

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF ST PETER AND ST DAVID, FLEETWOOD

England & Wales - Charity number 1168745

Details

Other names ST PETER'S AND ST DAVID'S PCC, FLEETWOOD

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2016-08-12

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

Activities: Religious Activity

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£111,303	£104,028	-	-
2023-12-31	£170,332	£98,154	-	-
2022-12-31	£125,203	£98,958	-	-
2021-12-31	£121,577	£98,553	-	-
2020-12-31	£95,259	£94,638	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alexandra Miles		2025-05-18
Carol Swarbrick		2023-05-01
Di Graveston		2022-04-03
JOHN EASTWOOD optional		2014-07-01
JOYCE HILARY CRAIG optional		2017-04-30
Joan McLean		2024-05-01
Olwen Hetherington		2025-05-18
Pamela Rose Ashton		2024-05-01
Patricia Stead		2023-05-01
Phill Clarke		2025-05-18
Rev Andrew Downes		2024-09-02
Scott Hayes		2025-05-18

Accounts

Fleetwood Church

The Parish of St. Peter and St. David, Fleetwood
in the Diocese of Blackburn.

A summary of the Annual Report and Financial Statement of
the Parochial Church Council for the year ended
31st December 2024.

Bank: The National Westminster Bank
Charity Number: 1168745

Our Mission: We are welcoming, missional, fruitful and
united disciples of Jesus.

Interim Curate-in-Charge Report

I was appointed Interim Curate-in-Charge of the parish at the start of September, having been one of several clergy providing cover during the vacancy. I have found the parish to have many assets and opportunities including:

- A warm and welcoming congregation who have a real desire to look after disadvantaged members of the community and several ministries of outreach to these groups.
- A committed team of volunteers.
- A real desire to welcome children, young people and families into Church.
- Fantastic existing links with local schools, especially Chaucer and Fleetwood High, who both held fantastic Christmas Carol services in Church.
- Two very different buildings, one modern and the other Victorian, both in a good state of repair.
- Plenty of money in the bank.

However, after covid and a long vacancy, the parish had a number of challenges. We have been able to address some of these during 2024 and others by the time of writing, but many we still need to work hard together to overcome. These include:

- An aging volunteer base, many of whom are doing more than they would like to be doing at their age, and a lack of younger people being discipled and trained up to follow behind.
- An aging congregation and a lack of children, young people and families in church.
- Vacancies for key roles. As of the end of 2024 we did not have a PCC Secretary or Safeguarding Officer and our Treasurer intended (and still intends) to step back by our APCM.
- Very little progress towards safeguarding processes including required DBS checks and training.
- Gaps in our processes for handling cash, such that cash was being stolen from the safe (though we did not discover this until early 2025).
- We were not paying full parish share.
- Misleading churchyard records so that in some cases it is not clear precisely who is and who isn't buried in the churchyard and where.
- Gaps in employment policies and HMRC registration for employees.

Key achievements since my appointment to the end of 2024 include:

- We had lively and busy Advent and Christmas services, including school carol services with Chaucer and Fleetwood High, a traditional carol service, a Pop-Up Nativity, and a Christingle Service.
- We have appointed a Parish Administration Assistant, including setting up of payroll, employment policies and other legal aspects of employing staff.
- We have completion of a digital burial record with a clearer record of burials and reservations in the Churchyard
- We have set up Safeguarding Hubs and Dashboards so we can track progress towards safeguarding.
- We have started paying full parish share.
- We have a new website and branding, with a simpler short name for the parish: Fleetwood Church.

We have also been supported by the diocese to begin working through Leading Your Church into Growth. The Churchwardens and I attended the conference, and we have been working through the seven steps, one every two months as a PCC and wider congregation.

A huge thank you to everybody who serves the Church in so many different ways.

Andrew Downes

Safeguarding Statement

As part of the Church of England's safeguarding requirements, our annual report includes a statement which reports on progress and a statement as to whether or not the PCC has complied with the duty to have 'due regard' to the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance.

Since the appointment of the Interim Curate in Charge in September 2024, putting safeguarding processes and people in place has been a priority. By the end of 2024 we had:

- Recruited a paid administrator to take on safeguarding administration
- Recorded all church volunteers (about 50 people) and their roles and safeguarding requirements in Safeguarding Hub.
- Used Safeguarding Dashboards to produce an action plan.

Some of our volunteers had completed some of their training and DBS requirements, but none had complete records of having completed all their training and DBS requirements.

We have made further progress in 2025, including the appointment of a PSO and Assistant PSO, which will be included in our 2025 report.

From September 2024, the PCC has complied with the duty to have 'due regard' to the House of Bishops' Safeguarding Policy and Practice Guidance.

Andrew Downes

Members of the Parochial Church Council 2024

Andrew Downes

Di Graveston

Joan McLean

Hilary Craig

Alexandra Miles

Pamela Ashton

John Eastwood

Patricia Stead

Carol Swarbrick

Scott Hayes

Treasurer: Maureen Burns (not a member of the Council).

Treasurer's Report 2024

During the year the duties of Treasurer were undertaken by Maureen Burns. The accounts for the full year (Jan to Dec) have been prepared on behalf of Parish by the Treasurer and have been independently examined by Mr Des Lund. The balance sheet and key Income and expenditure items summary is attached.

Overall Summary

We have three accounts, Nat West (Parish), CBF CCLA (Parish Savings) and a Nat West Account for Mustard Seed (Reserved) funds. There are two cash accounts held for Flower Fund and Mustard Seed day-to-day activities. These cash accounts are managed by Hilary Craig and John Eastwood (Mustard Seed Mon and Friday) and Flower Funds (Liam Burns). The paperwork for the Cash accounts is managed by Liam Burns. From Jan to end of Aug we were still operating interregnum, with services covered by borrowing priests from other Parishes or asking retired Priests to provide cover. Being without our own full time priest did have an effect on our ability to maintain and grow our congregation and as a consequence our finances. That said, we have managed to cover all our normal running costs for both churches.

It is important to note and say thank you to our small team of volunteers who regularly undertake the counting of envelope, plate and ad hoc donations and ensuring that monies are safely banked. This is a key task as it helps to ensure we are constantly topping up our bank reserves so that we can cover all outgoings.

Income

As well as our regular giving donations, as a Parish, we work hard to bring in additional sources of income.

Details are on the "income cleared through banks" but some key highlights are below :-

- The **Parish Mini Bus** was valued on our books in 2023 at £2,551. A decision was taken by the PCC that the time had come to sell it. We owe a thank you to John Eastwood as he managed to sell it for £4,000.

- **Legacy donations** - We were fortunate to receive a legacy donation of £10,000. • **Gift aid** - claims to HMRC have been brought up to date by Liam Burns and we have managed to successfully reclaim Gift Aid and GADS which amounted to £10,449. • **Rents** – Revenue from hiring St Davids amounted to £5, 546
- **Coffee Group** – Revenue from Coffee group activities (including Jams, 50/50, etc) raised £5,587, **Bookstall/Tombola** raised £593
- **Breaking Bread** – covered its catering costs and still managed to make £1,200 in donations to the Parish Funds
- **Fayres** – Summer and Christmas Fayre raised £2,867 and **Tram Sunday** raised £538
- **Undertaker fees collected** – There is a fee payable for all funerals and weddings held. The amount of these fees varies depending on the type of service and/or committal. The fee is also impacted if there is an organist etc... A proportion of these fees has to be sent to the Diocese. These fees come into our bank from the undertakers (**£16, 248**). Please note that this is not all money for the PCC as there are several payments that have to be made from the money, which as Treasurer I have to make. Any money left after I have made these payments stays within Parish funds and contributes to overall running costs.
- **Interest from savings** – Whilst our current account with Nat West is used for our day-to-day activities. Additional money has always been moved into a savings account held with CBF Church of England Deposit Fund. If funds in the current account start to dip below a working balance then money can be transferred back. It is in our interest to try and keep money in the savings account as long as possible as it generates a healthy amount of interest. In 2024 this provided interest of **£7,806**.

Expenses

We have a number of expenses both regular, planned and ad hoc spend. Details are on the page listed expenses but some key highlights are below :-

Parish Share contribution - After discussions in early autumn with the Diocese the PCC agreed to increase our monthly Parish share contribution for the remainder of the year from £1,500 to £3,139. So by the end of the year we had paid **£24,556**.

Utilities - Gas – £5,035 in 2024, Electric - £5,016 in 2024

Insurance – cover for both Churches amounted to **£4,244**

Cleaners/set up - Costs for both churches amounted to **£5,467**. Regular paid cleaning and set-up ceased towards the later part of the year so costs were lower than previous years

Visiting priests – This amounted to **£6,383** for fees paid for services and also fees paid for conducting funerals.

All these fees are covered by either undertaker fees under income or monies claimed back from the Diocese.

Quinquennial St Davids – is a report we have to undertake every 5 years on the condition of our buildings.

This year it was St David's that was undertaken. The report itself cost **£2,160**

Electrical condition report – It came to light that, as part of our Insurance policy conditions, we needed to have an up to date electrical condition report undertaken for both churches. This was carried out at a cost of **£2,891**.

Gutter cleaning, drain pipes and roof repairs – **£2,520**

Boiler servicing and repairs amounted to **£3,389**

Parish worker/ Pantry Manager – This role was funded by the charity Faith in Community (Pantry), the Diocese and the Parish and was managed as a reserved fund within our current account. As this role was brought to a finish earlier in 2024 the reserved funds were redistributed accordingly. Faith in the Community received **£6,675** and the Diocese **£4,450**. The remainder of the money held came back into Parish funds.

Bank charges – Our bank (Nat West) charges amounted to £510.66 last year. The main cost of these is the charge levied for paying in funds. The only bank left in Fleetwood does not provide an account for Charities so we have either to bank via the post office counters or travel out of town to bank directly with Nat West. Either of these options incur charges.

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood Statement of Accounts year ending Dec 2024

Starting Equity funds as at end of 2023

Parish Nat West (01043722)	32,622.60
CBF Fund	148,656.46
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	88.61
Cash in hand (Mustard Seed)	1,046.85
	181,814.52

Accounts as at Dec 2024

Parish Nat West (01043722)	27,449.38
CBF Fund	156,463.43
Mustard Seed Nat West (62194801) Reserved	3,473.45
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	93.97
Cash in Hand (Mustard Seed)	398.76

Equity of General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) 187,878.99

Break down of General Fund

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	187,878.99
General Fund (unreserved)	160,535.61
Parish only fund (reserved)	20,000.00
Mustard Seed (reserved bank)	3,473.45
Mustard Seed petty cash (reserved)	398.76
Flower Fund petty cash	93.97
Prayer Mission fund (reserved)	3,377.20

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved) 187,878.99

Total Equity of Business

fixed assets - none	0.00
General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	187,878.99

Total Equity of Business 2024 187,878.99

Total Equity of Business (end 2023)	184,366.02
plus General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) surplus	7,275.60
plus (Flower Fund Cash Account) surplus	5.36
minus Mustard Seed cash deficit	-648.09
minus fixed asset mini bus value	-3,551.50
minus mustard seed reserved bank deficit	-568.40
	187,878.99

Accounts prepared by Maureen Burns & Laim Burns

Checked and found correct by

Independent Examiner
 Mr D R Lund
 21 The Ridgeway
 Fleetwood
 FY7 8AH

DR Lund

Date 9/4/25

INCOME cleared through banks Jan to Dec 2024

2024

	PR	
Voluntary Income		
Gift Aided planned giving	1	21,788.32
Other Planned Giving	2	8,935.15
Collections at services	3	3,209.82
All other Recurring giving / Donations	4	1,867.05
All tax recovered through Gift Aid /GADS *	6	10,449.63
Legacies Received	7	10,000.00
Activities for Generating Funds		
Gross income from Fund raising activities	9	10,311.90
Coffee mornings/ Jams/ Marmalade/ 50.50 etc...	5,587.07	
Summer & Christmas fayre	2,867.15	
Breaking Bread	1,200.00	
Tram Sunday	538.08	
Christian Aid	119.60	
Income from investments		
Dividends, Interest, Income from Property CBF/CCLA Interest	10	7,806.97
Church Activities		
Gross income from Trading/ Other activities	12	6,320.56
Bookstall	593.40	
Rent from church/church centre hire	5,546.10	
Candles	181.06	
Other incoming Resources	13	30,613.98
Mini Bus sale	4,000.00	
LICF Top up donation	2,588.00	
Fees	16,248.40	
Reimbursement of visiting vicar fees	3,181.00	
worker funds	1,050.74	
various reimbursements	1,740.84	
Mustard Seed traffic via current acct	1,805.00	
Money transferred in from CBF /CCLA		20,000.00
Total bank ingoings		131,303.38
less funds transferred in from CBF/CCLA		20,000.00
TOTAL actual income		111,303.38

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood: General Funds 2024

EXPENDITURE

Cost of generating Funds	17		150.75
giving envelopes			
Charitable Activities			
Mission Giving/Donations to charities (Christian aid/action aid) some from 2023	18		406.60
Church activities			
Diocesan Parish Share/ Common Fund paid	19		24,556.00
Salaries, wages, honoria	20		
Organist		3,073.33	25,899.80
Organist tax adjustments & admin set up		1,966.28	
cleaners/ set up		5,467.50	
Admin worker		728.00	
Funeral Fees (verger/sound/cremated remains digger)		1,705.00	
Parish/ Pantry worker (Salary/ NI/tax)		1,833.33	
Refund of reserved money held to Faith in the Community and Diocese for Parish worker		11,126.36	
Expenses of clergy/ staff	21		7,146.96
Vicars & Vicarage expenses (2022)		763.95	
visiting priests		6,383.00	
Mission & Evangelism Projects	22		0.00
Church Running expenses	23		14,644.72
Servicing & Testing		1,364.46	
Insurance		4,244.93	
Licences		286.72	
Office Expenses (assorted)		2,468.38	
Photocopier rental		659.80	
Candles, Communion wine, Altar breads		1,790.72	
Flowers		182.08	
Mini Bus (tax, insurance, service)		542.99	
Equipment purchases		2,593.98	
Bank charges		510.66	
Church Utility Bills	24		10,995.44
Gas		5,035.99	
Electric		5,016.84	
Water & Waste Water		942.61	
Cost of Trading	25		0.00
Major Repairs	27		16,260.31
Quinquennial St Davids		2,160.00	
cupboard work		222.61	
Boiler servicing and repairs		3,389.76	
Electrical work St Peters		1,046.54	
gutters, drain pipes and roof repairs		2,520.00	
Vestry floor		1,290.00	
Flagging and jetwashing St Davids		1,950.00	
electrical condition reports St P and St D		2,891.40	
Sound System repairs		790.00	
Assigned Fees		2,040.00	2,040.00
Mustard Seed funds (reserved)			
transfer of reserve funds to separate bank acct		4,041.85	5,968.06
Mustard seed transactions		1,927.21	
Money transferred to CBF/CCLA			20,000.00
Total Bank outgoings			128,069.63
minus Money transferred to big savings (CBF CCLA)		20,000.00	20,000.00
minus Mustard Seed money transferred into own account		4,041.85	4,041.85
Total actual expenses			104,027.78

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of the Parish of St Peters and St Davids,
Fleetwood**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2024

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a 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 management committee concerning any such matters.

The procedures taken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

D R Lund
9/4/25

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Mother's Union Report 2024

Throughout 2024, St. Peter & St. David Mothers Union has met regularly, not always on the first Thursday in the month as we should, we have varied to accommodate holidays, sickness etc. so that as many members could attend as possible. We are but flexible!!!

In January we met and paid our subscriptions, in March Joan was enrolled as a member, in April we welcomed the lovely Rev. Dawn Banks, who spoke to us about "Meals with Christ", so, so lovely and very uplifting. We met in June with a Summer Feast, then closed until meeting again in August, when we are normally closed, as it was just so close to Mary Sumner Day not to honour her, and we also had Andrew's Licensing and the Deanery Festival to plan re catering etc. as well as planning our Christmas do!! The Deanery Festival was very well received. Thank you to Andrew for leading the Service that afternoon, very much appreciated.

In November we used the mini bus and went on a jaunt to Barton Grange for Christmas shopping and to be enthralled by their fabulous Christmas decorations. Then in December we went to Burnside Garden Centre for a Christmas Afternoon Tea. So much food, most people came away with full doggy bags as well as having eaten their fill whilst there!!

Thank you all so much for your continued regular attendance and participation at our meetings. You never fail to buy raffle tickets or 50/50 draw envelopes, and donating raffle prizes and refreshments. Thank you, too, to all who are happy to serve brews, tidy up and wash up afterwards, without any pressure to do so.

Thank you all for being yourselves, for being such lovely friends!!

Thank you all so much for everything.

