

THE FRIENDS OF STEYNING PARISH CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1169773

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-10-19

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

Contact

Address 2 Southdown Terrace
Steyning
West Sussex
BN44 3YJ

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Activities

Objects: 1) TO HELP WITH THE CONSERVATION, REPAIR, AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT ANDREW AND SAINT CUTHMAN IN STEYNING (HEREINAFTER CALLED THE CHURCH) TO INCLUDE THE MONUMENTS, FURNISHINGS AND FITTINGS, STAINED GLASS, ORNAMENTS AND CHATTELS IN THE CHURCH AND CHURCHYARD.2) TO PROMOTE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: (i) To help with the conservation, repair, and improvement of the Parish Church of St. Andrew and St. Cuthman in Steyning to include the monuments, furnishings and fittings, stained glass, ornaments and chattels in the Church and Churchyard.(ii) To promote the education of the public in the history of the Church.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LOCAL
- West Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£7,384	£622	-	-
2023-12-31	£5,753	£5,688	-	-
2022-12-31	£80,504	£1,730	-	-
2021-12-31	£2,406	£35,999	-	-
2020-12-31	£761	£514	-	-

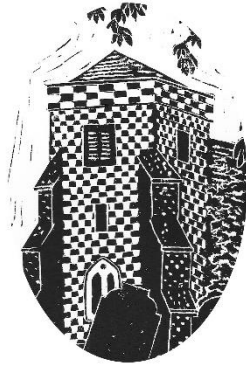
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
JEREMY TOMLINSON	Chair	2017-03-21
JOHN RALPH EBDON DOWNE		2017-03-21
Julia Ann Bonner		2024-06-26
LIZ HARRIES		2017-03-21
Rev Mark Duncan Grainger Heather		2018-03-08
SARAH CAROLINE LEIGH O.B.E.		2017-03-21
Sarah Lavery		2023-02-01
William Anthony Keith Struthers O.B.E.		2020-09-22

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A G E N D A

For the postponed Annual General Meeting of the Friends of Steyning Parish Church to be held on 18 November 2024 at 2 pm at Rosebank, Jarvis Lane, Steyning BN44 3GL

1. Welcome
2. Minutes of the 2023 AGM (circulated with this Notice).
3. Election of Trustees. Four of our current Trustees are offering themselves for re-election; they are

Jeremy Tomlinson (Chair)

Sarah Leigh (Secretary)

John Downe

Tony Struthers

And one new person has been nominated, our new Treasurer, **Julia Bonner**.

So these five are standing for election on 18th November 2024.

The Rev. Mark Heather, as Vicar, and **Sarah Lavery** as Churchwarden are ex officio Trustees so do not require election. Don Harry, who has been our Treasurer since the Friends began is standing down.

Other nominations for Trustees can be made by any member and should be sent to Sarah Leigh, the Secretary on the nomination forms enclosed with this notice before 12th November 2024, please.

4. Chairman's Report (circulated).
5. Treasurer's Report and Accounts (circulated).
6. Fundraising Report.
7. Any other business.

Minutes of the sixth AGM of the Friends of Steyning Parish Church held on Sunday 8th October 2023 in the Church

Present 37 members: Christine Aubrey, Tom Aubrey, Geoff Barnard, Sally Barnard, Elisabeth Brown, Tony Brown, Angela Browse, Helen Cooper, Felicity Downe, John Downe, John Edwards, Clare Flegg, Tony Flegg, Hilary Galley, Pat Grimster, Edward Harrison, Kate Harrison, Donald Harry, Linda Harry, Mark Heather, Sarah Lavery, Sarah Leigh, Nick Linfield, Sarah Linfield, Ann Long, Glyn Peat, Lesley Peat, Janet Pennington, Penelope Rodgers, Maxine Rawlings, Brian Sawyer, Anne Simmonds, Sylvia Struthers, Tony Struthers, Jeremy Tomlinson, Len Warner, Penny Warner.

Apologies - David Ansell, Margaret Ansell, Julia Bonner, Dorothy Denby, Anita Evans, John Evans, Chris Fitton, David Fitton, Alec Harden, Elisabeth Harden, Peter Harris, Carol Mitchell, Heather Price, Penny Reeve, Lindsay Sharrier, John Tolputt, Patta Tolputt, Jenny Toomey.

