

The Parish of Sundridge with Ide Hill and Toys Hill



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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

The PCC oversees three centres of worship, St Mary's Sundridge, St Mary's Ide Hill and at Toys Hill the village hall licensed for worship.

Joint Services are held on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at St Mary's Sundridge and the 2nd and 4th Sundays at Ide Hill. A Holy Communion service is held at Toys Hill Hall on the 1st Sunday of the month.

There have been 6 baptisms, 4 weddings, 8 funerals, 3 burials, and 9 burials of ashes in the parish during the year, as well as one service at a crematorium.

All year, a rota of volunteers from the Friends has been opening and closing St Mary's Sundridge every day until dusk, with many appreciative responses in the visitors' book. St Mary's Ide Hill is also open every day, thanks to a dedicated team of openers and closers.

The PCC and parish continued to benefit from the wise and active ministry of the Reverend Lynette Leithead. In September, the PCC formally requested the Bishop Jonathan to extend her service in the parish to June 2025, with an option to continue in post up to June 2026

The second half of the year was much concerned with moving forward with plans to create a longer term relationship with the parish of Brasted, to replace the temporary arrangement of a shared part time incumbent serving the two parishes instituted in 2023. A joint meeting of the two PCCs with Archdeacon Sharon Copestake and the Assistant Archdeacon Nick Cornell was held in September, at which the archdeacons outlined the desirability of moving forward with a closer relationship between the two parishes, and some options for how this could be achieved.

In October, the PCC held a special meeting to discuss four models for the future, ranging from staying as we are to full unification into one parish. After a full discussion of the pros and cons of each option, the PCC supported the model of moving to a single benefice for the two parishes with a full-time incumbent, but with each parish to be managed by separate PCCs, as now. Thankfully this was in line with the preferred option of the Brasted PCC. At a second joint meeting of the PCCs in November, we were asked to decide on three issues. Firstly, the need for a full-time incumbent for the benefice was confirmed. Secondly, the choice between the rectories in Brasted and in Sundridge was discussed and the meeting selected the Sundridge Rectory as the accommodation and facilities on offer. Lastly, the formal name of the single benefice was to be Brasted & Sundridge with Ide Hill & Toys Hill. These decisions were passed back to the diocese for the next stages in the process of putting the benefice in place. At each stage, the PCCs and wider parish will be kept informed of progress and asked for input where appropriate.

The PCC continues to review and update safeguarding policies especially in the area of lone working. New risk assessments have also been put in place throughout the parish. See the separate Safeguarding Report.

The PCC has continued to pursue the use of the Glebe field at Ide Hill as an extension to the Churchyard for future burials. The main focus has been the need to negotiate with the National Trust access from the public pathway to the Glebe field site, between which the Trust owns a small piece of land. These discussions continue.

The PCC supported the development of plans and approvals for the 'Flushing Hill' project at Ide Hill, to build a toilet and tea station at the back of the church in the choir vestry. In November, the plans received final approval from the DAC, an important stage in implementation. See the Churchwardens' Fabric Report for more information.

As the PCC has been able to work on a more stable basis, we have reviewed and established a number of formal policies. These include:

Safeguarding Policies – renewed and displayed

Complaints Policy

Financial Reserves Policy

In addition, an audit of personal data was carried out, covering the PCC holding and use of personal data, and draft GDPR policies were prepared as a result.

The Parish Council raised with the PCC the possibility of selling off part of the land adjacent to Birchfield, which had previously been identified as possible expansion space for burials in the parish. As the plans for the extension of the Ide Hill graveyard are well advanced (see below) and the Sundridge churchyard has capacity, the PCC responded that they had no objection to the Parish Council's plans.

The diocese conducted a review of the Parish Offer system, including a consultation to which the PCC contributed a detailed questionnaire response. The main result of the review was the removal of the 'cap' on the requested offer, but that PCCs remained sovereign in deciding their Parish Offer. Our Parish Offer was £20,000 in 2024 and the PCC agreed to increase this to £25000 in 2025.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

The Rev Lynette with the support of an LLM and supporting Readers and ministers has maintained a full programme of services and celebrations across the parish. The major festivals brought a sunrise service at Easter and at Christmas a candle-lit carol service, a Christmas Tree carol service, and a Crib service, which were all well attended. There have been special services for ringing in the New Year, the Flower Festival, an Open Air service with animal friends, Harvest festivals, an Advent hymn service, Remembrance Sunday services and a joint 'Time to Remember' with Brasted, for those who have been bereaved.

