



# Kingsdown & Creekside PCC

## Annual Report of the Parish of Kingsdown and Creekside in the Diocese of Canterbury, 2021

The parish is now in its seventh year and is registered, as an excepted charitable organisation, in its own right. The registration no. is 1162554-0

The purpose of the parish is religious activities which are available to the general public. The PCC of the parish, which comprises the trustees of the charity, continues to operate by acting as a central reporting and decision making body for the parish as a whole and oversees the spiritual direction for the parish, maintaining seven parish churches and eight open churchyards via seven steering groups which are subcommittees of the PCC and attached to each church, by identifying and supporting other charitable activities as it sees fit and is able to supply from its finances and by provision of activities that may involve people living in the area who are not necessarily members of the churches. Members can be identified as those having their names entered on the church electoral roll of the parish; the current electoral roll stands at 191.

The PCC achieves its purpose by providing public worship in all licensed places of worship on a regular, identifiable basis which are open to all members of the public. Most of the church buildings are kept open at times other than advertised services for at least part of the year thus providing ready access to quiet and sacred places. There continue to be ideas under discussion to improve the facilities of a number of church buildings in the parish. One of the churches has a monthly café serving hot breakfasts, drinks, cakes in order to make the Church a more visible presence in the community and give an opportunity for the wider population to meet together and become familiar with the church building. This

was closed during the Covid restrictions and re-opened in the Autumn of 2021.

Another licensed place of worship within the parish is the Teynham Parochial Church of England (Controlled) Primary School. This building has been used, in previous years, monthly to run a Messy Church - a Fresh Expressions Church, however in 2020 Messy Church only took place on one occasion prior to Government initiated lockdowns and ongoing restrictions throughout the year and has not restarted. However a Light Party was held for Primary aged and a second one for Secondary Aged Children at Halloween with invitations being sent widely through the Communities and a Christmas Activity ring was held for primary aged Children in the week prior to Christmas, again ideally advertised through the communities of the Parish.

“Breakthrough” is also a Fresh Expressions church for both the parish and also surrounding churches. Our isolated rural church with no mains services continues to offer a service of Evensong on the first Sunday of the month during the summer. Additional pastoral work is undertaken including visiting the sick and bereaved, providing social contact and activities through other regular meetings.

The Occasional Offices of Baptisms, Funerals and Weddings are a normal part of our mission and outreach to the wider community in the parish. In 2021 more weddings were able to take place, however some of those booked were postponed due to the Covid pandemic.

The local primary schools are visited regularly by clergy and others where they lead assemblies and are closely involved in the governance of the Voluntary Controlled School in Teynham whilst the Rector is a foundation Member of the Academy running a second school. New Home Groups aimed at increasing the understanding of the Christian faith were started in 2021.

A Confirmation Service was held in Teynham and 5 people from the Benefice were confirmed by the Bishop of Dover.

A Youth Club for Secondary School aged Young People had been closed due to the pandemic and re-opened in September 2021 at Lynsted Church with increased numbers of young people attending and an increased number of adult leaders. Members of the church

community are also closely involved in the running of groups for young people such as scouts, cubs and beavers and a local pre-school group.

Activities, including worship, were severely disrupted in early 2021 due to the Covid Pandemic. Worship Services were suspended for 2 months followed by a gradual restarting, with all Churches holding Services from Easter onwards as per the pattern established in the previous year. However, an audio service has been posted weekly on the Parish Website since the first lockdown of 2020 as well as a video service in a newly setup Breakthrough at Lynsted YouTube Channel. A daily Morning Prayer service, live-streamed in Facebook, has continued since the first one took place on March 20<sup>th</sup> 2020.

The PCC meets four times in the year either virtually via Zoom or physically, in order to set the overall spiritual direction of the parish to review what it has done in the past and to identify how it might advance the mission of the church in general. Individual churches also support various other charitable activities as they see fit.

The PCC continues to be represented in the local organisation of the Church of England at both deanery and diocesan level.

The ministry of the church is provided not only by ordained clergy but by a strong team of lay people both licensed and authorised. This enables the PCC to ensure that there is a wide range and number of services in the parish each Sunday (apart from the fifth Sunday of a month when a Benefice Service is held at one of the churches on a rotating basis.). All of these activities are ways in which we work to meet the objectives of the charity.