1. The **Minutes** of the 2022 AGM were approved and signed.

2. Election of Trustees: It was proposed by Len Warner, seconded by Elisabeth Brown, that Jeremy Tomlinson (Chair) Don Harry (Treasurer) Sarah Leigh (Secretary and Publications Secretary, John Downe and Tony Struthers be re-elected as Trustees for another year. Mark Heather (Vicar,) and Sarah Lavery (Churchwarden) were trustees ex officio (Sarah having replaced Bill Thompson as ex officio churchwarden) so did not need to be elected. This was carried unanimously. Liz Harries was not seeking re-election as Trustee; the Chairman thanked her for her support during her seven years as Trustee.

3. Chairman's report (copy appended). Jeremy Tomlinson introduced his Report which had been circulated. Sarah Leigh continues as Secretary for the moment and is also covering the role of Membership Secretary. (A new Membership Secretary was badly needed and any applications or ideas about whom to approach would be most welcome!) A new Treasurer, Julia Bonner, will shortly take over from Don Harry who will shortly be stepping down after seven years' service as Treasurer.

4. Treasurer's Report (accounts attached). Don Harry, Treasurer, presented the accounts for 2022 which had been circulated and are attached to these Minutes. The Accounts show a balance of £102,164.95 at the close of the year. Income was derived from members' donations and standing orders, donations and the sale of drinks at the seven events we organised during the year, but most of all from the most generous legacy of our member Millicent Honeywood, of over £76,000. We are now getting interest on our charity account of over £350 a month. We have now after a long struggle managed to set up online banking which will make things much easier in future.

There were going to be large calls on our funds when the Church Development Plan got going. There were no questions and the accounts were approved.

5. Fundraising Report. Christine Aubrey, from the Friends' Committee, and Chairman of the Project and Fundraising Group (of the Church), reported on current fundraising. The group had appointed professional fundraisers as planned and the feasibility stage of the fundraising was continuing. The role

of the Friends at this stage was to make contributions to the fundraiser's fees.

The plans have been widely consulted on and we know what we want to do but the recent Quinquennial Report on the state of the Church fabric has caused problems by disclosing that once again the Tower needs extensive repair; it may cost something like £150,000. We may not be able to do everything we would like to, and this is under discussion at present. The fundraisers are suggesting we limit our fundraising to about £1 million.

6. Adopting Revised Rules for the Friends. Sarah Leigh explained the draft Rules which had been circulated and are attached to these Minutes. The original need for the Rules adopted in 2017 had been the need to replace the third object of the Friends in the draft submitted to the Charity Committee (involving the community in the Church) which had been rejected by the Charity Commission as not being technically charitable, plus the intention to keep membership of the Friends separate from the religious life of the Church, so that non-religious members of the community would feel comfortable being members of the Friends. The present proposed amendments reflected the discomfort of some of us with the word 'secular' to reflect this latter element. This had been introduced to replace the original word 'worship'. But now some of us are unhappy with the word 'secular' because it suggests that we shouldn't have religious music (like the Bach *Passions* or *Messiah* for example), and also the word secular has a secondary meaning referring to non-monastic clergy. So we propose using the phrase 'will not contain prayer or worship' instead. The other amendment is a purely technical one relating to our system for recruiting new members.

There were no questions or objections and the amended Rules were approved unanimously by the 37 members present (listed above). The resulting text of the Rules is appended to these minutes.

7. There being no further business the meeting was closed. (Note – news of membership and publications developments was included in the September 2023 Newsletter.



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Nomination Paper

If you would like to nominate a trustee to the Charity please complete the form below, get your nominee to sign it to indicate consent, and return it to Sarah Leigh, Secretary, by email to Sleigh1180@gmail.com or by hand or post to Rosebank, Jarvis Lane, Steyning BN44 3GI

I wish to nominateto be a trustee of the Charity.

Please print your name

Signed.....date.....

I wish to second the nomination

Please print your name

Signed.....date.....