Prayers for the Parish meetings, open to all, have met regularly, and there have been a number of Bible Babble get-togethers. The newly formed 'High Days and Holidays' parish choir have contributed splendidly to several events, under the leadership of Joanna Campbell and the training of Mary Byers. In November, the first of the monthly editions of Pew News was produced and distributed, listing services and other notable dates and news.

Members of the church have been a Church presence in Community activities including the Village Fair at Ide Hill and the August Bank Holiday and Christmas Fundridge Activities in Sundridge. We are grateful for the hard work of church members and both the Sundridge and Ide Hill "Friends of St Mary's" who have organised fundraising activities which have been open to community and church alike (See separate reports). At Harvest, donations from the church family meant that we were able to provide food bags to local families who were most in need in our schools and to local food banks. The Toys Hill community were touched and pleased by the Church's pledge of £500 towards the refurbishment of the Village Hall

Rev Lynette and Barbara Lockey have continued to go into the both Ide Hill and Sundridge schools to take Collective Worship throughout the year.

For most of the year (since April 2024), Forest Church has usually met at Toys Hill on the first Sunday in the month. At other times such as Harvest and Advent, it has joined the main Sunday service at Ide Hill. Forest Church has been forging links with the Morning Worship service at Ide Hill so now meets on the second Sunday of the month there.

Many thanks are due to the many volunteers and helpers who contribute massively to the mission and running of the churches – the readers, the flowers team, the bellringers, the organists, the locker-uppers, the cleaners, the working parties, the maintenance teams

Charities Supported

The PCC decided that the collections on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day would be shared between three chosen charities: Porchlight, Open Doors and the Sharp Memorial School for the blind. The total amount distributed was £900.

Porchlight are a lifeline to people who are experiencing homelessness, poverty, mental ill health, and social exclusion. They provide housing, education, and personal development to support the most vulnerable and isolated people in our communities.

Open Doors is a charity that is close to Rev Lynette's heart. It distributes bibles and resources, so that Christian believers can be nourished by God's word, it supports victims of violence and disaster so that they can live independent and fulfilled lives and brings hope to the Middle East so that Christians can live with dignity and hope.

Sharp Memorial School for the Blind lies in the foothills of the Himalayas and is the oldest school for the blind in India. It is a Christian Mission school for girls and boys of all casts and creeds. Our Reader, Ruth Barrow has a long connection with the school. In both Ide Hill and Sundridge church you will see the recent report from the Sharp school. Please do take time to read it and get to know it better.

The Remembrance Day donations of £526 was passed to the **Royal British Legion**.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2024

The accounts have been independently examined and summarised in the accompanying statement that has been approved by the Independent Examiner.

At the end of 2024 there was a surplus of £4405 which, when added to investment income of £6029, made a total surplus of £10434. Total reserves increased to £291870. Planned Giving remained substantially unchanged from 2023 but collections and donations increased by about £2000 and this may have been partly due to the installation of bank card readers at Sundridge & Ide Hill which recorded total giving of £1910. Most of the card donations were received outside of regular services. Gift Aid from HMRC and VAT from the LPWG Scheme has been claimed for the year and is included in the accounts. We were again pleased and grateful to receive a grant of £2000 from the Parish Council towards the cost of grass cutting in Sundridge Churchyard.

We have started to pay for the IH graveyard extension out of the IH Churchyard bank account. Since we are sharing the Parish Office in Sundridge with Brasted parish, it has been agreed that the two

parishes will share equally the costs of the office, and also those costs of the clergy that relate to both parishes. This has resulted in a payment to us of £1297 from Brasted in 2024. The PCC's offer to the Diocese of Rochester was £20,000 (up from £15,000 in 2023), and the nominated charities by the PCC received £1492.

The Treasurer is grateful to the Churchwardens and others who have made sure that our funds are utilised sensibly and prudently. I especially wish to thank Fiona Parkin, Simon Pickard, Ed Dixon and Phil Chapman for managing & banking the weekly collections and providing me with detailed documentation. Finally, on behalf of the PCC, thank you to Gary Davison, our Independent Examiner, who has kindly spent a considerable amount of his own time examining the PCC's accounts at no cost to the Parish.

