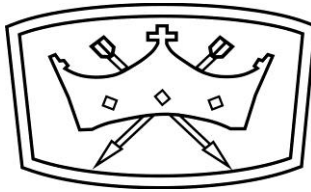


The Parish Church of  
**St. Edmund the King**  
Northwood Hills



**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

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## **Annual Meeting of Parishioners 2023 – Agenda**

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Approval of Minutes of the 2022 Meeting of Parishioners
3. Election of Churchwardens for the year 2023 – 2024

## **Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2023 - Agenda**

1. Approval of Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022
2. Matters arising from those minutes
3. Notification of any other business
4. Vicar's report
5. Consideration of Statutory Reports:
  - Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 including the revised Church Electoral Roll for 2023
  - Report of the proceedings of the Deanery Synod
  - Parish Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022
  - Report upon the Fabric of the Church
6. Report from the Buildings and Fundraising PCC Sub-Committee
7. Election of representatives to the Parochial Church Council, 3 for a three-year term.
8. Election of Deanery Synod representatives, 2 for a three-year term.
9. Appointment of Independent Financial Examiner to the P.C.C.
10. Presentations from Parish organisations
11. Any other business
12. Closing Prayer followed by a brief PCC Meeting

# **Minutes of the Annual Meeting of Parishioners**

HELD IN THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY 3RD APRIL 2022 AT 11:10AM

Present: Father Michael, Colin Richards, Margery Richards, Nishanthi Balakumar, Hilda Greenfield, Connie Ambrose, Chris Ambrose, Amanda Roberts, Colin Kirby, Margaret Forsyth, Majorie Pimm, Nikky Oyekanmi, Wendy Jones, Sarah Parnaby, Ann Hughes, Jenny Jones, Mother Helen Hutchins, Steve Castle, Terry Diggins, Carol Diggins, Sarah Wilson, Simon Wilson, Anita Nicholas, Ian Dawson, Mark Hammond, Isaac Odeyemi, Andrew Odeyemi

1. Apologies for Absence  
None received
2. Approval of Minutes of 2021 Meeting of Parishioners  
Proposed by Margaret Forsyth and seconded by Jenny Jones
3. Election of Churchwardens for the year 2022 – 2023  
Chris Ambrose retired as Churchwarden after 5 years of service. Father Michael thanked him on behalf of the parish for all the work he has done. Father Michael also thanked Steve Castle for all he has done.  
Father Michael had received nominations from Steve Castle and Isaac Odeyemi.  
Steve Castle proposed by Chris Ambrose and seconded by Ian Dawson  
Isaac Odeyemi proposed by Marjorie Pimm and seconded by Ann Hughes

Meeting closed 11:12

# Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

HELD IN THE CHURCH ON SUNDAY 3RD APRIL 2022 AT 11:15AM

1. Approval of Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on Sunday 18th April 2021  
Proposed by Terry Diggins and seconded by Connie Ambrose
2. Matters arising from those minutes  
None
3. Notification of any other business  
None
4. Vicar's report  
2021 was another strange year. Worship in the church building at the beginning of the year was suspended and all services were via YouTube. It wasn't until after Easter we returned to the Sunday Eucharist being fully open to the public, but we weren't allowed to sing! The choir were able to provide soloists to sing the psalms and a communion anthem and when eventually we were allowed to sing, they all returned to lead us. All of our meetings were on Zoom until the middle of the year when we did have some in person as the pandemic appeared to be ending. The live streaming of our services has resulted in us gaining new members who have started to worship with us in person and it has also meant that some who are housebound have been able to participate in our worship from home. It has also meant for some of the funerals conducted in church families throughout the world have been able to feel part of things. I know that we have had people tuning in from as far afield as Uganda and Australia. The downside of live streaming is that some people have not returned to worshipping in church. Some I am sure are still nervous particularly as we hear that

Covid infections are now higher than ever but I am equally sure that others have simply got out of the habit of coming to church. I urge you if you know of anyone from our congregation that we haven't seen for a while, have a talk with them and let's see if together, we can persuade them to come back.

Our Lent Course 'Caring for Creation' was conducted via Zoom and allowed us to examine our responsibility to be good stewards of God's creation. This has resulted in the setting up of St Edmund's Creation Care Group which I am really pleased about and grateful to Jenny Jones who took on the role of Creation Care Champion. As well as working towards achieving a Bronze Award from the Diocese the group has spent time helping to make us more aware of how we as individuals and as a Church can do our bit. It is great that the Sunday School also have played their part and I think that the work the team has done is starting to become part of St Edmund's DNA.

Sadly during 2021 eleven members of the church have died. You will find their names in the report. Some of those had been ill for some time but news of at least three came as a big shock. They will all be missed terribly. A particular blow to me was Fr Tony's death. He had worked tirelessly for St Edmund's for many years and was a wise colleague and confidant.

I said earlier that 2021 was a strange year it was also a very busy year. Mother Helen was ordained priest on 2nd July and celebrated her first mass on 7th July. Both joyful occasions. Another joyful occasion was the wedding of Andrew and Frederica. The ceremony had been planned for 2020 but had to be postponed.

In November it was wonderful to be able to be together again for our Patronal festival when Bishop Michael Colclough celebrated the Eucharist during a service which included a Baptism and Confirmation. In a change to the usual format, we held the celebrations in the morning and instead of a dinner we had lunch. As usual Glenda Greenfield and her team prepared a magnificent

lunch and the whole occasion was a marvellous celebration. St Edmund's at its best.

We had to say goodbye to Rachel Windsor during the year as she moved to Broadstairs to be nearer family. Rachel had been in charge of the Flower Guild for many years and I know we are all grateful for the dedication she brought to that role. Thankfully Glenda Greenfield stepped into that position so we can continue to ensure that there are always wonderful arrangements in church.

I think part of the reason that last year was so busy is due to the efforts to Raise the Roof. The project set up to raise the funds to carry out the repairs to the foyer, chapel and hall roofs. The 5K challenge was especially gratifying and people of all ages and abilities took part raising the phenomenal sum of not £5000 but nearly double that!

There were also a number of other fundraising efforts including for the first time a Christmas tree festival which I thought was a huge success. I was privately a little bit sceptical (I kept my thoughts to myself for once) but was extremely pleased to be proved so wrong.

I am always reluctant to thank people individually in a report like this not because I am ungrateful but because I know that I will inadvertently miss someone out and that isn't fair but I do want to thank many of you. Firstly, the technical team for the incredible work they do in ensuring that the services are broadcast so professionally, Mark and the Choir, I know it is hard when you haven't sung for a while to get back into singing - but it didn't show. I also would like to record my thanks to the Altar Servers. We pretty much have a new team now but they have become pretty expert at what they do. Even Bishop Michael who trained me to serve over 40 years ago when he was a humble vicar remarked on how good they were. I think the PCC should be thanked too, for all the work they have done and also the Building and Fundraising team. They have come up with some really imaginative ideas for fundraising which have proved highly



successful. Arrow Players have played their part too in once again providing us with a stunning Christmas tree. The one provided last Christmas was planted in the church garden over 14 years ago and I am sure that will have earned them a gold star from the creation care team. They have also supported the Raise the Roof Fund with a significant donation for which we are very grateful.

The Churchwardens also deserve thanks for the work they do quietly and efficiently often behind the scenes and very often without anyone noticing.

Finally, a huge thanks to you all for all that you do in any way to support this church and its work and also for all the encouragement you give me personally.

I hope and pray that this year will be one in which we can continue to build up the church, glorify God's name, honour St Edmund and inspire the people of the Parish

- 5 **Consideration of Statutory Reports:** Annual Report for the year ended 31st December 2021 including:

**The revised Church Electoral Roll for 2022**

Chris Ambrose reported that at the last meeting, the total on the Electoral roll was 93. Since then, 11 people have been removed from the Electoral roll. 2 people have moved away and sadly 9 have died. In the last year, 3 people have been added, so that the Electoral roll now has a total of 85 people.

**Report of the proceedings of the Deanery Synod**

Sarah Parnaby reported that the Deanery were discussing ways in which it can support parishes and each other. She also encouraged the parishioners to attend the meetings held by the Synod who now use the title of Anglicans in Harrow.

**Parish Accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021**

James Mair reported to the meeting. He recorded the PCC's grateful thanks to everybody for all of the extraordinary fundraising generated by "Raise the Roof". He reminded us that fundraising didn't just stop in 2021 and, of necessity, is still very much on-going.

Whilst that will continue for some time yet, as indicated in the Financial Review we will also have to contend with the day-to-day church finances. Unfortunately, with rising costs for utilities, etc., now adding to the situation, and with our available other general reserves at minimal levels, the coming year is going to be yet another challenging one for us to meet.

However, by comparison with all the very different circumstances experienced both locally and across the world in the last few years by everyone, it is again more a question of continuing to be responsive to situations as they arise. As we discovered in 2021, there are and may still be more financial mountains to climb, but with everyone's continued support we will, I'm sure, get there one way or another.

To finish with though, I would like to place on record on behalf of the PCC, the appreciation of all of the work performed, very much away from the spotlight, by, sadly, our Late Independent Examiner of the church accounts, Graham Yates. Graham's support and guidance since 1998 in that role to my predecessors as Treasurer, and in more recent years to myself, has been invaluable and will be greatly missed.

I would also like to take this opportunity of thanking Steve Castle for his work as Stewardship Recorder and the assistance he has given me since he took on that role, just temporarily, in mid-2020. However, now, after nearly 2 years, both Steve and I welcome Terry Diggins into the role of Stewardship Recorder.

### **Report upon the Fabric of the Church**

Steve Castle reported that this report covers the period from the 2021 APCM to today, and is therefore a little different to the Fabric Report within the Annual Report which covers the calendar year 2021.

#### **1. Condition of Buildings**

Planning work to address the urgent items listed in the 2018 Quinquennial Inspection Report continued throughout 2021 along with fundraising with the launch of "Raise the Roof" in August last year.

