

# **Hamworthy Parish Churches, Poole Annual Report and Accounts of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31st December 2021**

## **Administrative Information**

St Michael's and St Gabriel's churches are situated in the parish of Hamworthy, Poole, part of the Diocese of Salisbury, within the Church of England. The correspondence address is: St Michael's Church Centre, Blandford Road, Poole, BH15 4HR

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity registered with the Charity Commissioners - Registered Charity Number 1163697  
PCC members who have served from 1 January 2021 until the date this report was approved are:

### **Incumbent:**

The Revd Tessa Nisbet Rector (Chair)  
Revd Ashley Ross - Associate Minister  
Revd Sally Taylor Curate in Training

### **Wardens:**

Audrey Stayman  
Joanna Maybury

### **Deanery Synod representatives:**

Viv Robertson (PCC secretary)  
Dave Coates (PCC Treasurer)  
Elaine Sullivan (from APCM May 2021)

### **Elected members**

Jean Harrison-Barker  
Jeremy Irish (from APCM May 2021)  
Andrea Johnson ( Parish Safeguarding Officer)  
Judith Perring  
David Reed  
Bryan Sullivan  
Christopher Trent  
Marie Ward (Until APCM May 2021)

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

## **Objectives and Activities**

Hamworthy PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibilities for the Church Centre complexes of St Michael's and St Gabriel's in Hamworthy and governance responsibilities for St Gabriel's Pre-School.

### *Electoral Roll and Church Attendance*

*Note: ( ) 2020 figures*

There were 120 (109) on the Church Electoral Roll on 31 Dec 2021, 16 (11) of whom are not resident in the parish.

The average weekly Sunday attendance (*Note 2019 figures in brackets*) at St Michael's Morning service was 64 (64+ 11 at St Gabriel's) adults, plus 13 (9) children. The average attendance at the midweek service was 23 (15) The average attendance at the new "The 4 O'clock Service was 20. Sally started a new worship time, "Little Acorns" for parents and pre-school children and attendances are growing.

The Statistics for Mission return for 2021 recorded a "Worshipping Community" of 114 (121 in 2019). This is the number of people (adults and children) who attended worship in church at least once a month during the year. Included are 4 people who are unable to attend due to serious illness

One service, "From Darkness to Light", was held at St Gabriel's on Advent Sunday with 28 people attending. It is hoped to have regular services at St Gabriel's soon.

We have been unable to hold services at Dorset House during Lockdown in 2021, but Tess has been able to visit. We have held services at the new Upton Bay Care Home from the Autumn, including Remembrance and Carol services, being very warmly welcomed there.

125 adults and 22 children attended the Easter Sunday Open Air service at St Michael's in 2021 and over 50 people visited the Hope and Lament Exhibition organised during Holy Week. Christmas services 2021: - Sally organised a Walk Through Nativity on December 19th. Approximately 90 people attending. Thanks to Lana Uttings who planned and organised the choir and music for the Candlelight Carol Service on December 12<sup>th</sup>, attended by 122 adults and 25 children (175/19 in 2019) Numbers at the Christingle and Midnight Communion services were less than in the past but attendance on Christmas Day increased to 77 adults and 15 children.

### *Review of the year*

2021 begun with very high numbers of Covid cases and services continued on Zoom until Easter Sunday when a very well attended outdoor service was held. Several people from other local churches joined us as they were unable to attend their usual places of worship. Outdoor services continued on Sundays throughout the summer and for the Remembrance Sunday Service. Other services were able to be held in Church from April 2021.

The PCC met 6 times during the year with an average attendance of 91% (93%.) Committees have met between meetings and have reported to the full PCC.

There were 11 (11) baptisms and 1 (0) Thanksgiving for the Birth of a Child, 1 (2) Wedding and 1 Marriage blessing were held during 2021. There were 2 (5) funerals in St Michael's church, 5 (7) (funeral services were conducted at a Crematorium or a Cemetery on behalf of the churches and 7 (8) Burials of Ashes in St Michael's Churchyards.

"The Bridge" magazine is published 10 times per year with a circulation of approximately 230 and continues as an effective means of communication in the community. We are very grateful to the production team of Viv Robertson and Bryan Sullivan, Marie Ward, Angela Ackland, Linda Bailey-Charles and Linda Finch, the contributors, and all who deliver this magazine.

This year a new team has been formed "The Green Team" headed up by Ruth Dollerson. This team aims to make us more aware of care for God's creation using

recycled paper, recyclable items and LED lighting as well developing more eco-friendly outside spaces. Ruth aims to write an article in The Bridge each month and the team had a great stall at the Christmas Fair. In January 2022 we received Queen's Eco Bronze Award.

Another exciting development is the start of new Sunday and weekday groups for children and young people. Groups for pre-school children and older children and young people are held at St Michael's on Sunday mornings. Thanks to Sally Taylor and Sal Coates and their helpers for organising this. Also a group, "God and Grub" for those aged 11-15 is held on Sunday evenings at the Rectory. Jude and Steve Perring host a fortnightly group for older teenagers and Joe Nisbet runs "Kid's Group" for 7-11 year olds at the Church Centre. Sally Taylor and helpers run Little Acorns parent and toddler on Monday morning in the Woodland and/or the church lounge. We are very grateful to all who give their time to minister to children and young people. There are encouraging numbers attending these groups.

