

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF FRENHAM

England & Wales · Charity number 1173223

Details

Other names FRENHAM PCC

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2017-05-31

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

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH, PASTORAL, EVANGELISTIC, SOCIAL AND ECUMENICAL.

Activities: Regular public worship open to all. The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation. Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved. Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups. Taking of religious assemblies in schools. Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and meetings, and the distribution of literature.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Surrey

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£119,415	£124,532	-	-
2023-12-31	£90,876	£110,275	-	-
2022-12-31	£126,794	£124,669	-	-
2021-12-31	£100,092	£90,768	-	-
2020-12-31	£99,586	£123,447	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
REV Jane Louise Walker	Chair	2011-04-13
BARBARA ELIZABETH POTTER		2014-04-06
Dr Brian Stephen Capper		2025-04-27
JON SAVAGE		2015-04-19
Jillian Kay Billings		2022-04-24
Jonathan Charles Hetherington		2022-04-24
MORAG ELIZABETH CROSSLEY JAMES		2016-04-17
Michael Smith		2021-04-25
PATRICIA MARY TELFER		2015-04-19
PETER FRANK JAMES		2002-03-01
Rosemary Faun		2025-04-27
Valerie Chadney		2021-04-25

Accounts



FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2024



1. Administrative information

The Benefice of Frensham incorporates St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield and is part of the Diocese of Guildford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Frensham, Surrey, GU10 3DT.

In 2017 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission. Its registered name is "The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham" and its registered number is 1173223. All members of the PCC are trustees of the charity.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2024 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent of the Benefice		
Rev. Jane Walker		
Wardens		
Jon Savage		Elected at APCM 2024 – 28 th April
Representatives on the Deanery Synod		
Mrs Esther Van Rooyen		Re-elected APCM 2024 – 28 th April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Re-elected APCM 2024 – 28 th April
Representative on St Mary's School Board of Governors		
Rev. Jane Walker		
Elected Members		
Mrs Val Chadney	Secretary	Re-elected APCM 2024 – 28 th April
Mrs Jill Billings	Treasurer	Elected APCM 2022 - 24 th April
Mrs Morag James	Lay Pastoral Assistant	Re-elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Mr Peter James		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Dr Hilary Lee-Corbin		Resigned June 2024
Mrs Karen Nockels		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Mrs Barbara Potter		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Mr Mike Smith		Re-elected APCM 2024 – 28 th April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Re-elected APCM 2024 – 28 th April
Mr Jonathan Hetherington		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Bankers		
	CAF Bank Ltd National Westminster Bank, Farnham Lloyds Bank, Farnham CCLA Investment Management Ltd (The CBF Church of England Funds)	
Independent Examiner		
	Nick O'Brien	Treasurer from St John the Evangelist, Milford

2. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

3. Aims and Purposes

Frensham PCC with the Incumbent, Revd Jane Walker has the responsibility to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical throughout the ecclesiastical parish. It also has maintenance responsibilities for St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield. As trustees of the Charitable Trust of the Benefice of Frensham, the purpose of each PCC member is to be responsible for the management, the running, the review, evaluation and reporting on the charity.

4. Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Churches and to become part of our parish community within the Benefice of Frensham. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout our parish, and our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year, our objective is to enable people to live out their faith through :

- Worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the Benefice
- Mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield.

5. Achievements and Performance

Report on the Electoral Roll for 2024

For the period 1st January 2024 to 31st December 2024, thirteen (13) new names were added to the Electoral Roll and two (2) deletions. The Electoral Roll currently has a total of one hundred and thirty-seven (137) names, sixty-five (65) of which are not resident in the Parish.

The current Electoral Roll will be dissolved in March 2025 and a new one published in April 2025.

Stuart Easton
Church Electoral Roll Officer

6. Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council

The PCC is the governing body of the Parish Church and it is made up of Members of the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church. There are five purposes of a PCC :

- To enable the Church to play its part in God's mission to his world
- To co-operate with the minister in sharing leadership
- To ensure legal compliance with charity law and ecclesiastical law
- To care for the buildings and Churchyard
- To be a channel of consultation within the wider Church

During 2024 six meetings of the PCC took place during which many topics were discussed and agreed, including the following:

January Meeting

- The PCC approved ordering a supply of updated Book of Common Prayer for both churches and agreed to finance the project via sponsorship.
- Easter services were discussed and Morag and Pat agreed to collect the silver from the cathedral.
- Fundraising events for the year were discussed – mainly Frensham Fayre on Saturday 15th June, Arts & Crafts weekend at The Good Shepherd in October and a Jazz Evening to be held in St Mary's in November.
- The Arts & Crafts committee requested that the lighting at The Good Shepherd be improved and after much discussion the PCC agreed that additional double power sockets would be installed along both side walls with fascia plates in an antique bronze finish to blend in with the walls.

- We discussed the 'Racial Justice Covenant and Anti-Racism' Toolkit issued by the Diocese to reflect the racial diversity of our community and review the potential for racial discrimination, to consider best practice, what is going well, what needs to be celebrated; and what needs to change.
- An architect that visited The Good Shepherd noticed that the east wall cross was cracked and Tim Merricks was advised.
- The World Day of Prayer held at St Mary's Church on 1st March 2024 written by the Christian Women of Palestine was discussed and Rev Jane encouraged everyone to attend.
- The PCC gave their approval to our Occasional Preacher, Avril Capper, who would complete her years' probation in March, and it was agreed that we should arrange a Commissioning Service for her.

March Meeting

- The new Book of Common Prayer were received and the PCC agreed a slip should be placed inside thanking those who had contributed towards the cost.
- The draft APCM report was approved in readiness for the APCM in April. The elections of Churchwarden, Farnham Deanery Representatives and PCC re-elections were also confirmed.
- Rev'd Jane met with Emma Coy from the Diocese to discuss our Parish Needs Process (PNP). She was very impressed with all the work we are doing and our plans for the future.
- The PCC agreed new doormats needed to be fitted at both churches, and this was carried out during May/June.
- The PCC were advised the CollecTin card reader system at the Good Shepherd was proving unreliable and Jon S agreed to investigate and subsequently resolved the problem.
- The PCC were made aware of recent leaks in the rooves of both churches, and also received the results of the Quinquennial inspection at St Mary's.
- We discussion the creation of an embroidered Centenary Banner for the Good Shepherd based on a painting by David Embling depicting a shepherd leading a young child towards the Good Shepherd. The PCC agreed this would be very fitting and in keeping with the Arts & Crafts style and Morag agreed to contact someone who she knew could do the embroidery.

May Meeting, actually held at the beginning of June

- Rev Jane had been mentoring Dave Camp, curate at Hale and Badshot Lea, who was to be ordained on 29th June and had discussed with the Director of Ordinands the suggestion that Dave join us as Curate at Frensham from September, as it would be difficult to supervise him for further progress there.
- The PCC approved the draft revised Parish Safeguarding Procedure prepared by our Safeguarding Officer.
- A quote for £6,275 excluding VAT had been received to repair the roof at the Good Shepherd which would include a full overhaul of the roof and discussion took place on how to fund this.
- Following a Deanery Synod meeting a new five-week course, "Hymns We Love" looking at the background of popular hymns was discussed and Rev Jane suggested it form the basis of our Lent Course for 2025.
- Discussion took place regarding Rev Jane organising a Spiritual 'Holy Land' retreat for PCC members and others to Ladymead, Godalming to take place in January 2025 as it will not be possible to visit the Holy Land for the foreseeable future.
- Elizabeth (Lizzie) Chambers was approved to join the PCC to represent the bell ringers. She would be co-opted to the PCC and stand for election at the APCM in April 2025.
- The PCC approved an application for a burial plot from Keith and Paulette Murray, long term residents of Dockenfield.

July Meeting

- The PCC decided not to obtain two large print Book of Common Prayer books due to the high cost and that they would each come in two volumes, which is impractical; but decided to supply a magnifying glass at both churches with which the existing ones can be read.
- The Quinquennial Inspection for the Good Shepherd had taken place but the report had not yet been received. We were aware the roof needs repair and FoFC offered a grant to cover this expense.
- The wall at St Mary's adjacent to Wysteria Cottage needed to be repaired, together with other small areas, and a quote requested. Costs could be in the region of £10,000.

- Rev Jane was delighted to advise that a number of people wanted to be confirmed, and a service conducted by Bishop Paul of Dorking would be held on 17th November.
- The PCC discussed the forthcoming jazz festival, including ticket prices, canapes, seating, bar facilities, marketing, etc and agreed how best to proceed.
- Choir robes were ordered and it was agreed that fundraising should supplement monies already held in the Choir Fund.
- September was to be a month of celebration starting with the special Choral Evensong on 1st when Rev'd Dave Camp joined us, followed by the Patronal Festival on 8th September including a baptism at St Mary's. "Beating the Bounds" sponsored walk was on 28th and on 29th September it was the festival of St Michael and All Angels, a celebration giving thanks for the volunteers who give their time and energy for the whole parish.
- Members of the PCC were invited to attend a meeting on 28th September at St Johns, Waterloo, for all Southern Dioceses to discuss the Racial Justice Covenant and Toolkit.

September Meeting

- PCC members were concerned to hear that a persons' ashes had been sprinkled around St Mary's graveyard which is illegal and created a H&S situation and agreed Rev Jane should write to those involved pointing out their transgression.
- The PCC discussed various Fabric items including the Quinquennial Reports for both churches which were very good. There was confirmation that FoFC would fund repairs to the roof at the Good Shepherd; they heard about damp in the chancel at St Mary's and also that St Mary's boiler required servicing/repair.
- We discussed a new project at the Good Shepherd to lower the platform, lifting and relaying the parquet flooring and installing skirting board heaters the whole length of the church to make it a much more versatile and warmer space.
- The PCC approved Rev Jane's timetable for Harvest Festival services, Christmas services and various other changes to our regular service patterns.
- The PCC discussed forthcoming fundraising including Beating The Bounds, Spooky Spider Drive, Wreath making, Vivaldi Singers and the cancellation of the Jigsaw Festival.
- Seven faculties were presented to the PCC by Jon Savage, asking for PCC approval which was given. At St Mary's they related to removal of 8 trees in the graveyard, purchasing two benches in the graveyard from donations, ordering signs for the Commonwealth War Graves, displaying a plaque to Commemorate the Bell Restoration, and transferring a donated bench from St Mary's to The Good Shepherd. Faculties regarding The Good Shepherd included the installation of the additional power sockets and the removal of the organ and wooden surround.
- The Risk Assessment for the Arts & Crafts weekend was approved by the PCC.
- The PCC considered funding arrangements for posting the Parish Magazine to subscribers which led to Jon Savage and Mayonne Caldicott introducing a new procedure where subs are paid via the Church website with effect from January 2025.

November Meeting

- The PCC considered how to reduce the trip hazard in St Mary's at the step approaching Children's Corner although no-one has been injured, but people have tripped even though hazard tape and a notice is in place.
- Following the resignation of the Archbishop of Canterbury due to a safeguarding issue, Rev Jane explained how the Church here is improving safeguarding.
- An update was given on Fabric and Buildings including the maintenance work completed.
- Final arrangements were made for the Jazz Evening including ticket sales, food and drink to be served, etc.
- Peter James wrote to Rev Jane on behalf of the RBL Poppy Appeal thanking her for the generous donation of £681.09 and requested that the Remembrance Service booklet be amended in order that the laying of the wreaths should take place after reading the names of those deceased, to which she agreed.
- The PCC selected which charities should receive a 25% share of Christmas Donations. It was agreed that 25% will go to Frensham Churches, 25% to Phyllis Tuckwell (local), 25% to Alzheimer's Research (national) and 25% to DEC Gaza (international).
- PCC approval was given to Jon Savage's suggestion that a Mesh Wifi system be installed at St Mary's.
- Faculties for felling the 8 trees and for purchasing the 2 benches were approved.

7. Financial Review

Please see the Financial Statement.

8. Reserves policy

Please see the Financial Statement.

9. Churchwarden's Report

Our Church Buildings

The following table describes all the work approved and/or done for our two beautiful Churches.

	St Mary's	The Good Shepherd
Building structure - external	See 'Fabric' report by Tim Merricks	
Building structure – internal		
Contents – fixed [1]	A new Wi-Fi system has been designed and purchased. Work will commence soon, after which we will have 100% Wi-Fi signal throughout including sufficient strength for a Credit Card reader to function in the porch; much needed for collecting entrance fees.	Eight new 'Antique Brass' 13A sockets have been fitted to provide power throughout the building. This will help to make the building more useful to users and hopefully attractive to future hirers.
Contents – movable [2]	The goods and ornaments [3] are generally in good order for both churches. Our thanks to Mrs. Jean Shephard and all who take care of the church linens.	
	Overall, the vestments in St Mary's Church are in good condition. However, the green and white chasubles and stoles are now beginning to look quite old and tatty, so we should look at fundraising for their replacement next year.	The blue chancel carpet had been 'wrenched' from the floor and placed back over the Christmas 2023/24 period. It cost us £55 to get it professionally fitted again. Unfortunately, it occurred again this last Christmas. Jane is writing to the Dockfield Christmas Party organisers to request a refund times, two!
	Four silver items from St Mary's are currently held in the Guildford Cathedral Treasury, including a flagon, paten, chalice, and salver. These were used again in 2024 at Easter and Christmas services. We are very grateful to Morag James and Pat Telfer for obtaining them from the cathedral and returning them.	
	3 rd Lapel Microphone (funded partially by donation)	
Faculties obtained in 2024 [4]	Placement of two new benches in Churchyard; funded by donation.	Removal of wooden organ surround.
	Removal of eight trees at bottom of churchyard	Disposal of old organ.
	Installation of a new mesh wi-fi system	Installation of 13A sockets.

	Installation of two Commonwealth War Grave signs on two church gates.	
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- [1] Anything that is attached to the building, i.e. cannot be picked up and moved.
- [2] Items that can be picked up and moved.
- [3] Church goods and ornaments include pews, objects used for worship, and art.
- [4] A Faculty is akin to getting planning permission. All CofE Parishes are obliged to obtain permission from the Diocese before carrying out certain changes.

Churchyards

St Mary’s

Our grateful thanks to David Millais and his team for this report:

The churchyard is now in its fourth season of ‘No Mow May’ and reduced summer mowing, and it’s wonderful to see the wildflowers and wildlife activities improving each season. Wildflower meadows have declined hugely in the past 50 or so years, and Churchyards can be a wonderful sanctuary for wildflowers to thrive and allow somewhere for our vital pollinators to find food and nectar.

This winter we have arranged for the removal of 4 large conifers and a holly which are getting too big and are planted too close to our fragile stone walls, and also 3 other trees which are dead or dying. To replace them, 15 younger trees have just been planted in more suitable positions. This is in addition to the 24 trees planted around the boundaries in 2023 as part of the Queen’s Green Canopy. A selection of tough native or nearly native trees has been made to provide a long season of interest including spring flowering and autumn leaf colour. The environmental benefits include absorbing carbon dioxide, fighting climate change, and improving biodiversity. Thanks to everyone who contributed to buying these new trees which will beautify the Churchyard and help the environment for years to come.

The 2-acre Churchyard is maintained by 25 volunteers through the summer months on Saturday mornings. Some are regular Churchgoers, and others who value the peace and like to contribute to the community. More volunteers are always welcome to join us 2-3 times per year. Special thanks to the team leaders John Davis, Richard Birdsall, Brian King, Charles Maxwell and Chris Mitchley. Also special thanks to Brian who also services and helps to maintain the machinery which saves St. Mary’s a fortune on mechanic’s rates.

St Mary’s Graveyard Commonwealth War Graves

Our application for CWG signs to be fitted to our graveyard gates has been approved and three will be fitted early in 2025; the main gate, the top side gate and the bottom side gate.

To support this Mrs. Eunice King will design a map so that they can be easily located, and this map will be in the porch cabinet.

The Good Shepherd

Our grateful thanks to Rob Cregreen and his team for this report:

The team have continued to mow throughout the year (and also supply the fuel for the mower) as well as cut and trim the hedges in September. The wildflower meadow continues to develop naturally and it really flourished and provided much enjoyment, with some rare flowers and interesting insects. The bulb garden is well established and looking beautiful in Spring.

Safeguarding

The PCC have determined that we need to embrace the new CofE ‘Safer Recruitment Process’. This process includes a policy, interviews, background checks, and other steps to ensure that only suitable people are permitted to work with children and vulnerable adults.

To deploy such a process, I will need help from our leaders to have the following documented:

- 45 Role descriptions (for leaders and members)
- 23 Induction guides (initial discussion by leader with new volunteer)

Although this was originally thought to be a Parish Safeguarding Officer task it is clear to me now that only the CW can make all of the above happen. Once done and the process documented, the PSO will ensure that it is observed for all new appointments. To assist with this, the CofE have funded some new software for all Parishes that will assist the PSO with this process.

Policies & Procedures

Every CofE PCC is encouraged to discuss, create, review and share policies and procedures that help to guide all of us when carrying out our volunteer work in The Parish of Frensham. To this end we have:

Updated the following:

- Safeguarding Policy

Created the following:

- Appropriate Boundaries Policy
- Confidential Application Procedure
- Lone Working Policy
- Procedure for dealing with safeguarding concerns or allegations
- Recruitment of Ex-Offenders Policy
- Safer Recruitment Policy

They will all be made available on the website and then notified to all our volunteers.

Vacancies

We really do need volunteers for the following two important roles please :

- Health & Safety Officer
- Parish Safeguarding Officer

If anyone is interested, do ask and I can provide a role description for each.

Website

We are truly indebted to Malcolm Corbin (our Webmaster) for carrying out the following tasks:

- Updated the Forum Programme every month
- Deploy our new online Parish Magazine (PM) subscription service. This enables existing and/or new readers to subscribe and pay by CC online. Our PM Manager is automatically advised by email, and the payment goes straight into our bank account!
- Ad-hoc amendments to the site throughout the year

Jon Savage
Churchwarden

10. Fabric Report

St Mary's

St Mary's remains in good overall condition with a range of regular maintenance activities required during the year, detailed below.

Significant work was undertaken to completely replace the long roof gully with a new system ensuring it will remain maintenance free for at least 20 years (the warranty period), but expected to last for many more. While the scaffold was in place, some frost blown tiles and one verge were repaired.

Minor works at St Mary's Church have been :

- Boiler repairs
- PAT Testing
- Door & lock repairs
- Internal / external light replacements
- Lightning Conductor testing
- Gutter clearance
- Roof tile replacements
- Pointing to brick runnels
- Cupboard repairs
- Cesspit emptying

Regular Servicing

- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Alarm testing
- Boiler service

Notes for 2025

- Chancel repairs: These remain on hold as the current priority is to make repairs to The Good Shephard roof.
- Churchyard walls repairs will be attended to by Ansty & Stone in 2025
- Scheduled maintenance of mowers etc is being organised by Brian King and David Millais.

The Church of the Good Shepherd

The Good Shepherd remains in good overall condition, although has required some minor works :

- PAT Testing
- Main door latch
- Porch light
- Gate hinge post
- Sink U bend

Additionally, new electrical sockets were fitted, expanding the capabilities of the main space in the church.

Regular Servicing

- Fire Extinguishers
- Vulcana Gas Heaters

Notes for 2025 :

The main roof works to the ridge tiles, replacement tiles, repairs to stone upstand weatherproofing, will take place late spring / early summer.

The fitted cupboards remain an open action.

I would just like to record my thanks to Brian King and Chris Mitchley who as ever kindly take care of many of the minor repairs to both churches. Thank you, gentlemen!

Tim Merricks
Fabric Committee

11. Farnham Deanery Synod

Farnham Deanery Synod met twice in 2024, on Tuesday 30 April at All Saints' Church in Headley and on Wednesday 9 October at St Andrew's Church in Farnham. Both meetings started with a short act of worship and a reflection from the incumbent on the context of ministry in the parish.

The Revd Yann Dubreuil spoke about All Saints' Church and the Headley area in general, which encompasses a variety of socio-economic conditions, not to mention part of Frensham Great Pond. The Area Dean (Revd Richard Bodle) then welcomed all members of Synod and introduced the Deanery Leadership Team (DLT), responsible for assisting the Area Dean and Lay Chair in the running of the Deanery and helping to set the agenda for Deanery Synod meetings. The appointment of Lay Chair remained vacant, but a volunteer for the position of Secretary (coincidentally from the host parish) was swiftly and unanimously elected.

The Synod received a report on the most recent meeting of the Diocesan Synod (9 March). One topic of note was 'Caleb Stream', a new initiative to encourage ordinations to the Diaconate amongst candidates in their 60s. The Area Dean provided an update on the vacancies in Rowledge (installed 24 April), Tilford (to be licensed on 6 June), and Badshot Lea and Hale (to be re-advertised). The Synod then discussed the Parish Needs Process (PNP), and the importance of feedback, both to the parishes applying the methodology and to the wider Deanery. It was noted that a review process would start in 2025.

The guest speaker at the Headley meeting was Pippa Cramer from Claygate Parish. With her husband Steve, she had developed an initiative called 'Hymns we Love', sub-titled 'Share the Gospel with Seniors in your Community'. It uses well-known and much-loved hymns to connect with older people, perhaps on the periphery of the local church community, and share the good news of Jesus Christ in a gentle, but clear, manner. She gave a demonstration of how the programme worked using Psalm 23.

Finally, there was an open forum on resources for discipleship and small group study, during which Synod members described what they had found useful and effective.

In opening the second meeting at Farnham, the Revd David Uffindell spoke about the parish's '3 Ts' – tower (which requires £2M for repairs), teams and training. The Area Dean then reminded the Synod members of the composition of the DLT, noting that the position of Lay Chair remained vacant. The incumbency of Badshot Lea and Hale was being re-advertised.

The most recent Diocesan Synod meeting (25 June) had concentrated on finance. The recovery in Parish Share contributions had levelled off, which would result in a small deficit at year end, but church attendance had not yet returned to pre-pandemic levels. For Farnham Deanery's membership of Diocesan Synod, there were three vacancies in the House of Clergy (one had already been filled) and five in the House of Laity. The three clergy vacancies were filled by election, as were three of the five laity vacancies.

The guest speaker at Farnham was Alison Moulden, Net Zero Officer for the Diocese. She gave a presentation on the climate change emergency and what parishes can do to tackle it. The first three steps are: fill in the Energy Footprint Tool (EFT); conduct the ecochurch survey; arrange an energy audit of the building(s) in the parish. The Synod agreed to propose to Diocesan Synod that all churches that would benefit from an energy audit to address the challenge of decarbonisation should be eligible for the £500 grant that is currently available. In closing the Area Dean suggested that Living in Faith should be the main topic for the first meeting in 2025.

Mark Williams
All Saints' and St Mary's
Crandall & Ewshot:

12. Frensham Parochial Parish Trust

This report covers the period 1 January – 31 December 2024. During the year 1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024, the charity had an income of £2,840.55 and an expenditure of £3,000.00. The balance in hand being £202.66 as at 31 March 2024.

The Trustees met on 1 November 2023 and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes of £750.00. In Frensham, the majority was in vouchers for the parishioners to use at the village shop. Contributions were also made to the village lunch club, Tea @ 3 and to the hardship fund.

On 6 November 2024, the Trustees met and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes of £600.00.

Nicholas Harris

Hon Secretary

13. Hire of Buildings

St Mary's Church Hall

We have a regular income from Yoga classes in St. Mary's Hall from a loyal group of people. The hall has been hired for other events such as Funeral gatherings, Baptism and children's parties and the Jazz evening.

Regular church activities including T@ 3, Organ recitals, and Forum have used the hall over the past year.

The Good Shepherd, Dockenfield

The church has had regular bookings over the past year from Pilates and Scottish dancing. Also one off bookings for parties.

Church events such as the Harvest Supper and the Arts and Crafts festival have used the church. Coffee Stop uses the church as a social hub for coffee and a chat every Friday

Barbara Potter

Hall Hire Bookings

14. Music

Jane and I meet every month to plan the musical content of the services in St Mary's church. The Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) publishes a most useful publication, "Sunday by Sunday", which gives us suggestions for hymns and anthems linked to the themes and readings for each Sunday throughout the year.

The Choir regularly sings at the Sunday morning services in St Mary's and at the monthly service of Evensong on the first Sunday of the month. In addition to leading the congregation with the Service setting, and the hymns, we aim to sing an anthem at every service that is relevant to the theme of the service.

This year we also sang full Choral Evensong (with Preces & Responses and settings of the Canticles sung by the choir) in February, March, and September, singing Responses by Neary, Smith & Coulson, and Canticles by Murrill, Farrant & Dyson.

There have been special services throughout at which the choir has played a major part: Epiphany Evensong, Candlemas Evensong, Service of Remembrance, Advent Carol Service and Carols for Christmas.

During the year we welcomed Marion Westropp into the alto section – it is great to have her singing with us!

My thanks also to Ian Black who, despite living and singing in Upper Froyle, frequently makes the journey over to Frensham to augment our tenor section.

I would like to thank Rev Jane for her support and wisdom, Barbara Potter for her helpful reminders, for sorting the music after we have used it and returning it all into the correct boxes in the music library, Aly Patterson for her musical insight and tact (!) and both Aly and Mark Brown for conducting when I have been playing the organ. I am very grateful that Andrew Elliott has been able to play the organ when I have had Sundays away.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the choir for their dedication, their musicianship and their friendship. St Mary's Choir is a very special group of people and long may it continue to sing God's praise in Frensham.

Mike Smith

Organist & Acting Choirmaster

St Mary's Organ

The organ has been used throughout the year for Sunday services, weddings and funerals, for recitals and concerts.

The series of lunchtime organ recitals on the 3rd Tuesday of each month has continued through the year and there is a small but faithful number of regular attenders.

This year our organists have included: Richard Walshaw (Selborne), Mike Smith (Frensham), Anthony Gritten (RAM), Alan Rapley (Woking), Richard Pearce (Liss), Brian Cotterill (Farnham), Tim Ravalde (Chichester Cathedral), Oliver Macfarlane (Guildford), Geoff Tuson (Aldershot), Mark Brafield (Dorking), Gary Sieling (Concert Organist),

So, if you are free on a Tuesday lunchtime and would like homemade soup and bread at 12:00 followed at 13:00 by a recital of organ music, old and new, played on St Mary's fine organ, do come along. There is no charge for admission, but donations to cover the series expenses are most welcome.

The organ has been maintained by Andrew Cooper (Andrew Cooper & Co Organ Builders Ltd) based at Ryde on the Isle of Wight, and is now maintained by Edward Dove of Organ Design, based in Alton. He comes to tune and maintain the organ at least twice a year. Extra visits can be requested if a major fault arises.

There is also a maintenance contract for the organ blower and humidifier. This is carried out by Watkins & Watson Ltd who attend once a year.

I believe the organ in St Mary's to be a marvellous instrument and it continues to be a source of great joy to me.

Mike Smith
Organist

15. The Vine Centre, Aldershot

Firstly, I would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who has continued to support The Vine Centre with donations throughout 2024.

2024 was another busy year for The Vine Centre who continued to support the most vulnerable people in the community in many and varied ways. They provided a broad range of services to adults and families who need help with food poverty, mental health, budgeting, job seeking, counselling, addiction, literacy and numeracy. They also ran social groups to help combat social isolation. Here are just a few:-

- **The Community Cupboard** was very busy throughout 2024 and the food donations that you have kindly given throughout the year have been very much appreciated. It is more than just a food bank.
"The aim is that we support individuals and families to be able to move onto a better position, to not stay reliant on the Community Cupboard for supplies. In some cases, it is just not possible and we assess each person on a case by case basis."
- **Physical Activities** - chair and mat yoga and walking groups which help people improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing.
They are suitable for all abilities and are free
- **Family Cooking** sessions were provided as a fun activity with children, teaching them how to cook and to also enjoy a hot home cooked meal.
- **Free Children's Lunch Packs** were provided in the Easter and Summer holidays. They contained a weeks worth of lunches and snacks
- **Switched On** where energy advice and guidance is given including helping people to understand their energy bills, help with debts, money saving tips and help with signing up to the Priority Register
- In October work was completed on a **new fully accessible bathroom**. This provides shower and laundry facilities for the increasing number of homeless people going to the Vine Centre and it also helps individuals and families who are struggling with energy bills especially over the winter months. The bathroom is fully accessible to people with disabilities.
- **Christmas Gift Bags** - 2024 ended once again with your wonderful Christmas gift bags which totalled over **160** - absolutely amazing!! They were given to adults and children of all ages and they were very much appreciated by all those who received them. Your generosity really does make a difference to the people supported by The Vine Centre at such a difficult and emotional time of the year.



Please continue to support The Vine Centre during 2025 which will be another very difficult year for many people and remember to look out for my updates each month in the Parish Magazine.

Finally, I would like to thank the Frensham Village Shop for their continued support for The Vine Centre. There is a 'Vine Centre' box in the shop where you can buy and leave your donations. You can also leave your donations in the Vine Centre basket at the crossing in St Mary's Church.

Karen Nockels

PCC Member & The Vine Centre Ambassador

16. Parish Friends

The team of Parish Friends was 21 at the end of 2024, including Reverend Jane. During the year three long serving Parish Friends retired; Diana Parratt after 22 years, Debbie Foster after 14 years and Sarah Stirling after 10 years. Their help and involvement in the villages has been greatly valued. We welcomed Susan Farnell-Watson and Suzannah Gray to the team.

Parish Friends have continued to support most of the streets in the two villages, with transport for medical appointments, keeping in touch with neighbours, delivering a Welcome Book, Parish Magazine and Frensham Village Shop bag-for-life to 14 newcomers to the Parish and lifts to social events in the villages such as Tea at Three and the Village Lunch. They also delivered Christmas vouchers to 20 parishioners in December on behalf of Reverend Jane from funds she receives annually from the Frensham Parochial Charity Trust.

A Parish Friend was allocated to support each of the 9 children baptised in the parish in 2024 and they continued to send baptism anniversary cards to their allocated children baptised over the last four years.

The Harvest Produce, donated at the two Harvest Festival services, was collated by Chris Young, Bridgette Wilson, Barbara Leech and Sharon Mumford for PFs to distribute to parishioners following the October meeting. The remaining fresh produce was taken to Woodlarks by Lynda Newman and the packaged food to the Foodbank by Annabelle Sutton.

Parish Friends met on two occasions: on 19th February and 14th October. At the February meeting general business was discussed before The Reverend Jane Walker gave a talk entitled "She only works Sundays". The talk covered the numerous responsibilities she has throughout the week, as a half stipendiary Priest.

At the October meeting general business was discussed and PFs were notified of events coming up in the remainder of 2024 plus those that PFs may be able to help with in 2025.

Morag James

Parish Friends Chairman

17. Parish Magazine

Parish Magazine Editor's report

The editorial team of the parish magazine continues to work smoothly together to ensure year round coverage despite our personal obligations, which of course includes grandchildren and holidays!

We have been working hard this year to increase the range of topics which we cover in the parish magazine. Very sadly our main literary and arts contributor, Joanna Bridges Webb, died in 2024 and we miss her illuminating articles very much. However we have some excellent articles coming in on nature and have also found a new contributor whose specialisation is art. Sport continues to be an area that we feel is under reported and we are looking to persuade more groups to send us updates on their particular sport.

As always we are grateful to Liz Pollard who deals with commercial adverts, Mayonne Coldicott who collects subs and organises distribution, Rev'd Jane for her regular letter and support and to all those who tread the streets of Frensham & Dockenfield to deliver magazines to people's houses.

Lastly we would like to thank all those who send us glorious photos for the front cover, articles to enrich the magazines and our readers who make it all worthwhile.

Philippa Hall & Penny Garrard

Parish Magazine Distribution Manager's Report

Subscription numbers remained fairly stable throughout '24. Sadly, our attempts to encourage new subscribers in the newer estates came to nothing. We'll have a pause, and then try again later in '25.

The cover price was unchanged at £1 but we charged the full £12 for the subscriptions, magazines being delivered to the door in the parish, an increase of £2 pa, hence the essential increase in income. Customers appeared to accept that without demur.

Liz Pollard continued to find new advertisers, and increased the income significantly, a very impressive support to the magazine's costs.

During the year Dennis, from DG Printers in Alton, retired. He negotiated on our behalf a continuation of the contract price with Top Print in Alton, who, as it turned out, had already been doing the 'manufacturing' of the magazine for us for years. From a distribution perspective, the change was seamless.

The Distribution Team consists of 35 people covering the whole parish, and in some instances beyond with postal copies. I would like to give special thanks to John Davis, Claire Hughes and Peter James who receive large boxes of magazines from me each month, and break them down according to a picking list into precise bundles for the walking rounds, and take them to the distributors. And finally we have 33 villagers who walk the parish for us each month, completing the deliveries. One of these was Diana Parratt who retired in mid '24 after many, many years of support for the PM – so our grateful thanks are due to her. Our smallest round is 3 subscribers – and we hope to increase that. The largest round is 32 households, all in Hamflash Lane. Other rounds may have fewer magazines to deliver, but some have more miles to cover.