I'm pleased to say a further one thousand pounds has been raised in March so I can report that, for the phase 1 work, we now have £127,000 raised with £3,000 to go. I would like to sincerely thank everyone who has supported this huge fundraising effort so generously. Part of our total raised included a grant from the Willesden Area Diocese and I am pleased to say the PCC has accepted the terms of a 50% grant, 50% loan of up to £18,000.

Last year our architect submitted the phase 1 roof work to tender and 3 companies responded. Even the lowest response was far higher than we had originally expected and, during the course of the year, while we were fundraising, the cost rose again both due to the rising cost of materials and labour, and due to the ceiling collapse behind the Susan Old Lounge.

In order to bring costs down, the PCC took the decision to remove the replacement of the flat roofs above the vestries from the scope of phase 1. We have also been informed that the leak above the Lady Chapel altar will need to be fixed when the Lady Chapel and Hall pitched roofs are replaced. This is because safe access to the leaking area of the Lady Chapel roof cannot be achieved with the existing roof covering in place. All of this means that phase 1 is now the replacement of the flat roofs above the Church foyer, toilets, Susan Old Lounge, Hall Kitchen, Hall corridors, toilets and Small Hall and the replacement of the guttering around these roofs. The new roof coverings are expected to last over 40 years and will incorporate additional insulation which will help to reduce our gas consumption and therefore our environmental impact upon the planet.

The Faculty (church planning permission) process has started and we hope permission will be received and work will begin in the next couple of months.

As part of phase 2 the Lady Chapel and Hall pitched roof structures will need to be strengthened to support the weight of additional insulation and heavier tiles - the structural engineering design work for this has been completed.

The leak in the Church's copper roof was successfully repaired following permission from the Archdeacon.

## **2. Service and Maintenance**

The annual inspections of all 3 central heating boilers and the fire extinguishers were carried out in March 2022 with no issues.

The Emergency lighting was tested in February 2022 and no issues were found.

The 5-yearly Electrical Inspection was carried out on 31st August 2021 and was passed as Satisfactory. 22 items require improvement and 2 required further investigation. A quote for the electrical work was obtained and will be considered further after the more urgent phase 1 roof works have been completed, possibly in conjunction with Hall kitchen refurbishment (where much of the electrical equipment requiring improvement resides).

## **3. Major Works.**

There were no major works undertaken in 2021.

## **4. Other Activities.**

Minor maintenance works during the year has included:

- Gutter clearance
- Faulty smoke detector replaced
- Leaking corrugated roofing replaced at the rear of Hall

More details of the above items and other minor maintenance works are recorded in the Fabric Reports to PCC and Works Log which are held electronically. The Churchwardens would like to thank everyone who has helped with maintenance activities during another difficult year. It was not possible to hold the normal Gardening Day last year due to COVID-19 restrictions, however, we are grateful to Colin Kirby who continued to mow the lawns, to Jenny Jones, Mike & Pete Gant for tending the flower beds, and to Mike Godden for assistance with various items of maintenance work.

## **5. Future Projects**

Focus will remain on addressing the items listed in the 2018 Quinquennial Inspection Report and those listed in the 2021 Electrical Inspection Report.

## **Report from the Fundraising Committee**

See Annual Report

7. **Election of representatives to the Parochial Church Council, 3 for a three-year term.** Nominations received are Chris Ambrose, Anita Nicholas and Andrew Odeyemi. No other nominations made at the meeting.  
Chris Ambrose, proposed by Margaret Forsyth and seconded by Amanda Roberts  
Anita Nicholas, proposed by Mark Hammond and seconded by Issac Odeyemi  
Andrew Odeyemi, proposed by Steve Castle and seconded by Ian Dawson
8. **Appointment of Sides people**  
Carolyn Mount, Richard Mount, Chris Ambrose, Hilda Greenfield, Marjorie Pimm, Colin Kirby, Margaret Forsyth  
Proposed by Amanda Roberts and seconded by Sarah Wilson
9. **Appointment of Independent Financial Examiner to the P.C.C.**  
Last year the appointment of the Independent Financial Examiner was delegated to the PCC as at the time we did not have a candidate. The PCC subsequently appointed Gowers Ltd. Decision to delegate appointment of Independent Financial Examiner to the PCC was proposed by Marjorie Pimm and seconded by Ann Hughes
10. **Presentations from Parish organisations**  
The presentations have been distributed in both written and electronic forms. No further comments were made.
11. **Any other business**  
None

12.     **Closing Prayer**  
          Led by Father Michael

Meeting Closed 11:40

Clare Moses

Hon. Secretary

20th April 2021

# **PCC of St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills Trustees' Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the Year Ended 2022**

## **Aim and Purposes**

St Edmund's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, The Rev'd Michael Miller, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, financial and practical tasks of being the parish church in this place. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church and Hall buildings and the grounds in which they are set.

## **Objectives and Activities**

The Church of St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills, is a Christian community seeking to share the Good News of Jesus Christ in the diverse context of our parish and its surrounding areas.

First and foremost, we're a group of people committed to worship, and at the heart of our life here is our meeting with Jesus in Word and Sacrament. As we journey together, we aim to provide opportunities for growth and fellowship for people of all ages, and strive to reach out in love to the parish we serve.

Part of the Diocese of London, our Liturgy and devotional practice reflects the Anglo-Catholic tradition of the Church of England, whilst striving to offer a home to all who seek a deeper life with God in Christ Jesus.

## **Who we are**

The PCC is registered charity number 1169098 with the Charity Commission in England and Wales. Registration with the Charity Commission was completed in September 2016, the PCC having

previously been excepted from registration. Members of the PCC are either ex officio or are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

<i>Incumbent</i>	The Rev'd Michael Miller
<i>Assistant Curate</i>	The Rev'd Helen Hutchins

<i>Churchwardens</i>	Mr Steven Castle ( <i>Vice Chair</i> )
	Mr Isaac Odeyemi

<i>Representatives on Harrow Deanery Synod</i>	Mr Steven Castle
	Miss Sarah Parnaby

<i>Elected members up To APCM 2022</i>	Miss Helen Collier
	Mrs Carol Diggins
	Mr Mark Hammond
	Mr James Mair (Treasurer)
	Mrs Clare Moses (PCC Secretary)
	Mrs Anita Nicholas
	Mr Isaac Odeyemi
	Mrs Indrani Prabhu
	Mrs Rachel Windsor

<i>Elected members after the APCM 2022</i>	Mr Christopher Ambrose
	Miss Helen Collier
	Mrs Carol Diggins
	Mr Mark Hammond
	Mr James Mair (Treasurer)
	Mrs Clare Moses (PCC Secretary)
	Mrs Anita Nicholas
	Mrs Indrani Prabhu
	Mr Andrew Odeyemi



## **Sides People**

We are grateful to the following Sides people who, elected at the 2022 APCM, have assisted in welcoming people to worship on Sundays and weekday festivals and who receive and assist in recording the offertory:

Carolyn Mount, Richard Mount, Chris Ambrose, Hilda Greenfield, Marjorie Pimm, Colin Kirby, Margaret Forsyth

## **Recording our Membership**

PCC membership is drawn from the church Electoral Roll, and all those on the roll are entitled to vote in the election to places on the PCC.

At the 2022 APCM there were 85 on the roll compared with 93 the previous year.

Average weekly attendance in 2022 (Sunday and weekday services) was 67 adults and 4 children.

## **PCC Meetings**

In 2022 the PCC met on 7 occasions in person and via Zoom, with an average attendance of 8 members. The PCC receives reports from the Incumbent on pastoral matters, from the Treasurer on the accounts, from the Churchwardens on the fabric of the Church, the Building and Fundraising Committee and the Eco-Church team at each of its meetings. Safeguarding is a standing agenda item.

In 2022 the Standing Committee met 5 times. The membership of this committee comprises the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, PCC Secretary and Treasurer. It transacts PCC business between meetings (subject to directions of the PCC) and draws up the PCC agenda.

## **The Year in Review**

### *January*

The New Year was started with a celebration of the Eucharist in the Lady Chapel. Afterwards Fr Michael treated the 5 parishioners attending to a glass of champagne. From January 1st all services were open for public worship and only Sunday Eucharists and some special/one off services were streamed. Bernadette Rogers' Memorial Service was held at St. Edmund's on 19th January; it was a beautiful and supremely Christian occasion, and the church was crowded. It was also very sad to hear of the deaths of Anne Mitchell, John Peters and Alan Yates. They were all a part of St. Edmund's life and activities for many years.

### *February*

6th February saw the start of our new Raise the Roof Bring & Buy Sale, which took place on the first Sunday of each month after the 10am service. Parishioners were encouraged to bring any new or good condition items that they no longer wanted and to buy something in return. The Women's Guild met on Tuesday 8th February 2022 for their AGM. We received the sad news that our former Choir Director, Nora Wood, died on the 16th. During the Sung Eucharist on the 20th, Mark Hammond played as the prelude – the opening of Elgar's oratorio "The Dream of Gerontius" – which was one of Nora's favourite pieces of music.

### *March*

As usual, this year's Lent Giving was divided between a charity providing services to people in our country and an overseas charity. The Diocese of London Lent Appeal was called Cultivating Compassionate Communities. It focused on raising awareness around issues of mental health and wellbeing for adults and young people, along with domestic abuse. For the overseas charity it was felt that it would be appropriate to select a charity with links to Uganda and children in memory of Bernadette Rogers, who died in December. With this in mind, the PCC chose Play Action International. Play Action International was founded in 2009 as East African Playgrounds, which remains the name of its sister

organisation in Uganda. The charity takes a child-centred approach to education and uses the power of play to transform the lives of vulnerable children in East Africa through specialised play programmes. Nora Wood's Requiem Mass was held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> at which we welcomed back Father Philip Barnes who preached. Fundraising-wise, the bonus ball was back. The Women's Guild had a talk from Clare Moses on her time as a midwife. This Year's Lent Course started on Thursday 10th and was based on the film "The Way". 12 computers logged on to Zoom to share faith and opinions. On the 16th we received the news that Audrey Coates died. Audrey had been living in Winchester for some years, but prior to that she had been a wonderful member of Arrow Players, acting, singing, directing and writing, and she ran the Box Office for some years in the 1980s. The Scouts held a jumble sale at the end of the month to raise funds for their new scout hut. Everyone has building projects in the pipeline!!!

