

# **Annual Report and Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council of St Michael and All Angels Church Pelsall**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

**Charity registration number: 1170860**

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Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022  
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**1. Reference and Administrative Details**

**Charity Name:**

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Pelsall.  
Registered Charity number (in England and Wales) 1170860

**Administrative Address:**

From March 2022: 32 Chestnut Road, Leamore, Walsall WS3 1BD

**P.C.C. Members:**

ALLABARTON	David William (Mr)	from September 2020
BETHELL	Doreen (Mrs)	From May 2021
BRIGGS	Timothy (Mr)	from April 2018 (Lay Chair)
BROWN	Jenny (Mrs)	from April 2022 until November 2022
CHANTLER	Andy (Mr)	Church Warden
CUMPSTON	Gillian Denise (Mrs)	Officer of the PCC (Secretary)
DAVIS	Philip (Mr)	from April 2019
FORRESTER	Colin Edward (Mr)	from September 2020 until October 2022
FOXALL	Sally (Mrs)	from April 2019
HORTON	Anetta	from April 2022
LEGG	Rebecca (Mrs)	from September 2020
LLOYD	Susan Carol (Mrs)	from September 2020
MAYE	John (Mr)	Deanery Synod Rep from April 2019
MORRIS	Alison (Rev)	Minister in Charge (from 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2022)
MORRIS	Sarah (Mrs)	Church Warden
MYATT	Alison (Mrs)	Reader from September 2017
NEWPORT	Anne (Mrs)	Officer of the PCC (Treasurer)
READ	Michael (Mr)	from September 2020
WELCH	Susan (Mrs)	from April 2022
WILLIAMS	Michael (Mr)	from April 2022

**Bankers:**

Santander UK plc, Bridle Road, Bootle, Merseyside, L30 4GB.  
CCLA Investment Management Ltd. The CBF Church of England Funds, One Angel Lane, London, EC4R 3AB.

The Independent Examiner is Lichfield Diocese Board of Finance.

**Interim Priest:** Rev. Alison M. Morris was licensed and inducted on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

## CONTEXT

*At the start of the year it was still a time of change, instability and uncertainty. St. Michael & All Angels Church Pelsall still had to respond to Covid both strategically and operationally, and in achievements and performance. We as an Anglican church have been expected to model the expectations and guidelines laid down by the government, Public Health England and the Covid Task force of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility for the maintenance of the Church, Churchyard and Church Hall. In practical terms this meant a whole series of additional paperwork were still required so that the church could operate. St. Michaels has fully complied with what has been expected throughout these periods of changing regulations and restrictions. These have remained in place until recommendations suggested otherwise. Therefore, from mid spring the relaxing of specific government guidelines meant aspects of church life were easier to conduct. This report reflects these changing conditions in which St. Michael's ministry has existed and flourished. It also recognizes that the church has been on a journey of courage advocacy as it works out what it is to be a church in a post Covid pandemic. It has meant that the church has had to respond to a change in culture to survive and move forward. Throughout the church has been a safe and secure environment.*

*Throughout this time the congregation have remained **steadfast** and **faithful** to the Lord. Resilience and patience in the face of adversity has been exceptional. The congregation has been united in their endeavour to maintain the mission of the church and to support each other on their journey together during this pandemic. The church is now entering a period of **stability** and **strength** from which discipleship is grown, mission encouraged, evangelism spread and community engagement is increased.*

*Emphasis has been on **prayer** to hear what is God's will for this parish; to see and understand God's work in the parish and too discern what He may be calling us to do in His name for the kingdom of God in the future. In March 2022 Rev Alison Morris was inducted and licensed as the Interim Minister for three years. This appointment and length of time provides a strong base on which to love people into the Kingdom of God and to ultimately grow God's Kingdom in this parish of Pelsall. A vision and Mission Action Plan will be formulated in 2023.*

*It is against this contextual background that this report is written.....*

## 2. Aim and Purposes

"The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England. The PCC operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure." The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, missional, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has the responsibility for the maintenance of the Church, Churchyard and Church Hall.

### Public Benefit

The trustees of the Charity are aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit and have had regard to it in their administration of the Charity. The trustees believe that, by promoting the work of the Church of England in the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Michael and All Angels, Pelsall, it helps to promote the whole mission of the Church (pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical) more effectively, within the Ecclesiastical Parish, and that in doing so it provides a benefit to the public by:

- Providing facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers; and
- Promoting Christian values and service by members of the Church in and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.



### **3. Objectives and Activities**

The Parish Church of St Michael and All Angels is situated on the edge of Pelsall Common. For over 150 years it has been at the spiritual, religious and social heart of the village community. The aim of the church is to reach out to the community of Pelsall and the surrounding area enabling all ages to develop a closer relationship with God.

**St. Michaels Church is maintaining a Christian presence in our community, serving its people, community, sharing the faith and offering a sanctuary for prayer and worship.**

St. Michael's church is an inclusive church that welcomes everyone regardless of age, race, disability, colour, creed or sexuality. It is registered as a **FairTrade church** and is recognised as a **Sight Loss Friendly Church**. It also strives to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth. Following the church registration in 2020 with AROCHA UK the church is busy working towards the **Eco Church Silver Award**. Throughout the year we continued to maintain the **Church of England Digital Charter** for social media which recognizes that we will comply with the standards as set by the Church of England when using social media platforms. Responding to the economic crisis the church registered as a **Warm Welcome Space** taking the lead with Pelsall Community Association, Pelsall Village Centre and the Pelsall Evangelical Church. The aim has been to provide warm spaces to pop in, relax with friends in a welcoming space which is free to enter and open to everyone. The church continues to be a signed member of the pledge for the **Walsall for All** initiative. Their vision is to create integrated, empowered and inclusive communities where people from all backgrounds come together to celebrate what they have in common. It aims to provide a place where our residents are safe and valued and everyone has fair opportunities to fulfil their potential and contribute to the growth of Walsall. This is an ongoing commitment by the church and with Walsall for All initiative. Working close with Walsall Council the church also became a partner in the campaign of **Walsall for One**.

As such the PCC are committed to the following:

The PCC is **committed** in promoting the Church's mission through the diocesan direction of travel- '**Follow Christ in the Footsteps of St. Chad's.**' It also aims to implement the Lichfield diocesan priorities of **developing discipleship, encouraging vocation and inspiring evangelism**. The priorities are a way of focussing together on what it means to grow into Christlikeness, to invite others to join us on that journey and to help one another flourish in the abundant life God gives us.

The PCC is **committed** to offer a range of services during the week. Over the course of the year, we offer services that our community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. The church attempts to cater to all people, enabling people to become part of our parish community at St. Michael's.

The PCC is also **committed** to the provision of pastoral care for people living in the parish, offering support to individuals, care homes and other institutions in the parish, the church also continues to support community activities including the Thursday morning group. Pastoral care is given a high priority in the church's ministry and proves fruitful in providing a link with the sick and housebound.

### **4. Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **How Trustees are appointed:**

All members of the PCC are Trustees. PCC members, and therefore Trustees, are either appointed at the Annual General Meeting by nomination, (and vote if necessary) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules or they are ex-officio or co-opted. Elected members serve for a three- year period, after which they are ineligible to stand for a further 12 months.

#### **How we induct and train new Trustees:**

New members of the PCC (Trustees) are formally welcomed at the first PCC meeting after the A.G.M. They are made welcome and continue to be supported by the other PCC members. Some training or induction is provided. For example, an evening called 'The ABC of PCC' for new and older members takes place along with a tour of the church



explaining tradition, history and legacy. Training is encouraged throughout the year and is a regular agenda item on the PCC. Trustees are encouraged to attend both deanery and diocesan training. The Safeguarding officer provides opportunity for PCC to complete safeguarding modules such as Safer Recruitment as stipulated by the diocese.