Ensuring subs are paid is the distributors' least favourite task. The final '24 subs were paid in December '24 (when they were all due in January!) We're working on a new approach for '25, starting with a flyer, beautifully photographed for us by Simon Claiden. The problem with anonymous credit card payments has been resolved, thanks to Jon Savage and Malcolm Corbin creating a new page on the church website.

This last year has been especially challenging for me for personal reasons, and I'd like to acknowledge how well the team knitted together to fill in and cover gaps. Thanks to you all.

Mayonne Coldicott
Parish Magazine Distribution Manager

18. Safeguarding Report

I am pleased to report that there have been no 'Safeguarding Issues' in 2024.

Disclosure & Barring (DBS) renewals and Safeguarding Training refreshes are a continuing exercise.

There has been no significant change in policy by the Church of England.

I can report that all our volunteers are up to date with their Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checks and Safeguarding Training requirements. The following table gives an overview of the number of volunteers involved; as at 31st Dec 2024.

Note that :

1. DBS checks and Safeguarding training is every 3 years.
2. Not all volunteer roles require DBS and/or Safeguarding training. It depends on their involvement with our Church activities.

Total number of Volunteers in scope for:	PCC Members		Parish Friends		Bell Ringers		Side Persons		Others*		TOTAL	
Year	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
DBS checks	12	12	17	17	3	3	n/a		0	0	32	32

Safeguarding training	12	12	17	17	19	26	17	17	2	0	67	72
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*Activity Helper, Churchwarden, Director of Music, Hearing Champion, Occasional Preacher, Parish Administrator, Parish Safeguarding Officer, Pastoral Assistant & Verger

Year	2023	2024
DBS Checks completed	16	6
Safeguarding Training undertaken:		
Awareness	25	6
Foundation	22	3
Leadership	0	0
Safer Recruitment	1	1
Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse	26	3

These numbers exclude our Vicar Jane, who is administered by the Diocese.

Jon Savage
Parish Safeguarding Officer
safeguarding@frenshamchurches.org.uk

19. Hear Here - Hearing Aid Maintenance Clinics – January to December 2024

The Benefice continues to be a part of the award winning Hear Here initiative - a Diocese of Guildford project in partnership with Sight for Surrey and the NHS, where NHS audiology trained volunteers provide community-based hearing aid maintenance. The clinic offers basic hearing aid maintenance and advice to support hearing aid wearers in our Parish to get the best from their devices. The range of services offered are :

- Checking the hearing aid is working properly
- Re-tubing, ear mould cleaning and battery replacement
- Checking the fitting of the hearing aid in the ear
- Advice on maintenance and cleaning of the hearing aid
- Advice and support on making the most of the hearing aid
- Information and signposting to other services, referrals and useful equipment

Eleven clinics were held in 2024 at The Royal British Legion in Frensham to coincide with the Village lunch on the fourth Thursday of each month (excluding December).

The NHS are encouraging patients to use the Hear Here clinics as their own resources are continuing to see such high demand. Therefore, a number of people still visit our clinic from outside of our Parish. Some people come to us from The Bourne, Farnham, Hindhead, Rowledge, Headley and Churt. In addition, I do offer home visits to those people who are housebound.

My collaboration with the Parish of Haslemere (St Bartholomew and St Christopher's Churches) to provide a hearing clinic at Oak Hall Nursing Home in Haslemere continues. I also offer them support when they are short staffed at their Hearing Clinic in Haslemere. Total people seen in 2024 :

- 63 people seen at the Frensham Clinic,
- Of this 10 were Home visits.
- There were 23 people who visited the clinic for the first time in 2024.
- 6 clinics held at Oak Hall Nursing Home – around 30 people seen by me.
- I referred 5 people back to the NHS Audiology department during the year.

Note that from March 2025 the Hearing Clinic venue will change to Coffee Stop at the Church of the Good Shepherd in Dockenfield on the fourth Friday of each month (excluding December).

Eunice King
Hearing Champion

20. St Mary's Frensham Bell Ringers

I am pleased to report that we rang for all the 10:30am services throughout the year and were able to ring for many of the 'first Sunday' evening services too; we also rang for the Christmas Midnight Mass, and for several weddings. In addition at 23:30 on 31st December 2024 we rang the Old Year out and 00:00 on 1st January 2025, the New Year in.

Our practices have continued on Monday evenings, and we have been well-supported by ringing friends from Binsted, Farnham and Grayshott. Typically we have around 20 ringers at our practices, and sometimes this becomes a bit of a logistical nightmare to try to ensure that everybody gets their 'fair share' of the ringing opportunities; but it's a nice problem to have! We were pleased to welcome Mark and Sara Burnie to our band; they took up ringing during the year, and are very welcome – as are all ringers, and new recruits.

We have also organised ringing at other times, including 'first' and 'third' Friday evenings when often we have rung a Quarter Peal. In addition, Farnham District ringing meetings have sometimes been held in Frensham, and we have also hosted the More House School bell ringing club in afternoons on Mondays (till July 2024) or Thursdays (from September 2024) during term times.

During the year there was 1 successful Peal attempt and 13 successful Quarter Peal (QP) attempts. The Peal was rung by visiting ringers to mark the King's birthday on 14th November. Unfortunately, the Peal attempt to mark our Patronal Festival in September was unsuccessful. The QPs have involved mostly Frensham ringers and regular visitors, and several of the QPs included notable 'firsts' – three of our aspiring young ringers Alec Lindsay, Mira Lindsay and Stuart Marshall; and also Stuart's father, Paul.

Also of note was a QP of Stedman and Grandsire Doubles which we rang after Clifford Beadle's funeral in January. Clifford was a Frensham ringer for over 50 years, including 38 years as Tower Captain. He was 89 when he died and to mark this we included 89 changes of Grandsire Doubles as the last part of the QP; Grandsire and Stedman were two of Clifford's favourite methods.

We held our AGM in Holy Week on 25th March and the following officers were elected:

Tower Captain	Harry Glover
Deputy Tower Captain	Stuart Marshall
Ringing Master	Oliver Hall
Secretary	Elizabeth Chambers
Treasurer	David Munro
Tower Keeper	Paul Marshall
Assistant Tower Keeper	Stuart Marshall
PCC Representative	Vacant

Paul Little, our Secretary for many years, stood down due to ill-health, and Harry Glover stated that he would be standing down as Tower Captain at the 2025 AGM.

As is usual, the Union Jack and the Diocesan Flag were flown from the top of the Tower on appropriate dates during the year, and the RAF Ensign was flown to commemorate Battle of Britain Day and Battle of Britain Sunday in September.

Finally, I am indebted to the support given by Revd. Jane Walker and Oliver Hall, all our office-bearers and indeed all Frensham ringers and visitors for ensuring that the ancient art of bell ringing continues to flourish in Frensham.

Harry Glover
Tower Captain

21. Goods and Ornaments 2024 – this is covered under the Churchwarden Report

Jon Savage
Churchwarden

22. Report of the Parish Priest for the year 1 January to 31 December 2024

This report is a comprehensive appraisal of the practical and spiritual life of the church for the year Jan-Dec 2024. Our strategic mission, pastoral ministry and worship of the Trinitarian God for the Benefice of Frensham in 2024 continues

to be underpinned by the vision of Guildford Diocese's 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives' (TCTL) which is linked with the National Church of England vision and strategy work, and contains three broad groups: Growing disciples, growing community, and growing diversity.

These three groups in turn are underpinned by the five marks of mission in the Anglican communion which are :

1. To proclaim the Good News of God's Kingdom
2. To teach, preach and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Introduction and account of actions for the Benefice for 2024

2024 was an exciting year with many developments, activities and thanksgivings for the Churches in the Benefice of Frensham. It was also a year of many challenges, not least regarding the amount of fundraising work required to raise and pay our parish share, but also the increasing need for more people to come forward to be part of and help run the church, as many devoted long-term volunteers are becoming older and less able.

However, with the election of a new Church Warden, Mr Jon Savage, in April and his dedicated work throughout 2024, we have progressed greatly with the statutory requirements of the Diocesan Parish Dashboard (encompassing Safeguarding, Health and Safety, Risk assessments, and Policies and Procedures), as well as completing many outstanding faculties and necessary actions for both the wellbeing and Christian support of those who attend services and those who are visitors to the church. Jon is, and has also been, our Safeguarding officer for many years but as has taken on the mantle of Church Warden, now needs to pass this role on to someone else. If anyone could come forward to fulfil this role, it would be hugely appreciated (and as Jon has done most of the preparation, it would not be arduous). I and the PCC are truly grateful for the massive amount of work Jon has given as Church Warden and SGO for the Benefice in 2024.

Also, it has been another testing year for our loyal and hardworking Honourable Church Treasurer, Mrs. Jill Billings, who, regardless of another difficult year regarding health, has prevailed to manage the Church finances with great skill and dedication. I and the PCC are hugely grateful for all her wisdom, efforts and guidance.

Here I must also mention our PCC secretary, Mrs Val Chadney, whose skill regarding taking minutes and her patience and tenacity with regard to getting reports and papers ready for meetings are to be commended, especially as our PCC meetings have grown and become more complicated with the requirements of the Parish Dashboard. I and the PCC are deeply grateful to you.

The role of our Parish Administrator, Mrs. Jenny Parsons, has grown throughout 2024 and she continues to be an essential help with strategic communicating, publicising and advertising, as well as all other diverse administration work. Thank you, Jenny, for your knowledge, skills, guidance, hard work and listening ear throughout 2024.

I and the PCC are very grateful to Mrs. Barbara Potter, who, with Mrs. Karen Nockels both promote the use of our hall and church buildings, and manage the one-off and monthly invoicing for these lettings, which bring in much needed revenue. Karen is also our Planned Giving Officer and does a sterling job of this, as well as helping Jill our treasurer with checking payments. Karen is also our Vine Ambassador and works tirelessly for them on behalf of the Benefice of Frensham. She also assists as sidesman at services and with fundraising. Barbara, also, does far more than anyone knows for the choir, the church, for fundraising and much more. Our hearty thanks to you both, ladies.

I am also grateful to Mrs. Pat Telfer (who continues to be a great and wise support since being my first church warden) and Mrs. Esther Van Rooyen, for being our Deanery Synod representatives, attending meetings which connect us to the larger Diocesan structures and aid communication. Both ladies also regularly attend my daily office of morning prayer wherein we pray for every parishioner of the Benefice as well as for the sick, for schools in the Benefice, for the world and peace. I am deeply appreciative of this, thank you.

I am also very grateful to Mrs Eunice King whose work concerning grave records, administration and helping people with their ancestry has taken a huge burden off my shoulders. She is also our Hearing Aid Champion regularly supporting many parishioners at the monthly Village Lunch. Thank you, Eunice, for all you do – it is greatly appreciated.

Concerning the Diocesan requirements for Transforming Church Transforming Lives by participating in the Parish Needs Process, as well as achieving the National Church of England's five marks of mission, I can write with utter confidence that we have faithfully and joyfully accomplished these Church hierarchical requirements. In order to evidence this, my account of actions for the Benefice of Frensham will be headed under the TCTL groups of growing disciples, growing community and growing diversity. The five marks of the Anglican Communion can be deduced from the information given.

Growing Disciples: *Growing disciples is about proclaiming the Good News of God's Kingdom in worship, teaching, preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey, and responding to human need in loving pastoral care.*

In terms of developments :

- CHURCH: Most notably, after my taking on the mentorship of a curate at Hale and Badshot Lea Benefice from February 2024 (because the incumbents had retired there), it was decided by the Director of Ordinands and Bishop Paul Davies, that Rev'd Dave Camp would be transferred to the Benefice of Frensham (initially for a trial period, which would be made permanent after 6 months if all were in agreement). This was made a condition for his being ordained Priest on 29th June 2024, as I could not continue to oversee his training in Hale and Badshot Lea due to ministerial logistics. Rev'd Dave, his wife (Nabila) and Pakistani family were greatly welcomed in the Benefice on 1st September 2024 in both the Worship and Fellowship service and the Choral Evensong service. Rev'd Dave has been working here since on a very part-time basis due to his work schedule, but has been participating in as much as he can attend. I am very hopeful that he can progress in his curacy and bring new perspectives and benefits to the Benefice.
- VICAR: Due to being Rev'd Dave's training incumbent, in October I was also approached by the Diocese to be an Initial Ministerial Education (I. M. E.) tutor to come alongside and support Rev'd Yann Dubriel with regard to assessing I.M.E. year 5 curate's training reflections. I have enjoyed this role immensely as it enables me, not only to share my experience and knowledge of being a Parish Priest, but also to study and be stimulated and refreshed by the increase of theological knowledge. It is a joy to support curates progressing towards the goal of their vocations.
- VICAR: In 2024 I also became a mentor for a Caleb student (pre-ordination). Caleb students are over 60 years old and are already either licenced or authorised in other forms of ministry. They are undergoing a year course to be ordained and then assist in their existing parish. My student, Mrs. Ros Fox, is progressing very well and, if she gets through her Bishop's Advisory Panel, she hopefully will be ordained in Sept 2025 and serve in the Parish of Church Crookham. Again, I have learnt much through this process, which benefits not only me but also the Benefice of Frensham, as I pass on much of which I learn.
- CHURCH: in 2024 Mrs. Avril Capper preached more frequently – virtually once a month and this has been a great support to me. She has delivered well researched and prepared, biblically interesting and engaging sermons which have been very informative and well received. It was with great joy, as she brings great knowledge and wisdom to help with our discipleship and learning, that I commissioned her as our Occasional Preacher at Pentecost this year. She and her husband Brian also contribute greatly to our continued Christian learning in the Forum.
- DISCIPLESHIP: 'Bible study with a difference' started well in the Spring of 2024, but had to stop when we began the Alpha Course. It was well received and attended, so I will look to start again in 2025.
- WORSHIP: after many years of resisting conducting a pet service for a number of reasons, in 2024 I relented and combined this with the Harvest Service at the Church of the Good Shepherd. It was greatly enjoyed and a resounding success, even though we nearly had an escapee rabbit! We may do this again next year.
- WORSHIP: in November 2024, I started the Children's Christmas Choir, who practiced and then sang at the Christmas Eve Crib service. This was a wonderful new development and greatly added to the worship and enjoyment of the crib service. I am grateful to all the parents who brought their children for the many practices. We will do this again next year.

In terms of activities:

- **DISCIPLESHIP AT THE SCHOOLS:** Open the Book has run throughout 2024 at St Mary's school and is helping the children to know their Bible stories. Both the children and church thespians thoroughly enjoy our frequent and regular visits. My visits to More House school for worship have continued and I am hopeful that we may have a confirmation service at More House for those students wishing to develop their Christian faith further in 2025. I have attended Harvest and Christmas services at Edgeborough School for the pre-prep children.
- **WORSHIP:** Every service at both St Mary's Church and the Church of the Good Shepherd continues to enable worship of God to the highest standard, and I praise God that we have the capability to provide so many diverse services for everyone's worshipful needs. I am truly grateful for the skill and dedication of our organist Mike Smith, the choir, our Tower Captain Harry Glover and all the bell ringers, as well as the sides-persons, sacristans, readers, communion assistants, intercessors, and refreshment makers. Both myself and the PCC are thankful for the huge effort given by Mr. Peter James in the planning and execution of the Remembrance services which always run smoothly and effectively.
- **DISCIPLESHIP:** the Lent course for 2024 was 'Being With' by Rev'd Sam Wells. Unfortunately, we could only complete the first half of the course, due to the Alpha course starting after Easter, but the attendees very much engaged with the course which deepened their understanding of God and faith greatly. When able - possibly in 2025 we will revisit this course and complete it.

The Advent course was 'Stations of the Nativity' by Raymond Chapman and this was also well received and attended, and enabled a new interpretation of the Christmas story.

The Forum has continued to nurture Christian discipleship and diverse learning throughout 2024. My huge thanks to Jon Savage for facilitating the Forum and Mrs. Barbara Potter for organising refreshments.

- **PASTORAL CARE:** The numbers of baptisms, marriages and funerals in 2024 can be seen in the statistics provided. Also, I have conducted a number of regular home communions for those who are now unable to attend church. I am very grateful for the devoted pastoral care given by Mrs. Morag James with regard to baptisms and marriages. I am also very grateful to Mrs Barbara Potter who verges at marriages and funerals and organises all the hospitality for the marriage preparation course. I continue to visit the sick and the bereaved at home on a regular basis to pray for them. I regret that in 2024 I have been unable to visit any people when they have been in hospital, for a variety of reasons, but I am very grateful to my pastoral assistant, who fulfils this need, together with the hospital chaplains.

In terms of thanksgivings:

- **WORSHIP:** In September 2024 we held our first 'Thanksgiving for our Volunteers' service wherein we invited not only the church volunteers, but all those who help with various duties throughout the villages. It was very well attended and we had refreshments afterwards. This may become a yearly or biannual event.
- **CHURCH:** After a very successful Alpha Course run by myself and Jon Savage after Easter, 9 children and 7 adults were confirmed by Bishop Paul Davies on 17th November 2024. It has been a fantastic journey for all candidates and a wondrous celebration. We will continue their discipleship learning in 2025.

Growing Community: *Growing community is not only about growing the church community but also, specifically about how the church is part of, and interacts with, its' local community. So, it is about responding to local need by giving loving and prayerful service where required, as well as helping to transform unjust structures of society, challenging violence of every kind, whilst pursuing peace and reconciliation through our prayers, intentions and actions.*

In terms of interaction with the community :

- The church continues to interact greatly with the local community by running Coffee Stop Dockenfield, Tea@ 3, the village lunch and cherubs. Excellent cooking and provision of refreshments are part of church giving to the community at all these regular events. I, the PCC and the whole church are indebted to Mrs. Barbara Potter for her tireless work and co-ordination regarding all hospitality (which is key to our mission).
- The Parish Friends, led by Mrs. Morag James, links with parishioners and supports them in many and diverse ways from getting groceries, giving lifts and generally being good listeners and good neighbours.
- The Benefice of Frensham has supported the balanced giving of information concerning the Holy Land – both the Israelis and Palestinians – in the pursuit of peace and reconciliation. We have hosted a special evening with

The Bereaved Families Group which was well attended. We also hosted the World Day of Prayer in March 2024, the liturgy of which was given by Palestinian women and from this event, I have been regularly praying with, teaching and mentoring a Palestinian woman as she has been inquisitive about the Christian Faith.

- In 2024 we supported and tried to assist a local Ukrainian family, who needed to be rehoused – unfortunately they had to move out of Frensham, but we keep a link with them in case we can help in the future.

Growing Diversity: *Growing diversity can be understood in many ways: firstly, it could be about enabling people of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender to come and be part of being church. Secondly, it could link with the 5th mark of mission of the Anglican church: to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth – so could apply ecologically to us as church. Thirdly, it could apply to growing our links and assistance for those charities that are and work beyond our borders, but that we can help none-the-less. In order to grow diversity, we do need to bring this big topic into our church vision overall.*

- We have continued to be a church that embraces diversity and inclusivity with our proactive mission to (a) create an environment where God's love gets through, (b) welcome and meet all people where they are at in body, mind and spirit, and (c) walk through life together with them in the Love of God – no matter whether they are people of belief or not. Through preaching, teaching, pastoral care and worship we have strengthened and developed our belief that all people are children of God, and we frequently and regularly pray for those of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality, gender, faith or no faith.
- I made contact with a new group who have bought Pierrepont house and grounds in the Spring. They are the Nigerian Redeemed Christian Church of God and are hoping to make the site a retreat centre for their members throughout the U.K. I met with the Pastor David Jimoh and his wife, who mainly run a church in London but who are overseeing developments at Pierrepont. They asked for me to facilitate a meeting with the leaders of various groups in the village but I was unable to do this in 2024. I will strive to have more contact in 2025.
- We continue our interfaith links with the Ahmadiyyan Muslims at Islamabad in Tilford.
- We are endeavouring to become part of a Eco-Church, as, under the knowledgeable and wise leadership of Mr. David Millais, have enabled increased biodiversity with the rewilding of St Mary's graveyard from May to September each year. The Queen's canopy of trees planted for her platinum jubilee continue to flourish with the careful supervision of the gardeners. We will be planting more trees for the King's canopy in 2025. We are so grateful to David and his team for all their truly hard work, making our graveyard both a respectful and beautiful last resting place for our parishioners, as well as a haven for wildlife. Thanks also to Rob Cregeen and his team at the Church of the Good Shepherd for maintaining the lawns and promoting the diversity of wild plants in the meadow.
- The maintenance of both churches, which is essential so that we can continue in our mission, has taken continued hard work by our Fabric Committee, Mr Tim Merricks, Mr. Brian Kind and Mr. Chris Mitchley, who have been addressing the requirements of the Quinquennial report in 2024. Thankfully nothing urgent is needed as both churches are in good order – mainly due to their continued care, skill and dedication. Our grateful thanks to all these gentlemen and others who care for our church buildings.
- Through our 'Charity that supports Charities', St Mary's Frensham Trust, we are able to give grants to many charities each year – local, national and international – as people on our church electoral roll can nominate the charities that they passionately wish to support. Our grateful thanks for all the Trustees who manage this wonderful Trust.
- My grateful thanks to Nick Harris for being secretary for the Frensham Parochial trust and to all the trustees who enable the Benefice of Frensham to support not only those who are in poverty in the parish, but also the elderly at Tea @ 3 and the village lunch.
- Huge thanks also to Roger Holmes, the Chairman of the Friends of Frensham Churches and all the trustees, who enable grants to be made for the upkeep of both churches so that we can use our buildings for sharing the Good News to all.

The Parish Needs Process:

Regarding our Church Development Plan (under the Diocesan Parish Needs Process (PNP)) we have completed many of our aims (please see Appendix 1) This PNP is due to be renewed in 2025 and will require organisation of a PCC Day away. There are still some actions outstanding which will be addressed in 2025 :

- We still require new church Bibles and modern hymn books.
- We have yet to install a hearing loop system in the Church of the Good Shepherd. This might be able to be achieved when the floor at the chancel end is lowered and the heating is renewed.
- We have yet to investigate the possibility, fundraise and then install a TV in St Mary's Church to give information when a person enters the church.
- We have continued Family Café Church from 15th October 2023 and are monitoring this as numbers have remained low. More publicity is needed and more personal invitation.
- We have yet to develop 'Space for Grace' for Parents or Parent Workshops.

Regarding the list below, (which gives the reader an indication of just how hard we all continually work for the glory of God and to share God's love in the parish and beyond) as I cannot name everyone in this report, I reiterate my thanks and appreciation not only to each member of the PCC, but also on behalf of the entire PCC, for the amazing team effort to all volunteers who in 2024 gave their time and effort for the church, its worship of God and its mission to share God's Love (in no particular order) :

- Alpha
- Bible Study with a difference
- Weddings and marriage preparation
- Advent and Lent courses
- Preaching
- Open the Book
- Family Café Church
- Hearing Aid Champion
- Fundraising : The Beetle Drive, the Arts and Crafts exhibition, the Vivaldi concert, the Scarecrow festival, the Beat the Bounds Sponsored walk, the Jazz evening, wreath making.
- Frensham Fayre
- The Choir singing and organ music, including monthly recitals
- The school house trust
- Hall and church bookings
- Planned giving
- Safeguarding and DBS
- Compiling, management and distribution of the Parish Magazine
- The Forum
- Cherubs
- he Parish Friends
- 'Coffee Stop, Dockenfield'
- The Village Lunch
- Tea@3
- The Vine Centre Charity in Aldershot
- St Mary's Frensham Trust
- Frensham Parochial Trust
- Friends of Frensham Churches
- Christian Aid
- Remembrance Sunday
- Bell ringing, training and care of the church tower

- Christingle services
- Advent and Christmas carol services
- Crib services
- The church finances
- The Fabric committee
- The care of the Church of the Good Shepherd churchyard and St Mary's graveyard
- The provision of church flowers in both churches
- The care of the kneelers and church linen

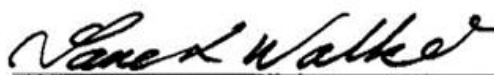
Thank you all so very much and God bless you for all you are and do.

Conclusion :

In conclusion I believe the church people of the Benefice of Frensham have done superbly well in 2024. Despite huge anxieties about raising our parish share, which means we spend far too much time fundraising when we should be spreading God's Good News in Jesus Christ, we have nevertheless achieved paying it due to the extremely hard work of everyone. And we have continued to 'create an environment where God's love can get through'; we have continued to respect and welcome each and every person and to meet them where they are at, in order to connect or reconcile them with the infinitely loving and Eternal God; and we have 'walked together' with individuals and the local communities developing and adapting our ways whilst walking in God's love with them, supported and inspired by the example, integrity and inclusivity of Jesus Christ and in the energetic power of the Holy Spirit. We have continued to pray to and praise God joyfully in many and diverse ways in order to give people options regarding worship that hopefully connects them with God and have a loving experience. We continue to wholeheartedly invest our time and efforts to learn more about God in Word and Sacrament, as well as from diverse education from different sources. Consequently, being very connected to and inspired by our Trinitarian God, we can truly say that we are an inclusive church, with a progressive positive theology which is attracting and helping more people who are discerning what their lives mean in the light of the Gospel and the possibility of developing their faith journey.

Yours in Christ
 Reverend Jane Walker
 Vicar of the Benefice of Frensham
 April 2025

Approved by the PCC on 30th March 2025

Signed : 

Dated : 31st March 2025

APPENDIX I

Service statistics for 2023 (Average attendance Red – numbers down, Green – numbers up)

SERVICE	ADULTS 2023	CHILDREN 2023	ADULTS 2024	CHILDREN 2024
8am BCP HC GS+SM	8	0	8	0
10.30am Worship and fellowship	20	0	18	1
10.30am Worship and fellowship with baptism	49	15	0	0
10.30 CW HC SM	41	2	46	3
10.30 CW HC with baptism SM	64	10	72	13
10.30am Choral Matins	38	0	39	3
6pm Choral Evensong	29	0	32	1
10am Wednesday BCP HC GS	5	0	5	0

SPECIAL SERVICES	ADULTS 2023	CHILDREN 2023	ADULTS 2024	CHILDREN 2024
Baptisms	1	10	1	8
Weddings	2	NA	7	NA
Thanksgiving for marriage	1	NA	0	NA
Funerals/celebrations of life	13	NA	11	NA
Cremations	10	NA	8	NA
Interments of Ashes	13	NA	5	NA
Ash Wednesday GS+SM (attendance)	27	0	21	0
School Spring service (attendance)	85	105	80	100
Palm Sunday (attendance)	52	0	62	7
Maundy Thursday (attendance)	21	0	12	0
Good Friday (attendance)	28	0	35	4
Holy Saturday MNM (attendance)	12	0	16	2
Easter Day GS+SM (attendance)	159	20	153	29
School Summer service (attendance)	115	150	80	105
Volunteer Sunday (attendance)	0	0	73	5
Harvest GS+SM (attendance)	89	10	115	25
School Harvest (attendance)	107	95	92	119
All Souls (attendance)	52	0	61	0
Remembrance (attendance)	105	20	104	9
Confirmation (number of people)	0	0	9	7
Christingle (attendance)	56	38	18	7
Advent Carols (attendance)	50	0	56	3

Christmas Carols (attendance)	145	16	183	9
Crib (attendance)	160	53	205	65
Christmas MNM (attendance)	60	0	66	4
Christmas Day GS+SM (attendance)	167	20	161	32
World day of Prayer (attendance)	0	0	95	0
School Winter service	109	76	76	109

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham

Reports & Accounts

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham

Charity Number: 1173223

Charity Address: The Vicarage
The Street
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GU10 3DT

Trustees: Barbara Elizabeth Potter
Hilary Lee-Corbin
Jillian Kay Billings
Jon Savage
Jonathan Charles Hetherington
Karen Julie Nockels
Michael Smith
Morag Elizabeth Crossley James
Patricia Mary Telfer
Peter Frank James
Reverend Jane Louise Walker
Valerie Chadney

Key Management Personnel: Reverend Jane Walker - Incumbent
Jon Savage - Church Warden
Valarie Chadney - PCC Secretary
Jillian Billings - Honorary Treasurer

Name & Address of Primary Banker: CAF Bank Ltd
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Independent Examiner: Nicholas O'Brien MA C.Eng MIET

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Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

Regular public worship open to all. The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation. Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved. Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups. Taking of religious assemblies in schools. Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and meetings, and the distribution of literature.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Please see annual report

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance and Management

Please see annual report

Financial Review

Overall, at the end of 2024, we are showing a net deficit of £1,687 on our unrestricted funds, (this includes our general unrestricted fund and our designated funds). For 2023 we reported a deficit of £17,224 on our general unrestricted fund and our designated funds.

Our actual income is up by £19.4k year on year, (Donations and Legacies - £9.3k increase, Charitable Activities - £9.1k increase, Investments (Bank interest) - £1k. Our costs have increased by £3.9k year on year, (Raising funds - £2k, Support costs - £1.9k) making the overall year on year difference £15.5k.

Funds in Deficit

There are no funds in deficit.

Investments Policy

The charity does not have any investments

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

Responsibilities of Trustees under charity law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Name
Signature
Date

Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham ('the charity') for the year ended 31/12/2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

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

Independent Examiners Qualification

Not applicable

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and 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.

Independent Examiner's Details

Name: Nicholas O'Brien MA C.Eng MIET

Address: Hawthorn Cottage
Moushill Lane
Milford
GU8 5BH

Name	Nicholas O'Brien
Signature	
Date	7 March 2025

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies	67,796	10,595	78,392	60,371
Charitable Activities	37,771	472	38,243	28,621
Investments	2,780	0	2,780	1,696
Trading Activities	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	183
Total incoming resources	108,348	11,067	119,415	90,871
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities	91,225	13,693	104,918	94,683
Raising Funds	10,019	800	10,819	8,737
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support	8,790	5	8,795	6,849
Other	0	0	0	165
Total resources used	110,034	14,498	124,532	110,435
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before transfers)	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Fund Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Fund Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before gains/losses)	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Investment Gains (or Losses)	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before Asset Revaluation)	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Asset Revaluation	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Funds	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Total Funds Brought Forward	75,346	34,506	109,852	129,415
Total Funds Carried Forward	73,659	31,075	104,734	109,852
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	43,245	0	43,245	43,866
Bells Fund (Restricted)	0	2,203	2,203	2,711
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	20,000	20,000
Community (Designated)	8,695	0	8,695	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	1,384	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	335	0	335	0
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	0	7,493	7,493	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	0	343	343	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	0	3,278	3,278	2,897
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	0	2,284	2,284	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	0	5,750	5,750	6,899
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	0	7,886	7,886	8,952
Agency (Restricted)	0	-195	-195	-195
Roof Fund (Restricted)	0	2,031	2,031	0

Statement of Financial Position

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets				
Cash	82,687	15,656	98,343	95,532
Accounts Receivable	3,146	843	3,988	5,223
Prepayments	1,216	0	1,216	1,032
Total	87,050	16,498	103,548	101,787
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets	696	18,948	19,643	23,026
Investments	0	0	0	0
Total	696	18,948	19,643	23,026
Non-Current Assets				
Accounts Payable	8,489	0	8,489	8,270
Deferred Income	5,597	4,370	9,967	6,691
Total	14,086	4,370	18,457	14,962
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term Loan / Mortgage	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
Net Current Assets	72,963	12,128	85,091	86,826
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	73,659	31,075	104,734	109,852
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	43,245	0	43,245	43,866
Bells Fund (Restricted)	0	2,203	2,203	2,711
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	20,000	20,000
Community (Designated)	8,695	0	8,695	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	1,384	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	335	0	335	0
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St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	0	5,750	5,750	6,899
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	0	7,886	7,886	8,952
Agency (Restricted)	0	-195	-195	-195
Roof Fund (Restricted)	0	2,031	2,031	0

Statement of Cash Flows

	Total	Prior Year
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Net Surplus (deficit)	-5,117	-19,564
Adjustments For:		
Fixed Asset Depreciation	3,382	3,753
Less Investment Gains	0	0
Accounts Receivable Decrease	1,235	-1,608
Prepayments Decrease	-184	86
Accounts Payable Increase	219	3,732
Deferred Income Increase	3,276	3,004
Less Interest Received	-2,780	-1,696
Less Sale of Assets	0	0
Less Asset Revaluation	0	0
Loan Interest Paid	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Operating Activities	31	-12,292
Cash Flow from Investing Activities		
Interest Received	2,780	1,696
Sales of Assets	0	0
Less Purchase of Assets	0	0
Return of Investments	0	0
Less Money Invested	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Investing Activities	2,780	1,696
Cash Flow from Financing Activities		
Loans Received	0	0
Less Loan Repayments	0	0
Less Loan Interest Paid	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Financing Activities	0	0
Increase (decrease) in Cash	2,811	-10,596
Cash at start of period	95,532	106,128
Cash at end of period	98,343	95,532
Represented By:		
General (Unrestricted)	52,274	50,833
Bells Fund (Restricted)	2,203	2,711
Capital (Designated)	20,000	20,000
Community (Designated)	8,695	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	335	0
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	-268	-268
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	343	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	3,070	2,680
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	2,284	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	200	200
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	2,249	2,249
Agency (Restricted)	3,542	532
Roof Fund (Restricted)	2,031	0
TOTAL Represented By	98,343	95,532

Notes - Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (the '2008 Regulations') requires charities to prepare their accounts in accordance with 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005' but this accounting standard has since been withdrawn and has been replaced by the Charities SORP mentioned in the preceding paragraph. The charity has prepared these financial statements in accordance with the new Charities SORP; this departure from the 2008 Regulations is believed to be necessary for these financial statements to give a 'true and fair view'.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out in the accounting policies below.