### *April*

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) was held after the 10am Eucharist on 3rd. For the first time in two years we were able to have our annual gardening day. People came and took part in leaf sweeping, flower-bed tidying, edge trimming and light pruning. Lunch and other refreshments were provided for all workers. The Women's Guild met on Tuesday 12th when Colin Richards gave a talk on "Women in Art". For the first time in three years, we were able to worship together in person for the most important week of the year for Christians. We were very blessed this year to be joined at the Easter Vigil by the new Bishop of Willesden, Bishop Lusa, who gave the Blessing at the end of the service. Bishop Lusa also joined us after the service for celebration drinks and nibbles and many of us were able to chat with him. We received the sad news of Jack Warrick's passing on Easter Day; he was such a long-standing and stalwart member of the St. Edmund's family, he served as an intercessor and reader, sidesman, churchwarden, and altar server. It was so good to see such a full church for Jack's funeral, especially old friends from his time at St. Edmund's, like Fr. Bruce and Barbara Driver, and many others - and very special to have

Fr. Peter Godden presiding: a real Church Family affair. What came over strongly were Jack's truly gentlemanly qualities.

### *May*

Fr. Michael caught Covid at the beginning of May. Arrow Players returned to the stage with a new murder mystery "Wynter's Ending or Murder on the Airwaves" written by Mike Warrick. The plot was cleverly convoluted, the script hilarious and the cast on excellent form, showing their usual star quality. Our annual plant sale returned on the 14th. The weather was good to us and the sale was well attended. Many thanks to all who helped, especially to Carol Diggins (whose car broke down on her way back from collecting some of the bedding plants) and Judith Mair who worked so hard sorting out all the many plants that had been bought or donated!!! The Women's Guild were visited by Wendy from The Green Stores at Croxley Green. The Green Stores is a Zero Waste Store, the aim of which is to enable its customers to live a more sustainable life by purchasing package-free products such as dry foods (e.g., pasta, pulses, herbs and spices), snacks, and laundry and household items. Paper bags are supplied, but customers are encouraged to take their own containers (which are carefully weighed in the shop). The Buildings and Fundraising Sub-Committee were pleased to announce that we reached our Raise the Roof Phase 1 target and work was begun to replace the flat roofs above the church foyer, Susan Old Lounge, and around the hall and above the Small Hall. Not resting on our laurels, fundraising for Phase 2 (hall and Lady Chapel pitched-roof replacement) continued. The end of the month saw the Beating the Bounds. The whole walk is about 4 to 5 miles, and takes between 2 and 3 hours. The northern part of the Parish is largely countryside, rather than roads, and is a little steep in parts, so suitable footwear was required. On the way there were good views across Harrow and London. On return to the Church, there were refreshments ready for all participants. We received the sad news of the death of Primrose Linell. She had worshipped for many years at St. Edmund's.

## *June*

The Bring and Buy Sale on the first Sunday of the month continued its successful run. This month saw us celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We had a Film Evening where we watched 'A Royal Night Out' a fictional story of the Queen (Princess Elizabeth at the time) and Princess Margaret as they left Buckingham palace on V.E. night. This was preceded by a Fish and Chip supper which was enjoyed by all. We held a Jubilee lunch BBQ after the Eucharist in the hall. Steve Castle manned the BBQs whilst various members of the Church provided salads to accompany the burgers and sausages. We had more puddings than we knew what to do with!!! The hall had been decorated with pictures of the Queen and red, white and blue bunting (some supplied by the scouts for the occasion). All in all it was a tremendous success and both events helped boost our Raise the Roof Funds. The Summer Fair was well attended and enjoyed by all; we raised £1,698 profit for "Raise the Roof"! The Women's Guild organised a lovely trip to The Garden Centre in Carpenders Park for Afternoon Tea. We also received the sad news of the passing of Bert Heard at the age of 98.

## *July*

Simon Wilson led a walk from St Edmund's to Ruislip Lido to meet our commitment to the Eco-Church. The distance was just over 2 miles / 3 kilometres. Drinks and cake were enjoyed back at St. Edmund's. The Women's Guild had a very enjoyable meeting when David Steward, well-known for playing the piano at our pantomimes, entertained with a large range of delightful light music, interspersed with hilarious anecdotes from his life as a church organist. Father Michael informed the Parish that he would be taking study leave during August, September and October of this year. Before he left, he arranged relief clergy for every Thursday and Sunday.

## *August*

Margery Richards celebrated her 99th Birthday with chocolate cake and sherry after the Thursday 10 o'clock Eucharist.

## *September*

On the 8th, the nation received the sad news that Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had died at Balmoral. Under the guidance for the Church of England, the Parish went into mourning with the Union flag flown at half mast, the church kept open for longer hours, the tolling of the church bell, special prayers and candles lit in memory.

The Women's Guild met for a talk by Sarah Parnaby; "Faiths of the Classical World". It was about the religious faiths that were around in the Roman Empire at the time of Jesus. It set our New Testament readings in a bit of historical context, with some humour thrown in for good measure. Bishop Lusa led a prayer pilgrimage around the Willesden Area on Saturday 17th September. He started that morning at Eastbury Church and came to St. Edmund's via Emmanuel Church Northwood. He stayed for around 25 minutes then moved on to St. Lawrence, Eastcote and St. John's, Pinner. Many of us walked with him of the his journey from St Edmund's to St Lawrence Eastcote. The 24th of the month saw our Book Sale and Eco-Fair. This year as well as a large selection of books, we had plants for sale which Judith Mair has been nurturing since May's plant sale; a representative from the Co-op talking about soft plastic recycling; WRAP (Watford Recycling Arts Project) and Christian Aid. Sarah & Simon Wilson with Hilda Greenfield ran the Bring & Buy stall; Jenny Jones ran the Eco-Church stand selling bird feeders & toilet bombs (fresheners!) which were made by the youth of our church; The Flower Guild displayed arrangements of silk flowers that are now used in the Church as an eco-friendlier option and finally Clare Moses showed how she recycled textiles etc in her crafting hobbies. It raised £469 profit for the "Raise the Roof" appeal. Volunteers were busy decorating; the Small Hall ceiling and walls were repainted and its radiators cleaned. The same in the Susan Old Lounge, foyer and church toilets. Sadly, Eve Pond, died aged 83 on the 21st. Eve was such a lovely person with a wide range of talents and a reliable and competent PCC secretary.

## *October*

The Scouts held a Jumble/Second Hand Sale on Saturday 1st, which raised £1,406 for 2<sup>nd</sup> Northwood (St Edmund's) Scout Group. Well done, everyone! The celebration of the Harvest took place on Sunday 2nd October and we welcomed Fr. Mark Arnold from St. John's, Pinner as our guest preacher and celebrant. After the service, we had a wonderful Harvest Lunch. Many thanks to all those who provided and served a delicious variety of fare which we enjoyed very much. Our gifts this year went again to "The New Hope Trust", a charity in Watford helping the homeless. A Raise the Roof quiz evening was held on the 15th. It was a successful evening raising £489. On Friday 21st October seven members of our congregation joined with nine members of St. Anselm's, Hatch End. and their Vicar, Fr. David Green for our Pilgrimage to Walsingham. On arrival two previous members of our church who have moved away joined us for what was a prayerful and refreshing weekend. On Tuesday 26th October the Women's Guild held their Annual Lunch. It was with great sadness on the 14<sup>th</sup> that we learned of the death of John Wilkinson. John was very active in the Choir and in Arrow Players (of which he was Chairman from 1978-80) until he moved to Somerset some 30 years ago.

## *November*

Father Michael returned from his study leave. All Souls' Day was celebrated with a Requiem Mass. The Women's Guild met on Tuesday 8th for a demonstration on making Christmas wreaths by Elizabeth Wastell; there followed the customary delicious tea. The Remembrance Service on Sunday 13th was a splendid and moving occasion attended by plenty of the Uniformed Organisations and their families. In the afternoon we had our Memorial service for those who have died. Afterwards we partook of one of Marjorie Pimm's fortifying teas. On Saturday 19th we celebrated St. Edmund's Patronal Festival, which was the eve of the actual date because on the Sunday was the Feast of Christ the King. Bishop Lusa came to celebrate at the service which took place at 11am. The service was followed by a delicious lunch. The Christmas Bazaar was held on the 26th. It raised £2,258 in profit for the "Raise the Roof" appeal and was a

really jolly occasion, with fabulous food, Fr. Christmas' Grotto, Carols played by Harrow Concert Band and a great array of lovely things to buy.

### *December*

The Christmas Tree Festival was held from the 9th to the 18th, and again this year there were some wonderful works of art and craft. This year, quite a few people thought outside the box when creating their trees. On Tuesday 13th December the Women's Guild Carols took place. Peter Heath was the M. C. and pianist. He also explained the history of some of the carols. This year the Parish presented Home-Start Hillingdon with ninety-two Christmas boxes filled with toys, etc. for those young families who are struggling in today's financial climate. Our service of Nine Lessons and Carols was well attended and afterwards, we were treated to refreshments in the hall. On Christmas Eve the Crib Service saw the Church almost full. The service drew lots of children who dressed as various characters from the Christmas story. New Year's Eve service of Meditation and Devotion with Benediction was a lovely way to close the year rededicating our lives to our service in Christ.

During 2022 there were 2 Baptisms, no marriages and 9 funerals, 4 of which were held in church.