Di Graveston

Electoral Roll 2024

Following the 6 yearly Renewal of the Electoral Roll this year, the number on the Roll has dropped quite dramatically. This was prepared on 18th March to be completed 2 months before the APCM which is scheduled for 18th May. Whilst it is completed it will not be on display until at least 2 weeks prior to the APCM.

The number on the roll is 83. 57 live within our Parish Boundaries, whilst 26 live without that Boundary.

Di Graveston

Bereavement Group 2024

Throughout 2024, I have endeavoured to hand out a remembrance card, at the appropriate date, to the relatives of those on the remembrance list who have passed in the recent 3 years. However, as I am now the only member of the original team who started this group many years ago, still involved, I am finding it quite an onerous task, but one I feel is necessary, so that we can maintain contact and offer support to those who have lost a loved one.

Di Graveston

Fabric Report 2024

All electric equipment has been pat tested. Just one kettle failed. Still waiting for the go ahead for the two pillars at St. David's (planning and faculty). We now have a drop safe shortly to be fitted in the choir vestry. I've also spoken to the electrician about cctv cameras and he says about £800.00 pounds for 3. We also have two splendid plant pots in the paved area with magnolia plants in them. We have a team of cleaners now doing both churches on a fortnightly basis. I've had to get the mouse man back for a second attempt to get rid of the mice in the narthex . I did change the lock on the vicar's vestry door. 10 keys given out and a list of key holders is in the safe. All mowers and strimmer serviced and working well. The Friday Mustard Seed team will now continue to cut the grass , and look after the church grounds throughout the summer with a view to plant more bulbs later in the year.

John Eastwood

Mustard Seed Report 2024

Our Monday night meals service has had an encouraging year with increasing numbers of people who come to dine with us each week. WE provide a free three course meal of soup, main course and pudding with tea or coffee to everyone who comes which at present is usually over 40 people .Everyone is welcome to come and have a meal on a monday night as this is an excellent outreach activity to show the community that St Peters Church cares about their individual well being, and that we

are just entertaining them with Christ's hospitality. Our annual Christmas dinner catered for 50 people beginning with a short carol service which was much enjoyed. After the meal there were presents for all and a free raffle with lots of prizes. Our staff also help our guests with practical help like filling in forms and benefit claim packs, giving advice on benefit and housing problems, and giving information on services available within the community such as the Pantry food bank, courses available in The Hub with Blackpool College (located in the old Fleetwood Hospital) and Regenda. We hope to continue this valuable work with the continuing donations of local businesses and individuals who we thank for their continuing kindness.

Hilary Craig

Breaking Bread Annual Report 2024

We meet at St David's most Tuesdays throughout the year, holding a short Morning Service at 11.30am- attendance voluntary and open to all. At 12 noon we start to serve a meal of two courses for £4.

We are ably helped by 4 pupils from Chaucer Road school from years 5/6 during term time. They serve the meals to our friends and sit and eat with us.

The interaction between young and old is enjoyed by us all and we are very grateful to the school. The volunteer cooks operate on a rotating schedule, typically every five weeks. Their expenses are reimbursed from our takings. We give thanks to them and to those who provide transport and help with kitchen duties.

Sadly we have lost some of our older friends this past year and invite anyone who would enjoy a hot meal and friendly conversation to join us in the coming year.

All profits are paid into Parish accounts.

Olwen Hetherington

St Peter's & St David's Coffee Morning Group Annual Report 2024

We have continued with our Coffee mornings on Tuesday and Friday each week, apart from Bank Holidays etc. We are pleased to say that, following a very worrying period when Tuesday's were very poorly attended, and we were seriously considering whether it was worth carrying on, everything is now looking a lot rosier. We have our local regulars both days, and a good number of holiday regulars who we see every time they come to the area, and who make a point to visit us, as well as a good number of new faces and voices, which has been absolutely lovely and a breath of fresh air. The refreshment takings are on the up, and Cheryle's stall, tombola and 50/50 is a boon, as well as Maryllin's hamper raffles. Thank you so much to our stalwart team who are magnificent in making everyone very welcome.

Di & Pat

St. Peter's and St. David's Men's Fellowship

Several events this past 12 months. A steam train excursion in Preston.

A couple of nights in The Steamer . One a games night and one just a social night.

Also a Christmas meal.

If anyone has any ideas for nights out or would like to organise them.

John E

Church Warden Report May 2025

We started the year in Interregnum, but, thanks to wonderful retired and serving clergy, we covered every Service and Church activity with ease. A big thank you to all who ran our Services, to our Serving Team, our small but amazing choir, to our Sidespersons, to all who ran Coffee Mornings, Mustard Seed Monday and Friday, Prayer and Healing Group, Walsingham Cell, Mothers Union, Breaking Bread, Church cleaning, to the wonderful team who maintain the grounds of our 2 building, and to all who have run stalls at our Church Fairs. It really has been much appreciated.

Thankfully, since early September, we have gladly welcomed Fr. Andrew as our Curate in Charge, and we have been pleased to support him and help him settle into the Parish. Unfortunately he has suffered some health difficulties, which, hopefully, are now resolved, so that we can all work together to ensure our Church life and Worship will continue to develop and grow.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued love and support throughout the year.

Di & John

Friday Mustard Seed

We have carried on making the usual assortment of things, bird tables and boxes. Planters. Benches. A couple of Hedgehog boxes. A doll's house. Plenty of things for Christmas with plenty of ideas from David Fallows.

After our morning at St. David's we then move to St. Peter's . Here we continue to look after the ground and fabric of the church. Can I thank Scott for all his help. Kevin for his tea and crumpets and laughing Mick for just being there.

John E

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Members of the Parochial Church Council 2023

Gloria Birdsall	Peter Day
Di Graveston	Peter Draper
Joan McLean	John Eastwood
Hilary Craig	Lynda Smith
Alexandra Miles	Beryl Patricia Stead
Stephanie Ashcroft	Carol Swarbrick
Pamela Ashton	Christine Thompson
Christine Dawson	

Treasurer: Maureen Burns (not a member of the Council).

Secretary Report 2023

During 2023 there were 6 PCC meetings, including one attended by Archdeacon David Picken, and 1 extraordinary Standing Committee meeting.

We now hold a Standing Committee meeting one week before each PCC meeting to set the agenda and ensure all matters can be brought forward.

The main topics during 2023 were:

Updates and progress during the interregnum,

Ensuring safeguarding and other policies are in place and adhered to,

General running of the Parish, e.g. Fabric issues and continued running of events.

Stephanie Ashcroft

PCC Secretary

The Acting Chair's Report 2023

Months 3-14 of interregnum.....

As Acting Chair of the PCC it falls to me to write the state of the Parish address, which would normally be penned by the incumbent.

Much of the first part of the year was spent in refining the Parish Profile, which was to tempt clergy looking for a move to come to join us in our wonderful parish. It didn't, however. Huge thanks must go, though, to the committee who spent hours working on this: to Di, Joan, John E, Liam, Joshua and Olwen.

The main point to make at this frustrating time, is that we are still here, we are still worshipping and we are still supporting, as you will read later in this report, the vulnerable members of our community in these particularly difficult economic times.

However, we are an ageing congregation; as people have to give up their responsibilities for a variety of good reasons, a small number of parishioners are taking on more and more. The load must be spread more evenly; if you have a couple of hours a week to help with a coffee morning or flower arrangement, please make yourself known to the lead volunteer.

Financially, we seem to be in a sound position because of legacies the Parish has received. I will not underestimate the amount of work required from Maureen – and Liam – to keep our House in order; it took a superhuman effort on their part to unravel the accounts for 2022, which were eventually accepted by an emergency AGM on 10th December. It can only get easier from now onwards.

At the APGM in May several members of the PCC stood down: Ian and Jan Risely, Kath Whittle, Catherine Tattersall, James Lang and Josh Brayshaw. Since the AGM Peter Day, who had the difficult task of acting as Chair at the start of the interregnum, has also stood down, as have Gloria Birdsall, Lynda Smith, Christine Dawson and Christine Thompson – we thank them all for their time and commitment to the Parish.

Those who remain are doing an outstanding job: Pat, Carol and Hilary and those mentioned later.

Anyone considering standing for the PCC this year must be prepared to undergo a DBS check and complete the training courses required by the Diocese before they can attend a meeting.

A final word about more key people who work so hard behind the scenes to ensure the smooth working of the Parish: to Di and Joan, our Churchwardens, to John E, our Health and Safety and Fabric Officer, and to Steph, our PCC secretary, who has to keep up-to-date with all the machinations of Diocese. We would not be where we are today without them.

And there we have it. Keep praying for a new incumbent; our prayers will be answered in due course, I am sure.

Peter Draper

Lay vice-chair of the PCC

Churchwarden Report 2023

Since Joan and I were elected to the role of Churchwarden at last year's APCM, we have worked hard to keep Worship and all our usual events on the road.

It has been challenging, but, on the whole, with help and support from so many of you, we consider that we have weathered the storm, and kept things rolling. So, "Thank You" to you all, for being the wonderful congregation of the Parish of St. Peter and St. David, Fleetwood!!

We know that we are worshipping in two different premises, but, we are one Parish, and need to work together to keep this Parish of St. Peter and St. David, united.

Joan and I find it so rewarding that so many activities are now joint. Tuesday's Breaking Bread, for example, with cooks and assistants from both of our congregations, also leading the Morning Prayer beforehand, and the same situation at Tuesday and Friday Coffee Mornings. It is so heartening. A big thank you to all who are involved in these activities.

We would like to extend our grateful thanks to so many people for their help and assistance throughout the year. To our Crucifers, Acolytes and Servers, to all our Sidespersons, to all who undertake the readings, to all who write and present Intercessions, to our Verger and Sound System operator, to the Choir, to our Pianist at St David's Janet Bull, to all involved in Mustard Seed Monday & Friday, to all who work so valiantly to run Fairs, to those who prepare weekly notice sheets and power point presentations, to our cleaners, to those who make sure the altar linen is clean, to our flower arrangers, and those who prepare the Easter and Christmas displays, to all who have responsibility for Letting our premises for external use, to our Treasurer and all those who help count the money weekly, to those who coordinate The Walsingham Cell, The Men's Fellowship, Mothers Union, The PCC, for all the visiting Ministers who have been absolutely wonderful throughout the year, for the organists we have had to arrange for Funerals and Special Services. We could go on and on. Apologies if someone feels they have been overlooked. That was never the intention.

We are so grateful for all the support and assistance we have received from you.

THANK YOU.

God bless.

Di Graveston & Joan McLean

Churchwardens

Church worker report 2023

Throughout the year I have taken the morning service at Breaking bread on Tuesdays. I have organised the weekly rota and included myself on the cooks list. I have liaised with Chaucer school to collect a teacher and four pupils during term time to serve the meal, say grace and eat with the service users. We use the church minibus to collect the children and also pick up folk who are otherwise unable to get to there. Approximately 10 people a week attend the Morning Prayer and 25 attend the meal.

I have continued to lead a fabulous team of 7 volunteers to deliver the Mustard Seed Monday night meal at St Peter`s. I have contributed to menu planning each week as well as helping to prepare the meal and serve it. I also interact with the service users each week to check on their wellbeing. I organised a fund raising concert with Carleton Community Choir and band in December and raised £602 for this project. We deliver a three course meal to approximately 35 people a week.

I have done the readings or intersessions once a month at St David`s and twice a month at St Peter`s. I have organised the rota for duties at St Peter`s Sunday service. I have also carried the crucifix and served communion wine when needed. I have made myself available for any other duties at both Sunday services when required.

I have carried out home visits in the parish and taken holy communion at home when requested.

Throughout the year I have continued to immerse myself in the life of the church and make myself available to support any of the Church`s work where needed.

I continue to manage the Pantry food bank on behalf of Faith in the community.

I have compiled the duty rota for St Peters Sunday service until 25th Feb 2024 and for Breaking Bread until 2nd April 2024.

I have coached John Eastwood to officiate the Tuesday morning prayer service at St Davids after my contract expires at the end of January 2024.

Phill Clarke

Parish of St Peter & St David's Fleetwood – Treasurers Report 2023

During the year the duties of Treasurer were undertaken by Maureen Burns. The accounts for the full year (Jan to Dec) have been prepared on behalf of Parish by the Treasurer and have been independently examined by Mr Des Lund.

Overall Summary

We have managed to cover all our normal running costs for both churches.

We have not been able to meet our Parish Share request from the Diocese for the last couple of years so we are accruing a debit. The request for 2023 was **£ 38,278** (£58,278 less £20,000 as we are classed as a lower income Parish). The PCC felt that contributing this amount is beyond our means. That said, we have made regular contributions in line with what the PCC felt we could afford which over the year amounted to £18,000. At the end of 2023 the debit was £37,079 (2022 and 2023).

The Parish Mini Bus value has been depreciated by 10%. The cost of the insurance (£869) and tax (£137) has been met by the charity Faith in the Community as they have been using the Mini Bus on a regular basis.

Our total income looks over and above what we would normally have on an average year. The figures have been inflated for a number of reasons (see below)

Income highlights

Giving - During this extended period of interregnum the number of regular worshipers in both churches has reduced. As a consequence, our regular income giving has reduced from £45,731 (2022) to **£33,005 in 2023**. These figures are made up from donations coming directly into the bank, in the envelopes and as cash donated during services on the plate. There have been significant reductions across all types of giving, as an example, the weekly plate donations have reduced from £7,937 (2022) to **£4,686 in 2023**.

Legacy donations - We were fortunate to receive two legacy donations in 2023 (£47,235 and £5,000).

Gift aid - claims to HMRC had not been done for some time. These are being brought up to date by Liam Burns and we have so far managed to successfully reclaim Gift Aid and GADS which amounted to £14,165.

Parish worker/ Pantry Manager – we received £15,000 from the charity Faith in Community (Pantry) and £10,000 from the Diocese towards the salary pot of the Parish worker/ Pantry Manager. The Parish contributes £5,000. This is managed as a reserved fund within our current account. An outside company (Brambles) voluntarily calculates and produces a monthly pay statement for this role. As we are the holders of the finances for this role, as Treasurer I then pay the salary due and send off the Tax due to HMRC. All this business is shown on the balance sheets.

Undertaker fees collected – There is a fee payable for all funerals and weddings held. The amount of these fees varies depending on the type of funeral, for example,

burial in the church yard, burial at Beach Rd or cremation . The fee is also impacted if there is an organist etc... A proportion of these fees has to be sent to the Diocese.

These fees are now coming directly into our bank from the undertakers (£15,246). Please note that this is not all money for the PCC as there are several payments that have to be made from the money, which as Treasurer I have to make. Any money left after I have made these payments stays within Parish funds and contributes to overall running costs.

Reimbursement of Visiting Priests fees – As we are interregnum we have to ask other clergy to cover our scheduled masses. If the clergy providing cover are retired they are entitled to claim a fee per service covered. I can claim any fee we have paid back from the Diocese. A total of £4,824 was reimbursed.

Rents – Revenue from hiring St Davids amounted to £ 4,740

Coffee Group – Revenue from Coffee group activities raised £6,209

Breaking Bread – Revenue was £1,165

Fayres – Summer and Christmas Fayre raised £2,321

Expenses highlighted

Parish Share contribution – £18,000

Utilities

Gas – Slight increase in heating costs £4260 (2022) to **£4,362 in 2023**

Electric - Slight increase in electric costs £3605 (2022) to **£3,956 in 2023**

Insurance – cover for both Churches amounted to **£4,130**

Organist – Currently there is only a regular organist at St Davids so our costs were lower than normal at £2,000

Cleaners/set up - Costs for both churches amounted to £7,080

Walsingham youth costs – These were monies owed to Father John (£2,126) for the Walsingham Youth trip the previous year.

Visiting priests – Expenses amounted to £7,946 for fees paid for celebrating masses and also fees paid for conducting funerals. All these fees are covered by either undertaker fees under income or monies claimed back from the Diocese.

Repairs – A number of repairs last year amounted to £4,070. The largest cost proportion being work undertaken on the roof and gutters.

Bank charges – Our bank (Nat West) introduced charges which amounted to £555.91 last year. The main cost of these is the charge levied for paying in funds. The only bank left in Fleetwood does not provide an account for Charities so we have either to bank via the post office counters or travel out of town to bank directly with Nat West. Either of these options incur charges.