Going Concern

The Trustees consider the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham a going concern at the date for approving the accounts. There are no material uncertainties that the charity can continue as a going concern for the next year.

Key Risks & Uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks, including operational, financial and reputational risks. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

- All voluntary income from members of the charity are recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated Gift Aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities.
- Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Income resources from charitable trading activities such as the letting of the building are accounted for when invoices are drawn up (as at the point of entitlement).

- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.
- Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
- Volunteer time, the value of voluntary support for the work of the charity, is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees Annual Report.
- Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Governance costs include costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are shown within 'Analysis of Expenditure' note.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Assets over the value of £500 are capitalised. Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the expected useful economic life of that asset, as follows:

- Freehold property - Not depreciated
- Musical and Technical Equipment - 15 years on straight line basis
- Office and computer equipment - 5 years on straight line basis
- Furniture, fixtures and fittings - 15 years on straight line basis

[In view of the maintenance programme in place which aims to keep the building in good condition, the trustees consider that any depreciation of freehold property would be immaterial and accordingly no provision has been made. The carrying amount of the freehold property is reviewed annually for impairment by the trustees.]

Pensions

The charity does not operate a pension scheme, because it has no direct employees.

Operating Leases

The charity does not have any operating leases at this time.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

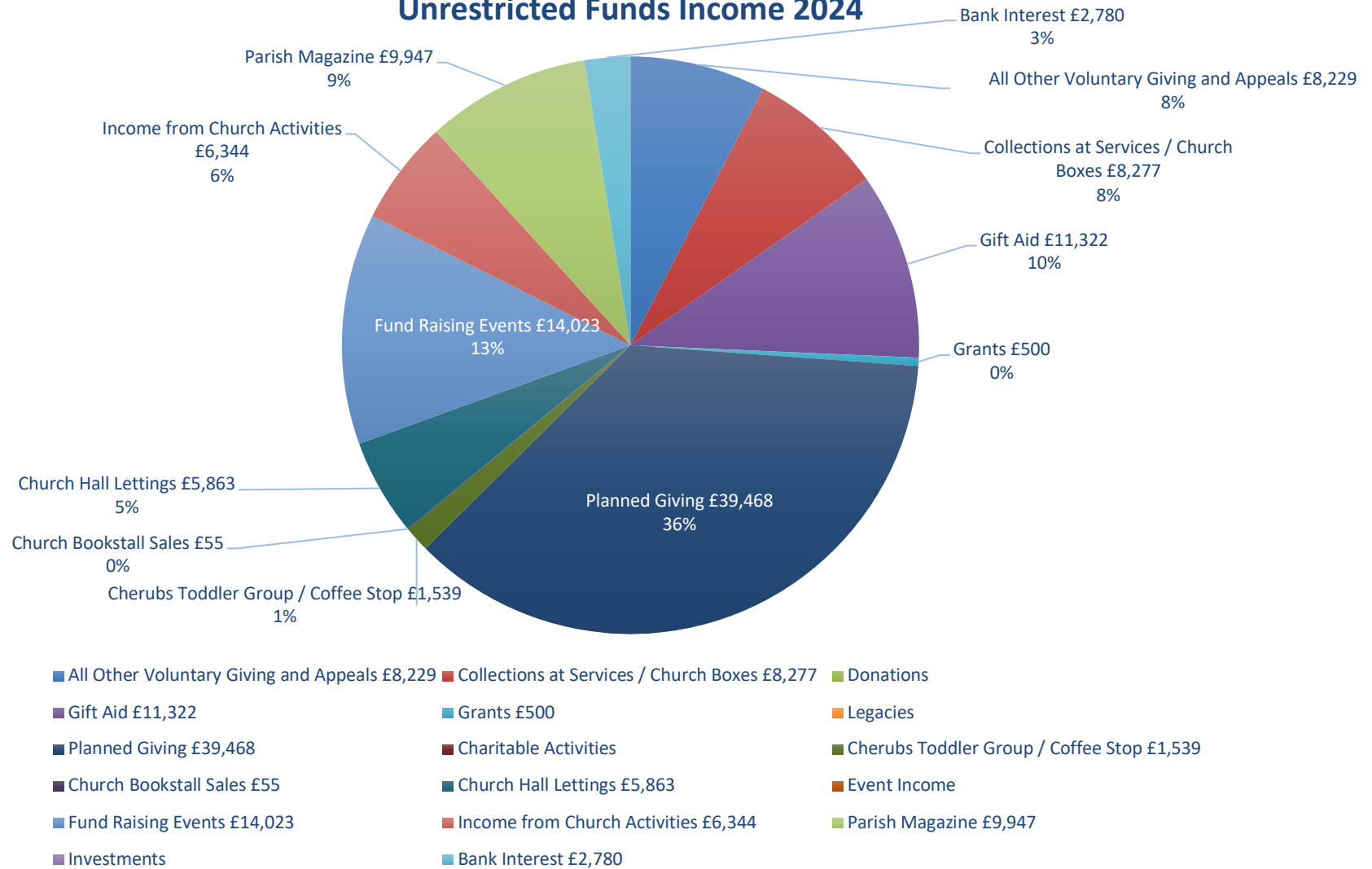
In preparing financial statements certain judgements, estimates and assumptions have to be made that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The trustees consider the following to be significant:

- The annual depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is sensitive to changes in the estimates for useful economic life and residual value. These estimates are reassessed annually and, when necessary, adjusted to reflect current circumstances.
- The constructive obligation for grants payable is based on an assessment of the likely duration of the supported activity. This estimate is re-assessed annually and the obligation is adjusted to reflect current expectations.

Concessionary Loans

Not applicable

Unrestricted Funds Income 2024



Notes - Analysis of Income & Expenditure

Analysis of Income

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies				
All Other Voluntary Giving and Appeals	8,229	0	8,229	3,666
Collections at Services / Church Boxes	8,277	604	8,881	7,532
Donations	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid	11,322	407	11,729	10,673
Grants	500	9,017	9,517	1,000
Legacies	0	0	0	0
Planned Giving	39,468	567	40,035	37,500
Charitable Activities				
Cherubs Toddler Group / Coffee Stop	1,539	0	1,539	1,840
Church Bookstall Sales	55	0	55	55
Church Hall Lettings	5,863	0	5,863	4,150
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Fund Raising Events	14,023	472	14,495	9,310
Income from Church Activities	6,344	0	6,344	4,885
Parish Magazine	9,947	0	9,947	8,381
Investments				
Bank Interest	2,780	0	2,780	1,696
Trading Activities				
Rental Income	0	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Other				
Agency	0	0	0	183
Total incoming resources	108,348	11,067	119,415	90,871

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies				
All Other Voluntary Giving and Appeals	3,591	75	3,666	0
Collections at Services / Church Boxes	6,781	751	7,532	0
Donations	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid	10,248	425	10,673	0
Grants	1,000	0	1,000	0
Legacies	0	0	0	0
Planned Giving	36,804	696	37,500	0
Charitable Activities				
Cherubs Toddler Group / Coffee Stop	1,840	0	1,840	0
Church Bookstall Sales	55	0	55	0

Church Hall Lettings	4,150	0	4,150	0
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Fund Raising Events	9,310	0	9,310	0
Income from Church Activities	4,885	0	4,885	0
Parish Magazine	8,381	0	8,381	0
Investments				
Bank Interest	1,696	0	1,696	0
Trading Activities				
Rental Income	0	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Other				
Agency	183	0	183	0
Total incoming resources	88,924	1,947	90,871	0

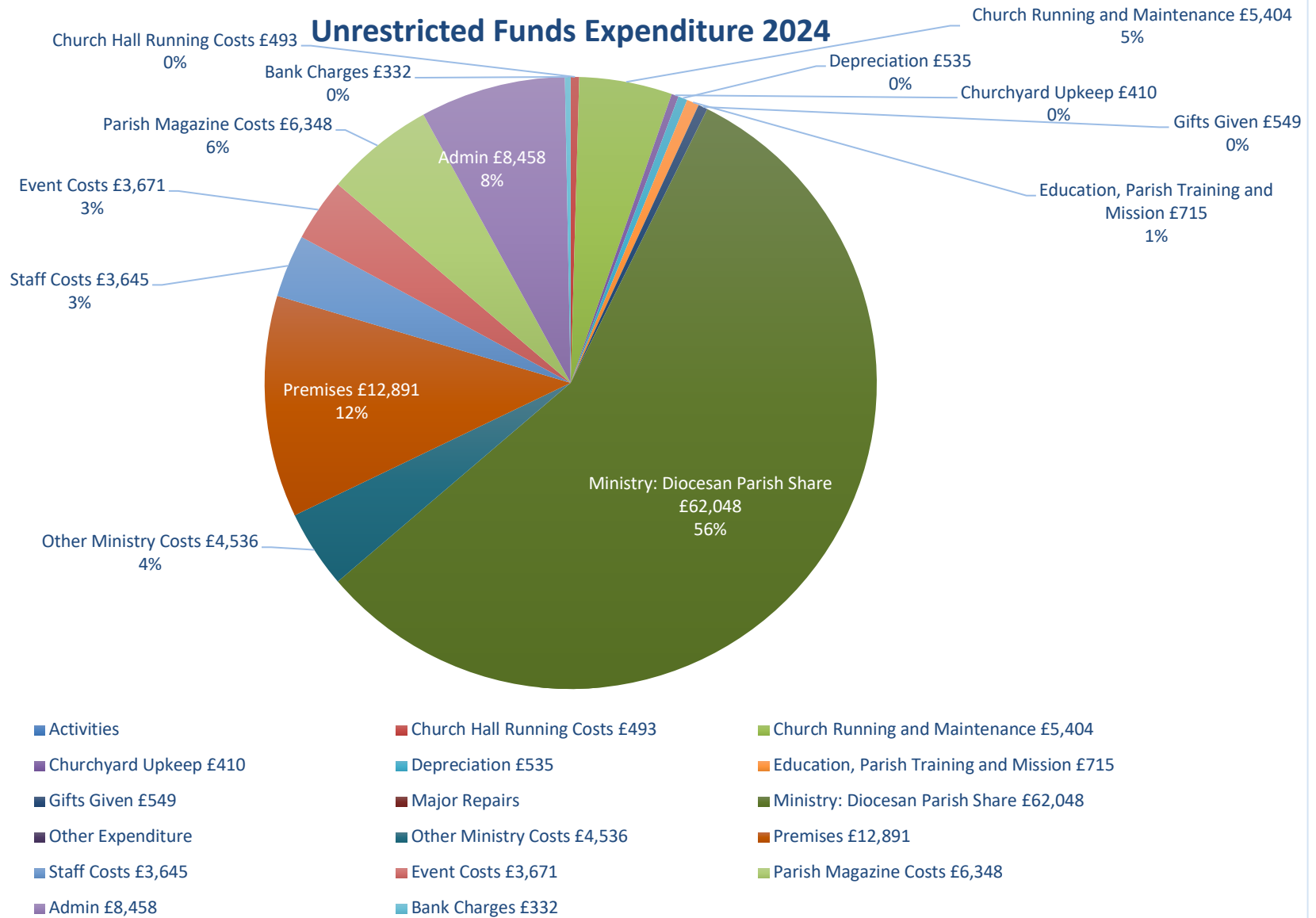
Additional Income Notes

UNRESTRICTED INCOME:

1. All Other Voluntary Giving and Appeals: we are up by £4,638 year on year, due in main to one off donations increasing by £5,067 from 2023's of £2,525.
2. Collections at Services / Church Boxes: Donations have increased by 22% from 2023, by £1,496.
3. Gift Aid Recovered has increased by £1,074 from 2023, due to increases in collections and planned giving increases.
4. Grants received - we received a grant of £500 from the Stewardship team.
5. Planned Giving has increased by 7% - £2,664 from 2023.
6. Income from the Cherubs Toddler Group and Coffee Stop has reduced by £301 year on year.
7. Church Hall Hire: we are up by 41% year on year with hall hire income so far - £1,713 above 2023's results.
8. Parish Magazine: we are up by £1,566 year on year, from the parish magazine with improved advertising income of £602 and subscription income of £964.
9. Fund Raising Events: £14,023 includes Frensham Fayre BBQ £1,432, Beetle Drive evenings - £517, Tea@3 - £336, St George's Supper - £682, Harvest Supper - £1,098, Beating the Bounds - £1,242, The Arts & Crafts Exhibition £3,497, Jazz Evening £3,939 and Wreath Making £320, donations for new prayer books £625 and village lunch receipts £335 (allocated to designated fabric committee fund) .
10. Bank Interest Received: I am actively utilising our savings account to maximise the amount of interest received from our cash in the banks, this has resulted in income of £2,780 for the year.
11. Receipts from Church Activities: increase of 30% (£1,459) to 2023 – six weddings were held in 2024, compared to two in 2023.

RESTRICTED INCOME: Organ Fund income: Relates to donations from our regular organ recitals

Unrestricted Funds Expenditure 2024



Analysis of Expenditure

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities				
Activities	0	0	0	0
Church Hall Running Costs	493	0	493	621
Church Running and Maintenance	5,404	0	5,404	5,490
Churchyard Upkeep	411	0	411	674
Depreciation	535	2,847	3,382	3,753
Education, Parish Training and Mission	715	0	715	240
Gifts Given	549	200	749	720
Major Repairs	0	0	0	0
Ministry: Diocesan Parish Share	62,048	0	62,048	60,981
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0
Other Ministry Costs	4,536	0	4,536	2,361
Premises	12,890	10,646	23,536	17,025
Staff Costs	3,645	0	3,645	2,818
Raising Funds				
Event Costs	3,671	800	4,471	2,575
Parish Magazine Costs	6,348	0	6,348	6,163
Governance Costs				
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support				
Admin	8,458	0	8,458	6,579
Bank Charges	332	5	337	270
Other				
Agency	0	0	0	165
Total resources used	110,034	14,498	124,532	110,435

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities				
Activities	0	0	0	0
Church Hall Running Costs	621	0	621	0
Church Running and Maintenance	5,490	0	5,490	0
Churchyard Upkeep	674	0	674	0
Depreciation	634	3,119	3,753	0
Education, Parish Training and Mission	240	0	240	0
Gifts Given	520	200	720	0
Major Repairs	0	0	0	0
Ministry: Diocesan Parish Share	60,981	0	60,981	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0
Other Ministry Costs	2,361	0	2,361	0

Premises	17,025	0	17,025	0
Staff Costs	2,818	0	2,818	0
Raising Funds				
Event Costs	1,775	800	2,575	0
Parish Magazine Costs	6,163	0	6,163	0
Governance Costs				
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support				
Admin	6,579	0	6,579	0
Bank Charges	268	2	270	0
Other				
Agency	0	165	165	0
Total resources used	106,149	4,286	110,435	0

Additional Expenditure Notes

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS EXPENDITURE:

1. Church Hall running costs have reduced slightly year on year by £128
2. Church running and maintenance costs have reduced slightly by £86. The costs included in this category are insurance costs
3. Churchyard upkeep has reduced slightly by £263
4. Depreciation charges have reduced slightly by £99
5. Education, Parish Training and Mission costs have increased by £475, due in main to Alpha course costs, and Confirmation expenses.
6. Parish Share has increased by 2% year on year.
7. Other Ministry Costs: £4,536, an increase of £2,175 from 2023. This is due in main to the purchase of new prayer books £1,049 and Vicarage maintenance £870.
8. Premises: reduction in costs year on year of £4,135 is due in main to the reduction in energy costs by £5,977, and £1,400 spent on the installation of additional electrical sockets at The Good Shepherd.
9. Staff Costs: increased by £827, year on year, due to increased locum cover, an increase in the honorarium paid to our resident organist Mike Smith, and expenses for our new curate who joined towards the end of 2024.
10. Event Costs: The year on year increase was due in main to the Arts & Crafts exhibition £1,451 and the Jazz evening (including big band fee £800) £1,174.
11. Admin costs: the year on year increase of £1,879, £1,515 due to additional administrative support costs, £212 broadband costs, and £152 increase in administrative expenses.

RESTRICTED FUNDS EXPENDITURE:

Organ Fund: Expenditure includes a deposit of £864 for repairs to the organ, and fees paid to organists for organ recitals.

Bells Fund: Expenditure relates to the new plaque in the bell tower, plus the model engraving, and the £200 donation to the Guildford Bell Restoration Fund.

St Mary's Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Good Shepherd Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Notes - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets	87,050	16,498	103,548	101,787
Non-Current Assets	696	18,948	19,643	23,026
Current Liabilities	14,086	4,370	18,457	14,962
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	73,659	31,075	104,734	109,852

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets	87,074	14,713	101,787	110,862
Non-Current Assets	1,231	21,795	23,026	26,778
Current Liabilities	12,959	2,002	14,962	8,225
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	75,346	34,506	109,852	129,415

Notes - Other

Volunteers

The charity benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money. Please refer to the annual report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation. I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow, Hugh Evans and Anthony Porten) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and being my approver and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, including her wreath making course at Christmas. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a fourth year, at no cost.

Independent Examination Fees

No fees were payable to the independent examiner.

Staff Costs

Our only member of staff is our incumbent - The Reverend Jane Walker. She is remunerated by the diocese of Guildford, and we pay for this service via the parish share, which includes other ministerial costs such as the vicarage and support from the diocese.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be: Reverend Jane Walker – Incumbent, Jon Savage - Church Warden (Volunteer) Valerie Chadney - PCC Secretary (Volunteer) Jill Billings - Honorary Treasurer (Volunteer)

Trustee Remuneration

During the year no trustees received remuneration.

Trustee Expenses

During the year the 6 of the charity's trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £6,243. (prior year 5 trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £4,705) All expenses were incurred for the day-to-day running of the charity's activities.

Trustee Donations

During the year the total aggregated donations made to the charity by the trustees was £5,079. There were no conditions attached to the donations. (total aggregate donations from prior year were £4,633)

Tangible Fixed Assets

	Computer & Office Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Music & Technical Equipment	Total
Cost				
Prior to 1st January 2024	659	32,500	20,334	53,493
Additions in financial year	0	0	0	0
Total as at 31st December 2024	659	32,500	20,334	53,493
Depreciation				
Prior to 1st January 2024	626	16,205	13,636	30,467
Additions in financial year	33	2,201	1,148	3,382
Total as at 31st December 2024	659	18,406	14,784	33,850
Net Book Value				
As at 31st December 2024	0	14,093	5,550	19,643
As at 31st December 2023	33	16,295	6,698	23,026

Debtors

Accounts Receivable

Description	Amount
Gift Aid	2,579
Trade Debtors	1,409
Total	3,988

Prepayments

Description	Amount
Parish Magazine Printing	586
St Mary's Boiler insurance	500
Vicarage Water Rates	130
Total	1,216

Creditors

Accounts Payable

Description	Amount
Church Running Costs	318
Church Utilities	278
Clergy Expenses	376
Fundraising Costs	532
Giving to Secular Charities	549
Parish Administrator Costs	504
Parish Magazine Printing costs	586
Parish Share	5,170
Parish Training and Mission	176
Total	8,489

Deferred Income

Description	Amount
Agency Income to repay	4,370

Parish Magazine 2025 Income	5,597
Total	9,967

Analysis of Charitable Funds

Current Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	43,866	108,013	108,633	0	43,245
Total	43,866	108,013	108,633	0	43,245
Designated					
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
Community (Designated)	10,096	0	1,401	0	8,695
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	0	0	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	0	335	0	0	335
Total	31,480	335	1,401	0	30,414
Unrestricted Total	75,346	108,348	110,034	0	73,659
Restricted					
Bells Fund (Restricted)	2,711	0	507	0	2,203
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	8,126	0	633	0	7,493
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	1,585	0	1,241	0	343
Organ Fund (Restricted)	2,897	2,050	1,669	0	3,278
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	3,531	0	1,247	0	2,284
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	6,899	0	1,148	0	5,750
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	8,952	0	1,065	0	7,886
Agency (Restricted)	-195	0	0	0	-195
Roof Fund (Restricted)	0	9,017	6,986	0	2,031
Total	34,506	11,067	14,498	0	31,075
Restricted Total	34,506	11,067	14,498	0	31,075
TOTAL	109,852	119,415	124,532	0	104,734

Prior Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	61,091	88,924	106,149	0	43,866
Total	61,091	88,924	106,149	0	43,866
Designated					
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
Community (Designated)	10,096	0	0	0	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	0	0	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	0	0	0	0	0
Total	31,480	0	0	0	31,480
Unrestricted Total	92,570	88,924	106,149	0	75,346
Restricted					

Bells Fund (Restricted)	2,911	0	200	0	2,711
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	8,812	0	686	0	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	1,585	0	0	0	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	1,753	1,947	802	0	2,897
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	3,531	0	0	0	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	8,047	0	1,148	0	6,899
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	10,236	0	1,284	0	8,952
Agency (Restricted)	-30	0	165	0	-195
Total	36,845	1,947	4,286	0	34,506
Restricted Total	36,845	1,947	4,286	0	34,506
TOTAL	129,415	90,871	110,435	0	109,852

Fund Transfers

There were no Fund Transfers this financial year.

Fund Descriptions

Name	Description
General	The remaining funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.
Bells Fund	This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
Capital	was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
Community	was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community
Communications Project	is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.
Fabric Committee	is a designated fund to record donations and expenditure associated with the maintenance of the fabric of both churches
Good Shepherd Chairs	as established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund	This fund was set up to cover costs associated with the Quinquennial survey of The Good Shepherd
Organ Fund	This restricted was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020. This fund continues to be used for major costs associated with the organ and collects donations from the regularly held organ recitals
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund	This fund was set up to cover costs associated with the Quinquennial survey of St Mary's
St Mary's Sound System	This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
St Mary's Vestry Extension	includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
Agency	This fund is used to record income collected on behalf of other parties and should always balance to zero.
Roof Fund	Fund for Roof Repairs for both churches

Transactions to Related Parties

There were no transactions related parties during the accounting period.

Prior Period Adjustment

There were no prior year adjustments.

Pensions

Not applicable

Other (Optional)

Expenditure relates to depreciation of fixed assets.

Organ Fund: Income relates to Organ Recitals, Expenditure includes a deposit of £864 for repairs to the organ, and fees paid to organists for organ recitals.

Bells Fund: Expenditure relates to the new plaque in the bell tower, plus the model engraving, and the £200 donation to the Guildford Bell Restoration Fund.

St Mary's Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Good Shephard Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Community Fund: Expenditure relates to additional electrical sockets being installed in The Good Shepherd.

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham

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Legal & Administrative Details

Charity Name: The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham

Charity Number: 1173223

Charity Address: The Vicarage
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GU10 3DT

Trustees: Barbara Elizabeth Potter
Hilary Lee-Corbin
Jillian Kay Billings
Jon Savage
Jonathan Charles Hetherington
Karen Julie Nockels
Michael Smith
Morag Elizabeth Crossley James
Patricia Mary Telfer
Peter Frank James
Reverend Jane Louise Walker
Valerie Chadney

Key Management Personnel: Reverend Jane Walker - Incumbent
Jon Savage - Church Warden
Valarie Chadney - PCC Secretary
Jillian Billings - Honorary Treasurer

Name & Address of Primary Banker: CAF Bank Ltd
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Independent Examiner: Nicholas O'Brien MA C.Eng MIET

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Trustees Report

Objects of the charity

Regular public worship open to all. The provision of sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation. Pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved. Teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups. Taking of religious assemblies in schools. Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and meetings, and the distribution of literature.

Summary of the charity's main activities and achievements

To further the above objects and vision, the charity's main activities and achievements were as follows:

Please see annual report

In planning the activities, the trustees have applied the guidance on public benefit issued by the Charity Commission.

Structure, Governance and Management

Please see annual report

Financial Review

Overall, at the end of 2024, we are showing a net deficit of £1,687 on our unrestricted funds, (this includes our general unrestricted fund and our designated funds). For 2023 we reported a deficit of £17,224 on our general unrestricted fund and our designated funds.

Our actual income is up by £19.4k year on year, (Donations and Legacies - £9.3k increase, Charitable Activities - £9.1k increase, Investments (Bank interest) - £1k. Our costs have increased by £3.9k year on year, (Raising funds - £2k, Support costs - £1.9k) making the overall year on year difference £15.5k.

Funds in Deficit

There are no funds in deficit.

Investments Policy

The charity does not have any investments

Reserves Policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

Responsibilities of Trustees under charity law

The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity as at the balance sheet date and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

1. select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
2. observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
3. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
4. state whether the applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
5. prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signature

This report was approved by the trustees, and is signed on their behalf by:

Name

Signature

Date

Independent Examiners Report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham ('the charity') for the year ended 31/12/2024.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

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

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

Independent Examiners Qualification

Not applicable

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and 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.

Independent Examiner's Details

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Name	Nicholas O'Brien
Signature	
Date	7 March 2025

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies	67,796	10,595	78,392	60,371
Charitable Activities	37,771	472	38,243	28,621
Investments	2,780	0	2,780	1,696
Trading Activities	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	183
Total incoming resources	108,348	11,067	119,415	90,871
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities	91,225	13,693	104,918	94,683
Raising Funds	10,019	800	10,819	8,737
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support	8,790	5	8,795	6,849
Other	0	0	0	165
Total resources used	110,034	14,498	124,532	110,435
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before transfers)	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Fund Transfers In	0	0	0	0
Fund Transfers Out	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before gains/losses)	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Investment Gains (or Losses)	0	0	0	0
Net Incoming / Outgoing Resources (before Asset Revaluation)	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Asset Revaluation	0	0	0	0
Net Movement of Funds	-1,687	-3,431	-5,117	-19,564
Total Funds Brought Forward	75,346	34,506	109,852	129,415
Total Funds Carried Forward	73,659	31,075	104,734	109,852
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	43,245	0	43,245	43,866
Bells Fund (Restricted)	0	2,203	2,203	2,711
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	20,000	20,000
Community (Designated)	8,695	0	8,695	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	1,384	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	335	0	335	0
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	0	7,493	7,493	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	0	343	343	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	0	3,278	3,278	2,897
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	0	2,284	2,284	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	0	5,750	5,750	6,899
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	0	7,886	7,886	8,952
Agency (Restricted)	0	-195	-195	-195
Roof Fund (Restricted)	0	2,031	2,031	0

Statement of Financial Position

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets				
Cash	82,687	15,656	98,343	95,532
Accounts Receivable	3,146	843	3,988	5,223
Prepayments	1,216	0	1,216	1,032
Total	87,050	16,498	103,548	101,787
Non-Current Assets				
Fixed Assets	696	18,948	19,643	23,026
Investments	0	0	0	0
Total	696	18,948	19,643	23,026
Non-Current Assets				
Accounts Payable	8,489	0	8,489	8,270
Deferred Income	5,597	4,370	9,967	6,691
Total	14,086	4,370	18,457	14,962
Non-Current Liabilities				
Long Term Loan / Mortgage	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0
Net Current Assets	72,963	12,128	85,091	86,826
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	73,659	31,075	104,734	109,852
Represented By				
General (Unrestricted)	43,245	0	43,245	43,866
Bells Fund (Restricted)	0	2,203	2,203	2,711
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	20,000	20,000
Community (Designated)	8,695	0	8,695	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	1,384	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	335	0	335	0
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	0	7,493	7,493	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	0	343	343	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	0	3,278	3,278	2,897
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	0	2,284	2,284	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	0	5,750	5,750	6,899
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	0	7,886	7,886	8,952
Agency (Restricted)	0	-195	-195	-195
Roof Fund (Restricted)	0	2,031	2,031	0

Statement of Cash Flows

	Total	Prior Year
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Net Surplus (deficit)	-5,117	-19,564
Adjustments For:		
Fixed Asset Depreciation	3,382	3,753
Less Investment Gains	0	0
Accounts Receivable Decrease	1,235	-1,608
Prepayments Decrease	-184	86
Accounts Payable Increase	219	3,732
Deferred Income Increase	3,276	3,004
Less Interest Received	-2,780	-1,696
Less Sale of Assets	0	0
Less Asset Revaluation	0	0
Loan Interest Paid	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Operating Activities	31	-12,292
Cash Flow from Investing Activities		
Interest Received	2,780	1,696
Sales of Assets	0	0
Less Purchase of Assets	0	0
Return of Investments	0	0
Less Money Invested	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Investing Activities	2,780	1,696
Cash Flow from Financing Activities		
Loans Received	0	0
Less Loan Repayments	0	0
Less Loan Interest Paid	0	0
NET Cash Flow from Financing Activities	0	0
Increase (decrease) in Cash	2,811	-10,596
Cash at start of period	95,532	106,128
Cash at end of period	98,343	95,532
Represented By:		
General (Unrestricted)	52,274	50,833
Bells Fund (Restricted)	2,203	2,711
Capital (Designated)	20,000	20,000
Community (Designated)	8,695	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	335	0
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	-268	-268
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	343	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	3,070	2,680
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	2,284	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	200	200
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	2,249	2,249
Agency (Restricted)	3,542	532
Roof Fund (Restricted)	2,031	0
TOTAL Represented By	98,343	95,532

Notes - Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) ("the Charities SORP"), with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102") and with the Charities Act 2011. The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as set out in FRS 102.

The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 (the '2008 Regulations') requires charities to prepare their accounts in accordance with 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005' but this accounting standard has since been withdrawn and has been replaced by the Charities SORP mentioned in the preceding paragraph. The charity has prepared these financial statements in accordance with the new Charities SORP; this departure from the 2008 Regulations is believed to be necessary for these financial statements to give a 'true and fair view'.

The principles adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out in the accounting policies below.

Going Concern

The Trustees consider the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham a going concern at the date for approving the accounts. There are no material uncertainties that the charity can continue as a going concern for the next year.

Key Risks & Uncertainties

The charity is exposed to various risks, including operational, financial and reputational risks. The trustees review the charity's activities regularly to identify significant risks and, where possible, they take appropriate measures to mitigate those risks.

Fund Accounting

Unrestricted income funds comprise those funds which the trustees are free to use for any purpose in furtherance of the charitable objects. Unrestricted funds include designated funds where the trustees, at their discretion, have set aside resources for a specific purpose. Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by the donor or the term of specific appeal. Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the accounts.

Incoming Resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability.

- All voluntary income from members of the charity are recognised as donations and are included in full, with associated Gift Aid receivable in the Statement of Financial Activities.
- Grants where entitlement is not conditional on the delivery of specific performance by the charity are recognised when the charity becomes unconditionally entitled to the grant.
- Income resources from charitable trading activities such as the letting of the building are accounted for when invoices are drawn up (as at the point of entitlement).

- Donated services and facilities are included at the value to the charity where this can be quantified.
- Gifts in Kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
- Volunteer time, the value of voluntary support for the work of the charity, is not included in the accounts but is described in the Trustees Annual Report.
- Investment Income is included in the accounts when receivable

Resources Expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred. Liabilities are recognised where it is more likely than not that there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out the resources and the amount of the obligation can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Governance Costs

Governance costs include costs associated with the independent examination of the financial statements, compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements and any other expenditure incurred on the strategic management of the charity. Governance costs are shown within 'Analysis of Expenditure' note.

Liability Recognition

Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.

Tangible Fixed Assets

Assets over the value of £500 are capitalised. Depreciation is provided on tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value, over the expected useful economic life of that asset, as follows:

- Freehold property - Not depreciated
- Musical and Technical Equipment - 15 years on straight line basis
- Office and computer equipment - 5 years on straight line basis
- Furniture, fixtures and fittings - 15 years on straight line basis

[In view of the maintenance programme in place which aims to keep the building in good condition, the trustees consider that any depreciation of freehold property would be immaterial and accordingly no provision has been made. The carrying amount of the freehold property is reviewed annually for impairment by the trustees.]

Pensions

The charity does not operate a pension scheme, because it has no direct employees.

Operating Leases

The charity does not have any operating leases at this time.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Judgements and Key Sources of Estimation

The trustees do not consider that there are any material sources of estimation or uncertainty at the balance sheet date that could result in a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities in the next reporting period.

