2021 Charity Number (if applicable): 1159809.

Set out on pages 1 - 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect,

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

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: MRoyle **Date:** 26/4/22

Name: Mark Roxby

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): N/A

Address: Aspen Waite Doyle Chartered Certified Accountants, Old Town Hall Wellington Somerset TA21 8LS

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

None

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

The following accounts have been prepared on a 'Receipts and Payments' basis and produce the following totals:

Total Receipts	290,625.72
Total Payments	269,790.85
Surplus for the year	**£20,834.87**

As detailed in the Receipts & Payments account.

Church Asset List

Library books & equipment
Office equipment
Churchyard equipment
Kitchen/hall equipment

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on: _____

And signed on its behalf by:-

_____ _____

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following five pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2021

	Total Funds	A Current A/C NatWest	B Restricted current A/C NatWest	C Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF	D Deposit A/C Restricted CBF
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2021	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Bank as at 31st Dec 2021	133,509.99	9,650.78	2,094.72	31,048.78	90,715.71
Nett movement of funds	**20,834.87**	**5,443.88**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**9,835.36**
Adjustments to Bank:-				Note1	Note 1
Cheque 003443 not cashed		-143.94			
Cheque 003444 not cashed		-144.59			
Transfer from CBF Acc Jan 22					691.18
Adjusted Bank Figures	**21,237.52**	**5,155.35**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**10,526.54**
Represented by:					
Cash Book as at 1st Jan 2021	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Cash Book as at 31st Dec 2021	133,509.99	9,650.78	2,094.72	31,048.78	90,715.71
Nett entries recorded	**20,834.87**	**5,443.88**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**9,835.36**

Note 1

Interest on CCLA Accounts included in final reconcilation
Plus Grants for Learning Community Mission Fund
Transfer £691.18 taken from PCC Bank 31/12/21 in CCLA Restricted Account Jan 22

Outstanding Cheques issued December 21 Cashed January 2022

Account Balances and Bank Reconciliation screen

Unreconciled Transactions = (£288.53)
Unreconciled Transfers = £691.18

Bank Reconciliation

Account	Account Name/Description	Opening ACTUAL Balance	Transactions In	Transactions Out	ACTUAL Balance	Opening STATEMENT Balance	Money In	Money Out	STATEMENT Balance	Date last Reconciled
		£112,675.12	£291,316.90	(£270,079.38)	£133,912.64	£112,675.12	£290,625.72	(£269,790.85)	£133,509.99	
A	Nat West Current Account (Cash)	£4,206.90	£186,971.02	(£181,815.67)	£9,362.25	£4,206.90	£186,971.02	(£181,527.14)	£9,650.78	*15/01/2022*
B	CBF Deposit Account (General) (Cash)	£22,036.32	£9,012.46	-	£31,048.78	£22,036.32	£9,012.46	-	£31,048.78	*15/01/2022*
C	CBF Deposit Account (Restricted) (Cash)	£80,880.35	£51,978.78	(£41,452.24)	£91,406.89	£80,880.35	£51,287.60	(£41,452.24)	£90,715.71	*15/01/2022*
D	General Mission Account (Cash)	£5,551.55	£43,354.64	(£46,811.47)	£2,094.72	£5,551.55	£43,354.64	(£46,811.47)	£2,094.72	*15/01/2022*
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
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Before Clicking the "Reconcile" button, please make sure that the Statement Balances above are correct. Note: Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers tab

YEAR-END Balances Split

Closing Unrestricted	Closing Designated	Closing Restricted	
£45,587.04	£13,126.73	£76,196.92	
£14,588.26	(£6,288.08)	£1,107.67	Cash
£31,048.78	-	-	Cash
-	£18,409.81	£72,002.08	Cash
-	-	£3,087.77	Cash
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	

Reconciliation of Transactions *(please note: Reconciliations of Standing Orders/Direct Debits happens automatically. Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers page)*

Date	Account	Details	Amount	Paying in slip /Cheq number	Rec	BFS Number
31/12/2021	A	Christian Aid -Collections Christmas Services + Sum Up Payr	(£143.94)	CHQ003443		CHQ/3443
31/12/2021	A	The Children's SocietyChristingle Service +Sum Up Payments	(£144.59)	CHQ003444		CHQ/3444

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1		**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2021**								**Restricted & General Deposit Accounts**					
2		**Receipts**								Restricted		General			
3			**Notes**	**2021**	**2020**	**2021**	**2020**			**2021**			**2021**		
4						Mission	Mission		**B/F 2020**	**£80,880.35**			**£22,036.32**		
5						5551.55	£6,149.28								
6		Planned Giving													
7		Gift Aided		44,030.12	48,022.52										
8		Gift Aided (Mission)		90.00		90.00									
9		Non Gift Aided		7,883.90	7,742.00										
10		Gift Aid Tax recovered	1	14,717.43	11,870.98										
11		**Gift Aid Tax (Mission)***	1	22.50				Transfers**							
12		Collections - all services		2,771.64	2,447.33										
13		Collections - restricted	2	724.41	878.37										
14		Donations													
15		**Restricted PCC / (Mission)***	3	50.00	2,520.39	50.00	£2,520.39			£8,370.14	Mission				
16		Unrestricted PCC Account	3	1,210.51	678.25					£39,562.05	Buildings				
17		Special Appeals Mission	3a	16,076.30	1,715.00	16,076.30	1715.00								
18		Special Appeals PCC Account	3a	1,173.13	8,160.21										
19		Grants to Mission in CCLA	4	2,499.99	9,999.96					£833.33	Mission	Paid Direct to CCLA Dep Acc			
20	18	Transfers PCC to CCLA								£1,666.66		Transfer			
21	18	Transfers PCC to Mission				13,768.20	£18,189.61	Transfers**							
22		Grants PCC Account	4a	1,250.00	4,250.00										
23		Grants (Mission Account)	4a	13,370.14	10,000.00	13,370.14	£10,000.00								
24		Legacies	5	10,500.00	21,501.00					1500.00	Buildings		9000.00	See Note 6	
25		Fund Raising	6	2,673.96	1,712.16										
26		Church Hall Hire	6	1,770.00	535.00										
27		PCC Fees		2,557.50	1,759.00										
28		Magazine & Literature		73.67	65.18										
29		Bank & Deposit Interest	7	62.37	609.84				Interest	46.60			12.46		
30		Insurance Claim (Roof)		9,098.16	837.60										
31		Sundry Income	8	6,210.49	10,904.04										
32		Sundry Income Mission PCC	8a	0.00	75.00		£75.00								
33		**(See Note 20 below)**		138,816.22	146,283.83	43,354.64	£32,500.00			**£132,859.13**			**£31,048.78**		
34		Account Transfers		**48,154.80**	**80,285.79**					**£92,401.83* - (Mission Inc £44,187.97+ CCLA Int £59.06)**					
35		Cashbook PCC		**£186,971.02**	**£226,569.62**					(See C + D + E below Transfers)					
36		**Cashbook**		**£290.625.72**	**£338,316.71**		**Cashbook £290,625.72 = £ 186971.02 + £51,287.60 + £9,012.46 + £43,354.64 Mission Inc)**								
37		**Payments**													
38			**Notes**	**2021**	**2020**										
39		Parish Share	9	-41,727.11	-57,758.58										
40		Clergy & Readers Expenses	10	-1,693.09	-1,567.85										
41		Worship Costs	11	-1,533.50	-1,676.92										
42		Salaries													
43		Organists (Excl Nest & Tax)	12	-3,934.92	-3,902.45										
44		Secretarial Incl Nest NI & Tax	12	-6,138.78	-4,951.58										
45		Mission Salaries	12	-10,796.34	-13,296.86										
46		Church Running Costs & Administration													
47		Church Cleaner		-933.50	-216.00										
48		Electricity	13	-561.95	-411.11										

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
49		Gas	13	-1,135.43	-1,982.20										
50		Insurance	13	-2,006.51	-2,140.29										
51		PCC Expenses (Audit)		-473.10	0.00										
52		Telephone		-797.67	-788.39										
53		Photocopying		-1,315.60	-1,636.78										
54		Stationery & Printing		-915.47	-381.05										
55		Postage		-264.00	-226.24										
56	Building Costs														
57		Repairs & Renewals	14	-2,477.81	-1,931.27										
58		*Church & Churchyard Maintena*	*14*	*-324.98*	*-694.00*										
59		Building Projects	15	-27,661.78	-70,539.78										
60	Other Expenses														
61	Magazine & Literature														
62	Church Hall Upkeep				-109.64										
63	Subscriptions & Fees		16	-140.00	-140.00										
64	Church Flowers		17	-160.49	-56.05										
65	Fund Raising - Costs		18	-902.75	-84.32										
66		Miscellaneous	19	-807.36	-613.30										
67	Mission Giving														
68	Mission Account PCC		20	-391.74	-54.81										
69		See Mission Account	20	-9630.08	-19,573.73	-9,630.08	-19573.73								
70		See Mission Account	20				-50.00		Transfer direct to CCLA Restricted						
71	Other Charitable Giving		21	-566.21	-823.14										
72				-117,290.17	-185,556.34										
73	Account Transfers			-64,236.97	-39,895.48	-37,181.39	-13474.00			£64,236.97 = £73,867.05** - 9,630.08 Mission					
74		Cashbook PCC		-181,527.14	-225,451.82						See A + B + C (Transfers)				
75	Transfers from Gen acc to PCC				-3,000.00										
76	Transfers PCC to Gen CCLA		A**	-9,000.00											
77	Transfer from Gen CCLA - Rest				-70,000.00			Transfers						See Notes Page 11	
78	Transfer from PCC - Rest CCLA		B**	-51098.85	-18,000.00			Transfers		-£13,000.00	Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission				
79	Transfer from PCC - Mission		C**	-13,768.20	-18,189.61			Transfers						See Notes Page 11	
80	Transfer from CCLA Rest - Gen				-7,337.09			Transfers		-£28,452.24	Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission				
81	Transfer CCLA (R) to PCC		D**	-41,452.24	-70,702.58			Adjust		-£691.18	Not In CCLA Account until January 2022				
82	Transfer from Mission - PCC		E**	-37,181.39	-13,474.00										
83		Balances				-46,811.47	-£597.73			£90,715.71			£31,048.78		
84		Cashbook		£269,790.85	£427,589.22			£269,790.85 + £181,527.14 + £41.452.24 CCLA + £46,811.47 Mission							
85		Surplus / Deficit:		£20,634.87	-£39,272.51	£2,094.72	£5,551.55								
86															
87									Page 3						
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Income 2021

1 **Gift Aid**

PCC Account	£10,967.43	
Buildings Transfer	£ 3750.00	Gift Aid on Donation for Roof
Mission Account	£22.50	Gift Aid on Donation Mission Account
Total:	**£14,739.93**	

2 **Collections Restricted**

Collections 2021	£ 89.27	Children's Society Christmas Collection
	£124.16	Christian Aid Christmas Collection
Totals	**£213.43**	
Balance due of Sum up Payts	**£75.10 will be paid to PCC January**	
Actual **Totals**	**£288.53**	

Final cheques for £288.53 to Christian Aid & Children's Society issued December 21 - Cashed January 2022

3 **Donations – PCC Account**

Unrestricted	£620.18	Soup Lunches Transfer PCC – Mission
Sum Up Payments	£125.52	Soup Lunches Transfer PCC – Mission
Donations (PCC)	£157.50	Various
Sum Up Payments	£307.31	PCC Sum up Donations
	£1210.51	

3 **Donations - Mission Account**

St Mellitus Donation	£50.00	**Held in Mission Bank Account**
Total	**£1,260.51**	

3a **Special Appeals PCC Account**

Roofing Appeal	£289.41	Transfer PCC –CCLA Restricted
Sale of old Chairs& Equipment	£ 769.52	Transfer PCC – CCLA Restricted
Church Flowers Appeals	£ 114.20	
Totals	**£ 1,173.13**	

3a **Special Appeals – Mission Account**

Donation towards Roof Appeal (PCC)	**£15,164.71 Transfer to PCC - CCLA Account**
Donations Angels of Hope	**£786.59**
Donations Covid-19 Expenses	**£125.00**
Totals held in Mission Account	**£16,076.30**

4 Recurring Grants (Restricted for Sole Use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee)

Rural Ministries **£2,499.99 Final Payments**

These monthly grants are held in or paid to the CCLA Restricted Deposit Account (Mission Allowance)

4a Grant (Non-Recurring)

Historic England Grant (Final Payt.)	£ 1,250.00	Roof Appeal
TotalPCC	**£ 1,250.00**	

Grants that are restricted for sole use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee.

Ministry Experience Scheme	**£2,000.00 Held in Mission Bank Account**
Grants All Churches Trust	**£7,300.00 Transfer to PCC – CCLA Mission**
Pioneer for Mission	**£1,070.14 Transfer to PCC – CCLA Mission**
Wellington Town Council	**£3,000.00 Transfer to PCC – CCLA Buildings**
Total Mission Grants	**£13,070.14**

This non-recurring grants were paid direct to the New Mission Bank Account and £11,370.14 transferred via the PCC Account to Restricted CCLA Account

5

Legacies (Designated)	£1,000.00	Rimmer
	£500.00	Farrant
	£1,500.00	

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA Restricted Deposit Account.

Legacies (Unrestricted)	**£9,000.00**	Salisbury & Tracey
	£10,500.00	**Total Legacies**

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA General Deposit Account.