I consent to be nominated

Please print your name

Signed.....date.....

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2024

The Friends of Steyning Parish Church continue to support the Vicar, Churchwardens and Parochial Church Council with the maintenance and development of this outstanding Norman building. We also seek to promote interest in the church, attract visitors and enable its wider and more diverse use. The Friends do not run appeals as such but raise awareness of the church's needs, encourage donations and organise events to bring in money.

Our present situation and aspirations are very much the same as reported last year but considerable progress has been made behind the scenes. The PCC has refined its plans for improvements to the church and identified three different levels of importance: **Urgent:** repairs to the tower roof and relocating the boiler; **Essential:** providing a step-free entrance, accessible toilet, more level space for movement, a kitchen and a servery; **Desirable:** improvements to the churchyard path, the south porch and furnishings. These were set out in a flyer financed by the Friends and widely circulated at the time of the Steyning Festival in May and at subsequent events in the church.

The 2024 festival saw numerous activities within the church which would have benefited from the proposed developments. They included drama, children's activities, exhibitions and concerts. Brian Sawyer gave organ recitals and he and Dan Shilliday, principal viola of the Hanover Band, played Bach, Rebecca Clarke and Schubert's Arpeggione sonata. In June the Hanover Band itself performed all six of Bach's Brandenburg Concertos on a glorious summer afternoon with an interval for picnics reminiscent of Glyndebourne in the Vicarage Garden, with thanks to Fr Mark and Katherine Heather. The Band will return on 12 April 2025 for the St John Passion.

Significant sums have already been pledged for the proposed works, including a promise from the Friends of substantial help with the tower repairs. Grants have been applied for and a detailed brochure has now been published for anyone who wishes to know more and possibly contribute. It is anticipated that the church will launch an appeal next year for the urgent and essential works for which £725k is needed. The Friends will be actively involved in promoting this and fundraising. Your trustees hope that individual members will feel able to contribute generously and help with events and publicity. Christine Aubrey chairs the very active Projects and Fundraising Committee. The wider public use of the church which we wish to facilitate will eventually make fundraising easier and generate more support.

Thanks to the work of Sally Barnard, now succeeded as membership secretary by Judie Thomson who is enthusiastically helped with recruiting by John and Felicity Downe, the number of Friends now stands at 172. Sarah Leigh who very kindly took on the role of secretary from Liz Harries, has now decided to stand down. Sarah's extensive knowledge, energy and commitment are the lifeblood of the charity, and she will continue looking after publications and monitoring our proceedings. But we do urgently need a new secretary. We would urge all Friends to consider volunteering their talents and ideas to support our hard-working committee.

Although no longer a churchwarden, Bill Thomson continues to do excellent work for us on graphic design and communications. Sarah Lavery, still a churchwarden, is very proactive with events, including another children's day this autumn. Kate and Edward Harrison give generously

of their expertise in design and our online presence. At the AGM, Julia Bonner will officially take over as Treasurer. The accounts will show well over £100,000 on deposit and more than £3,000 in the current account. The Friends have already contributed to the fees of the professional fundraisers and are pledged to help with the conservation of the font as well as the tower. This has been made possible by generous donations and legacies.

After last year's AGM, Adam Stone, master mason and CEO of Chichester Stoneworks, gave an entertaining presentation about his career and the challenges and triumphs of masonry construction. This year the home team are preparing what promises to be a dramatic account of their research into the real people behind the long list of vicars displayed in the church. Fr Mark, Brian Hanson, Sarah Leigh, Chris Tod and Christopher Whittick have done extensive scholarly work to correct the list before its calligraphy is renewed at the expense of the Friends. It will be an evening to remember. Please make every effort to be at the AGM on Sunday 13 October.

My warmest thanks to all the trustees and other committee members and volunteers who help us, and to you, members of this extremely worthwhile charity which seeks to include and benefit all the inhabitants of Steyning.