Maureen Burns (Treasurer March 2024)

Starting Equity funds as at end of 2022

Nat West (01043722)	33,046.45
CBF Fund	75453.75
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	113.92
Cash in hand (Mustard Seed)	378.15
	108,992.27

Accounts as at Dec 2023

Nat West (01043722)	32,022.60
CBF Fund	139,653.30
CBF Fund	9,003.16
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	88.61
Cash in Hand (Mustard Seed)	1,046.85

Equity of General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) 181,814.52

Break down of General Fund

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	181,814.52
General Fund (unreserved)	138,075.05
Parish only fund (reserved)	20,000.00
Mustard Seed (reserved bank)	4,041.85
Mustard Seed petty cash (reserved)	1,046.85
Flower Fund petty cash	88.61
Parish/ Pantry worker (reserved) *	15,184.96
Prayer Mission fund (reserved)	3,377.20

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved) 181,814.52

Total Equity of Business

Fixed assets	
Mini Bus 10% reduction	2,551.50
Current Assets	
General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	181,814.52

Total Equity of Business 2023 184,366.02

Total Equity of Business (end 2022)	110,302.27
plus General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) surplus	73,703.86
minus (Flower Fund Cash Account) deficit	-25.31
plus Mustard Seed account surplus	668.70
minus (depreciation of fixed asset (minibus))	-283.50
	184,366.02

Accounts prepared by Maureen Burns & Laim Burns

Checked and found correct by

Independent Examiner
Mr D R Lund
21 The Ridgeway
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FY7 8AH

DR Lund

Date 20/3/24

* The monies into this fund are provided by Parish (1/6 th), Blackburn Diocese (2/6 ths) and Charity Faith in the Community (3/6 ths)

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood : General Fund
Income and expenditure Account for the year ending 31 December 2023

INCOME cleared through banks Jan to Dec 2023		2023
	PR	
Voluntary Income		
Gift Aided planned giving	1	17,846.17
Other Planned Giving	2	9,036.49
Collections at services	3	4,686.15
All other Recurring giving / Donations	4	1,436.29
all non recurring giving/ donations	5	
All tax recovered through Gift Aid /GADS *	6	14,165.46
Legacies Received	7	52,235.78
Income from Grants	8	
Activities for Generating Funds		
Gross income from Fund raising activities	9	10,534.41
100 Club	200.00	
Coffee mornings/ Jams/ Marmalade/		
50.50 etc...	6,209.46	
Summer & Christmas fayre	2,321.77	
Breaking Bread	1,165.00	
Flower Fund	147.50	
christian aid	196.60	
Action Aid	274.08	
book of remembrance	20.00	
Income from investments		
Dividends, Interest, Income from Property	10	2,943.99
COIF Inc Dividend	254.47	
CBF Interest	2,689.52	
Church Activities		
PCC Statutory Fees	11	0.00
Gross income from Trading/ Other activities	12	5,787.27
Bookstall	636.80	
Magazine	11.50	
Rent from church/church centre hire	4,740.00	
Candles	398.97	
Other incoming Resources	13	21,353.52
BBQ equipment sale	50.00	
Donation from Faith in the	869.52	
Community for Mini Bus Insurance		
refund for	137.00	
Mini Bus tax	227.00	
Banns/ bapitism certs	227.00	
Reimbursement of visiting vicar fees	4,824.00	
Undertaker Fees collected/ stone	15,246.00	
Reserve funds Parish Pantry worker		25,000.00
Contribution from Diocese for Parish/ pantry worker	10000	
Contribution from Faith in the Community for Parish/ Pantry worker	15000	
Reserve Funds Mustard Seed donations		1,195.00
Duplicate Gift aid payment		4,111.95
TOTAL INCOME		170,332.48

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood: General Funds 2023

EXPENDITURE

Cost of generating Funds	17		150.75
giving envelopes			
Charitable Activities			
Mission Giving/Donations to charities (Christian aid/action aid)	18		295.60
Church activities			
Diocesan Parish Share/ Common Fund paid	19		18,000.00
Salaries, wages, honoraria	20		34,009.96
Organist		2,000.00	
cleaners/ set up		7,080.00	
Parish/ Pantry worker (Salary/ NI/tax)		21,999.96	
Funeral Fees (organist, verger/sound/cremated remains digger)		2,930.00	
Expenses of clergy/ staff, youth worker)	21		8,354.50
Vicars & Vicarage expenses (2022)		408.50	
visiting priests		7,946.00	
Mission & Evangelism Projects	22		2,517.23
Alpha course, confirmation etc		391.23	
Walsingham Youth Club		2,126.00	
Church Running expenses	23		17,153.73
Servicing & Testing		783.00	
Insurance		4,130.42	
Alarm		390.40	
Licences		578.28	
Office Expenses (assorted)		2,049.83	
Photocopier rental		316.80	
Candles, Communion wine, Altar breads		1,570.64	
Flowers		245.89	
Mini Bus (tax, insurance, service)		1,414.52	
Equipment purchases		446.09	
Bank charges		555.91	
repayment to HMRC for duplicate gift aid payment		4,111.95	
repayment for wedding fee overcharge		233.00	
RSCM Choral membership		127.00	
Organ repair		200.00	
Church Utility Bills	24		8,931.10
Gas		4,362.44	
Electric		3,956.30	
Water & Waste Water		612.36	
Cost of Trading	25		0.00
Bookstall		0.00	
Major Repairs	27		4,070.20
Roof cleaning, Gutter/vallet clean, Toilet,Boiler etc		4,070.20	
Assigned Fees			3,086.00
use of Mustard Seed funds (reserved)			1,584.55
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			98,153.62
less Payment of Assigned Fees that were due in 2022 and accounted for in that year			1,525.00
Expenditure for 2023			96,628.62
Note			
Money transferred to big savings (CBF CCLA)			70,513.19

**Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of the Parish of St Peters and St Davids,
Fleetwood**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2023

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of Independent Examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a 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 management committee concerning any such matters.

The procedures taken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records have not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

DR Lund
20/3/24

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Mothers Union Report 2023

St. Peter and St. David Mothers Union met for 10 months in 2023, with a break during the summer.

During our AGM, in April 2023, we enrolled, and welcomed Paul into the Branch. Paul had been accompanying Catherine, and getting to know us all better, to our meetings throughout 2022, so, it was lovely to have him join us officially.

Throughout the year we have held quizzes, held a Royal themed meeting, with a red, white and blue raffle, in the week before King Charles coronation, been on minibus trips to Barton Grange just before Easter and Christmas for seasonal shopping, hosted the Indoor members Social, when Mike, a local folk singer and guitarist provided the entertainment, and we finished the year in style with a really fabulous Christmas evening meal at the North Euston Hotel.

I am very pleased, and happy, to say that, following last year's AGM we have made donations of £100 each to 3 MU charities – Overseas work and projects, Emergency Relief and MU Caravan.

I must thank you all for your continued support at our meetings, buying raffle tickets and 50/50 envelopes, donating raffle prizes and refreshments. It's so wonderful of you all. A huge, big thank you to all who serve the refreshments and/or wash-up later. It is so

lovely to have willing volunteers.

I am so grateful for you all being you. Thank you all so much. It really is very much appreciated.

God Bless

Di Graveston (Branch Leader)

Electoral Roll Report 2023

I have to report that there are 105 people on the Electoral Roll at March 2024. 72 live within the Parish Boundaries, and 33 outside. This will be on display in both Church buildings from Sunday 10th March 2024. Throughout the year I have removed only those who have sadly died, or who have expressed a wish to no longer be part of this Parish. There are a number still on the Roll whom we have had no contact from for some time. I have left them on for now. However next year is the revision when everyone will have to complete a new form. That will then be the time to tell just how many we really have wishing to be on the Electoral Roll for this Parish.

Thank you

Di Graveston (Electoral Roll Officer 4th March 2024)

Bereavement Report 2023

Throughout the year remembrance cards have been given or delivered to the relatives of the names on the Bereavement Register at the appropriate time. When the group first started, the plan was to give out these cards to relatives for 3 years following the date of loss. At which time there were a number of people undertaking these visits, so, remembrance cards continued to be delivered for longer than the 3 years because they were a comfort to the families. Unfortunately, there is now only 1 person issuing the remembrance cards. So, I have to say that, whilst the remembrance cards will still be delivered, it is now time to call a halt to continuing beyond 3 years from demise. From now on, the remembrance cards will still be delivered at the appropriate time, but, just for 3 years, and then no more. I hope you all understand and appreciate the situation.

Thank you

Di Graveston (Bereavement Group Co-ordinator 4th March 2024)

Altar Servers Report 2023

Our small team of dedicated Altar Servers have gallantly coped with all the changes this past year in the interregnum.

We have had to be very flexible as all visiting clergy have their own methods of conducting the services, and our role within them. We can all multi task now! Also we can cover all roles required however many of us are available on any particular day. This includes Crucifer who carries the cross, two acolytes who carry the candles and receive the gifts of bread and wine at the chancel steps, thurifer who deals with the incense when needed, one of us taking up the collection, Serving the priest at the altar for the consecration of the gifts, ringing bells and giving out the wine in the chalice to the congregation at the altar rail. As well as Sunday mornings we also cover funerals when requested, Wednesday and Thursday mornings Baptisms and other special events.

Members of our team and St Peter's and St David's, see that the church linen is clean and ready for use each week; that the candles are ordered and replaced in the candle holders for services. We change altar frontals for the church seasons and see that the sanctuary and vicars vestry and clean and tidy.

We all hope to continue our service to the church in the coming year.

Hilary Craig

Choir Report 2023

David Hall's departure in December 2022 left the choir with huge decisions to make: with no replacement in sight, were we to sing to CDs? Or, at the other extreme, were we to disband the choir altogether and move to said services?

We decided to opt for singing a cappella under my direction. A huge, but successful decision. Many of the congregation have told us that they can focus more clearly on the words and meaning of the hymns we sing, which are beautifully enhanced by our wonderful acoustic. The organ continues to be played for funerals and each month by experienced local organists, in the hope that we will find a competent organist / choirmaster in the near future.

The highlights of the year must be the Good Friday Mass and the Carol Service. Fr Ron's comment after the Good Friday Mass, that, in all his years of attending various churches on Good Friday, our worship was second only to that of Westminster Abbey. For the Carol Service we were joined by George Tarry (aged 7) and his mum, Hayley, and by Peter and Claire Cridland, with Ian Whalley on the organ. George and Peter sang solo verses with great confidence and professionalism. We were again joined by the North Fylde Group of Lodges, who provided the delicious mince slices after the service. The congregation, however, was not particularly large – please put the date in your diary early this year and come to enjoy a good sing and a glass of mulled wine and a pastry.

None of this would have been possible without our choir stalwarts: Jan Risely, Pat Stead, Catherine and Paul Tattersall, Barbara Riley, Mary Duck, Carol Swarbrick, Ann McLoughlin and Peter Day. I am hugely grateful to them for their loyalty and commitment, especially to those who have hosted choir practices in their homes, including Ann's mum, Dorothy Cookson.

Sadly, Peter Day left the choir in October by mutual agreement. Then we hit turbulent waters: Barbara, Ann and Jan have all had to cope with serious medical issues – next year's report will see us back on calmer seas, I am sure.

A difficult year, therefore, but as we all know: "God is working his purpose out".

Peter Draper

Musical Director

Fabric Report 2023

St. David's

Fence down the left hand side and back stained.

The gutters are about to be or have been cleaned .

The whole electrical system has been checked and the small appliances Pat tested.

The flags to the front have been repaired and pointed.

St. Peter's

Hopefully the 2 box gutters over the Lady Chapel and the office have been fixed. So we can now get on with decorating and new lino in The Vicars vestry.

Like St David's the whole electrical system has been tested and the small electrical appliances Pat tested.

Safety spindles have been fixed to the 2 Vicars stalls and the 2 pew ends.

A new microphone has been fixed to the pulpit and 2 new head set microphones have been purchased along with some wind absorbers for the lapel mikes (@ £3.00 each !) They are essential apparently .

Outside the grounds are looking splendid with all the bulbs purchased over the last couple of years being in full bloom.

Hopefully soon we will have a decision on the 2 rosebeds on the front.

Anyone willing to help with grass cutting and gardening ,please see John Eastwood .

Can I take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help over the last year. You know who you are. Many thanks.

John Eastwood

Fabric Officer

Laying on of Hands/Healing Ministry Report 2023

Now a Emeritus Status from being a Licensed Lay Minister healing is a word that is ever more prevalent in my life.

Healing, that word stands for eternal life to come, it stands for freedom, it stands for heaven come down to earth lapping up joy and peace, it stands for acceptance, and it stands for passion for the Lord.

I am still consumed with songs and the liturgy words that relate to healing, and on where it is about healing and being healed. In instances such as these we are blessed to have the opportunity to praise God and worship Him and love Him and thank Him for all He gave, continues to and will forever give.

In amongst all of this we have the ultimate of healing, a Baptism drawing us to Himself as ever.

Healing, which we speak about and digest, can happen in so many ways. We know that God can use anything for his good and the good of those He loves.

Perhaps then, all it takes to start healing is to take a deep breath and use our senses to look at the world around us with a curious and softer gaze as God does His work on us.

Our anointed Son of God brought healing to those in weakness and distress; He broke the the power of evil and set us free from sin and death that we might become partakers of His glory. Hard times can be an ideal time to reconnect with, explore, and deepen our spiritual practice.

It has been a privilege in the last year to be of continued service to St David's and St Peters, plus visiting those to administer Laying of Hands/ Healing Ministry.

I know whilst we wait on the Lord for our new priest He will continue to be with us, and never leave us or forsake us.

I continue to pray for the sick dear God, that you may place healing upon them in mind, body and spirit and I ask we focus our thoughts on those we carry in our hearts too now.

Lord in your mercy.....Hear our prayer. Amen

Gloria Birdsall Emeritus Status LLM

Mustard Seed Report 2023

Mustard Seed Mondays is still going strong with numbers increasing for our Monday night meals. We usually have upwards of 30 people for a 3 course meal and tea or coffee, all free to our guests.

We have had some wonderfully kind people who have donated to us throughout the year. As well as some regular donations from our parishioners, Light Bottles for Charity have supported us again with regular donations amounting to several hundred pounds. Carleton

Choir and Band donated £603 to our cause from their Christmas concert in St Peters especially to raise funds for Mustard Seed.

This means we are in a good position to continue providing "Christs hospitality" to all who wish to come for a meal on a Monday night. This we feel is an important outreach activity for our church. All are welcome as we provide a warm and welcoming place maybe not just for the food but to chat with friends and make new ones.

Mustard Seed Friday have planted thousands of bulbs in our church grounds, repainted the statue of St David on St David's outside wall, and made many wooden items for sale in their Friday morning woodwork class, both for the Christmas fair and other ongoing events. They also make items to order like bird tables and will refurbish furniture if requested for a small donation. All are very welcome to join in our activities on Mondays and Fridays.

Hilary Craig

Friday Mustard Seed 2023

We carry on with F.M.S. Making all the usual stuff. At the moment we are refurbishing a dolls house. We recently made a hedgehog box and have received an order for another. We have repaired quite a few pieces of furniture this year and have also done some work in St. Peter's church.

John Eastwood

Men's Fellowship 2023

We have had a quite successful time this year. Brewery trip, a couple of games nights. A crown green bowling evening and a Christmas get together . In the near future a Steam Train afternoon .

John Eastwood

Flower Guild Report 2023

Unfortunately, this year for health reasons, Margaret, one of the long-standing members of the flower team had to retire. A card was sent with our best wishes and thanks for the years she has made such an excellent contribution to St Peters arranging flowers on the monthly rota and the team events we worked on throughout the church calendar.

Until a new vicar arrives and with limited funds, our ladies have still continued to provide fresh flower decorations for Easter, Harvest and Christmas, this year, Beryl and John Eastwood set about creating a wonderful stable stand in the arch for a safe and enhancing platform to display the nativity figurines.

Being now such a small team am especially grateful to Jenepher, Maureen and Beryl for all their support and help - also Liam who not only looks an excellent job organising the funds and payments, but is always on hand when we are working in church to make sure we get a much needed hot drink (and is pretty handy washing keeping all the flower containers washed!)

We will next be assembling and decorating church in preparation for Easter day on Saturday 30th March.

Barbara Riley

Flower Secretary.

Breaking Bread Annual Report 2023

We have had another successful year at St David's with friends who have come for lunch most Tuesday's. We start with Morning Prayer at 11.30am (attendance is voluntary). Lunch of 2 courses is served just after 12 noon for approx. 20 people. Price £4.00

Our volunteer cooks work on a rota of approximately 5 weeks. Sadly, we have said goodbye to two in the last 2 months and would be pleased to welcome another volunteer to help prepare the meal. All expenses are reimbursed from the takings. We are once again grateful for the help we receive from 4 pupils of years 5/6 from Chaucer Road School who help to serve the meals. The interaction between young and old is much appreciated and they sit and eat with us and enjoy a cup of tea over a chat. Our thanks also go out to our volunteers who assist with kitchen tasks and provide transport for some of our older friends.

All profits are paid into the Parish account.