GOVERNANCE

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC) IN 2024 consisted of

Chair:	Reverend Lynette Leithead (Priest in Charge)
Vice-Chair and Churchwarden:	Jane Belle
Churchwardens:	Althea Chapman, Jane Rossi
Licensed Lay Minister:	Jane Rosam
Treasurer:	Robert Skone James
Secretary:	Terry Corbett (co-opted)
Elected Members	Simon Pickard, Barbara Lockey and (from April) Lynne Rutherford, Marilyn Page, Prue Seddon, Ginny Ashworth, Jo Rutter

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) meets every two months and has met six times this year and held two joint meetings with Brasted PCC. Reports from the treasurer, churchwardens and safeguarding officer have been received at every meeting.

This year has seen a welcome increase in the membership of the PCC, with five new elected members (one of whom was previously co-opted)

The Secretary would like to express his appreciation for the support and encouragement he has received from the PCC.

Standing Committee

This is a statutory PCC committee that may carry out some of the work of the PCC between meetings (e.g. if an urgent matter arises for which a full PCC Meeting cannot be called). The Standing Committee reports to the PCC. The size of a Standing Committee is dependent on the size of the parish Electoral Roll. The Minister is always an ex-officio member, and the PCC must appoint others from its own lay membership.

The Standing Committee in 2024 consisted of five PCC members: Lynette Leithead, Althea Chapman, Jane Rossi, Lynne Rutherford and Simon Pickard. The Secretary may attend for Minutes.

CHURCHWARDENS' FABRIC REPORT FOR THE PARISH IN 2024

ST MARY'S SUNDRIDGE

We are most grateful to all who help to keep the Church and Churchyard well maintained and to those who keep the building open 365 days a year!

The water stop-cock has been moved to an accessible site on the ground floor in the toilet and the ventilation pipe has been capped.

We are especially grateful to Peter Duke and Robin Mills who expertly mended 'Bertie' the boiler after the underground corroded iron piping had been replaced.

Emergency lighting for the Bell-Ringing Chamber, stairway and West porch doorway has been installed and is working well.

The oak doors to the Lady Chapel have been expertly repaired. Nigel Belle has repaired several small items in the church including the Organ lock to prevent access by unauthorised persons.

In addition to the CollectTin we now have a QR code for people to use for donations.

The Fabric Committee continues to look for funding/grants to complete phase 3 of the WaterLoo project (to install a tea station to improve Café Sundridge facilities) and the possibility of glazing in the Lady Chapel (in order to soundproof it).

Other current projects are to improve the lighting in the Tower Room, move the sound system into the Nave and repair the Lychgate.

The Churchyard is in good order and the Memorial Stone engravings are up to date.

ST MARY'S IDE HILL

We were fortunate not to have needed any major work done in or outside the church during the year, although we did require the lightening conductor to be re-earthed.

All required inspections have been undertaken and the Logbook is up to date.

The biggest project has been liaising with Thomas Ford and partners to have the necessary documentation so that we could apply to the DAC for permission to install a toilet and tea station at the back of the church. Said permission has now been granted and the paperwork for a faculty application is being prepared.

We have also received permission subject to no objections, for a 5th memorial stone to be erected in the Memorial Garden as there is no more room on the 4 existing stones.

The project to accurately map out the graves in the Churchyard is ongoing and almost complete, and thanks must go to PJ Rutherford for undertaking this huge task. The Book of Remembrance has been updated and engravings on the existing Memorial Stones are up to date.

DEANERY SYNOD REPORT 2024

Area Dean: Rev Canon Anne le Bas until May when Rev Tim Edwards (Rector Knockholt & Halstead) was appointed Area Dean;

Lay Chairman: Brig. Ian Dobbie;

Secretary: Vacant;

Treasurer Fr Robin Jones.

Standing Committee: John Colyer, Lela Weavers, Jane Belle.

There was one Synod meeting in May held at Halstead Church, at which group work was undertaken to share ideas to encourage means of outreach. This occurred at a time when there was no Deanery Secretary and at a time when the new Area Dean was about to have a Sabbatical leading up to Christmas. There was therefore no further Deanery Synod meeting in 2024.