6 **Fund Raising**

Hall Lettings	**£1770.00**
Sunday Coffee	£372.44
Coffee Mornings	£510.98
Concerts (including deposits)	£1,718.54
Other Events	£72.00
Totals:	**£2,673.96**

7 **Bank Interest**

Bank interest	£3.31 PCC General Account for year 2021
Interest on CCLA accounts	£12.46 General Deposit Account &
	£46.60 Restricted Deposit included in accounts
	£62.37

8 **Sundry Income**

Refund of Float (T Treanor)	£35.60	
Photocopying Payments	£50.00	
Just Giving, Amazon IAS	£28.81	
VAT Refund	£5,288.37	
Planned Giving (Parishioner)	£200.00	for Reimbursement (Now in Care Home) Note 19
Total	**£5,602.78**	

Income from other Church Activities

Votives, Church Christmas Card Flowers	**£401.81**
Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes	
Team Contributions to use of Photocopier	**£205.90**
Total Sundry	**£6,210.49**

See Income Note 8a Expenditure Note 20

Monies included in Collections & Donations

Tommy Statue Royal British Legion Donation £200.00

Collections taken on 7/11/21 & 14/11/21

Wellington Stroke Club

Carol Service 19/12/21 Collection £157.17+ £191.74

Sum Up Payments £34.57

Expenditure

9 **Parish Share** **-£41,727.11.** £41,746.03 Arrears C/F to 2022 (Includes £17,250.78 B/F from 2020 due to drop in Income 2020 and closure of all Church Activities during Covid-19 It is the PCC's intention that these arrears be settled as soon as financially possible in the coming year.

10 Clergy Expenses

Rectors Expenses	**-£1,693.09**

11 Worship Costs

Cost of Candles, Wafers, Baptism Cards, etc.	-£430.92
Music Costs, Licence, Organ Repairs	-£1,102.58
	-£1,533.50

12 Salaries PCC

Organist Excl Tax & Nest Pensions	-3,934.92
Rector's PA Excl Tax,N I & Nest Pensions	-5,223.31
Nest Pensions, Tax & NI	-£916.67
	-10,073.70

12 **Mission Salaries** (Incl Tax and Nest Pension Contributions (Paid through PCC Account)
Monthly Transfers Received to PCC from Mission Account See Note 20 Mission

-£10,796.34

Total Payroll **-£20,870.04**

13 Gas & Electricity

Electricity	**-£561.95**
Gas	-£1,135.43
	-£1,697.38

13 **Insurance** **-£2,006.51** Reduction in Fee due to the Installation of Smartwater

Building Costs

14 **Buildings & Maintenance – Routine Maintenance & Repairs + Graveyard**

E Bound AVX (Roof Alarm)	-£1,014.85	Funded by PCC
Boiler Service	-£221.70	
Miscellaneous	-£219.81	
Cushions	-£99.28	Funded by Buildings Money
Electrical Maintenance	£770.63	**£691.18 Funded by Buildings Money****
Fire Extinguisher Annual Cert	-151.54	
	-2,477.81	
	- £ 324.98	Expenses Churchyard Maintenance & Upkeep
	-£2,802.79	

£691.18 refunded to CCLA Designated Buildings Money December 2021. In CCLA Account January 2022

15 Buildings & Maintenance – Major Repairs

Replacement Chairs	-£4,689.60	
E Bound AVX (Roof Alarm)	-£67.20.	Call Out
Corbel Masonry	-£17,627.05	Final Payment for Roof Repairs
Hobbs Electrical	-£232.80	Office Refurbishment (Electrics)
Daniel Bedford Electrics	-£3,830.61	outside Electrics– Part Funded by Grant from Wellington Council
	-£26,447.26	
Roof and Building Repairs	-£1,214.52	Final Architects & Planning Fees (Roof and Structural Work)
Total Buildings and Maintenance	**-£27,661.78**	

All Major Building works have been funded through Donations, Grants and Legacies held in Restricted CCLA Accounts by St John's. We have received Insurance Monies to help with the Roof Costs Balances of the claimed grants and Insurance were settled during 2021.

Other Expenses

16 Subscriptions & Fees

Churches Together Subscription	-£100.00
B/WDACR B.F Deanery Fee	-£15.00
Friends of Somerset Churches Subscription	-£25.00
	-£140.00

17 Flowers **-£160.49**

18 Fund Raising Costs

Harvest Lunch	-£17.00
Concert Expenses	-£270.00
Sum Up Station & Misc. Expenses	-£502.80
Tea & Coffee	- £43.81
Gift Aid Envelopes	-£69.14
Totals:	**-£ 902.75**

19 Miscellaneous

Refund of Damage Deposit (Hall)	- £20.00
Church Christmas Meal	-£295.00
Refund Parishioner (Giving)	-200.00
Bank Charges	- 292.36
	-£807.36

20 Mission –PCC Account

RBLI Donation for Remembrance Day Figure	-£200.00
Donation to Wellington Stroke Club	-£191.74
	-£391.74

20 Restricted Deposit Account D

2021 Learning Community, Courses, Expenses and Salaries + Covid -19	
net movement	-£9,630.08
Recharges to PCC Account for Payroll & Expenses.	
	-£37,181.39
Total Mission Expenditure on Missions and Buildings	-£46,811.47

Learning Community Expenditure is funded entirely by the Share of 2017 grants from outside agencies and the Diocese which are put straight into CCLA Restricted Deposit Account. PCC invoice monthly for

Expenses, payroll, etc. incurred by the Learning Community. And the extra expenses incurred due to Covid-19. The Mission Fund has provided invaluable help to the Local Community and the Church in providing funds to enables St John's to continue the Church work

21 Other Charitable Giving PCC Account

Cheque Children's Society	-£55.23
issued December 20 – cashed Feb 21	
Children's Society from Proceeds Nov Coffee Morning	-£510.98
Paid out in 2021.	-£566.21

Cheques issued December not cashed until January 2022

Children's Society Christmas Collection 2021	-£89.27
Sum up Payments Children's Society paid Jan 22	-£55.32
Sum up Payments Christian Aid paid from PCC 2021 for Jan 22	-£19.78
Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2021	-£124.16
Total	-£288.53

Wellington Stroke Club	£191.74.
Royal British Legion	£200.00
Children's Society	£501.98 + £144.59 + £55.23 (2020)
Christian Aid	£143.94
Total Charitable Giving 2021	£1,237.48

Bank Accounts movement 2020

PCC Current Account (A)

This is used to pay for the day to day running costs of the church. The bank balance brought forward from January 2021 was £4,206.90 and the turnover was £5,443.88 (£186,971.02 income minus £181,527.14 expenditure). This gives the available cash in the bank at the end of December 2021 of£9,650.78

Restricted Current Account (B)

This account is used to pay for missional activities and building work. The bank balance carried forward from 2020 was £5,551.55. The total Income during the year was £43,354.24 and the expenditure in 2021 was £46,811.47 making the total in the bank in December 2021 £2,094.32

Un-restricted Deposit A/C (C)

This deposited account is used to keep two months reserves in case of emergency or for temporary cash flow. In January 2021 the total brought forward from 2020 was £22,086.22 During the year we had unrestricted legacies totalling £9,000.00 and Interest of £12.46 so the total carried forward December 2021 £31,098.68

Restricted Deposit A/C (D)

The restricted deposit account is used to keep legacies and grants that have a restriction on how they must be spent. In January 2021 the total in this account was £80,880.35 To comply with anti-laundering legislation all money paid to the church must be paid into the current account and then transferred to a Deposit Account

During the year £51,978.75 was transferred into this account from grants, legacies and donations, making a total of £132,859.10. The costs for building work amounted to £28,452.24 and £13,000 was transferred to the Mission Current account and spent in accordance with the requirements of the grants received. This gives the closing figure of £90,715.71 on the 31st December however a further £691.18 was transferred from the PCC Bank Account on 31/12/21 but did not appear in Restricted Deposit Account until January 2022. Taking account of this gives an actual balance of £91,406.89 available on 4th January 2022

The 2021 Accounts on Cash Book 5.2 show all the above transactions.

Unallocated figures

Unallocated transfer of £691.18 to the CCLA General Deposit Account in December 1921 Shows in the Deposit Account on 04/01/22.but was deducted from PCC Account in 2021.

Unallocated Cheques issued December 2021 for £288.53 carried forward to 2022. These cheques were cashed in January 2022

Expenditure for 2021 actual figure = £211,589.47

Actual Balance at end of December 2021 = £226,529.62 - £225,451.82 = £1,117.80

(See Reconciliation Sheets 1 & 2)

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least two months Unrestricted payments. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
At end of December 2021 this monies totalled was still in deficit due to £8,000.00 being withdrawn to help PCC Expenditure up to 2020
Monies held in General Deposit Account total £31,048.48 - This includes further legacy money of £9,000.00.

Due to Covid-19 cash flow we are not able to hold any reserves apart from the money held in the General Deposit Account

Independent Examiner's Certificate for the PCC Accounts

Report to the trustees of: ST JOHN THE BAPTIST WELLINGTON **Parochial Church Council**

On accounts for the year ended: 31 DECEMBER 2021 Charity Number (if applicable): 1159809.

Set out on pages 1 - 9.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect,

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

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: MRoyle **Date:** 26/4/22

Name: Mark Roxby

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any): N/A

Address: Aspen Waite Doyle Chartered Certified Accountants, Old Town Hall Wellington Somerset TA21 8LS

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

None

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2021

The following accounts have been prepared on a 'Receipts and Payments' basis and produce the following totals:

Total Receipts	290,625.72
Total Payments	269,790.85
Surplus for the year	**£20,834.87**

As detailed in the Receipts & Payments account.

Church Asset List

Library books & equipment
Office equipment
Churchyard equipment
Kitchen/hall equipment

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on: _____

And signed on its behalf by:-

_____ _____

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following five pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2021

	Total Funds	A Current A/C NatWest	B Restricted current A/C NatWest	C Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF	D Deposit A/C Restricted CBF
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2021	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Bank as at 31st Dec 2021	133,509.99	9,650.78	2,094.72	31,048.78	90,715.71
Nett movement of funds	**20,834.87**	**5,443.88**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**9,835.36**
Adjustments to Bank:-				Note1	Note 1
Cheque 003443 not cashed		-143.94			
Cheque 003444 not cashed		-144.59			
Transfer from CBF Acc Jan 22					691.18
Adjusted Bank Figures	**21,237.52**	**5,155.35**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**10,526.54**
Represented by:					
Cash Book as at 1st Jan 2021	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Cash Book as at 31st Dec 2021	133,509.99	9,650.78	2,094.72	31,048.78	90,715.71
Nett entries recorded	**20,834.87**	**5,443.88**	**-3,456.83**	**9,012.46**	**9,835.36**

Note 1

Interest on CCLA Accounts included in final reconcilation
Plus Grants for Learning Community Mission Fund
Transfer £691.18 taken from PCC Bank 31/12/21 in CCLA Restricted Account Jan 22

Outstanding Cheques issued December 21 Cashed January 2022

Account Balances and Bank Reconciliation screen

Unreconciled Transactions = (£288.53)
Unreconciled Transfers = £691.18

Bank Reconciliation

Account	Account Name/Description	Opening ACTUAL Balance	Transactions In	Transactions Out	ACTUAL Balance	Opening STATEMENT Balance	Money In	Money Out	STATEMENT Balance	Date last Reconciled
		£112,675.12	£291,316.90	(£270,079.38)	£133,912.64	£112,675.12	£290,625.72	(£269,790.85)	£133,509.99	
A	Nat West Current Account (Cash)	£4,206.90	£186,971.02	(£181,815.67)	£9,362.25	£4,206.90	£186,971.02	(£181,527.14)	£9,650.78	*15/01/2022*
B	CBF Deposit Account (General) (Cash)	£22,036.32	£9,012.46	-	£31,048.78	£22,036.32	£9,012.46	-	£31,048.78	*15/01/2022*
C	CBF Deposit Account (Restricted) (Cash)	£80,880.35	£51,978.78	(£41,452.24)	£91,406.89	£80,880.35	£51,287.60	(£41,452.24)	£90,715.71	*15/01/2022*
D	General Mission Account (Cash)	£5,551.55	£43,354.64	(£46,811.47)	£2,094.72	£5,551.55	£43,354.64	(£46,811.47)	£2,094.72	*15/01/2022*
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
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		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

Before Clicking the "Reconcile" button, please make sure that the Statement Balances above are correct. Note: Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers tab

YEAR-END Balances Split

Closing Unrestricted	Closing Designated	Closing Restricted	
£45,587.04	£13,126.73	£76,196.92	
£14,588.26	(£6,288.08)	£1,107.67	Cash
£31,048.78	-	-	Cash
-	£18,409.81	£72,002.08	Cash
-	-	£3,087.77	Cash
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	

Reconciliation of Transactions *(please note: Reconciliations of Standing Orders/Direct Debits happens automatically. Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers page)*

Date	Account	Details	Amount	Paying in slip /Cheq number	Rec	BFS Number
31/12/2021	A	Christian Aid -Collections Christmas Services + Sum Up Payr	(£143.94)	CHQ003443		CHQ/3443
31/12/2021	A	The Children's SocietyChristingle Service +Sum Up Payments	(£144.59)	CHQ003444		CHQ/3444