#### **Sub-committees:**

**Standing Committee** – Transacts the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the PCC

**Pastoral Committee** – Attends to pastoral care, mainly of the sick and the bereaved.

**Finance Committee** – Attends to financial decisions when required.

**Social & Fundraising Group** - Set up to discuss/organize social and fundraising activities.

**Cemetery Working Party** - Attends to maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery including the financial income and budget review of its planning.

**Health and Safety Group** - Attends to health and safety issues and completes site walks 3/4 times a year.

**Risk management:** This has been completed for the Church and Church Hall, and no major risks to the Charity have been identified. It will be reviewed annually.

#### **Policies and Procedures:**

St. Michael's has a set of policies which enables the PCC which is a corporate body to fulfil their responsibility to cooperate with the incumbent so that aims and objectives are achieved for this ecclesiastical parish. It also forms the legal foundation upon which the PCC operates. All policies and procedures across the life of the church have been reviewed. This will continue on an annual basis. In specific areas new policies and structures have been implemented for the first time. This means the church is **now legally compliant** in several areas of the work of the Charity Commission. New policies were put in place following the more recent Safeguarding recommendations. As such, Safer Recruitment & Management Policy & Procedures and Bullying & Harassment Policy & Procedures were implemented. The wedding Baptism policy has been amended while the Churchyard policy was reviewed. The PCC regularly review the policies and procedures to changing legislation from the national perspective of both Lichfield Diocese and Church of England.

### **5. Achievements and Performance Worship and Prayer**

The PCC is still keen to offer a range of services during the week which our community may find both beneficial, ages appropriate, spiritually fulfilling and meets the needs of our growing congregation. In ideal contexts the church attempts to cater to all age groups and their preferred worship styles. However, the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) evening prayer has seen reduced numbers since the pandemic. Therefore, a decision was made to cease this provision but remains under continual review. Worship has remained flexible to accommodate the changing nature of the needs of the congregation. Our usual pattern of worship during 2022 is:

#### **Monthly Worship Pattern**

**Sunday 10am** Holy Communion

4pm Baptisms monthly

Service Special as appropriate on Sunday evenings (see later explanation)

The Sunday Holy Communion service has become the pivotal service in the cycle of worship. A steady growth in attendance of both young and old has been maintained and embedded. People still receive Holy Communion in the one kind following a review by the PCC on the use of the 'Common Cup and the role of Chalice administrators'. Servers continue to perform specific duties. Prayers of intercessions and readings are led by both clergy and laity. Music performed by a dedicated organist and pianist has been maintained. At times CDs have been used to offer a wide range of music provision. Singing by the congregation was resumed during spring 2022. At specific times the singing group have sung during some Holy Communion and other special services such as The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pelsall Coal Mining Disaster, Harvest Songs of Praise and Candlemas. Worship has been enhanced by their direction and musical input on such special services.

**Special services** have been very successful in terms of outreach, mission and attendance. Throughout the year when and where possible, these additional services have been held, including the following: The Nine Lessons and Carols, Harvest Festival, Candles of Remembrance and Lament, Christingle, St. Michael's Patronal Festival, The 150th



Anniversary of Pelsall Coal Mining Disaster, Toy Service, St. Francis Pet Service, Teddy Bears' Picnic, Blessings of the Back Pack and Christmas Crib Service, Remembrance Sunday and 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Falklands War.

Midweek services (Holy Communion) have continued on alternate Wednesdays at 10am. Numbers have increased. Morning Prayer on alternate Tuesdays at 9am has a devoted small number attending.

Pre-recorded Holy Communion services began to lose their popularity once restrictions were lifted. These changes made worship easier. Therefore, a decision was made to concentrate upon building up face to face services with a determined effort to encourage people to return and to consolidate church attendance. This has been very successful.

One specific area of growth is the increased attendance by **families and children**. Many are exploring faith for the first time whilst others have been received into the Church of England from the Roman Catholic Church. This has impacted upon the vision and ministry of the church. It now purposefully seeks to cater for the needs of families with young children. The Ark is now open for children, the Diddy Boxes have been updated and a small table and chairs are at the back of the church for use with smaller children. Regularly published information on children's service and events is shared to encourage families and children to engage with the church community. Children's ministry has its own magazine page dedicated to the Diddy Disciples. These actions had led to higher attendance. Our aim is to provide a range of services and events throughout the church calendar year, such as Easter Extravaganza Workshops, Teddy Bears' Picnic Service, Blessings of the Back Packs, St. Francis Pet Service, Toy Service, Bonfire Party, DIY Nativity Service and the Crib Service. This is an exciting development which needs embedding and consolidating throughout 2023.

**Prayer life** remains an integral part of our worshipping community. There have been some exciting and creative initiatives.

In February the church took part in the call to **Prayer for Ukraine** following the invasion by Russia. Throughout Lent on every each Thursday lunchtime prayers were dedicated to Ukraine at the service of *'Holding the Silence'*.

The **Sunday prayer intercession group** continued with their prayer cycle. Group members continue to pray the prayer requests at home throughout the week. This complied with GDPR regulations. This has continued to be received well. The **Years Mind Anniversary** provides opportunity for the congregation to remember the anniversary of their loved one. A review of the names was conducted by the Pastoral Care Team Leader to ensure that it is still appropriate and up to date for purpose.

The **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** 19<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> January 2022 took place as usual. Using the theme - *"We Saw the Star in the East, and We Came to Worship Him"* both congregations gathered at Pelsall Methodist Church. The **Women's World Day of Prayer** took place at St. Mark's Church Shelfield with the theme *"I know the plans I have for you"*. Both services were well attended and attracted new people from the local churches.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022 the church participated in the second anniversary of the first lock down with **National Day of Reflection**. Organised by Marie Curie on behalf of the government, it aimed to have several purposes. Firstly, to reflect upon collective loss, support those bereaved and hope for a brighter future. Bells at St. Michael's church rang at 12 noon following a minute silence in conjunction with the nationwide peal of bells. In addition, a cherry blossom tree was planted in the church yard. The tree was provided by a family in memory of their mother who had died during the pandemic.

In May between Ascension Day and Pentecost the church followed **Thy Kingdom Come in Prayer** which was to Light up the World in Prayer. The church was encouraged to join in a global wave of prayer and to 'Light up Pelsall in Prayer' so more people come to know Jesus Christ. Free resources based on Novena - Reflections on 1 Peter and a Prayer Journal written by the Archbishop of Canterbury were provided for the congregation. Face book, digital resources and a series of reflections were used to promote this to both young and old. Use of Cheeky Pandas was to encourage youngsters to learn about the bible. These were very well received.



The **Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 11** was a poignant and unique event spread over the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> June. St. Michael's invited people to celebrate and join with others across the world to pay fitting tribute to the Queen, giving thanks for her loyalty and commitment, and as Defender of the Faith. Young and old attended 'Celebratory Tea Party' to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee which was a tremendous success for church and community. On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> there was the Royal Jubilee Thanksgiving Holy Communion Service where the congregation gave thanks together as community for the Queen's reign. Fellowship followed with light refreshments. Our church bell ringers rang out the celebrations bringing to an end the special weekend as people gathered in church to hear the bells and to share refreshments. Throughout the weekend people attending were given a selection of memorabilia including a free copy of a special issue of John's gospel (with photo of the Queen) provided by The Pocket Testament League. This was a historic and memorable weekend in the life of St. Michael's.