Jane Belle (*Standing Committee Member Deanery Synod*)

SAFEGUARDING REPORT 2024

Safeguarding Sunday (17th November 2024) was marked in church services in November with prayers and reflections following the theme of ‘Let’s talk about it’.

Training has remained a priority.

Safeguarding training for PCC members is virtually up to date and the filling of gaps is scheduled.

Policies and Safeguarding statements

House of Bishops “promoting a Safer Church; Safeguarding Policy Statement” was re-adopted. The parish Safeguarding Policy was reviewed. The focus is now on the development of a Loneworking Policy.

Diana Pickard – Parish Safeguarding Officer, St Mary’s Sundridge and Ide Hill with Toys Hill

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CHURCH SUNDRIDGE REPORT 2024

The year started off with The Friends offering mulled wine and mince pies to those attending the Ringing In event at noon on New Year's Day.

During the year we held the AGM on 18th March which was followed by a Spring Social. In July, Jane Belle led a visit to two ancient churches in Sussex located at Icklesham and Winchelsea, followed by lunch. John Bailey very kindly conducted extremely informative tours of both buildings. We again hosted a stall at Funstock on 25th August and our year concluded with a Christmas Social. At both our social events we offered refreshments, a raffle and one of the draws for the 100 Club.

Members of the Friends of St Mary's continue to operate a rota for opening and closing the church; it is always heartening to read comments in the Visitors' Book indicating how pleased people are to find the church accessible.

The highlight of the year was the formation of the Friends' 100 Club and I would like to thank Gary Davison and Barbara Lockey for their hard work in setting this up.

I would also like to thank the Committee for all their hard work. Lindsay Hofman was invited to sit as a co-opted member and we are delighted she has agreed to do so again. Final thanks go to all our Members for their support throughout the year.

Kenneth Ludlam

Honorary Chairman – The Friends of St Mary's Church Sundridge

ST MARY'S CHURCH BELLRINGERS REPORT 2024

Our year started with ringing in the New Year at midday.

A problem was discovered with the number five and six bells. The bushes on these two bells were found to be worn and needed to be replaced. A working party was organised to clean the tower prior to working on these bells. The clappers were removed and transported to Whites of Oxford. Whites returned and refitted the clappers, and also inspected the rest of the bells. Unfortunately they found that the number six bell headstock had a crack in it. We are at present getting quotes for this work to be carried out.

Ringing was suspended due to concerns over the lack of emergency lighting on the stairs and ringing chamber. This was temporarily resolved one month later by the use of torches on the stairs, and permanent emergency lighting has now been installed. Unfortunately during this time we had to cancel two groups of visiting ringers.

In June our evening practice was dedicated to 80 years since the D day landings. Paul tolled a bell 80 times.

We were delighted to ring for a wedding in the summer.

Tonbridge district monthly practice took place in our tower in September.
We provided tea and biscuits for this event.

Anyone interested in visiting the tower or learning to ring please contact
Rita Cox (Captain) 01732 750324
Joanne Rutter. 01959 565334
Maggie Amos. maggiemos43@yahoo.co.uk

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S CHURCH IDE HILL REPORT 2024

I would like to start by remembering 2 of our founder members, Brook Marshall and Maggie Meredith, who both passed away in 2024. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

We continue to raise awareness of The Friends, and to explore creative ways to welcome people who would not normally come into the church through various activities such as our annual Christmas Tree Festival, auction and music evening, followed by the now annual Christmas Tree carol service which is attended by nearly one hundred children and adults. The 2024 CTF raised an incredible £4492 ! Thanks must go to all the tree decorators, the performers, supporters, everyone who helped organise, and the sponsors, especially the Montreal Estate who hand picked the lovely trees from their estate.

In November we held a Quiz Night in the Village Hall which was attended by 87 quiz enthusiasts and which raised just over £2000. In September we hosted a MacMillan Coffee afternoon in the church, which was very well attended by members of the community. We were able to give £326 to MacMillan, and we are planning to do this again in 2025 as it raises funds for a worthy cause and at the same time creates awareness for The Friends.