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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
1		**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2021**								**Restricted & General Deposit Accounts**					
2	**Receipts**									Restricted		General			
3			**Notes**	**2021**	**2020**	**2021**	**2020**			**2021**			**2021**		
4						Mission	Mission		**B/F 2020**	**£80,880.35**			**£22,036.32**		
5						5551.55	£6,149.28								
6	Planned Giving														
7		Gift Aided		44,030.12	48,022.52										
8		Gift Aided (Mission)		90.00		90.00									
9		Non Gift Aided		7,883.90	7,742.00										
10		Gift Aid Tax recovered	1	14,717.43	11,870.98										
11		**Gift Aid Tax (Mission)***	1	22.50				Transfers**							
12	Collections - all services			2,771.64	2,447.33										
13	Collections - restricted		2	724.41	878.37										
14		Donations													
15		**Restricted PCC / (Mission)***	3	50.00	2,520.39	50.00	£2,520.39			£8,370.14	Mission				
16		Unrestricted PCC Account	3	1,210.51	678.25					£39,562.05	Buildings				
17	Special Appeals Mission		3a	16,076.30	1,715.00	16,076.30	1715.00								
18		Special Appeals PCC Account	3a	1,173.13	8,160.21										
19		Grants to Mission in CCLA	4	2,499.99	9,999.96					£833.33	Mission	Paid Direct to CCLA Dep Acc			
20	18	Transfers PCC to CCLA								£1,666.66		Transfer			
21	18	Transfers PCC to Mission				13,768.20	£18,189.61	Transfers**							
22	Grants PCC Account		4a	1,250.00	4,250.00										
23	Grants (Mission Account)		4a	13,370.14	10,000.00	13,370.14	£10,000.00								
24	Legacies		5	10,500.00	21,501.00					1500.00	Buildings		9000.00	See Note 6	
25	Fund Raising		6	2,673.96	1,712.16										
26	Church Hall Hire		6	1,770.00	535.00										
27	PCC Fees			2,557.50	1,759.00										
28	Magazine & Literature			73.67	65.18										
29	Bank & Deposit Interest		7	62.37	609.84				Interest	46.60			12.46		
30	Insurance Claim (Roof)			9,098.16	837.60										
31	Sundry Income		8	6,210.49	10,904.04										
32	Sundry Income Mission PCC		8a	0.00	75.00		£75.00								
33		**(See Note 20 below)**		138,816.22	146,283.83	43,354.64	£32,500.00			**£132,859.13**			**£31,048.78**		
34	Account Transfers			**48,154.80**	**80,285.79**					**£92,401.83* - (Mission Inc £44,187.97+ CCLA Int £59.06)**					
35		Cashbook PCC		**£186,971.02**	**£226,569.62**					(See C + D + E below Transfers)					
36		**Cashbook**		**£290.625.72**	**£338,316.71**		**Cashbook £290,625.72 = £ 186971.02 + £51,287.60 + £9,012.46 + £43,354.64 Mission Inc)**								
37	**Payments**														
38			**Notes**	**2021**	**2020**										
39	Parish Share		9	-41,727.11	-57,758.58										
40	Clergy & Readers Expenses		10	-1,693.09	-1,567.85										
41	Worship Costs		11	-1,533.50	-1,676.92										
42	Salaries														
43		Organists (Excl Nest & Tax)	12	-3,934.92	-3,902.45										
44		Secretarial Incl Nest NI & Tax	12	-6,138.78	-4,951.58										
45		Mission Salaries	12	-10,796.34	-13,296.86										
46	Church Running Costs & Administration														
47		Church Cleaner		-933.50	-216.00										
48		Electricity	13	-561.95	-411.11										

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
49		Gas	13	-1,135.43	-1,982.20										
50		Insurance	13	-2,006.51	-2,140.29										
51		PCC Expenses (Audit)		-473.10	0.00										
52		Telephone		-797.67	-788.39										
53		Photocopying		-1,315.60	-1,636.78										
54		Stationery & Printing		-915.47	-381.05										
55		Postage		-264.00	-226.24										
56	Building Costs														
57		Repairs & Renewals	14	-2,477.81	-1,931.27										
58		*Church & Churchyard Maintena*	*14*	*-324.98*	*-694.00*										
59		Building Projects	15	-27,661.78	-70,539.78										
60	Other Expenses														
61	Magazine & Literature														
62	Church Hall Upkeep				-109.64										
63	Subscriptions & Fees		16	-140.00	-140.00										
64	Church Flowers		17	-160.49	-56.05										
65	Fund Raising - Costs		18	-902.75	-84.32										
66		Miscellaneous	19	-807.36	-613.30										
67	Mission Giving														
68	Mission Account PCC		20	-391.74	-54.81										
69		See Mission Account	20	-9630.08	-19,573.73	-9,630.08	-19573.73								
70		See Mission Account	20				-50.00		Transfer direct to CCLA Restricted						
71	Other Charitable Giving		21	-566.21	-823.14										
72				-117,290.17	-185,556.34										
73	Account Transfers			-64,236.97	-39,895.48	-37,181.39	-13474.00			£64,236.97 = £73,867.05** - 9,630.08 Mission					
74		Cashbook PCC		-181,527.14	-225,451.82						See A + B + C (Transfers)				
75	Transfers from Gen acc to PCC				-3,000.00										
76	Transfers PCC to Gen CCLA		A**	-9,000.00											
77	Transfer from Gen CCLA - Rest				-70,000.00			Transfers						See Notes Page 11	
78	Transfer from PCC - Rest CCLA		B**	-51098.85	-18,000.00			Transfers		-£13,000.00	Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission				
79	Transfer from PCC - Mission		C**	-13,768.20	-18,189.61			Transfers						See Notes Page 11	
80	Transfer from CCLA Rest - Gen				-7,337.09			Transfers		-£28,452.24	Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission				
81	Transfer CCLA (R) to PCC		D**	-41,452.24	-70,702.58			Adjust		-£691.18	Not In CCLA Account until January 2022				
82	Transfer from Mission - PCC		E**	-37,181.39	-13,474.00										
83		Balances				-46,811.47	-£597.73			£90,715.71			£31,048.78		
84		Cashbook		£269,790.85	£427,589.22			£269,790.85 + £181,527.14 + £41.452.24 CCLA + £46,811.47 Mission							
85		Surplus / Deficit:		£20,634.87	-£39,272.51	£2,094.72	£5,551.55								
86															
87									Page 3						
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Income 2021

1 **Gift Aid**

PCC Account	£10,967.43	
Buildings Transfer	£ 3750.00	Gift Aid on Donation for Roof
Mission Account	£22.50	Gift Aid on Donation Mission Account
Total:	**£14,739.93**	

2 **Collections Restricted**

Collections 2021	£ 89.27	Children's Society Christmas Collection
	£124.16	Christian Aid Christmas Collection
Totals	**£213.43**	
Balance due of Sum up Payts	**£75.10 will be paid to PCC January**	
Actual **Totals**	**£288.53**	

Final cheques for £288.53 to Christian Aid & Children's Society issued December 21 - Cashed January 2022

3 **Donations – PCC Account**

Unrestricted	£620.18	Soup Lunches Transfer PCC – Mission
Sum Up Payments	£125.52	Soup Lunches Transfer PCC – Mission
Donations (PCC)	£157.50	Various
Sum Up Payments	£307.31	PCC Sum up Donations
	£1210.51	

3 **Donations - Mission Account**

St Mellitus Donation	£50.00	**Held in Mission Bank Account**
Total	**£1,260.51**	

3a **Special Appeals PCC Account**

Roofing Appeal	£289.41	Transfer PCC –CCLA Restricted
Sale of old Chairs& Equipment	£ 769.52	Transfer PCC – CCLA Restricted
Church Flowers Appeals	£ 114.20	
Totals	**£ 1,173.13**	

3a **Special Appeals – Mission Account**

Donation towards Roof Appeal (PCC)	**£15,164.71 Transfer to PCC - CCLA Account**
Donations Angels of Hope	**£786.59**
Donations Covid-19 Expenses	**£125.00**
Totals held in Mission Account	**£16,076.30**

4 Recurring Grants (Restricted for Sole Use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee)

Rural Ministries **£2,499.99 Final Payments**

These monthly grants are held in or paid to the CCLA Restricted Deposit Account (Mission Allowance)

4a Grant (Non-Recurring)

Historic England Grant (Final Payt.)	£ 1,250.00	Roof Appeal
TotalPCC	**£ 1,250.00**	

Grants that are restricted for sole use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee.

Ministry Experience Scheme	**£2,000.00 Held in Mission Bank Account**
Grants All Churches Trust	**£7,300.00 Transfer to PCC – CCLA Mission**
Pioneer for Mission	**£1,070.14 Transfer to PCC – CCLA Mission**
Wellington Town Council	**£3,000.00 Transfer to PCC – CCLA Buildings**
Total Mission Grants	**£13,070.14**

This non-recurring grants were paid direct to the New Mission Bank Account and £11,370.14 transferred via the PCC Account to Restricted CCLA Account

5

Legacies (Designated)	£1,000.00	Rimmer
	£500.00	Farrant
	£1,500.00	

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA Restricted Deposit Account.

Legacies (Unrestricted)	**£9,000.00**	Salisbury & Tracey
	£10,500.00	**Total Legacies**

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA General Deposit Account.

6 **Fund Raising**

Hall Lettings	**£1770.00**
Sunday Coffee	£372.44
Coffee Mornings	£510.98
Concerts (including deposits)	£1,718.54
Other Events	£72.00
Totals:	**£2,673.96**

7 **Bank Interest**

Bank interest	£3.31 PCC General Account for year 2021
Interest on CCLA accounts	£12.46 General Deposit Account &
	£46.60 Restricted Deposit included in accounts
	£62.37

8 **Sundry Income**

Refund of Float (T Treanor)	£35.60	
Photocopying Payments	£50.00	
Just Giving, Amazon IAS	£28.81	
VAT Refund	£5,288.37	
Planned Giving (Parishioner)	£200.00	for Reimbursement (Now in Care Home) Note 19
Total	**£5,602.78**	

Income from other Church Activities

Votives, Church Christmas Card Flowers	**£401.81**
Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes	
Team Contributions to use of Photocopier	**£205.90**
Total Sundry	**£6,210.49**

See Income Note 8a Expenditure Note 20

Monies included in Collections & Donations

Tommy Statue Royal British Legion Donation £200.00

Collections taken on 7/11/21 & 14/11/21

Wellington Stroke Club

Carol Service 19/12/21 Collection £157.17+ £191.74

Sum Up Payments £34.57

Expenditure

9 **Parish Share** **-£41,727.11.** £41,746.03 Arrears C/F to 2022 (Includes £17,250.78 B/F from 2020 due to drop in Income 2020 and closure of all Church Activities during Covid-19 It is the PCC's intention that these arrears be settled as soon as financially possible in the coming year.

10 Clergy Expenses

Rectors Expenses	**-£1,693.09**

11 Worship Costs

Cost of Candles, Wafers, Baptism Cards, etc.	-£430.92
Music Costs, Licence, Organ Repairs	-£1,102.58
	-£1,533.50

12 Salaries PCC

Organist Excl Tax & Nest Pensions	-3,934.92
Rector's PA Excl Tax,N I & Nest Pensions	-5,223.31
Nest Pensions, Tax & NI	-£916.67
	-10,073.70

12 **Mission Salaries** (Incl Tax and Nest Pension Contributions (Paid through PCC Account)
Monthly Transfers Received to PCC from Mission Account See Note 20 Mission

-£10,796.34

Total Payroll **-£20,870.04**

13 Gas & Electricity

Electricity	**-£561.95**
Gas	-£1,135.43
	-£1,697.38

13 **Insurance** **-£2,006.51** Reduction in Fee due to the Installation of Smartwater

Building Costs

14 **Buildings & Maintenance – Routine Maintenance & Repairs + Graveyard**

E Bound AVX (Roof Alarm)	-£1,014.85	Funded by PCC
Boiler Service	-£221.70	
Miscellaneous	-£219.81	
Cushions	-£99.28	Funded by Buildings Money
Electrical Maintenance	£770.63	**£691.18 Funded by Buildings Money****
Fire Extinguisher Annual Cert	-151.54	
	-2,477.81	
	- £ 324.98	Expenses Churchyard Maintenance & Upkeep
	-£2,802.79	

£691.18 refunded to CCLA Designated Buildings Money December 2021. In CCLA Account January 2022

15 Buildings & Maintenance – Major Repairs

Replacement Chairs	-£4,689.60	
E Bound AVX (Roof Alarm)	-£67.20.	Call Out
Corbel Masonry	-£17,627.05	Final Payment for Roof Repairs
Hobbs Electrical	-£232.80	Office Refurbishment (Electrics)
Daniel Bedford Electrics	-£3,830.61	outside Electrics– Part Funded by Grant from Wellington Council
	-£26,447.26	
Roof and Building Repairs	-£1,214.52	Final Architects & Planning Fees (Roof and Structural Work)
Total Buildings and Maintenance	**-£27,661.78**	

All Major Building works have been funded through Donations, Grants and Legacies held in Restricted CCLA Accounts by St John's. We have received Insurance Monies to help with the Roof Costs Balances of the claimed grants and Insurance were settled during 2021.

Other Expenses

16 Subscriptions & Fees

Churches Together Subscription	-£100.00
B/WDACR B.F Deanery Fee	-£15.00
Friends of Somerset Churches Subscription	-£25.00
	-£140.00

17 Flowers **-£160.49**

18 Fund Raising Costs

Harvest Lunch	-£17.00
Concert Expenses	-£270.00
Sum Up Station & Misc. Expenses	-£502.80
Tea & Coffee	- £43.81
Gift Aid Envelopes	-£69.14
Totals:	**-£ 902.75**

19 Miscellaneous

Refund of Damage Deposit (Hall)	- £20.00
Church Christmas Meal	-£295.00
Refund Parishioner (Giving)	-200.00
Bank Charges	- 292.36
	-£807.36

20 Mission –PCC Account

RBLI Donation for Remembrance Day Figure	-£200.00
Donation to Wellington Stroke Club	-£191.74
	-£391.74

20 Restricted Deposit Account D

2021 Learning Community, Courses, Expenses and Salaries + Covid -19	
net movement	-£9,630.08
Recharges to PCC Account for Payroll & Expenses.	
	-£37,181.39
Total Mission Expenditure on Missions and Buildings	-£46,811.47

Learning Community Expenditure is funded entirely by the Share of 2017 grants from outside agencies and the Diocese which are put straight into CCLA Restricted Deposit Account. PCC invoice monthly for

Expenses, payroll, etc. incurred by the Learning Community. And the extra expenses incurred due to Covid-19. The Mission Fund has provided invaluable help to the Local Community and the Church in providing funds to enables St John's to continue the Church work

21 Other Charitable Giving PCC Account

Cheque Children's Society	-£55.23
issued December 20 – cashed Feb 21	
Children's Society from Proceeds Nov Coffee Morning	-£510.98
Paid out in 2021.	-£566.21

Cheques issued December not cashed until January 2022

Children's Society Christmas Collection 2021	-£89.27
Sum up Payments Children's Society paid Jan 22	-£55.32
Sum up Payments Christian Aid paid from PCC 2021 for Jan 22	-£19.78
Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2021	-£124.16
Total	-£288.53

Wellington Stroke Club	£191.74.
Royal British Legion	£200.00
Children's Society	£501.98 + £144.59 + £55.23 (2020)
Christian Aid	£143.94
Total Charitable Giving 2021	£1,237.48

Bank Accounts movement 2020

PCC Current Account (A)

This is used to pay for the day to day running costs of the church. The bank balance brought forward from January 2021 was £4,206.90 and the turnover was £5,443.88 (£186,971.02 income minus £181,527.14 expenditure). This gives the available cash in the bank at the end of December 2021 of£9,650.78

Restricted Current Account (B)

This account is used to pay for missional activities and building work. The bank balance carried forward from 2020 was £5,551.55. The total Income during the year was £43,354.24 and the expenditure in 2021 was £46,811.47 making the total in the bank in December 2021 £2,094.32

Un-restricted Deposit A/C (C)

This deposited account is used to keep two months reserves in case of emergency or for temporary cash flow. In January 2021 the total brought forward from 2020 was £22,086.22 During the year we had unrestricted legacies totalling £9,000.00 and Interest of £12.46 so the total carried forward December 2021 £31,098.68

Restricted Deposit A/C (D)

The restricted deposit account is used to keep legacies and grants that have a restriction on how they must be spent. In January 2021 the total in this account was £80,880.35 To comply with anti-laundering legislation all money paid to the church must be paid into the current account and then transferred to a Deposit Account

During the year £51,978.75 was transferred into this account from grants, legacies and donations, making a total of £132,859.10. The costs for building work amounted to £28,452.24 and £13,000 was transferred to the Mission Current account and spent in accordance with the requirements of the grants received. This gives the closing figure of £90,715.71 on the 31st December however a further £691.18 was transferred from the PCC Bank Account on 31/12/21 but did not appear in Restricted Deposit Account until January 2022. Taking account of this gives an actual balance of £91,406.89 available on 4th January 2022

The 2021 Accounts on Cash Book 5.2 show all the above transactions.