Olwen Hetherington

St Peter's & St David's Coffee Morning Group Annual Report 2023

As in previous years we are still suffering the effects of Covid and it seems reasonable to presume that the situation is unlikely to change anytime soon, accordingly there does not seem much point in reporting fine detail as in previous years e.g. (the various amounts that each individual activity earns, see previous reports) These activities will still continue hopefully thanks to the sterling work of those two dedicated ladies on the bric a brac / book stall (thank you Cheryle and Marillyn). Thankyou to all those who help at coffee mornings including – Jenepher, Patricia, Carol, Pam, Di and Ann.

It has been ascertained that currently, on average, each week yields approximately £100.00. It is of interest to note that in pre covid times the period between Christmas and Easter was our least productive time. No doubt the sale of 50/50 tickets and various raffles throughout the year has had a positive effect.

Unfortunately we are suffering from a chronic shortage of staff on coffee mornings which puts a severe strain on those remaining. We hope and pray for more volunteers even if only for the odd hour or two each week.

We live in hope of better times to come.

DF Stead

Accounts



The Parish of St. Peter and St. David,
Fleetwood
in the Diocese of Blackburn.

A summary of the Annual Report and
Financial Statement of the Parochial
Church Council for the year ended 31st
December 2022.

Incumbent: Canon John Michael Hall
M.A.

Bank: The National Westminster Bank,
Cleveleys, Lancashire.

Charity Number: 1168745

Our Mission: To be accessible,
welcoming and at the heart of the
community. In Christ our mission is to
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Members of the Church Council

Canon John Hall, Ian Risely, Michael Rayner, Janice Risely, Kathleen Whittle, Di Graveston, Lynda Smith, Stephanie Ashcroft, Catherine Tattersall, Gloria Birdsall, James Lang, Peter Draper, Peter Day, Hilary Craig, John Eastwood, Joshua Brayshaw.

Treasurer: Gillian King (not a member of the Council).

Secretaries Report

During 2022 there were 8 PCC meetings, these included a pre-section 11 meeting and a section 12 meeting.

The main topics were:

Fabric reports,

Safeguarding,

Parish Profile,

Appointing a new incumbent.

Stephanie Ashcroft & James Lang

Vicars Report

From Fr. John

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Fr. John Hall

Churchwarden Report

During the last 12 months as Churchwarden my key responsibilities have included representing the laity and welcoming new ministers. I have had overall responsibility for the whole Parish in accordance with Canon Law during a very difficult interregnum. I have cooperated fully with the Areadean in the pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical mission of the church.

I have undertaken to be the Bishops officer and to be an active steward of the Church buildings and furnishings. I have had responsibility for the upkeep of the vicarage since Father John retired, whilst cooperating collaboratively in partnership with the Bishop and Archdeacon especially during the interregnum.

As Churchwarden, I have prioritised safeguarding and health and safety policies and endeavoured to put these both in place, as these key requirements were neither provided previously nor actively promoted.

Safeguarding within the parish remains a serious concern and the Areadean and her team are seeking to make the PCC aware of their responsibilities in an attempt to bring the parish in line with the House of Bishops safeguarding policy and procedures. The diocese is putting in place a strategy to ensure that all PCC members are aware of their accountability by appointing job roles and descriptions. It is their responsibility to ensure that all volunteer roles in all areas are addressed including the implementation of the diocesan safeguarding rules surrounding the hire of premises and the minibus. The diocese has advised that we must prioritise the many outstanding safeguarding issues in the Parish.

There have been many changes in 2022/2023 including the sudden death of my fellow Churchwarden, dear friend and mentor Michael Rayner in November. This sadly coincided with the very traumatic house move that Jan and I endured and added much stress to an already difficult time within the parish.

Nevertheless, I acted swiftly and sought permission from the Rev Jane Atkinson our Areadean (who has been a tower of strength to me in troubled times) to ask Di Graveston to act as my Assistant and who was became based at St David's. I am delighted to state she has been a wonderful support to me acting as my deputy.

Following the PCC decision in October 2022 to accept women priests to officiate within the parish, the church sadly became divided and there followed opposition to the PCC decision. The Bishop has now resolved this

matter and the letter from our Archdeacon states clearly the decisions reached. Hence, Women priests now actively conduct services in St Peter's and are very well received and much appreciated by the congregation .

I have enjoyed and found it most rewarding being part of the team developing the parish profile. It has at times been challenging but we look forward to the appointment of a new priest in due course.

Yours in Christ

Ian
Churchwarden

Church worker report 2022

Following Michael's passing I now take the morning service on Tuesday at St David's. I organise the rota and cook at breaking bread. Approximately 25 people a week attend this event. I continue to lead a fabulous team of 7 volunteers to deliver the Mustard Seed Monday night meal at St Peter's to approximately 30 people a week.

I now do the readings or intercessions once a month at St David's and twice a month at St Peter's. I organise the rota for duties at St Peter's Sunday service and step in to carry the crucifix or serve when needed. I carry out home visits in the parish and take holy communion at home when requested.

I continue to immerse myself in the life of the church and make myself available to support where needed.

I have joined the Men's Fellowship.

I continue to manage the Pantry food bank on behalf of Faith in the community.

Phill Clarke

Treasurer's Report 2022

During the year the duties of Treasurer were undertaken by Maureen Burns and Gillian King. The small cash accounts retained for ease of use by Mustard Seed and the Flower Team have been administered by Liam Burns. The PCC has been provided with a regular oversight of income and expenditure and has taken decisions on major spend.

The accounts are yet to be independently examined and the PCC is required to appoint an examiner.

Revenue account

Income

Financially this year has been comparable to previous years with the overall surplus for the year was £29,178 (2021:£23,024).

Planned giving is stable at £33,037 (2021: £33,447). However, recent months have shown a downward trend on the back of the passing of several of our key benefactors.

Trading activities have decreased to £10,231. (2021: £13,869) driven by the loss of the Rossall School income in April which in the prior year comprised £10,200). However, there has been an increase in other areas with room hire reaching £5,130 (2021: £2,435). In addition, due to the unexpected deaths of two agents for recovering the tax on charitable giving (which last year was £8,140), there has been no claim this year. Gillian King has volunteered to pick up this return when she has time and a similar amount is expected and has been provided for in the accounts.

During the year we were very fortunate to receive a donation of £20,000, which obviously is not repeat income.

Expenses

At the start of 2021 we knew that we were very unlikely to be able to meet the requested parish share. After some discussion we reached an agreement with the Diocese that our voluntary contribution needed to be adjusted and a revised figure of £18,000 was then agreed. This conversation needs to be had annually.

Parish of St Peter & St David's Fleetwood – Treasurer's Report 2021
Parish/Pantry worker – You will see in the accounts that we are holding all the salary funds for a worker that is shared between The Pantry and the Parish. Faith in the Community contributed £15,000 and the Parish £5,000 (agreed by the PCC). These are committed yearly funds for the next two years. In addition, the Diocese will contribute £10,000 per year for this role. The payroll and Tax and NI Liabilities have been calculated independently by Rebecca Murdoch.

Church running expenses totalled £18,427 (2021: £28,632), utility bills were down slightly at £9,247.33 (2021: £11,056) and church repairs totalled £9,889.00 (2021:£15,545)

Statement of Assets and Liabilities Assets

Assets

The attached sheet shows our bank & cash holdings but please note that circa £26,000 is held in various reserve funds meaning that we can only use it for that particular purpose and not for general use. The minibus is an asset and is included on the final balance sheet with a 10% depreciation from the previous year.

In addition, around £8,000 is due to be collected from the Inland Revenue in Gift Aid refunds.

Liabilities

At the time of writing, £3,293 was owed to the previous incumbent in expenses and £1,214 in assigned fees.

The amount owed to John Hall has been classed initially as priest expenses and will be reallocated post year-end if any adjustment is deemed necessary.

Gillian King, Treasurer.

Please note:

The Accounts on the following pages have not yet been audited and therefore can only be submitted as draft copies.

PCC Accounts Y/E 31 Dec 2022

	Not e	£	£	£	£
Income					
<i>Voluntary Income</i>					
Tax efficient giving			23,920		22,401
Non-gift aid giving			9,526		10,636
Plate collections			4,289		5,861
All non recurring giving			365		2,012
All other recurring giving / donations			2,991		34,766
Tax recovered through Gift Aid	1		8,141		8,000
Legacies received			25,000		-
<i>Activities for Generating Funds</i>					
Fund raising Activities			7,327		12,003
<i>Income from Investments</i>					
			33		492
<i>Church Activities</i>					
Fees retained by PCC			5,059		5,822
Trading Activities			13,870		10,231
<i>Other income</i>					
Other income / receipts			743		5,283
Assigned fees			5,313		6,253
Parish worker contributions			15,000		10,000
			121,577		133,762
Expenses					
Cost of Fundraising		218		146	

Mission, Giving & Donations	642	474	
<i>Church Activities</i>			
Parish Share	15,997	18,000	
Salaries & Wages Clergy & Staff Expenses	13,859	34,490	
Church Running Expenses	6,187	8,210	
	28,632	18,427	
Church Utility Bills	11,056	9,247	
Church Repairs	15,545	9,889	
Assigned fees	5,915	4,582	
Other Expenses	500	1,118	
			(104,583)
Surplus / (Deficit)	<u>23,024</u>	<u>29,178</u>	

Funds transferred to CCLA	25000	21000	
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		2021	2022
Assets			
Fixed assets			
Minibus		3150	2835
Current Assets			
Current Account		27,728	33,046
CBF Fund		54,528	75,454
Cash Flower fund		33	676
Cash Mustard seed		1,580	378
HMRC Gift aid (est)		0	8,000
		<u>83,869</u>	<u>117,554</u>
Liabilities			
Assigned Fees			1,214
Clergy expenses			<u>3,293</u>

0 4,507

Total Equity

83,869

113,047

Represented by:

Opening equity

83,869

Surplus

29,178.
49

Closing equity

113,047

Mothers Union Report 2022

In 2022 we welcomed back Jan and Mary into Mothers Union, and we have had Paul accompanying Catherine with a view to joining us in the New Year 2023, which is very pleasing.

We have held a meeting every month apart from June when it was the Jubilee, and August when we took a break. We have been very lucky throughout the year to welcome some very interesting and accomplished speakers to our meetings, Beach Wheelchairs, Kate Stead, Peter Draper, Ian Glass and Michael Angus, as well as our lovely Christmas choristers, Jan and Ann, when we had our Christmas celebration.

We did get hearts ready for Mothering Sunday, and I know that both Fr. David at St. David's and Fr. Dick at St. Peter's thought they were a lovely idea. I wonder if our idea will pop up elsewhere in future!!

I did send an article to the magazine editor each month as required, but since Fr. John's retirement this doesn't seem to be happening. I will recommence when necessary again.

I do thank you all for your continued support and commitment to our Branch, for all who prepare refreshments, for all the brilliant suggestions for future meetings, just for you all being you. I do thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

God Bless.

Di Graveston

Branch Leader

Electoral Roll Report 2022

Throughout the year I have maintained the Electoral Roll, by adding all requests that have been approved by the PCC, and removing those who have sadly died, or have left the area and are no longer regular worshippers in our Parish. The total on the Roll, at 25th April 2023 is 106, being 73 resident in the Parish and 33 outside.

Di Graveston

Electoral Roll Officer

Bereavement Report 2022

I have continued throughout the year to deliver remembrance cards to all who have asked for a loved one to be remembered in this way. The original plan was to deliver cards for 3 years following the loss of a loved one. However, it has proved invaluable to so many, so much so that I have continued beyond that timescale, and will continue to do so in the future.

Di Graveston

Bereavement Officer

Choir Report 2022

The choir is well and truly back into its normal rhythm after the disruptions of Covid, providing demanding and interesting selections of music for the major festivals and for the annual Carol Service.

However, the main events of the year have not necessarily taken place in the choir stalls: Cupid's arrows have been at work and on St George's Day a full-to-capacity church witnessed Paul and Catherine become Mr and Mrs Tattersall. We said farewell to Father John, throughout his tenure a staunch supporter of traditional choral music, at a parish supper held at St David's before singing him out of church at the end of October.

Sadly, David Hall played his last service on Christmas Eve; he felt that the commute from St Annes was becoming too much with Donna (more victims of Cupid's arrows in the choir stalls) expecting their second child. For 6 years David has delighted us with his sensitive interpretation of pieces well-known and not so well-known, as well as his own compositions for the choir and those of his predecessor, John Fishwick. David, Donna and Oliver leave us with all our very best wishes for the future.

Kath Whittle also left us after many years singing alto, to concentrate on working as an acolyte. Kenneth Keenan also left the choir, for personal reasons.

We rehearse on Fridays at 7pm and are always keen to welcome competent new singers. Since David's departure we have been enjoying singing a cappella, as we wait for a new organist to be appointed.

Peter Draper

Stop Press: Donna gave birth to Ezra Thomas at 18.39 on 12th March, weighing in at 7lb 15oz.

Laying on of Hands - Healing Ministry 2022

I have been used by God along with others to provide Laying on of Hands monthly since before Fr. John retired as priest in September 2022.

We have been fortunate to be a Parish in Fleetwood which welcomes the Healing Ministry. On average we have 20 people across both churches that uses this God given provision for all once a month.

Healing with the touch of Jesus for mind, body and spirit is a necessity each time we visit church. It could be for yourself or for family and friends.

We know so well how healing has always been part of Jesus ministry. Healing the sick, poor, bereaved and the lost.

This is a ministry created by God for us to lean into and be a part of.

I have been fortunate to offer this ministry to those sick and at home after home communion, and I have found that they have always accepted it as a gift.

People across the board who open themselves up to the Laying on of Hands hope to witness the power of healing in their lives, as they want God to intervene and restore them. Along side this is our prayers for each other to see healing for those we love and care for.

This is a ministry, which needs to be upheld and relished.

Gloria Birdsall

Mustard Seed Monday report 2022

Mustard Seed has continued at St Peters on Monday nights at 6pm with a free 3 course meal to anyone who comes in – usually about 30 people. Also the Mustard Seed at St Davids on Friday mornings with a woodwork class.

We have been blessed with donations to fund our outreach work, especially from “Light Bottles for Charity”, who continue to support us throughout the year. I would like to thank them and the other wonderful people who help us with their donations of money and food, and also their time. Local businesses help us with fresh food and the Salvation Army who like to make soup for us sometimes.

The staff are always ready to help, with some having been volunteering for several years. Our regular chef David cooks tasty and nutritious meals on a minimal budget; with soup to start, main course of pasta dishes, sausages and mash, all day breakfast, curry, chilli, hotpot, etc. The sweet course is often sponge and custard, pie and cream, fruit and ice cream or maybe cheesecake. With cups of tea or coffee as cordial.

We hope to continue to provide this outreach service for the Church for a long time to come, with the help of our loyal parishioners.

Hilary Craig

Friday Mustard Seed.

We continue to meet on a Friday morning at St. David’s church. A group of between 8 and 10. We make or repair our usual assortment of garden furniture etc. We have taken on the job of painting all the fences around the church as they were looking a tired. At about 11.30 we move to St. Peter’s where we look after the grounds and fabric of the church.

John Eastwood.

St.Peter’s and St.David’s Mens Fellowship.

Not having met since before Covid, we had a Christmas meal at the Steamer Hotel and from this we have started to meet again just this month with a gamesnight. The shove ha’penny proved very popular. Hopefully we have a full program for the rest of the year. Our next outing will be to Cartmell races on the 31st. of May.

John Eastwood

Flower Guild Report

2022 was a busy year for the team, weekly fresh flowers were put in church with additional displays to celebrate Easter, and as was the case last October, Harvest Festival with a farewell service to Father John, Advent and Christmas followed.

Unfortunately, with fewer volunteers to assist on the rota and due to increasing costs, it was discussed with some members of the p.c.c, that until a new vicar is appointed, there would not be a weekly change of flowers but funds saved to use for the main festival decorations. For use in between, I donated and arranged some artificial displays for the Alter and Lady Chapel, small vases of flowers have also been brought in memory for those wishing to remember a loved one.

Liam has continued to kindly manage any donations and our payments, all of which are met and included in the main parish accounts. Sincere thanks to all the ladies on our arranging team and to those who so generously donate throughout the year.

Barbara Riley

Breaking Bread Annual Report 2022

St David's Church hosts this event almost every week on Tuesday throughout the year. We start with Morning Prayer at 11.30am - attendance is voluntary and open to all. Usually up to 10 of our friends attend.

The meal at 12 noon is also open to all and we usually cater for 18/20 paying £4 for a 2 course meal. Our volunteer cooks work on a rota basis (usually once every 5 weeks). Their expenses are reimbursed from the takings. We are ably helped during term time by four pupils of year 5/6 from Chaucer School who serve the meal and sit to eat with us. It is a delight to see and hear the interaction between our older and younger friends. We are very grateful for the school's contribution. Also, we thank those who provide transport and help with the kitchen tasks so willingly.

All profits are paid into the Parish account.