We once again provided refreshments for Ride and Stride, which raised money for Friends of Kent Churches. Thanks to the efforts of Neil Arnott, Jane Rosam and Trudi Broughton and team, they raised a total of £2215, of which 50% comes back to us, giving St Mary's Ide Hill £1107. This year, we will be brainstorming how we can increase participation, especially amongst our young people.

Thank you to the Ide Hill Community Shop who generously made funds available for us to purchase a coffee machine from Kingdom Coffee, which uses fairtrade coffee. This now means we can provide a really good cup of coffee after church services, promoting fellowship – in fact we have noticed that members of the congregation stay a bit longer to have a second cup and great conversations with each other!

We are in a strong financial position and we can report progress on Project Flushing Hill (the installation of a toilet and tea station in the church). After some delay, we received approval from the DAC, for the toilet to be sited on the south side and the tea station on the north side. We are working with Architects Thomas Ford and have received drawings and a schedule of works. We are currently exploring drainage and water supply options, and we are pleased to report that the Faculty for the project has been submitted. Thank you to Anne Beasley for all your hard work on this. There is a lot of paperwork involved! Thank you also to Jane Wiltshire who has taken on the task of applying for grants once the Faculty is approved. We estimate the total cost of the project to be between £75 000 and £90 000, as long as there are no major issues with water supply. Once the Faculty has been approved we will start the consultation and communication process to ensure everyone is kept informed of progress.

Thank you to Lynette for her support and trust in us. The support from the community and the members is also truly appreciated.

To the Trustees, thank you for your wise counsel and enthusiasm. We are a great team.

Thank you

Lynne Rutherford
Chairman

THE FLORENCE HARDING FUND – TREASURER’S REPORT FOR 2024

Income for the year rose to £5,639.06 (2023: £5,056) as a result of higher interest rates. Payments of £406.33. were made for Bibles.

The Balance Sheet shows that General Fund has increased to £178,442.28 (2023: £174,369.39) due to higher returns in the global stock markets.

The Accumulated Income Fund, available for distribution at the discretion of the Florence Harding Trustees, (comprising cash held in commercial bank accounts and in Diocesan loan accounts) has a balance £45,042.65 (2023: £39,809.92).

The year-end valuation of the Florence Harding Fund has cash and investments to the value £223,484.93 as at the 31 December 2024 (2023: £214,179.31).

At the Florence Harding Trustees Committee meeting, following the Parish AGM, in April 2023 the Rector and Church Wardens were confirmed as Trustees. Mr Julian Parkin was appointed Treasurer for 2024 but has requested to be replaced for the 2025 year and a new Treasurer is being identified.

DIOCESAN SYNOD REPORT 2024

There were, as usual, two synod meetings, in June and December. Both discussed, heard reports and voted on various subjects – such as Finance, Safeguarding, etc. In December the Diocesan Vision & Strategy, drawn up by a team led by Claire Boxall, Head of Programmes, was adopted unanimously.

Also in December Bishop Jonathan made an unprecedented address in which he said (paraphrased) that “many of us are feeling like sheep without a shepherd given all that we are facing in both the Church and the wider world. With wars and rumours of wars in many parts of the world, the climate crisis, the rise of AI, and the impact of the internet on us and on our children.... Add to that everything else that is happening within the Church of England, following the publication of the Makin Review and the unprecedented resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, along with the uncertainty and anxiety on all sides connected with Living in Love and Faith, and it is not surprising that many of us may end up feeling harassed and helpless, when the spiritual leader of the Anglican Church has just stepped down..... We do need to respond to what has happened in the last few weeks, following the Makin Review, along with other reviews and reports in recent years which have revealed both personal and systemic failure in the life of the Church at every level. Evil has been covered up, the plight of victims and survivors has been played down or ignored, and this has felt like a betrayal not only of the victims of abuse but also those countless people, clergy and laity who have been working so hard at diocesan and parish level to improve the quality of safeguarding. For this reason I believe the Archbishop of Canterbury’s decision to resign was the right and honourable thing to do..... Later we will debate a motion of no confidence in the Archbishops’ Council over their handling of these issues.”

After some debate the vote was carried 51 for the motion of no confidence, 5 against, and 9 abstentions. I have attended many Diocesan Synod meetings but never one like this.

Jane Belle – Diocesan Synod Member, and DAC committee member.