## **Financial review**

### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

Before considering the 2022 Accounts it is important to remember that there were several underlying factors that made the year different to that of 2021. The primary ones were that:

- Lockdown was in place for the majority of the first 4 months in 2021, thus saving costs as Church services were not being open to the public.
- Up to August 2021 Giving was primarily towards our General Fund which benefitted from the uplift following the Stewardship Renewal Programme in November 2020, before, understandably, becoming directed towards the needs of the "Raise the Roof" fundraising.



- In 2022 “Raise the Roof” fundraising continued, albeit not at such a pace as in 2021 with certain notable exceptions, and, as mentioned in the Fabric Report, Phase 1 of the roof replacement works was completed.

The effect of the “Raise the Roof” project upon the 2022 Accounts, as also happened in 2021, actually complicates the presentation of the results, especially on page 3 of the Financial Statements which shows the summary figures for the year and, in places, combines some of the “Raise the Roof” elements with the ‘ordinary’ financial activities. Due to the great significance and impact in every respect of the project in 2022, those figures will be reviewed first before moving on to the ‘ordinary’ financial results.

#### “RAISE THE ROOF”

The vast majority of the figures for the project are shown within the Restricted Funds columns on pages 3 to 5 of the Financial Statements, whether for Income (which in 2022 includes the continuing fundraising into Phase 2), or Expenditure which was solely for Phase 1. The one exception is the “Other Expenditure” figure of £36,567 shown within the Unrestricted Funds column, which actually represents the Designated Funds used to pay towards the costs of Phase 1.

After the amazing initial fundraising activities happening in 2021, understandably, in 2022 the rate of donations has been lower. However, in addition to the various fundraising activities in 2022 and the continuing generous donations from individuals received, we were extremely fortunate to receive an incredible contribution of £40,000 from Arrow Players - the amount being split into £15,000 for Phase 1 and £25,000 towards Phase 2 of the works. The total amount of this is within the first figure in the Restricted column on page 4, which does also include £247 of restricted donations to the Flower Fund. The Arrow Players £40,000 contribution was also in addition to the £1,000 received in 2022 resulting from their November 2021 play as part of their activities for the “Raise the Roof” 5K Challenge.

Other elements of the monies received for the project are shown further down the Restricted figures column on page 4:

- Application was made to the London Diocese for a grant of £9,000 towards the costs of Phase 1, (which also resulted in an interest free loan of a further £9,000 to aid our cashflow situation. The loan is repayable over 3 years from July 2023 and is shown on the Balance Sheet (page 6) under both Liabilities falling due within, and over one year).
- The legacy of £500, as detailed in Note 2 to the financial Statements on page 13.
- The monies raised by the various Church events held throughout the year like the Plant Sale, Summer Fair and Christmas Bazaar and many others including the regular first Sunday of the month Bring & Buy Sales. As shown under “Other trading activities” these raised £10,274 (less the associated costs with some of the events which totalled £1,470 as shown at the bottom of page 4 under the first section of Expenditure).

Added to the nearly £59,000 raised in 2021 and the £36,567 of the Designated funds initially allocated in 2021, the original “Raise the Roof” Phase 1 target of £130,000 was reached, enabling the works to start in May 2022.

As shown at the end of page 5, the expenditure in 2022 on Phase 1 totalled £126,398. Together with the £12,606 spent on various preliminary works in 2021, the total cost of Phase 1 became £139,004. With such major works, there is always the possibility of additional costs as things progress and therefore the PCC took the decision that the excess over the £130,000 would be funded from the Amy Hayward Bequest – as reflected on the first and last lines of the Fund Movement Summary on page 11.

The support in terms of fundraising, plus the numerous donations received, in what is a comparatively short period of time, has been nothing short of phenomenal and our thanks goes to everyone involved.

Having completed Phase 1, the attention and fundraising continues in earnest towards the Phase 2 project costs. At the end of 2022, as shown within the lower “Restricted” section on page 10 (on the first and fourth lines), the Phase 2 monies raised, including the Arrow Players contribution mentioned earlier, stood at nearly £49,000. Due to the scope of the these works on the Chapel and Church Hall roofs etc., and their eventual costs, it is envisaged that the works will be split into more manageable sections to enable some works to commence (slightly) sooner than would be case if it was kept as a whole. What and how things can be approached is still under discussion and planning with our architect.

In the meantime, there continues the need to maintain the ‘ordinary’ day to day finances to support the work of St. Edmunds in the local community. In the main, these are within the unrestricted funds figures shown in the first column of page 3, Again, the exception to this is the Other Expenditure (for “Raise the Roof” as already mentioned) of £36,567.

Pages 4 and 5 provide a more detailed breakdown of the funds and figures and on page 4 it will be seen that the total unrestricted income total is £90,857 and on page 5 the total unrestricted expenditure is £90,223. These then give a small surplus on the General Funds of £634 (for 2021 the comparable figure was a surplus of £4,626). However, even this year’s virtual ‘break-even’ income and expenditure situation has elements which require explanation.

## INCOME

As forewarned in last year’s Financial Review, in 2022 the levels of Gift Aided Giving reduced considerably to £30,075 (2021: £36,987). Compared with that received in 2020, it is around £1,300 lower, whilst compared

with 2019, the last full before Covid and the ensuing alterations to everyday life, it is some £2,450 lower.

Unfortunately, this reduction arises primarily as a result of the ‘anno domini’ effect on giving and the associated level of Gift Aid receivable. It is therefore very understandable that the decline will continue to affect the amounts into the future until another Stewardship Renewal programme occurs. However, it must also be remembered that with the “Raise the Roof” fundraising continuing since August 2021 one cannot expect the other sources of Giving to necessarily continue unaffected - another example in 2022 is that of general donations, which fell by nearly half to £2,164. Nevertheless, it is still noticeable that the CAF Donate button on the St. Edmund’s website, and the availability of the card machine at events, continue to encourage giving / money that may not necessarily have received otherwise.

With the reduced level of general giving and donations, it was somewhat fortuitous that in October 2022 the London Diocese announced that application could be made to receive an unspecified amount for a Church Energy Cost Support Grant to assist with the ever increasing cost of electricity and gas. The Grant was received in December 2022 and was for a figure much larger than anything that could have been expected (at £2,641) and is shown within Non-recurring grants.

2022 saw event hirings being possible throughout the year, whereas in 2021 it only restarted in October. As a consequence, income from Church Hall Lettings increased significantly by around 24% to a record £40,469 (2021: £32,624) whilst the main regular hirer continues to be the Montessori Nursery School. On the other hand, the level of this income increasingly shows just how much St. Edmunds is dependent upon it, representing over 44% of the unrestricted income in 2022 (2021: 37%). Again, it is very important to recognise the importance of having this source of income, which also helps to bring many people into contact with St. Edmunds as part of the local community. It also serves to underline the importance of Phase 2 of the “Raise the Roof” project, which includes the

necessary replacement of the church hall roof. Without an operational church hall, our day to day finances wouldn't be sustainable whatsoever.

Interest rates gradually rose as 2022 progressed and income from Investments from all sources bounced back from the low level experienced in 2021.

The last entries for Income on page 4 reflect the insurance monies received following the theft of the church projector system and damage done to the low boundary wall by the 'West' door. These sums are then balanced by expenditure (on page 5) made to replace the equipment (within the Administration line 2360), and by a matching provision for costs as it didn't prove possible to get the wall repaired in 2022, or yet to date (see Upkeep of the churchyard line 2350).

## EXPENDITURE

Of the total Unrestricted expenditure of £90,223 (shown on pages 4 and 5) and the Designated expenditure of £3,444 (see page 5), the main component continues to be the unchanged Common Fund payments totalling £54,000.

It will be seen that many of the costs have increased this year, which isn't surprising as the church was open throughout 2022. Also, with there being more events and church hall lettings this year, there were associated additional energy costs, but these were more than covered by the income derived. As referred to earlier under the review of Income, some of the energy costs incurred in the year were offset by the Energy Grant received.

The other large increase in costs this year is the Administration costs (line 2360). Included within the Unrestricted element of £5,059 is the replacement of the church projector system which was covered by the insurance monies, whilst within the Designated figure of £3,300 was the cost of a new photocopier for the church office for £1,956. This latter

purchase was funded by the Print Unit (a Designated fund) and as shown on page 11, there still remains £2,873 within that fund for future use.

Finally, for expenditure, the increase in the costs for the Parish Newsletter (line 2501) to £1,498 in 2022 is because for the first time since Covid it was possible to print and deliver the usual 3 parish newsletters. In 2021 there was only the Christmas newsletter.

Returning to (the middle part of) page 3, 2022 saw for a second year running another loss upon the revaluation of Investments (which are shown under Fixed Assets on the Balance Sheet on page 8) to their market values at 31 December 2022. In 2022 the loss was £ 3,117 (2021: £1,345) which primarily affects investments held for Restricted Funds like those for Clean Water and for Overseas Aid, rather than the General Fund. As previously noted, the interest received in 2022 was much improved from these investments. They continue to be held with the Central Board of Finance (CBF) of the Church of England and are still considered worthwhile retaining.

After accounting for the losses on the revaluation of investments and the Phase 1 “Raise the Roof” expenditure, the total overall Funds at 31 December 2022 unsurprisingly decreased by £63,089 to £131,999. The analysis of the balances across the various funds is shown on the lower half of page 10 of the Financial Statements, whilst the overall movements on the individual funds in 2022 are shown on page 11 (2021: page 12).

Out of the total funds held at 31 December 2022, as shown on page 9, £7,056 is held in unrestricted funds, with Designated Funds having £18,243, and £106,699 held in Restricted Funds. (For 2021 the respective figures were £6,422; £57,230 and £131,436).

## RESERVES POLICY

In order to maintain cashflows and provide for emergency expenditure, it is PCC policy to try to maintain sufficient balance on free reserves (net current assets) to cover three months’ normal unrestricted expenditure,

around £25,000. At the end of 2022 the balance on the free reserves was £25,299 (2021: £63,652).

Longer term major projects are subject to specific fundraising exercises as deemed appropriate.