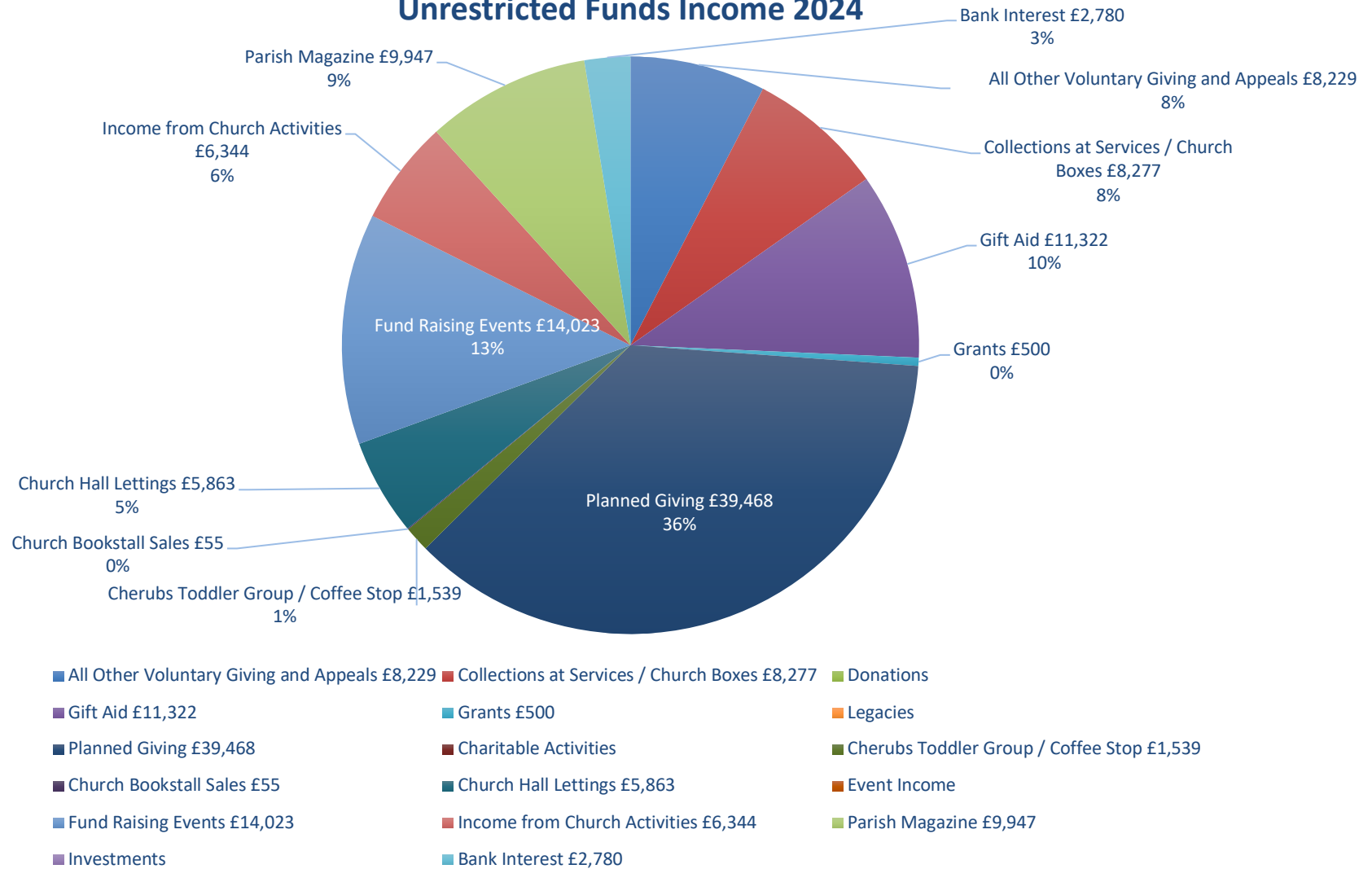
In preparing financial statements certain judgements, estimates and assumptions have to be made that affect the amounts recognised in the financial statements. The trustees consider the following to be significant:

- The annual depreciation charge for property, plant and equipment is sensitive to changes in the estimates for useful economic life and residual value. These estimates are reassessed annually and, when necessary, adjusted to reflect current circumstances.
- The constructive obligation for grants payable is based on an assessment of the likely duration of the supported activity. This estimate is re-assessed annually and the obligation is adjusted to reflect current expectations.

Concessionary Loans

Not applicable

Unrestricted Funds Income 2024



Notes - Analysis of Income & Expenditure

Analysis of Income

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies				
All Other Voluntary Giving and Appeals	8,229	0	8,229	3,666
Collections at Services / Church Boxes	8,277	604	8,881	7,532
Donations	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid	11,322	407	11,729	10,673
Grants	500	9,017	9,517	1,000
Legacies	0	0	0	0
Planned Giving	39,468	567	40,035	37,500
Charitable Activities				
Cherubs Toddler Group / Coffee Stop	1,539	0	1,539	1,840
Church Bookstall Sales	55	0	55	55
Church Hall Lettings	5,863	0	5,863	4,150
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Fund Raising Events	14,023	472	14,495	9,310
Income from Church Activities	6,344	0	6,344	4,885
Parish Magazine	9,947	0	9,947	8,381
Investments				
Bank Interest	2,780	0	2,780	1,696
Trading Activities				
Rental Income	0	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Other				
Agency	0	0	0	183
Total incoming resources	108,348	11,067	119,415	90,871

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Incoming Resources				
Donations & Legacies				
All Other Voluntary Giving and Appeals	3,591	75	3,666	0
Collections at Services / Church Boxes	6,781	751	7,532	0
Donations	0	0	0	0
Gift Aid	10,248	425	10,673	0
Grants	1,000	0	1,000	0
Legacies	0	0	0	0
Planned Giving	36,804	696	37,500	0
Charitable Activities				
Cherubs Toddler Group / Coffee Stop	1,840	0	1,840	0
Church Bookstall Sales	55	0	55	0

Church Hall Lettings	4,150	0	4,150	0
Event Income	0	0	0	0
Fund Raising Events	9,310	0	9,310	0
Income from Church Activities	4,885	0	4,885	0
Parish Magazine	8,381	0	8,381	0
Investments				
Bank Interest	1,696	0	1,696	0
Trading Activities				
Rental Income	0	0	0	0
Sales	0	0	0	0
Other				
Agency	183	0	183	0
Total incoming resources	88,924	1,947	90,871	0

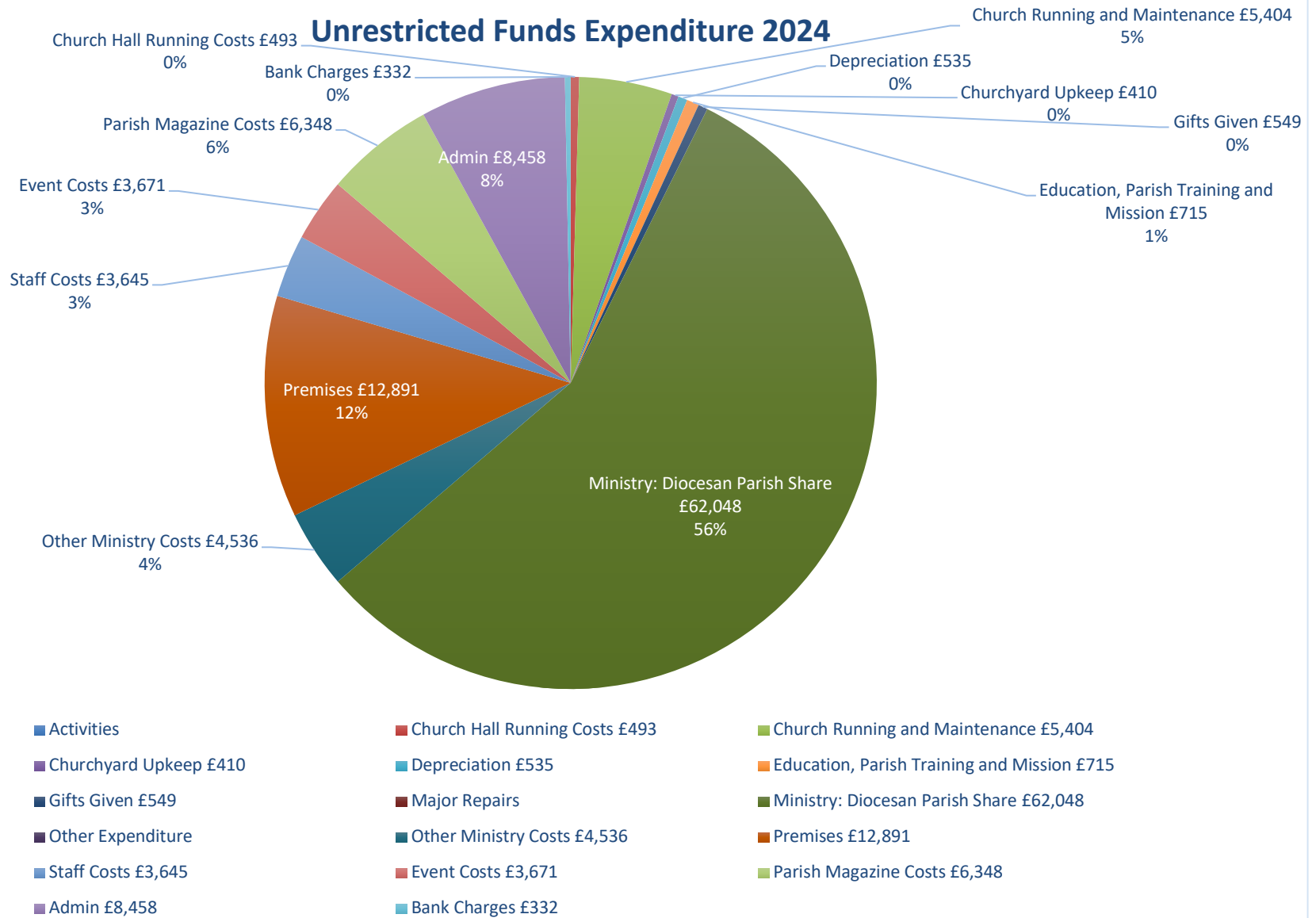
Additional Income Notes

UNRESTRICTED INCOME:

1. All Other Voluntary Giving and Appeals: we are up by £4,638 year on year, due in main to one off donations increasing by £5,067 from 2023's of £2,525.
2. Collections at Services / Church Boxes: Donations have increased by 22% from 2023, by £1,496.
3. Gift Aid Recovered has increased by £1,074 from 2023, due to increases in collections and planned giving increases.
4. Grants received - we received a grant of £500 from the Stewardship team.
5. Planned Giving has increased by 7% - £2,664 from 2023.
6. Income from the Cherubs Toddler Group and Coffee Stop has reduced by £301 year on year.
7. Church Hall Hire: we are up by 41% year on year with hall hire income so far - £1,713 above 2023's results.
8. Parish Magazine: we are up by £1,566 year on year, from the parish magazine with improved advertising income of £602 and subscription income of £964.
9. Fund Raising Events: £14,023 includes Frensham Fayre BBQ £1,432, Beetle Drive evenings - £517, Tea@3 - £336, St George's Supper - £682, Harvest Supper - £1,098, Beating the Bounds - £1,242, The Arts & Crafts Exhibition £3,497, Jazz Evening £3,939 and Wreath Making £320, donations for new prayer books £625 and village lunch receipts £335 (allocated to designated fabric committee fund) .
10. Bank Interest Received: I am actively utilising our savings account to maximise the amount of interest received from our cash in the banks, this has resulted in income of £2,780 for the year.
11. Receipts from Church Activities: increase of 30% (£1,459) to 2023 – six weddings were held in 2024, compared to two in 2023.

RESTRICTED INCOME: Organ Fund income: Relates to donations from our regular organ recitals

Unrestricted Funds Expenditure 2024



Analysis of Expenditure

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities				
Activities	0	0	0	0
Church Hall Running Costs	493	0	493	621
Church Running and Maintenance	5,404	0	5,404	5,490
Churchyard Upkeep	411	0	411	674
Depreciation	535	2,847	3,382	3,753
Education, Parish Training and Mission	715	0	715	240
Gifts Given	549	200	749	720
Major Repairs	0	0	0	0
Ministry: Diocesan Parish Share	62,048	0	62,048	60,981
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0
Other Ministry Costs	4,536	0	4,536	2,361
Premises	12,890	10,646	23,536	17,025
Staff Costs	3,645	0	3,645	2,818
Raising Funds				
Event Costs	3,671	800	4,471	2,575
Parish Magazine Costs	6,348	0	6,348	6,163
Governance Costs				
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support				
Admin	8,458	0	8,458	6,579
Bank Charges	332	5	337	270
Other				
Agency	0	0	0	165
Total resources used	110,034	14,498	124,532	110,435

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Resources Used				
Charitable Activities				
Activities	0	0	0	0
Church Hall Running Costs	621	0	621	0
Church Running and Maintenance	5,490	0	5,490	0
Churchyard Upkeep	674	0	674	0
Depreciation	634	3,119	3,753	0
Education, Parish Training and Mission	240	0	240	0
Gifts Given	520	200	720	0
Major Repairs	0	0	0	0
Ministry: Diocesan Parish Share	60,981	0	60,981	0
Other Expenditure	0	0	0	0
Other Ministry Costs	2,361	0	2,361	0

Premises	17,025	0	17,025	0
Staff Costs	2,818	0	2,818	0
Raising Funds				
Event Costs	1,775	800	2,575	0
Parish Magazine Costs	6,163	0	6,163	0
Governance Costs				
Governance Costs	0	0	0	0
Support				
Admin	6,579	0	6,579	0
Bank Charges	268	2	270	0
Other				
Agency	0	165	165	0
Total resources used	106,149	4,286	110,435	0

Additional Expenditure Notes

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS EXPENDITURE:

1. Church Hall running costs have reduced slightly year on year by £128
2. Church running and maintenance costs have reduced slightly by £86. The costs included in this category are insurance costs
3. Churchyard upkeep has reduced slightly by £263
4. Depreciation charges have reduced slightly by £99
5. Education, Parish Training and Mission costs have increased by £475, due in main to Alpha course costs, and Confirmation expenses.
6. Parish Share has increased by 2% year on year.
7. Other Ministry Costs: £4,536, an increase of £2,175 from 2023. This is due in main to the purchase of new prayer books £1,049 and Vicarage maintenance £870.
8. Premises: reduction in costs year on year of £4,135 is due in main to the reduction in energy costs by £5,977, and £1,400 spent on the installation of additional electrical sockets at The Good Shepherd.
9. Staff Costs: increased by £827, year on year, due to increased locum cover, an increase in the honorarium paid to our resident organist Mike Smith, and expenses for our new curate who joined towards the end of 2024.
10. Event Costs: The year on year increase was due in main to the Arts & Crafts exhibition £1,451 and the Jazz evening (including big band fee £800) £1,174.
11. Admin costs: the year on year increase of £1,879, £1,515 due to additional administrative support costs, £212 broadband costs, and £152 increase in administrative expenses.

RESTRICTED FUNDS EXPENDITURE:

Organ Fund: Expenditure includes a deposit of £864 for repairs to the organ, and fees paid to organists for organ recitals.

Bells Fund: Expenditure relates to the new plaque in the bell tower, plus the model engraving, and the £200 donation to the Guildford Bell Restoration Fund.

St Mary's Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Good Shepherd Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Notes - Analysis of Net Assets Between Funds

Current Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets	87,050	16,498	103,548	101,787
Non-Current Assets	696	18,948	19,643	23,026
Current Liabilities	14,086	4,370	18,457	14,962
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	73,659	31,075	104,734	109,852

Prior Year

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Prior Year
Current Assets	87,074	14,713	101,787	110,862
Non-Current Assets	1,231	21,795	23,026	26,778
Current Liabilities	12,959	2,002	14,962	8,225
Non-Current Liabilities	0	0	0	0
Total Net Assets (Assets Minus Liabilities)	75,346	34,506	109,852	129,415

Notes - Other

Volunteers

The charity benefits greatly from the voluntary contributions of time and money. Please refer to the annual report for further detail about volunteer contributions in the organisation. I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow, Hugh Evans and Anthony Porten) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and being my approver and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, including her wreath making course at Christmas. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a fourth year, at no cost.

Independent Examination Fees

No fees were payable to the independent examiner.

Staff Costs

Our only member of staff is our incumbent - The Reverend Jane Walker. She is remunerated by the diocese of Guildford, and we pay for this service via the parish share, which includes other ministerial costs such as the vicarage and support from the diocese.

Key Management Personnel

The charity considers its key management personnel to be: Reverend Jane Walker – Incumbent, Jon Savage - Church Warden (Volunteer) Valerie Chadney - PCC Secretary (Volunteer) Jill Billings - Honorary Treasurer (Volunteer)

Trustee Remuneration

During the year no trustees received remuneration.

Trustee Expenses

During the year the 6 of the charity's trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £6,243. (prior year 5 trustees incurred out-of-pocket expenses totalling £4,705) All expenses were incurred for the day-to-day running of the charity's activities.

Trustee Donations

During the year the total aggregated donations made to the charity by the trustees was £5,079. There were no conditions attached to the donations. (total aggregate donations from prior year were £4,633)

Tangible Fixed Assets

	Computer & Office Equipment	Fixtures & Fittings	Music & Technical Equipment	Total
Cost				
Prior to 1st January 2024	659	32,500	20,334	53,493
Additions in financial year	0	0	0	0
Total as at 31st December 2024	659	32,500	20,334	53,493
Depreciation				
Prior to 1st January 2024	626	16,205	13,636	30,467
Additions in financial year	33	2,201	1,148	3,382
Total as at 31st December 2024	659	18,406	14,784	33,850
Net Book Value				
As at 31st December 2024	0	14,093	5,550	19,643
As at 31st December 2023	33	16,295	6,698	23,026

Debtors

Accounts Receivable

Description	Amount
Gift Aid	2,579
Trade Debtors	1,409
Total	3,988

Prepayments

Description	Amount
Parish Magazine Printing	586
St Mary's Boiler insurance	500
Vicarage Water Rates	130
Total	1,216

Creditors

Accounts Payable

Description	Amount
Church Running Costs	318
Church Utilities	278
Clergy Expenses	376
Fundraising Costs	532
Giving to Secular Charities	549
Parish Administrator Costs	504
Parish Magazine Printing costs	586
Parish Share	5,170
Parish Training and Mission	176
Total	8,489

Deferred Income

Description	Amount
Agency Income to repay	4,370

Parish Magazine 2025 Income	5,597
Total	9,967

Analysis of Charitable Funds

Current Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	43,866	108,013	108,633	0	43,245
Total	43,866	108,013	108,633	0	43,245
Designated					
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
Community (Designated)	10,096	0	1,401	0	8,695
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	0	0	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	0	335	0	0	335
Total	31,480	335	1,401	0	30,414
Unrestricted Total	75,346	108,348	110,034	0	73,659
Restricted					
Bells Fund (Restricted)	2,711	0	507	0	2,203
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	8,126	0	633	0	7,493
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	1,585	0	1,241	0	343
Organ Fund (Restricted)	2,897	2,050	1,669	0	3,278
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	3,531	0	1,247	0	2,284
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	6,899	0	1,148	0	5,750
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	8,952	0	1,065	0	7,886
Agency (Restricted)	-195	0	0	0	-195
Roof Fund (Restricted)	0	9,017	6,986	0	2,031
Total	34,506	11,067	14,498	0	31,075
Restricted Total	34,506	11,067	14,498	0	31,075
TOTAL	109,852	119,415	124,532	0	104,734

Prior Year

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Fund Transfers	Closing Balance
Unrestricted					
General (Unrestricted)	61,091	88,924	106,149	0	43,866
Total	61,091	88,924	106,149	0	43,866
Designated					
Capital (Designated)	20,000	0	0	0	20,000
Community (Designated)	10,096	0	0	0	10,096
Communications Project (Designated)	1,384	0	0	0	1,384
Fabric Committee (Designated)	0	0	0	0	0
Total	31,480	0	0	0	31,480
Unrestricted Total	92,570	88,924	106,149	0	75,346
Restricted					

Bells Fund (Restricted)	2,911	0	200	0	2,711
Good Shepherd Chairs (Restricted)	8,812	0	686	0	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	1,585	0	0	0	1,585
Organ Fund (Restricted)	1,753	1,947	802	0	2,897
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund (Restricted)	3,531	0	0	0	3,531
St Mary's Sound System (Restricted)	8,047	0	1,148	0	6,899
St Mary's Vestry Extension (Restricted)	10,236	0	1,284	0	8,952
Agency (Restricted)	-30	0	165	0	-195
Total	36,845	1,947	4,286	0	34,506
Restricted Total	36,845	1,947	4,286	0	34,506
TOTAL	129,415	90,871	110,435	0	109,852

Fund Transfers

There were no Fund Transfers this financial year.

Fund Descriptions

Name	Description
General	The remaining funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.
Bells Fund	This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
Capital	was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
Community	was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community
Communications Project	is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.
Fabric Committee	is a designated fund to record donations and expenditure associated with the maintenance of the fabric of both churches
Good Shepherd Chairs	as established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
Good Shepherd Fabric Quinquennial Fund	This fund was set up to cover costs associated with the Quinquennial survey of The Good Shepherd
Organ Fund	This restricted was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020. This fund continues to be used for major costs associated with the organ and collects donations from the regularly held organ recitals
St Mary's Fabric Quinquennial Fund	This fund was set up to cover costs associated with the Quinquennial survey of St Mary's
St Mary's Sound System	This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
St Mary's Vestry Extension	includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
Agency	This fund is used to record income collected on behalf of other parties and should always balance to zero.
Roof Fund	Fund for Roof Repairs for both churches

Transactions to Related Parties

There were no transactions related parties during the accounting period.

Prior Period Adjustment

There were no prior year adjustments.

Pensions

Not applicable

Other (Optional)

Expenditure relates to depreciation of fixed assets.

Organ Fund: Income relates to Organ Recitals, Expenditure includes a deposit of £864 for repairs to the organ, and fees paid to organists for organ recitals.

Bells Fund: Expenditure relates to the new plaque in the bell tower, plus the model engraving, and the £200 donation to the Guildford Bell Restoration Fund.

St Mary's Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Good Shephard Quinquennial Fund: Expenditure relates to the Quinquennial Survey costs.

Community Fund: Expenditure relates to additional electrical sockets being installed in The Good Shepherd.

Accounts



FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2023



1. Administrative information

The Benefice of Frensham incorporates St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield and is part of the Diocese of Guildford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Frensham, Surrey, GU10 3DT.

In 2017 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Its registered name is "The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham" and its registered number is 1173223. All members of the PCC are trustees of the charity.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2023 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent of the Benefice		
Revd. Jane Walker		
Wardens		
Richard Walker		Resigned at APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Representatives on the Deanery Synod		
Mrs Esther Van Rooyen		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Elected APCM 2023 - 23 rd April
Representative on St Mary's School Board of Governors		
Revd. Jane Walker		
Elected Members		
Mrs Val Chadney	Secretary	Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Jill Billings	Treasurer	Elected APCM 2022 - 24 th April
Mrs Morag James	Lay Pastoral Assistant	Re-elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Mr Jon Savage		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mr Peter James		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Dr Hilary Lee-Corbin		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Karen Nockels		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Mrs Barbara Potter		Re-elected APCM 2023 – 23 rd April
Mr Mike Smith		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mr Jonathan Hetherington		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Mr Steve Wingent		Resigned Nov 23
Bankers		
	CAF Bank Ltd National Westminster Bank, Farnham Lloyds Bank, Farnham CCLA Investment Management Ltd (The CBF Church of England Funds)	
Independent Examiner		
	Nick O'Brien	Treasurer from St John the Evangelist, Milford

2. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

3. Aims and Purposes

Frensham PCC with the Incumbent, Revd Jane Walker has the responsibility to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical throughout the ecclesiastical parish. It also has maintenance responsibilities for St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield. As trustees of the Charitable Trust of the Benefice of Frensham, the purpose of each PCC member is to be responsible for the management, the running, the review, evaluation and reporting on the charity.

4. Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Churches and to become part of our parish community within the Benefice of Frensham. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout our parish, and our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year, our objective is to enable people to live out their faith through:

- Worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the Benefice
- Mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield.

5. Achievements and Performance

Report on the Electoral Roll for 2023

For the period 1st January 2023 to 31st December 2023, six (6) new names were added to the Electoral Roll and four (4) deletions. The Electoral Roll currently has a total of one hundred and twenty-five (125) names, fifty-four (54) of which are not resident in the Parish. A new Electoral Roll will need to be prepared in 2025.

Stuart Easton
Church Electoral Roll Officer

6. Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council

The PCC is the governing body of the Parish Church and it is made up of Members of the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church. There are five purposes of a PCC :

- To enable the Church to play its part in God's mission to his world
- To co-operate with the minister in sharing leadership
- To ensure legal compliance with charity law and ecclesiastical law
- To care for the buildings and Churchyard
- To be a channel of consultation within the wider Church

During 2023 six meetings of the PCC took place during which many topics were discussed and agreed, including the following:

25 January 2023

- The Parish Needs Based Process (PNP) was reviewed by the Diocese which revealed our Church Development Plan (CDP) needed attention. Our Safeguarding Dashboard was also in need of updating. Members of the PCC met separately to update these areas.
- Revd Jane announced the Lent Course and Alpha Course which would commence during February and April.
- The PCC approved Risk Assessments for general services and identified other activities that needed Risk Assessments prepared/updated.
- The PCC gave their approval for Revd Jane to continue offering Holy Communion via Priest Intinction.

29th March 2023

- The PCC approved Revd Jane's suggestion for Avril Cooper, a resident of Rowledge who is training to be an Occasional Preacher (OP), to join the Benefice of Frensham and take sermons under Revd Jane's direction several times each year. There would be no costs involved in this appointment.
- Our church website had previously been reviewed and all agreed it needed to be updated. Modifications were made by PCC members and all agreed the new version looked modern, clear and bright. Approval was given for the new site to go live.
- The PCC approved signage for Commonwealth Graves to be displayed at St Mary's. The style of sign and positioning were discussed.
- The sponsorship of new trees around St Mary's graveyard, which had been very well supported, was discussed and the PCC agreed that as a number of people were still keen to be involved, additional trees could be planted during the autumn of 2023 to celebrate the King's Canopy.
- The PCC approved the revised Health & Safety statement and booklet which were to be displayed in both churches.
- The PCC discussed and agreed that the postcode location for each church should be prominently displayed so that in the event of an emergency the precise location can be given to the emergency services.
- Following the flood at the Good Shepherd, the PCC discussed the quotes received to replace the flooring in the Vestry and installation of better roof insulation, all covered by the insurance. The PCC also approved Revd Jane's plans to replace the ecclesiastical silks and furniture that were ruined.
- The PCC were updated on maintenance needed to repair the leak by the Reredos at the Good Shepherd, and also on the side of the roof. At St Mary's there had been floods near the organ and in the choir stalls. FOFC had agreed to contribute towards making the churches watertight.
- Karen Nockels met with Year 7 pupils at Weydon School, Wrecclesham to talk about Holy Communion. It was a very successful visit and she has been asked to return and talk to Year 9 pupils.

31st May 2023

- The PCC approved Revd Jane's request to offer her Parish Administrator, Jenny Parsons, an additional two hours work each week as she was invaluable with her great knowledge particularly regarding the Diocese.
- The PCC reviewed the wording on the commemorative plaque re-dedicating the bells at St Mary's which would be displayed in the Bell Tower.
- Jon Savage advised that the new website had been registered and was live and was investigating if financial transactions could be captured on the website which would be very useful for Church events.
- Following on from the previous meeting, the PCC agreed that "What Three Words" should be displayed alongside postcodes at both churches to aid emergency services.
- Revd Jane selected her team of helpers from the PCC to assist with preparations for the Christmas Festival to be held on 9th and 10th December.
- The PCC discussed a complaint received regarding the graveyard at St Mary's not being mown. 'No Mow May' was a government initiative, but it was agreed that signs are needed to advise visitors. David Millais phoned the complainant and explained the situation.

24th July 2023

- The economic situation has created a shortfall in our church finances. Income has reduced – less donations, less wedding bookings, and our expenses have increased due to an increase in our Parish Share paid to the Diocese plus energy costs have increased dramatically. Much discussion took place on how to rectify the situation and it was agreed that we should promote to all parishioners the Easyfundraising donation scheme so that when people make online purchases the supplier donates a percentage to our charity. Other fund raising suggestions were discussed, including a stewardship campaign.

- A Welcome Evening was held at the Good Shepherd when seventy personally addressed invitations were sent out and about twenty people attended. Revd Jane and Morag have a list of those that attended and feedback was excellent. It was good to get residents new to the parish introduced to the church and our activities.
- The PCC discussed a complaint regarding the long grass around the Commonwealth Graves. This may have been the same person who left a message at The Vicarage in May who was also very upset about the long grass. The Commonwealth Graves Commission suggested paths be mown through the long grass giving access to the war graves, but this could be difficult due to the layout of the graveyard. The CoE has signed up to the National Rewilding Scheme whereby graveyards are left unmown from May through to July. After much discussion it was suggested that we display in the church porch a map showing the locations of the war graves and that next year we should have signs explaining the rewilding programme.
- The CollecTin system card machine installed at the Good Shepherd has proved unreliable. Contact was made to their support team who have advised what action we could take and we understand the situation should soon be resolved.
- It was agreed the Children's Corner within St Mary's should be restored. The books, which are there at present, will be stored at Dockenfield and the whole area (and toys) will be cleaned by Barbara and Karen.
- Revd Jane had recently had the Archdeacon's visitation to review how effectively we have been working and we were given a very positive report. He said we should be congratulated on what we have achieved and that he was inspired about everything we are trying to do here. These visits have been taking place every three years but Revd Jane was pleased to report they will now be on an annual basis.

25th September 2023

- Alvin Pettersen, former priest at St Mary's, had written to Revd Jane asking if the PCC would agree for he and his wife to be buried in St Mary's graveyard when the time comes and we all voted in favour of this request.
- During October 2022 a very successful Arts & Crafts weekend was held in the Good Shepherd. It was apparent that the lighting in the church was not adequate and one of the A&C Committee organisers requested we make improvements to the lighting as they wish to repeat the event during 2024. After much discussion it was agreed that we could not change the existing lighting but would install additional power sockets along the side walls of the church so that exhibitors could use their own lighting and direct the light towards their own specific work.
- The jazz evening held at Dockenfield during September was a huge success and it was suggested another event could be held during 2024 in St Mary's.
- Planning for the Christmas Festival was well underway. The festival would be held over two days in December with musical acts performing throughout each day, there would be a competition for the best decorated Christmas Tree, an entrance fee would be charged, and there would be stalls and refreshments in the church hall.

29th November 2023

- Alvin Pettersen's request for a graveyard plot was being processed and the plot chosen which is beside Colin Semper. Another couple, John and Anne Vardon, who ran the PM for many years, have requested an ashes plot. Revd Jane has reserved a plot and asked the PCC for their approval, which was given.
- The PCC suggested our QR code should be included in the weekly newsletter which Jenny Parsons has now restructured. All agreed the new style newsletter looks fresh and much improved.
- The PCC were shown a presentation on our new guidelines for Safer Recruiting. The safeguarding procedures will lead to safer recruitment as role descriptions and training will be given to all volunteers and a proper record keeping procedure introduced for all. Vacancies can be advertised in the PM and the volunteer will undergo a proper interview. Jon S suggested that once a volunteer has completed their Safeguarding and role training they should receive a card, thanking them, advising they have been approved and welcoming them into their role.
- PCC approval is needed for any church activity that is not a service, ie the Christmas Festival, because as PCC members and trustees of the parish we are responsible for all safeguarding matters regarding all church activities organised by our parish. Various non service church activities were listed and some actions were needed to be approved by the PCC. Activities listed included Bell Ringing, Cherubs, Christianity Explored talks,

Coffee Stop, Forum, Hearing Clinics held at the RBL, Organ Recitals, Parish Friends, Tea@3, Wreath Making and Choir concerts. Jon S proposed that the PCC authorise all the non church service activities listed above and this was approved by all.

- Arrangements for the Christmas Festival were going to plan. Revd Jane had drafted a Risk Assessment for PCC approval. Two amendments were requested which were duly actioned.
- Each year the PCC vote for a local, national and international charity to receive 25% of the donations collected during the Christmas Day services. This year Helen Arkell, Kidney Research and DEC Gaza were chosen. The remaining 25% is retained for the benefit of our general church funds.
- Our fundraising plans were discussed and Revd Jane reported that a number of choirs have agreed to visit during 2024 to raise funds for us. The Spooky Spider evening in October 2023 had been a great success and a Beetle Drive will take place in March 2024 at the RBL with proceeds going to the general church funds. Another Spooky Spider Drive will take place later in 2024.
- Barbara was organising a Christmas Wreath making session in the Good Shepherd on 13th December which was advertised in the PM and the newsletter and already seventeen people had booked places.

To conclude the report on PCC activities during 2023, the Christmas Festival was a huge success. The ability for people to pay their entry fee via card was very well received, the entertainment was excellent, the Christmas Tree Competition well supported, as were the stalls in the church hall. After expenses the event raised over £3,200 towards church funds.