St Marys Sundridge with Ide Hill & Toys Hill PCC			Charity No (if any)	1173206	CC17a
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01.01.2024	To	Period end date	31.12.2024	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)							
Incoming resources from generated funds			-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary income	anned givings& giftaid, gran	S01	49,202	5,669		54,871	75,406
Activities for generating funds	te, flower fes & Ride & Stric	S02	1,556			1,556	1,836
Investment income		S03	971		2,918	3,889	3,564
Fees weddings and funerals and extras	church activities	S04	5,105	6,278		11,383	13,470
Other incoming resources	Insurance claim	S05		1		1	2,608
Total incoming resources		S06	56,834	11,948	2,918	71,700	96,884
Resources expended (Notes 4-8)							
Costs of Generating Funds			-	-	-	-	-
Church activities	Offer, clergy costs, DBF	S07	23,444	2,153		25,597	30,907
fund raising/admin costs	fete, Mag, admin	S08	142			142	1,099
Church running costs	ilnsurance ,heating etc	S09	18,258			18,258	11,910
Charitable activities	Mission giving donations	S10	200	1,492		1,692	828
Repair and maintenance	including major work	S11	7,520	4,137		11,657	32,694
Other resources expended	Churchyard	S12	5,550	4,399		9,949	7,995
Total resources expended		S13	55,114	12,182	-	67,295	85,433
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		S14	1,720	- 234	2,918	4,405	11,451
Gross transfers between funds(church repair fund)		S15	5,105	- 2,187	- 2,918		-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		S16	6,825	- 2,421	-	4,405	11,451
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		S17	-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on investment assets /Refunds		S18	375	2,798	2,856	6,029	12,187
Net movement in funds		S19	7,200	377	2,856	10,434	23,638
Total funds brought forward		S20	67,460	99,557	114,419	281,436	
Total funds carried forward		S21	74,660	99,934	117,275	291,870	281,436

Section B Balance sheet

		Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets (Notes 5&6)	B01		-	-	-	-	-
CRF	B02		-	82,809		82,809	82,198
Investments (Note 5)	B03		-		117,275	117,275	114,419
Total fixed assets	B04		-	82,809	117,275	200,084	196,617
Current assets							
Stock and work in progress	B05		-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 7)	B06		10,946		-	10,946	14,491
(Short term) investments	B07		15,000		-	15,000	10,000
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 9)	B08		49,136	18,025	-	67,161	61,611
Total current assets	B09		75,082	18,025	-	93,107	86,102
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 8)	B10		421	900	-	1,321	1,283
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B11		74,661	17,125	-	91,786	84,819
Total assets less current liabilities	B12		74,661	99,934	117,275	291,870	281,436
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year	B13		-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges	B14		-	-	-	-	-
Net assets	B15		74,661	99,934	117,275	291,870	281,436
Funds of the Charity							
Unrestricted funds	B16		74,661			74,661	67,460
	B17						-
Restricted income funds	B18			99,934		99,934	99,557
Endowment funds (Note 11)	B19				117,275	117,275	114,419
Total funds	B20		74,661	99,934	117,275	291,870	281,436
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees							
			Signature		Print Name		Date of approval
					Rev Lynette Leithead		

Section C**Notes to the accounts****Note 1 Basis of preparation**

This section should be completed by all charities .

1.1 Basis of accounting:

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. the financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCC's , and with Regulations "true and fair view" , it is also the first year they have been prepared under FRS102(2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of Statement of recommended Practice, Accounting and reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102). These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost (except that investments are shown at market value) in accordance with:

- Accounting and Reporting by Charities – Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP 2005);
- and with*

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 Accounting Standards;
- or

 Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE);
- and with the Charities Act.

Give details in this box if a different standard has been followed.

* -Tick as appropriate:

- if all relevant disclosures shown in the pack have been given then please tick "Accounting Standards"; ✓
- if disclosures completed in these accounts have been restricted to those required by the FRSSE, then please tick "Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Enterprises (FRSSE)".

** - If no departures from the chosen standards have been made then delete these words; otherwise give details of any changes in the boxes.

1.2 Change in basis of accounting

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

§ if no changes have been made to accounting policies then delete these words.