On the **sudden death of Queen Elizabeth 11** on 8<sup>th</sup> September, St. Michael's had a measured response as it aimed to offer comfort and solace during the 10 days of official mourning. Clergy put into place the protocol which had been issued in preparation and in anticipation of the death of the Queen. Sunday services were amended to suit the liturgy as recommended by the Archbishop's Council. Church opening was timetabled to allow people to visit for prayer, reflection and to sign a Book of Condolence. Pelsall community saw the church as the spiritual space to gather for prayer and lament. This was exceptionally received. A dedicated ecumenical service was held for the parish two days before the funeral. This provided space and a focal point to remember with thanksgiving her dedication as Queen to this country and the Commonwealth. Mayor, local MP and civic dignitaries were in attendance. This was exceptionally well attended and appreciated by those who were present. Church bells were rung several times throughout the period of mourning. Clergy led the candlelit vigil in the village where flowers were placed on the eve of the funeral. Very large crowds gathered solemnly to pay their respects.

In September a **Prayer Day for Vision** was held for the PCC members. This was an opportunity to pray for the vision and to develop prayer. A Diocesan Spiritual Advisor led the session with PCC members. Space for reflection and meditation was provided. Morning and evening prayer was also available for all to attend.

Community gathered in November for the **Commemoration Service for the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Pelsall Coal Mining Disaster of 1872**. St. Michael's and Pelsall Methodist produced an ecumenical service to commemorate this historical tragedy in Pelsall. In 1872 on 14<sup>th</sup> November twenty two men from the locality lost their lives in this coal mining disaster. The service on the eve of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary was an opportunity for the Pelsall community to gather and to remember those who lost their lives. It also provided their ancestors a space to reflect. The service was based on the theme of darkness and light ... *'The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.'* John 1 v 5. Using a mix of word, prayer and reflection it provided a space within the service for the names of the 22 miners who died to be remembered by name and for candles to be lit in their memory. Community engagement continued on the day of the anniversary. Civic signatories, local councillors, representatives from the three schools and other village organizations took part in the wreath laying ceremony. The BBC was present to record the ceremony which was televised on the BBC channel later that day. This commemoration was poignant, reflective and left a legacy behind for the history of the village and St. Michael's Parish.

In December a family event called **DIY Nativity** took place successfully. Children were encouraged to dress up and be part of the nativity. Using a collection of carols and songs the real heart and meaning of Christmas was explored. .

Substantial progress has been made with the relationships, communication and mutual support within our Church Cluster for both clergy and laity. Meetings with Parish Wardens have taken place. In January St. Michael's church held the cluster Candlemas service where the Rural Dean preached. In May St. John's Church held the Ascension Day service. Licensing of the new clergy for Walsall Wood took place and was well supported by many from the cluster. St. Mark's held All Souls Service. Clergy within the cluster have supported each other in their ministry.



## **Pastoral Offices – weddings, baptisms, funerals**

As well as our regular services we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. The church has enhanced their engagement with the many people who bring children to baptism through improved hospitality and administration, baptism preparation, goody bags, anniversary cards. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life and in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessings. The reviewed baptism policy and pack with a more user friendly baptism preparation was very effective in preparing families for the baptism. A database of baptisms with contact information has been productive to enable easier contact with families for promotion and publicity of services and events. Figures indicate a positive increase in children and families attendance at church.

Baptism service has continued to take place on Sunday at 4pm. Feedback from baptism families has been positive. Generally, families felt valued and welcomed within a quieter, personal and more dignified service. Relationships between the church and baptism families have improved thereby creating a much better understanding of the meaning and purpose of baptism as Holy Sacrament.

There have been 20 baptisms (3 adults and 17 babies or young children). There was one service for Thanksgiving after Adoption for 2 children. Enquiries for baptisms increased in number and this trend continued into 2023. Baptism preparation and practical rehearsal with face- to- face contact was reinstated following easing of restrictions. This approach has been very well welcomed back into church practice and has been accepted well by participants. There is a team of laity that assists with the baptism on a Sunday afternoon.

**Wedding** ministry has developed steadily. Use of high-quality materials called '*Just Ask*' has been used to communicate with wedding couples. This has resulted in an increased interest in weddings and ultimately growth of definite bookings. There have been 4 weddings across the year. In February a service for the blessing of wedding rings took place while in October the renewal of vows at a Golden Anniversary took place in a Sunday Holy Communion Service. Wedding preparation has used a hybrid approach including face to face when possible and zoom where appropriate. Both formats have provided opportunity to meet the wedding couple and to establish a good relationship with their local church and clergy. Once again there has been an increased number of divorcees wishing to be married at St. Michael's. Using the document 'Marriage in church after divorce' specific protocols have been followed. The clergy has applied to the Bishop for permission of divorcees to marry. Figures already suggest a good number of proposed weddings for 2023. A database of wedding couples with contact information has been produced according to GDPR regulations. Its sole purpose is to maintain contact and to publicise events, church activities and services.

**Funeral ministry** continues to be a strength within church ministry. Figures remain high. During autumn and early winter there was a sudden spike of deaths in the parish resulted in many funerals being held at church or crematorium.

From 1<sup>st</sup> January until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022

28 funerals in church

18 burials of ashes

23 funerals in the crematorium

Face to face meetings in church have now resumed with zoom and email where appropriate. This hybrid approach has proved successful in reaching funeral families. After the funeral service has taken place pastoral care continued. Contact to families is maintained, they are contacted by phone before and after the service, and 6 weeks, six months and twelve months thereafter. These contacts are carried out by clergy and the Pastoral Group. On the first anniversary of the death, the family receive a prayer card from the church. Services of Candles of Remembrance and Lament were held in November to accommodate the bereaved families. Services were well attended.



## Mission, Evangelism, Discipleship and Vocation

The aim of the church must not be self-serving but to seek to share God's love and to work for the kingdom. Helping those in need is a demonstration of our faith. The Church supports several charities including Water Aid at Harvest time, Children's Society and Christian Aid. Locally the church family supports the Walsall North Food Bank. The Church donates 10% of its direct giving to overseas and local mission; organisations supported in 2022 include Embrace the Middle East (Child sponsorship), Crisis at Christmas and Acorn's Children's Hospice Trust. This year saw new charities such as Practical Action, Shelter box, Salvation Army, Bible Society (Bake for Bibles Sunday held in October) and Fund for Verity Sheldon. Year 6 children at the three primary schools were provided with a book at the end of the year. At specific times during the church year there have been retiring collections such as, MacMillan Cancer Support during September and Make a Mother's Day (Mother's Union) in March. A donation from a congregation member allowed books from the Bible Society to be purchased for the church children.

**Mission and discipleship** has been a priority within the congregation. In order to develop, it was decided to use the **Church Development Tool** pioneered by the Church of England. Using a short anonymous survey with the congregation it provided a clear picture of demographics, discipleship and evangelism. It also helped to look at Pelsall community to find the opportunities for growth. The tool looked at 'depth' as well as 'breadth', helping the church to understand how people are living out their faith and growing in discipleship. Our task in 2023 is to bring together the information and define what our mission should be for the future. Intentions are to use the results to refresh the Mission Action Plan which will be considered by the PCC and formally ratified. Fundamental and vital to the future of St. Michael's is the need for a new and fresh vision relative to the 'missional' context and the vision of Lichfield Diocese.

A placement student sent from Lichfield Diocese raised the theme of **vocation** within the parish. It was an interesting venture over 10 weeks as the student explored their vocation within the tradition of our churchmanship. The presence of the student provoked discussion and raised the understanding of vocation. As such, it provided the congregation a platform to ask and question vocation in their own lives.

The **parish magazine** is a substantial part of the overall **evangelistic** strategy. Feedback from the community remains positive. Many comment that they appreciate the publication for those who have no access to social media. A new format and high quality graphic design make it an attractive publication. Local businesses are keen to advertise in the magazine. Quality items covering both church and community issues are informative, inspiring and keeps the parishioners up to date. Specific articles aim to develop knowledge of Christianity and the mission of the church. Magazines are published four times per year and are available at several outlets in the village. In the summer St. Michael's church entry won third place in the National Competition organized by **Association of Church Editors**. This was a very affirming award for work of the magazine committee.