Olwen Hetherington

St Peter's & St David's Coffee morning group Annual Report 2022

As in last year we are still suffering from the effects of Covid, along no doubt with most organisations. The total raised for the year was £3645.51 which is an improvement on last year but way short of precovid times.

March	Bk Stl	April	Bk Stl	May	Bk Stl	June	Bk Stl
£318	£12.50	£129	£51.50	£172	£35.50	£315.83	£44.40
July	Bk Stl	Aug	Bk Stl	Sept	Bk Stl	Oct	Bk Stl
£215.88	£109	£304.76	£149	£173.10	£16	£491.70	£77.30
Nov	Bk Stl	Dec	Bk Stl	Jan	Bk Stl	Feb	Bk Stl
£705.11	£131.50	£119.80	£71.70	£122.10	£52.10	£380.13	£98.10

Note. As in last years report, the figures under the month indicate the total for that month and include the proceeds from the book stall. Also included are income from the bonus ball, small change bottle, tombola, jams & pickle sales. The book stall figures are shown to illustrate the income from the stall with its associated activities.

Sadly we lost two valued members of the Tuesday morning team, Graham, a veteran of the Royal Air Force who died and Christine his wife, who does not drive. They had not been with us for very long and had proved to be committed and cooperative members of the team. They are and will be sorely missed.

DF Stead

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 301318

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER: 301318

Current Management Committee

J. C. Burwood
C. D. Gjertsen
A. Howe
M. Mitchell
F. Palmer
A. Roberts
L. Saunders
G. J. Tennison

Custodian Trustee

Great Chesterford Parish Council

Bankers

Nationwide
James Watt Close
Swindon SN2 1EL

CAF Bank Limited
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent ME19 4JQ

Independent Examiner

S Bygraves
80 West Grove
Walton on Thames
Surrey KT12 5PD

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL
“CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE”
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022

The trustees present their report along with the Accounts of the Chesterfords Village Hall for the year ended 31 December 2022.

CONSTITUTION AND OBJECTIVES

Governing Document

The Chesterfords Village Hall Trust is constituted under a Trust Deed dated 28 April 1954, a Supplemental Trust Deed dated 11 May 2011 and a further Supplemental Trust Deed dated 17 April 2012.

Objectives of the Charity

The object of the Charity is the provision of facilities which may be used for the purpose of educational, recreational, physical, social, moral and intellectual development for the advantage and benefit of the inhabitants of Great and Little Chesterford. The facilities are located at the Chesterfords Community Centre, Newmarket Road, Great Chesterford.

Public Benefit

In planning the Centre's activities the Management Committee keep in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The focus of the Centre's activities is to provide all hirers with a reasonably priced quality venue in which to hold their events. This embraces the need to ensure that the Centre is used for community related activities held on a regular basis for all age groups. At the same time there is a need to provide opportunities to commercial organizations and individuals wishing to hold business, social and other events.

Appointment of Trustees

As set out in the Deed, new Trustees may be appointed at a properly convened Annual General Meeting. The Management Committee may co-opt trustees or may fill a casual vacancy if approved at a properly convened meeting of the Management Committee. All Trustees retire from office at the end of the Annual General Meeting next after the date on which they came into office. All trustees are members of the Management Committee.

Trustee Induction

New trustees undergo induction to the organization during which time they have the opportunity to meet members of staff. They are also briefed on issues of current concern relating to the trustees' obligations. This includes an overview of the business plan, of the financial performance of the Charity and of the risk management issues facing the Trustees.

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL
“CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE”
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022

ORGANISATION

The Management Committee

The responsibility for the management and control of the Chesterfords Village Hall is vested in the Management Committee. The members of the Management Committee who served during the year ended 31 December 2022 were as under:-

J. C. BURWOOD
C. D. GJERTSEN
A. ROBERTS
G. J. TENNISON
L. SAUNDERS
A. HOWE
M. MITCHELL
F. PALMER

Any person or persons to be appointed new trustees shall be nominated and elected by a majority vote of the inhabitants of Great and Little Chesterford at an Annual General Meeting.

All trustees give their time on a voluntary basis and receive no remuneration or other benefits.

Custodian Trustee

The Parish Council of Great Chesterford is the Custodian Trustee of the Charity.

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

“CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE”

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview

The results for 2022 reflect the lifting of restrictions imposed by the UK Government during the previous two years in order to meet the challenge of the coronavirus pandemic. As the year progressed the Centre welcomed back hirers holding social gatherings and children's parties. The Trustees continued to maintain protocols, albeit with a lighter touch to ensure the premises remained covid secure. Regular cleaning, the provision of soap and sanitiser stations and availability of the use of air purifiers continued to be in place.

The premises Civil Ceremony Licence was renewed for a further three years and the Centre hosted a number of receptions, some held over from previous years. Costs continue to be an issue particularly in relation to utilities. The Trustees have sought to mitigate these increases by entering into forward fixed price contracts with utility suppliers.

There were no fundraising activities undertaken in the year.

Income for the year amounted to £60,596.04. Expenditure for the year amounted to £56,454.28 resulting in a surplus of £4,141.76.

The surplus has been increased as a result of the receipts of £2,667.00 of grants provided by Uttlesford District Council from Central Government Funds to mitigate the impact of the lockdown and also assist in restarting operations as the lockdown restrictions were eased. Additionally the gas cooker was sold for £100.00 and the bank interest of £229.82 was received.

After receipt of grants, the disposal of proceeds and bank interest the surplus amounted to £7,138.58. A net transfer of £2,359.80 from the Restricted New Building Fundraising Fund allocates grants received in 2022 against expenditure in 2021 for the purchase and installation of the electric oven.

The surplus has been added to the balance brought forward on the Unrestricted General Fund. This leaves a reserve of £73,628.68 carried forward on the Unrestricted General Fund.

In relation to the Restricted New Building Fundraising Fund a grant of £1,890.00 was provided by Uttlesford District Council Community Project Grant towards the cost of improvements to the stage.

A further grant of £2,000 was received from Uttlesford Council Community Project Grant used towards the installation of a new fire shutter in the kitchen.

Grants were received from Great Chesterford Parish Council £1,854.59 and Stansted Airport Passenger Community Fund £500.00 towards the costs incurred in the acquisition and installation of a new electric oven in 2021. A further grant of £300.00 has been received from the District Councillors of Great Chesterford towards new chairs and chair trolleys.

The balance on the Restricted New Building Fundraising Fund at 1 January 2022 was £3,263.38 and at 31 December 2022 £3,563.38.

At 31 December 2022 cash at bank amounted to £71,355.87 of which £3,563.38 was held in restricted funds relating to grant monies received but not yet spent.

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL “CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE”

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW (continued)

Income

The hire fee income for the year was £60,596.04, an increase of £20,823.49 from 2021.

2022 finally saw the return of the majority of the groups and organisations that have regular hire bookings at the Community Centre. The year also witnessed a steady return of adult social gatherings, wedding receptions and children’s parties.

The Centre received a further grant from Uttlesford District Council from Central Government Funds to help mitigate the increased expenses arising from ensuring the premises continued to be COVID secure.

Expenditure

Total expenditure for the year decreased by £5,356.71 in comparison with 2021. There were three specific projects undertaken in the year. The replacement of the automatic fire shutters in the kitchen £4,188.20, part refurbishment of the men’s toilets £488.24 and the next phase to improve the stage facilities £1,884.79.

The Trustees seek to mitigate the significant expenditure relating to specific projects by seeking grant funding.

During the year the Centre’s Licence to hold Civil Ceremonies was renewed for three years.

The Trustees also began to consider the future development of the building. Architects were commissioned to undertake a feasibility plan as to possible extensions and modernization of the building.

Grants

Uttlesford District Council – Hospitality and Leisure Grant	2,667.00
Uttlesford District Council – Community Project Grant – (restricted grant – improvement to stage facilities)	1,890.00
Great Chesterford Parish Council - (restricted grant – electric oven)	1,854.59
Stansted Passenger Community Fund - (restricted grant – installation of electric oven)	500.00
Uttlesford District Council – Community Project Grant – (restricted grant – fire shutter)	2,000.00
District Councillors Fund – (restricted grant – chairs)	<u>300.00</u>

£9,211.59

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL
“CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE”
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022

New Building Fund

No movement occurred on the account during the year under review.

INVESTMENT POLICY

Under the Trust Deed the trustees have a general power to invest any surplus funds as they see fit in furtherance of its charitable objects.

RESERVES POLICY

Unrestricted reserve funds are needed to cover administration, fund raising and support costs without which the charity could not function.

The Trustees consider it prudent that unrestricted reserve funds should be sufficient to avoid the necessity of seeking additional finance from third parties. The Trustees believe the unrestricted reserves should approximate to cover 6 months administration and support costs.

The unrestricted reserves meet this criteria. The Trustees will continue to undertake marketing initiatives fundraising and cost saving initiatives in order to ensure the unrestricted reserves continue to meet the criteria.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees consider the following course of action to be appropriate:

- an annual review of the risks which the Charity may face;
- the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified; and
- the implementation of procedures designated to minimise any potential impact on the Charity should any of these risks materialise;
- disclosure and barring service checks are carried out prior to commencement of employment and the appointment of trustees.

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

The Trustees have kept the Health and Safety Policy under review and since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic more regular assessments have been undertaken to ensure the premises remain COVID secure.

SAFEGUARDING

The Trustees have adopted policies to ensure safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults at risk from abuse or neglect.

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL
“CHESTERFORDS COMMUNITY CENTRE”
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022

THE IMPLICATIONS OF COVID- 19

The control measures imposed by H M Governmetn to mitigate the Covid-19 pandemic were gradually relaxed during 2021. The Trustees continued to implement protocols to ensure the premises remained Covid secure during the first half of 2022. The daily full cleaning schedule was maintained including deep cleaning when required. The availability of hand sanitiser and hand towels and soap dispensers remained throughout the year. Hirers also had the option to use the air purifiers.

All employees returned to full-time working at the premises.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

The organisations plans for the future is to continue to raise the awareness in the local community by online marketing and other techniques to promote the availability of a first class venue which can be hired at a reasonable price in order to hold a multitude of events. Trustees will at the same time look to enhance the facilities at the venue in order to widen the appeal to other groups or organisations which may be interested in hiring the premises. The Centre has many clubs and hirers who use the Centre on a regular booking basis, gaining us security from regular hirers.

Approved by the Trustees on

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G. J. TENNISON

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J. C. BURWOOD

Chesterfords Community Centre
Newmarket Road
Great Chesterford
Saffron Walden
Essex CB10 1NS
Registered Charity No. 310318

We aim to improve the quality of life in the Community.

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 9 to 12.

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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a 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 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 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:

- (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 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act.

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.

S Bygraves
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Surrey
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**CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	Note	2022	2021
Freehold Land and Buildings:- Newmarket Road	1	733,345.03	733,345.03
Balances at Nationwide			
Deposit		509.94	509.94
Current		228.35	228.35
Balances at CAF			
Current		10,418.24	6,579.79
Deposit		56,901.43	53,697.38
Grants		3,297.91	3,285.33
		<u>71,355.87</u>	<u>64,300.79</u>
Debtors and Prepayments		13,526.05	11,301.12
Cash		229.98	29.98
		<u>85,111.90</u>	<u>75,631.89</u>
Less: Creditors		<u>7,919.84</u>	<u>8,238.21</u>
		77,192.06	67,393.68
NET ASSETS		<u>£810,537.09</u>	<u>£800,738.71</u>
REPRESENTED BY:			
GENERAL ACCOUNT (Unrestricted Funds)		73,628.68	64,130.30
NEW BUILDING ACCOUNT (Restricted Funds)		<u>736,908.41</u>	<u>736,608.41</u>
		<u>£810,537.09</u>	<u>£800,738.71</u>
Signed:		TENNISON	G. J.
	Trustee		
Dated:			
Signed:	J. C. BURWOOD		
	Trustee		
Dated:			

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted General Fund	Restricted New Building Fund Raising	Restricted New Building	Total 2022	Total 2021
INCOMING RESOURCES						
Receipts from operating activities		60,596.04	-	-	60,596.04	39,772.55
Donations, legacies and similar receipts	2	2,767.00	6,544.59	-	9,311.59	16,960.81
Bank Interest		229.82	-	-	229.82	6.19
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TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		63,592.86	6,544.59	-	70,137.45	56,739.55
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Charitable payments	3	56,454.28	3,884.79	-	60,339.07	65,695.78
Costs of generating funds		-	-	-		
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TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		56,454.28	3,884.79	-	60,339.07	65,695.78
		=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Net incoming resources		7,138.58	2,659.80	-	9,798.38	(8,956.23)
Transfers Between Funds		2,359.80	(2,359.80)	-	-	-
Fund balances brought forward at 1 January 2022		64,130.30	3,263.38	733,345.03	800,738.71	809,694.94
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Fund balances carried forward at 31 December 2022		£73,628.68	£3,563.38	£733,345.03	£810,537.09	£800,738.71
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CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

Freehold land and buildings – Newmarket Road

1. £733,345.03 (2021: £733,345.03) represents the accumulated costs to date in relation to professional fees, purchase of land, construction costs and costs in relation to equipping the New Community Centre at Newmarket Road.

Donations, legacies and similar receipts

2.

	Unrestricted 2022	Restricted 2022	Unrestricted 2021	Restricted 2021
Proceeds from Sale of Cooker	100.00			
Fundraising			-	-
HMRC – Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme			4,355.00	-
Grants				
Great Chesterford Parish Council		1,854.59	-	-
Uttlesford District Council – Omicron Hospitality and Leisure Grant	2,667.00		-	-
Uttlesford District Council – Local Restrictions Support Grants			2,333.81	-
Uttlesford District Council – Community Project Grants		3,890.00	-	2,000.00
Uttlesford District Council – Business Restart Grant			2,667.00	-
Uttlesford District Council – Essex Business Adaption Fund			1,177.00	4,428.00
Stansted Airport Passenger Community Fund		500.00		
District Councillors Fund		300.00		
	£2,767.00	£6,544.59	£10,532.81	£6,428.00

CHESTERFORDS VILLAGE HALL
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 DECEMBER 2022

Charitable Payments

3.

	2022	Restricted 2022	2021	Restricted 2021
Salaries	21,650.96		20,444.76	
Electricity	4,128.80		2,612.26	
Gas	3,658.42		3,681.71	
Water Rates	(911.17)		1,907.76	
Cleaners	5,065.00		5,746.00	
Consumables	1,141.50		599.50	
Insurance	3,150.62		2,920.79	
PRS Society	569.01		418.84	
Acre Affiliation	66.00		66.00	
Telephone	710.22		656.86	
Miscellaneous	366.94		418.40	
General Maintenance	5,847.89		11,648.56	
IT Costs	1,774.42		1,671.31	
Marketing	313.93		-	
Bank Charges	96.50		96.00	
Pension	307.80		280.80	
Bad Debts	-		(352.00)	
Accountancy	783.00		-	
Legal	83.00		-	
Architects Fees	3,000.00			
Wedding Licence	1,975.00			
	£53,777.84		£52,817.55	-
Miscellaneous Payments:-				
Glasses/Cutlery				
CCTV			800.00	2,000.00
Kitchen – Fire Shutter	2,188.20	2,000.00		
Refurbishment – Men’s Toilets	488.24			
2 Hospital Grade Air Purifiers			-	4,428.00
Computer			1,195.75	-
Stage Improvements		1,884.79		
Electric Oven Range and Installation			4,454.48	
	£2,676.44	£3,884.79	£6,450.23	£6,428.00
Total Charitable Payments	£56,454.28	£3,884.79	£59,267.78	£6,428.00

Accounts

**The Parish of St. Peter and St. David, Fleetwood
in the Diocese of Blackburn.**

**A Summary of the Annual Report and Financial Statement
of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31st
December 2021.**

Incumbent: Canon John Michael Raymond Hall M.A.

**Bank: The National Westminster Bank, Cleveleys,
Lancashire.**

**Independent Examiner: Mr. D.R. Lund. 21 The Ridgeway,
Fleetwood, FY7 8AH**

**Our Mission: To be accessible, welcoming and at the heart
of the community. In Christ our mission is to serve, care for,
teach and pray.**

Members of the Council.

Alice Christy, Joshua Brayshaw, Catherine Birks, Hilary Craig, Peter Draper, John Eastwood, Peter Day, David Stead, Michael Rayner, Ian Risely, Lynda Smith, Scott Hayes, Gloria Birdsall, Canon John Hall, Revd. Dr. Christopher Dingwall-Jones, Stephanie Ashcroft, James Lang.

Treasurer (Not a member of the Council): Mrs. Maureen Burns.

Secretary's Report.

There have been four meetings this year.

The main topics discussed were:

Appointing a Parish & Pantry Worker,

Mission 2022,

Ongoing maintenance of repairs highlighted in the quinquennial report.