1.3 Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years

Give details in this box of any material changes that have been made.

§§ if no changes have been made to accounts for previous periods then delete these words.

Note 2 Accounting policies

This standard list of accounting policies has been applied by the charity except for those deleted. Where a different or additional policy has been adopted then this is detailed in the box below.

INCOMING RESOURCES

Recognition of incoming resources	These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: - the charity becomes entitled to the resources; - the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and - the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Incoming resources with related expenditure	Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.
Contractual income and performance related grants	not applicable
Gifts in kind	Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised. Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity. Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.
Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Investment gains and losses	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.
Governance costs	Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.
Grants with performance conditions	not applicable
Grants payable without performance conditions	These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.
Support Costs	

not applicable

ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity	consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from statutory definition of 'charity' by Section 10(2)9a) and © of Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalised in the financial statement
Investments	Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.
Stocks and work in progress	These are valued at the lower of cost or market value.

**POLICIES ADOPTED
ADDITIONAL TO OR
DIFFERENT FROM THOSE
ABOVE**

Section C		Notes to the accounts	
Note 3 (sheet1)		Analysis of incoming resources	
Incoming resources may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.			
	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Voluntary income	Planned giving SO1	26,087	26350
	Tax recoverable SO1	8,955	8222
	Grants for Waterloo 2 project SO1		22000
	LPWG SO1	1,417	4782
	Legacy SO1	3,000	1000
	Recurring grants grass cutting SO1	2,000	2000
	Diocese re Rectory Office SO1		1000
	Donations restricted SO1	47	2260
	Donations unrestricted SO1	6,402	4453
	Collections restricted SO1	1,559	790
	Collections unrestricted SO1	4,109	4080
	Brasted Share of running costs SO1	1,297	304
	Insurance claim SO5		2,608
	Total	54,873	79,849
Activities for generating funds	Fete and flower festival SO2	448	
	Ride & Stride	1,108	
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		Total	1,556
Investment income	Dividends on CCLA Investment Fund SO3	2918	2,873
	Interest from deposit accounts SO3	971	691
		-	-
		-	-
		Total	3,889
Incoming resources from church activities	Statutory Fees, weddings, funerals SO4	5105	8,636
	Supplimentary fees & DBF SO4	6278	4,834
		-	-
Total income	Total	71,700	96,883

Section C

Notes to the accounts

(cont)

Note 4

Analysis of resources expended

Resources expended may be further analysed if this would help the reader of the accounts.

	Analysis	This year £	Last year £
Church Activities	Offer Diocese of Rochester & DBF	22,243	16,867
	Clergy expenses & Rectory not included below	3,354	5,820
	Offer & Clergy Costs S07	25,597	22,687
	Admin costs S08	142	1,099
	Church utilities S09	4,359	3,840
	Church insurance S09	8,442	8,069
	Church running expenses S09	5,657	8,220
	Insurance Heating etc	18,458	20,129
	Churchyard S12	9,949	7,995
	Maintenance S11	9,979	2,983
	Major works S11	1,678	29,711
	Maintenance and major works	11,657	32,694
	Total	65,803	84,604
Raising Funds		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Investment management costs		-	-
		-	-
	Total	-	-
Donations to support wider mission work and charities outside the parish	Sharp memorial school for blind girls S10	300	266
	Porchlight Kent homeless people S10	300	266
	Open Doors S10	300	266
	Friends of Rochester Cathedral S10	20	20
	Friends of kent Churches S10	10	10
	Other		
	Royal British Legion S10	562.26	
	Total	1,492	828
Governance costs		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
	Total	67,296	85,432

Section C Note 5

Analysis of investments - permanent endowment funds (PE)

CBF Funds

Sundridge Plender [churchyard and grave] a/c CB3013652
 Sundridge Drabble [churchyard and grave] a/c CB3013653
 Ide Hill Porter Endowment [benefice income] a/c CB3013747
 Ide Hill Porter [churchyard and grave] a/c CB3013707
 Ide Hill Ven Gray [churchyard and grave] a/c CB3013625
 Ide Hill General a/c CB3033048
 Ide Hill Goathurst Mission [fabric] a/c CB3013745 div reinvested
 Ide Hill Fabric a/c cb3032940
 Bishop Porteous CB3013760