Valerie Chadney
PCC Secretary

7. Financial Review

Please see the Financial Statement.

8. Reserves policy

Please see the Financial Statement.

9. Fabric Report

St Mary's

St Mary's remains in good overall condition with only minor regular maintenance required during the year. There has been no significant work to the fabric other than a temporary repair to the main gully which has developed a major leak.

Minor works at St Mary's Church have been:

- Replacement of Fire Alarm batteries
- Fix to leaking outside tap

Regular Servicing

- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Alarm testing
- Boiler service

Notes for 2024

- Quinquennial inspection was performed in October 2023. The report highlighted some areas for attention, none of which are deemed as urgent or of a significant risk. The Fabric committee (Rev'd Jane, Chris Mitchley, Brian King and myself), met recently to discuss the scheduling of the recommended repairs and other known issues, which we aim to resolve during 2024.
- Chancel repairs: These remain on hold as the current priority is to affect a full repair to the main roof gully.
- Leak to roof valley close to Organ. This repair is scheduled for March 2024, having obtained a warranty refund for materials previously applied in 2012. FoFC have generously awarded a grant to cover the full replacement of the gully system, thereby giving surety for the next 20 years at least.

- Scheduled maintenance of mowers etc is being organised by Brian King and David Millais.

The Church of the Good Shepherd

The Good Shepherd has required little regular maintenance with only some light bulb changes and additional insulation to the Vestry roof space following the burst water main in Dec 22.

The Vestry flooring has now been replaced, although the installation of fitted cupboards remain an open action.

Regular Servicing

- Fire Extinguishers
- Vulcana Gas Heaters

Notes for 2024

- Quinquennial inspection is due this year, so an action for myself and Rev'd Jane to review findings once the report is available.
- Some tile replacements and further investigation to main roof ridge where a further leak detected. Several quotes received in 2023 none of which suggested urgent work required, however now the repairs to St Mary's are scheduled, a further review of the GS roof is planned for early April 2024.
- Investigate woodworm in internal roof structure remains an open action, which we hope to have an opinion on from the Quinquennial surveyor.

I would just like to record my thanks to Brian King and Chris Mitchley who as ever kindly take care of many of the minor repairs to both churches. Thank you, gentlemen!

Tim Merricks
Fabric Committee

10. Farnham Deanery Synod

Farnham Deanery Synod met twice in 2023, on Tuesday 9 May at St Luke's Church in Grayshott and on Wednesday 11 October at St Peter's Church in Wrecclesham. Both meetings started with a short act of worship and a reflection from the incumbent on the context of ministry in the parish. The meeting in Grayshott was the first of the new synod following the triennial elections at the various Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs). The Area Dean (Revd Richard Bodle) welcomed all members, recently elected and of long standing. He then introduced the Deanery Leadership Team (DLT), responsible for assisting the Area Dean and Lay Chair in the running of the Deanery and helping to set the agenda for Deanery Synod meetings. After some housekeeping items (Deanery bank account and synodical structure) the Lay Chair reported back on the meeting of the Diocesan Synod in March. The most important topic had been the implementation of a new vocations training programme, which increases the range of options available to the laity. The Synod agreed that it would be beneficial to invite the recently appointed Dean of the Local Ministry Programme to a future meeting. The Area Dean provided an update on the vacancies in Churt and Tilford. In small groups, the Synod then discussed ways in which parishes were seeking to address the three key action areas in the Parish Needs Process (PNP): discipleship, group ministry, and children's and youth ministry, before reporting back in full session.

The second meeting in Wrecclesham opened with a request for members to consider volunteering for the vacant appointments of Lay Chair and Treasurer, and the imminently vacant appointment of Secretary, followed by an update on the management of the Deanery bank account. The recently retired Lay Chair (but still a member of the Synod) provided details of the Diocesan Synod in June, where the main item for discussion had been finance. The accounts for 2022 had shown strong recovery in parish finances in the aftermath of the pandemic and, commended by the auditors, tight control of Diocesan expenditure, which had resulted in a small surplus at year end. This had enabled Church House to assist parishes through a contribution towards increased energy bills. The draft budget for 2024 included increases of 3.5% for stipends and salaries and 3% for Parish Share. The Area Dean then provided an update on the vacancies in Churt and Tilford (previously notified), Rowledge (imminent) and Badshot Lea & Hale (forthcoming). Discussion on the PNP noted that dates for a review in 2025 were already being arranged, but progress may be affected by the departures of Revd Richard Lloyd (Mission Enabler Team) and the Archdeacon of Surrey. An external speaker, Mr Malcolm Carter from 3 Counties Money Advice in Haslemere, talked about the challenges of the

'cost of living crisis' and the help available through his faith-based charity at Hasleway Community Centre, and similar agencies, for example Farnham Frontline at Bethel Baptist Church and the Vineyard Centre. In small groups, the Synod discussed the challenges in their local context and their responses to the crisis, before reporting back in full session.

Revd Richard Bodle

Vicar – Hindhead and Churt

Area Dean for Farnham Deanery

11. Frensham Parochial Parish Trust

This report covers the period 1 January – 31 December 2023.

During the year 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023, the charity had an income of £2,969.49 and an expenditure of £3,200.00. The balance in hand being £362.00 as at 31 March 2023.

The Trustees met on 9 November 2022 and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes of £800. In Frensham, the majority was in vouchers for the parishioners to use at the village shop. Contributions were also made to the lunch club, Tea @ 3 together with a charitable distribution.

On 1 November 2023, the Trustees met and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes of £750.

Nicholas Harris

Hon Secretary

12. Hire of Buildings

St Mary's Church Hall

St Mary's hall has had numerous bookings in 2023 from new Yoga classes to funeral gatherings and parties. We now have four regular bookings a week and lots of one off bookings. Having such a wonderful asset is helping many people enjoy occasions including the Christmas Festival, Forum and many other uses.

The Good Shepherd, Dockenfield

We have three regular bookings for the Good Shepherd, which includes a new booking for Scottish Dancing. The extra space we now enjoy means we were able to have the Harvest Supper comfortably. Coffee Stop remains popular every Friday where people can meet for a coffee and a chat. Even cycling clubs are stopping off for a refreshment break.

Barbara Potter

Hall Hire Bookings

13. Music

Revd Jane and I meet every month to plan the musical content of the services in St Mary's church. The Royal School of Church Music (RSCM) publishes a most useful guide, "Sunday by Sunday", which gives suggestions for hymns and anthems linked to the themes and readings for each Sunday throughout the year.

The Choir regularly sings at the Sunday morning services in St Mary's and at the monthly service of Evensong on the first Sunday of the month. This year we also sang full Choral Evensong (with Responses and settings of the Canticles sung by the choir) in February, March, July and October, singing Responses by Ayleward, Neary & Ayton, and Canticles by Dyson, Brewer & Sumsion.

Our service of "Pilgrimage through Holy Week" on Palm Sunday evening included "Hosanna to the Son of David" by Arthur Hutchings, "Drop, drop slow tears" by Orlando Gibbons, "There is a green hill" by Anthony Pitts and "O Saviour of the world" by John Goss.

Our Anthem for Easter Day was "The Easter song of praise" by Richard Shepherd.

To mark the Coronation of King Charles III, on May 7th we sang John Rutter's lively and uplifting anthem, "Praise ye the Lord", which ends with a resounding shout of "Praise!"

At the Service of Remembrance, we sang the poignant anthem "So they gave their bodies" by Peter Aston which includes the words, "They shall never, never, never die" sung to a phrase from "The Last Post".

In October, the choir was invited to sing at a Café Concert in All Saints Church, Tilford. Our programme included hymns and anthems to illustrate the Church year, from Advent to All Saints. The programme included some of the choir's favourites: "There's a wideness in God's mercy" by Maurice Bevan, "Be still, my soul" by Jean Sibelius, "Irish blessing" by Bob Chilcott, and the hymns, "Angel voices ever singing" and "Abide with me" (in the Frensham version).

On Advent Sunday evening, we sang a service of readings and music based on the theme of "The Sin of Adam Reversed in the Birth of Jesus Christ". The service included "Adam lay ybounden" by Philip Ledger, "Remember, O thou man" by Bob Chilcott, "Jesus Christ the Apple Tree" by Colin Mawby and "This is the truth sent from above" by Vaughan Williams.

It was particularly pleasing to sing the Carol Service with a full church! The service included "Wake, O wake!" by Philip Nicolai, "Adam lay ybounden" by Philip Ledger, "Love came down at Christmas" by Alan Bullard, "A maiden most gentle" by Andrew Carter, "Silent night" in an arrangement by Bob Chilcott and "Rejoice and be merry" by John Rutter. The organ music before and after the service was played by Andrew Elliott.

On Christmas Day, the Sopranos and Altos gave a beautiful performance of Will Todd's anthem, "The Call of Wisdom" which tied in with the theme of Jane's sermon – "I am here".

During the year we welcomed Elizabeth (Lizzy) Chambers into the soprano section, Jane Kenny into the alto section and Richard Hewitt back into the tenor section – it is great to have them singing with us!

My thanks also to Ian Black who, despite living and singing in Upper Froyle, frequently makes the journey over to Frensham to be/augment our tenor section.

I would like to thank Rev Jane for her support and wisdom, Barbara Potter for her helpful reminders and for sorting the music after we have used it and returning it all into the correct boxes in the music library, Aly Patterson for her musical insight and tact(!) and both Aly and Mark Brown for conducting when I have been playing the organ. I am very grateful that Andrew Elliott has been able to play the organ when I have had Sundays away. Thanks also to Catherine and Max Hadfield who opened their garden for the choir's summer party (and swim!).

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the choir for their dedication, their musicianship and their friendship. St Mary's Choir is a very special group of people and long may it continue to sing God's praise in Frensham.

St Mary's Organ

The organ has been used throughout the year for Sunday services, weddings and funerals, for recitals and concerts. The series of lunchtime organ recitals on the 3rd Tuesday of each month has continued throughout the year and there is a small but faithful number of regular attenders.

This year our organists have included: Brian Cotterill (Farnham), Mike Smith (Frensham), Geoff Tuson (Aldershot), Anthony Gritten (RAM), Gillian Lloyd (Guildford), Richard Pearce (BBC), Alan Rapley (Woking), Oliver Macfarlane (Esher), Carl Jackson (Hampton Court Palace) and Mark Brafield (Dorking). So, if you are free on a Tuesday lunchtime and would like homemade soup and bread at 12:00, followed at 13:00 by a wonderful recital of organ music, old and new, played on St Mary's fine organ, do come along. There is no charge for admission, but donations to cover the series expenses are most welcome.

The organ is maintained by Andrew Cooper (Andrew Cooper & Co Organ Builders Ltd) based at Ryde on the Isle of Wight. They come to tune and maintain the organ at least twice a year. Extra visits can be requested if a major fault arises. There is also a maintenance contract for the organ blower and humidifier. This is carried out by Watkins & Watson Ltd who attend once a year.

I believe the organ in St Mary's to be a marvellous instrument and it continues to be a source of great joy to me.

Mike Smith
Organist

14. The Vine Centre, Aldershot

Firstly, I would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who has continued to support The Vine Centre with donations throughout 2023.

2023 was another busy year for The Vine Centre who continued to serve the community in many and varied ways. They provided training and development opportunities, addiction support, mental health and anger management, budgeting and benefit support, counselling, support with homelessness and housing sustainment. They also ran social groups to help combat social isolation and provide opportunities for people to learn, grow and feel empowered to make positive changes and sustainable independence.

- **The Community Cupboard** was very busy throughout 2023 and the food donations that you have kindly given throughout the year have been very much appreciated. It is more than just a food bank. It is about reducing waste and tackling food poverty. People going to the Community Cupboard can also access the full range of other services provided by The Vine Centre.
- In July, **The Vine Centre Cookbook** was launched £10 per book. "This book helps to show people simple ways to cook, kitchen basics and ways to save money. We hope it is educational and we know that some of the meals taste great! We are selling this book to raise money to go back into our Community Cupboard"
- In October, The Vine Centre had an Open Day and welcomed anyone to go along, have a coffee and find out a little bit more about the vital work they do for the community
- **Christmas Gift Bags** - 2023 ended once again with your wonderful Christmas gift bags which totalled over 140 - absolutely amazing! The gift bags were given to adults and children of all ages and they were very much appreciated by all those who received them at such a difficult time of year for many people.



Please continue to support The Vine Centre during 2024 which will be another very difficult year for many people and remember to look out for my updates each month in the Parish Magazine.

Finally, I would like to thank the Frensham Village Shop for their continued support for The Vine Centre. There is a 'Vine Centre' box in the shop where you can buy and leave your donations. You can also leave your donations in the Vine Centre basket at the crossing in St Mary's Church.

Karen Nockels

PCC Member & The Vine Centre Ambassador

15. Parish Friends

In 2023 Parish Friends continued to support the residents of Frensham and Dockenfield by keeping in contact with neighbours and transporting those needing help for medical appointments amongst other things. They visited newcomers to the villages taking a Parish Magazine, a Welcome Booklet and a Frensham Village Shop bag-for-life voucher. They also delivered Christmas vouchers to some parishioners in December on behalf of Reverend Jane. In July PFs assisted with distributing invitations to a Welcome Evening to newcomers in their areas in the parish. The evening held at the Good Shepherd was well attended and enjoyed by all.

A Parish Friend was allocated to support each of the 14 children baptised in the parish in 2023 and they continued to send baptism anniversary cards to their allocated children baptised over the last four years.

There were three changes to the team of Parish Friends in 2023. Jill Murray fully retired after 25 years leaving a vacancy in her area and we welcomed back Fiona Ricketts to cover Peakfield. Stuart Wilson became a new member in September and will act as a driver only for lifts when needed. Claire Hughes stepped back as co-ordinator in October but will remain as a PF. Her help has been very much appreciated over the last three years.

There were two PF meetings; on 13th February and 9th October.

At the February meeting general business was covered before The Reverend Jane Walker gave a thought provoking talk on her Sabbatical experience entitled “Digging Deep”.

At the October meeting, as well as general business, PFs collated the Harvest Produce for them to distribute to parishioners. Lynda Newman took some of the remaining fresh produce to Woodlarks and Debbie Foster organised for the remaining packaged Harvest Produce to go to Farnham Foodbank. At the meeting Annabelle Sutton and Sarah Stirling kindly volunteered to organise the beautiful PF Christmas tree “Observa-Tree” for the Christmas Festival, which took place in St Mary’s in December. At the October meeting Jon Savage gave a Safeguarding presentation to keep PF training up-to-date.

PFs met socially on a sunny evening in June in the garden at Westhanger in Dockenfield.

Morag James
Parish Friends Chairman

16. Parish Magazine

Parish Magazine Editor’s report

The editorial team of the parish magazine continues to work happily side by side. We each edit alternate months which allows for each of us to take a short break for holidays or other personal issues.

For many years the printing and collating of the magazine was done by volunteers using the Church’s photocopier but in 2015 the decision was made to have it printed professionally by DG Design & Print in Alton. We have been very happy working with Dennis & Sue but unfortunately their costs are rising and Dennis has made the decision to retire and close the business. However he has found us an alternative print company, Top Print, also in Alton, on the same terms as our business with him and we hope very much that this is the start of another good relationship.

As always our thanks go to Mayonne Coldicott who has worked tirelessly to collect subs and organise distribution, and Liz Pollard who deals with commercial adverts, as well of course to our readers in Frensham & Dockenfield – and sometimes beyond!

Philippa Hall & Penny Garrard
Co-Editors

Parish Magazine Distribution Manager’s Report

As in 2022, in 2023, subscription numbers remained fairly constant. There are still pockets in the Parish, particularly of new housing, where we have few subscribers. It would be good to try to increase take-up in these areas, working with the Parish Friends.

The cover price was unchanged at £1 (or £10 for 12 copies on subscription). Income totalled £4,353 from sales, (£20 more than in ’22), and included c.£90 from a 50/50 share of over-the-counter sales made through Frensham Village Shop.

We continued to receive excellent service from DG Printers in Alton, and good, creative advice regarding presentation of our front covers. Printing costs for the year were £5,775. Having gathered 2 years (24 months) of magazines, they were expertly bound by The Abbey Bindery in Farnborough (at a cost of £72) and are now residing with many years of past copies in the archive .

There was a sharp rise in 2nd class postage costs for our ‘out of parish’ subscribers to £316, which is reflected in the subs they pay.

Overall in 2023 there was a healthy net surplus of £2,218.

Once again I would like to thank my colleagues on the Magazine Team, but this year especially for the wonderful support during the last few difficult months for me. It’s a great tribute to the system that there are so many people ready and willing to fill unexpected gaps and take on tasks that keep the magazines flowing to our customers.

Thank you all!

Mayonne Coldicot
Parish Magazine Distribution Manager
Parish Magazine Commercial Advertising

The advertisements are ticking along quite nicely and we had several new advertisers in 2023. As usual a few dropped out at the end of the year but they were outnumbered by the new advertisers joining us for 2024 which bodes well.

Advertising income was £4,028, a useful increase on 2022.

Liz Pollard
Parish Magazine Commercial Advertising

17. Safeguarding Report for 2024

I am pleased to report that there have been no 'Safeguarding Issues' in 2023.

Disclosure & Barring (DBS) renewals and Safeguarding Training refreshers are a continuing exercise.

There has been no significant change in policy by the Church of England.

I can report that all our volunteers are up to date with their Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checks and Safeguarding Training requirements. The following table gives an overview of the number of volunteers involved; as at 31st Dec 2023.

Note that:

1. DBS checks and Safeguarding training is every 3 years.
2. Not all volunteer roles require DBS and/or Safeguarding training. It depends on their involvement with our Church activities.

Total number of Volunteers in scope for:	PCC Members	Parish Friends	Bell Ringers	Side Persons	Others	TOTAL
DBS checks	12	17	3	n/a	0	32
Safeguarding training	12	17	19	17	2	67

DBS Checks in 2023	16
Safeguarding Training undertaken in 2023:	
Awareness	25
Foundation	22
Leadership	0
Safer Recruitment	1
Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse	26

These numbers exclude our Vicar Jane, who is administered by the Diocese.

Jon Savage
Parish Safeguarding Officer
safeguarding@frenshamchurches.org.uk

18. Hear Here - Hearing Aid Maintenance Clinics – January to December 2023

The award winning Hear Here initiative is a Diocese of Guildford project in partnership with Sight for Surrey and the NHS, where NHS audiology trained volunteers provide community-based hearing aid maintenance. The clinic offers basic hearing aid maintenance and advice to support hearing aid wearers in our Parish to get the best from their devices.

Your Hearing Champion provides a range of services including :

- Checking the hearing aid is working properly
- Re-tubing, ear mould cleaning and battery replacement
- Checking the fitting of the hearing aid in the ear
- Advice on maintenance and cleaning of the hearing aid
- Advice and support on making the most of the hearing aid
- Information and signposting to other services, referrals and useful equipment

I took over the Frensham clinic in May 2022 from Morag James.

Eleven clinics were held in 2023 at The Royal British Legion in Frensham to coincide with the Village lunch on the fourth Wednesday of each month (excluding December). In July 2023 I attended refresher training to encompass the new Danalogic NHS hearing aids.

The NHS are encouraging patients to use the Hear Here clinics as their own resources are seeing such high demand. Therefore, a number of people also visit our clinic from outside of our Parish; not all churches offer this service. Some people come to us from The Bourne, Hindhead, Rowledge, Headley and Churt. In addition, I do offer home visits to those people who are housebound.

In May 2023 I began a collaboration with the Parish of Haslemere (St Bartholomew and St Christopher's Churches) to provide a hearing clinic at Oak Hall Nursing Home in Haslemere. They hold their own hearing clinics twice a month but we both saw a need for a clinic at Oak Hall. Four of us (3 from Haslemere and myself) visit the home approximately every 6 weeks. Total people seen in 2023 :

- 42 People seen at the Frensham Clinic
- 9 Home visits
- 29 People seen by Eunice at Oak Hall Nursing Home (in 5 clinics)

Eunice King
Hearing Champion

19. St Mary's Frensham Bell Ringers

I am pleased to report that we rang for all the 10:30am services throughout the year and were able to ring for many of the 'first Sunday' evening services too, and also prior to the Christmas Midnight Mass, as well as for two weddings and a funeral. In addition at 23:30 on 31st December we rang the Old Year out and 00:00 on 1st January, the New Year in. We have mostly been able to ring all eight bells, but on some occasions fewer, and once (early in the year before our new recruits were able to join us) as few as three bells due to holidays and other commitments.

Our practices have continued on Monday evenings, and we have been well-supported by ringers from Binsted and Grayshott. We have also organised ringing at other times, including 'first' and 'third' Friday evenings when often we have rung a Quarter Peal. In addition, we have sometimes hosted Farnham District ringing meetings. In addition we have also been hosting the More House School bell ringing club on Monday afternoons during term times.

We held our AGM in Holy Week on 3rd April and the following officers were elected:

Tower Captain	Harry Glover	Secretary	Paul Little
Deputy Tower Captain	Paul Little	Treasurer	David Munro
Ringing Master	Oliver Hall	Tower Keeper	Paul Marshall
PCC Representative	Steve Wingent	Assistant Tower Keeper	Stuart Marshall

During the year there were 3 successful Peal attempts and 19 successful Quarter Peal (QP) attempts. The Peals were rung mostly (but not solely) by visiting ringers, and the QPs have mostly involved Frensham ringers and regular visitors. The Peals marked 'special occasions', viz. on 6th March to mark Harry Glover's 60 years of ringing, on 17th June to mark Frensham Fayre day, and on 14th November to mark King Charles' 75th birthday, our church being a Royal

Patronage (which means it falls directly under the jurisdiction of the Monarch rather than the Guildford Diocese). Unfortunately, a Peal attempt to mark our Patronal Festival on 8th September was not successful.

Several of the QPs included notable 'firsts' for some of the ringers, including Mira Lindsay, Yvonne Little, Paul Marshall, Stuart Marshall and Steve Wingent. Two Quarter Peals were rung to mark the King's Coronation in May, and several before Evensong on 'first' Sundays or on 'first' or 'third' Friday evenings.

In July we rang a QP in memory of Eric Headleand, who whilst not formally a Frensham ringer was a very frequent visitor and long-term supporter of our ringing, both on Sundays and practices. In August, Sheila Haytree's husband, Gordon, passed away and we rang a QP in his memory. Sheila and Gordon were married in Frensham church in 1961, and Sheila has been a faithful Frensham ringer since the 1950s.

Sadly two more ringing-related deaths occurred in December: Clifford Beadle (a bell ringer since 1947 and a former Frensham Tower Captain) passed away on 3rd December; we were able to ring a special QP in his memory a few days later. Then Tim Coldicott, (Mayonne's husband) passed away on 26th December; Mayonne has been a ringer in Frensham since the 1980s and is a former Deputy Tower Captain.

As a result of the widespread 'Ring for the King' campaign we were fortunate in gaining several new ringers and all are very welcome and they, and all our learners, are progressing well. They were able to ring over the weekend of the King's Coronation and have advanced remarkably since then. Within our numbers we have four under-18's, one of whom elected to take up bell ringing as part of his Duke of Edinburgh Award programme and has continued after completing his DofE requirement. However, we always welcome others with an interest in learning to ring to visit us.

As is usual, the Union Jack and the Diocesan Flag were flown from the top of the Tower on appropriate dates during the year, and the RAF Ensign was flown to commemorate Battle of Britain Day and Battle of Britain Sunday in September. Also, on top of the Tower, Father Christmas paid us a visit at the start of the church's Christmas Festival!

Following the overhaul and re-hanging of the bells in 2022, the installation was inspected by one of Taylor's Bellfoundry bellhangers a year on and all was found to be well.

In October, as a result of Paul Little's ill-health, Oliver Hall returning to the area, and Steve Wingent resigning as PCC Representative, we had a Tower meeting in October and bit of a re-shuffle. At the year-end our Officers were:

Tower Captain	Harry Glover	Secretary	Paul Little
Deputy Tower Captain	Stuart Marshall	Treasurer	David Munro
Ringling Master	Oliver Hall	Tower Keeper	Paul Marshall
PCC Representative	Vacant	Assistant Tower Keeper	Stuart Marshall

Finally, I am indebted to the support given by Rev'd Jane and all our office-bearers and indeed all Frensham ringers and visitors for ensuring that the ancient art of bell ringing continues to flourish in Frensham.

Harry Glover
Tower Captain

20. Goods and Ornaments 2023 (written by Rev Jane Walker in the absence of a Churchwarden)

The goods and ornaments are generally in good order for both churches. My thanks to Jean Shepherd and all who take care of the church linens.

Overall, the vestments in St Mary's Church are in good condition. However, the green and white chasubles and stoles are now beginning to look quite old and tatty, so we should look at fundraising for their replacement next year.

Due to the flood in the vestry of the Church of the Good Shepherd at the end of 2022 (due to a very harsh frost), as well as losing all the furniture in that room, we also lost all the silks for communion services and the gold altar cover (which was already in a poor state and only used once in my tenure). As the altar cover was not needed because the altar is already beautifully decorated, just the communion silks were claimed for, and the skills of Yvonne Bell (an arts

and crafts vestment artist who could tie in with the character of the church) were employed. The cost of replacement of the silks was completely covered by the Trinitas insurance claim and wonderfully they arrived in time to be blessed as a Christmas 'present' to the church on Christmas Day.

Four items of silver from St Mary's continue to be lodged in the Guildford Cathedral Treasury, comprising flagon, paten, chalice and salver. These were used again in 2023 at Easter and Christmas and I am very grateful to Morag James and Pat Telfer for obtaining them from the cathedral and returning them.

Churchyards (written by Rev Jane Walker in the absence of a Church Warden)

St Mary's – I am truly grateful to David Millais, John Davis, Brian King and Chris Mitchley and our dedicated team of volunteer gardeners who help to maintain the two acres of churchyard. My thanks to David Millais and Brian for servicing and maintaining the ride-on mower and all the equipment, and to all the team leaders who generously supply the fuel for the machines. The national initiative to allow graveyards to grow naturally throughout the summer from 'no-mow May', which we have practiced for 4 years now, has enabled both flora and fauna to flourish in the graveyard, and although I do get a few complaints each year, the majority of visitors understand why we are doing it and can see that it is very good for the environment. It takes a huge effort then from September to get the graveyard back in shape for which I am very grateful to all. The Queens canopy of trees are now well rooted and well established. We hope to complete the Kings canopy in 2024. At Harvest we started planting daffodil bulbs at the front of the church. I hope we will continue this, year on year, to grow a fine spring display.

The Good Shepherd – my great thanks to Rob Cregreen and the team who carry out the mowing throughout the year (and also supply the fuel for the mower) as well as cut and trim the hedges in September. The wildflower meadow continues to develop naturally and it really flourished and provided much enjoyment, with some rare flowers and interesting insects. The bulb garden is well established and looking beautiful in Spring. We will continue planting bulbs year on year as this brings much spring colour and vibrance to the churchyard.

Jane Walker
Vicar

21. Report of the Parish Priest for the year 1 January to 31 December 2023

This report is a comprehensive appraisal of the practical and spiritual life of the church for the year Jan-Dec 2023. Our strategic mission, pastoral ministry and worship of the Trinitarian God for the Benefice of Frensham in 2023 continues to be underpinned by the vision of Guildford Diocese's 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives' (TCTL) which is linked with the National Church of England vision and strategy work, and contains three broad groups: **Growing disciples, growing community, and growing diversity.**

These three groups in turn are underpinned by the five marks of mission in the Anglican communion which are :

1. To proclaim the Good News of God's Kingdom
2. To teach, preach and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Introduction

2023 was a year of very hard work for myself and key members of our PCC/volunteer workforce which means that, overall, we can say it was a good year for sharing God's love and connecting people with the Church in the Benefice of Frensham, as well as looking after the two church buildings and land. However, I must say that we are struggling with less and less volunteers coming forward to be part of the mission to share God's love in the Benefice, so there is more work to be done with regard to volunteer recruitment!

The church (church personnel and volunteers) overall was more outward going and interactive with villagers in both villages in many and diverse ways, but mostly involving food and drink! I, the PCC and the whole church are indebted

to Mrs. Barbara Potter for her tireless work and co-ordination regarding all hospitality (which is key to our mission), and with Mrs. Karen Nockels organising the monthly invoicing for both hall and church lettings, which brings in much needed revenue. Huge thanks to both ladies.

It has to be said how very blessed we are to have Mrs. Jenny Parsons as our Church Administrator and she has been an essential strategic help with communicating, publicising and advertising, as well as all other diverse administration work. Thank you, Jenny.

Additionally, I believe particular thanks should be given to Mrs. Jill Billings, our treasurer, who has continued to dedicatedly work with the church finances through an exceptionally hard year regarding her health. Our love, thanks and prayers for better health and recovery are continual.

I am also very grateful to Mrs Eunice King whose work concerning grave records, administration and helping people find their ancestors has taken a huge burden off my shoulders.

Sadly, Mr Richard Walker did not feel he could continue as Churchwarden for the Benefice of Frensham in 2023 due to differing theological opinions with the hierarchy of the Church of England and the potential for new practical church processes, and so he resigned before the last APCM. My sincere thanks for all he did in 2022 while I was on Sabbatical and in the Spring of 2023, it is greatly appreciated.

We had our first Archdeacon's visitation since pre-covid and received a very good report from him. He commented that all our legal paperwork is in excellent order, especially our health and safety file with the many risk assessments for all church activities in both churches, as well as our terrier and logbook. He was very impressed by the amount of active loving and hospitable mission we are achieving both within the boundaries of the Benefice and beyond. He also commented on our positivity and pro-action with regard to our PNP and our mission to

- create an environment where God's love gets through
- meet people where they are at in body, mind and spirit
- walk through life together in the Love of God.

His only concern was that we could not achieve our Parish Share for 2023, which has been a worry, although I could explain some of the reasons why; notably the fact that we only had 2 weddings in 2023 instead of around 10-12, which is usual. Also, we have had longstanding donors leave the parish to live nearer their relatives, and quite a few significant deaths of people who were very generous over many years in their giving.

This year we have welcomed a new head-teacher to St Mary's School: Miss Lucy Allen, who has already made a very positive bright start and brought in new pastoral ways to the school which have enabled the children to express themselves more fully. She has welcomed our Open the Book Team who tell and act out Bible stories most weeks during term time. The school also had a SIAMS inspection just 5 weeks after Miss Allen arrived, which although quite stressful, the whole team including myself managed to achieve the required pass and a very good overall report.

This year, our relationship with More House School has grown, with my leading assembly once a fortnight, which is a joy as the boys and young men are very receptive and respectful. Also, some boys are now learning bell ringing on a Monday evening at St Mary's.

At Church, we have had the joy of Occasional Preacher Mrs Avril Capper joining the church community and her preaching has been well received in both churches. She is looking to preach more frequently in 2024, in order to relieve some of the pressure on me, for which I am very thankful.

Regarding the list below, which gives the reader an indication of just how hard we all continually work for the glory of God and to share God's love in the parish and beyond, I reiterate my thanks and appreciation not only to each member of the PCC but also on behalf of the entire PCC for the amazing team effort to all those who have participated in (in no particular order) :

- Alpha
- Weddings and marriage preparation
- Advent and Lent courses
- Preaching
- Open the Book
- Assembly at More House School
- Family Café Church
- Hearing Aid Champion
- Fundraising : The Beetle Drive and Spooky Spider Drive
- Fundraising : The Cantique Concert
- Frensham Fayre
- The Christmas Festival
- The Choir singing and organ music, including monthly recitals
- The school house trust
- Hall and church bookings
- Planned giving
- Safeguarding and DBS
- Compiling, management and distribution of the Parish Magazine
- The Forum
- Cherubs
- The Parish Friends
- 'Coffee Stop, Dockenfield'
- The Village Lunch
- Tea@3
- The Vine Centre Charity in Aldershot
- St Mary's Frensham Trust
- Frensham Parochial Trust
- Friends of Frensham Churches
- Christian Aid
- Remembrance Sunday
- Bell ringing, training and care of the church tower
- Wreath making
- Christmas Festival and Christingle services
- Advent and Christmas carol services
- Crib services
- The care of the church finances
- The care of church buildings and their contents
- The care of the Church of the Good Shepherd churchyard and St Mary's graveyard
- The care of the church flowers in both churches
- The care of the kneelers and church linen

Thank you all so very much and God bless you for all you are and do.

The Parish Needs Process for the Benefice of Frensham

2022 marked the end of the Church Development plan and the introduction of the Parish Needs Process (PNP) from the Diocese which a team from the PCC worked on to produce a sensible, achievable but challenging plan for the near future of the Churches in the Benefice. I will elaborate on this later under the TCTL groups of growing disciples, community and diversity.

Growing Disciples

Growing disciples is about proclaiming the Good News of God's Kingdom in worship, teaching preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey, and responding to human need in loving pastoral care.

Please see the list above to be aware of all the activities we continually achieve to grow disciples.