Unallocated figures

Unallocated transfer of £691.18 to the CCLA General Deposit Account in December 1921 Shows in the Deposit Account on 04/01/22.but was deducted from PCC Account in 2021.

Unallocated Cheques issued December 2021 for £288.53 carried forward to 2022. These cheques were cashed in January 2022

Expenditure for 2021 actual figure = £211,589.47

Actual Balance at end of December 2021 = £226,529.62 - £225,451.82 = £1,117.80

(See Reconciliation Sheets 1 & 2)

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least two months Unrestricted payments. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
At end of December 2021 this monies totalled was still in deficit due to £8,000.00 being withdrawn to help PCC Expenditure up to 2020
Monies held in General Deposit Account total £31,048.48 - This includes further legacy money of £9,000.00.

Due to Covid-19 cash flow we are not able to hold any reserves apart from the money held in the General Deposit Account

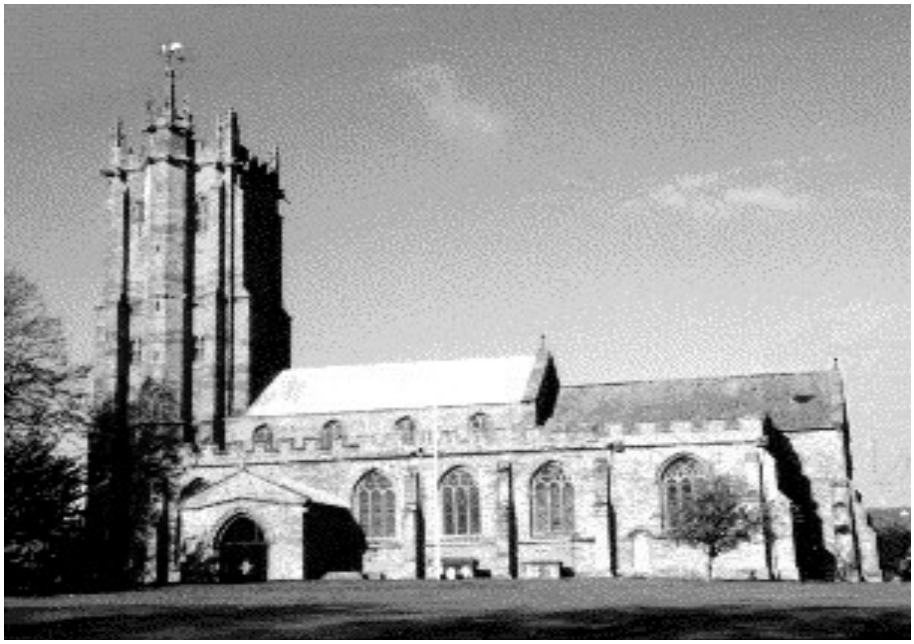
THEPAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST JOHN'S WELLINGTON S

England & Wales - Charity number 1159809

Accounts

The Parish Church of St. John the Baptist, Wellington

In the
Wellington & District Team Ministry



Annual Report for 2020

Team Rector: **The Rev'd Tim Treanor**

Churchwarden: **Mrs Christine Winhall**

PCC Treasurer: **Mrs Jenny Bache**

PCC Secretary: **vacancy**

Diocesan Vision:
Living the Story, Telling the Story

The Parochial Church Council and Church Officers

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at St John's. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within our parish. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our parish community through:-

- Worship and prayer, learning about the Gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish
- Missionary and outreach work via the Learning Community, which has been set up across the Wellington and District Team Ministry and for which St John's is a resource church.
- Working with St John's Primary School, which is a church school.

To facilitate our work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church.

Three members of the PCC sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structures of the church.

MEMBERS ON THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL IN 2020

NAME	POSITION	FIRST ELECTED
Rev'd Tim Treanor	Rector & Chairperson	Licensed October 2013
Mrs Christine Winhall	Churchwarden & Deputy Chairperson	April 2017
Mrs Jenny Bache	PCC Member & PCC Treasurer	April 2018
Mrs Fiona Brown	PCC Member	April 2018
Ms Crystal Carson	PCC Member	October 2020 resigned
Mr John Massey	PCC Member	April 2018
Mr Kieven Yim	PCC Member	May 2018
Mr Ken Winhall	Deanery Synod Rep	October 2020
Mr William Brown	Deanery Synod Rep	October 2020
Rev'd Selina Garner	Ex Officio, Team Missioner	Licensed October 2016
Rev'd Richard Kelley	Ex Officio, Curate in Training	Appointed July 2020
Mrs Judith Dufour	Ex Officio, Pastoral Chaplain	April 2019
John Elder	Ex Officio, Reader	April 2019

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens and the Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting of the Parish Church of St John the Baptist, Wellington held on Sunday, October 25th 2020 at 2:30 online

Annual Meeting of Parishioners for the Election of Churchwardens

(This meeting was open to all residents in the parish and those on the Electoral Roll)
As this meeting was held online using Webex, the voting was done by "no dissent"

1) **The Minutes** of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners of 2019 had been circulated electronically. There were no objections or people wishing to abstain, so the minutes were accepted a true record.

2) **Election of Churchwardens**. The Rector had received only one valid nomination for the posts of two Churchwarden, namely from Mrs Christine Winhall. So he was happy to declare Christine duly appointed.

3) **Rector's Remarks.** The Rector said how a lot of the work of churchwardens is invisible, and he gave his thanks to Grahame Woodward for the work that he has done behind the scenes. More visible was Grahame's concern for the fabric of the church, the churchyard and security. During Grahame's time as churchwarden there has been a lot of contact with the constabulary, including anti-social behaviour, vandalism, and theft. The Rector thanked him for his support with this.

   He then said how important it was to seek two churchwardens when we next meet. David Dufour asked if there was an opportunity to appoint a second churchwarden before that time if one became available? The Rector's reply was that if someone did come forward we would consult with the Archdeacon on the process, but he expects the APCM will not be delayed next time.

This concluded the Annual Meeting of Parishioners

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting

(Only those present that are on the Electoral Roll are allowed to vote)
There were 16 people present online via Webex

1) Apologies
Apologies were received from John Young, John Elder, Giles and Barbara Godber, John and Angie Massey, David and Maralyn Norman, Shirley Rayson, Adrian and Jane Excel and Iris Ellis.

2) Minutes of the 2019 APCM
The Minutes of the APCM of 2019 that had been circulated and were taken as read. They were approved by "no dissent" as a true record of the meeting

3) Matters arising from the Minutes
There were no matters arising from the minutes.

4) Presentation of the Electoral Roll
Julie Morton, ER Officer, had updated the Electoral Roll up to January 2020. Four members had died, - Margaret Davis, Joan Darch, Ray Allen and Jennifer Wevill and one new member had been added – Jean Kinch. The new total on the Roll was now **152.** Julie was thanked for her work.

5) Presentation of the Annual Report
The Annual Report contains the Annual Accounts and reports on activities during 2019 including safeguarding, the fabric and inventory.

Jenny Bache was invited to add anything she wished to highlight. She said how the accounts had been quite convoluted, so a new bank account for Mission had been opened in 2019 which made these payments easier and saved a lot of transfers. The parish share had been paid in full for 2019. She had looked at ways of reducing expenditure, because overall we were spending more than we were getting in. We had a refund on VAT for building invoices, thanks to Grahame, of £1203 (in 2020 this was nearly £8000). We had applied for various grants, and Jenny gave her grateful thanks to everyone for their support and for their planned giving. At the end of the year we were just about in the black with a balance of £107

Jenny was thanked by The Rector who commented that keeping up the accounts is a non-trivial task with such a lot of transactions, as this church acts as a resource church for the benefice. Selina re-iterated her thanks to Jenny and Christine. She said how this PCC is really generous in its missional attitude and as well as thanks to Jenny, thanks to all of you.

The Annual Report has to be accepted in full and this was proposed by Grahame Woodward and Seconded by Pamela Adams, then passed by "no dissent"

6) Elections

- **a.** <u>Election of Electoral Roll Officer.</u> The Rector asked if Julie Morton would be willing to continue as ER Officer, and she was prepared to do so.
- **b.** <u>Election of Deanery Synod Representatives.</u> St John's is allowed three members on Synod who will serve for three years. The Rector had received

two nominations, Ken Winhall and William Brown. As there were no other nominations to fill the vacancy the Rector declared them appointed. Deanery Synod members are Ex Officio members of PCCs.

c. Election to the Parochial Church Council (PCC). This year Julie Morton steps down from the PCC. The Rector thanked Julie for her kindness and generosity. There are quite a few places (7) but The Rector has received only one nomination – Crystal Carson, so she was duly appointed. The Rector said Welcome aboard.

7) Appointment of Independent Examiner

David Law had kindly examined the Annual Accounts in the past. David was thanked for this. Jenny Bache explained that she had been unable to confirm that David Law would be prepared to continue to be our Examiner, but she was sure that he would be happy to continue, as he also does some of the other churches. **ACTION** Jenny Bache to approach David Law and let us know if there is a problem.

8) Any other business

The Rector had received two questions from David Dufour:-

I ask that the PCC consider asap the appointment of two Deputy Churchwardens in order to reduce the work load on the two newly elected/re-elected Churchwardens.

I ask that the position of a single formal PCC Secretary be filled and the Diocese informed.

The Rector thanked him for his questions which will be taken to the PCC

Pamela Adams asked if there could be a weekly slot in the podcasts when anyone who is ill in our church can be mentioned, so that we can pray for them. The Rector explained some of the difficulties associated with this, but reassured the meeting that in Morning prayer they do pray for people by name.
Judith Dufour asked people to please let her know if there are any issues. She has phoned around a few prayer friends, (and could include Pamela if she wished) when the need for prayer has arisen, and she would like to re-instate the prayer chain.
Julie Morton said we can be in danger of losing contact with each other, and we missed the pew sheet and gossip.
The Rector replied that we have been inching ourselves forwards, one of the benefits of the lockdown has been giving out a benefice wide newsletter, but also we have done one or two St John's inserts and this is something we could do more of.
William Brown commented on how the whole Benefice is the church community.

9) Chairman's Remarks

The Rector thanked people for attending this meeting, and thanked them for their prayers and support. He said that since March we have been learning a lot of new things, how to do church in a new way. Some things are better, some things are new and some less satisfying than they were. A lot of stuff is missed and we mourn for that, but sometimes it is important to lament. However we have not

been overwhelmed or paralysed. There has been a huge amount of learning in terms of IT, but there are people who are less connected now than they were before.

The Rector said he was hugely appreciative to Judith Dufour who has gone the extra mile and a bit more. We have been trying to achieve a balance between these digital advances and reaching people who can not embrace technology in the same way.

Massive thanks to Sharon Chorley, who has been working from home, and a vast word of thanks to Ken and Christine Winhall, for their knowledge of IT

All the investment we have made in the last few years in calling out, raising up and encouraging lay ministry and chaplains, has paid dividends during lockdown. Some people have just blossomed - Fiona is about to lead a quiet day online. It is wonderful to see people being released into a ministry they would never have imagined a year ago.

The Rector referred to the Learning Community Tree, with its fruits of the spirit, enabling structures and the roots of classic Christian practices, like prayer and reading the bible. He said how what individuals and households do, is the bedrock of our Christian Walk. It really is over to us as individuals to have those practices and disciplines, so as this is Bible Sunday, the Rector finished with the collect for the day after which the meeting closed.

Independent examiners certificate

Insert signed form

signed statement of financial activities

Insert signed form

Insert Accounts (10 pages)

Reports for 2020

Annual Report on the proceedings of the parochial church council and the activities of the parish generally

The year 2020 was dominated by the coronavirus pandemic, periods of lockdown and periods of relaxation of the rules. It has meant that the year has been extremely busy for some and extremely "locked down" for others.

Communication

One of the important developments has been in communication. The congregation have been kept in touch with a weekly newsletter for the whole benefice, either by email or post. This was supplemented mid year by a specific news-sheet prepared by David Dufour particularily for St John's folk called "The Covid Chat-box".

i-know church database

In order to make sure everyone was kept informed considerable work was done in building the Database i-know church. This is a secure and GDPR compliant database and it underpinned our communications, allowing us to send different communications to different groups of people.

Website

The existing team website was initially developed a bit further to link in to the national web pages of A Church Near You, but it soon became apparent that the long awaited upgrade was needed, so behind the scenes a lot of work has gone on with this development, making sure that it reflects our benefice in all its variety, and emphasising the people throughout the benefice who do so much work in many ways. The new website is specifically designed to work well on mobile phones.