**Social media** has continued to develop to encourage mission and evangelism. Both the church Facebook page and website have developed rapidly to engage and connect with people. Communication has improved within the parish and the wider community but is under continual review. This is highly successful as it attempts to reach a broader base of people through differing engagements. Publication of the 'Whats on' periodically throughout the year provides up to date information on church services and events. Responses from the general public indicate appreciation by the local people and businesses. A review of the website contents has partly taken place and is under continual review.

Services at the **local nursing home** and Home Communion to the housebound have resumed. In December a short carol service took place led by the lay minister and supported by the Singing Group. However, Pelsall Hall had been heavily affected by persistent lockdown which has impacted upon our visiting programme. Christmas cards and calendars for the housebound were made by the pupils from St. Michael's. It is intended to strengthen this practice in the future.



Links and positive relationships continue to be developed and embedded with the **three village schools**, namely, St. Michael's CE Primary, Pelsall Village and Ryders Hayes School. Clergy and lay minister's involvement has increased in a range of ways. Preparation for Confirmation was led by the school with four year 6 pupils being confirmed in July. Clergy have consistently visited schools. Together the church and schools have worked hard to foster and encourage partnership between and amongst the school and church communities. Engagement with parents has increased which is beneficial. Clergy attended evenings within school to meet prospective reception parents and also to share in the nursery Graduation. Introduction of new practices has sustained and consolidated the link between church and church school. This year saw a new service called 'The Clipping Service'. Reception class and parents were invited to church. This was a very worthwhile activity which will be further developed in the future.

In July clergy were able to attend the **year 6 leaver's ceremony** at both Pelsall Village and St. Michael's school. Books purchased by the church were distributed to pupils. This year, books were given to all three nurseries and reception pupils across the three schools.

In December the clergy and church officers were invited to the **Carol Service** at Ryders Hayes, Pelsall Village and St. Michael's Primary School. Near Christmas **St. Michael's Church school brought Reception, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2** pupils to their own Christmas service with age specific content. Clergy visited the nursery for their age appropriate service.

Lifted restrictions meant that the annual **Christingle** service was open to all in the community. Attendance was very large with pupils, parents and community supporting the service. A representative from the Children's Society gave the talk. Each of the three schools participated in the service through prayers, readings and music. Community engagement was purposeful. Introduction of a new **Christingle Workshop** on the day before, created an opportunity for the newcomers within the community to learn about the Christingle. Families experienced a free afternoon of explanation, games, singing and refreshments. It was a very successful event.

**Open the Book** has continued with their monthly input with the church school. Enthusiasm and commitment by members of the congregation makes this very successful in mission and engagement. It is a valuable asset to the mission of the church.

**School governance** continues to be a strength through which evangelism can be fostered through debate and discussion between the local school and church. The Foundation Governor at St. Michael's school is a member of the laity whilst the clergy is an ex-officio member. Pelsall Village School has the clergy as a co-opted member of the governing body and Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

**Community engagement** has grown steadily throughout the year. **Walsall North Foodbank** (part of the Black Country Foodbank) which is based at Pelsall Methodist Chapel is very well supported by St. Michael's congregation. Hundreds of items are collected throughout the year with a particular emphasis during Lent and also at Harvest. Members of the congregation actively work with the project.

Working with Brownhills Community Association our branch of Mother's Union Pelsall launched a new project called **Mary's Samaritans**. Together, they organize support for local families in need of household items such as kitchenware, bed wear, cutlery and crockery through our network of support organizations.

Partnership with the church and our **local councillors plus Pelsall Community Association** has made a huge difference to the locality. Working together, a **Toy Service** was organized with the aim to provide toys for children through the Walsall Children's Services. People from the community and congregation were asked to donate brand new toys and to attend the service. Response was tremendous and exceeded our expectations. This was a very successful community service reflecting the link between church and community.

Easing of restrictions led to the gradual opening of further church activities and events. Well established groups such as Men's Fellowship, Mother's Union, Ladiesdotcom, Baptism & Wedding Preparation and Thursday Morning Group all began to function regularly again. Church Hall bookings increased in number throughout 2022.



**'Little Angels'** - a Baby & Toddler Group has now been officially closed. The decision was not taken lightly but was taken after consideration of the views from the volunteers.

**Study and learning** has had a high priority. A **Lent Study** was based around Growing for Good. The Growing Good Toolkit is a FREE weekly six session course helping churches reach out through loving service and social action, grown spiritually through discipleship and inviting everyone to be part of God's transforming work. It explored the connection between social action, discipleship and growth. Through six flexible, interactive small group sessions, we explore how our churches can be faithful and fruitful in our local communities. This was a popular course.

**Teaching materials** have been consolidated on the church website. Materials associated with the church lectionary are provided for both adults and children. On a Wednesday the church uses 'Wednesday Word' which is a weekly feature based on the Sunday gospel. The development of children's materials on the website continues to be a priority.

During Holy Week a booklet was on line to follow Christ's journey towards Easter Sunday. This included -

- Worship at home from Palm Sunday to Easter.
- Stations of the Cross
- Easter Work Booklet for children
- Special edition of Wednesday Word for children

For three days in Holy Week a service of reflection and social action 'Called to Action, Called to Forgive, Called to Trust' was a reflective worship which brought lived experiences into God's transforming presence. Teaching materials are always under review to meet the needs of the congregation.

### **Pastoral Care**

Pastoral Care at St Michael's continues to be a priority, supporting our congregation and bereaved families in the Parish. Currently there are two active members of the Pastoral Visits Team as well as the clergy. This year has seen an easing of COVID restrictions which, to some extent, has made visiting easier to those at home, in Care Homes and hospital. Until December we were still following guidelines by taking Lateral Flow Tests prior to visits and following distancing advice, wearing masks etc. Relaxing of these rules made visiting easier. Telephone calls prior to visits to ascertain the latest situation as Covid is still a concern. In addition to visits, contact has been made by telephone, cards, texts, and email. In 2023 we hope to have more of our team members resuming visits and meetings. Until such time regular phone calls will continue. Warm Space Hub has recently opened in the Church Centre each Wednesday to provide hot drinks and fellowship for the community. It is planned that this project will continue throughout the winter until the end of March. The team have a supportive network within the congregation and we are very grateful and appreciative of the love, care and support given.

Clergy offered once again **'Congregations and Conversations'**. Time was offered with the clergy within the week for anyone who wished to have a talk about how they are, how they are feeling, how their faith has been challenged, strengthened or has flat bottomed out during most challenging circumstances. This proved fruitful and beneficial.

### **Deanery Synod**

There have been some Deanery Synod meetings by zoom which have enabled the meeting to take place. These have been well attended and the topics have been reported back if and when able to the PCC. This has provided the PCC with an important link between our parish and the wider structures of the church. The main item for discussion has been exploring **'Shaping for Mission'** which is a process across Lichfield Diocese to strengthen the life of discipleship, vocation and evangelism while facing a significant reduction in financial income. The initial phase of 'Shaping for Mission' took place during 2021 with outlining their priorities and vocation as a deanery. The second phase began in 2022 when deaneries, Bishops, Senior Staff and Annual Parochial Church Meetings will together begin the process of translating the vision into action and aligning resources accordingly. Reports were produced but this has been influenced by the financial context of the diocese.

## Social And Fundraising

With the risk of Covid subsiding, we have returned to a full social and fundraising regime at St Michaels.

Our church hall hirers from the community have returned, these include Slimming World, Fordbrook Bowling Association, a martial arts group, a fitness group, and on a temporary basis, a cub pack.