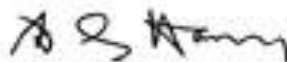
Jeremy Tomlinson

Chair. September 2024

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Income and Expenditure Account 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
INCOME		
Donations	570.00	540.00
Millicent Honeywood's Bequest	-	76,568.85
HMRC Gift Aid	116.43	166.79
Interest	4,902.46	638.04
Heritage Day	-	655.23
I Remember Book Launch	-	95.00
Wine etc. at Events	165.00	493.40
Fulham Palace Trip	-	52.50
AGM Glissando Tickets	-	1294.45
	<u>5,753.89</u>	<u>80,504.26</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Steyning PCC towards Conservation Survey & Fund Raising Advice	5,087.60	-
Wine etc. at Events	-	437.32
Ecclesiastical Insurance	204.72	198.96
AGM Glissando (Alex Rider)	-	900.00
Web Domain/Internet	211.16	61.47
Heritage Day, Museum/Festival Printing (Short Church Guides)	185.00	90.00
	<u>5,688.48</u>	<u>1,729.75</u>
Deficit / Surplus	<u>65.41</u>	<u>78,774.51</u>
2022 Funds Carried Forward	102,164.95	23,390.44
Funds at 31st December	<u>102,230.36</u>	<u>102,164.95</u>
Balance Sheet at 31st December 2023		
Funds	<u>102,230.36</u>	<u>102,164.95</u>
Assets		
Barclays Bank PLC Current account	1,540.86	6,377.91
COIF Deposit account	100,689.50	95,787.04
	<u>102,230.36</u>	<u>102,164.95</u>

Donald Harry Hon. Treasurer

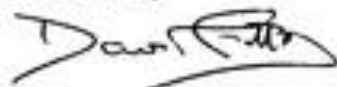


Date 15.2.2024

Independent Examiners Report

I have examined the income and expenditure account for the period ended 31st December 2023 and Balance Sheet at 31st December 2023 and confirm that they are in accordance with the records of the charity.

David Fitton



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	2024	2023
	£	£
INCOME		
Donations	1,561.89	570.00
HMRC Gift Aid		116.43
Interest	4,697.57	4,902.46
S.F. Concert	617.60	
Brandenberg Concertos	81.80	
Wine etc.at Events	200.00	165.00
Vicars Talk	225.60	
	<u>7,384.46</u>	<u>5,753.89</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Steyning PCC towards Conservation Survey		
& Fund Raising Advice		5,087.60
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Ecclesiastical Insurance	210.88	204.72
Web Domain/Internet		211.16
Printing (Leaflets)	360.00	
Printing (Poster)	30.00	185.00
	<u>621.88</u>	<u>5,688.48</u>
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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2024		
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Assets		
Barclays Bank PLC Current account	3,605.87	1,540.86
COIF Deposit account	105,387.07	100,689.50
	<u>108,992.94</u>	<u>102,230.36</u>

Julia Bonner Hon. Treasurer

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The trustees of the Friends are Fr. Mark Heather, Jeremy Tomlinson, Sarah Leigh, John Downe, Sarah Lavery and Tony Struthers. Don Harry has now resigned as Treasurer and is being replaced by Julia Bonner. The Friends committee also includes Christine Aubrey, Don Harry, Carol Mitchell, Brian Sawyer, and Bill Thompson.

Our role is that of fundraising for the PCC and spreading the word about the architectural and historical importance of the church. Our methods of doing these things would be greatly enhanced if the improvements to the Church had already been made and more people were using the building. A great deal of thought and hard work are currently being devoted to finding the best way forward and the feasibility of raising sufficient money to make a significant difference.

Professional advice is being provided by fundraising consultants and the Friends are contributing towards the cost of this. We are offering much smaller amounts towards some minor maintenance projects, including the font and the Cowerson gravestone, but we are reserving the bulk of our investments to contribute to the major project for repairs to the structure of the church and improvement to its facilities. We can make a real difference and our activities will demonstrate the importance of what is to be done.

An audio guide has been developed, the website has been updated and new post cards produced during the year. Also a new brochure has been designed and is available to encourage visitors. Sarah Leigh, who masterminded these publications gave a talk about history and architecture and in August the British Archaeological Association came to admire our Norman sculpture and architecture.

At our AGM in October Adam Sone, CEO of Chichester Stoneworks, gave an illustrated talk on his life's work as a stonemason.