Finance

Quite a lot of time was spent in 2020 working on our finances. We have been successful in securing several grants; one from Historic England for the roof alarms, one from All Churches Trust to help with the effects of covid which delayed essential building work, one from Wellington Town Council for the Angels of Hope and one from Hope Beyond, another source of money to help us recover after the pandemic. Financially it has been a challenging year, but the congregation have been wonderful in maintaining their support and contributions, so bills have been paid. We have unfortunately fallen behind with our payments to the Diocese – as have most churches.

Safeguarding

We have had a focus on safeguarding during the year, and taken the opportunity to strengthen our procedures. With flow diagrams, spreadsheets, meetings and many phone calls and emails, all those people that need DBS clearance have now been approved and given instructions on the training.

All these back office activities have underpinned the work on maintaining our Christian presence during the pandemic. The full safeguarding report is below.

Worship

A blended delivery has been developed for worship, including something for everyone, whether able to use the latest technology or not. This has included:-

- A daily podcast from Tim and John
- Printed booklets for morning and night prayer, which were distributed right at the beginning in March
- CDs containing audio files for those that found this medium accessible
- Videos on YouTube for the major festivals
- Reflections on the Stations of the Cross and Holy Week before Easter
- Live-streaming of services when we were able to have some limited in-person services last Autumn
- A telephone access line was set up for people to phone in and get the daily podcast
- Signposting to other provision such as 10 Radio
- Outdoor worship for Christmas

When we were able to meet in church, there were several actions needed to put in the necessary support. Preparation teams cleaned the church top to bottom, and the seating was re-ordered to comply with social distancing. A hand sanitiser station was purchased and equipped with bottles and spare face masks. We also had to make sure the track and trace procedures were in place, which was done by issuing tickets for the services, so that we could record attendance on our database.

Our wider church activities fall into the categories below, now familiar to our regular members.

Going on Growing

The pastoral companions, led by our pastoral chaplain Judith Dufour, have kept in touch with the lonely and isolated in our community, through phone calls and doorstep conversations where possible. Over the summer a quiz was personally delivered by Kieven Yim to some of the more elderly folk who couldn't get out. Many of our congregation turned to their knitting skills to knit angels, in the Autumn, which were used in the Christmas project. This gave the opportunity for many people to join in.

Before Christmas Angel Bags of Hope were prepared for those in nursing homes, or home-care and these were very well received.

Growing younger

Work carried on with the schools throughout the year. Much of it was in supporting the staff, but when the children were in school they were also supported by our families and children's chaplain Helena Power, who had a quiet room in St John's School where staff and pupils could come and talk to her.

Creative Arts

The town was amazed to see the Angels of Hope lit up in the churchyard over the Christmas period. It featured in the local press and even on the evening Spotlight programme on the television. People came from far and wide to see them and they cheered us all up in the dark days of the winter.

Whole life Discipleship
Another strand of the Angel of Hope project was to receive nominations for Angels of Hope awards. These were not just for our own wonderful people but across the town celebrating all those who had gone the extra mile in supporting people during the pandemic.

In summary 2020 was a busy year for your church leaders, and although most of it was spent with restrictions on social contact, we have still managed to keep in touch, and offer worship at home in the many formats described, giving some new opportunities for spiritual growth.

Thank you to everyone who has helped in so many ways over this difficult year.

Christine Winhall
Churchwarden

Fabric Report *Christine Winhall, Churchwarden*

Buildings Report

2020 was a momentous year with regard to the fabric of the church. In February the lead was stolen off the choir vestry roof and although temporary coverings were applied over the period before getting the roofing permanently replaced there was considerable water ingress. This was also partly due to the fact that the church was in lockdown for several months immediately after the theft, so unattended. The covid pandemic made the replacement more problematic as Diocesan staff were on furlough and builders unable to start until the autumn. The roofing was replaced with terne coated steel, as the lead has been stolen off this roof several times in the past, and terne coated steel is not attractive to thieves, as well as lasting a long time. As part of this work we fitted roof alarms and CCTV round the exterior of the church.

Over the summer however planned quinquennial work was carried out on the roof, rebedding and repointing merlon stones and other roofing stonework, and repairing lead bays. This work revealed some un-expected problems, such as one merlon toppling precariously over the glass passageway, which was rebuilt safely.

Some other quinquennial work was carried out namely deep cleaning the organ loft, in addition to the usual organ tuning.

In 2020 we almost completed the replacement programme of all the fluorescent tubes by LED s – we just forgot the one in the ringing chamber.

At the same time our electrician fitted some extra electrical sockets in the back of the church to make the electrical supply during concerts more accessible.

Finally the usual maintenance was carried out – fire extinguishers, lightening conductor, hedge and tree cutting.

In order to undertake the works above a couple of grants were obtained, one from Historic England and one from All Churches Trust. Also there were many generous donations from individuals and organisations, towards the replacement of the lead

roof, meaning that in the end it was fully paid for by this means and was not a drain on our resources. The stonemason's work on the roof was paid for out of a legacy from Bridget Baker.

Log Book and Inventory

The log book has been kept up to date with entries for the works carried out. With regard to the furniture and fittings, during 2020 some furniture for the children's corner was purchased, and this area refreshed. Apart from that the inventory remains the same, is up to date, and can be examined if required.

Other Reports

Safeguarding Report 2020 *Sharon Chorley*

Tone Deanery report 2020 *Ken Winhall*

Tone Deanery comprises six benefices, 31 parishes, with 35 churches. Rev Helene Stainer is Area Dean and Charles Doble the Lay Dean.

The deanery reps from Wellington as appointed in the last APCM held on October 25th 2020 are Ken Winhall and William Brown. There is one vacancy.

There was one meeting of the Tone Deanery Synod in 2020 on 20th February. It was held in St John's church hall. The minutes of that meeting are given below.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TONE DEANERY SYNOD
20th February 2020 at St John's Church, Wellington.
prepared by Bob Setchell

1. Present
21 members were present. There were 12 apologies and 12 "no shows".
There are 9 vacancies at this time.

2. Opening Worship.
The opening service was conducted by Rev Tim Treanor. (Dwelling in The Word is in the form of Lectio Divina, where you listen to a passage from the bible and then ask others what they thought was the most telling word or phrase for them. This encourages listening, but also discovering how others hear the same passage, but may interpret it differently to you, which in turn promotes thought and understanding.)

3. Welcome
Charles Doble, the Lay Dean welcomed everyone to the meeting.

There was one item of “any other business”.

4. Good News from the Pews

Rev Helene encouraged those present to tell the meeting of items of good news from their parishes – of which there were many. We need to get into the habit of sharing the good news and not just the problems we face.

5. Let’s talk

This was a discussion of how we as churches communicate with our wider communities and the various tools we can use. It began with “What welcome does our church notice board give?” Photographs, taken by Katherine on her prayer walks, of various church notice boards from across the deanery were shown, which led to a number of questions.

- Who are you trying to communicate with via this notice board? (Does it face the road, or is it in the church porch?)
- Not every church has the luxury of three boards, one for visitors/passers by, one for Parishioners and a third for official notices.
- Is the notice board cluttered, or up-to-date?

How many of you have updated your “A church near you” web page in the last 4 weeks? This web-site receives a surprising number of hits, for example, Thorne St Margaret received over 3,000 “hits” last year. The website itself has been recently upgraded. (Are times of services shown? Are they up-to-date?)

Rev Helene introduced a “Parish storytelling” questionnaire, a copy of which is attached to these minutes to be shared with other members of your church.

One parish had a PCC member visit each house in the parish to ask “What would you think if our church was to close?” (Which led to a significant increase in local support, if not in attendances.)

Wellington Team use a spreadsheet to help them plan events, to clarify who will do what, when and where. If you would like a copy of this, please contact the Wellington team administrator.

Bob reminded those present that the various magazines / newsletters have “lead times” you need to meet, but also there is a balance between publicizing an event too soon (people forget) or too late and people have made other arrangements.
Rev Andrew Norris is back on 10 Radio, please use him to publicize events.

6. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 29th Oct 2019 at Bishops Lydeard were proposed as correct and agreed. There were no matters arising.

7. Diocesan Synod

Charles Doble updated the meeting following the previous day’s meeting in Wells of the DAC [Diocesan Advisory Committee].
Unfortunately, several churches have had lead stolen in the last few weeks. Although each case will be depend on its merits, the DAC will now consider the

use of alternative roof coverings if replacing stolen lead such as Terne coated steel.
The meeting was, incidentally, the last in the Old Deanery; the first to be held there was in 1946!

8. Finance Update
Alison sent her apologies as she is currently hosting a number of Chinese students. All parishes have paid the 2019 levy, which will remain at £3 for 2020. We have £4,687 in our current account and the CCLA deposit A/c is some £2,478, which should be sufficient to cover the Deanery expenditure going forwards.

9. Announcements
As this was the last meeting of the triennial, Bob thanked those present for all that they have done. (Deanery Reps remain in post until the end of May.) He asked that those who are standing down to please pass on to the new reps an understanding of what it is that we as a deanery are trying to achieve in being supportive of each other and finding new ways to spread the word.

As Bob is standing down from Synod, Charles thanked Bob for all that he has done as Secretary (and for a while as Treasurer). Bob will do the minutes of the July meeting – at which a new Secretary will be elected, with the hand-over following that.

We have planned a short welcoming service for all Deanery Reps, followed by Tea/coffee, at St Andrew's Wiveliscombe, on the 4th June 2020 at 7PM to allow people to meet and socialize.

On Thursday the 12th March there is an "Inspire Evening" for those working with children and young people at St James Church, St James St, Taunton. This is a free event and all are welcome.

10. Deanery Mission and Pastoral Group
As Katherine Lyddon, our new Children and Families Rural Pioneer is now in post, the DMPG are now concentrating upon communication, both between ourselves and with the wider community – which has been the emphasis of this evening's discussions.

Do you use all of your copies of "Manna"? Could any of these be put into local surgery waiting rooms or similar?

11. There was one item of any other business
Dilly Bradley promoted the book "God belongers" by David Walker, saying that we need to make it easier for people to engage with us.

Closing Prayer The meeting closed with the Grace.

The meeting ended at 9.20 pm.

Independent Examiner's Certificate
for the PCC Accounts

Report to the trustees of: PCC OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST WELLINGTON SOMERSET **Parochial Church Council**

On accounts for the year ended: DEC 31ST 2020. Charity Number (if applicable): 1159809.

Set out on pages ~~1-10~~. 1-11 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than ~~that disclosed below~~) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect,

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

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: M Roney **Date:** 5/5/2021

Name: MARK RONEY

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

Address: ASPEN WAITE DOYLE CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS OLD TOWN HALL WELLINGTON TA21 8LS

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2020

The following accounts have been prepared on a 'Receipts and Payments' basis and produce the following totals:

Total Receipts	388,316.71
Total Payments	427,589.22
Deficit for the year	**-£39,272.51**

As detailed in the Receipts & Payments account.

Church Asset List

Library books & equipment
Office equipment
Churchyard equipment
Kitchen/hall equipment

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on: _____

And signed on its behalf by:-

_____ _____

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2020

	Total Funds	A Current A/C NatWest	B Restricted current A/C NatWest	C Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF	D Deposit A/C Restricted CBF
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2020	151,947.63	3,089.10	6,149.28	65,970.93	76,738.32
Bank as at 31st Dec 2020	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Nett movement of funds	**-39,272.51**	**1,117.80**	**-597.73**	**-43,934.61**	**4,142.03**
Adjustments to Bank:-				Note1	Note 1
Cheque 003410 not cashed		-55.23			
Adjusted Bank Figures	**-39,327.74**	**1,062.57**	**-597.73**	**-43,934.61**	**4,142.03**
Represented by:					
Cash Book as at 1st Jan 2020	151,947.63	3,089.10	6,149.28	65,970.93	76,738.32
Cash Book as at 31st Dec 2020	112,619.89	4,151.67	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Nett entries recorded	**-39,327.74**	**1,062.57**	**-597.73**	**-43,934.61**	**4,142.03**

Note 1
Interest on CCLA Accounts included in final reconcilation
Plus Grants for Learning Community Mission Fund
Transfer Request £944.00 on CCLA Restricted Account Dec 19
cleared in PCC Bank Account until 2nd Jan 2020

Outstanding Cheque issued December 20 Cashed January 2021

Account Balances and Bank Reconciliation screen

Unreconciled Transactions = (£55.23)
Unreconciled Transfers = £0.00

Bank Reconciliation

Account	Account Name/Description	Opening ACTUAL Balance	Transactions In	Transactions Out	ACTUAL Balance	Opening STATEMENT Balance	Money In	Money Out	STATEMENT Balance	Date last Reconciled
		£151,947.63	£388,316.71	(£427,644.45)	£112,619.89	£151,947.63	£388,316.71	(£427,589.22)	£112,675.12	
A	Nat West Current Account (Cash)	£3,089.10	£226,569.62	(£225,507.05)	£4,151.67	£3,089.10	£226,569.62	(£225,451.82)	£4,206.90	16/01/2021
B	CBF General Deposit Account (Cash)	£65,970.93	£29,065.39	(£73,000.00)	£22,036.32	£65,970.93	£29,065.39	(£73,000.00)	£22,036.32	16/01/2021
C	CBF Restricted Account (Cash)	£76,738.32	£100,181.70	(£96,039.67)	£80,880.35	£76,738.32	£100,181.70	(£96,039.67)	£80,880.35	16/01/2021
D	General Mission Account (Cash)	£6,149.28	£32,500.00	(£33,097.73)	£5,551.55	£6,149.28	£32,500.00	(£33,097.73)	£5,551.55	16/01/2021
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YEAR-END Balances Split

Closing Unrestricted	Closing Designated	Closing Restricted	
£26,665.64	(£42,753.83)	£128,708.08	
£4,629.32	£839.55	(£1,317.18)	Cash
£22,036.32	-	-	Cash
-	(£43,593.36)	£124,473.71	Cash
-	-	£5,551.55	Cash
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Reconciliation of Transactions *(please note: Reconciliations of Standing Orders/Direct Debits happens automatically. Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers page)*