Short-term investment fund balances are usually placed with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund, whilst longer term investments are mainly held in CBF Church of England Fixed Interest Accounts.

Overall in 2022, for one reason or another, ‘ordinary’ income and expenditure turned out to be almost equal to each other. However, looking to the future, with the much lower level of free reserves, rising costs and the continuing need to fund raise for “Raise the Roof”, the PCC took the difficult decision that to maintain our 2023 Common Fund offer at the same level as recent years was no longer sustainable. Accordingly, it has been reduced by £4,000 to £50,000. Even with this adjustment to our ‘everyday’ costs, 2023 will again be another financially challenging year.

Finally, the PCC, again, wish to place on record our very grateful thanks for the continuing extraordinary generosity of all of the supporters of St. Edmund’s throughout what are continuing to be financially difficult times for everybody.

## **Fabric Report**

### **1. Condition of Buildings**

Good progress was made on a number of the urgent items identified in the 2018 Quinquennial Inspection Report. Thanks to our successful “Raise the Roof Phase 1” Appeal the flat roof coverings above the Church foyer, toilets, Susan Old lounge, Hall kitchen, toilets, corridors and Small Hall were renewed along with surrounding guttering. A temporary repair to the missing section of high-level guttering at the front of the Lady Chapel was also completed. The collapsed ceiling in the Susan Old Lounge was reinstated and the whole lounge ceiling replastered. Ceiling and walls

were painted and carpet replaced with carpet tiles in both Church foyer/Susan Old Lounge and Small Hall areas. Fluorescent lighting in the Susan Old Lounge was replaced with LED equivalent. The construction work (excluding interior redecoration) was carried out by CEH Contracts Ltd with architect Mike Harrison of Barnsley Hewett and Mallinson Ltd planning and overseeing the work. The project required the use of almost all of the contingency funding pre-agreed by the PCC. The Churchwardens would like to record their gratitude to everyone from St Edmund's and to Grant Bentley of Harrow Concert Band who assisted in the interior redecoration work.

The Church copper roof leak at its apex above the centre lectern was successfully repaired by Boyle Copper and Zinc Craft Ltd.

Both the flat roof replacement work and the Church copper roof repair were carried out with the Archdeacon's Permission under List B.

## 2. Service and Maintenance

The annual inspections of all central heating boilers were carried out in March 2022 with no issues found. Gas Safe certificates were received. Fire extinguishers were serviced in March 2022 with no issues found. Emergency lighting was successfully tested in March 2022.

3. Major Works. There were no Major Works undertaken in 2022.

## 4. Other Activities.

Minor maintenance works during the year has included:

- High level gutter clearance
- Lawn mower professionally serviced
- Partially fallen Cherry tree at front of hall removed following storm damage
- Chi-Rho Cleaning Services engaged for weekly cleaning of hall kitchen, toilets and church foyer/Susan Old Lounge and toilets



- New church office photocopier purchased
- 2 Hall corridor fluorescent lights replaced with LED equivalent
- Various minor plumbing and electrical repairs/replacements

More detail on all the above and other minor maintenance works is recorded in the Fabric Reports to PCC which are held electronically. These are available for inspection upon request via any member of the PCC Standing Committee.

The Churchwardens would like to thank everyone who has helped with maintenance activities during a difficult year and particularly on the Gardening Day. We are grateful to Colin Kirby who continued to mow the lawns, to Mike Godden for assistance with various items of maintenance work and to Jenny Jones, Mike and Peter Gant, and all who have tended the grounds throughout the year.

## 5. Future Projects

Focus will remain on addressing the urgent items listed in the 2018 Quinquennial Inspection Report and the C3 Improvement items listed in the 2021 Electrical Inspection Report.

Steven Castle  
Churchwarden

## **Harrow Deanery Synod**

The first meeting was held on 23 February at Christ Church Roxeth. Revd Elaine Weaver shared information about the parish and led the opening worship. Emmanuel Gill spoke about the purpose and work of the London City Mission in Harrow. They work alongside teams from the churches to reach out to the Hindu and Muslim populations. The Area Dean introduced a discussion on the focus of the Deanery Synod to assist the Standing Committee with the choice of subjects for future meetings. A service to welcome Bishop Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy to the Willesden Area was held at Emmanuel Church Northwood on 27 February. A Deanery

Eucharist celebrated by Bishop Lusa was held in Holy Trinity Church Northwood on 7 June. The service was followed by a time of Fellowship when members of the churches could meet Bishop Lusa informally over refreshments.

A meeting to discuss Synod business was held using the Zoom software on 6 July. One application for a grant from the Deanery Mission Fund had been received from St Peter's West Harrow for £1,000 towards their work with young people; this was approved. The Deanery Accounts for 2021 were received and approved, subject to Independent Examination. Revd Emma Webber was elected to the vacancy for a clergy representative on the Deanery Standing Committee. Pam Clissold was standing down as Deanery Treasurer and it was agreed that Revd David Green would act as Treasurer until an election is held in July 2023.

The third meeting was held on 10 November at St John's Church of England School, Stanmore. The school choir welcomed Synod to the school by singing some songs. Jo Hester, Headteacher, gave an introduction to the school and the pupil composition. She explained the school's ethos and vision, and that it is recognised as a Music Hub, Early Years Hub and Religious Education Hub. The music teacher explained that the school orchestra had over 50 members and there were choirs from both sections of the school. The Assistant Headteacher explained the curriculum and the main drivers. Four of the children shared their experiences at the school. The choir sang their vision song including the words "we make a difference". Becky Frost and Hilary Millard from Harrow Regeneration shared the resources that they provide to churches and schools in Harrow and their involvement during the year. They asked for continuing support from the churches for their work as a charity including volunteering, financial giving and prayer. James Wood and Helen Wolstencroft shared information about the Church of England Growth Report in respect of young people and the changes that churches need to make as a result of the pandemic. They explained that churches, some of whom do not have the volunteers for youth work that they had previously, need to partner with other churches and organisations and

use the resources available from the Diocese. There was then a time for prayer in small groups. The 2021 Deanery Accounts had been Independently Examined successfully.

Monthly Prayer for Harrow has taken place on the first evening of each month under the leadership of Revd Malcolm Finlay and then Revd Ian Dowsett, using the Zoom software.

Reports on the sessions of the London Diocesan Synod and of the General Synod were received at meetings during the year.

Robert May  
Honorary Secretary

### **Approval of the Annual Report by the Parochial Church Council**

The Annual Report set out on pages 15 to 35 were approved by the Parochial Church Council of St. Edmund the King, Northwood Hills on 14th March 2023 and will be proposed for adoption by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on 26th March 2023.



The Rev'd Michael Miller  
Chairman of the Meeting  
14th March 2023 (PCC)



The Rev'd Michael Miller  
Chairman of the Meeting  
26th March 2023 (APCM)

# **Reports from Church Organisations Active Throughout the Year**

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Northwood (St. Edmund's) Scout Group**

The Group has had a busy year with all the sections enjoying a wide range of interesting, adventurous, and challenging activities, as well as attending Church Parades, participating in District events and supporting our own fund-raising projects. Our heart-felt thanks go to all the leaders for their dedication, commitment and hard work, particularly during the Covid pandemic. They generously give up their free time to support the Scout Group despite having busy working lives and families. Also, a special thank you to the parent helpers who volunteer each week in the Beaver and Cub sections. We sadly say goodbye to Chris who is leaving us as a Scout Leader after 10 years and thank him for all he has given to the scout troop.

The Scouts have had a particularly active and successful year starting with the Chilly Goat camping competition in early January, competing with 10 other troops and taking second place. At the end of March, a team competed in the District Swimming Gala, winning the swimming shield and bringing it back to the troop for yet another year. In addition, there have been camps, hikes, kayaking and paddle boarding at Bury Lake, air rifle shooting, archery and go-karting, and our scouts were one of the first groups to climb Paccar's new multi-face 9 meter climbing wall.

As the numbers continue to grow, we need more leaders and volunteers in the uniformed sections, new members for the executive committee as well as help with our various fund-raising activities. It is particularly gratifying that our two young leaders in the Scout leadership team are both former members of the 2nd Northwood having started as Beaver Scouts. Parents are now being invited to join as regular parent helpers, section assistants or assistant leaders.

Work towards the new scout hut is ongoing. We have received quotations, but due to rises in building costs and materials, these are unacceptably high. As a result, we may need to look at a less ambitious project, and go for a rebuild of a similar size to the existing hut.

Now that Covid restrictions have been lifted, our aim is to increase our level of fund raising. It is difficult at this present time to raise funds when organisations are vying for limited money and grants. We held two jumble sales during the year making £1262 in March and £1406 in November. We are grateful to the many volunteers who helped on these two occasions.

Marjorie Pimm, Group Secretary

### **Arrow Players**

Because of continuing difficulties related to covid, Arrow Players was unable to present St. Edmund's Pantomime in 2022. The only production of the year, in May, was a play "Wynter's Ending or Murder on the Airwaves", written and Directed by Mike Warrick. The production had originally been planned for May 2020, but had suffered several covid-induced postponements.

From September to the end of the year, our main activity was to return, after 2 disrupted years, to the rehearsal and preparation of the St. Edmund's Pantomime, which this time was "Humpty Dumpty", to be presented in January 2023.

Arrow Players is affiliated to the National Operatic and Dramatic Association (NODA). As part of that affiliation, a NODA reviewer comes to a performance of each production, and sends us a report on the show. The report is also used as a basis for the presentation of Awards on a Regional basis - we are in the London Region, which actually includes most of the Home Counties. In the past, we have won a few awards - notably Best Pantomime for 2015's "Jack and the Beanstalk" - and we have had numerous nominations; see our website for the full list. For the 2022 awards, presented in June, we received 3 nominations - The Scenery Award, for 2020's "Aladdin", and the "Innovation" Award and the Drama

Award, both for 2021's "Now You See It, No, You Don't". This time we were successful in winning the Scenery Award.