In 2024 a concert of all six of Bach's Brandenburg Concertos by the Hanover Band is planned as part of the Steyning Festival.

Our funds on 31st December 2023 were £102,230.36. The year's income came from donations, Gift Aid and Interest as well as sale of wine at events.

Julia Bonner, Hon Treasurer. September 2024.

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Donald Harry Hon. Treasurer



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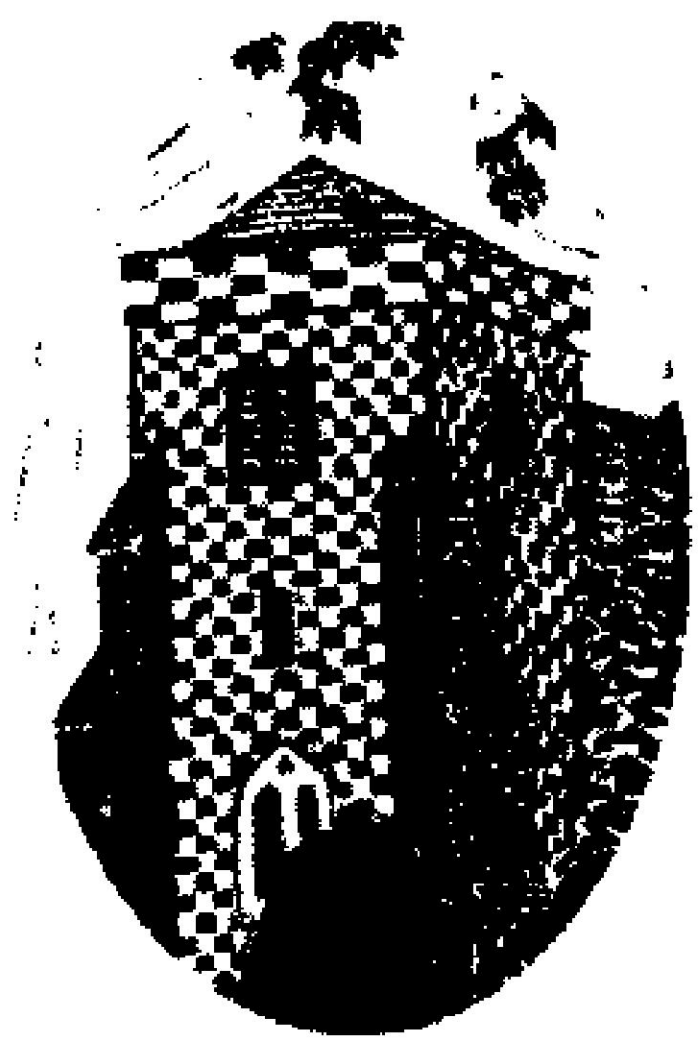


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Trustee's Annual Report for Period 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2022

The objects of the F of S P C remain the same to assist the Vicar, Church Wardens, and PCC. with the conservation, repair and improvement of the Church, promote education about its history, purpose and develop its use by the wider community. We now have 157 members.

The trustees of the Friends are Fr. Mark Heather the vicar, Chairman Jeremy Tomlinson, Secretary Sarah Leigh, Treasurer Don Harry, ex Church warden John Downe, Church warden Sarah Lavery and Tony Struthers. The committee also includes Christine Aubrey representing the PCC project Management, Brian Sawyer and Carol Mitchell as music events coordinators. Bill Thompson overseas publicity and marketing.

Our funds on 31st December 2022 were £102,164.95. This increase was largely due to a bequest of £76,568.85 from a former member of the Friends.

Additional income came from donations, Gift Aid and Interest. A Heritage Day raised £655 and a Harp concert £1294. A small profit was raised from the sale of wine at some events. The Hanover Band and choir gave a wonderful, well received performance of Handel's Messiah at Christmas time and we hope they will be able to attend again next year. The band were responsible for the ticket sales, but the Friends did the stewarding and providing refreshments.

A new Church brochure is being produced by a group of Friends as is an online tour of the church.

It is expected that the Friends will be contributing to Church roof repairs and major alterations to the Church interior to make it more user friendly and more adaptable for a wider range of events.