Regarding our Parish Needs Process;

Enabling people to attend church with more ease and less anxiety:

- Our sidemen and women are trained to be very welcoming and will guide and assist with any questions about the service.
- We have bookmarks to help with navigation of BCP Holy Communion, and we will develop bookmarks for the new BCP books which have been ordered for both churches.
- Details of all services and the church details are available on all notice boards.
- We have yet to install a hearing loop system in the Church of the Good Shepherd. This might be able to be achieved when the heating is renewed.
- We have concluded after investigation that it will not be possible to have braille books for the services, but we do have large print versions available.
- We haven't yet developed prayer or blessing cards for people to take away from the church, although we do have a welcome prayer booklet on our visitor's book.
- We have yet to investigate the possibility, fundraise and then install a TV in St Mary's Church to give information when a person enters the church.

Theological and Spiritual nourishment of the existing church: working towards being a progressive church with a depth of theology and a breadth of sacramental experience in all services:

- The yearly church retreat will be organised for 2024 – it may take the form of a pilgrimage as we cannot go to the Holy Land at present.
- The PCC away day is still to be organised for 2024 to review and update the PNP.
- There were no takers for the Alpha course for this year
- The Living in Love and Faith course was well attended and people appreciated the diversity of learning and the opportunity for discussion.

Growing Community:

Growing community is not only about growing the church community but also specifically about how the church is part of, and interacts with, its' local community. So, it is about responding to local need by giving loving and prayerful service where required, as well as helping to transform unjust structures of society, challenging violence of every kind, whilst pursuing peace and reconciliation through our prayers, intentions and actions.

Please see the list above to be aware of all the activities we continually achieve to grow community.

Regarding our Parish Needs Process;

Linking newcomers to the villages:

- we held a newcomers evening which was fairly well attended by people who had moved into the villages in the last 3 years. Lots of information was given about the various groups within the villages, as well as the councils, Parish Magazine, Parish Friends, Frensham Fayre, Church Services, etc. The Alpha course was also promoted. The evening was a success and everyone, of all ages, enjoyed the hospitality.

Growing Diversity:

Growing diversity can be understood in many ways: firstly, it could be about enabling people of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender to come and be part of being church. Secondly, it could link with the 5th mark of mission of the Anglican church: to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth – so could apply ecologically to us as church. Thirdly, it could apply to growing our links and assistance for those charities that are and work beyond our borders, but that we can help none-the-less. In order to grow diversity, we do need to bring this big topic into our church vision overall.

Please see the list above to be aware of all the activities we continually achieve to grow diversity.

Regarding our Parish Needs Process;

Including 30 – 55 years olds with children in Church life:

- We stopped Family Breakfast but started Family Café Church on 15th October 2023 and are monitoring this as numbers have remained low. More publicity is needed and more personal invitation.
- We have yet to develop 'Space for Grace' for Parents or Parent Workshops.

Conclusion

In conclusion I believe the church people of the Benefice of Frensham have done remarkably well in 2023, considering the challenges of :

- being without Churchwardens
- reduced incoming finances leading to us not paying our parish share for the first time ever.

We have continued to 'create an environment where God's love can get through', we have continued respect and welcome each and every person and to meet them where they are at, in order to connect or reconcile them with the infinitely loving and Eternal God. We have 'walked together' with individuals and the local communities developing and adapting our ways whilst walking in God's love with them, supported and inspired by the example, integrity and inclusivity of Jesus Christ and in the energetic power of the Holy Spirit.

We have continued to pray to God and praise God throughout in many and diverse ways in order to give people options regarding worship that hopefully brings connection and a loving experience. We always try to invest our time and efforts to learn more about God in Word and Sacrament, as well as diverse education from different sources.

Consequently, being very connected to and inspired by our Trinitarian God, we can truly say that we are an inclusive church, with a progressive positive theology which is attracting and helping more people who are discerning their lives and possible faith journey.

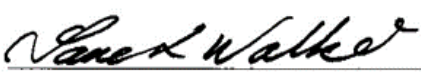
Yours in Christ

Reverend Jane Walker

Vicar of the Benefice of Frensham

April 2024

Approved by the PCC on 19th April 2024

Signed :  Date : 21st April 2024

Service statistics for 2023 (average apart from specific services)

Service	Adults	Children
8am BCP HC (Both SM and GS)	8	0
10.30am Worship and Fellowship GS	20	0
10.30am Worship and fellowship with baptism	49	15
10.30am CW HC SM	41	2
10.30am CW HC+Baptism SM	64	10
10.30am Choral Matins	38	
6pm Choral evensong	29	
10am Wednesday BCP HC GS	5	

Specific Services	Adults	Children
Baptisms	1	10
Weddings	2	
Thanksgiving for marriage	1	
Funerals/celebrations of life	13	
Cremation services	10	
Interment of ashes	13	
Ash Wednesday (GS and SM)	27	
Maundy Thursday	21	
Good Friday	28	
Holy Saturday MNM	12	
Easter Day (GS and SM)	159	20
Harvest (GS and SM)	89	10
Remembrance	105	20
Christingle	56	38
Advent Carols	50	
Christmas Carols	145	16
Crib (GS and SM)	160	53
Midnight Mass	60	
Christmas Day (GS and SM)	167	20

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

Vicar – The Reverend Jane Walker

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
Frensham
is a registered charity number 1173223

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

Nicholas O'Brien 17/4/24

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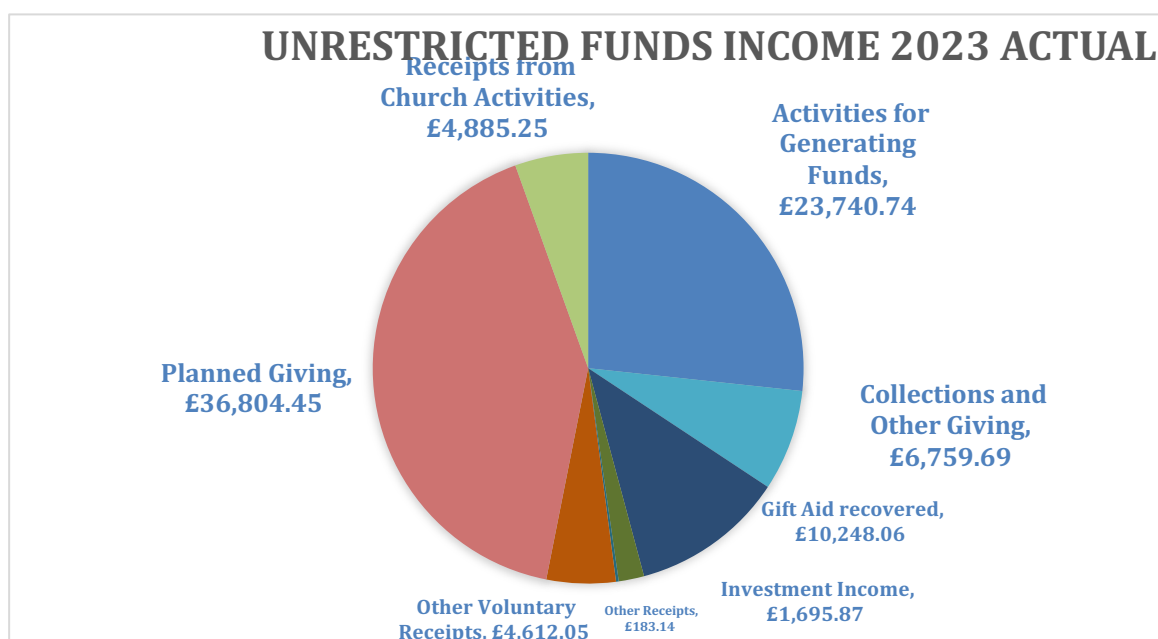
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This report together with the attached schedules comprises the financial statements for Frensham Parochial Church Council (PCC) for 2023. The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and within the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, and they have been prepared under FRS102(2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The charts shown below show an analysis of our Unrestricted Funds Income and Expenditure in 2023



Overall income recorded under Unrestricted Funds was £88,930, down 15% on 2022 results. (£16,038)

Our profile of giving and voluntary receipts continued to change, planned giving down by £4,183 year on year, Collections and other giving down by £2,208 year on year (2022 - £8,967) both of which led to £633 down on gift aid recovered.

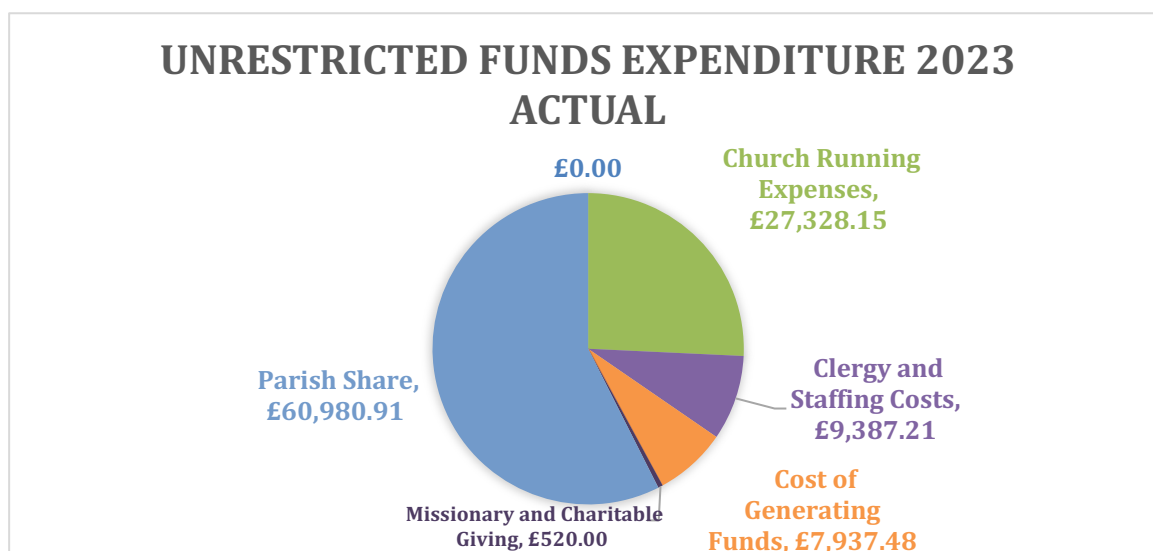
Activities for generating funds was £23,741 down by £6,521 year on year, because although we held the Christmas Festival and other usual fundraising occasions, we did not have the Arts and Crafts exhibition or the Gordion Knot plays to boost our funds. Easy Fundraising continued to provide a healthy income stream in 2023, and achieved £577, a slight decline on last year's results.

Our fundraising efforts for 2023 comprised of Beetle and Spider Drives (£817), Tea@3 (£360), Village lunch (£244), Frensham Fayre (£1,586), the Harvest supper (£1,049), Christmas Festival (£3,071), Wildlife Calendars (£806), Wildlife talks (£142), Wreath Making (£420), Christianity talks (£660), sale of the curates chair from Dockenfield (£35), arts and crafts exhibition additional sales (£120).

The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has continued to be very successful raising £1,475 In 2023, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2022 at £4,150 – up 20% year on year . Total Parish Magazine income at £8,381 in 2023, consistent with 2022.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £1,947 – income from Organ Recitals including Gift aid claimed.



£70,368 (2022 - £67,215) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan parish share of £60,981 (2022 - £59,763); In addition, clergy and staffing costs of £9,387 was up by £1,935 on 2022, with increases to Parish administration charges and honorarium paid to our resident organist Mike Smith.

The underlying running costs of the church were £27,328, 41% up from 2022 (£19,395).

£4,121 was expended from restricted funds. The main components of the amount shown under restricted funds resources expended are as follows:

Bells Donation – to Guildford BRF	£ 200
Depreciation – Fixed Assets	£ 3,119
Organ Recitals	£ 802

Net movement in unrestricted funds is a deficit of £17,225 and the net movement in restricted funds resulted is a deficit of £2,174. After taking into account balances brought forward, the balances carried forward on all funds are in surplus. However, it should be noted that future depreciation costs will be deducted from the relevant funds going forward.

Reserves

Reserves held reflect three different objectives:

- a) Restricted funds are funds which have been given the PCC for a specific purpose and which are held pending disbursement in accordance with the mandate for which they were given.
- b) Designated funds are unrestricted fund money the PCC has decided to put aside in other funds for use in the future. The money is 'designated' for these particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds are still unrestricted and can be moved to other general funds (redesignated or undesignated) if the PCC so decides.
- c) Unrestricted funds reflect the accumulated unspent net income: these funds are held for prudence in providing a buffer to meet unusual or exceptional needs.

Details of the reserves held are set in note 6 to the Financial Statements. There are no funds in deficit.

Volunteers

I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow, Hugh Evans and Anthony Porten) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and being my approver and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, including her wreath making course at Christmas.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a third year, and the rest of our "circle of Guildford Diocese treasurers" to perform this essential service for one another, in an independent manner at zero cost to each of our Parochial Church Councils.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The members of the PCC, who are trustees of the charity for the purposes of charity law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, regulations and accounting standards.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the members of the PCC to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the

PCC's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the members of the PCC are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will not continue in operation.

The members of the PCC are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



17th April 2024

Jill Billings FCCA

Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2023

Ref:		<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	INCOME						
A	Voluntary Income	2(a)	58,424	-	1,947	60,371	86,770
B	Activities for generating funds	2(b)	23,741	-	-	23,741	31,100
C	Income from investments	2(c)	1,696	-	-	1,696	281
D	Income from Church Activities	2(d)	4,885	-	-	4,885	5,733
E	Other Receipts	2(e)	183	-	-	183	2,910
	TOTAL INCOME		88,929	-	1,947	90,876	126,794
	EXPENDITURE						
F	Church activities	3(a)	98,216	-	3,321	101,537	114,374
G	Raising funds	3(b)	7,937	-	800	8,737	10,295
H	Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		106,154	-	4,121	110,275	124,669
	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(17,225)	-	(2,174)	(19,399)	2,125
I	TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	-
	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(17,225)	-	(2,174)	(19,399)	2,125
	Total funds brought forward	6	61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Total funds carried forward	6	43,866	31,480	34,671	110,017	129,415

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible fixed assets	4	1,231	-	21,795	23,026	26,778
Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		1,231	-	21,795	23,026	26,778
CURRENT ASSETS						
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Short-term deposits		3,787	20,000	-	23,787	23,184
Cash at bank and in hand		47,045	11,480	13,220	71,744	82,378
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TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		48,555	31,480	34,671	114,706	129,415
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		4,689	-	-	4,689	-
NET ASSETS	7	43,866	31,480	34,671	110,017	129,415
PARISH FUNDS		43,866	31,480	34,671	110,017	129,415

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on April 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Mrs Val Chadney (PCC Secretary)

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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

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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years
- Good Shepherd Chairs	15 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	36,804	-	696	37,500	41,913
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	6,760	-	751	7,511	7,541
Non Recurring Grants	1,000	-	-	1,000	20,618
Legacies	-	-	-	-	1,500
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	3,612	-	75	3,687	4,336
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,248	-	425	10,673	10,861
	58,424	-	1,947	60,371	86,770
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	9,310	-	-	9,310	16,838
Church Bookstall - sales	55	-	-	55	150
Cherubs toddler group	370	-	-	370	293
Coffee Stop	1,475	-	-	1,475	2,036
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	4,150	-	-	4,150	3,443
Parish Magazine (sales)	4,353	-	-	4,353	-
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	4,028	-	-	4,028	8,342
	23,741	-	-	23,741	31,100
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	1,696	-	-	1,696	281
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	4,885	-	-	4,885	5,733
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	4,885	-	-	4,885	5,733
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other (see notes below)	183	-	-	183	2,910
	183	-	-	183	2,910
Total Incoming resources	88,929	-	1,947	90,876	126,794

Notes:

Other Receipts - Insurance claim for flooding in Good Shepherd Vestry

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	520	-	200	720	1,697
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	60,981	-	-	60,981	59,763
Other ministry costs	9,387	-	-	9,387	7,437
Church running and maintenance	23,933	-	(0)	23,933	15,020
Major repairs	-	-	-	-	23,904
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	3,119	3,753	3,319
Education, parish training & mission	240	-	-	240	968
Churchyard upkeep	674	-	-	674	379
Church hall running costs	626	-	-	626	-
Administration costs	953	-	-	953	905
Bank charges	268	-	2	270	982
	98,216	-	3,321	101,537	114,374
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	1,775	-	800	2,575	4,756
Parish magazine costs	6,163	-	-	6,163	5,539
	7,937	-	800	8,737	10,295
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	106,154	-	4,121	110,275	124,669

Notes:

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2023	53,493
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2023	53,493
Depreciation	At 1 January 2023	26,714
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	3,753
	At 31 December 2023	30,467
Net book value 31 December 2023		23,026
Net book value 31 December 2022		26,778

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	2,211	218	2,113	-
Prepayments	1,032	-	954	-
Other receivables	1,518	1,276	1,847	476
Total	4,762	1,494	4,914	476
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utilities and other costs	1,800	-	2,122	-
Accrual for Parish Share	5,082			
Other creditors	1,388	1,837	5,706	248
Total	8,270	1,837	7,829	248
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	4,689	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last half of 2022.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £1,032 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £394 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2024, £489 and vicarage water rates £119, rope for banners for Arts & Crafts Exhibition 2024 £30.

Other Receivables - £1,518 - Hall Hire £60, Funerals / Monuments £684, Wreath Making £400, Wildlife Calendar 2024 £374 Restricted Funds - £1276 Agency - parochial fees for Funerals / Monuments

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- £1,800 £1,645 utilities accruals for gas, based on actual invoices received in February 2024, £100 for broadband and £55 water accrual.

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises: Unrestricted:-£1,388 comprises Rev Jane Expenses August - December £569, visiting clergy fees £58. Rope for Arts & Crafts Exhibition £30, Secular Charity donations £420, Administration costs £42. Repairs & maintenance £53, Coffee stop expenses £1, Parish mission £50, opening accrual (agency) £165.

Agency collections £1,837 comprises Diocese fees for weddings / funerals £1,023, Children's Society Christingle donations £209, Guildford Action £85, Phyllis Tuckwell £25, Organist Fees / Verger fees for Funerals £660

Amounts falling due after one year - £4,689 - Deferred income - 2024 parish magazine advertising income £4,145, 2024 subscriptions £544, opening accrual (£165) offset against balance on opening accrual showing in general fund.

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
- The Community Fund (Designated) was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd	Incoming Resources	Expended Resources	Prior Yr Adj *	Bal. C/fwd
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	3,531	-	-	-	3,531
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	10,236	-	(1,284)	-	8,952
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	13,767	-	(1,284)	-	12,483
St. Mary's Sound System	8,047	-	(1,148)	-	6,899
Organ Refurbishment	1,753	1,947	(802)	-	2,897
Bells Fund	2,911	-	(200)	-	2,711
Agency	(30)	5,009	(5,009)	-	(30)
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	8,812	-	(686)	-	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	36,845	6,956	(9,130)	-	34,671
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	1,384	-	-	-	1,384
Community Project	10,096	-	-	-	10,096
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	61,091	88,929	(106,154)	-	43,866
Total	129,415	95,885	(115,284)	-	110,017

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2023	Total 2022
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	1,231	-	21,795	23,026	26,778
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	4,762	-	1,494	6,256	5,152
Cash at bank and in hand	50,833	31,480	13,220	95,532	105,562
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(8,270)	-	(1,837)	(10,108)	(8,077)
Amounts falling due after one year	(4,689)	-	-	(4,689)	-
Total	43,866	31,480	34,671	110,017	129,415

8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2023

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

Vicar – The Reverend Jane Walker

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is a registered charity number 1173223

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

Nicholas O'Brien 17/4/24

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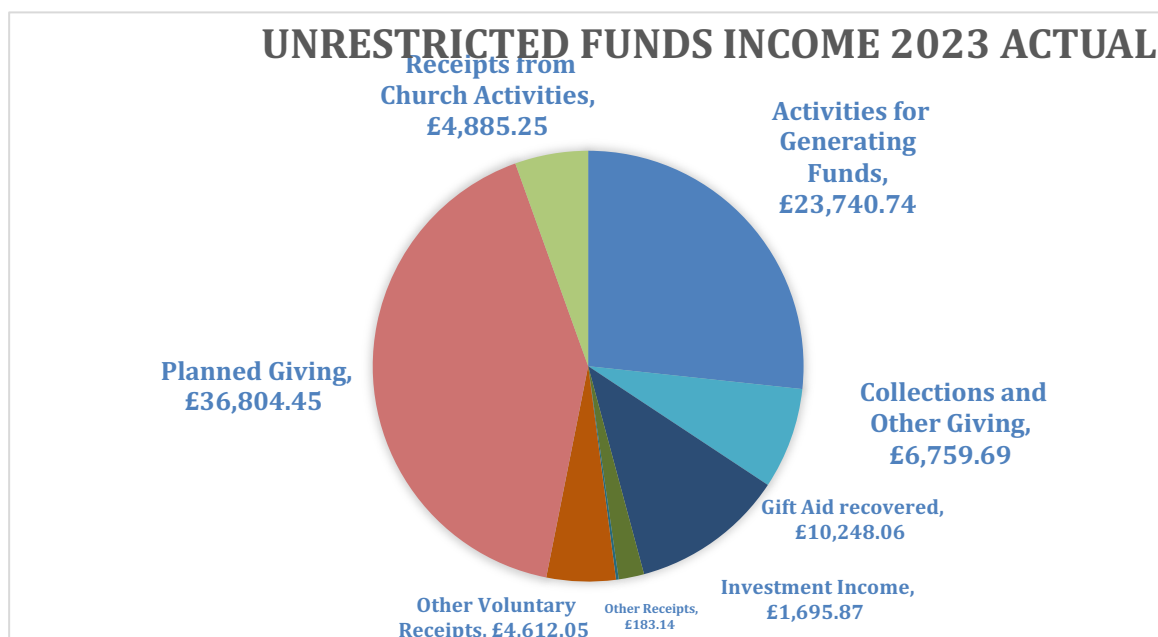
Frensham Parochial Church Council Annual Reports 2023

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2023

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This report together with the attached schedules comprises the financial statements for Frensham Parochial Church Council (PCC) for 2023. The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and within the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, and they have been prepared under FRS102(2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The charts shown below show an analysis of our Unrestricted Funds Income and Expenditure in 2023



Overall income recorded under Unrestricted Funds was £88,930, down 15% on 2022 results. (£16,038)

Our profile of giving and voluntary receipts continued to change, planned giving down by £4,183 year on year, Collections and other giving down by £2,208 year on year (2022 - £8,967) both of which led to £633 down on gift aid recovered.

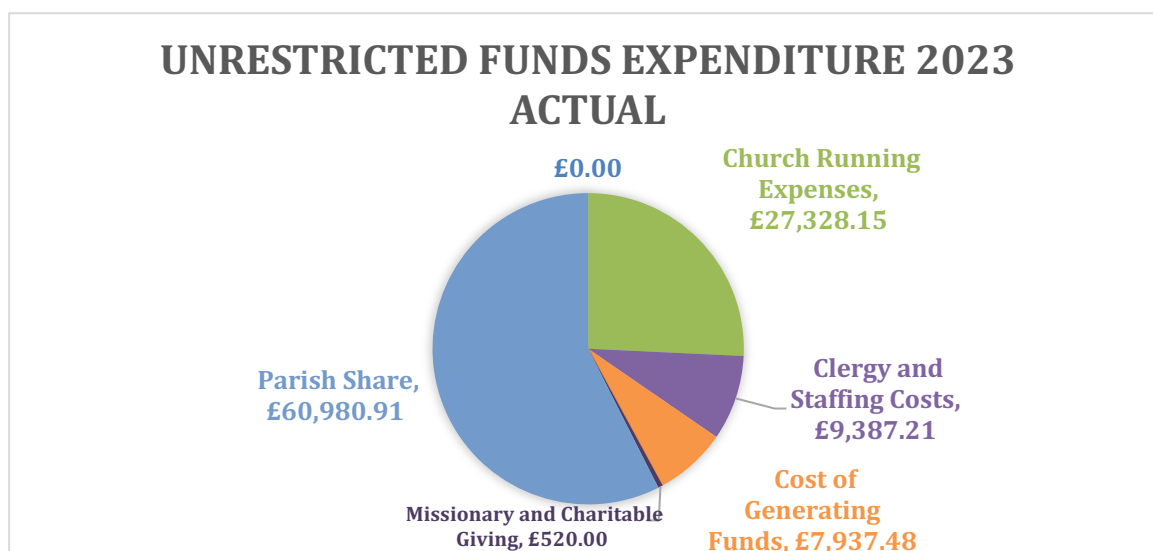
Activities for generating funds was £23,741 down by £6,521 year on year, because although we held the Christmas Festival and other usual fundraising occasions, we did not have the Arts and Crafts exhibition or the Gordion Knot plays to boost our funds. Easy Fundraising continued to provide a healthy income stream in 2023, and achieved £577, a slight decline on last year's results.

Our fundraising efforts for 2023 comprised of Beetle and Spider Drives (£817), Tea@3 (£360), Village lunch (£244), Frensham Fayre (£1,586), the Harvest supper (£1,049), Christmas Festival (£3,071), Wildlife Calendars (£806), Wildlife talks (£142), Wreath Making (£420), Christianity talks (£660), sale of the curates chair from Dockenfield (£35), arts and crafts exhibition additional sales (£120).

The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has continued to be very successful raising £1,475 In 2023, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2022 at £4,150 – up 20% year on year . Total Parish Magazine income at £8,381 in 2023, consistent with 2022.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £1,947 – income from Organ Recitals including Gift aid claimed.



£70,368 (2022 - £67,215) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan parish share of £60,981 (2022 - £59,763); In addition, clergy and staffing costs of £9,387 was up by £1,935 on 2022, with increases to Parish administration charges and honorarium paid to our resident organist Mike Smith.

The underlying running costs of the church were £27,328, 41% up from 2022 (£19,395).

£4,121 was expended from restricted funds. The main components of the amount shown under restricted funds resources expended are as follows:

Bells Donation – to Guildford BRF	£ 200
Depreciation – Fixed Assets	£ 3,119
Organ Recitals	£ 802

Net movement in unrestricted funds is a deficit of £17,225 and the net movement in restricted funds resulted is a deficit of £2,174. After taking into account balances brought forward, the balances carried forward on all funds are in surplus. However, it should be noted that future depreciation costs will be deducted from the relevant funds going forward.

Reserves

Reserves held reflect three different objectives:

- a) Restricted funds are funds which have been given the PCC for a specific purpose and which are held pending disbursement in accordance with the mandate for which they were given.
- b) Designated funds are unrestricted fund money the PCC has decided to put aside in other funds for use in the future. The money is 'designated' for these particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds are still unrestricted and can be moved to other general funds (redesignated or undesignated) if the PCC so decides.
- c) Unrestricted funds reflect the accumulated unspent net income: these funds are held for prudence in providing a buffer to meet unusual or exceptional needs.

Details of the reserves held are set in note 6 to the Financial Statements. There are no funds in deficit.

Volunteers

I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow, Hugh Evans and Anthony Porten) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and being my approver and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, including her wreath making course at Christmas.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a third year, and the rest of our "circle of Guildford Diocese treasurers" to perform this essential service for one another, in an independent manner at zero cost to each of our Parochial Church Councils.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The members of the PCC, who are trustees of the charity for the purposes of charity law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, regulations and accounting standards.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the members of the PCC to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the

PCC's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the members of the PCC are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will not continue in operation.

The members of the PCC are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



17th April 2024

Jill Billings FCCA

Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2023

Ref:		<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
	INCOME						
A	Voluntary Income	2(a)	58,424	-	1,947	60,371	86,770
B	Activities for generating funds	2(b)	23,741	-	-	23,741	31,100
C	Income from investments	2(c)	1,696	-	-	1,696	281
D	Income from Church Activities	2(d)	4,885	-	-	4,885	5,733
E	Other Receipts	2(e)	183	-	-	183	2,910
	TOTAL INCOME		88,929	-	1,947	90,876	126,794
	EXPENDITURE						
F	Church activities	3(a)	98,216	-	3,321	101,537	114,374
G	Raising funds	3(b)	7,937	-	800	8,737	10,295
H	Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		106,154	-	4,121	110,275	124,669
	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(17,225)	-	(2,174)	(19,399)	2,125
I	TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	-
	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(17,225)	-	(2,174)	(19,399)	2,125
	Total funds brought forward	6	61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Total funds carried forward	6	43,866	31,480	34,671	110,017	129,415

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible fixed assets	4	1,231	-	21,795	23,026	26,778
Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		1,231	-	21,795	23,026	26,778
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	4,762	-	1,494	6,256	5,152
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Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Mrs Val Chadney (PCC Secretary)

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The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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

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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years
- Good Shepherd Chairs	15 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	36,804	-	696	37,500	41,913
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	6,760	-	751	7,511	7,541
Non Recurring Grants	1,000	-	-	1,000	20,618
Legacies	-	-	-	-	1,500
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	3,612	-	75	3,687	4,336
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,248	-	425	10,673	10,861
	58,424	-	1,947	60,371	86,770
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	9,310	-	-	9,310	16,838
Church Bookstall - sales	55	-	-	55	150
Cherubs toddler group	370	-	-	370	293
Coffee Stop	1,475	-	-	1,475	2,036
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	4,150	-	-	4,150	3,443
Parish Magazine (sales)	4,353	-	-	4,353	-
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	4,028	-	-	4,028	8,342
	23,741	-	-	23,741	31,100
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	1,696	-	-	1,696	281
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	4,885	-	-	4,885	5,733
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	4,885	-	-	4,885	5,733
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other (see notes below)	183	-	-	183	2,910
	183	-	-	183	2,910
Total Incoming resources	88,929	-	1,947	90,876	126,794

Notes:

Other Receipts - Insurance claim for flooding in Good Shepherd Vestry

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	520	-	200	720	1,697
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	60,981	-	-	60,981	59,763
Other ministry costs	9,387	-	-	9,387	7,437
Church running and maintenance	23,933	-	(0)	23,933	15,020
Major repairs	-	-	-	-	23,904
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	3,119	3,753	3,319
Education, parish training & mission	240	-	-	240	968
Churchyard upkeep	674	-	-	674	379
Church hall running costs	626	-	-	626	-
Administration costs	953	-	-	953	905
Bank charges	268	-	2	270	982
	98,216	-	3,321	101,537	114,374
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	1,775	-	800	2,575	4,756
Parish magazine costs	6,163	-	-	6,163	5,539
	7,937	-	800	8,737	10,295
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	106,154	-	4,121	110,275	124,669

Notes:

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2023	53,493
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2023	53,493
Depreciation	At 1 January 2023	26,714
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	3,753
	At 31 December 2023	30,467
Net book value 31 December 2023		23,026
Net book value 31 December 2022		26,778

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2023 £	Restricted Funds 2023 £	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	2,211	218	2,113	-
Prepayments	1,032	-	954	-
Other receivables	1,518	1,276	1,847	476
Total	4,762	1,494	4,914	476
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utilities and other costs	1,800	-	2,122	-
Accrual for Parish Share	5,082			
Other creditors	1,388	1,837	5,706	248
Total	8,270	1,837	7,829	248
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	4,689	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last half of 2022.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £1,032 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £394 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2024, £489 and vicarage water rates £119, rope for banners for Arts & Crafts Exhibition 2024 £30.

Other Receivables - £1,518 - Hall Hire £60, Funerals / Monuments £684, Wreath Making £400, Wildlife Calendar 2024 £374 Restricted Funds - £1276 Agency - parochial fees for Funerals / Monuments

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- £1,800 £1,645 utilities accruals for gas, based on actual invoices received in February 2024, £100 for broadband and £55 water accrual.

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises: Unrestricted:-£1,388 comprises Rev Jane Expenses August - December £569, visiting clergy fees £58. Rope for Arts & Crafts Exhibition £30, Secular Charity donations £420, Administration costs £42. Repairs & maintenance £53, Coffee stop expenses £1, Parish mission £50, opening accrual (agency) £165.

Agency collections £1,837 comprises Diocese fees for weddings / funerals £1,023, Children's Society Christingle donations £209, Guildford Action £85, Phyllis Tuckwell £25, Organist Fees / Verger fees for Funerals £660

Amounts falling due after one year - £4,689 - Deferred income - 2024 parish magazine advertising income £4,145, 2024 subscriptions £544, opening accrual (£165) offset against balance on opening accrual showing in general fund.

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
- The Community Fund (Designated) was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	3,531	-	-	-	3,531
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	10,236	-	(1,284)	-	8,952
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	13,767	-	(1,284)	-	12,483
St. Mary's Sound System	8,047	-	(1,148)	-	6,899
Organ Refurbishment	1,753	1,947	(802)	-	2,897
Bells Fund	2,911	-	(200)	-	2,711
Agency	(30)	5,009	(5,009)	-	(30)
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	8,812	-	(686)	-	8,126
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	36,845	6,956	(9,130)	-	34,671
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	1,384	-	-	-	1,384
Community Project	10,096	-	-	-	10,096
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	61,091	88,929	(106,154)	-	43,866
Total	129,415	95,885	(115,284)	-	110,017

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	1,231	-	21,795	23,026	26,778
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	4,762	-	1,494	6,256	5,152
Cash at bank and in hand	50,833	31,480	13,220	95,532	105,562
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(8,270)	-	(1,837)	(10,108)	(8,077)
Amounts falling due after one year	(4,689)	-	-	(4,689)	-
Total	43,866	31,480	34,671	110,017	129,415

8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2023

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FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2022



1. Administrative information

The Benefice of Frensham incorporates St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield and is part of the Diocese of Guildford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Frensham, Surrey, GU10 3DT.