We awarded 25-year Long Service Medals to Jenny Sakal and Adam Clark. Our Zoom Quiz Evenings continued until the autumn, when we decided that as normal activities had been (largely) resumed, we would shelve the quizzes for the time being. We had held a remarkable 72 of the quizzes, and we will ever be grateful to Nicky Setterfield for her organisation of them.

We were able to return to hold our usual Annual Dinner at Pinner Hill Golf Club February. Our participation in Church activities included running our usual side-shows at the Summer Fair (which raised more money than ever before), construction of stalls for the Plant Sale, and Father Christmas and his grotto at the Christmas Bazaar in November. Fr. Christmas actually had his best Bazaar since 2006, receiving 34 little visitors. We have also made a number of contributions, both practical and financial, to the running of the Church, the Hall and the grounds, including the funding of the annual Church gardening day, and we also arranged for the large Christmas tree in the Church - the second of our home-grown trees.

Mike Godden (Chairman)

## **Choir**

As we moved in 2022 towards a more normal way of life after several years of disruption, St Edmund's Choir have continued to play an important role in helping to lead worship on Sunday mornings and on major feast days. It was good to be back in church for Holy Week and Easter with the moving Good Friday Passion of Tomas Victoria leading to the glorious celebration of Easter itself. One of the highlights of the Christmas season is always the Carol Service and once again the choir excelled themselves. Particularly noteworthy was Helen Collier's beautiful solo in "I Sing of a Maiden", the carol I wrote during my time at Cambridge in 1985.

Away from the choir stalls, the choir continue to run the Grand Draw at both the Summer Fair and the Christmas Bazaar and I am grateful for their help. In August we enjoyed an afternoon tea at Carpenter's Park Garden Centre.

We were unable to participate in the Harrow Deanery Choirs' Festival in October but are hoping to do so in 2023 – it is being held at St John's, Greenhill on Saturday October 13th.

I would like to finish by thanking the dedicated members of the choir who make such a valuable contribution to services at St Edmund's. We are all indebted to them. We are always looking for new members. There is no audition and there is no requirement to be able to read music. We rehearse forty-five minutes before the Sunday morning service – do speak to me for further information.

Mark Hammond (Director of Music)

## **Eco Church**

The Creation Care Team worked hard during the year to help St Edmund's achieve a Bronze Eco Church Award. We were asked to assess ourselves in five categories Worship and Teaching, Buildings, Land, Community & Global Engagement and Life Style. During the year we have placed a recycling bin in the hall kitchen and now the work is finished in the foyer a recycle bin will be placed there too. A Recycling Centre has been created in the foyer for used spectacles, gently used bras, used printer ink cartridges, used batteries, used pens, and stamps. This allows not just church people but members of the community to recycle in a convenient place. Bring and buy sales have been introduced which not only raise money for the church but provide the opportunity for items to be reused and recycled. We looked after the land by providing bird food and bug hotels as well as making leaf mould which we plan to sell at the plant sale.

During the coming year we hope to undertake an eco-survey of the land and create a bank of wild flowers in the hall garden.

A number of events took place such as the Fair-Trade stall made available after church one Sunday, the Women's Guild invited the owner of the Eco Store in Croxley Green to speak at their meeting and we introduced an Eco Fair to take place during the Book Sale. A group of us also got together to create the boxes for the recycling centre and to make items for sale at the Eco Fair.

Life style initiatives have included articles in the magazine about eco issues, providing items such as toilet rolls for people to try out and encouraging people to go out for walks by organising events such as Beating the Bounds or a walk to Ruislip Lido. Look out for more walks in the coming year.

This is all underpinned by the support of the PCC and congregation and through the power of prayer as we consider God's creation through intercessions and regular sermons. These are just a few of the things that have been done to help St Edmund's achieve the Bronze Eco Award. Trying to care for God's creation is a big undertaking and will continue as we try to achieve or Silver Eco award. Thank you to everyone for taking part in the journey to help maintain the world that God created.

Carol Diggins

## **Flower Guild**

The guild continued to use a mixture of fresh and artificial flowers and foliage throughout the year. This helped to minimise expenditure and also is more environmentally aware as we recycle materials where possible and purchase fresh English grown flowers to keep associated carbon footprint low.

The guild marked significant national and annual events using appropriate colours within floral designs. The seasonal decorations table at the Christmas fair saw a good turnover of fresh and artificial arrangements. Many of these used gifted or donated items for containers, baubles and



bows. This is an initiative the guild will develop for future fundraising events.

We would welcome anybody who wishes to join the guild. No previous experience is necessary, we can coach or give ideas to any interested party. For more information or to chat it through call Glenda on telephone number 07850 581 551.

Glenda Greenfield

## **Sunday School**

The children attending Sunday School at St Edmund's are currently a small group quite close in age so we are able to teach as one group tweaking lessons here and there to meet the children's individual needs. There are 4 children who regularly attend along with some parents.

We no longer purchase a teaching scheme but use the books we already have as a foundation for our lessons and fill in with our own teaching plans where necessary. Topics covered included the Prodigal Son and other parables that Jesus told, baptism, remembrance and the story of Edmund. As well as some sessions that explore God's creation. Sessions begin with a game and usually include a video of the story plus a retelling. We use playdough and other craft activities to help with learning and often have time for singing and playing instruments and end with a quiet time of reflection through prayer. Running round the hall is also a feature.

We followed the story of the first Christmas and the craft we created was used as part of our contribution to the Christmas Tree Festival.

This year we again gave shoe boxes filled with toys for the children who are supported by Home Start Hillingdon. We managed to provide over ninety boxes which were much appreciated by the families who received them. Thank you to everyone who contributed toys, knitted items or helped to wrap the boxes. We also contributed to the Summer Fair and Christmas Bazaar by running a toy stall. In the current year we will be taking part in the Big Volunteer on Monday 8 May following the

Coronation. We hope people will be able to join us in covering the shoe boxes that will be needed next time.

Carol Diggins  
Sunday School Leader

## **Youth Group**

Youth Group ran in the Hall and met 7pm – 9pm every fortnight during term time. The leadership of the Youth Group continued to benefit from Andrew Odeyemi's help each week and Madeline and Oscar Roberts continued to assist as valuable Young Leaders. The number of children attending continued to increase throughout the year. Activities included pool, air hockey, football, dodge-ball, table tennis, bomb-ball, table football, darts (of the magnetic non-pointed kind!) and a couple of film evenings complete with hot dogs and popcorn. Members included those within and those outside St Edmund's congregation.

During the year the Youth Group assisted in running stalls at the Summer Fair and Christmas Bazaar.

I am very grateful to Fr Michael for joining us each week and to the helpers Carol Diggins, Aline Hammond-Gilles, and Sarah Parnaby without whom the group could not run. I would also like to thank Andrew Odeyemi for assisting in the leadership and twins Madeline and Oscar for their enthusiasm, help and support.

Steve Castle  
Youth Group Leader

## **'The King' Parish Magazine**

The Magazine has been published regularly throughout the year. The majority of readers receive it via e-mail sent out by **Mark Hammond**. Hard copies are produced by request for those who do not have computers. Many thanks are due to the regular contributors: Father Michael, Sarah Parnaby, Steve Castle and Mike Godden who usually contribute every month, but thanks are also due to Isaac Oedyemi, Mother Helen, and Sarah Parnaby who each contributed a Parish letter over the three months when Fr Michael was away. The bulk of the work behind the scenes is carried out by Mike Godden who receives material from the Editor, collates it and sends the draft back to the Editor before passing it over to be printed.- This task involves time and effort! and is much appreciated. The Editor is always happy to put in an article into the magazine- all is needed is to get in touch.

Jenny Jones  
Honorary Editor

## **Women's Guild**

The Women's Guild meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. We have a loyal membership and enjoy a varied programme followed by tea.

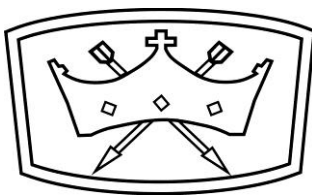
In March Clare Moses gave us a talk on her time in Midwifery. She spoke so well, she really had such a great career, and answered all questions in such an interesting manner. In June we paid a visit to a garden centre and enjoyed afternoon tea together. In November Elizabeth Wastell demonstrated the tying of Christmas ribbons. This proved to be very amusing and everyone really enjoyed it. Elizabeth has promised to return next November. The year ended with a Carol Concert led by Peter Heath and was followed by a festive tea.

Our members are all supportive of each other and really enjoy meeting once a month.

Connie Ambrose  
Women's Guild

Edmund was the devout young King of the East Angles,  
martyred by the Danes for his allegiance to Christ in the year 869  
when he was 29 years old.

The crown and arrows of the church crest  
symbolise his Kingship and Martyrdom.



The Church of St. Edmund the King has been serving  
The Parish of Northwood Hills since 1934.

The Parish is in the Harrow Deanery  
of the Willesden Episcopal Area of the Diocese of London.



PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. EDMUND THE KING, NORTHWOOD HILLS,  
DIOCESE OF LONDON (WILLESDEN AREA)

Registered Charity No. 1169098

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. EDMUND THE KING, NORTHWOOD HILLS,  
DIOCESE OF LONDON (WILLESSEN AREA)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS BY THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The Financial Statements set out on pages 3 to 14 were approved by the Parochial Church Council of St. Edmund the King, Northwood Hills on 14th March 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Miller', written in a cursive style.

Fr. Michael Miller  
Chairman of the Meeting  
14th March 2023

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF  
ST EDMUND THE KING NORTHWOOD HILLS.  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022 set out on pages 3 to 14.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (the members of the Parochial Church Council) 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 required.

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

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 statements 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.