A trip was made to Fulham Palace, where a Tudor screen, now present in our church originated. It was part of a panel dated to 1522. It commemorates the marriage of King Henry VIII to Catherine of Aragon.

Following our AGM a talk about this screen was given.

Donald Harry, Hon. Treasurer. August 2023.

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Trustee's Annual Report for Period 1. January 2021 to 31st.
December 2021.

The objects of the Friends of Steyning Parish Church are to assist the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC with the conservation, repair and improvement of the church, promote education about its history and purpose and develop its use by the wider community. The Covid pandemic has again curtailed our activities but a Zoom quiz, raising £421 and a Holly Fair combined with the launch of a book were held.

The latter raised £650 and the book is still on sale. The book was entitled 'I Remember' and contained 2nd. World War memories and pictures from those with a connection to Steyning.

Further income consisted of Standing Orders and a retiring collection (£613) at our AGM when a harp recital was given. The monies raised by the sale of our Church Guides goes directly to the PCC.

The AGM was also an occasion to demonstrate the new lighting system in the church. This system has proved extremely successful and can be adjusted to suit individual church events and now illuminates several features of our ancient church often not previously visible. As indicated in last years report the Friends of SPC donated £35,000 to the lighting costs.

At the years end our funds stand at £23,390.44.

The trustees of the Friends remain as Fr. Mark Heather the Vicar, Chairman Jeremy Tomlinson, Secretary Liz Harries, Treasurer Don Harry, Publications Secretary Sarah Leigh and ex. Church Warden John Downe. The committee also includes Sally Barnard, membership secretary, Christine Aubrey and Tony Struthers, representing the PCC Project Management and Fund-Raising Group and Brian Sawyer and Carol Mitchell as music events



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coordinators. Bill Thompson, a recently appointed church warden is in charge of publicity and marketing. Plans for changes to make the Church interior more adaptable for uses other than services are well underway. The Friends of SPC will be contributing to the costs involved.
Donald Harry, Hon. Treasurer. July 2022.

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Income and Expenditure Account 1st. January 2021 to 31st. December 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
INCOME		
Standing Orders	400.00	400.00
General Donations	315.00	125.00
Donations at AGM	613.90	-
Interest	3.56	136.26
HMR&C Gift Aid	-	100.00
Quiz	421.00	-
I Remember Book Launch	652.10	-
	<u>2,405.56</u>	<u>761.26</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Let there be Light Donation	35,000.00	-
Church Ramps	-	343.20
Printing Graveyard Gossips	464.42	80.00
Insurance	187.79	91.23
AGM	334.86	-
Web Domain	11.99	-
	<u>35,999.06</u>	<u>514.43</u>

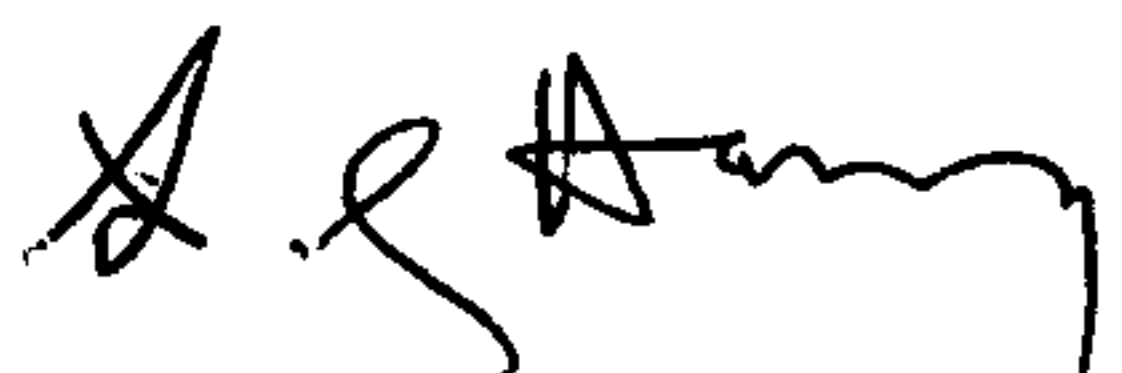
(Deficit) / Surplus	(33,593.50)	246.83
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Funds carried forward from 2020	£56,983.94	£56,737.11
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Funds at 31st December	<u>23,390.44</u>	<u>56,983.94</u>
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Balance Sheet at 31st December 2021