The church hall has been hired out some 15 times for children's parties.

In the church hall, we have had numerous social events, these include cabaret nights, an 80s party night, a bonfire party, skittles evening, and a New Year's Eve party. There was also an afternoon tea party to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

We held a May Sale and a Christmas Market to raise funds. In the church, there was a concert and also a Christmas activity evening.

There is a full programme of social and fundraising events planned for 2023.

## Ecumenical Relationships

Ecumenical relationships continue to strengthen and develop with Pelsall Methodist Church. Clergy from both churches meet regularly to forward plan and to support each other in their ministry. In January the two congregations gathered for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity at Pelsall Methodist. In the Summer congregations met to worship at the Holy Communion service at St. Michael's for Christian Aid week in May. Later in the year in October there was another ecumenical service at Pelsall Methodist. In 2022 two special events led the two places of worship working together. A Special Service of Thanksgiving on the death of the Queen in September brought the two congregations together with the community. In November the two churches took part in the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pelsall Coal Mining Disaster. Both clergy and lay ministers are invited to attend their Thursday afternoon fellowship group. There is a developing relationship with Pelsall Evangelical Church based in Old Town Lane.

## 6.Financial Review

Reduced Covid restrictions resulted in a return to near normal activities within the church and this is reflected in the results for the year.

### **Treasurer's report for the accounts:**

Total receipts for the year were £97,765 (£72,928) of which £38,917 (£30,630) was voluntary giving and donations. A further £7,930 (£6,672) was received from Gift Aid and GASDS and a sum of £6,475 (2021 £nil) was received from grants.

The planned giving together with collections at services totalled £31,864 (£27,656), an increase of 15% on the previous year.

Total income including tax recovered was £97,765 (£72,928) an increase of 34% on last year.

A total of £17,294 (£31,464) was spent from designated and restricted funds during the year, a decrease of 45%.

The net result for the year was an excess of income over expenditure of £36,627. There was also a decrease in the value of the shares of £11,746. The total value of the Church now stands at £445,187 (£420,305).

### **Reserves Policy:**

Reserve Funds are held for the bells (Bell/Tower Fund), the organ (Organ/Music Fund), the upkeep and maintenance of the Church (Fabric/Restoration Fund), the upkeep and maintenance of the Church Hall (Repair/Renewal Fund) and the graveyard (Graveyard Fund). Balances on the Graveyard Fund are used to maintain the graveyard (cost this year £3,250), and the balances on the other funds are used to cover repairs, maintenance, and emergencies.

There is an unrestricted reserves policy of holding 3 months expenditure. On 2022 figures this would be £10,961 (2021 £10,448) and unrestricted reserves at 31.12.2022 are actually £88,785 (2021 £102,489), which is substantially above this target. The PCC are happy to hold this excess as it provides a cushion in these uncertain times. There are also designated reserves of £340,870 (2021 £302,231). There are no overdrawn reserves.



## Fabric Report

### Cemetery

The cemetery has been looked after once again by a volunteer.  
The hedges have been cut professionally.  
There have been several meetings to discuss the ongoing maintenance of the cemetery.

### Church / Church Hall

We continue to monitor both the church and church hall regularly.  
There are no major concerns with either building.  
Several ridge tiles were replaced on the church office roof.  
A maintenance team has been set up to monitor what needs to be done in and around the church.  
Maintenance is carried out by both volunteers and professionals when necessary.  
The church hall maintenance is monitored by the churchwardens and repairs and upkeep of the building are carried out when needed.  
Money has been put aside to undertake repairs when necessary.  
All scheduled safety checks have been carried out.

### • Appointment of the Independent Examiner

This takes place at the A.G.M. It was agreed that the services of the Diocese of Lichfield would be used to examine the financial affairs of the parish.

### • Safeguarding

The PCC believe they have fulfilled their duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). This year has seen the review of the new safeguarding policy and its provision within the church community. For example, new policies such as Safer Recruitment and Bullying & Harassment Policy have been put in place. The church is now compliant with safeguarding policies and procedures. In November we highlighted Safeguarding Sunday where literature and information was passed to the congregation for their information and records.

Approved by the PCC on 19th April 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Alban M. Mearns  
(Chair)

J. Cumpston  
(Secretary)

## **Independent Examiner's report to the trustees/members of The PCC of Pelsall**

Registered charity number: 1170860

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 which are set out on the following pages.

### **Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner**

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

It is my responsibility

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

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair" view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the with the accounting records
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:



Sue Schulz

For and on behalf of Lichfield Diocesan Board of Finance  
St Marys House, The Close, Lichfield. WS13 7LD

Date: 20 April 2023





# **The Parochial Church Council of St Michael & All Angels, Pelsall**

## **Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

### **Accounting Policies**

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS 102. 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 in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant notes to these accounts. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

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

### **Cashflow Statement**

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS102 from the requirement to produce a Cash flow statement on the grounds that the income does not exceed £500,000.

### **Going Concern**

There are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

### **Accounting Estimates and Prior Year Errors**

No changes to accounting estimates have occurred in the reporting period.

No material prior year errors have been identified in the reporting period.

### **Description of Funds**

**Unrestricted funds** are income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the trustees' annual report.

**Restricted funds** comprise of two elements:

- a) income from trusts or endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objects provided in the terms of the trust or bequest
- b) donations or grants received for a specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

**Endowment funds** are restricted funds that must be retained as trust capital either permanently or subject to a discretionary power to spend capital as income, and where the use of any income or other benefit derived from the capital may be restricted or unrestricted. Full details of all their restrictions are shown in the notes to the accounts.

### **Income**

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received or when the PCC becomes entitled to the resource and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and Legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability. Dividends are accounted for when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.



**Expenditure**

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. Amounts received specifically for mission are dealt with as restricted funds. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

**Governance and Support Costs**

Support costs should be allocated between governance costs and other support. Governance costs comprise all costs involving public accountability of the PCC and its compliance with regulation and good practice.

Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources eg by allocating staff costs by time spent and other costs by their usage.

**Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts by s.10(2)(a)&(C) of the Charities Act 2011.

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, listed in the Church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time). For anything acquired prior to 2000 there is insufficient cost information available and therefore such assets are not valued in the financial statements.

No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated residual value of the properties is not less than their carrying value and the remaining useful life of these assets exceeds 50 years, so that any depreciation charges would be immaterial.

Other tangible fixed assets are valued at cost.

**Investments**

Investments in quoted shares, traded bonds and similar investments are valued initially at cost and subsequently at market value at the year end. Investments held for re-sale are treated as current asset investments.

**Debtors**

Debtors are measured on initial recognition at settlement amount. Subsequently they are measured at cash expected to be received.

**Creditors and Accruals**

Creditors are measured at settlement amounts less any trade discounts. Accruals are measured on best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation at the reporting date.