### Administrative Details

The address for correspondence is and registered office of the charity is:

The Rectory,  
76, Station Road,  
Teynham,  
Sittingbourne,  
Kent.  
ME9 9SN

Membership of the PCC and trustees

Clergy:

Revd. Canon Dr. Stephen Lillicrap.

Revd Jim Pye

September

Rev Caroline Turvey

July 2021

Rector

Associate Priest from 28<sup>th</sup>

Training Curate from 3<sup>rd</sup>

Churchwardens:

Heather Flood

Robbie Jardine

Sophia Steel

Bruce Leckie

Les Roberts

David Wood

Bob Prichard

Members:

Joyce Trim

Jean Hewett

Mary Gollop

David Buckett

Heather Parry

Charlotte Relf

Deanery Synod Representative:

Until June 30 2020: Paula Jardine Rose, Penny Williams, Sue

Baldry, Rob Breakall

From November 2020 Bob Prichard, Sue Baldry, Liz Pichon (until moved away November 2021)

Officers:

Joyce Warren.      Treasurer

Heather Parry      Secretary

**KINGSDOWN & CREEKSIDE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

**BENEFICE ACCOUNT  
1 January to 31 December 2021**

**RECEIPTS**

**PARISH SHARE TRANSFERS**

Doddington	12,153.00	
Lynsted	19,000.00	
Newnham	14,663.00	
Norton	10,590.00	
Oare	12,836.00	
Teynham	21,950.00	
Wychling	2,070.00	93,262.00

**INSURANCE TRANSFERS**

Doddington	2,541.00	
Lynsted	2,535.72	
Newnham	1,996.68	
Norton	1,386.24	
Oare	1,680.00	
Teynham	2,487.00	
Wychling	270.58	12,897.22

Fees Received 17,055.50

Clergy Fees - Funerals 583.79  
Curate's Mileage Reimbursement (CDBF) -  
High Downs - Shared Ministry Costs -  
Ospringle Deanery Reimbursement 2,600.00

Donations - Benefice via Stripe Churchdesk 151.22  
Donations - Steering Groups via Stripe Churchdesk 1,415.24 1,566.46

Misc. - donations 289.46

Rector's Discretionary Fund -  
Steering Group Transfers 1,420.93

**TOTAL RECEIPTS: 129,675.36**

**Balance at Bank 1 January 2021** 4,173.44  
**Income** 129675.36  
**Expenditure** (129,840.14)  
**Balance carried forward 31 December 2021** 4,008.66

**Balance sheet**

Current Assets cash in hand 7,076.26  
Debtors (parish payments & t/f) 1,627.93  
**8,704.19**  
Creditors - parish share overpayment& pending t/fs (4,695.53)  
**4,008.66**

**Being:**

Reserve Funds 3,176.00  
Rector's Discretionary Fund 400.00  
General Funds 432.66  
**4,008.66**

**Notes:**

**Parish share**

Wychling Parish Share underpaid in 2021 (debtor) 207.00  
Doddington (Creditor) (1,012.00)

**PAYMENTS**

Parish Share 92,883.97  
Area Dean Admin 4,680.00

Insurance 12,409.87

Bellringers/ Organist/ Choir 600.00  
CDBF Fees 7,340.00

Clergy Expenses  
Mileage Benefice 1,769.44  
Mileage Diocese (Curate) -  
Conferences/ Training 120.00  
Other Expenses 226.45 2,115.89

Visiting Clergy Expenses -

Printing/ Stationery 1,673.74  
Postage 24.28  
Telephone/ Broadband 1,211.33

Service Expenses 279.76  
Wedding Prep 292.74  
Churchdesk 1,068.00

Deanery:  
Administration Fee (4 reps)  
Funeral Administrator (£52 per church) -

Transferred to Steering Groups 1,690.03

MLT Supper -

Information Commissioner - Data Protection 35.00  
Minibus Expenses -

Rector's Discretionary Fund -  
Transfers to Steering Groups 3,535.53

**TOTAL PAYMENTS: 129,840.14**

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**  
**to the**  
**Parochial Church Council Kingsdown & Creekside**

This report on the accounts of the P.C.C. for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021, which are set out in the Annual Report and Financial Statement, is in respect of an examination carried out under Regulation 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and s.145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

**Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner**

As the members of the P.C.C. you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and section 144(2) of the Act does not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5) (b) of the Act and to be found in the Church Guidance, 2006 edition, issued by the Finance Division of the Archbishops' Council. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the P.C.C. and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination no matter has come to my attention:

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



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20 April 2022