Funds	<u>23,390.44</u>	<u>56,983.94</u>
Assets		
Barclays Bank PLC Current account	4,241.44	2,838.50
COIF Deposit account	19,149.00	54,145.44
	<u>23,390.44</u>	<u>56,983.94</u>

Donald Harry Hon. Treasurer  Date 25/1/2022

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David Fitton  Date 25/1/2022

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Trustee's Annual Report for the Period 1. January 2020 to 31st. December 2020.

The objects of the Friends of Steyning Parish Church remain the same i.e. to assist the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC with the conservation, repair and improvement of the church, promote education about its history and purpose and develop its use by the wider community. The year has seen considerably less activity than 2019 due to the Coronavirus pandemic and the necessary lockdown. Zoom committee meetings have taken place regularly and we have continued to recruit members via the internet. Our committee remains as follows with the following trustees, Fr Mark Heather, the Vicar, John Downe, ex-churchwarden, Don Harry, treasurer, Liz Harries, secretary, Sarah Leigh, publications secretary and Jeremy Tomlinson, chair. The committee also includes Sally Barnard, membership secretary, Christine Aubrey and Tony Struthers, representing the PCC Project Management and Fundraising Group and Brian Sawyer and Carol Mitchell as music events coordinators. Bill Thompson has joined us for publicity and marketing.

At the end of the year our accounts show that we have £56,983.94 in our funds.

We had promised to make a payment of £35,000 towards the badly needed replacement of the church's lighting system. This project has been delayed due to the Covid lockdown and will now appear in next year's accounts. A demonstration of new lighting will be shown at our next AGM together with a short musical concert.

Unlike last year when we had income from a number of concerts, a Flower Festival and a Holly Fair, our income this year has been restricted to standing orders, donations, investment interest and Gift Aid. Our expenses were limited to funding new church ramps, the printing of church and graveyard guides and members stationary. Research is underway to renew and update a new board in the Church listing as many vicars as can be traced over the many years of the church's existence. The Friends will pay for this board.

We have now made it possible for donations to be made on line, hopefully raising our income.

It is good to record that the church is now open again and services are taking place. The Choral Evensong, which took place at the end of the recent Steyning Mini-Festival demonstrated the strength and support and some new Friends were recruited.

In every way there is a sense of emerging from a dark time. The church will always need its Friends.

Donald Harry, Hon. Treasurer. Sept. 2021.

The Friends of Steyning Parish Church

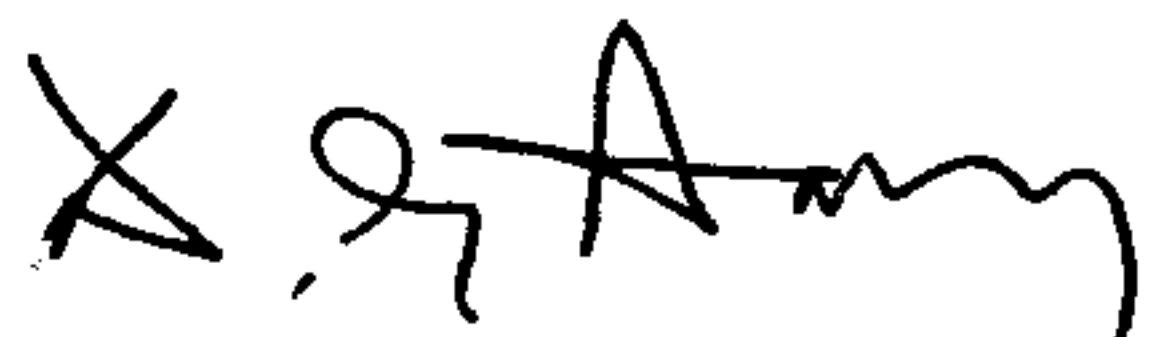
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Income and Expenditure Account 1st. January 2020 to 31st. December 2020