**PCC of Pelsall St Michael & All Angels**  
**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 December 2022**

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
<b>Incoming resources</b>						
Incoming resources from generated funds						
Voluntary income	45,004	3,213	5,105		53,322	37,302
Activities for generating funds	3,610	16,006			19,616	8,665
Investment income	3,198		63		3,261	2,438
Incoming resources from charitable activities	10,064	11,445	100		21,609	24,131
Other incoming resources	(42)				(42)	392
<b>Total income</b>	<b>61,834</b>	<b>30,664</b>	<b>5,267</b>		<b>97,765</b>	<b>72,928</b>
<b>Resources used</b>						
Cost of generating funds						
Cost of generating voluntary income	1,436				1,436	1,214
Charitable activities	42,258	13,777	3,517		59,552	71,892
Governance costs	150				150	150
Other resources used						
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>43,845</b>	<b>13,777</b>	<b>3,517</b>		<b>61,138</b>	<b>73,256</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer</b>	<b>17,989</b>	<b>16,888</b>	<b>1,751</b>		<b>36,627</b>	<b>(328)</b>
<b>Transfers</b>						
Gross transfers between funds - in	1,213	23,030	455		24,703	2,469
Gross transfers between funds - out	(21,165)	(1,279)	(2,258)		(24,703)	(2,469)
<b>Other recognised gains / losses</b>						
Gains / losses on investment assets	(11,746)				(11,746)	
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use						12,647
<b>Net movement in funds</b>	<b>(13,704)</b>	<b>38,639</b>	<b>(53)</b>		<b>24,882</b>	<b>12,319</b>
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	<b>102,489</b>	<b>302,231</b>	<b>15,584</b>		<b>420,305</b>	<b>407,986</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>88,785</b>	<b>340,870</b>	<b>15,531</b>		<b>445,187</b>	<b>420,305</b>
<b>Represented by</b>						
<b>Unrestricted</b>						
General fund	88,785				88,785	102,489
<b>Designated</b>						
Bar and Social Fund		4,101			4,101	843
Bell Tower Fund		1,247			1,247	900
Buildings - Fixed Asset Fund		268,171			268,171	268,171
CHURCH HALL RUNNING FUND		7,841			7,841	2,829
Church Electricity		266			266	
Church Gas		527			527	15
Church Hall Electricity						
Church Hall Repair/Renewal Fund		1,413			1,413	978
Graveyard Fund		17,906			17,906	11,330
Legacy Fund		10,502			10,502	10,502
Mission Giving Fund						
Organ/Music Fund		7,860			7,860	6,664
Parish Common Fund		20,336			20,336	
Warm Welcome Fund		700			700	
<b>Restricted</b>						
Administration Grant Fund			400		400	700
Advanced wedding fees			(380)		(380)	(380)
Agency collection						
Bridgeman Education Fund			9,642		9,642	9,642
Fabric/Restoration Fund			704		704	519
Flower Fund			31		31	31
Graveyard Donation Fund			480		480	480
Interior Decorating Scheme Fund			4,625		4,625	4,563
Lighting Fund			30		30	30



**PCC of Pelsall St Michael & All Angels**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022**

	Total funds	Prior year funds
<b>Fixed assets</b>		
Tangible assets	268,171	268,171
Investments	83,803	95,548
	<u>351,974</u>	<u>363,719</u>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Debtors	—	1,747
Cash at bank and in hand	93,207	54,839
	<u>93,207</u>	<u>56,586</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	(6)	
	<u>(6)</u>	
<b>Net current assets less current liabilities</b>	<u>93,213</u>	<u>56,586</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<u>445,187</u>	<u>420,305</u>
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<b>Funds of the church</b>	<u>445,187</u>	<u>420,305</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 19th April 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Signature: Alison M. Morris

Name: ALISON M. MORRIS

**PCC of Pelsall St Michael & All Angels**  
**Statement of assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2022**

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
<b>Fixed assets - Tangible assets</b>						
Church Hall -		268,171			268,171	268,171
<b>Totals</b>		<b>268,171</b>			<b>268,171</b>	<b>268,171</b>
<b>Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand</b>						
Santander current account -	1,161	18,848	(386)		19,623	9,688
CCLA (CBF) deposit account -	3,822	53,851	11,286		68,959	40,588
Interior Decorating Scheme -			4,625		4,625	4,563
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4,983</b>	<b>72,699</b>	<b>15,525</b>		<b>93,207</b>	<b>54,839</b>
<b>Current assets - Debtors</b>						
Accounts Receivable -						1,747
<b>Totals</b>						<b>1,747</b>
<b>Current assets - Investments</b>						
CBF Shares -	83,803				83,803	95,548
<b>Totals</b>	<b>83,803</b>				<b>83,803</b>	<b>95,548</b>
<b>Liabilities - Agency accounts</b>						
Agency collections -			(6)		(6)	
<b>Totals</b>			<b>(6)</b>		<b>(6)</b>	
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>88,785</b>	<b>240,870</b>	<b>15,531</b>		<b>445,187</b>	<b>420,305</b>

**Summary of Assets by Fund - 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total £
Fixed Assets	--	268,171	--	--	268,171
Investment Assets	95,548	--	--	--	95,548
Current Assets	6,940	34,060	15,584	--	56,586
Current Liabilities	--	--	--	--	--
	102,489	302,231	15,584		420,305

**Fund movement by type-2022**

	Opening	Incoming	Outgoing	Transfers	Gains/losses	Closing
<b>AWFees - Advanced wedding fee</b>						
Restricted	700	100		(400)	--	400
<b>Sub-total for AWFees</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>(400)</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>400</b>
<b>Adjustment re Agency account</b>						
Restricted	(380)	--	--	--	--	(380)
<b>Sub-total for Agency adj</b>	<b>(380)</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>(380)</b>
<b>Admin Gran - Administration Grant</b>						
Restricted	--	4,875	3,017	(1,858)	--	--
<b>Sub-total for Admin Gran</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4,875</b>	<b>3,017</b>	<b>(1,858)</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>
<b>Bar - Bar and Social Fund</b>						
Designated	842	3,487	229	--	--	4,101
<b>Sub-total for Bar</b>	<b>842</b>	<b>3,487</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4,101</b>
<b>Buildings - Buildings - Fixed As</b>						
Designated	268,171	--	--	--	--	268,171
<b>Sub-total for Buildings</b>	<b>268,171</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>268,171</b>
<b>Ch-HALL - CHURCH HALL RUNNING</b>						
Designated	2,829	9,469	4,022	(436)	--	7,841
<b>Sub-total for Ch-HALL</b>	<b>2,829</b>	<b>9,469</b>	<b>4,022</b>	<b>(436)</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>7,841</b>



<b>Church-EL - Church Electricity</b>						
Designated	—	725	459	—	—	266
Sub-total for Church-EL	—	725	459	—	—	266
<b>Church-Gas - Church Gas</b>						
Designated	15	750	853	616	—	527
Sub-total for Church-Gas	15	750	853	616	—	527
<b>Education - Bridgeman Education</b>						
Restricted	9,642	—	—	—	—	9,642
Sub-total for Education	9,642	—	—	—	—	9,642
<b>Grave-Don - Graveyard Donation F</b>						
Restricted	480	—	—	—	—	480
Sub-total for Grave-Don	480	—	—	—	—	480
<b>HALL-ELEC - Church Hall Electric</b>						
Designated	—	405	405	—	—	—
Sub-total for HALL-ELEC	—	405	405	—	—	—
<b>Hall-Rep - Church Hall Repair/R</b>						
Designated	977	—	—	436	—	1,413
Sub-total for Hall-Rep	977	—	—	436	—	1,413
<b>IntDecorat - Interior Decorating</b>						
Restricted	4,562	63	—	—	—	4,625
Sub-total for IntDecorat	4,562	63	—	—	—	4,625
<b>Parish Com - Parish Common Fund</b>						
Designated	—	3,050	—	17,286	—	20,336
Sub-total for Parish Com	—	3,050	—	17,286	—	20,336
<b>Warm Welco - Warm Welcome Fund</b>						
Designated	—	700	—	—	—	700
Sub-total for Warm Welco	—	700	—	—	—	700
<b>General - General fund</b>						
Unrestricted	102,489	61,834	43,845	(19,947)	(11,746)	88,785
Sub-total for General	102,489	61,834	43,845	(19,947)	(11,746)	88,785
<b>Tower - Bell Tower Fund</b>						
Designated	900	347	—	—	—	1,247
Sub-total for Tower	900	347	—	—	—	1,247
<b>Organ - Organ/Music Fund</b>						
Designated	6,663	1,905	1,548	840	—	7,860
Sub-total for Organ	6,663	1,905	1,548	840	—	7,860
<b>Graveyard - Graveyard Fund</b>						
Designated	11,329	9,826	3,250	—	—	17,906
Sub-total for Graveyard	11,329	9,826	3,250	—	—	17,906
<b>Mission - Mission Giving Fund</b>						
Designated	—	—	3,009	3,009	—	—
Sub-total for Mission	—	—	3,009	3,009	—	—
<b>Legacy - Legacy Fund</b>						
Designated	10,501	—	—	—	—	10,501
Sub-total for Legacy	10,501	—	—	—	—	10,501
<b>Fabric - Fabric/Restoration F</b>						
Restricted	519	230	500	455	—	704
Sub-total for Fabric	519	230	500	455	—	704
<b>Flower - Flower Fund</b>						
Restricted	30	—	—	—	—	30
Sub-total for Flower	30	—	—	—	—	30
<b>Lighting - Lighting Fund</b>						
Restricted	29	—	—	—	—	29
Sub-total for Lighting	29	—	—	—	—	29
<b>Grand total</b>	<b>420,305</b>	<b>97,765</b>	<b>61,138</b>	<b>(11,746)</b>	<b>445,187</b>	