Date	Account	Details	Amount	Paying-in slip /Cheq number	Rec	B/St Number
23/12/2020	A	Christian Aid Collection 23/12/19 Cheque issued 23/12/20	(£55.23)	CHQ003410		

Before Clicking the "Reconcile" button, please make sure that the Statement Balances above are correct. Note: Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers tab

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2020						Restricted & General Deposit Accounts							
Receipts							Restricted		General				
	Notes	2020	2019	2020			2020			2020			
				Mission		B/F 2020	£76,738.32			£65,970.93			
				£6,149.28	B/F								
Planned Giving													
Gift Aided		48,022.52	47,041.82										
Non Gift Aided		7,742.00	9,363.73										
Gift Aid Tax recovered	1	11,870.98	13,489.40										
Gift Aid Tax (Mission)*		0.00	1,250.00							£21,501.00		Legacies	
Collections - all services		2,447.33	6,754.08										
Collections - restricted	2	878.37	1,582.22										
Donations													
Restricted (Mission)*	3	2,520.39	5,000.00	£2,520.39									
Unrestricted PCC Account	3	678.25	1,393.74										
Special Appeals Mission	3a	1,715.00	651.58	1715.00			50.00		Direct transfer from Mission Acc to CCLA				
Special Appeals PCC Account	3a	8,160.21											
Grants to Mission in CCLA	4	9,999.96	9999.96**				£9,999.96		Paid Direct to CCLA Dep Acc				
18 **Transfers PCC to Mission**				£18,189.61	Transfers**								
Grants PCC Account	4a	4,250.00											
Grants (Mission Account)	4a	10,000.00	14,200.00	£10,000.00									
Legacies	5	21,501.00	72,837.09				70000.00			7337.09		See Note 6	
Fund Raising	6	1,712.16	9,549.91				19778.60						
Church Hall Hire		535.00	1,510.00										
PCC Fees		1,759.00	3,196.00										
Magazine & Literature		65.18	273.77										
Bank & Deposit Interest	7	609.84	1,020.07			Interest	353.14			227.30			
Insurance Claim (Roof)		837.60											
Sundry Income	8	10,904.04	7,994.11										
Sundry Income Mission	8a	75.00	885.74	£75.00									
		146,283.83	197,993.26	£32,500.00			£176,920.02			£95,036.32			
Account Transfers		80,285.79	66,480.16			£80,285.79 = £123,366.19* - (Mission Inc £42499.96 + CCLA Int £580.44)							
Cashbook PCC		£226,569.62	£264,473.42										
Cashbook		£388,316.71		Cashbook = £226,569.62 + £100,181.70 + £29,065.39 + £32.500 Mission Inc)									
Payments													
	Notes	2020	2019										
Parish Share	9	-57,758.58	-70,182.84										
Clergy & Readers Expenses	10	-1,567.85	-2,255.40										
Worship Costs	11	-1,676.92	-2,422.67										
Salaries													
Organists (Excl Nest & Tax)	12	-3,902.45	-4,093.58										
Clergy		0.00	0.00										
Church Running Costs & Administration													
Electricity	13	-411.11	-406.91										
Gas	13	-1,982.20	-2,326.86										
Telephone		-788.39	-842.60										
Secretarial Incl Nest NI & Tax	12	-4,951.58	-9,805.21										
Mission Salaries	12	-13,296.86											
Church Cleaner	12	-216.00	-814.00										

	Photocopying		-1,636.78	-2,707.72										
	Stationery & Printing		-381.05	-376.81										
	Insurance	13	-2,140.29	-2,400.46										
	Postage		-226.24	-497.57										
Building Costs														
	Repairs & Renewals	14	-1,931.27	-3,333.91										
	Church & Churchyard Maintena	14	-694.00	-643.20										
	Building Projects	15	-70,539.78	-11,217.57										
Other Expenses														
Magazine & Literature														
Church Hall Upkeep			-109.64	-341.95										
Subscriptions & Fees		16	-140.00	-2,724.00										
Church Flowers		17	-56.05	-282.41										
Fund Raising - Costs		18	-84.32	-867.56										
	Miscellaneous	19	-613.30	-1,501.24										
Mission Giving														
Mission Account PCC		20	-54.81											
	See Mission Account	20	-19573.73	-11,277.43	-19573.73									
	See Mission Account	20		-11,261.19	-50.00		Transfer direct to CCLA Restricted							
Other Charitable Giving		21	-823.14	-1,582.22										
			-185,556.34	-144,165.31										
Account Transfers			-39,895.48	-21,844.38	-13474.00	£39,895.48 = 59,519.21 -19623.73 mission See Notes Page 11								
	Cashbook PCC		-225,451.82	-166,009.69										
Transfers from Gen acc to PCC		*	-3,000.00	-7,050.08		Transfers					-3000.00			
Transfer from Gen CCLA - Rest			-70,000.00			Transfers					-70,000	See Notes Page 11		
Transfer from Rest CCLA- PCC		*	-18000.00			Transfers		-£18,000.00	Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission					
Transfer from CCLA Rest - Gen			-7,337.09			Transfers		-7337.09				See Notes Page 11		
Transfers from Res Acc to PCC		*	-70,702.58	-20,382.07		Transfers		-70702.58	Transfer to PCC for Transfer for Building Work					
Transfer from PCC - Mission		*	-18,189.61	-18,147.63										
Transfer from Mission - PCC		*	-13,474.00											
Balances					-£597.73			£80,880.35			£22,036.32			
	Cashbook		-427589.22	-£211,589.47	427,589.22 = 225.451.82 PCC + £73,000 CCLA General + £96,039.67 Rest +33097.73 Mission									
	Surplus / Deficit:		-£39,272.51	£62,833.61										
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Income 2020

1 Gift Aid

PCC Account		£11,870.98
Mission Account		
	Total:	**£11,870.98**

2 Collections Restricted

Collection December 2019	£383.89 Children's Society Christmas Collection
	£439.25 Christian Aid Christmas Collection
Totals	**£823.14 Cleared 2020**
Balance due of Sum up Payts	£ 55.23 Sum up Christian Aid
Actual **Totals**	**£878.37**

Final cheque for £55.23 to Christian Aid issued December 20 - Cashed January 2021

3 Donations – PCC Account

Unrestricted	£678.25

3 Donations - Mission Account

Donations	£150.00
Donation Covid-19	£100.00 Computer
Donations	£2,212.25 Covid-19
Donations	£ 58.14 Books
	£2,520.39 Held in Mission Account

3a Special Appeals PCC Account

Roofing Appeal	£7,831.08	Donations
Angels of Hope	£ 120.00	Transferred to Mission Account
Restricted	£ 110.00	John Morton (Donation)
Church Flowers Appeals	£ 99.13	
Totals	**£ 8,160.21**	

3a Special Appeals – Mission Account

Donation towards Roof Appeal (PCC)	**£ 50.00 Transfer Direct to CCLA Account**
Donations Angels of Hope	**£1590.00**
Donations Covid-19 Expenses	**£ 75.00**
Totals held in Mission Account	**£1,715.00**

4 Recurring Grants (Restricted for Sole Use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee)

Rural Ministries	£9,999.96

These monthly grants are paid to the CCLA Restricted Deposit Account (Mission Allowance)

4a Grant (Non-Recurring)

Historic England Grant (Part Payt.)	£ 3,750.00	Roof Appeal
All Churches Trust	£ 500.00	Roof Appeal
Totals PCC	**£ 4,250.00**	

Grants that are restricted for sole use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee.

D B F (FCG Grant)	£10,000.00 Held In Mission Account

This non-recurring grant was paid direct to the New Mission Bank Account

5	**Legacies**	**(Unrestricted)**	£20,000.00	R Cording
			£ 1,001.00	F Craggs
			£ 500.00	M Halls
			£21,501.00	

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA General Deposit Account.

6 Fund Raising

Sunday Coffee	£269.01
Coffee Mornings	£1.204.15
Concerts (including deposits)	£160.00
Other Events	£ 79.00
Totals:	**£1,712.16**

7 Bank Interest

Bank interest	£29.40 PCC General Account for year 2020
Interest on CCLA accounts	£227.30 General Deposit Account &
	£353.14 Restricted Deposit included in accounts
	£609.84

8 Sundry Income

Dec	Transfer of Funds from CCLA	£944.00	**in PCC Account 02/01/20**
Sum Up Payments		£533.20	
Mission Sum Up Payments		£ 19.61	Transferred to Mission Account
Just Giving		£ 16.31	
VAT Refund		£7,985.82	
Refund from Visiting Organist		£ 50.00	Transferred to Mission Account
Income from other Church Activities			
Votives		£276.16	
Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes			
Team Contributions to use of Photocopier		£375.00	
Team Contributions to Cost of Rector's PA		£549.99	
Team Refunds Palm Crosses		£153.95	
	Total Sundry	**£1,078.94**	
	Total	**£10904.94**	

PCC Overall Total: **£10,904.04**

8a Sundry Income paid into Mission Account

+ Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes Mission Account

Refund from DMS	£35.00
Sum up Payment from PCC Fees	£40.00
	£75.00

Expenditure

9	**Parish Share**	**-£57,758.00.**	**£17,250.98 Arrears C/F to 2021 due to drop in Income 2020** Due to closure of all Church Activities during Covid-19
10	**Clergy Expenses**		
		-£1,417.85	Rectors Expenses
		-£150.00	PCC Gift Expenses
		= -£1,567.85	
11	**Worship Costs**		
		- £724.87	Cost of Candles, Wine, Baptism Cards, etc.
		- £952.05	Music Costs, Licence, Organ Repairs
		- 1,676.92	
12	**Salaries PCC**	**£3,902.45**	**Organist (Incl Visiting Organist)**
		£ 216.00	**Church Cleaner** (See Note 16)
		-£4360.97	Rector's PA Incl H M R C Payments PA Organist
		-£ 590.61	Nest Contributions PA +Organist
		£9,070.03	
12	**Mission Salaries (Incl Tax and Nest Pension Contributions (Paid through PCC Account)**		
	Monthly Transfers Received to PCC from Mission Account See Note 18 Mission		
		-£13,296.86	
	Total Payroll	**-£22,366.89**	
13	**Gas & Electricity**		
		- 411.11	Electricity
		- 1,982.20	Gas
		-£2,393.11	
13	**Insurance**	£2,140.29 - Reduction in Fee due to the Installation of Smartwater	

Building Costs

14 Buildings & Maintenance – Routine Maintenance & Repairs + Graveyard

Bristol Sound Systems	£81.00	Funded by Buildings Money
Boiler Service	£780.00	
H & S ISW Training	£235.00	Funded by Buildings Money
IT Project	£105.97	Funded by Buildings Money
Organ Repair& Tuning	£643.20	Architects Request Funded by Buildings Money
Fire Extinguisher Annual Cert.	£ 86.10	
	-£1,931.27	
	- £ 694.00	Expenses Churchyard Maintenance & Upkeep
	-£2,625.27	

15 Buildings & Maintenance – Major Repairs

Smartwater Roof	£642.00	
E Bound AVX Ltd (Roof)	£10,900.02	
Courtney Bowden (Roof)	£33,810.00	
Corbel Masonry	£14,427.28	
Hobbs Electrical	£1,369.02	
Digital Solutions	£1,450.00	
MBH (Boiler)	£ 594.00	
C & C Carpets	£ 215.00	
	-£63,407.32	Roof and Building Repairs
	-£7,132.46	Architects & Planning Fees (Roof and Structural Work)
	-£70,539.78	

All Major Building works have been funded through Donations, Grants and Legacies held in Restricted CCLA Accounts by St John's. Additional Expense incurred this year through Theft of Lead and subsequent replacement and repairs. The installation of Smartwater and an Alarm System on Roof has resulted in a slight reduction in Insurance Costs. We have received Insurance Monies to help with the Roof Costs A balance of the claimed grants and Insurance is expected in 2021.

Other Expenses

16 Subscriptions & Fees

- 100.00	Churches Together Subscription
- 15.00	B/W/DACR B.F Deanery Fee
- 25.00	Friends of Somerset Churches Subscription
-£140.00	

17 Flowers **-£56.05**

18 Fund Raising Costs

-£16.78	Costs of Trading Tea & Coffee
-£ 67.54	Gift Aid Envelopes)
Totals: -£ 84.32	

19 Miscellaneous

- £294.00	Refund of Wedding Deposit due to Covid-19
- £313.30	Bank Charges
-£**613.30**	

20 Mission –PCC Account

-£50.00	Replacement Phone Mwenda
-£ 4.81	Adjustment to Cashbook
-£54.81	

20 Mission - Mission Account

-£19,573.73	**Expenditure 2020 Learning Community, Courses, Expenses and Salaries + Covid -19**
-£50.00	**Transfer Direct to CCLA from Mission Buildings Donation**
-£13,474.00	**Recharges to PCC Account for Payroll & Expenses.**
Total Mission Expenditure **-£33,097.73**	

Learning Community Expenditure is funded entirely by the Share of 2017 grants from outside agencies and the Diocese which are put straight into CCLA Restricted Deposit Account. PCC invoice monthly for

Expenses, payroll, etc. incurred by the Learning Community. During Covid-19. The Mission Fund has provided invaluable help to the Local Community and the Church in providing funds to enables St John's to continue the Church work

21 Other Charitable Giving PCC Account

-£383.89	Children's Society Christmas Collection 2019
-£439.25	Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2019
-£823.14	

Cheque for balance owed Children's Society £55.23 issued December 20 – Not cashed until Feb 21

-£55.23	Balance Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2019
-£878.37	**Sub Total**

Bank Accounts movement 2020

PCC Current Account (A) used to pay for the day to day running costs of the church

£226,569.62 (Includes £944 transferred from CCLA Rest Acc 2019 – Cash in Bank January 2020)

Bank Balance C/F £3,089.10 + Turnover (£226,569.62 - £225,451.82) = £1117.80

Cash in Bank December 2020 £4,206.90

Restricted Current Account (B) used to pay for missional activities and building work

Bank Balance C/F 2019 £6,149.28 + Income during the year of £32,500.00 = £38649.28

Expenditure in 2020 £33,097.73

Cash in Bank December £5551.55

Un-restricted Deposit A/C (C) Used to keep two months reserves in

£65,970.83 B/F + £28,838.09 (legacies received in 2020) + Interest £277.30 Total = £95086.22

This account was re-arranged to hold our reserves so £73,000.00 was transferred to the restricted deposit account (D) which holds Legacies and Grants

Total carried forward £22086.22

Restricted Deposit A/C (D) Used to keep legacies and Grants

£76,738.32 B/F

Added during the year:-

£70,000.00 transferred from the Account (C).