Thanks also to Andrea Johnson who continues to serve as Parish Safeguarding Officer. Safeguarding is on the Agenda of each PCC meeting and Safeguarding Policies are reviewed each November. Data Protection procedures and Safer Recruitment policies are now in place. Church members who lead groups or are in positions of leadership or responsibility have appropriate DBS checks and have updated their safeguarding training. The PCC has had due regard to the House of Bishops' guidance in relation to safeguarding. The PSO regularly discusses any safeguarding issues with the Rector.

The Missions team have maintained contact with our Mission Partners from CMS and World Horizons. The PCC continues to support the Children's Society, WAU, Operation Christmas Child and locally Routes to Roots, MARS and Cornerstone Church in Malawi. In early 2021 Chris Stratta, from The Leprosy Mission spoke at a Zoom Service in March and amazingly over £2500 was given in response. The Missions giving budget for 2021 was £5,500 - 10% of giving received.

Towards the end of 2021 the PCC had an excellent "Away Day". During this time we prayerfully and carefully considered our vision and values. These will be disseminated to the whole church in due time.

Both of the church centres are usually widely used by community groups and individuals for regular meetings and one-off events and this generates a very good amount. However, our income has reduced by approx £10K since 2019 as some groups have not been able to continue following Lockdown. Hire charges are reviewed annually by the Standing Committee. We are grateful to our Churchwardens, Audrey and Jo, and to Paul Hardwick, and Kristy and Jane who have continued to ensure that our building remains clean, safe and tidy. Also to the Fabric Committee for all of their hard work during 2021. Kristy Pratt continues to do a great job managing our bookings at both centres.

## Finances

### *Planned Giving*

£49,407 (£42,670) was given in planned giving. £12,934 (£10,105) was received in Gift Aid tax recovered.

### *Financial Review*

Total 2021 accountable receipts including restricted funds were £117,522 (£109,275). The figures exclude St Gabriel's Pre-school funds.

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The total accountable payments were £127,931 (£165,820) (excluding Pre-School funds).

The total amount received from donations, collections and planned giving in 2021 was £62,560 (£64,310). The PCC has one trust fund, the Keysworth Trust fund. At the end of 2021 its value was £129,398 (£113,703)

Income from venue hire for both centres was £20,344 (£16,206) plus £15,200 (£14,400) from St Gabriel's Pre-School.

The PCC fees received from the churchyard account was £2002 (£2,175)

The 2021 parish share of £44,712 (£44,487) was paid in full.

#### *Reserves Policy*

The PCC retained £15,000 in its unrestricted Reserves Fund. The Pre-School also has a reserves fund of (£56,335) in a "Dissolution" Fund.

£4,282 (£4,297) is in the restricted St Michael's Building deposit account. The foremost, but not restricted, use of this is for St Michael's building and fabric. During 2021 there was a major expenditure on gas compliance work at St Michael's Church and centre.

We have £52,013 (£59,223) in the designated St Gabriel's Building deposit account. This is specifically for the upkeep of St Gabriel's Church Centre building.

All of these deposit accounts are with the Church of England Deposit Fund.

*VR & DC March 2022*

**Approved by the PCC on 16th March 2022 and signed on their behalf by  
Revd Tessa Nisbet. (PCC Chair)**

Signed.....*T J Nisbet*.....  
Dated...16/3/2022.....

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## Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<i>Income and endowments from:</i>						
Donations and legacies	62,560	—	12,683	—	75,244	64,310
Income from charitable activities	2,002	—	1,338	—	3,340	2,893
Other trading activities	27	—	—	—	27	388
Investments	38,852	—	15	—	38,867	34,989
Other income	—	—	43	—	43	6,731
St Gabriels PreSchool	—	—	192,375	—	192,375	223,194
<b>Total income</b>	<b>103,441</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>206,456</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>309,897</b>	<b>332,507</b>
<i>Expenditure on:</i>						
Other expenditure	565	—	—	—	565	565
Administration	46,289	—	—	—	46,289	46,062
Building	18,534	—	16,637	—	35,171	82,840
Ministry	11,920	—	1,591	—	13,511	18,511
Mission Charity Giving	5,671	—	8,463	—	14,135	7,513
St Gabriel Exps	6,563	—	7,637	—	14,201	7,596
Church Other Costs	3,609	—	446	—	4,056	2,755
St Gabriels Preschool	—	—	186,680	—	186,680	158,302
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>93,153</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>221,457</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>314,611</b>	<b>324,147</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>10,287</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(15,001)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(4,714)</b>	<b>8,359</b>
<i>Transfers</i>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	1,320	—	16,798	—	18,118	144,502
Gross transfers between funds - out	(15,798)	—	(2,320)	—	(18,118)	(144,502)
<i>Other recognised gains / losses</i>						
Gains / losses on investment assets	16,261	—	—	—	16,261	7,728
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>12,070</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(523)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>11,547</b>	<b>16,087</b>
<i>Reconciliation of funds</i>						
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>257,470</b>	<b>56,335</b>	<b>166,456</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>480,262</b>	<b>464,174</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>269,541</b>	<b>56,335</b>	<b>165,933</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>491,809</b>	<b>480,262</b>

There may be minor discrepancies in the totals if the pence are not being shown

## **ST MICHAEL'S AND ST GABRIEL'S CHURCHES**

### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS**

#### **Report to the PCC on accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021**

This report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31 December 2021 is in respect of an examination carried out under Regulation 3(3) of the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993.

#### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The members of the PCC consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act)) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act);
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7)(b) of the 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 Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the 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 accounts.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the trustees have not met the requirements to ensure that:
  - a. proper accounting records are kept (in accordance with section 41 of the Act); and
  - b. accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: ...*Sue W*.....

Date: .....15/3/2022.....

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