A report from the Vicar of St. Peter & St. David's Fleetwood.

I would like to begin by thanking everyone for their tireless ministry to the people of our town and beyond. As a community of faith we are truly blessed by having each other and its often a wonderful sight, for me, to watch you minister to each other. Who would not want to be a part of our loving community of faith.

I am enormously grateful to our Churchwardens, Lay Reader and Pastoral Assistant for their unstinting contribution to the life of our two churches. For all the other unsung heroes, thank you to you also.

This year we finally say thank you to Maureen who has looked after our finances for a number of years. She has stepped into the fray when we needed her but now is the time to hand over the roll to someone else. So we look forward to electing a new treasurer for our parish. A warm welcome to Mr. Phill Clarke, who is now our new Church Worker/ Pantry Manager and we look forward to a profitable and fruitful ministry by Phill.

This year 2022 will be a time of looking forward, first to our Parish Mission in June and secondly to the 13th of June. The Mission will take place from the 5th to the 12th of June and will be led by Bishop Philip North. It is important that as we undertake this huge missionary endeavour that we all get behind it and help in any way we can. Second, the 13th of June. This is the day after the mission, the beginning of the rest of our journey. Let us make sure we don't regret not playing our part.

Bless you all.

Fr. John Hall

Vicar.

Treasurer's Report 2021

During the year the duties of Treasurer were undertaken by Maureen Burns. The small cash accounts retained for ease of use by Mustard Seed and the Flower Team have been administered by Liam Burns. The PCC has been provided with a regular oversight of income and expenditure and has taken decisions on major spend.

The accounts have been independently examined by Mr Des Lund.

Overall Summary

Financially this year has been very difficult. Our income has, again, been severely impacted but on the plus side some of our fund generating income has now restarted.

For example:

- Renting out St David's and St Peter's to various community groups brought in £2,435,
- 100 Club (£950),
- Coffee mornings (£4,438) and
- Breaking Bread (£639).

During the year we were very fortunate to receive a legacy donation of £25,000 and a Gift Aid refund from HMRC on our envelope, bank and plate donations of £8,140.

Our regular expenses, however, have continued. Details of expenses are on the attached sheets but perhaps worthy of note are:

- Our utility consumption remains high (£5,081 Gas, £5,275 Electric and £699 for water).
- Insurance for both churches is high at £3,699.
- Copyright licences were £739
- Candles, altar breads and communion wine at £1,443
- Organists and Feast on the Word music £5,227
- Cleaners & set up £7,080
- Vicar and Vicarage expenses £5,360

In addition, we had some hefty repair/replace bills, but the legacy we received and Gift Aid refund helped offset some of the costs, namely:

- Install a new gas boiler at St Peter's £15,822
- Repair/replacement of the Saniflo system £771
- Several necessary major building repairs and replacing flooring (£15,545).

We received over £1,278 in donations towards replacing the Lady Chapel carpet. In addition, we received £360 in donations which covered the cost of planting 4,000 crocus bulbs, 500 daffodil bulbs and 35 beech hedge saplings at St Peter's.

Parish Share – Each year the Diocese calculate what the share request should be for each Parish. For 2021 ours was £56,751. However, as we are a lower income parish this was reduced to £36,000. At the start of 2021 we knew that we were very unlikely to be able to meet even the revised amount. After some discussion we reached an agreement with the Diocese that our voluntary contribution needed to be adjusted further and a revised figure of £16,800 was then agreed. As we already had a little bit of money on account, we ended up contributing £15,997 which covered the full cost of our revised share for 2021.

Parish/Pantry worker – You will see in the accounts that we are holding all the salary funds for a worker that is shared between The Pantry and the Parish. Faith in the Community contributed £15,000 and the Parish £5,000 (agreed by the PCC). These are committed yearly funds for the next three years. In addition, the Diocese will contribute £10,000 per year for this role, although the money has yet to come into the parish account. The payroll and Tax and NI Liabilities have been calculated independently by Rebecca Murdoch.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

Assets

The attached sheet shows our bank & cash holdings but please note that £26,260 is held in various reserve funds meaning that we can only use it for that particular purpose and not for general use.

The minibus is an asset and is included on the final balance sheet with a 10% depreciation from the previous year.

Liabilities

All presented invoices have been paid and all presented income banked.

Pantry/ Parish worker - Relevant salary has been paid but Tax and NI of £281.36 are outstanding We are awaiting details from HMRC (via Rebecca Murdoch) of how this should be paid.

Water Plus – We have had an ongoing dialogue regarding incorrect details for water consumption for St David's. At the time of preparing these accounts we were edging towards an agreed solution. It is likely that we have a liability for £200- £300 to Water Plus. On the other hand, we are expecting a refund of several hundred pounds.

Receipts and Payments – see details on attached sheets

Looking forward

You will note that we ended the year with a small surplus but this was based on paying £15,997 Parish Share not the £36,000 that was requested. There will need to be a dialogue again this year with the Diocese on what commitment the Parish can make in 2022 for the Parish Share.

In 2021 we were also fortunate to be able to cover some very necessary expenditure by utilising the legacy donation and the Gift Aid refund. Whilst we continue to reclaim Gift Aid where we can, we can never rely on legacy donations. The Parish needs to look for ways and means to increase its income both regular and ad hoc, and to carefully manage its available funds and cash flow.

Maureen Burns

St Peter's and St David's Treasurer

Parish of St Peter & St David's Fleetwood – Treasurer's Report 2021

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood Statement of Accounts year ending Dec 2021

Starting Equity funds as at end of 2020

Nat West (01043722)	18,729.36
CBF Fund	40,501.98
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	119.31
Cash in hand (Mustard Seed)	496.68
	59,849.33

Accounts as at Dec 2021

Nat West (01043722)	27,777.55
CBF Fund	54,527.92
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	33.26
Cash in hand (Mustard Seed)	1,580.22

Equity of General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) 83,868.95

Break down of General Fund

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	83,868.95
General Fund (unreserved)	57,808.87
Youth Club (reserved)	52.17
Organ Fund (reserved)	36.38
Mustard Seed (reserved bank)	4,831.40
Mustard Seed petty cash (reserved)	1,580.22
Flower Fund petty cash	33.26
Lady Chapel carpet (reserved)	1,278.82
Pantry worker/ Church worker (reserved)	18,448.03

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved) 83,868.95

Total Equity of Business

Fixed assets	
Mini Bus (part share)	1,150.00
Current Assets	
General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	83,868.95

Total Equity of Business 2021 87,018.95

Total Equity of Business (end 2020) 63,349.33

plus (General Fund Unreserved and Reserved) surplus		
General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) surplus	4,576.10	
Pantry worker/ Church Worker Fund surplus	18,448.03	23,024.13
plus (Flower Fund Cash Account) deficit		-86.05
plus Mustard seed cash account surplus		1,081.54
minus (depreciation of fixed asset (minibus))		-950.00
		87,018.95

Accounts prepared by Maureen Burns (PCC Treasurer)

Checked and found correct by

Independent Examiner
Mr D R Lund
21 The Ridgeway
Fleetwood
FY7 6AH

DR Lund

Date 29/02/2022

Parish of St Peter & St David's Fleetwood – Treasurer's Report 2021

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood : General Fund
Income and expenditure Account for the year ending 31 December 2021

INCOME cleared through banks Jan to Dec 2021		2021
	PR	
Voluntary Income		
Gift Aided planned giving	1	23,920.74
Other Planned Giving	2	9,525.06
Collections at services	3	4,288.68
All other Recurring giving / Donations	4	2,990.98
all non recurring giving/ donations (bishops harve	5	364.90
All tax recovered through Gift Aid (2020/21)	6	8,140.67
Legacies Received	7	25,000.00
Income from Grants	8	
Activities for Generating Funds		
Gross income from Fund raising activities	9	7,327.04
100 Club		950.00
St Peter's & St David's Guild		4,438.33
Knit and Natter		174.00
Breaking Bread		638.14
Flower Fund		323.90
crocus bulbs		360.00
christian aid		381.67
book of remembrance		60.00
Income from investments		
Dividends, interest, income from Property	10	33.09
CDIF Inc Dividend		7.15
CBF Interest		25.94
Church Activities		
PCC Statutory Fees	11	5,058.00
Gross Income from Trading/ Other activities	12	13,869.77
Rossall School		10,200.00
Bookstall		91.70
Magazine		165.66
Magazine adverts		900.00
Rent from church/church centre hire		2,435.00
Candles		477.41
Other Incoming Resources	13	743.03
Reimbursement from curate for council tax and water		248.95
Cheque made to parish in error		44.08
insurance claim st davids		390.00
refund from boiler part		60.00
Assigned fees	NA	5,313.00
Contribution from Faith in the Community (Partry/Church Worker)		15,000
TOTAL INCOME		121,576.96
drawn down of funds for mustard seed	1,000.00	1,000.00
drawn down of funds from cbf	10,000.00	10,000.00

Parish of St Peter & St David's Fleetwood – Treasurer's Report 2021

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood: General Funds 2021

EXPENDITURE

Cost of generating Funds	17		218.11
Charitable Activities	18		642.17
Mission Giving/Donations to charities			
Giving - charitable giving			
Bishops Harvest Appeal (2021)		205.50	
Christian Aid		381.67	
Faith in the Community lent socks from 2020		55.00	
Church activities			
Diocesan Parish Share/ Common Fund paid	19		15,997.24
Salaries, wages, honoraria	20		13,858.97
Organists and Feast on the Word music cleaners/ set up		5,227.00	
		7,080.00	
Pantry worker/ church worker		1,551.97	
Expenses of clergy/ staff, youth worker)	21		6,187.40
Vicars & Vicarage expenses		5,360.67	
Curate & St David's vicarage expenses		663.93	
Reader's travel expenses		162.80	
Mission & Evangelism Projects	22		0.00
Youth Club			
Church Running expenses	23		28,632.23
Servicing & Testing		1,375.06	
Saniflo repairs/ replacement		771.00	
gas boiler repair/ replacement		15,822.45	
Equipment Purchase		131.19	
Insurance		3,699.37	
Licences		739.58	
Office Expenses (assorted)		1,751.54	
Photocopier Rental & Repair		480.00	
photocopying paper		142.35	
Candles, Communion wine, Altar breads		1,443.92	
Garden Maintenance, Service, Repair & Bulbs		1,480.11	
Guild Supplies		201.02	
Flowers		396.80	
Music for Choir/ Service Sheets		47.44	
100 Club		150.00	
Church Utility Bills	24		11,056.23
Gas		5,081.32	
Electric		5,275.46	
Water & Waste Water		699.45	
Cost of Trading	25		0.00
Bookstall			
Major Repairs	27		15,545.48
Painting		3,215.40	
Gutter cleaning		420.00	
Lightening conductor repairs		1,030.80	
Plastering		781.95	
Flooring		8,856.00	
Roof Leaks		840.00	
Plumbing repair		80.00	
Render removal		150.00	
Scaffolding hire		221.33	
Assigned Fees	NA		5,915.00
Mustard Seed (R) funds to petty cash			500.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			98,552.83
Net Surplus/ Deficit			23,024.13
money transferred to big savings			25,000.00

MOTHERS UNION REPORT 2022

Because of Coronavirus and Lockdown, this Branch of Mothers Union has not held an Annual General Meeting since 4th April 2019, when Fr. Douglas chaired the meeting. However, ready for the Annual Church Meeting in 2020, and for our proposed Annual General Meeting that year, at Fr. John's request, I did prepare a report of our activities and events during 2019, which is available if anyone would like to read through it. During 2019 we welcomed back to the Branch 3 previous members, and enrolled 4 new members, which was heartening, and welcomed Hope who had transferred from Chorley Deanery.

We did, as usual, prepare the Harvest Breads for each Church, and, we did prepare the Commemorative Hearts ready for Mothering Sunday 2020, however, as we are all too aware, that was the start of Lockdown, and there were very few in Church to utilise them.

No meetings were held from Mothering Sunday 2020 until 10th June 2021, since when, we have met regularly each Month, including July and August when we normally take a break, but, because we'd already had an enforced prolonged break, we just wanted the camaraderie, friendship and companionship to continue.

Our November meeting was a Service of Celebration of 100 years of Mothers Union in Fleetwood, with a lovely cake and buffet.

At our Christmas Afternoon Tea at Fleetwood Cricket Club, 25 year Long Service Certificates were presented to Carol, Pam, and, at a later date, Jill. Well done ladies!

Now that the Parish Magazine is back, up and running, I have recommenced sending an article to the editor each month, providing information about our meetings, past and what is to come. With your approval, I will continue to do so.

Sadly, during Lockdown, we have had to say goodbye to a really lovely, kind, gentle man, who has supported us, and been a speaker for our Branch, on numerous occasions, Pat's husband David. Huge thanks to Pat for continuing, despite everything, to do a grand job as our Treasurer, and for working so closely with me. It has been much appreciated.

Thank you one and all for your continued support and commitment to our Branch, for all the preparation of refreshments, and suggestions for future meetings. I do very much thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

God Bless

Di Graveston

Branch Leader

Blackburn Diocesan Mothers' Union

(Charity Registration No. 249927)

Branch/Deanery/Unit/Section Name

St Peter + St David Fleetwood

Receipts and Payments Account for Year ended 31st December 2021

Please round to nearest £

Receipts

Subscriptions	213-00 *
Donations Received	NIL
Bank/Building Society Interest	NIL
Fund Raising (Gross)	159-51
Other	51-50

Total Receipts

A £ 424-01

Payments

Subscriptions to Deanery/Diocese	655-00 *
Donations to Mothers' Union (Central & Diocese)	NIL
Other Payments	NIL
Fundraising Activities	NIL
Postage & Telephone	NIL
Rent	NIL
Other	192-22

Total Payments

B £ 847-22

Surplus (A-B) or Deficit (B-A)

C £ 423-21

Balance Sheet

Accumulated Funds at 1st January 2021 (last year's finishing figure) 1977-35

Add Surplus or Deduct Deficit C 423-21

Accumulated Funds at 31st December 2021 £ 1554-14

Represented by

Cash in Hand £ NIL

Balance at Bank/Building Society

£ 1554-14

Treasurer's Signature *BP Stead* Date 21/2/22

Examined by *Angela... (Deanery Treasurer)* Date 21/2/22

Please return direct to Treasurer at 27 Glenmore, Clayton-le-Woods, Chorley, Lancashire, PR6 7TA, by 28 February 2022 - Thank You (blackburnmtreasurer@outlook.com) Please complete overleaf

* £442 of the subs were banked + included in the balance of 2020 accounts. The remaining £213 subs were banked in March 2021 + total subs of £655-00 paid to Diocese in March 2021. Hence deficit.

Choir Report 2021.

It has been a pleasure to serve St. Peter`s Church as organist and choir master for another year. It has been a relatively normal year after the interruptions and uncertainties during the pandemic. The choir continues to have soloists sing during communion but other than that it is business as usual. We meet every Friday evening at 7pm for choir practice. At the moment we are looking forward to Lent and Easter and learning the Brewer setting of the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis for Choral Evensong on Easter Sunday. New members who can sing are always welcome. Looking forward to continuing working with the choir during the coming year.

David Hall

Feast on the Word, and Covid Safe 2021.

Feast on the Word as you know is a non-Eucharistic service, which is held on a fortnightly basis at St Peter's and St David's Church, Lord Street, Fleetwood from 6pm on a Sunday. The service usually lasts approximately ½ an hour and follows with fellowship over a bowl of home-made soup and bread rolls.

During the lockdown due to the pandemic, we have found ourselves unable to carry out singing or the customary soup with bread rolls. Throughout this time we have been able, thanks to God, we have been able to keep those attending in a safe environment.

Thankfully we are now in a position where masks and social distancing will be soon a thing of the past, but we still need to keep on our guard and be mindful of the vulnerable on how we are towards them. They may still feel the need to wear a mask and keep socially distant, so we continue to respect all.

At the moment we are slowly building up those returning to this service, and we have had some new faces amongst us, which we welcome as always.

We are blessed to have on board this year the following to do refreshments of soup etc after the service: Barbara and Mairilyn, Olwen and Pam, Michael and Ian, and Pat Stead.

With regards to worship: Alice, Jan, Catherine and Paul, Rachel and family, plus Dave and Anita.

Alongside these much needed volunteers we also continue to need those that will do readings and prayers.

Please continue to pray for this ministry that it will continue to grow and grow well through the Word.

Gloria Birdsall LLM

Breaking Bread Annual Report 2021

Breaking Bread is a weekly event held each Tuesday in St David's Church Centre.

It starts at 11:30 a.m. with a voluntary attended Morning Prayer, which is followed by a meal. Attendance is open to everyone and costs £4.00 per head. The two course meal is prepared by volunteers, whose expenses are reimbursed from takings and the surplus is transferred into the Parish Account.