£19,778.60 transfer from the PCC general current account (A)
To comply with anti-laundering legislation all money paid to the church must be paid into the current account and then transferred to a Deposit Account

£50.00 from the restricted current account (B)

£9999.96 Mission Grants Mission from Rural Ministries was paid in directly. This was set up prior to the anti-laundering requirements

Interest £353.14

Spent during the year:-

£70,702.58 (Buildings work)

£7337.09 transfer to Gen Acc

£18,000 (Mission to PCC for transfer)

Closing figure in this account £80880.35

2020 Accounts on Cash Book 5.2 show all the above transactions.

Unallocated transfer of £944.00 requested from the CCLA General Deposit Account in December 19 Shown in PCC bank account 02/01/20..

Unallocated Cheque issued December 2020 for £55.23 carried forward to 2021 –Cheque cashed in February 2021

Expenditure for 2020 actual figure = £211,589.47

Actual Balance at end of December 2020 = £226,529.62 - £225,451.82 = £1,117.80

(See Reconciliation Sheets 1 & 2)

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least two months Unrestricted payments. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
At end of December 2020 this monies totalled was still in deficit due to £8,000.00 being withdrawn to help PCC Expenditure up to 2020
Monies held in General Deposit Account total £22,036.32 - This includes further legacy money of £21,501.00.

Due to Covid-19 cash flow we are not able to hold any reserves apart from the money held in the General Deposit Account.

Expenditure/Transfer 2019 not in our bank accounts until January 2020.

£944 transferred from our CCLA Restricted Deposit Account December 31st 2019 appeared in Restricted Deposit Account as leaving the Account in December 2019. Showing on Cashbook 2019 as leaving the Deposit Account, in 2019 Accounts, but not in bank accounts.

Showing on bank statement on 02/01/20 as a deposit to our Bank account.

Outstanding Expenditure due December 20 but not cleared until January 2021

PCC Cheque Number 003410 for £55.23 issued to Christian Aid in December 2020 Cashed in January 2021

Due to the effects of Covid-19 our income ended the year with a significant deficit on 2019. A stewardship drive and appeals will take place in 2021.

Reconciliations 2020

PCC

Unrestricted Bank Balance at December 2020 Statement =	£ 4,206.90
Restricted Mission bank Account at December 2020	£5,551.55
General Deposit account Balance at December 20	£22,036.32
Restricted Fund Balance at December 2020	£80,880.35
Total Cash Assets at December 2020 Statements =	**£112,675.12**

Transfers from PCC -£18189.61 to Mission (See also transfers to PCC from CCLA)
-£19,778.60 to CCLA Restricted Account – Buildings
-£ 50.00 to CCLA Restricted Account from Mission Account – Buildings
-£21,501.00 to CCLA General Account – Legacies.
-£59,519.21

Transfers from CCLA Restricted Account or between accounts

£70,702.58 for Building works -Transfer to PCC (+ £944 received by PCC Bank Account Jan 20 from CCLA transfer Dec 19.)
£18,000.00 for Transfer to Mission Account via PCC Account see below
£7,337.09 Transferred from Restricted Account to General CCLA Account
£96,039.67

Monies to CCLA Restricted Account or between accounts

£70,000 transferred from General CCLA to Restricted CCLA Account
£9,999.96 Rural Ministries Mission Payments – transferred direct to Restricted CCLA Account
£7,985.82 VAT Refund from PCC
£11,792.78 Building Donations from PCC (Roof Appeal, etc)
£50, 00 Direct Transfer from Mission Account
£353.14 Annual Interest paid direct to Account
£100,181.70

Monies to CCLA General Account or between Accounts

£21,501.00 Legacies from Cording, Craggs, & Halls
£7,337.09 Balance of Legacy from W Cole transferred from Rest Account to General Account
£28,838.09
£227.30 Annual Interest paid direct to Account
£28,838.09

Monies from CCLA General Account

£70,000.00 Transfer to CCLA Restricted
£3,000.00 to Boost PCC Church Account.
£73,000.00

Mission Income £18,000.00 from Deposit Account via Deposit Account
£ 189.61 Transfer from PCC to Mission Account
£10,000.00 FCG Grant
£4,310.39 Donations & Appeals
£32,500.00

Mission Expenditure
-£19,623.73
-£13,474.00 Transfer to PCC Account (Payroll)
-£33,097.73

Independent Examiner's Certificate
for the PCC Accounts

Report to the trustees of: PCC OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST WELLINGTON SOMERSET **Parochial Church Council**

On accounts for the year ended: DEC 31ST 2020. Charity Number (if applicable): 1159809.

Set out on pages ~~1-10~~. 1-11 (remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than ~~that disclosed below~~) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect,

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

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed: M Roney **Date:** 5/5/2021

Name: MARK RONEY

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

Address: ASPEN WAITE DOYLE CHARTERED CERTIFIED ACCOUNTANTS OLD TOWN HALL WELLINGTON TA21 8LS

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WELLINGTON
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2020

The following accounts have been prepared on a 'Receipts and Payments' basis and produce the following totals:

Total Receipts	388,316.71
Total Payments	427,589.22
Deficit for the year	**-£39,272.51**

As detailed in the Receipts & Payments account.

Church Asset List

Library books & equipment
Office equipment
Churchyard equipment
Kitchen/hall equipment

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on: _____

And signed on its behalf by:-

_____ _____

Chairman **Treasurer**

The following pages comprise the accounts.

CASH BOOK RECONCILIATION 2020

	Total Funds	A Current A/C NatWest	B Restricted current A/C NatWest	C Deposit A/C unrestricted CBF	D Deposit A/C Restricted CBF
Reconciled Bank at 1st Jan 2020	151,947.63	3,089.10	6,149.28	65,970.93	76,738.32
Bank as at 31st Dec 2020	112,675.12	4,206.90	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Nett movement of funds	**-39,272.51**	**1,117.80**	**-597.73**	**-43,934.61**	**4,142.03**
Adjustments to Bank:-				Note1	Note 1
Cheque 003410 not cashed		-55.23			
Adjusted Bank Figures	**-39,327.74**	**1,062.57**	**-597.73**	**-43,934.61**	**4,142.03**
Represented by:					
Cash Book as at 1st Jan 2020	151,947.63	3,089.10	6,149.28	65,970.93	76,738.32
Cash Book as at 31st Dec 2020	112,619.89	4,151.67	5,551.55	22,036.32	80,880.35
Nett entries recorded	**-39,327.74**	**1,062.57**	**-597.73**	**-43,934.61**	**4,142.03**

Note 1
Interest on CCLA Accounts included in final reconcilation
Plus Grants for Learning Community Mission Fund
Transfer Request £944.00 on CCLA Restricted Account Dec 19
cleared in PCC Bank Account until 2nd Jan 2020

Outstanding Cheque issued December 20 Cashed January 2021

Account Balances and Bank Reconciliation screen

Unreconciled Transactions = (£55.23)
Unreconciled Transfers = £0.00

Bank Reconciliation

Account	Account Name/Description	Opening ACTUAL Balance	Transactions In	Transactions Out	ACTUAL Balance	Opening STATEMENT Balance	Money In	Money Out	STATEMENT Balance	Date last Reconciled
		£151,947.63	£388,316.71	(£427,644.45)	£112,619.89	£151,947.63	£388,316.71	(£427,589.22)	£112,675.12	
A	Nat West Current Account (Cash)	£3,089.10	£226,569.62	(£225,507.05)	£4,151.67	£3,089.10	£226,569.62	(£225,451.82)	£4,206.90	16/01/2021
B	CBF General Deposit Account (Cash)	£65,970.93	£29,065.39	(£73,000.00)	£22,036.32	£65,970.93	£29,065.39	(£73,000.00)	£22,036.32	16/01/2021
C	CBF Restricted Account (Cash)	£76,738.32	£100,181.70	(£96,039.67)	£80,880.35	£76,738.32	£100,181.70	(£96,039.67)	£80,880.35	16/01/2021
D	General Mission Account (Cash)	£6,149.28	£32,500.00	(£33,097.73)	£5,551.55	£6,149.28	£32,500.00	(£33,097.73)	£5,551.55	16/01/2021
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YEAR-END Balances Split

Closing Unrestricted	Closing Designated	Closing Restricted	
£26,665.64	(£42,753.83)	£128,708.08	
£4,629.32	£839.55	(£1,317.18)	Cash
£22,036.32	-	-	Cash
-	(£43,593.36)	£124,473.71	Cash
-	-	£5,551.55	Cash
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
-	-	-	
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Reconciliation of Transactions *(please note: Reconciliations of Standing Orders/Direct Debits happens automatically. Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers page)*

Date	Account	Details	Amount	Paying-in slip /Cheq number	Rec	B/St Number
23/12/2020	A	Christian Aid Collection 23/12/19 Cheque issued 23/12/20	(£55.23)	CHQ003410		

Before Clicking the "Reconcile" button, please make sure that the Statement Balances above are correct. Note: Transfers need to be reconciled on the Transfers tab

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT 2020						Restricted & General Deposit Accounts							
Receipts							Restricted		General				
	Notes	2020	2019	2020			2020			2020			
				Mission		B/F 2020	£76,738.32			£65,970.93			
				£6,149.28	B/F								
Planned Giving													
Gift Aided		48,022.52	47,041.82										
Non Gift Aided		7,742.00	9,363.73										
Gift Aid Tax recovered	1	11,870.98	13,489.40										
Gift Aid Tax (Mission)*		0.00	1,250.00							£21,501.00		Legacies	
Collections - all services		2,447.33	6,754.08										
Collections - restricted	2	878.37	1,582.22										
Donations													
Restricted (Mission)*	3	2,520.39	5,000.00	£2,520.39									
Unrestricted PCC Account	3	678.25	1,393.74										
Special Appeals Mission	3a	1,715.00	651.58	1715.00			50.00		Direct transfer from Mission Acc to CCLA				
Special Appeals PCC Account	3a	8,160.21											
Grants to Mission in CCLA	4	9,999.96	9999.96**				£9,999.96		Paid Direct to CCLA Dep Acc				
18 **Transfers PCC to Mission**				£18,189.61	Transfers**								
Grants PCC Account	4a	4,250.00											
Grants (Mission Account)	4a	10,000.00	14,200.00	£10,000.00									
Legacies	5	21,501.00	72,837.09				70000.00			7337.09		See Note 6	
Fund Raising	6	1,712.16	9,549.91				19778.60						
Church Hall Hire		535.00	1,510.00										
PCC Fees		1,759.00	3,196.00										
Magazine & Literature		65.18	273.77										
Bank & Deposit Interest	7	609.84	1,020.07			Interest	353.14			227.30			
Insurance Claim (Roof)		837.60											
Sundry Income	8	10,904.04	7,994.11										
Sundry Income Mission	8a	75.00	885.74	£75.00									
		146,283.83	197,993.26	£32,500.00			£176,920.02			£95,036.32			
Account Transfers		80,285.79	66,480.16			£80,285.79 = £123,366.19* - (Mission Inc £42499.96 + CCLA Int £580.44)							
Cashbook PCC		£226,569.62	£264,473.42										
Cashbook		£388,316.71		Cashbook = £226,569.62 + £100,181.70 + £29,065.39 + £32.500 Mission Inc)									
Payments													
	Notes	2020	2019										
Parish Share	9	-57,758.58	-70,182.84										
Clergy & Readers Expenses	10	-1,567.85	-2,255.40										
Worship Costs	11	-1,676.92	-2,422.67										
Salaries													
Organists (Excl Nest & Tax)	12	-3,902.45	-4,093.58										
Clergy		0.00	0.00										
Church Running Costs & Administration													
Electricity	13	-411.11	-406.91										
Gas	13	-1,982.20	-2,326.86										
Telephone		-788.39	-842.60										
Secretarial Incl Nest NI & Tax	12	-4,951.58	-9,805.21										
Mission Salaries	12	-13,296.86											
Church Cleaner	12	-216.00	-814.00										

	Photocopying		-1,636.78	-2,707.72										
	Stationery & Printing		-381.05	-376.81										
	Insurance	13	-2,140.29	-2,400.46										
	Postage		-226.24	-497.57										
Building Costs														
	Repairs & Renewals	14	-1,931.27	-3,333.91										
	Church & Churchyard Maintena	14	-694.00	-643.20										
	Building Projects	15	-70,539.78	-11,217.57										
Other Expenses														
Magazine & Literature														
Church Hall Upkeep			-109.64	-341.95										
Subscriptions & Fees		16	-140.00	-2,724.00										
Church Flowers		17	-56.05	-282.41										
Fund Raising - Costs		18	-84.32	-867.56										
	Miscellaneous	19	-613.30	-1,501.24										
Mission Giving														
Mission Account PCC		20	-54.81											
	See Mission Account	20	-19573.73	-11,277.43	-19573.73									
	See Mission Account	20		-11,261.19	-50.00		Transfer direct to CCLA Restricted							
Other Charitable Giving		21	-823.14	-1,582.22										
			-185,556.34	-144,165.31										
Account Transfers			-39,895.48	-21,844.38	-13474.00	£39,895.48 = 59,519.21 -19623.73 mission See Notes Page 11								
	Cashbook PCC		-225,451.82	-166,009.69										
Transfers from Gen acc to PCC		*	-3,000.00	-7,050.08		Transfers					-3000.00			
Transfer from Gen CCLA - Rest			-70,000.00			Transfers					-70,000	See Notes Page 11		
Transfer from Rest CCLA- PCC		*	-18000.00			Transfers		-£18,000.00	Transfer to PCC for Transfer to Mission					
Transfer from CCLA Rest - Gen			-7,337.09			Transfers		-7337.09				See Notes Page 11		
Transfers from Res Acc to PCC		*	-70,702.58	-20,382.07		Transfers		-70702.58	Transfer to PCC for Transfer for Building Work					
Transfer from PCC - Mission		*	-18,189.61	-18,147.63										
Transfer from Mission - PCC		*	-13,474.00											
Balances					-£597.73			£80,880.35			£22,036.32			
	Cashbook		-427589.22	-£211,589.47	427,589.22 = 225.451.82 PCC + £73,000 CCLA General + £96,039.67 Rest +33097.73 Mission									
	Surplus / Deficit:		-£39,272.51	£62,833.61										
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Income 2020