In 2017 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Its registered name is "The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham" and its registered number is 1173223. All members of the PCC are trustees of the charity.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2022 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent of the Benefice		
Revd. Jane Walker		
Wardens		
Richard Walker		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Representatives on the Deanery Synod		
Mrs Esther Van Rooyen		Re-elected APCM 2022 - 24 th April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Elected APCM 2023 - 23 rd April
Representative on St Mary's School Board of Governors		
Revd. Jane Walker		
Elected Members		
Mrs Val Chadney	Secretary	Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Jill Billings	Treasurer	Elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Mrs Morag James	Lay Pastoral Assistant	Re-elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Mr Peter James		Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25 th October
Dr Hilary Lee-Corbin		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Karen Nockels		Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25 th October
Mrs Barbara Potter		Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25 th October
Mr Jon Savage		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mr Mike Smith		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mr Jonathan Hetherington		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Mr Steve Wingent		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 th April
Bankers	CAF Bank Ltd National Westminster Bank, Farnham Lloyds Bank, Farnham CCLA Investment Management Ltd (The CBF Church of England Funds)	
Independent Examiner	Nick O'Brien	Treasurer from St John the Evangelist, Milford

2. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

3. Aims and Purposes

Frensham PCC with the Incumbent, Revd Jane Walker has the responsibility to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical throughout the ecclesiastical parish. It also has maintenance responsibilities for St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield. As trustees of the Charitable Trust of the Benefice of Frensham, the purpose of each PCC member is to be responsible for the management, the running, the review, evaluation and reporting on the charity.

4. Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Churches and to become part of our parish community within the Benefice of Frensham. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout our parish, and our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year, our objective is to enable people to live out their faith through:

- Worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the Benefice
- Mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield.

5. Achievements and Performance

Report on the Electoral Roll for 2022

For the year February 2022 to February 2023, eleven (11) new names have been added to the Electoral Roll and one (1) deletion. The Electoral Roll currently has a total of one hundred and twenty-four (124) names, fifty-eight (58) of which are not resident in the Parish.

Mr Stuart Easton
Church Electoral Roll Officer

6. Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council

The PCC is the governing body of the Parish Church and it is made up of Members of the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church. There are five purposes of a PCC :

- To enable the Church to play its part in God's mission to his world
- To co-operate with the minister in sharing leadership
- To ensure legal compliance with charity law and ecclesiastical law
- To care for the buildings and Churchyard
- To be a channel of consultation within the wider Church

This year many topics were discussed and agreed by the PCC including the following:

During 2022 six meetings of the PCC took place, three via video conferencing, three in situ.

PCC meeting held on 26th January 2022 in St Mary's Church Hall

- Jane introduced the five week Living in Love and Faith course to be run during Lent and open to all covering learning to live with others, acceptance that we are not all the same, sexuality, how to build and maintain better relationships, marriage, listening, having respect for each other and promoting unity, not uniformity.
- Sixty chairs were ordered for the Good Shepherd to replace the pews which will give much more versatility of use. The chairs were delivered just before Easter 2022.

- Dockenfield Parish Council (DPC) applied for PCC approval to install an electric point beside the telephone box next to the Good Shepherd for charging electric cars for the use of Dockenfield residents and visitors. The PCC felt this was an excellent idea and gave their approval for the DPC to proceed.
- Wifi and a CollecTin system were installed at the Good Shepherd which has proved very helpful for services, the weekly Coffee Stop and other functions held there.
- Covid restrictions were withdrawn on 27th January, therefore Covid Risk Assessments were no longer required but Jane wished to maintain hand sanitisation at the church entrance. Masks are no longer mandatory but if people wished to wear them and sit socially distanced then that was perfectly acceptable. She stressed we must respect each other's choices and notices were displayed at both churches.
- The PCC survey of Dockenfield residents' use of the Good Shepherd was completed and throughout 2022 the PCC saw an increase in bookings of the church for a variety of functions including family parties and an Arts & Crafts weekend (which was very well received and it is hoped to be repeated in 2024). The survey also attracted volunteers to help with the running of the non-secular activities.

23rd March 2022 in St Mary's Church Hall

- The PCC approved the appointment of Sarah Davies as Foundational Governor at St Mary's school.
- The roadside wall outside St Mary's Church needed repair following a car knocking down a section. The repairs will be covered by Trinitas, the church insurers, and the PCC discussed the work to be carried out, suggested contractors and arranged for quotes.
- The PCC approved David Millais' offer to remove the four unsightly pine trees along the boundary of St Mary's graveyard and replace them with 20 native trees for the Queen's jubilee initiative.
- The first of two 11 week Alpha courses were held during 2022 which were very well supported. These are run by Rev'd Jane and Jon S, and attracted people from outside the parish, many of whom still attend St Mary's.
- The PCC suggested we introduce QR codes at both churches which are displayed prominently and encourage people to donate using their mobile phones. This has proved very successful for those who do not carry cash, and particularly for those tech savvy people who attend our churches.
- The newly refurbished bells at St Mary's were blessed in a lovely service taken by Bishop Jo Bailey Wells, the Bishop of Dorking, and the service was recorded by the PCC and is available to view on Youtube.
- The Dockenfield Coffee:Stop on Friday mornings, run by Barbara Potter, is still being well supported but the PCC agreed that a new banner to be displayed outside would be a good idea and this has been sourced and helps promote the Friday morning sessions.

18th May 2022 at St Mary's

- Rev Jane welcomed three new PCC members – Richard Walker who took on the role of Churchwarden, Jon Hetherington and Steve Wingent representing the Bell Ringers.
- PCC approval was given for Eunice to hold NHS Hearing Aid Clinics at the Village Lunch, Tea@3 and in parishioners homes where necessary, taking over the role from Morag James.
- The PCC discussed the wiring situation at the Good Shepherd and it was agreed that this needed to be improved to cater for the Murder/Mystery plays (Gordian Knot) in June as a power supply was needed on the outside wall to provide electricity to the marquee, and additional power points were needed for the Arts & Crafts weekend held in October.
- The PCC discussed how to best commemorate the life of Richard Potter, stalwart of the Frensham churches, who sadly passed away during 2020 and, due to the Covid pandemic, this had to be delayed until restrictions were lifted.
- The PCC approved the re-arranging of two 8.00 am services from the Good Shepherd to St Mary's on 19th June, the day after the last performance of the Murder/Mystery play when the Good Shepherd needed to be cleared of all the expensive sound and lighting equipment, and also 23rd October 2022 when the Arts & Craft weekend was being held at the Good Shepherd.

- The PCC discussed how best to look after the new chairs at the Good Shepherd when they are not in use, how and where to stack them, and how to cover them to prevent damage. It has proved difficult to source fabric of the appropriate weight and colour, so this item is ongoing.
- Rev'd Jane advised the PCC that a few youngsters have been behaving inappropriately in the churchyard at St Mary's, nearly knocking someone over and the PCC discussed action to be taken.
- Jon Savage updated the PCC on Safeguarding training being undertaken by the three new PCC members, and confirmed that all members of the PCC were fully up to date with their training.
- The PCC commenced a review of keyholders at both churches.
- Rev'd Jane asked the PCC for their approval for the service on Sunday 5th June should celebrate the Queens Jubilee displaying red, white and blue flowers from the Thursday before, including displays at the RBL, Frensham Village Shop and at Dockenfield Day. On 5th June Rev Jane wished to hold a family communion service at St Mary's at 10.30 am and asked for PCC approval to move the service from the Good Shepherd to St Mary's as the Queen is patron of our church. Approval was given.
- Following the PCC discussions at the last meeting, two banners promoting Dockenfield: Coffee Stop were now in use to promote the Friday morning events.
- Preparations for the Gordian Knot plays, to be performed during June, were well underway with lighting, scenery, rehearsals, dance sessions, recording announcements, lighting, costumes and photographs for the press and writing articles. Tickets were selling well online and an insert went into the PM, plus posters and banners were to be displayed from the beginning of June. The PCC agreed a donation be made as Hilary requested, amount or percentage to be agreed at the next PCC meeting, to support Ukraine. The PCC were also making final arrangements for the catering, raffle and bar.
- Preparations for the Church burger stall at the Frensham Fayre, also in June, were also well underway.
- The current list of Sidespersons was reviewed and it was agreed that more needed to be recruited. Jon Savage was updating the list of duties involved.
- Preparations for Rev'd Jane's sabbatical were discussed and a schedule was produced advising cover for various duties.

13th July 2022 at St Mary's Church Hall

- PCC discussion took place regarding the Parish Needs Process (PNP) introduced by the Diocese. This is a new approach asking the parish what we need and offering help to us from the Diocesan resources, all part of Transforming Church, Transforming Lives (TCTL). The Diocese have stated they want to work with us, from the 'bottom to the top', and will send Mission Enablers to help, so a series of meetings will be held with various members of the PCC commencing in September and continuing over several months.
- Planning commenced for our revised Church Development Plan (CDP) and meetings to be held between Revd Jane, our Mission Enabler and members of the PCC.
- Plans to update the Frensham Churches website began. Target date for the new website is March 2023.
- The Gordian Knot murder/mystery plays took place and were very much enjoyed. PCC member Hilary Lee-Corbin wrote, produced and directed the event and PCC members assisted with scenery, lighting, electrics, catering, ticketing, raffle etc. It was held over four nights and audience numbers were good, over 70 attended on the Friday, and some people travelled a distance to be there. Huge thanks to Hilary and all those who were involved in raising over £5,700, a tremendous amount of money for the benefit of the churches, with a donation also made to the DEC Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal
- The agreement for hiring St Mary's church hall or the Good Shepherd needed to be updated and all those who regularly hire the halls need to sign the new agreement.
- The PCC gave their approval for Katherine Weavil to become Foundation Governor at St Mary's School.
- Discussion took place regarding ordering additional chairs and cupboards for the Good Shepherd. The new chairs are a huge success and it was agreed that it would be excellent if we could obtain another twenty at an approximate cost of £5,000 to make the Good Shepherd fully functional so we do not have to move chairs from St Mary's for the larger events such as Harvest Supper.

- The Exploring Christianity talks on 3rd Sunday each month introduced by Richard Walker are proving very popular and he suggests we link the talks with specific charities which could attract more people, specifically those who support those particular charities. Various charities were discussed including Phyllis Tuckwell, Guildford Action (supporting the homeless and those in need in Guildford), Alton Women's Refuge as well as supporting St Mary's. Rev'd Jane suggested we continue supporting Phyllis Tuckwell and Guildford Action this year as the brochures for the talks have already been printed, and review the matter as part of our CDP for next year. All agreed. Vote of thanks to Richard for organising the talks.
- Possible Listing of The Church of the Good Shepherd : If it were Listed we could claim back VAT on purchases. The PCC discussed whether it would be sensible to apply for Listing to assist with big ticket purchases/work which are needed where reclaiming the VAT could be attractive – items such as replacing the windows which will require attention in the future, fitting the cupboards and any other projects that may be considered. This matter to be considered further – ongoing.
- The arrangements/cover for Rev'd Jane's sabbatical were discussed and a contact sheet circulated so that the PCC were fully aware who to contact. This was Rev'd Jane's last meeting before her 3½ month absence.
- The PCC reviewed the success of the Gordian Knot plays which raised £4,503 from ticket sales and donations, bar sales of £690 and Raffle ticket sales of £513.50 – a total income of £5,730.50, tremendous results.

28 September 2022 at the Good Shepherd

- The PCC agreed that a plaque commemorating the refurbishment of the bells at St Mary's should be commissioned and the details were discussed.
- The PCC gave their approval to repairs which were needed to the roof gulley at the Good Shepherd as it sloped in the wrong direction and after heavy rainfall the rainwater was pooling.
- The organisers of the Arts and Crafts weekend at the Good Shepherd in October asked the PCC for permission for them to change the light bulbs as the existing lights were not bright enough. It was agreed that we ask them to sign an undertaking that they will be responsible for their actions and agreeing the church will be restored to its former condition after the event.
- The new website was discussed, specifically the inclusion of a static calendar, and Jon Savage with Richard Walker were working on this and other elements in conjunction with our Webmaster, Malcolm Corbin.
- Risk Assessments were discussed and several were needed to keep our records up to date.
- Jon Savage advised all PCC members were required to undertake additional online training on Child and Adult Abuse and this took place over the following weeks.
- Discussion took place regarding Harvest Festival Food Donations for The Vine Centre which was struggling to cope with the demand from families in need. Karen requested that tinned or dried food donated for the Harvest Festival be shared between The Vine Centre, Woodlarks and the Food Bank. Karen agreed to put a notice in the PM about the desperate need of The Vine Centre and give Jenny Parsons wording to be included in the weekly newsletter.
- In Rev'd Jane's absence the PCC reacted to the sad passing on 8th September of Queen Elizabeth II, our Patron, by preparing a Book of Condolence at St Mary's accompanied by candles, flowers and a photograph of Her Majesty. The Sunday services were adapted to commemorate her and those who attended felt comfort.
- At the end of September various PCC members attended a Diocesan meeting looking at "Transforming Church, Transforming Lives" which was launched in 2016 and originally had 12 goals. Now there are three – Growing Disciples, Growing Community, Growing Diversity. The Diversity aspect refers to trying to reach out to everyone, from children through to the elderly. Growing Community looks at the needs of the local community and also the care of the earth and resources. Currently in Frensham we are growing disciples via Alpha courses, Forum, concerts, and we do a lot in the community through the mother and toddler group, Exploring Christianity talks, entries in the PM. Regarding diversity, Rev'd Jane regularly takes assemblies at More House and is keen to talk about Confirmation to the boys and is keen to reinstate her "Open The Book" sessions at St Mary's school.
- Discussion took place regarding Hall Bookings and whether a separate charge could be added to cover increased heating costs. To be considered and discussed at the next PCC meeting.

23 November 2022 at the Good Shepherd

This was the first PCC meeting since Rev'd Jane returned from her sabbatical.

- During Rev'd Jane's sabbatical we were fortunate to have very good cover for most of the church services but there were occasions when cover could not be found and PCC members assisted to ensure services could proceed.
- The Harvest Supper was held on Friday 7th October, organised by members of the PCC and others, and it was a huge success and raised nearly £900. The theme for the Harvest Festival service was "Feed the Hungry of the World" which fitted well with the sermon and the PCC agreed that donations at this service be passed to Tearfund.
- The Arts and Crafts weekend at the Good Shepherd in October was organised by a special committee which included members of the PCC. The event was extremely well organised and very well supported by those in the local community and from further afield. The weekend was praised for highlighting a wonderful range of arts and crafts produced locally and it is hoped the event will be repeated in 2024.
- Following on from the Arts and Crafts weekend which raised funds for the benefit of the Good Shepherd, discussion took place regarding improving the lighting and wiring in general as additional lighting had to be brought in to illuminate the arts and crafts items displayed. Other remedial works under consideration include repairing the leak above the Reredos and repairing loss of mortar between the roof and the wall due to bat activity and also the installation of a hearing loop, and the provision of AV equipment and speakers.
- The PCC agreed the Good Shepherd should join the Council scheme to register it as a "Warm Hub" and free soup plus a roll are available to those in need on Friday mornings between 12 and 1pm, following on from Coffee Stop: Dockenfield.
- The PCC arranged for donations collected at Christmas services to be shared equally between our churches, the Alton's Women's Refuge (Local), The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity (National) and Médecins Sans Frontières (International).

Valerie Chadney
PCC Secretary

7. Financial Review

Please see the Financial Statement.

8. Reserves policy

Please see the Financial Statement.

9. Fabric Report

St Mary's

St Mary's remains in good overall condition with only minor regular maintenance required during the year. Of particular note for major works was the repair to the stone boundary wall and the restoration and rehanging of the bells, both of which were conducted with great skill and seamlessly completed. I am not aware of any further remedial works required to make good for either of these projects.

Minor works at St Mary's Church have been:

- Repair toilet cistern
- Temporary repair and then replacement of mixer tap in kitchen
- Replacement of faulty halogen light in church
- Repair to porch light
- Temporary repair and subsequent permanent repair to tin valley on hall roof. The latter has raised the level of fall at the end of valley so water should no longer collect in this area.
- Repairs made to outside tap and the Graveyard shed has had its felt roof replaced.

Regular Servicing

- Fire Extinguishers
- Fire Alarm testing
- Boiler service

Notes for 2023

- Quintennial inspection is due next year I believe, so an action for myself & Rev Jane to review findings from last report.
- Chancel repairs: I have obtained one quote to remove existing plaster to 1m high and replace with a breathable lime plaster / paint. Cost estimated at £6,276. I will aim to obtain a comparable quote in the near term, although historic building specialists are rather elusive.
- Replacement of Vestry door lock has been agreed once all keyholders have been identified.

The Church of the Good Shepherd

The Good Shepherd has required little regular maintenance with only a minor repair to the kitchen loft hatch and replacement light bulbs.

Of more concern are the pending repairs required to the chancel roof lead valley and the Vestry floor / cupboards following the burst water main in the vestry lost just before Christmas. Both of which I am in the process of obtaining quotes for.

Regular Servicing

- Fire Extinguishers
- Vulcana Gas Heaters

Notes for 2023

- Quintennial inspection is due next year I believe, so an action for myself & Rev Jane to review findings from last report.
- Quotes required to make good on the Vestry floor/cupboards and lead valley to roof.
- Some tile replacements and further investigation to main roof ridge where a further leak detected.
- Investigate woodworm in internal roof structure.

Finally, I would just like to mention Brian King and Chris Mitchley who as ever kindly take care of many of the minor repairs to both churches. Thank you, gentlemen!

Tim Merricks
Fabric Committee

10. Farnham Deanery Synod

Farnham Deanery Synod had planned to meet on four occasions in 2021 (January, April, July and November), but external events had an impact on the programme. Five meetings were eventually held and brief details of each follow. The first meeting of the year was held on Tuesday 8 February at St James' Church in Rowledge. The first agenda item was a review of how parishes and congregations continued to deal with, and be challenged by, the COVID pandemic. Many of the issues mentioned at the final meeting in 2021 were still affecting attendance. Parishes were:

- making arrangements to manage seating and spacing;
- distributing information and service sheets, in hard copy or electronically to those unable to attend or still unsure about attending in person;
- continuing with on-line participation options.

The second topic was the Deanery Strategy document and the formation of a leadership team. Development of the draft Work Programme for 2022-2023 issued at the previous meeting was paused because of the launch of the Parish Needs Process (PNP) and the resignation of the Area Dean. Work on the Deanery website was similarly paused.

The meeting closed with a presentation to the Revd Jane Walker, Vicar of Frensham, and Area Dean for the past six years.

The second meeting took place at All Saints' Church in Crondall on Wednesday 27 April. The Archdeacon of Surrey, the Ven Paul Davies, attended on this occasion, as the first item on the agenda was the licensing of the Revd Richard Bodle, Vicar of Hindhead and Churt, as the new Area Dean. The second topic was the forthcoming Diocesan Mission Enabler Team event in July (see below).

The third agenda item was the Archdeacon's talk on the structure and purpose of Deanery Synods as a leadership resource and knowledge base between the Diocese and parishes. He mentioned: new housing developments and opportunities for mission; challenges facing small rural parishes; collaborative efforts amongst parishes to generate an effective outcome that would be difficult, if not impossible, if undertaken in isolation; and mutual support. This was followed by group discussion.

The third meeting was due to take place on Saturday 16 July but, because of a 'Growing in Partnership' event already planned for the Deanery at Hindhead on Tuesday 5 July, this meeting was cancelled. On 5 July, the Rt Revd Dr Jo Bailey Wells, Bishop of Dorking, introduced the revised Transforming Church, Transforming Lives (TCTL) framework and the Diocesan Mission Enabler Team then outlined the PNP as a mechanism for embedding TCTL in the parishes. Various speakers then highlighted particular aspects of TCTL and how parishes could implement them in their local settings by adjusting and refining their Church Development Plans (CDPs).

The Deanery PNP Vision/Strategy Day was due to take place on Saturday 10 September at Bordon, but it was cancelled because of the death of Her Late Majesty The Queen. It was then rearranged for Tuesday 27 September at St Mark's Church in Upper Hale. The Diocesan Mission Enabler Team facilitated small group discussions to review CDPs and identify strengths and omissions in delivering TCTL.

The final meeting of the year took place at the Church of St John the Evangelist in Churt on Thursday 10 November. The only topic on the agenda was further reflection on the benefits of PNP and progress by parishes on the preparation needed to achieve the milestones on the Deanery timeline into the first quarter of 2023.

The three-year term of the present Deanery Synod comes to an end at the next round of Annual Parochial Church Meetings, which have to be held by 31 May 2023. Parishes are encouraged to fill their allocation of members as detailed in the Deanery Synod Handbook (page 8). Future meeting dates would be announced once the first evolution of PNP in the Deanery had been completed.

Mark Williams
Farnham Deanery Synod

11. Frensham Parochial Charity Trust

The report from Frensham Parochial Charity Trust covers the period 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022. During the year the charity had an income of £2,663.49 and an expenditure of £2,800.00. The balance in hand was £592.51.

The Trustees met on 27 October 2021 and agreed a distribution of £700 to each Parish and Frensham spent this money by a combination of vouchers in the village shop and grants to parishioners in need.

On 9 November 2022 the Trustees met and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes of £700. In Frensham, the majority of this was used in the form of vouchers at the village shop for the parishioners, a contribution towards the hardship fund, the lunch club and Tea at 3.

Nicholas Harris
Hon. Secretary

12. Hire of Buildings

St Mary's Church Hall

The church hall continues to be well used for Marriage prep, Forum, Tea@3, Alpha Courses, Organ Recitals, three Yoga classes, three evenings of wreath making, catering for funerals and Exploring Christianity talks.

The Good Shepherd, Dockenfield

Various events and classes have taken place in Dockenfield, ie two pilates classes, the Arts & Crafts Festival, Harvest Supper, family parties, plays and Cherubs.

13. Music

2022 started with an Epiphany service on the evening of 2nd January with a choir of 8 singers socially distanced in the chancel – well done the Frensham Octet!

January was a difficult month for me! I was in hospital for a hernia operation followed by a period of recovery which included a couple of weeks with Covid. I was very grateful for those members of the choir who stepped in and covered my enforced absence – especially Alyson Paterson, Andrew Elliott, Rosie Thayer and Catherine Hadfield.

By the end of February we were almost back to normal with a full choir singing at rehearsals and services and me not too uncomfortable!

In addition to the Sunday morning services, we sang Choral evensong in February, March, July and August. There was a special Sunday morning service to mark the Platinum Celebration of our late Queen Elizabeth at which we sang “All people that on earth do dwell” and “O taste and see” by Vaughan Williams and “Zadock the Priest” by Handel – all music that was sung at her Coronation.

In April the choir sang at Colin Semper’s funeral service which included “Jesu, joy of man’s desiring” by J S Bach and “The Lord bless you and keep you” by John Rutter. The service ended with the powerful hymn, “Hills of the North, rejoice” – the last verse of which is:

Shout as you journey on, songs be in every mouth, lo, from the North they come, from East and West and South; in Jesus all shall find their rest, in him the sons of earth are blest.”

The choir sang at 3 weddings during the year one of which included “All you need is love” accompanied by a string trio!

In November, we sang “And I saw a new heaven” by Malcolm Archer at the All Soul’s Service” and “We will remember them” by David Ogden at the Service of Remembrance. On Advent Sunday evening we sang a service of readings and music based on the Four Last Things: Death, Judgment, Hell and Heaven. The service included “Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts” by Henry Purcell and the beautiful anthem, “E’en so Lord Jesus, quickly come” by Paul Manz.

It was a great joy to be able to have the service of Lessons and Carols for Christmas in the church again after the previous 2 years outside in the cold!! It was particularly pleasing for me to be able to include in the service Philip Stopford’s carol, “I wonder as I wander” – a piece that I had been wanting to perform for about 9 years and which, for copyright reasons, had not been allowed to be published.

During the year we welcomed Christine Scholes into the choir soprano section – it has been great to have her singing with us!

My thanks also to Ian Black who, despite living and singing in Upper Froyle, frequently makes the journey over to Frensham to be our tenor section.

I would like to thank Rev Jane for her support and wisdom, Barbara Potter for sorting music after we have used it, Aly Patterson for her musical wisdom and both Aly and Mark Brown for conducting when I have been playing the organ. I am very grateful that Andrew Elliott has been able to play the organ when I have had Sundays away.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the choir for their dedication, their musicianship and their friendship. St Mary’s Choir is a very special group of people and long may it continue to sing God’s praise in Frensham.

St Mary’s Organ

The organ has been used throughout the year for Sunday services, weddings and funerals, for recitals and concerts.

There has been a number of frustratingly intermittent electrical faults with the organ and we are gradually finding the causes and eliminating them.

The series of lunchtime organ recitals on the 3rd Tuesday of each month has continued through the year and there is a small but faithful number of regular attenders.

This year our guest organists have included: Geoff Tuson (Aldershot), Alan Rapley (Woking), Mark Brafield (Dorking), Anthony Gritten (R.A.M.), Richard Pearce (BBC), Tim Ravalde (Chichester Cathedral), Claudia Grinnell (Winchester Cathedral), Carl Jackson (Hampton Court Palace) & Richard Moore (Guildford Cathedral)

So, if you are free on a Tuesday lunchtime and would like homemade soup and bread at 12:00 followed at 13:00 by a recital of organ music, old and new, played on St Mary's fine organ, do come along. There is no charge for admission, but donations to cover the series expenses are most welcome.

The organ is maintained by Andrew Cooper (Andrew Cooper & Co Organ Builders Ltd) based at Ryde on the Isle of Wight. They come to tune and maintain the organ at least twice a year. Extra visits can be requested if a major fault arises.

There has been a number of frustratingly intermittent electrical faults with the organ. We have identified the cause of these faults and there has not been a repetition since Andrew Cooper's last visit.

There is also a maintenance contract for the organ blower and humidifier. This is carried out by Watkins & Watson Ltd who attend once a year.

I believe the organ in St Mary's to be a marvellous instrument and it continues to be a source of great joy to me.

Mike Smith
Organist

14. The Vine Centre, Aldershot

Firstly, I would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who has continued to support The Vine Centre with donations throughout 2022.

Throughout 2022 The Vine Centre remained as busy as ever and continued with its vital work of reducing social isolation, enabling change and improving the quality of life for many people through the many different services it provides. These include:

- **The Community Cupboard** - this is more than just a food bank. It is about reducing waste and tackling food poverty in the community and not only provides food but also gives people access to a full range of other services including support with budgeting. The Community Cupboard also provided holiday lunch packs to 120 children each week during the summer holidays in 2022.
- **The Culture Cafe** - celebrated its one year anniversary on 17th August 2022. It provides a welcoming place for people to meet up and to get to know each other, to learn new skills and to take part in many different activities. It also offers Barista training which opens up opportunities for people to work in coffee shops, restaurants and hotels. The Culture Cafe was also a '**Cosy Hub**' in the winter months where people met and kept warm with a hot drink or soup.
- **The 'Cooking with Confidence' and 'No Waste Cooking' courses** teach people how to cook cheap, healthy and simple meals and they also provide people with employment skills
- **GASP - Gambling, Alcohol & Substance Misuse Support Group**
- **Anger Management** - it teaches people how to understand the triggers and to develop techniques to cope.
- **Therapeutic Art classes** - these are creative sessions which are held each week using different themes to help people express their feelings and to improve their mental health
- **Mental Health Support** - on a 1:1 basis with a trained Mental Health worker
- **Military Support** - 1:1 mental health, addiction and anger management support to members of the Armed Forces (serving, veterans and their dependents)
- **My Helping Hand** - supports individuals who want to improve or develop their digital, literacy or numeracy skills

- **My Space** - provides help with CV writing, job applications, digital skills and interview preparation
- **Silvers** - this is a weekly group for the over 55s aiming to reduce social isolation with a place to meet others and to get involved with new activities
- **Christmas Gift Bags** - 2022 ended once again with your wonderful Christmas gift bags totalling over 120 which was absolutely fantastic. The gift bags were given to adults and children of all ages and they were very much appreciated by all those who received them at such a difficult time of year for many people.
'NEVER underestimate the DIFFERENCE you made and the lives you touched. Thank you'

Please continue to support The Vine Centre during 2023 which will be another very difficult year for many people and remember to look out for my updates each month in the Parish Magazine.

Finally, I would like to thank the Frensham Village Shop for their continued support for The Vine Centre. There is a 'Vine Centre' box in the shop where you can buy and leave your donations. You can also leave your donations in the Vine Centre basket at the crossing in St Mary's Church.

Karen Nockels

PCC Member & The Vine Centre Ambassador

14. Parish Friends

Parish Friends (PF) continue to support the residents of Frensham and Dockenfield by keeping in contact with neighbours, transporting those needing help for vaccinations, boosters and regular hospital appointments and collecting pharmacy items or supporting those recovering from illness at home. PFs also visit newcomers to the villages taking a Parish Magazine, a Welcome Booklet and a Frensham Village Shop bag-for-life voucher. With the increase in property transactions locally, there was a need to print a further 30 updated Welcome Booklets in the autumn of 2022. In addition, with increasing numbers of baptisms in the churches there was a need to print further baptism anniversary cards. These are sent to the child on the anniversary of their baptism for the first four years. Each child has a PF assigned to them at baptism, who then takes on the responsibility of sending these cards.

2022 saw few changes to the list of PFs although two have stood down as we move into 2023. We thank Jill Murray for 25 years of service and also Vicki Hinde. There is a plan to replace one of them but there are now a few areas with no dedicated individual. This is something to be worked on in 2023. The full list of PFs with their local telephone numbers and the areas they cover are published monthly in the Frensham Parish Magazine yellow pages. PFs meet at least twice a year to cover regular business, collect baptism anniversary cards to send and to make contact and discuss any concerns or areas of worry.

The February meeting was well-attended and contained a presentation from our local GP Dr Lesley Rosling who opened a discussion on the impact of COVID-19. She considered the subject from both the physical health and mental health perspectives and the resulting discussion was open and interesting with great participation from PFs. We thank Lesley for taking time out of her busy schedule to spend time with us.

In October, the team met at St Mary's to conduct regular business and distribute the annual Harvest Produce and flowers in the form of jam-jar posies. These were taken to parishioners by their PFs, with the excess donated to The Vine Centre in Aldershot. It was also agreed that PFs would again distribute income from the Frensham Parochial Charitable Trust in the form of Village Shop vouchers to some parishioners at Christmas, on behalf of the Vicar.

Claire Hughes

Parish Friends Co-ordinator

Morag James

Parish Friends Chairman

15. Parish Magazine

The editorial content of the parish magazine continues to fill up quickly each month, sometimes giving us a problem (but a good one!) as to which articles should have priority. Our rule of thumb is that local events take precedence and that we only advertise charity functions in the editorial pages, directing businesses to Liz Pollard who deals with commercial advertising.

We try to keep most articles to around one page of the magazine, with one or two longer ones each month and are fortunate in having regular contributors who send us interesting and varied pieces.

We are, as always, grateful to the rest of the team: Mayonne Coldicott (subscriptions and distribution), Liz Pollard (commercial adverts), the distributors, contributors - and, of course, to our readers.

Philippa Hall & Penny Garrard
Co-Editors

Parish Magazine Financial Report

In 2022, subscription numbers remained fairly constant. There are pockets in the Parish, particularly of new housing, where we seem to have few subscribers. If the primary purpose of the magazine is to involve residents in local activities, both church and secular, it would be good to try to increase take-up in these areas.

More people are now paying by bank transfer. In 2022, the cover price was unchanged at £1 (or £10 for 12 copies on subscription). Income totalled £4,333 from sales, (£14 less than in 2021), and included c.£100 from a 50/50 share of over-the-counter sales made through Frensham Village Shop.

Advertising income was £4,009, a healthy 17% increase on 2021, and a great tribute to Liz Pollard's work as our Advertising Manager.

With the price of paper increasing sharply during the year, printing costs increased to £5,407. A review was carried out comparing prices with other local printers. There being very little difference, the decision was made to continue with DG Printers in Alton who give us such excellent service.

Postage costs for our 'out of parish' subscribers came to £132, but we are reimbursed by them for 2nd class postage. Overall in 2022 there was a healthy net surplus of £2,803.

My colleagues on the Magazine Team are a great group to work with. Philippa and Penny have a tough job editing the monthly magazine with so many disparate articles and bits of information to place; Liz's work enables us to keep the price down, and Jill Billings, our Treasurer, remains good humoured when asked for yet more information.