In Term Time we are joined by up to four Year 5/6 pupils from Chaucer School who serve the meal to us and then sit with us to eat, chat and enjoy the social gathering.

The School has told us that being with us has had a very positive affect on their social skills.

Why don't you come and enjoy the meal with us?

Financial Statement (Note 1)

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Income</u>			
Cash in hand ex 2020	55.91		
Receipts	<u>1218.21</u>		1274.12
<u>Expenses</u>			
Catering		436.79	
Miscellaneous (Note 2)		<u>98.19</u>	
			<u>534.98</u>
Surplus			<u>739.14</u>
Represented by:			
Transferred to PCC Account			739.14
Cash in hand			<u>0.00</u>
			<u>739.14</u>
Average number of people being fed each week	14		

Notes

1. Breaking Bread did not reopen until 27/07/2021
2. This expense represents disposables purchased for the Centre e.g., Toilet paper, cleaning materials etc..

LLM Vision Champion Report 2021

I'm sure I am preaching to the converted, but planning and preparation has always been the key, we saw this with Christ.

From time in memorial, planning and preparation behind the scenes has forged us ahead to go forward in Christ, and more so, and this is what I see within our church, and I find a pleasure to be a part of it.

Therefore, when I speak of being Vision Champion, it leads me /us into Vision 2026, which we have seen years, already, of planning and preparation of how we bring forth the focus/vision about 'Healthy Churches Transforming Communities':

Making disciples of Jesus Christ

Being witnesses to Jesus Christ

Growing leaders for Jesus Christ

Inspiring Children and Young People to raise up a new generation for Christ

Behind the scenes we see workers doing their part in and outside of St Peters and St David's Parish Church alongside the Rossall School chaplaincy, and we pray in day after day and week after week for all these projects, ministries, and services to grow more and more.

We all play our part!

I for one as Vision Champion have taken on board the need to have a hand in those that God has brought into planning and preparation within their own lives and lives in Christ.

Last year I was able to take on board being a mentor for Authorised Lay Ministers in training and mentored 2 mentees as they went through their entire training. At this moment in time, I am in the midst of mentoring another person, which is a God given privilege, as is all we do for God.

All that we do in service as servants of God are backed up by the Word of Scripture. Those Words are the foundation to which we make disciples of Jesus, be witnesses to Jesus Christ, grow leaders for Jesus Christ, and young people as a new generation for Christ, which I have found links in with mentoring.

We as a people pray constantly for Vision 2026: For one, for us to know our Scripture that is our foundation, to be rooted firmly; in relation to Growing Leaders – Philippians 4.13 I can do all things through him who strengthens me, and for a visitation of the Holy Spirit on Lancashire to light beacons in every community.

We have found ourselves as Church praying into planning and preparation for Mission 2022 for several years, where all those already mentioned will be touched on.

All point towards what we as Christians do best, pray, be vision orientated and be behind the scenes bringing the light of Christ ever more into communities far and wide within this Diocese, the Free state and Braunschweig.

The P's have it; Prompting of the Holy Spirit, Prayer, Planning, Preparation, Practice, Planting within the Presence of God running through it, and bringing in the harvest of people for God with Perseverance.

As a Vision Champion ever focused on Gods visions and bringing them into the light of day, I continue to be open along with my brothers and sisters to playing a part in bringing others to Christ, not in a bamboozle of a way, but with love, care, understanding, an open heart and perseverance. I do this from one day to the next, by inputting on people's lives, be it the stranger, the congregation, family, friend, or foe. We call all, as God called us, with one ear to the world and one ear to God.
Amen

Mustard Seed Friday.

We have resumed our Friday mornings again after Covid. At the moment we only have 7 or 8 regulars. We are hoping to get a couple more from Mens Shed in the near future. It's a privilege to help in running the Friday morning sessions. The work we do at St. David's continues to be mainly making ,bird tables, bird boxes ,planters and refurbishing furniture. At St. David's we also look after the fabric of the building . From St. David's we then move to St Peter's where we try to keep on top of any maintenance to the fabric and grounds. In the past year we have planted 4000 crocus bulbs, 500 daffodil bulbs and 30 beech hedge bushes. Hopefully they should looking good this year and better in the years to come. John Eastwood .

As for The Mens Group. We haven't started to meet at the moment but hopefully we should be starting up soon.

John Eastwood

NAME	ADDRESS	PHONE	EMAIL
Mr. J. Smith	123 Main St	01234 56789	jsmith@123.com
Ms. A. Jones	456 High St	01234 98765	ajones@456.com
Mr. B. Brown	789 Church St	01234 32109	bbrown@789.com
Ms. C. White	101 Park St	01234 87654	cwhite@101.com

Bereavement Group Report 2022

I have continued, throughout the year, to ensure that all who wish to receive a Remembrance card for a loved one, who has passed, do get one from the Parish of St. Peter and St. David, on, or as near to, the anniversary date, as I can manage. The original plan, when the group first started, was to remember with a card and visit for 3 years after the passing. However, even though new names are being added regularly, I still continue beyond 3 years, because a lot of people appreciate the continuance of contact and thought.

Di Graveston
 Bereavement Officer

Electoral Roll Report 2022

The Annual Revision Period from Sunday 20th February to Sunday 6th March has finished. The Roll has been revised, and the revised Roll has been displayed in both Churches since Sunday 13th March. The number on the Roll is now 119. Under Data Protection Regulations, the displayed Roll does not show any addresses. Fr. John has the Vestry Copy containing that information.

Di Graveston
 Electoral Roll Officer

The 100 Club

Draw Results 2021

DRAW 1		Number	Name
1st PRIZE	£19.25	No. 10	Mrs E Baxter
2nd PRIZE	£12.83	No. 38	Mrs W Gilchrist
3rd PRIZE	£6.42	No. 26	Mrs. F Mann
Total:	£38.50		
DRAW 2		Number	Name
1st PRIZE	£19.25	No. 20	Mr D M Rayner
2nd PRIZE	£12.83	No. 54	Mrs S Hall
3rd PRIZE	£6.42	No. 59	Mrs E Baker
Total:	£38.50		
DRAW 3		Number	Name
1st PRIZE	£19.25	No. 4	Mrs H Day
2nd PRIZE	£12.83	No. 53	Mrs P Ashton
3rd PRIZE	£6.42	No. 57	Mrs H Craig
Total:	£38.50		
DRAW 4		Number	Name
1st PRIZE	£38.50	No. 65	Mrs R Arestidou
2nd PRIZE	£25.67	No. 43	Mr R Baxter
3rd PRIZE	£12.83	No. 66	Mrs A Greenwood
Total:	£77.00		
Total Prize Money	£192.50		

The 100 Club

Membership of the 100 Club costs £10 per number. Of this £7.50 is donated to the Parish Account and £2.50 funds the four draws, made each year. The fourth draw, at Christmas, is twice the size of the other three draws.

See Mike Rayner for more information, or to join the club.

Statement of account 2021

Income

Cash in hand as at 31 December 2020	60.00
Subscriptions	770.00
Miscellaneous	0.00

Total Income 830.00

Expenses

Prize Draw #1	38.50
Prize Draw #2	38.50
Prize Draw #3	38.50
Prize Draw #4	77.00

Total Expenses 192.50

Surplus as at 31 December 2021 637.50

Represented by:

Nett Transfer to Parish Account	637.50
Plus Cash in Hand:	0.00
	<u>637.50</u>

Churchwarden's Report for St David's Church Centre

Because of Covid, the Centre was closed for the first six months of the year, which has had an adverse effect on the income from lettings.

In July we restarted our three weekly services and numbers have attending have held steady.

Breaking Bread restarted in July with the expected reduced numbers, and other weekly users returning have been Men's Shed, who provide a weekly meal for military Veterans each Wednesday, the Smart Group, who assist recovering addicts (all addictions including alcohol abuse), Alcoholics Anonymous and a Karate Group. We have also had a number of lettings for children's parties.

The Fabric of the building is in good repair, although there has been some minor ingress of rainwater during some severe easterly winds. This is under investigation.

Mike Rayner

CHURCH WARDEN'S REPORT FOR St PETER'S CHURCH 2021.

Firstly I would like to say how much I have enjoyed my year serving the Church Family as Church Warden. It has being a year of ups and downs with Covid being in the mix.

Shortly after being appointed it was good to start with a spring clean last year, with a lot of help from willing volunteers. We hired a skip and cleared decades of rubbish which had accumulated throughout the Church building. Everyone was delighted with the clear spaces and sorting of cupboards which has resulted in a more effective use of space.

Also we have replaced the Church heating boiler and thanks to donations and the concert in December we have been able to replace the carpet with a beautiful thick blue one in the Lady Chapel. Just recently we have had the disabled toilet re-plumbed which is much more efficient and has made a big difference already.

We are very fortunate to have John Eastwood as our Fabric Officer, who sorts out different tradesmen for the various jobs we have had done and continue to do. A Big thank you goes out to John. Our next job which is going to be installed soon is a new sound system for the Church which will hopefully be a significant improvement.

I am delighted to say I have been nominated to stand again as Church Warden and I am delighted to do so.

With all your help and prayerful support I look forward to continue to serve you all.

Yours in Christ
Ian.

Coffee Morning Group ~ Annual Report for Year 2021.

Mainly due to the effects of covid this report shows a very poor return for the time and effort given by the dedicated staff - **£2656.87**.

The group recommenced in mid-July and the following are the monthly takings.

- July **£ 198.17**
- August **£ 490.86**
- September **£ 636.88**
- October **£ 415.20**
- November **£ 623.14**
- December **£ 292.62**

These figures include proceeds from the book stall (**£382.30**), also **£200.00** from the Bonus Ball and **£50.00** from the small change bottle.

The above figures are given to illustrate the actual income raised by the group and its various activities.

We all look forward to more fruitful times.

D. F. Stead.

The Flower Guild Report 2021

It was lovely once church was fully open, for once again our team of ladies were able to roll up their sleeves and produce a weekly display of flowers. After long periods of isolation, we were especially pleased to be able to meet together for the big festivals of Christmas, Harvest and Easter. Thank you to Liam who looks after our money and makes the brews. Thank you to all the team.

Barbara Riley (Sec.)

Accounts



The Parish of St. Peter and St. David Fleetwood.

A Summary of the Annual Report and Financial Statement

of the Parochial Church Council

for the year ended 31st December 2020.

Incumbent: Canon John Hall M.A.

Assistant Priest: Revd. Dr. Christopher Dingwall-Jones

Bank: The National Westminster Bank, Cleveleys, Lancashire.

Independent Examiner: Mr D. R. Lund,

21 The Ridgeway, Fleetwood, FY7 8AH.

**Our Mission.
To be accessible,
welcoming
and at the heart of the
community.
In Christ our mission is to
serve, care for, teach and
pray.**

Members of the Council

Canon John Hall, Reverend Christopher Dingwall-Jones, Gloria Birdsall, Michael Rayner, David Stead, John Eastwood, Hilary Craig, Catherine Birks, Lynda Smith, Peter Day, Peter Draper, Joshua Brayshaw, Stephanie Ashcroft, James Lang.

Secretary's Report

We have only managed two meetings through the year due to Covid restrictions. The main topics discussed were:

Ongoing Church maintenance,

Mission 2020,

Recovering from Covid 19.

A Report from the Vicar of St. Peter and St. David's Parish, Fleetwood

I am extremely grateful to all who have helped this year to enable a smooth running of our churches.

We do indeed have a great spirit of teamwork which clearly demonstrates not only a deep love of

our Lord but a deep love for each other. We do however have to ensure that we remain inclusive

and outward looking, so as to avoid becoming a holy ineffectual huddle.

Thank you to the Churchwardens, our Treasurer, Finance support team, Sidesmen and women,

Cleaners, Verger, Florists, Sacrastans, Organists, Servers and Choir for your continued devotion to

the life of the Church. I would also like to thank Fr. Christopher, Jimmy and Stephanie for their

cinematic efforts, for we have been able to offer some kind of worship throughout the whole period

of the pandemic.

Of course throughout this difficult period we have been well supported by the ministry of Gloria our

Licensed Local Minister. She has diligently visited people who have needed a great deal of support,

often putting her own health at risk. Her leadership of Feast on the Word is admirable and many

people feel affirmed by her ministry.

The development of The Pantry by Faith in the Community, Fleetwood has without doubt cemented

our reputation as an institution which is committed to the disadvantaged members of our society.

John Eastwood, Liam Burns, Hilary Craig and me represent the Anglican Church on the Trust Body

ensuring that the poorest members of our parish have a voice in the debate on food poverty. Seeing

Fleetwood old Hospital develop into a community asset has for me been a Kairos moment in my

ministry, being in the Hospital is where we are called to be.

I am very grateful to Kenneth Keenan and Barbara Mason, who behind the scenes have worked very

hard to maintain as sense of "normality". Barbara quietly cleaning almost every day, Kenneth

keeping the music alive!

Folks, we have much to do! We must be about Mission! Let us be about our Lord's work.

Canon John Hall M.A.

Treasurer's Report 2020

During the year the duties of Treasurer were undertaken by David Watkins (until March 2020), the Vicar (between April and August) and the incoming Treasurer Maureen Burns (from September).

Utilising the information that was available and some working assumptions, the accounts for the full year (Jan to Dec) have been prepared on behalf of Parish by Maureen Burns. The accounts have been independently examined by Mr Des Lund.

Overall Summary

Financially this year has been very difficult. Our income from envelopes, bank donation and plates, weddings, funerals, coffee mornings, breaking bread, fayres and other events was severally impacted. However, our regular outgoings plus several necessary major repairs at St Peters (over £5,000) and Organ repair (£860) still had to be paid.

Cashflow issues - Earlier in the year there were some cashflow issues, specifically in not being able to pay our monthly Parish Share resulting in bank charges. To manage the cashflow issue £15,000 was drawn down from our CBF savings account.

Parish Share - Towards the end of the year the Diocese advise how much share is remaining. During this review it was found that we were in credit from previous years so that enabled us to adjust our monthly payments. Therefore, at the end of the year we had paid £38,744 in Parish Share (£11,000 previous credit plus £27,744 in new payments)

Pray to Give - The campaign in the Autumn raised £3,042 for the Parish.

Gas - Cost of our gas consumption was high £6,605, the majority of costs were for St Peters.

Scottish Power (St Davids) - There have been ongoing "discussions" with Scottish Power about the cost of electric into St David's. These discussions have been long, very difficult and ongoing for some time. In June 2020 Scottish Power mistakenly issued a refund of all electric charges for St David's since 2017 - a

sum of £3,532.50. They then proceeded to ask for between £1,700 and £4,700 back. The Auditor wanted to ensure the Parish was aware that at the end of 2020 there was still an ongoing debt to Scottish Power that would have to be paid, at some point, from our current account. What we didn't know at the time of producing these accounts was how much that would be. Update - This matter has now been resolved and next years account will show that we cleared the debt to Scottish Power by paying a sum of £ 1,741.99.

Mustard Seed - Mustard Seed reserves of £5,431 were transferred into the Parish Accounts, along with a small amount of cash in hand. The majority of this money £5,331.40 is now reserved for Mustard Seed use and currently sits in our CBF savings account.

Charitable/ Social giving - even though it was a difficult year it should be noted that the Parish continued to pay Organists, Cleaners and Set up Manager, as normal, throughout the year. The Parish also contributed to a retreat at Whalley Abbey for the Faith in the Community Team (£988), along with contributing (£1,600) to Faith in the Community to help with transition arrangements into the Pantry.