#### Designated Funds

Bar & Social Fund-money received from St. Michael's Social Club and used for upkeep/expenses of Social Club.

Church Hall Running Fund-money received from lettings of Hall and used for general upkeep and running costs of the Church Hall.

Bell Tower Fund-funds received from weddings/funerals and donations and used for the upkeep of the bells.  
 Graveyard Fund-funds/donations received from funerals and used for maintenance of the graveyard.  
 Organ/Music Fund-funds received from weddings/funerals and used for upkeep of organ and music requirements.  
 Legacy Fund-money received from various legacies and used at the discretion of the Vicar and Church Wardens for the general upkeep of the Church.  
 Mission Giving Fund-funds transferred monthly from giving and used for local and overseas mission.  
 Church Hall Repair/Renewal Fund-money transferred from Church Hall Running Fund and used for upkeep of the Church Hall.  
 Church Gas Fund-donations received for payment of Church gas utility bills.  
 Church Electric Fund-donations received for payment of Church electricity utility bills.  
 Church Hall Electric Fund-donations/funds transferred from Church Hall Running Fund for payment of electricity utility bills.  
 Parish Common Fund-proportion of Common Fund held at parish level following special agreement with LDBF. Donations/transfers made from other funds.  
 Warm Welcome Fund-grants/funds received to assist with "Warm Welcome" initiative set up in the Church November 2022.

#### Restricted Funds

Advanced Wedding Fees Fund-payments received for forthcoming weddings.  
 Bridgeman Education Fund-monies received from the sale of unit trusts to be used at the discretion of the Vicar and Church Wardens for education and children in the Church.  
 Fabric/Restoration Fund-monies received from boxes and donations used for the upkeep of the Church.  
 Flower Fund-monies received from donations for flowers in the Church.  
 Graveyard Donation Fund-donations received and used for maintenance of the graveyard.  
 Interior Decorating Fund-funds held for decoration/upkeep of the vicarage.  
 Lighting Fund-monies received from donations and used for lighting in the Church.  
 Administration Grant Fund-grant received from LDBF to assist with the costs of administration in the Church.

### Summary of Fund Movements - 2021

	Reserves at 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfers £	Gains / Losses	Reserves at 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec £
<b>Unrestricted Fund</b>	<b>80,573</b>	<b>53,527</b>	<b>41,790</b>	<b>(2,459)</b>	<b>12,647</b>	<b>102,489</b>
<b>Designated Funds</b>						
Bar & Social Fund	192	1,340	690			842
Buildings Fund	268,171					268,171
Church Hall Running Fund	2,386	5,178	4,735			2,829
Church Gas	599	300	883			15
Bell Tower Fund	375	525				900
Church Hall Repairs Fund	977					977
Graveyard Fund	13,937	10,338	12,945			11,329
Organ / Music Fund	14,112	1,515	8,963			6,663
Legacy Fund	10,501					10,501
Mission Giving Fund		240	2,709	2,469		
	<b>311,250</b>	<b>19,436</b>	<b>30,925</b>	<b>2,469</b>		<b>302,227</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>						
Bridgeman Education Fund	9,660		17			9,642
Fabric Fund	455	63				519
Lighting Fund	29					29
Flower Fund	30					30
Interior Decorating Scheme	4,562					4,562
Graveyard Donation Fund	1,000		520			480
Advance Wedding Fees	800	(100)				700
Adj re: Agency Balance	(380)					(380)
	<b>16,156</b>	<b>(37)</b>	<b>537</b>			<b>15,582</b>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>407,986</b>	<b>72,928</b>	<b>73,256</b>		<b>12,647</b>	<b>420,305</b>



**PCC of Pelsall St Michael & All Angels**  
**Analysis of income and expenditure for the year ended 31 December 2022**

	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Endowment</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>This year</u>	<u>Last year</u>
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>						
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Voluntary income</b>						
Giving - Direct to Bank	240				240	240
Giving Direct – Donations	15,069				15,069	12,338
Giving – Envelopes	4,806				4,806	5,147
Collections at services	9,380				9,380	7,511
Collections Weddings/Funerals	1,800				1,800	1,774
Collections/Baptisms	569				569	651
Sundry Donations	1,168	633			1,801	1,055
Votive Candles						4
Other funds generated	1,423	80	81		1,584	304
Church boxes – Restoration			23		23	47
One-off Gift Aid gifts	2,545	1,100			3,645	1,544
Donations appeals etc.						16
Tax recovered on Gift Aid	5,219	50	126		5,395	4,795
Tax recovered on GASDS	2,535				2,535	1,877
Legacies						
Grant per LDBF		850	4,875		5,725	
Non-recurring one-off grants	250	500			750	
<b>Total</b>	<b>45,004</b>	<b>3,213</b>	<b>5,105</b>		<b>53,322</b>	<b>37,302</b>
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Activities for generating funds</b>						
Magazine Income	650				650	675
Fund Raising activities	1,960	3,050			5,010	976
Greeting Card Sales	260				260	310
Church hall hire		9,469			9,469	5,094
Church Centre Hire	740				740	270
Bar & Social Club Income		3,487			3,487	1,340
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,610</b>	<b>16,006</b>			<b>19,616</b>	<b>8,665</b>
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds - Investment income</b>						
Dividends from CBF Shares	2,492				2,492	2,410
Sale of shares/unit trusts						
Bank and building society interest	706				706	27
Bonus			63		63	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,198</b>		<b>63</b>		<b>3,261</b>	<b>2,438</b>
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>						
Weddings and funerals PCC Fees	10,064				10,064	11,934
Wedding/Funeral Donations-Organ/Music		1,335			1,335	1,460
Wedding/Funeral donations-Tower		300			300	525
Weddings Deposits			100		100	(100)
Funerals donation-Graveyard Fund		9,810			9,810	10,312
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,064</b>	<b>11,445</b>	<b>100</b>		<b>21,609</b>	<b>24,131</b>
<b>Other incoming resources</b>						
Insurance claims						
Miscellaneous	(42)				(42)	33
Refunds						359
Discounts received						
<b>Total</b>	<b>(42)</b>				<b>(42)</b>	<b>392</b>

<b>INCOME TOTAL</b>	61,834	30,664	5,267	97,765	72,928
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## EXPENDITURE

### Cost of generating funds - Cost of generating voluntary income

Fees paid to fund raisers					
Costs of giving envelopes	103			103	127
Costs of fetes & other events	346			346	
Costs of Advertising/Marketing					96
Costs of magazine	988			988	991
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,436</b>			<b>1,436</b>	<b>1,214</b>