Rev. David M Green FCA  
Gowers Limited  
Chartered Accountants  
The Old School House  
Bridge Road  
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31st July 2023

**St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills**  
**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the period from 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<i>Income and endowments from:</i>					
Donations and legacies	47,172	59,033	—	106,206	110,066
Incoming resources from church activities					
Income from Church activities	41,598	—	—	41,598	33,597
Other trading activities	252	10,274	—	10,526	5,431
Investments	439	1,252	—	1,691	706
Other income	2,597	730	—	3,327	—
<b>Total income</b>	<b>92,060</b>	<b>71,289</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>163,350</b>	<b>149,802</b>
<i>Expenditure on:</i>					
Costs of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary income	167	1,470	—	1,637	618
Church activities	93,500	1,785	—	95,286	86,713
Other expenditure	36,567	89,831	—	126,398	16,095
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>130,235</b>	<b>93,087</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>223,323</b>	<b>103,427</b>
Gains / losses on investment assets	(178)	(2,938)	—	(3,117)	(1,345)
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>(38,353)</b>	<b>(24,736)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(63,089)</b>	<b>45,029</b>
<i>Transfers</i>					
Gross transfers between funds - in	13,790	9,004	—	22,794	36,538
Gross transfers between funds - out	(13,790)	(9,004)	—	(22,794)	(36,538)
<i>Other recognised gains / losses</i>					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(38,353)</b>	<b>(24,736)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(63,089)</b>	<b>45,029</b>
<i>Reconciliation of funds</i>					
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>63,652</b>	<b>131,436</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>195,088</b>	<b>150,059</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>25,299</b>	<b>106,699</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>131,999</b>	<b>195,088</b>

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# St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills

## Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
<b>Income and endowments</b>						
<i>Donations and legacies</i>						
0101 - Gift Aid - Bank	27,685	—	—	—	27,685	33,956
0110 - Gift Aid - Envelopes	2,390	—	—	—	2,390	3,031
0201 - Other planned giving	1,961	—	—	—	1,961	1,801
0301 - Loose plate Collections	1,437	—	—	—	1,437	1,224
0401 - Recurring grants	2,164	1,046	48,493	—	51,704	50,630
0410 - Lent Savings & Missions	—	—	180	—	180	662
0501 - One-off Gift Aid gifts	—	—	—	—	—	—
0510 - Non-recurring grants	2,641	—	9,000	—	11,641	—
0601 - Tax recoverable on Gift Aid	7,847	—	860	—	8,707	18,761
0701 - Legacies	—	—	500	—	500	—
<i>Donations and legacies Totals</i>	46,126	1,046	59,033	—	106,206	110,066
<i>Incoming resources from church activities</i>						
0420 - Pantomime Profit	—	—	—	—	—	—
1101 - Fees for weddings & funerals	1,129	—	—	—	1,129	973
1201 - Church hall lettings	40,469	—	—	—	40,469	32,624
<i>Incoming resources from church activities Totals</i>	41,598	—	—	—	41,598	33,597
<i>Other trading activities</i>						
0901 - Fairs etc.	—	—	6,241	—	6,241	2,677
0910 - Concerts & minor events	252	—	4,032	—	4,285	2,754
<i>Other trading activities Totals</i>	252	—	10,274	—	10,526	5,431
<i>Investments</i>						
1001 - Dividends & Interest	239	155	1,197	—	1,591	703
1010 - Bank & building soc interest	43	1	55	—	100	2
<i>Investments Totals</i>	282	157	1,252	—	1,691	706
<i>Other income</i>						
1301 - Insurance claims	2,597	—	730	—	3,327	—
<i>Other income Totals</i>	2,597	—	730	—	3,327	—
<b>Income and endowments Grand totals</b>	90,857	1,203	71,289	—	163,350	149,802

## Expenditure

### Costs of generating funds

1701 - Regular giving support costs	147	—	—	—	147	134
1730 - Cost of fetes & other events	20	—	1,470	—	1,490	484
<i>Costs of generating funds Totals</i>	167	—	1,470	—	1,637	618

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	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total	
					This year	Last year
<i>Church activities</i>						
1810 - Giving-relief & dev agencies	—	—	574	—	574	779
1820 - Home mission	—	—	—	—	—	783
1830 - Secular charities	—	—	—	—	—	70
1840 - Willesden Area School Levy	—	—	—	—	—	540
1850 - Bishop of Willesden Mission Fund	540	—	—	—	540	—
1901 - Common Fund	54,000	—	—	—	54,000	54,000
2010 - Salaries, honoraria etc	4,895	—	—	—	4,895	3,095
2101 - Clergy expenses	311	—	—	—	311	318
2130 - Vicarage expenses	498	—	—	—	498	479
2260 - Parish training and mission	—	—	105	—	105	164
2301 - Church running costs - Insurance	1,932	—	—	—	1,932	1,848
2310 - Servicing	350	—	—	—	350	314
2320 - Organ/piano tuning	—	144	—	—	144	604
2330 - Church maintenance	975	—	—	—	975	5,950
2340 - Upkeep of services	2,186	—	374	—	2,560	2,002
2350 - Upkeep of churchyard	136	—	730	—	866	19
2360 - Administration	5,059	3,300	—	—	8,360	2,691
2365 - Accounts Examination	594	—	—	—	594	576
2401 - Church running costs - Electric	485	—	—	—	485	401
2410 - Church running costs - Gas	2,332	—	—	—	2,332	1,280
2420 - Church running costs - Water	249	—	—	—	249	269
2501 - Parish Newsletter	1,494	—	—	—	1,494	498
2510 - Hall running costs - Gas	6,998	—	—	—	6,998	3,840
2520 - Hall running costs - Electric	1,456	—	—	—	1,456	1,204
2530 - Hall running costs - Water	747	—	—	—	747	809
2540 - Hall running costs - Insurance	1,288	—	—	—	1,288	1,232
2550 - Hall running costs - Other	3,526	—	—	—	3,526	2,936
<i>Church activities Totals</i>	90,056	3,444	1,785	—	95,286	86,713
<i>Other expenditure</i>						
2701 - Major Repairs & redecoration	—	36,567	89,831	—	126,398	12,605
2801 - Major Repairs etc - Hall	—	—	—	—	—	3,490
<i>Other expenditure Totals</i>	—	36,567	89,831	—	126,398	16,095
<b>Expenditure Grand totals</b>	90,223	40,011	93,087	—	223,323	103,427

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**St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills**

**Balance sheet (Summary)**  
**As at: 31 December 2022**

	As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Investments	20,313	23,431
	<u>20,313</u>	<u>23,431</u>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors	6,783	7,474
Investments	77,434	76,429
Cash at bank and in hand	42,471	91,428
	<u>126,689</u>	<u>175,332</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	7,503	3,674
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<u>119,185</u>	<u>171,657</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<u>139,499</u>	<u>195,088</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	7,500	—
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<u>131,999</u>	<u>195,088</u>
<b>Represented by</b>		
<b>Unrestricted</b>		
Unrestricted - General fund	7,056	6,422
<b>Designated</b>		
Designated - Print Unit	2,873	4,829
Designated - The Roof Fund	—	36,538
Designated - Vicarage Internal Decoration Fund	3,750	3,750
Designated - Sacristy Fund	824	824
Designated - Maintenance [Fabric]	1,114	1,112
Designated - Organ Repair	4,080	4,350
Designated - Potential Projects	5,710	5,636
Designated - Refreshment Fund	(110)	187
<b>Restricted</b>		
Restricted - Church Roofs & Hall Ancillary Roofs	35,537	48,953
Restricted - Lenten Projects	220	—
Restricted - Amy Hayward Bequest	21,649	30,361
Restricted - Hall Main Roof Replacement Fund	13,419	13,244
Restricted - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	2,441	2,441
Restricted - Classic Concerts	6,818	6,820
Restricted - Agency collection	—	—
Restricted - Clean Water	10,462	11,611
Restricted - Flower Fund	664	778
Restricted - Maintenance [Fabric]	0	0
Restricted - Memorials	3,069	3,349
Restricted - Overseas Aid	12,416	13,875

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	As at 31/12/2022 £	As at 31/12/2021 £
Funds of the church	131,999	195,088

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# St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills

## Balance Sheet detailed

		As at 31/12/2022	As at 31/12/2021
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
	003/001S: CBF Investment Fund, 35	723	819
	004/002S: CBF Investment Fund, 35	723	819
	005/001F: CBF Fixed Int, 8464 shares	11,604	13,402
	006/002F: CBF Fixed Int, 5297.79 shares	7,263	8,389
	<b>Total Fixed assets</b>	<b>20,313</b>	<b>23,431</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
	0020A: Debtors and Prepayments	804	788
	007/001D: CBF C of E Dep Fund A/c	77,434	76,429
	1510: CAF Bank Current A/c	27,474	83,167
	1515: CAF Bank Deposit A/c	10,055	3,319
	1550: Cash in hand	100	100
	1650: Lloyds Bank Account - Classic Concerts	4,841	4,841
	Z05: Accounts Receivable	5,979	6,686
	<b>Total Current assets</b>	<b>126,689</b>	<b>175,332</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
	0010B: Held for Church Organisations	473	473
	6601: Loan received LDF due over 1 year	7,500	—
	6602: Loan received LDF due within 1 year	1,500	—
	6699: Agency collections	867	829
	Z04: Accounts Payable	4,662	2,371
	<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>15,003</b>	<b>3,674</b>
	<b>Net Asset surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>131,999</b>	<b>195,088</b>
<b>Reserves</b>			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	(59,972)	46,375
	Z01: Starting balances	195,088	150,059
	Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	(3,117)	(1,345)
	<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>131,999</b>	<b>195,088</b>

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**As at  
31/12/2022**

**As at  
31/12/2021**

<b>Represented by Funds</b>		
Unrestricted	7,056	6,422
Designated	18,243	57,230
Restricted	106,699	131,436
Endowment	—	—
<b>Total</b>	<b>131,999</b>	<b>195,088</b>

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# St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills

## Balance sheet (Separate funds)

As at: 31 December 2022

	General Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2022 £	At 31/12/2021 £
<i>Fixed assets</i>						
Investments	—	1,153	19,160	—	20,313	23,431
<b>Fixed assets</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,153</b>	<b>19,160</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>20,313</b>	<b>23,431</b>
<i>Current assets</i>						
Debtors	6,681	—	102	—	6,783	7,474
Investments	5,878	7,266	64,289	—	77,434	76,429
Cash at bank and in hand	4,921	9,823	27,726	—	42,471	91,428
<b>Current assets</b>	<b>17,481</b>	<b>17,089</b>	<b>92,118</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>126,689</b>	<b>175,332</b>
<i>Liabilities</i>						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	2,923	—	4,580	—	7,503	3,674
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>14,558</b>	<b>17,089</b>	<b>87,537</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>119,185</b>	<b>171,657</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>14,558</b>	<b>18,243</b>	<b>106,697</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>139,499</b>	<b>195,088</b>
<i>Liabilities</i>						
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one	7,500	—	—	—	7,500	—
<b>Total net assets less liabilities</b>	<b>7,058</b>	<b>18,243</b>	<b>106,697</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>131,999</b>	<b>195,088</b>
<i>Represented by</i>						
<i>Unrestricted</i>						
Unrestricted - General fund	7,056	—	—	—	7,056	6,422
<i>Designated</i>						
Designated - Print Unit	—	2,873	—	—	2,873	4,829
Designated - The Roof Fund	—	—	—	—	—	36,538
Designated - Vicarage Internal Decoration Fund	—	3,750	—	—	3,750	3,750
Designated - Sacristy Fund	—	824	—	—	824	824
Designated - Maintenance [Fabric]	—	1,114	—	—	1,114	1,112
Designated - Organ Repair	—	4,080	—	—	4,080	4,350
Designated - Potential Projects	—	5,710	—	—	5,710	5,636
Designated - Refreshment Fund	—	(110)	—	—	(110)	187
<i>Restricted</i>						
Restricted - Church Roofs & Hall Ancillary Roofs	—	—	35,537	—	35,537	48,953
Restricted - Lenten Projects	—	—	220	—	220	—
Restricted - Amy Hayward Bequest	—	—	21,649	—	21,649	30,361
Restricted - Hall Main Roof Replacement Fund	—	—	13,419	—	13,419	13,244
Restricted - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	—	2,441	—	2,441	2,441
Restricted - Classic Concerts	—	—	6,818	—	6,818	6,820
Restricted - Agency collection	—	—	—	—	—	—
Restricted - Clean Water	—	—	10,462	—	10,462	11,611
Restricted - Flower Fund	—	—	664	—	664	778
Restricted - Maintenance [Fabric]	—	—	0	—	0	0
Restricted - Memorials	—	—	3,069	—	3,069	3,349
Restricted - Overseas Aid	—	—	12,416	—	12,416	13,875
<b>Funds of the church</b>	<b>7,056</b>	<b>18,243</b>	<b>106,699</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>131,999</b>	<b>195,088</b>

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**St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022**

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund Balances brought forward</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Outgoing Resources</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Gains and Losses</b>	<b>Journal Entries</b>	<b>Fund balances Carried forward</b>
Roofs - Church Roofs & Hall Ancillary Roofs	48,953	68,881	91,302	9,004	—	—	35,537
Print - Print Unit	4,829	—	1,956	—	—	—	2,873
Roof - The Roof Fund	36,538	28	36,567	—	—	—	—
Vicar - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	2,441	—	—	—	—	—	2,441
VicIntDec - Vicarage Internal Decoration Fund	3,750	—	—	—	—	—	3,750
General - General fund	6,422	90,857	90,223	—	—	—	7,056
Classic - Classic Concerts	6,820	59	—	—	(61)	—	6,818
Clean - Clean Water	11,611	254	244	—	(1,159)	—	10,462
Sacristy - Sacristy Fund	824	—	—	—	—	—	824
Flower - Flower Fund	778	261	374	—	—	—	664
Maint - Maintenance [Fabric]	1,112	731	730	—	—	—	1,114
Memorials - Memorials	3,349	—	—	—	(279)	—	3,069
Organrpr - Organ Repair	4,350	52	144	—	(178)	—	4,080
Overseas - Overseas Aid	13,875	310	330	—	(1,438)	—	12,416
Potential - Potential Projects	5,636	74	—	—	—	—	5,710
Refresh - Refreshment Fund	187	1,046	1,344	—	—	—	(110)
Lentproj - Lenten Projects	—	220	—	—	—	—	220
Hayward - Amy Hayward Bequest	30,361	398	105	(9,004)	—	—	21,649
Hallroof - Hall Main Roof Replacement Fund	13,244	174	—	—	—	—	13,419
<b>Totals</b>	<b>195,088</b>	<b>163,350</b>	<b>223,323</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(3,117)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>131,999</b>

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**St Edmund the King, Northwood Hills**  
**Fund movement summary**  
**Selected period: 01 January 2021 to 31 December 2021**

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Fund Balances brought forward</b>	<b>Incoming Resources</b>	<b>Outgoing Resources</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Gains and Losses</b>	<b>Journal Entries</b>	<b>Fund balances Carried forward</b>
Roofs - Church Roofs & Hall Ancillary Roofs	3,213	58,809	13,069	—	—	—	48,953
Print - Print Unit	4,829	—	—	—	—	—	4,829
Roof - The Roof Fund	—	0	—	36,538	—	—	36,538
Vicar - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	2,141	300	—	—	—	—	2,441
VicIntDec - Vicarage Internal Decoration Fund	4,250	—	—	(500)	—	—	3,750
General - General fund	6,366	88,352	78,296	(10,000)	—	—	6,422
Classic - Classic Concerts	14,376	14	—	(7,538)	(32)	—	6,820
Clean - Clean Water	12,297	244	315	—	(614)	—	11,611
Sacristy - Sacristy Fund	824	—	—	—	—	—	824
Flower - Flower Fund	880	275	378	—	—	—	778
Maint - Maintenance [Fabric]	5,858	0	4,746	—	—	—	1,112
Memorials - Memorials	3,343	—	—	—	5	—	3,349
Organrpr - Organ Repair	8,511	38	604	(3,500)	(94)	—	4,350
Overseas - Overseas Aid	14,564	303	383	—	(609)	—	13,875
Potential - Potential Projects	20,629	6	—	(15,000)	—	—	5,636
Refresh - Refreshment Fund	594	648	1,055	—	—	—	187
Lentproj - Lenten Projects	141	783	925	—	—	—	—
Hayward - Amy Hayward Bequest	30,510	15	164	—	—	—	30,361
Hallroof - Hall Main Roof Replacement Fund	16,726	8	3,490	—	—	—	13,244
<b>Totals</b>	<b>150,059</b>	<b>149,802</b>	<b>103,427</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(1,345)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>195,088</b>

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. EDMUND THE KING, NORTHWOOD HILLS,  
DIOCESE OF LONDON (WILLESDEN AREA)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They have also been prepared under the accounting standards of FRS102 (2016) and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP (FRS102)).

**ASSETS**

**Consecrated and benefice property**

In so far as consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the statutory definition of 'charity' by Section 10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalized in the financial statements.

**Moveable church furnishings** held by the vicar and churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are inalienable property and are listed in the church's inventory of such items.

**Investments** quoted on a recognized stock exchange or whose value derives from them are valued at market value at the year end.

**Short term deposits** are the cash held on deposit either with The CBF Church of England Deposit Fund, as managed by CCLA Investment Management Limited or with banks.

**FUNDS**

**Unrestricted funds** represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC. *Designated funds* are unrestricted funds that the PCC has decided at their discretion to set aside to use for a specific purpose.

**Restricted funds** are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown on the Balance Sheet, on page 8 of the Financial Statements.

The PCC has no **endowment funds**.

**2. LEGACIES**

In 2022 an unrestricted legacy of £500 was received from the Estate of the Late Alice Block. This legacy was re-designated by the PCC to the Raise the Roof Appeal (Phase 1). No legacies were received in 2021.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. EDMUND THE KING, NORTHWOOD HILLS,  
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

**3. DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM PCC MEMBERS and related parties**

The total of donations received from PCC Members and related parties was £17,804. (2021: £37,512).

**4. PAYMENTS TO PCC MEMBERS**

Mr. M. Hammond, who is a member of the PCC, was paid £4,300 as church organist. (2021: £2,375). Miss H. Collier, who is a member of the PCC, was paid £90 as locum church organist. (2021: £Nil).

Travelling expenses of £88 were paid to one member of the PCC and are shown within Clergy Expenses. (2021: £135).

No other payments were made in either year to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them or related parties.

**5. FUNDS**

The Transfers between funds for the year are shown on the Fund Movement Summary on page 11. (2021: see page 12).

**6. CHARITABLE DONATIONS and SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Clean Water: Pump Aid	£244	-
CAFOD	-	£315
Overseas Aid: USPG Ukraine Appeal	£303	-
Save the Children UK – East Africa Hunger Crisis Appeal	£27	-
The Diocese of London: ALMA	-	£383
Lent Savings: The Diocese of London:-		
Cultivating Compassionate Communities Appeal	£110*	-
Challenging Youth Violence Appeal	-	£784
Play Action International	£110*	-

\*Please note that the 2022 Lent Savings payments will be made in 2023. At 31.12.2022 they were held within the Lenten Projects (Restricted Fund), as shown within the Fund Movement Summary for 2022 on page 11.

Although not part of the Financial Statements because the collections were made on behalf of other agencies, other special collections taken during the year were:-

D.E.C. – Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal (March 2022) £465.00

D.E.C. – Pakistan Floods Appeal (September 2022) £255.33

New Hope (Watford New Hope Trust) (Harvest Lunch) £196.25

Save the Children UK – East Africa Hunger Crisis Appeal (November) £172.73 and Home-Start Hillingdon (Crib Service) £335.03.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF  
ST EDMUND THE KING NORTHWOOD HILLS.  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022 set out on pages 3 to 14.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (the members of the Parochial Church Council) 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 required.

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

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 statements 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.



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31st July 2023