1 Gift Aid

PCC Account		£11,870.98
Mission Account		
	Total:	**£11,870.98**

2 Collections Restricted

Collection December 2019	£383.89 Children's Society Christmas Collection
	£439.25 Christian Aid Christmas Collection
Totals	**£823.14 Cleared 2020**
Balance due of Sum up Payts	£ 55.23 Sum up Christian Aid
Actual **Totals**	**£878.37**

Final cheque for £55.23 to Christian Aid issued December 20 - Cashed January 2021

3 Donations – PCC Account

Unrestricted	£678.25

3 Donations - Mission Account

Donations	£150.00
Donation Covid-19	£100.00 Computer
Donations	£2,212.25 Covid-19
Donations	£ 58.14 Books
	£2,520.39 Held in Mission Account

3a Special Appeals PCC Account

Roofing Appeal	£7,831.08	Donations
Angels of Hope	£ 120.00	Transferred to Mission Account
Restricted	£ 110.00	John Morton (Donation)
Church Flowers Appeals	£ 99.13	
Totals	**£ 8,160.21**	

3a Special Appeals – Mission Account

Donation towards Roof Appeal (PCC)	**£ 50.00 Transfer Direct to CCLA Account**
Donations Angels of Hope	**£1590.00**
Donations Covid-19 Expenses	**£ 75.00**
Totals held in Mission Account	**£1,715.00**

4 Recurring Grants (Restricted for Sole Use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee)

Rural Ministries	£9,999.96

These monthly grants are paid to the CCLA Restricted Deposit Account (Mission Allowance)

4a Grant (Non-Recurring)

Historic England Grant (Part Payt.)	£ 3,750.00	Roof Appeal
All Churches Trust	£ 500.00	Roof Appeal
Totals PCC	**£ 4,250.00**	

Grants that are restricted for sole use of Mission Funding (Learning Committee.

D B F (FCG Grant)	£10,000.00 Held In Mission Account

This non-recurring grant was paid direct to the New Mission Bank Account

5	**Legacies**	**(Unrestricted)**	£20,000.00	R Cording
			£ 1,001.00	F Craggs
			£ 500.00	M Halls
			£21,501.00	

All these Legacies have now been transferred to CCLA General Deposit Account.

6 Fund Raising

Sunday Coffee	£269.01
Coffee Mornings	£1.204.15
Concerts (including deposits)	£160.00
Other Events	£ 79.00
Totals:	**£1,712.16**

7 Bank Interest

Bank interest	£29.40 PCC General Account for year 2020
Interest on CCLA accounts	£227.30 General Deposit Account &
	£353.14 Restricted Deposit included in accounts
	£609.84

8 Sundry Income

Dec	Transfer of Funds from CCLA	£944.00	**in PCC Account 02/01/20**
Sum Up Payments		£533.20	
Mission Sum Up Payments		£ 19.61	Transferred to Mission Account
Just Giving		£ 16.31	
VAT Refund		£7,985.82	
Refund from Visiting Organist		£ 50.00	Transferred to Mission Account
Income from other Church Activities			
Votives		£276.16	
Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes			
Team Contributions to use of Photocopier		£375.00	
Team Contributions to Cost of Rector's PA		£549.99	
Team Refunds Palm Crosses		£153.95	
	Total Sundry	**£1,078.94**	
	Total	**£10904.94**	

PCC Overall Total: **£10,904.04**

8a Sundry Income paid into Mission Account

+ Reimbursement of Costs by Other Parishes Mission Account

Refund from DMS	£35.00
Sum up Payment from PCC Fees	£40.00
	£75.00

Expenditure

9	**Parish Share**	**-£57,758.00.**	**£17,250.98 Arrears C/F to 2021 due to drop in Income 2020** Due to closure of all Church Activities during Covid-19
10	**Clergy Expenses**		
		-£1,417.85	Rectors Expenses
		-£150.00	PCC Gift Expenses
		= -£1,567.85	
11	**Worship Costs**		
		- £724.87	Cost of Candles, Wine, Baptism Cards, etc.
		- £952.05	Music Costs, Licence, Organ Repairs
		- 1,676.92	
12	**Salaries PCC**	**£3,902.45**	**Organist (Incl Visiting Organist)**
		£ 216.00	**Church Cleaner** (See Note 16)
		-£4360.97	Rector's PA Incl H M R C Payments PA Organist
		-£ 590.61	Nest Contributions PA +Organist
		£9,070.03	
12	**Mission Salaries (Incl Tax and Nest Pension Contributions (Paid through PCC Account)**		
	Monthly Transfers Received to PCC from Mission Account See Note 18 Mission		
		-£13,296.86	
	Total Payroll	**-£22,366.89**	
13	**Gas & Electricity**		
		- 411.11	Electricity
		- 1,982.20	Gas
		-£2,393.11	
13	**Insurance**	£2,140.29 - Reduction in Fee due to the Installation of Smartwater	

Building Costs

14 Buildings & Maintenance – Routine Maintenance & Repairs + Graveyard

Bristol Sound Systems	£81.00	Funded by Buildings Money
Boiler Service	£780.00	
H & S ISW Training	£235.00	Funded by Buildings Money
IT Project	£105.97	Funded by Buildings Money
Organ Repair& Tuning	£643.20	Architects Request Funded by Buildings Money
Fire Extinguisher Annual Cert.	£ 86.10	
	-£1,931.27	
	- £ 694.00	Expenses Churchyard Maintenance & Upkeep
	-£2,625.27	

15 Buildings & Maintenance – Major Repairs

Smartwater Roof	£642.00	
E Bound AVX Ltd (Roof)	£10,900.02	
Courtney Bowden (Roof)	£33,810.00	
Corbel Masonry	£14,427.28	
Hobbs Electrical	£1,369.02	
Digital Solutions	£1,450.00	
MBH (Boiler)	£ 594.00	
C & C Carpets	£ 215.00	
	-£63,407.32	Roof and Building Repairs
	-£7,132.46	Architects & Planning Fees (Roof and Structural Work)
	-£70,539.78	

All Major Building works have been funded through Donations, Grants and Legacies held in Restricted CCLA Accounts by St John's. Additional Expense incurred this year through Theft of Lead and subsequent replacement and repairs. The installation of Smartwater and an Alarm System on Roof has resulted in a slight reduction in Insurance Costs. We have received Insurance Monies to help with the Roof Costs A balance of the claimed grants and Insurance is expected in 2021.

Other Expenses

16 Subscriptions & Fees

- 100.00	Churches Together Subscription
- 15.00	B/W/DACR B.F Deanery Fee
- 25.00	Friends of Somerset Churches Subscription
-£140.00	

17 Flowers **-£56.05**

18 Fund Raising Costs

-£16.78	Costs of Trading Tea & Coffee
-£ 67.54	Gift Aid Envelopes)
Totals: -£ 84.32	

19 Miscellaneous

- £294.00	Refund of Wedding Deposit due to Covid-19
- £313.30	Bank Charges
-£**613.30**	

20 Mission –PCC Account

-£50.00	Replacement Phone Mwenda
-£ 4.81	Adjustment to Cashbook
-£54.81	

20 Mission - Mission Account

-£19,573.73	**Expenditure 2020 Learning Community, Courses, Expenses and Salaries + Covid -19**
-£50.00	**Transfer Direct to CCLA from Mission Buildings Donation**
-£13,474.00	**Recharges to PCC Account for Payroll & Expenses.**
Total Mission Expenditure **-£33,097.73**	

Learning Community Expenditure is funded entirely by the Share of 2017 grants from outside agencies and the Diocese which are put straight into CCLA Restricted Deposit Account. PCC invoice monthly for

Expenses, payroll, etc. incurred by the Learning Community. During Covid-19. The Mission Fund has provided invaluable help to the Local Community and the Church in providing funds to enables St John's to continue the Church work

21 Other Charitable Giving PCC Account

-£383.89	Children's Society Christmas Collection 2019
-£439.25	Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2019
-£823.14	

Cheque for balance owed Children's Society £55.23 issued December 20 – Not cashed until Feb 21

-£55.23	Balance Christian Aid Collection Christmas 2019
-£878.37	**Sub Total**

Bank Accounts movement 2020

PCC Current Account (A) used to pay for the day to day running costs of the church

£226,569.62 (Includes £944 transferred from CCLA Rest Acc 2019 – Cash in Bank January 2020)

Bank Balance C/F £3,089.10 + Turnover (£226,569.62 - £225,451.82) = £1117.80

Cash in Bank December 2020 £4,206.90

Restricted Current Account (B) used to pay for missional activities and building work

Bank Balance C/F 2019 £6,149.28 + Income during the year of £32,500.00 = £38649.28

Expenditure in 2020 £33,097.73

Cash in Bank December £5551.55

Un-restricted Deposit A/C (C) Used to keep two months reserves in

£65,970.83 B/F + £28,838.09 (legacies received in 2020) + Interest £277.30 Total = £95086.22

This account was re-arranged to hold our reserves so £73,000.00 was transferred to the restricted deposit account (D) which holds Legacies and Grants

Total carried forward £22086.22

Restricted Deposit A/C (D) Used to keep legacies and Grants

£76,738.32 B/F

Added during the year:-

£70,000.00 transferred from the Account (C).

£19,778.60 transfer from the PCC general current account (A)
To comply with anti-laundering legislation all money paid to the church must be paid into the current account and then transferred to a Deposit Account

£50.00 from the restricted current account (B)

£9999.96 Mission Grants Mission from Rural Ministries was paid in directly. This was set up prior to the anti-laundering requirements

Interest £353.14

Spent during the year:-

£70,702.58 (Buildings work)

£7337.09 transfer to Gen Acc

£18,000 (Mission to PCC for transfer)

Closing figure in this account £80880.35

2020 Accounts on Cash Book 5.2 show all the above transactions.

Unallocated transfer of £944.00 requested from the CCLA General Deposit Account in December 19 Shown in PCC bank account 02/01/20..

Unallocated Cheque issued December 2020 for £55.23 carried forward to 2021 –Cheque cashed in February 2021

Expenditure for 2020 actual figure = £211,589.47

Actual Balance at end of December 2020 = £226,529.62 - £225,451.82 = £1,117.80

(See Reconciliation Sheets 1 & 2)

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on unrestricted funds which equates to at least two months Unrestricted payments. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.
At end of December 2020 this monies totalled was still in deficit due to £8,000.00 being withdrawn to help PCC Expenditure up to 2020
Monies held in General Deposit Account total £22,036.32 - This includes further legacy money of £21,501.00.

Due to Covid-19 cash flow we are not able to hold any reserves apart from the money held in the General Deposit Account.

Expenditure/Transfer 2019 not in our bank accounts until January 2020.

£944 transferred from our CCLA Restricted Deposit Account December 31st 2019 appeared in Restricted Deposit Account as leaving the Account in December 2019. Showing on Cashbook 2019 as leaving the Deposit Account, in 2019 Accounts, but not in bank accounts.

Showing on bank statement on 02/01/20 as a deposit to our Bank account.

Outstanding Expenditure due December 20 but not cleared until January 2021

PCC Cheque Number 003410 for £55.23 issued to Christian Aid in December 2020 Cashed in January 2021

Due to the effects of Covid-19 our income ended the year with a significant deficit on 2019. A stewardship drive and appeals will take place in 2021.

Reconciliations 2020

PCC

Unrestricted Bank Balance at December 2020 Statement =	£ 4,206.90
Restricted Mission bank Account at December 2020	£5,551.55
General Deposit account Balance at December 20	£22,036.32
Restricted Fund Balance at December 2020	£80,880.35
Total Cash Assets at December 2020 Statements =	**£112,675.12**

Transfers from PCC -£18189.61 to Mission (See also transfers to PCC from CCLA)
-£19,778.60 to CCLA Restricted Account – Buildings
-£ 50.00 to CCLA Restricted Account from Mission Account – Buildings
-£21,501.00 to CCLA General Account – Legacies.
-£59,519.21

Transfers from CCLA Restricted Account or between accounts

£70,702.58 for Building works -Transfer to PCC (+ £944 received by PCC Bank Account Jan 20 from CCLA transfer Dec 19.)
£18,000.00 for Transfer to Mission Account via PCC Account see below
£7,337.09 Transferred from Restricted Account to General CCLA Account
£96,039.67

Monies to CCLA Restricted Account or between accounts

£70,000 transferred from General CCLA to Restricted CCLA Account
£9,999.96 Rural Ministries Mission Payments – transferred direct to Restricted CCLA Account
£7,985.82 VAT Refund from PCC
£11,792.78 Building Donations from PCC (Roof Appeal, etc)
£50, 00 Direct Transfer from Mission Account
£353.14 Annual Interest paid direct to Account
£100,181.70

Monies to CCLA General Account or between Accounts

£21,501.00 Legacies from Cording, Craggs, & Halls
£7,337.09 Balance of Legacy from W Cole transferred from Rest Account to General Account
£28,838.09
£227.30 Annual Interest paid direct to Account
£28,838.09

Monies from CCLA General Account

£70,000.00 Transfer to CCLA Restricted
£3,000.00 to Boost PCC Church Account.
£73,000.00

Mission Income £18,000.00 from Deposit Account via Deposit Account
£ 189.61 Transfer from PCC to Mission Account
£10,000.00 FCG Grant
£4,310.39 Donations & Appeals
£32,500.00

Mission Expenditure
-£19,623.73
-£13,474.00 Transfer to PCC Account (Payroll)
-£33,097.73