	2020	2019
	£	£
INCOME		
Standing Orders	400.00	350.00
Donations	125.00	115.00
Interest	136.26	284.48
HMR&C Gift Aid	100.00	145.00
Sale of Church Guides	-	20.10
Chanctonbury Chorus Concert	-	455.55
Bernadi Concert	-	215.00
Sing Out Sister's Concert	-	1,002.80
Vineyard Visit	-	287.11
Flower Festival	-	8,091.27
Holly Fair	-	1,610.41
	761.26	12,576.72
EXPENDITURE		
Church Ramps	343.20	-
Printing	80.00	126.00
Insurance	91.23	173.60
Bar Licences	-	42.00
Events Refreshments	-	283.44
F of SPC Badges	-	25.00
Flower Festival Expenses	-	2,009.41
	514.43	2,659.45
Excess of Income over Expenditure	246.83	9,917.27
Funds carried forward from 2019	£56,737.11	£46,819.84
Funds at 31st December	56,983.94	56,737.11
	Balance Sheet at 31st. December 2020	
Funds	56,983.94	56,737.11
Assets		
Barclays Bank PLC Current account	2,838.50	4,727.93
COIF Deposit account	54,145.44	52,009.18
	56,983.94	56,737.11

At the 31st December 2020 the Friends had committed £35,000 towards the Church's lighting appeal.

Donald Harry Hon. Treasurer

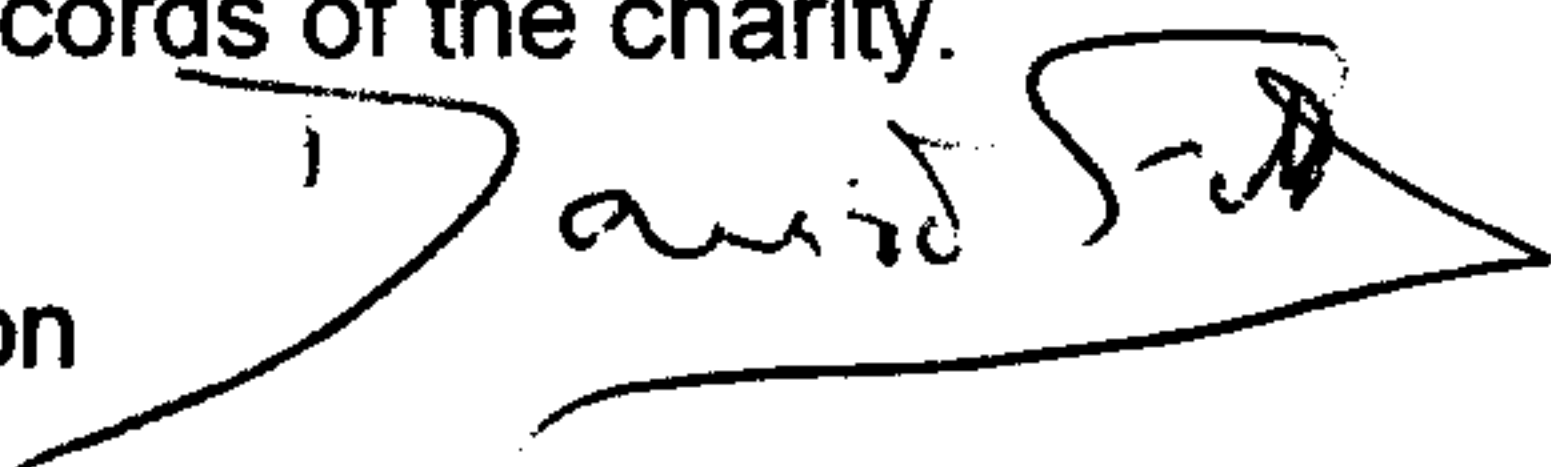


Date 8.2.2021

Independent Examiners Report

I have examined the income and expenditure account for the period ended 31st December 2020 and Balance Sheet at 31st December 2020 and confirm that they are in accordance with the records of the charity.

David Fitton



Date 8.2.2021