Other investments

Ide Hill Churchyard Daisy Smith bequest

Total investments

Note 6 Church repair funds - restricted income funds

Sundridge

Balance as at 1 January
 Contribution from general fund
 Interest
 Debit
 Balance as at 31 December

Ide Hill

Balance as at 1 January
 Contribution from general fund
 Interest
 Debit
 Balance as at 31 December

Total church repair funds

Units	10.2 Market value at year end £	10.2 Market value at prior year end £
376	8,694	8,500
302	6,983	6,827
2,975	68,790	67,251
328	7,584	7,415
254	5,873	5,742
186	4,301	4,205
271	7,428	7,069
136	3,145	3,074
93	2,142	2,094
	2,335	2,245
	117,275	114,420
	10 Value at year end £	10 Value at prior year end £
	38,338	36,065
	1,250	2,075
	1,275	1,068
	- 3,519	- 870
	37,344	38,338
	43,860	41,939
	700	700
	1,523	1,221
	- 618	-
	45,465	43,860
	82,809	82,198

Section C (sheet 2)

Notes 7

Debtors and prepayments

Please complete this note if the charity has any debtors or prepayments.

Analysis of debtors

	Amounts falling due		Amounts falling due after	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Inland Revenue gift aid tax reclaim & VAT	8954.88	8,222	-	-
Other debtors	1990.76	6,269	-	-
Total	10,946	14,491	-	-

Note 8

Creditors and accruals

Please complete this note if the charity has any creditors or accruals.

8.1 Analysis of creditors

	Amounts falling due		Amounts falling due after	
	This year £	Last year £	This year £	Last year £
Amounts owing to charities	900	798	-	-
Trade creditors			-	-
Other creditors	421	485	-	-
Total	1,321	1,283	-	-

Note 9

Cash

Cash at Bank and in Hand

Unrestricted funds held at HSBC

Treasurer current account and cash in hand

No 1 money manager account 3752

No 2 Money Manager account 1379

NSW Community Account

Cambridge & Counties 12month notice savings account

Unrestricted funds held with Diocesan

Total unrestricted

Restricted funds held at HSBC

No 2 money manager account - IH Churchyard fund 3760

No 3 money manager Account Sundridge fabric 1387

total restricted

Total cash at bank and in hand

10.2 Funds at year end £	10.2 Funds at prior year end £
12843.88	11,874
34161.61	25,536
2130.53	6,044
15000	10,000
64,136	53,454
8326.84	9,832
9698.45	8,325
18,025	18,157
82,161	71,611

Note 10 Transfers

Transfers between funds	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
	F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Church Repair Funds transfer	- 1,950	1,950		-	-
Transferred out of CRFs	4,137	- 4,137			
Funds used from capital works & net movement in funds supported by					-
Interest transferred to current	2,918		- 2,918		
Total Funds	5,105	- 2,187	- 2,918	-	-

Note 11 Endowment and restricted income funds

11.1 Movements of major funds

Fund names	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming resources £	Outgoing resources £	Transfers £	Gains and losses £	Fund balances carried forward £
Sundridge Plender	8,500	-	-	-	195	8,694
Sundridge Drabble	6,827				156	6,983
Ide Hill Porter	67,251				1,539	68,790
Ide Hill Porter	7,415				170	7,584
Ide Hill Ven Gray	5,742				131	5,873
Ide Hill General a/c	4,205				96	4,301
Ide Hill Goathurst	7,069				360	7,428
Ide Hill Fabric	3,074				71	3,145
					-	
Daisy Smith IH bequest	2,245				90	2,335
Bishop Porteous	2,094				48	2,142
		-	-	-		
Total Funds	114,419	-	-	-	2,856	117,275

These Accounts approved by the PCC on:

h. Leithhead ✓

And signed on their behalf by ^{REV. L. LEITHHEAD}
~~Jane Belle~~ (PCC ~~Vice~~ Chair):

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Sundridge with Ide Hill and Toys Hill PCC**

I report on the accounts of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2024, which are set out on pages 1 and 2.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The PCC's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The PCC's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements of the 2011 Act.

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

Name of Examiner: Gary Davison

Signed



Address: Poplars, Church Road, Sundridge, Sevenoaks, Kent TN14 6AU

Date: 25th February 2025