### Charitable activities

Giving to Charities	319			319	12
Giving					
Giving - relief and development agencies					
Pastoral Giving					
Mission Giving - Home mission		1,703		1,703	1,460
Mission Giving - Overseas mission		1,090		1,090	1,034
Mission Giving - Child Sponsorship		216		216	216
Subscriptions	267	787		1,054	776
Common Fund	30,505			30,505	52,588
Common Fund Support					(4,382)
Fees of parish secretary	2,003		2,917	4,920	4,680
Fees of parish organist	1,400			1,400	1,225
Fees of parish vergers					
Incumbent Expenses					
Curate's Expenses					
Licensed Readers' Expenses					
Associate Minister Expenses	1,382			1,382	1,220
Incumbent Education					
Curate's Education					
Incumbent Vicarage expenses					
Curate's House Expenses					
Vicarage telephone					779
Education					
Parish training and mission	8			8	18
Organ / piano tuning		150		150	
Organ / Piano Repairs					
Upkeep of services	361			361	232
Upkeep of Services/Hymn Books					
Upkeep of churchyard - Maintenance		2,293		2,293	2,553
Upkeep of Churchyard - Water		124		124	119
Upkeep of Churchyard - Refuse		833		833	793
Administration - General	70			70	75
Administration - Photocopier	1,027	840		1,867	1,822
Administration - Telephone	501			501	374
Administration - Bank charges					
Miscellaneous	25			25	33
Administration-Computer	239		100	339	
Visiting speakers / locums					5
Donations re Pastoral Visits					
Gift to Clergy/Congregation	53			53	
Church running - electric					216
Church running Electricity	261	459		720	222
Church running - gas					
Church running Gas	211	853		1,064	884
Church running - water	203			203	175
Church running - maintenance	418			418	135
Church running - Ark					
Church Running - Flowers					
Church Running - Consumables	46			46	30



Church Running - Cleaning					
Church running - Insurance	2,961			2,961	2,863
Church Running-Junior Church					
Church Running - Q I Report					
Church Yard - Upkeep					
Hall running - Consumables		149		149	
Hall running - electricity		2,214		2,214	440
Hall running Electricity		405		405	
Hall running - gas					
Hall running - insurance		843		843	794
Hall running - maintenance					
Hall running - water		203		203	175
Hall running - Cleaning					
Hall Running - Refuse		614		614	326
Hall Running-Refunds					
Church major repairs - structure			500	500	
Church major repairs - installation					
Church interior and exterior decorating					
Hall major repairs - structure					
Hall major repairs - installation					
Total	42,258	13,777	3,517	59,552	71,892

#### Governance costs

Administration-Accounting Fees					150
Governance costs examination/audit fee	150			150	
Total	150			150	150

#### Other resources used

Administration - Adjustments

Total					
<b>EXPENDITURE TOTAL</b>	<b>43,845</b>	<b>13,777</b>	<b>3,517</b>	<b>61,138</b>	<b>73,256</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>17,989</b>	<b>16,888</b>	<b>1,751</b>	<b>36,627</b>	<b>(328)</b>

The notes on the following pages form part of these accounts

### **Allocation of Support Costs**

Support costs comprise Trustee Training and Governance Costs etc. Due to the nature of the financial activities of the PCC, these would be allocated across Charitable Expenditure which comprises the majority of its expenditure and as such are automatically charged there.

### **Staff Costs**

	<b>2022</b>	<b>2021</b>
Wages & Salaries	£ 6,320	£ 5,905
Average number of employees	2	2

During the year the PCC employed a parish secretary and an organist (all part-time) and no payments were large enough to attract social security costs.

There were no employee benefits to key management personnel in the previous or current year.

### **Trustees' Remuneration & Expenses**

1 Trustee has been reimbursed £1,382 (2021 £1,220) for travel and phone expenses incurred during the year.

### **Related Parties**

No expenses were paid to any other PCC member, persons closely connected to them, or related parties.

Donations from related parties (PCC members) totalled £7,534 (10 people), 2021 £7,822.

### **Fees for the examination of the accounts**

	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Independent Examiner's fees	£174	£150
Other fees (eg accountancy services) paid to the Independent Examiner	£--	£--



## Analysis of Transfer between Funds

Unrestricted	£	Designated	£	Restricted	£	Total £
General Fund	(3,009)	Mission Giving Fund	3,009			0
General Fund	(616)	Church Gas Fund	616			0
General Fund	(17,086)	Parish Common Fund	17,086			0
		Parish Common Fund	200	AWF	(200)	0
General Fund	(455)			Fabric / Rest Fund	455	0
General Fund	200			AWF	(200)	0
		Organ/Music Fund	840	Admin Grant Fund	(840)	0
General Fund	185			Admin Grant Fund	(185)	0
General Fund Correction	834			Admin Grant Fund	(834)	0
Total	(19,947)		21,751		(1,804)	0

**Mission Giving** – monthly transfers made between two funds to account for 10% of planned giving, which ultimately goes to local and overseas mission.

**Church Gas Fund** – planned giving specifically for this utility fund.

**Parish Common Fund** – transfers made into this fund for Common Fund purposes and held at parish level.

**Advanced Wedding Fees** – Non-refundable wedding deposits forfeited.

**Fabric/Restoration Fund** – planned giving specifically for this fund which is used for the fabric of the church.

**Administration Grant Fund** – grant specifically for administration requirements in the church and transfers made to Organ/Music Fund and General Fund to cover part of photocopier costs.

## Fixed Assets

### a. Tangible Fixed Assets

	Freehold Buildings £	Church Equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost or Valuation</b>			
As at 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	£268,171		£268,171
Additions in the year			
Disposal in the year			
Revaluation (if any)			
<b>Value at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	£268,171		£268,171
<b>Accumulated Depreciation</b>			
As at 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan			
Charge for the year			
Disposals			
<b>Value at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>			
Net Book Value at 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2022	£268,171		£268,171
<b>Net Book Value at 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2022</b>	£268,171		£268,171

The freehold buildings comprise of the Church Hall at Vicarage Road, Pelsall. The valuation is based on the insurance value.

a. Investments

	At 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan £	Additions £	Disposals £	Transfers £	Change in market value £	At 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
Investments	£95,548				(£11,746)	£83,803
<b>Restricted Funds</b>						
<b>Endowment funds</b>						
<b>Total</b>	£95,548				(£11,746)	£83,803

The holding at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022 was 4,056 shares in the CCLA Investment Fund.

## Current Assets

b. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Gift aid recoverable	-	£1,747
Prepayments and accrued income		
Other debtors		
<b>Total</b>	-	£1,747

## Liabilities

a. Amounts falling due in one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Agencies (Funerals)	6	--
Common Fund	--	--
<b>Total</b>	6	--

b. Amounts falling due after more than one year

None



**PCC of Pelsall St Michael & All Angels**  
**SOFA for the year ended 31 December 2021**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
Voluntary income	36,617	621	63	—	37,302
Activities for generating funds	2,430	6,234	—	—	8,665
Investment income	2,437	—	—	—	2,438
Incoming resources from charitable activities	11,934	12,297	(100)	—	24,131
Other incoming resources	108	284	—	—	392
<b>Total income</b>	<b>53,527</b>	<b>19,436</b>	<b>(36)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>72,928</b>
<b>Resources used</b>					
Cost of generating funds					
Cost of generating voluntary income	1,213	—	—	—	1,214
Charitable activities	40,426	30,927	537	—	71,892
Governance costs	150	—	—	—	150
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<b>41,790</b>	<b>30,927</b>	<b>537</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>73,256</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfers and revaluations</b>	<b>11,737</b>	<b>(11,491)</b>	<b>(574)</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>(328)</b>