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood Statement of Accounts year ending Dec 2020

Starting Equity funds as at end of 2019

Nat West (01043722)	5,764.57
Nat West (62170686)	92.88
Natwest (62009354)	197.11
CBF Fund	49,985.93
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	46.45
	56,086.94

Accounts as at Dec 2020

Nat West (01043722)	18,729.36
Nat West (62170686) now closed money in 01043722	0.00
Natwest (62009354) now closed money in 01043722	0.00
CBF Fund	40,501.98
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	119.31
Mustard seed cash in hand	498.68

Equity of General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) **59,849.33**

Break down of General Fund

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	59,849.33
General Fund (unreserved)	53,811.39
Youth Club (reserved)	52.17
Organ Fund (reserved)	36.38
Mustard Seed (reserved)	5,331.40
flower fund petty cash	119.31
Mustard Seed petty cash	498.68

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved) **59,849.33**

Total Equity of Business

Fixed assets	
Mini Bus (part share)	3,500.00
Current Assets	
General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	59,849.33

Total Equity of Business 2020 **63,349.33**

Total Equity of Business (end 2019)	60,086.94
minus (General Fund Unreserved and Reserved) deficit	3,621.09
plus (Flower Fund Cash Account) surplus	72.86
plus mustard seed cash account surplus	68.44
minus (depreciation of fixed asset (minibus))	-500.00
	63,349.33

Accounts prepared by Maureen Burns (PCC Treasurer)

Checked and found correct by

Independent Examiner
Mr D R Lund
21 The Ridgeway
Fleetwood
FY7 8AH

D R Lund
21/2/20

The Parish of St Peter, Fleetwood : General Fund Including, Organ, Flower, Youth Club & Music Foundation Funds
Income and expenditure Account for the year ending 31 December 2020

Opening Fund Balance @ 1 Jan 2020

INCOME cleared through banks Jan to Dec 2020

	PR	
Voluntary Income		
Gift Aided planned giving	1	24,350.76
Other Planned Giving	2	10,215.63
Collections at services	3	4,237.07
All other Recurring giving / Donations	4	4,467.98
all non recurring giving/ donations (lent socks)	5	240.00
All tax recovered through Gift Aid (2019)	6	8,785.49
Legacies Received	7	0.00
Income from Grants	8	0.00
Activities for Generating Funds		
Gross income from Fund raising activities	9	6,253.19
100 Club		540.00
St Peter's & St Davids Guild		2,042.28
Knit and Natter		90.00
Breaking Bread		400.00
Flower Fund		138.91
Pray to Give		3,042.00
Income from investments		
Dividends, Interest, Income from Property	10	191.82
COIF Inc Dividend		7.01
CBF Interest		184.65
NatWest Reserve Account		0.16
Church Activities		
PCC Statutory Fees	11	4,155.00
Gross income from Trading/ Other activities	12	14,815.07
Rossall School		12,400.00
Bookstall		118.35
Magazine		56.48
Magazine adverts		0.00
Rent from church/church centre hire		1,820.00
Candles		420.24
Other incoming Resources	13	12,549.94
Insurance claim pay out Ecclestical		1,790.00
mini bus		1,365.80
Refund from Scottish Power		3,532.50
Mustard Seed money transfer of money in		5,431.40
Mustard Seed cash in hand		430.24
Assigned fees	NA	3,998.00
TOTAL INCOME		94,259.95
Draw down of money from CBF fund		15,000.00

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood: General Funds 2020

EXPENDITURE

Cost of generating Funds	17		213.04
Charitable Activities			
Mission Giving/Donations to charities	18		1,741.22
Giving - charitable giving			
Bishops Harvest Appeal (2019)		196.80	
Christian Aid		10.00	
Faith in the Community		988.00	
Faith in the Community lent socks		185.00	
Fleetwood Trust Window Appeal		181.82	
Fylde Coast Womens Aid		179.60	
Church activities			
Diocesan Parish Share/ Common Fund paid	19		27,744.22
Salaries, wages, honoria	20		12,610.00
Organists and Feast on the Word music cleaners/ set up		5,440.00	
		7,170.00	
Expenses of clergy/ staff, youth worker)	21		11,850.39
Vicars & Vicarage expenses		7,301.29	
Curate & St David's vicarage expenses		4,484.83	
Reader's travel expenses		64.27	
Mission & Evangelism Projects	22		0.00
Youth Club			
Church Running expenses	23		12,518.86
Servicing & Testing		1,229.28	
Minor Repairs		1,406.72	
Equipment Purchase		510.94	
Insurance		3,606.05	
Licences		696.88	
Office Expenses		2,324.38	
Photocopier Rental & Repair		637.37	
Candles, Communion wine, Altar breads		888.40	
Garden Maintenance, Service & Repair		446.55	
Guild Supplies		54.69	
Flowers		266.00	
Music for Choir/ Service Sheets		93.78	
100 Club		113.00	
Misc Expenses		181.82	
Bank charges		63.00	
Church Utility Bills	24		9,038.50
Gas		6,605.06	
Electric		1,750.00	
Water & Waste Water		683.44	
Cost of Trading	25		274.63
Bookstall / See Magazine		274.63	
Major Repairs	27		7,700.00
St Peters Roof		1,950.00	
St Peters Pathways pointing		2,000.00	
St Peters Pathways pointing		1,000.00	
St Davids Repairs - Insurance claim		1,890.00	
St Peters - Organ repair		860.00	
Assigned Fees	NA		6,848.00
Mustard Seed (R) funds to petty cash			100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			90,638.86
Net Surplus/ Deficit			3,621.09
Transfer of Mustard Seed Funds (R) to CBF account			5,331.40

Church Warden's Report for 2021

St. Peter's & St. David's Church Building Lord St., Fleetwood

Unfortunately early in the year Covid 19 and the subsequent restrictions brought normal church life as we know it to a virtual halt. Albeit services have been maintained somewhat modified and under strict rules.

Normal routine electrical engineer's testing and inspection did not take place during the pandemic. They have since been carried out during the month of April 2021

To my knowledge the local Authority have not carried out a kitchen inspection, not that they would have had much opportunity anyway.

The fire extinguishers were serviced in January prior to Covid restrictions.

The gutters were cleared of debris during the pandemic and are in fact due to be done again in early May 21. (see fabric report)

The electric hand dryer within the disabled toilet has been replaced for the second time. The supplier did the decent thing and accepted it as defective and replaced it. So we have only been charged for one.

As in last years report the contents of the quinquennial report are in the hands of our fabric team and remedial work is currently in hand. (see fabric report)

Unfortunately the disabled loo has had to have the macerater unit replaced along with some pipework due to blockage, an expense the church could well manage without. In an endeavour to avoid a repeat occurrence an additional advisory sign has been placed on the lid of the refuse bin.

Once again as wardens we wish to express our gratitude for the cooperation and assistance that we receive from the various teams within both church buildings, to the sidespersons and to the maintenance team headed by John Eastwood.

D F Stead

**St. Peter's & ST. David's Guild Coffee morning Group
Annual Report 2021**

The period between Christmas and New Year is normally a quiet one for coffee morning business. Even so Covid 19 with its subsequent restrictions, along with many other commercial concerns, brought activities to a dead halt in march 2020.

Even so the following dates in March prior to lockdown did bear some fruit as follows:-

Tues 03/03/21	£71- 20p. inc. book stall	£9-50p	net after expenses
Fri 06/03/21	Lenten lunches		
Tues 10/03/21	£42- 60p inc. book stall	£7- 00	net after expenses
Fri 13/03/21	£70- 87p inc. book stall	£1- 00	net after expenses
Tues 17/03/21	£42- 80 p inc. book stall	£5- 00	net after expenses
Fri 20/03/21	£53- 70 p inc. book stall	£15 00	net after expenses
Total	£284 -17p inc. book stall	£37-50.	
Bonus Ball	£90		
Small change bottle	£39		

Total yeild for church coffers £413 --17p.

We all look forward to a time of renewing acquaintance with our regular customers and visitors if and when restrictions are relaxed.

D F Stead

Knit & Natter group annual report 2021

The start of the new season is normally fairly quiet. Even so we did manage three meetings. As follows:-

4 th March	reasonable attendance	Sum raised for church coffers	£9-00
11 th March	Poor attendance .	"	£7-00
18 th March	Even worse attendance "	"	£6-00
Total raised for church coffers			£ 22-00

I remember well, the general feeling of anxiety and worry at the time and when . vaccines were still a distant dream. Upon reflection I suppose we should be grateful for the attendances that we achieved.

It is our fervent wish to recommence meetings as and when circumstances permit.

Cheryle

Breaking Bread Annual Report

2020

Income Expenses Totals

Income

Receipts	571.60	<u>571.60</u>
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Expenses

Catering	212.22	
Miscellaneous	46.54	
		<u>258.76</u>

Balance		<u>312.84</u>
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Represented by:

Transferred to PCC Account		312.00
Cash c.f. to 2021		<u>0.84</u>
		<u>312.84</u>

Average weekly servings in year (Includes Michael and Children)	21
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Notes:

Breaking Bread was only open for 8 weeks, having closed on 25 February due to Covid 19.

100 Club Statement of account 2020

Income

Cash in hand as at 31 December 2019	0	
Subscriptions	600	
Miscellaneous	0	
	<u>0</u>	
Total Income		600

Expenses

Prize Draw #1	30	
Prize Draw #2	30	
Prize Draw #3	30	
Prize Draw #4	60	
	<u>60</u>	
Total Expenses		150

Surplus as at 31 December 2020 450

Represented by:

Nett Transfer to Parish Account	390
Cash in Hand:	60
	<u>450</u>

Notes:

1. Due to Covid, not all the subscriptions were collected. My apologies!
- 2 Again, due to Covid, the draws were not made until the end of February, 2021

Prize Winners:

DRAW 1 - (28/2/21)

		Number	Name
1st PRIZE	£15.00	20	Mr M Rayner
2nd PRIZE	£10.00	53	Mrs P Ashton
3rd PRIZE	£5.00	28	Mrs J Matthews
Total:	<u>£30.00</u>		

DRAW 2 - (28/2/21)

1st PRIZE	£15.00	78	Mrs F Mann
2nd PRIZE	£10.00	68	Dr T Ashton
3rd PRIZE	£5.00	41	Mr J Barnes
Total:	<u>£30.00</u>		

DRAW 3 - (28/2/21)

1st PRIZE	£15.00	22	Mrs A Mills
2nd PRIZE	£10.00	53	Mrs P Ashton
3rd PRIZE	£5.00	28	Mrs J Matthews
Total:	<u>£30.00</u>		

DRAW 4 - (28/2/21)

1st PRIZE	£30.00	23	Mrs P Ashton
2nd PRIZE	£20.00	18	Mr M Rayner
3rd PRIZE	£10.00	87	Mrs E Watson
Total:	<u>£60.00</u>		

Mike Rayner (Organiser)

St. Peter's Choir Report

May 2021

This has been a very unusual year for the choir. The Church of England suspended all worship services 17th March 2020 ahead of the

first national lockdown on 23rd March 2020. Since then there have been

two more national lockdowns and other local restrictions which have

affected our ability to meet and sing. The choir met in December during

a lull in restrictions to record the Nine lessons and Carols which were

broadcast online later. Many thanks and appreciation to the choir for

coming out to church to provide this service.

When rules have allowed, soloists have sung hymns during Sunday

morning services. Thank you to all those who took part and to Kenneth

Keenan for his work behind the scenes.

At the time of writing the choir has come through the pandemic without suffering loss from the virus and we are feeling cautiously

optimistic about returning to normality. Choir practices have resumed

on Fridays at 7pm and new members who can sing are welcome to join

us.

David Hall

Electoral Roll Report 2020

Throughout the year I have continued to maintain the roll by removing, adding, changing names and/or addresses as appropriate.

The number on the Electoral Roll for St. Peter and St. David's as of May 2021 is 109.

Di Graveston

Electoral Roll Officer

Bereavement Group Report

Despite the pandemic and lock-down, I have endeavoured to deliver a card to all remembering loved ones, at the appropriate time, to assure them that we, at St. Peter and St. David are caring for, and supporting them always.

Di Graveston

Bereavement Officer

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood Statement of Accounts year ending Dec 2020

Starting Equity funds as at end of 2019

Nat West (01043722)	5,764.57
Nat West (62170686)	92.88
Natwest (62009354)	197.11
CBF Fund	49,985.93
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	46.45
	56,086.94

Accounts as at Dec 2020

Nat West (01043722)	18,729.36
Nat West (62170686) now closed money in 01043722	0.00
Natwest (62009354) now closed money in 01043722	0.00
CBF Fund	40,501.98
Cash in hand (Flower Fund)	119.31
Mustard seed cash in hand	498.68

Equity of General Fund (Reserved & Unreserved) 59,849.33

Break down of General Fund

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	59,849.33
General Fund (unreserved)	53,811.39
Youth Club (reserved)	52.17
Organ Fund (reserved)	36.38
Mustard Seed (reserved)	5,331.40
flower fund petty cash	119.31
Mustard Seed petty cash	498.68

General Fund (Reserved and unreserved) 59,849.33

Total Equity of Business

Fixed assets	
Mini Bus (part share)	3,500.00
Current Assets	
General Fund (Reserved and unreserved)	59,849.33

Total Equity of Business 2020 63,349.33

Total Equity of Business (end 2019)	60,086.94
minus (General Fund Unreserved and Reserved) deficit	3,621.09
plus (Flower Fund Cash Account) surplus	72.86
plus mustard seed cash account surplus	68.44
minus (depreciation of fixed asset (minibus))	-500.00
	63,349.33

Accounts prepared by Maureen Burns (PCC Treasurer)

Checked and found correct by

Independent Examiner
Mr D R Lund
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D R Lund
21/2/20

The Parish of St Peter, Fleetwood : General Fund Including, Organ, Flower, Youth Club & Music Foundation Funds
Income and expenditure Account for the year ending 31 December 2020

Opening Fund Balance @ 1 Jan 2020

INCOME cleared through banks Jan to Dec 2020

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Voluntary Income		
Gift Aided planned giving	1	24,350.76
Other Planned Giving	2	10,215.63
Collections at services	3	4,237.07
All other Recurring giving / Donations	4	4,467.98
all non recurring giving/ donations (lent socks)	5	240.00
All tax recovered through Gift Aid (2019)	6	8,785.49
Legacies Received	7	0.00
Income from Grants	8	0.00
Activities for Generating Funds		
Gross income from Fund raising activities	9	6,253.19
100 Club	540.00	
St Peter's & St Davids Guild	2,042.28	
Knit and Natter	90.00	
Breaking Bread	400.00	
Flower Fund	138.91	
Pray to Give	3,042.00	
Income from investments		
Dividends, Interest, Income from Property	10	191.82
COIF Inc Dividend	7.01	
CBF Interest	184.65	
NatWest Reserve Account	0.16	
Church Activities		
PCC Statutory Fees	11	4,155.00
Gross income from Trading/ Other activities	12	14,815.07
Rossall School	12,400.00	
Bookstall	118.35	
Magazine	56.48	
Magazine adverts	0.00	
Rent from church/church centre hire	1,820.00	
Candles	420.24	
Other incoming Resources	13	12,549.94
Insurance claim pay out Ecclestical	1,790.00	
mini bus	1,365.80	
Refund from Scottish Power	3,532.50	
Mustard Seed money transfer of money in	5,431.40	
Mustard	430.24	
Assigned fees	NA	3,998.00
TOTAL INCOME		94,259.95

The Parish of St Peter & St David, Fleetwood: General Funds 2020

EXPENDITURE

Cost of generating Funds	17		213.04
Charitable Activities			
Mission Giving/Donations to charities	18		1,741.22
Giving - charitable giving			
Bishops Harvest Appeal (2019)		196.80	
Christian Aid		10.00	
Faith in the Community		988.00	
Faith in the Community lent socks		185.00	
Fleetwood Trust Window Appeal		181.82	
Fylde Coast Womens Aid		179.60	
Church activities			
Diocesan Parish Share/ Common Fund paid	19		27,744.22
Salaries, wages, honoria	20		12,610.00
Organists and Feast on the Word music cleaners/ set up		5,440.00 7,170.00	
Expenses of clergy/ staff, youth worker)	21		11,850.39
Vicars & Vicarage expenses		7,301.29	
Curate & St David's vicarage expenses		4,484.83	
Reader's travel expenses		64.27	
Mission & Evangelism Projects	22		0.00
Youth Club			
Church Running expenses	23		12,518.86
Servicing & Testing		1,229.28	
Minor Repairs		1,406.72	
Equipment Purchase		510.94	
Insurance		3,606.05	
Licences		696.88	
Office Expenses		2,324.38	
Photocopier Rental & Repair		637.37	
Candles, Communion wine, Altar breads		888.40	
Garden Maintenance, Service & Repair		446.55	
Guild Supplies		54.69	
Flowers		266.00	
Music for Choir/ Service Sheets		93.78	
100 Club		113.00	
Misc Expenses		181.82	
Bank charges		63.00	
Church Utility Bills	24		9,038.50
Gas		6,605.06	
Electric		1,750.00	
Water & Waste Water		683.44	
Cost of Trading	25		274.63
Bookstall / See Magazine		274.63	
Major Repairs	27		7,700.00
St Peters Roof		1,950.00	
St Peters Pathways pointing		2,000.00	
St Peters Pathways pointing		1,000.00	
St Davids Repairs - Insurance claim		1,890.00	
St Peters - Organ repair		860.00	
Assigned Fees	NA		6,848.00
Mustard Seed (R) funds to petty cash			100.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			90,638.86
Net Surplus/ Deficit			3,621.09

Examinations of St Peter's Accounts 2020

The Accounts for January 2020 to December 2020 have been prepared with a difficult background which have led to some payments being made without the necessary detail being produced.

Although I am happy to approve the statement of accounts, I feel I need to qualify my approval of the accounts because of the difficulties that occurred early in the year.

This is not to say that I have any problem with the way the current Treasurer has completed the task as I have complete confidence in the current holder of the office.

D R Lund

Independent Examiner