But all this would go nowhere without the Distributors. There are 36 people actively involved in getting the magazines into homes each month. Their least-favourite task is encouraging the tardy to pay their subs! For this, and the foot-slogging, they deserve our special thanks.

Mayonne Coldicott
Parish Magazine Distribution Manager

Parish Magazine Commercial Advertising

We gained 13 new advertisers in 2022 which has been encouraging. In the autumn when renewal emails for 2023 went out rates were increased for all advert sizes by 7%, which will help with increased costs. Eight advertisers did not renew though none cited the price increase as a reason. Hands of Rowledge on the back cover was one of these, we are sorry to see them go but happily we had others waiting to take that space. We do have a few spaces now on the yellow pages but hopefully they will not take long to fill!

Liz Pollard
Parish Magazine Commercial Advertising

16. Safeguarding Report

I am pleased to report that there have been no 'Safeguarding Issues' in 2022.

Disclosure & Barring (DBS) renewals and Safeguarding Training refreshes are a continuing exercise.

There has been a significant change in policy by the Church of England:

- DBS Checks are now to be done every 3yrs instead of 5yrs.
- Safeguarding Training to be re-taken every 3yrs instead of 5yrs.
- Bellringers and Side Persons are now required to take Safeguarding training.
- PCC Members are now required to be DBS checked and take Safeguarding training.

I can report that all our volunteers are up to date* with their Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checks and Safeguarding Training requirements. The following table gives an overview of the number of volunteers involved; as at 4Mar23.

Note that:

1. DBS checks and Safeguarding training is every 3 years.
2. Not all volunteer roles require DBS and/or Safeguarding training. It depends on their involvement with our Church activities.

Total number of Volunteers in scope for:	PCC Members	Parish Friends	Bell Ringers	Side Persons	Others	TOTAL
DBS checks	15	17	2	0	2	36
Safeguarding training	15	17	14	19	3	68

DBS Checks in 2022	8
Safeguarding Training undertaken in 2022:	
Awareness	2
Foundation	6
Leadership	1
Safer Recruitment	0
Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse	3

These numbers exclude our Vicar Jane, who is administered by the Diocese and is up to date with all the above.

**They were up to date prior to the new CofE rule late 2022; Parishes are advised to not panic and gradually apply the 3yr rule as time permits.*

Jon Savage
Parish Safeguarding Officer
safeguarding@frenshamchurches.org.uk

17. St Mary's Frensham Bell Ringers

I am pleased to report that we rang for the 10:30am services throughout the year and were able to ring for many of the 'first Sunday' evening services too, as well as Weddings. Our practices have continued on Monday evenings and we have held occasional practices at other times.

During the year we have had 3 successful Peal attempts and 6 successful Quarter Peal attempts. The Peals have been rung by mostly (but not solely) visiting ringers, and the Quarter Peals have involved several Frensham ringers and regular visitors.

The ringing and flag Protocols relating to the death and funeral of HM The Queen, and the Proclamation of HM the King, in September exercised us both mentally and physically as they required Paul, Stuart and I to muffle and unmuffle bells several times as well as sometimes flying the Union Jack at full-mast and sometimes at half-mast. We were very anxious to ensure we abided by the Protocols. Fully muffled bells are generally only rung on the death of a Monarch, so most of us had not heard ringing in this way before; it was quite 'atmospheric'.

As is usual, the Union Jack and the Diocesan Flag were flown from the top of the Tower on appropriate dates during the year, but the Protocol relating to the Queen's death and funeral prevented us flying the RAF Ensign to commemorate Battle of Britain Day and Sunday in September.

Our new recruits are progressing extremely well, but we always welcome anyone else with an interest in ringing to visit us. None of the ringers are getting any younger!

We held our AGM in Holy Week on 11th April and the following officers were elected :

Tower Captain	Harry Glover	Tower Keeper	Paul Marshall
Deputy Tower Captain	Paul Little	Assistant Tower Keeper	John Davis
Secretary	Paul Little	Junior Tower Keeper	Stuart Marshall
Treasurer	David Munro	PCC Representative	Steve Winget

The major event of the year relating to the bells was the 'once-in-fifty-years' overhaul at Taylor's Bellfoundry in Loughborough. Preparatory work was carried out by ringers over the Christmas / New Year period, and removal of the bells started on 10th January 2022 after which they were transported to the Foundry.

Whilst the bells were at the Foundry several ringers and other interested parishioners visited the Foundry to see work in progress. The bells were returned to Frensham on 18th March and placed in the ringing room in readiness for the re-dedication service conducted by the Right Revd Dr Jo Bailey Wells, The Bishop of Dorking, and the Revd. Jane. During the service No.7 bell, which hitherto had no dedication (it being cast in 1658 during the Cromwell era) Bishop Jo announced that from henceforth it would be dedicated to Harry Glover; I was gobsmacked! The bells were re-hung in the belfry, by ringers supervised by Taylor's bellhanger.

The total cost of the work was £25,620 funded by generous donations from Frensham Village Fayre, the Frensham Village Shop 'Give Back' initiative, Friends of Frensham Churches, the Guildford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers Bell Restoration Fund, the Central Council of Church Bell Ringers, and the Sharpe Trust, together with anonymous donations and fundraising events organised by the bell ringers.

Harry Glover
Tower Captain

18. Goods and Ornaments 2022

Goods and ornaments are in good order for both churches. Last year the priest's vestments at The Good Shepherd were in such poor condition due to damp and age, that the decision was made by the PCC that the priest would wear a simple alb with a stole to match the season and so the chasubles and old stoles were discarded. Revd Jane firstly used her own stoles, but then offered gladly pay for more arts and crafts stoles to match the church arts and crafts theme. This is yet to be done due to time constraints caused by my taking a sabbatical. It will be addressed in 2023.

Four items of silver from St Mary's continue to be lodged in the Guildford Cathedral Treasury, comprising flagon, paten, chalice and salver. These were used again in 2022 at Easter and Christmas and I am very grateful to Morag James and Pat Telfer for obtaining them from the cathedral and returning them.

Churchyards

St Mary's – I am very grateful to David Millais, John Davis and our dedicated team of volunteer gardeners who help to maintain the 2 acres of churchyard.

Thanks also to Brian King and Chris Mitchley cutting all the hedges and for their general maintenance of the site. Chris Mitchley has continued to move tonnes of soil from the end of the churchyard to fill in holes/low areas throughout the churchyard. The bonfire heap has now been moved to this area. My thanks to David Millais for both servicing and replacing the battery on the ride on mower at his expense and to all the team leaders who generously supply the fuel for the machines.

The Good Shepherd – my thanks to Rob Cregreen and the team who carry out the mowing throughout the year (and also supply the fuel for the mower) as well as cut and trim the hedges in September. The wildflower meadow continues to develop naturally and it really flourished and provided much enjoyment, with some rare flowers and interesting insects. The bulb garden also is gradually settling and it would be great to plant more bulbs in 2023 as this brings much colour and vibrance to the churchyard.

Jane Walker
Vicar

19. Report of the Parish Priest for the year Jan-Dec 2022

This report is a comprehensive appraisal of the practical and spiritual life of the church for the year Jan- Dec 2022. Our strategic mission, pastoral ministry and worship of the Trinitarian God for the Benefice of Frensham in 2022 continues to be underpinned by the vision of Guildford Diocese's 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives' which is linked with the National Church of England vision and strategy work, and contains three broad groups: Growing disciples, growing community, and growing diversity.

These three groups are underpinned by the five marks of mission in the Anglican communion which are:

1. To proclaim the Good News of God's Kingdom
2. To teach, preach and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Introduction

Whereas 2021 was been a rollercoaster of a year trying to work toward health recovery and a 'new normal', 2022 has been a year to give thanks that we have largely come through the Covid-19 pandemic with times of great celebration and togetherness. Whilst the churches' year has not been without its challenges, not least my 3 ½ month sabbatical from the parish (which meant much more work by our Church Warden, Parish Administrator and the PCC) and the immense impact of the death of our patron, the Queen; nevertheless areas of growth and discipleship have happened. We have continued to consider the aims in our existing Church Development Plan as a basis for ministry and mission in 2022, with the understanding that it will be updated with the Diocesan Parish Needs Process for 2023.

The CDP aims we have in place are:

1. Communication to the wider public in the Benefice - Continue improving relationships with council and other local groups.
2. Organise a whole church vision day
3. Send invitations for people to join in prayer – develop a prayer group.
4. Fill church vacancies
5. Develop projects making the church more visible in the community
6. Invite more people to services and courses. Start a programme of inviting those who come for baptisms, marriages and funerals to Alpha courses or other spiritual/ worship courses or events. Focus and connecting with new people and making it easier for them to attend church in different ways.
7. Grow the family friendly services
8. Development of healing ministry

Growing Disciples: an appraisal of CDP 3, 6, 7, 8

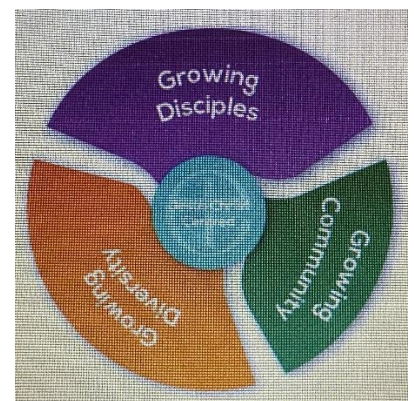
Growing disciples is about proclaiming the Good News of God's Kingdom in worship, teaching preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey, and responding to human need in loving pastoral care.

Regarding worship:

The Church has rejoiced in 2022 in that we were able to return to 'normal' with regard to the church services. Mask wearing became optional, respecting those who still felt the need to wear masks. Social distancing also became optional with respect for those who felt the need to maintain social distancing. However, the cleansing of hands with alcoholic gel was still encouraged to reduce contamination of bacteria and viruses, which were still very prevalent. Following a unanimous PCC vote, we have kept the Holy Communion to be by Priest Intinction, which is the safest way for people, including those who are vulnerable with regard to health, to receive the whole communion with a much reduced possibility of spreading virulent bugs.

The only service which has not restarted this year is the Family Breakfast, but I hope to start this in 2023.

The said evening prayer service on the third Sunday of the month which started up in 2021 following a request from Richard Walker and a group from Rowledge has now changed to a simple monthly talk on famous Christians followed by refreshments. I am grateful to Richard, Lesley Voice and Roy Waight for organising



this.

I am hugely grateful to Mike Smith and the choir who, have continued to sing for all the main services and have enhanced the worship of God greatly.

I am very grateful to all sides-persons, sacristans and chalice bearers who have enabled the services to run smoothly, now that we are less restricted.

I am truly grateful to Peter James for organising the Remembrance services this year. Due to continued insurance restrictions, we could not be by the Frensham memorial again this year but had the service on the green. With larger crowds at the main church service than last year, it was a resounding success as we also remembered those of the commonwealth who died, and who had not previously been mentioned. These people will now be remembered each year.

This year, due to the death of the Queen, while I was away on Sabbatical, Rev'd Andrew Smith who was covering some of the services for me, together with Church Warden Richard Walker, Barbara Potter and Pat Telfer organised not only the special prayers and services needed, but also the necessary responses by Frensham Churches, for whom the Queen was patron. A letter of condolence was sent to the King to which we received a most gracious reply.

The Advent carol service inside the church whose focus was the 'Four Last Things – Death, Judgement, Hell and Heaven' was very prayerful. It was well attended and people said it was spiritually moving and thought provoking.

The Christingle service was very enjoyable and carefully interactive considering the restrictions. But numbers were again very low in comparison to 'normal' years. I feel personal invitation and better publicity would enhance numbers and serve the families of our Benefice more effectively going forward. It may also be more beneficial to hold this at the Church of the Good Shepherd and we will test this next year.

The outdoor 'Carols at the Royal British Legion' were actually indoors again! Although better attended this year, we must have more publicity to make this a more effective yearly community/church event.

The 'Christmas Carol' service at St Mary's Church was packed this year! We decided to go the whole hog, and do a very traditional 9 lessons and carols, which were thoroughly enjoyed by all. My thanks Mike and the choir whose playing and singing were amazing. My thanks to all the readers and everyone who helped set up and tidy up afterwards.

The crib services were held in both churches this year with better numbers than last year. Again, I feel personal invitation and better publicity would enhance numbers and serve the families of our Benefice more effectively.

The Christmas Day service with the focus of a 'New Mexican Wave of Light, Love and Peace' was a total 'sell-out'! I totally underestimated how many people might come and so we ran out of service sheets, and the two sides-persons Eunice King and David Millais were run off their feet and had to enlist others to help with the collection. We will be better prepared next year and have 4 sides-persons on duty.

Throughout this year, I continue to give thanks for the commitment and dedication of my verger Barbara Potter, the sacristans, the sidesmen and Jean Shephard's care of the fine linens, without whom worship couldn't happen to such a high standard. I give thanks also to Harry Glover and all the bell ringers who have worked so hard this year with regard to the refurbishment of the bells and also brought great joy by calling people to worship throughout 2022.

Just at the end of the year after a week of severe frosts before Christmas, in the thaw we had a flood from the insulated roof of the vestry at the Church of the Good Shepherd which caused the loss of much of the communion linen, the silk burses, veils and collection bags as well as the altar frontal for Easter and Christmas. The old chest and the toy wardrobe were also too badly damaged to be recovered and had to be disposed of. The parquet flooring was also too badly damaged to be recovered, but thankfully as it soaked up most of the water, it then did not enter the church and so the main church flooring remains intact and unaffected. As this is an on-going insurance situation, all these will be replaced once the flood situation has been completely rectified. Overall, worship at the Church of the Good Shepherd was not affected.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding worship:

3: We have not developed prayer groups this year due to me being away for 3 ½ months and others coping with this and the death of the Queen. Depending on when the CDP will be updated and no doubt changed, prayer groups may or may not occur in 2023.

7: We have not developed the family services this year due to me being away for 3 ½ months and having no-one else who could take this on. It is my aim that these restart in 2023.

Regarding teaching, preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey:

This year there has been much teaching through the forum which has occurred face-to-face with the help and organising by Jon Savage, for which I am hugely grateful. The diversity in which we study and learn is great and includes Bible Study, politics, environmental subjects, other faiths, hobbies, experiences and many other interesting topics.

We started our first Alpha course in September in person in St Mary's Church Hall which was well attended and much appreciated by both the church goers and new people who were exploring about faith. Thank you especially to Jon Savage who has done all the administration for the Alpha Course. Thank you to Barbara Potter for helping me with the cooking and Cheryl Savage for being our 'washer-upper.' We are looking forward to starting another course in Spring 2023.

This year the Lent course was the Church of England's 'Living in Love and Faith' course and was attended very well. It was a challenging course looking at all manner of relationships and how we might learn about diverse relationships and address the challenges we face. Everyone engaged very well with it and got a lot out of it for their faith and thoughts about being church.

In preaching throughout the year, I have continued to convey the love of God for all God's children, welcoming those of all faiths and none by being inclusive and sticking to our progressive mission statements of 'creating an environment where God's love gets through', 'meeting people where they are at', and 'walking together in God's love.' New people have started attending regularly at both churches and so I believe the message of God's Good News in Jesus Christ is getting through.

This year I started going back into St Mary's School and More House School on a regular basis. It has been a joy and privilege. Unfortunately, I could not get the Open the Book team back together so this will be a project for 2023. Thus far due to being away on sabbatical and a change of the headteacher at Edgeborough School, I have been unable to join with them as yet – this will occur in Spring 2023

Those at St Mary's school received an Easter book again this year.

Cherubs parent and toddler group started up again in September at Dockenfield every Thursday in term time and has been steadily growing. There have been times when we have had 28 children! I am very grateful to Fiona Ricketts for her help each week.

Regarding nurture: I particularly thank Morag James my Pastoral Assistant for her continued and devoted service with regard to weddings and baptisms and pastoral care. I am also thankful for the Parish Friends who keep in contact with Baptism families for 5 years following a baptism and send a card each year on the anniversary.

In 2022, we baptised 1 adult and 3 children.

In 2022 we were able to marry 5 couples and conduct 1 marriage blessing. I am truly grateful for the support I have from both Barbara Potter and Morag James with marriage preparation, which is always a big learning curve for our couples who are quite affected by the depth of teaching that occurs and the guidance and support we give them.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding teaching, preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey:

6: Whilst we have invited people to Alpha courses and various services, we haven't yet linked this to weddings, baptisms and funerals. Although our parish administrator Jenny Parsons started in spring 2022 which was a very busy first year for her, we have yet to add this to her list of duties but will do so for 2023.

Regarding responding to human need in loving pastoral care:

2022 was a much more pastorally satisfying year for me, as I was able to return to people's homes for general visits, home communions, and to give support during illness, end of life care and bereavement. In 2022 I conducted 6 funerals and 2 memorial services. I also interred the ashes of 9 people.

I am greatly appreciative of Morag James, Claire Hughes and the Parish friends who are my eyes and ears in the ground and who have visited and cared for the people in their streets/area over this year. Many have particularly helped with transport to hospital and other appointments as well as getting food or medicine supplies. This parochial service is unique to our villages and invaluable for the coherent pastoral care of our parishioners and I give thanks for you all.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding responding to human need in loving pastoral care:

8: We have not restarted the healing services in 2022 due to me being away for 3 ½ months and no-one else could develop this. These healing services may or may not occur in 2023, depending on the new CDP.

Growing Community: an appraisal of CDP 1, 2, 4, 5

Growing community is not only about growing the church community but also specifically about how the church is part of, and interacts with, its' local community. So, it is about responding to local need by giving loving and prayerful service where required, as well as helping to transform unjust structures of society, challenging violence of every kind, whilst pursuing peace and reconciliation through our prayers, intentions and actions.

Regarding growing the church community:

Growing the church community involves having the right people and management structures in place that positively enable more people to come to Church, in order that they can be transformed by the loving power of the Trinitarian God and to learn how to be a Christian by walking together with other Christians. In order to continue giving glory to God, which is the primary function of both the church buildings, it also means we need adequate funds to keep the churches open, with all necessary DBS and Safeguarding policies and measures in place, together with health and safety measures and guidelines, and with satisfactory care of the church fabric, in place to keep everything running smoothly and effectively.

Right people: Richard Walker stepped up to be Church Warden in April 2022 and has done a sterling job in his first year, which has been particularly challenging due to my sabbatical and the Queen's death.

We were also blessed to have Jenny Parsons to come on board as our Parish Administrator.

I am grateful to Mrs Val Chadney, our PCC secretary, for all she does regard the PCC meetings and much more.

Regarding Deanery and Diocesan Synod: Esther Van Rooyen remains as our only Deanery representative, so we still have two vacancies for Deanery and one for Diocesan Synods. Thank you, Esther.

On a practical level, we still need more readers, intercessors, sidesmen, flower persons and gardeners.

Adequate funds: Over the last year overall there has been less expenditure as the churches were closed for some time, but finances were still very tight as attendance in the congregation has been slow to pick up. However, with people changing over to planned giving and using the yellow envelopes wherein we can collect gift aid, together with the financial gifts of hugely generous people, we were able to pay our Parish share again this year. Huge thanks to Karen Nockels our planned giving officer and Jill Billings our treasurer. Her careful budgeting, advice and monitoring have been essential to keep us on track, and her inspired development of a new way of liaising with other Parochial treasurers for the auditing of our church finances has taken the pressure off of continually having to find new accountants willing to do this. This is a great move which has helped other parishes as well.

I appreciate greatly the huge effort that Barbara Potter and her daughter Ruth made to make and sell Christmas wreaths which raised a superb amount for church funds, as well as the Christmas Stall she had at Coffee Stop, Dockenfield. Barbara, together with Karen Nockels, also usually manages the hall lettings which also bring in income for the general church funds, but these have also been limited this year due to the late opening of the Church of the Good Shepherd and people doing their lessons on-line. Thank you to all.

Church fabric: Eunice very kindly completed the health and safety checks with Tim Merricks, Brian King and Chris Mitchley in March 2021. This needed assessing again in March 2022, but didn't get done until March 2023 for a variety of reasons. We are truly so grateful particularly to Tim, Chris and Brian who have simply 'pottered on' doing many

repairs and general maintenance in both churches which have kept us both healthy and safe. Please see fabric report for details.

We are also very grateful for the Friends of Frensham Churches who have pledged money for new chairs in the Church of the Good Shepherd as well as the bell restoration fund. Thank you to Roger Holmes and the trustees.

Regarding interacting with the local community:

The great church/RBL/community partnership which is the village lunch continued vibrantly throughout 2022. Barbara Potter and I coordinate the buying of the food and the cooking of the meals as Barbara has a level 2 food hygiene and handling certificate, and we are used to cooking for large quantities of people. Huge thanks to Rosemary Faun and Zena Locke for all their help with food preparation and on the day. We have been congratulated on the high standard and generosity of our cooking. Huge thanks must go to Pam Watmore particularly, who has pioneered this community project, and to all the volunteers who help with cooking, preparing the RBL, handling the money, serving, washing up and clearing up. We are very much looking forward to growing this service into 2023.



'Coffee Stop, Dockenfield' which was pioneered by Barbara Potter has continued to go from strength to strength and certainly achieved its remit of village sociability as well as making the church more known and enjoyed. It continues every Friday morning from 10am – 12pm, in the Church of the Good Shepherd, with its road-side banners flapping well. It has continued to increase local and other peoples' knowledge of the church building itself, which is so beautiful. It continues to bring in well needed funds into the church which should enable it to stay open for the foreseeable future. I give grateful thanks for Barbara's pioneering of and commitment to this and to all those who help make it happen each week.

Our strong links with the Vine Centre in Aldershot have continued by the superb efforts of Karen Nockels our Vine Centre ambassador throughout this Covid ordeal. I am truly grateful for her passion for supporting this essential charity and her commitment to conveying all the provisions given by church and village. It is a joy to do special projects which specifically help The Vine with their specific needs and the relationship between us has grown stronger over the many years we have been linked. We were again able to provide more than usual Christmas Bags which were gratefully accepted by all who received them. Thank you to everyone who provided the bags filled with goodies as well as essentials.

Karen Nockels has continued to connect us with the Ahmadiyya Muslims at Tilford as well, and we have had a few lovely visits to Islamabad – one for the celebration of the Queen's platinum jubilee which was most enjoyable.

This year again we were still able to help parishioners who are in poverty through the generosity of the Frensham Parochial Trust. I am grateful to Nick Harris as secretary of this Trust, who enables the distribution of funds. I also give grateful thanks to Morag James and the Parish friends who helped distribute the funds in the form of Christmas vouchers which can be used in the village shop.

Regarding communications with the community: Our newly revamped Parish Magazine has gone down very well with those who receive it. All are liking the different covers each month which tie in with both the ecclesiastical and natural season and encourage people to send in new photos. I am truly grateful for all the hard work that Philippa Hall and Penny Garrard give as editors for the Parish Magazine, also Mayonne Coldicott our administrator and organiser of distribution, Liz Pollard our Advertisement organiser, and all who deliver magazines.

Whilst DNL is not affiliated in any way to the church as is civically funded by Dockenfield council, I am very grateful to Michael Foster for entering in the information both myself and Eunice King have submitted to him for publication this year.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding 1, 2, 4, 5

1: Communication has much improved between the church and local councils, especially Dockenfield Parish Council due to the ongoing concerns about keeping the church open. In the future we will continue to be proactive in this area

as the bilateral sharing of information has reduced barriers, prejudices and judgements for all involved. It would be good to be more connected with Frensham Parish Council as well, but this has not been able to happen this year.

2: Due to the complexities of coming out of Covid restrictions we haven't yet been able to organise a whole church vision day, which I believe would greatly enhance the coherence of the body of Christ, the Church, by giving all the church information globally regarding what we do, *and* who does what. I believe refreshment of our vision statements needs to occur together with a strengthening of their Spiritual purpose. We must address this in 2023 with the new CDP.

4: We are still very much in need of people to fill the many vacancies.

5: We have had huge success 'melding' with our community this year which has been a joy for all.

Growing Diversity: an appraisal of CDP 2,6

Growing diversity can be understood in many ways: firstly, it could be about enabling people of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender to come and be part of being church. Secondly, it could link with the 5th mark of mission of the Anglican church: to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth – so could apply ecologically to us as church. Thirdly, it could apply to growing our links and assistance for those charities that are and work beyond our borders, but that we can help none-the-less. In order to grow diversity, we do need to bring this big topic into our church vision overall.

Enabling people of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender to come and be part of being church: Apart from our totally inclusive strap line of 'welcoming people of all faith and none', which we do, we actually don't have many people come to the church of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender at present.

As the family services have not started back up yet, we don't have many young children in church coming with their parents. Although we have good access for those perhaps less able with mobility, we don't have hardly any people attend services or activities in wheelchairs or mobility aids, but we have everything in place to make access and egress easier. At present we only have one lady of different ethnicity and none of different sexuality and gender attending church. This may be due to a number of factors due to the area in which we live, perceptions about the church (possibly too traditional?) and its Christian culture, etc. The 'Living in Love and Faith Course' which I did as a Lent Course, started to open up discussions about the diversity of relationships. It would be healthy to include this in firstly in our PCC vision day when that occurs in 2023, but also in our whole church vision day when that occurs.

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth:

This year, after discussions with the church gardeners, we let virtually the whole of the back of St Mary's graveyard go to meadow for the sake of the environment and to increase diversity of species as well as bees and butterflies. It was a resounding success ecologically although I did get a few complaints from people who had come from afar to see their loved one's graves. After compassionate but explanatory correspondence this was all resolved.

The only concern is how much work it took to bring it all back into control for the winter. The gardeners worked so very hard as we came to winter. We rather urgently need more volunteer gardeners as many of our very faithful and long-working members are needing to step back for a variety of reasons. Thank you all so very much for all your hard work.

We also let the church yard at Dockenfield go to meadow in a designated pattern (guided by Dan Bosence) for a second year and this also reaped results with many more orchids and other species flowering this year. Thanks to Rob Cregeen and his team who do the mowing and especially for bringing all the hedges in control in September.

Links and assistance for those charities that are and work beyond our borders:

Despite the limitations of the pandemic, we were still able to support those beyond our borders with the help of St Mary's Frensham Trust. I am thankful to David Millais, the Chair of this trust as well as all the Trustees for their continued commitment and management of this Trust which gives grants every year to charities which are local, national and international. Please see the St Mary's Frensham Trust report for more details. I am also grateful to those on the church electoral roll who nominated the charities and gave us information concerning them. It is a joy that we have the confidence to be able to do this year after year, despite economic or pandemic difficulties.

Our links with Christian Aid have been continued by Susanna Millais who is our Christian Aid ambassador and became Farnham regional coordinator this year. My wholehearted thanks to Susanna who keeps us informed of the yearly vision and focus, together with the support we can give and actions required.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding 2, 6

2: Due to restrictions we haven't been able to organise a whole church vision day, which would greatly help us to enlarge our consciousness of growing diversity. This is a key area to develop going forward.

6: Once our parish administrator has truly settled in post, we could start to invite different individuals and groups to the church to improve the level of diversity within our churches.

Conclusion

In conclusion I believe the Benefice of Frensham and its churches together have done remarkably well in 2022, considering the challenges of

- being without their regular incumbent for 3 ½ months and coping with different priests for each service,
- having a new Church Warden and a new Parish Administrator,
- coping with the death of our Patron, The Queen, whilst I was away on Sabbatical.

But even with all this we have actually achieved far more than I thought was possible between church and community and with regard to the CDP aims. We have also paid our Parish Share to the Diocese.

We have continued to *'create an environment where God's love can get through'*, we have continued to pray to God and praise God throughout in many and diverse ways, and we have *'walked together'* with the local communities developing and adapting our ways whilst walking in God's love, supported and inspired by the example and integrity of Jesus Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

I reiterate my thanks and appreciation on behalf of the entire PCC for the amazing team effort to **all** those who have participated in:

- safeguarding and DBS
- compiling and distribution of the parish magazine
- education and the Forum
- Cherubs
- the Parish Friends system
- 'Coffee Stop, Dockenfield'
- The Village lunch
- Tea@3
- the continued support of The Vine
- St Mary's Frensham Trust
- Frensham Parochial Trust
- Friends of Frensham Churches
- Christian Aid
- the Beat the Bounds sponsored walk
- Remembrance Sunday
- Bell ringing and care of the church tower
- the wreath making
- the Christingle services
- the Advent and Christmas carol services
- the crib services
- the care of the church finances,
- the care of church buildings and their contents
- the care of the Church of the Good Shepherd churchyard and St Mary's graveyard.
- The care of the church flowers in both churches
- The care of the kneelers and church linen.

Thank you all so very much.

We do have still more challenges going forward which particularly include the need to fill the volunteer vacancies for another church warden, sides-persons and sacristans, and gardeners. I am confident we will meet each of these challenges in the faith, hope and love that God gives us. Thank You and God bless you all.

Yours in Christ
Reverend Jane Walker
Vicar of the Benefice of Frensham
April 2023

Approved by the PCC on Wednesday 29th March 2023

Signed :

Date : 29th March 2023

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

Vicar – The Reverend Jane Walker

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
Frensham
is a registered charity number 1173223

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

Nicholas O'Brien 7/3/23

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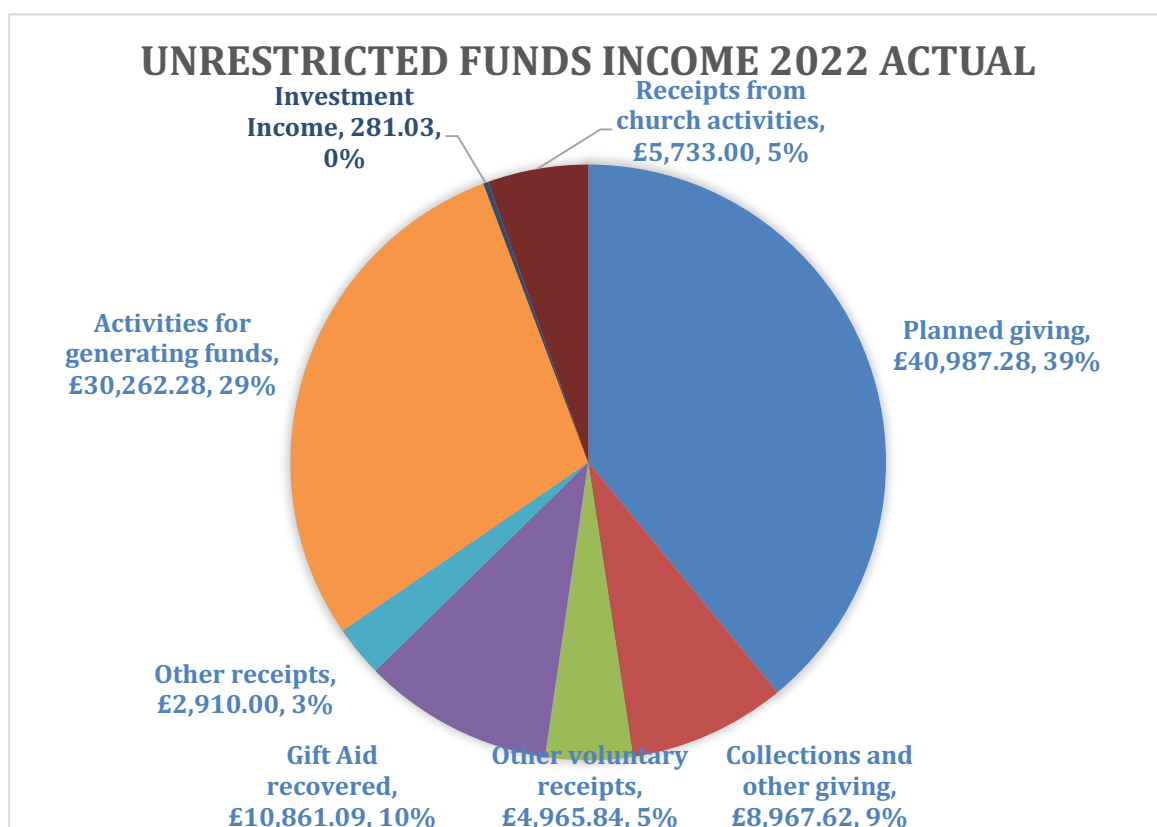
Frensham Parochial Church Council Annual Reports 2022

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This report together with the attached schedules comprises the financial statements for Frensham Parochial Church Council (PCC) for 2022. The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and within the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, and they have been prepared under FRS102(2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The charts shown below show an analysis of our Unrestricted Funds Income and Expenditure in 2022



Overall income recorded under Unrestricted Funds was 31% above the budgeted figure for 2022, and 30% above 2021 results.

Our profile of giving and voluntary receipts continued to change due to COVID-19 restrictions being lifted, planned giving up by £7,647, a 23% increase year on year. We continued to see strong credit card donations and increases in loose plate collection of 70% year on year.

Easy Fundraising continued to provide a healthy income stream in 2022, and achieved £673, a 43% growth year on year.

Our fundraising efforts received a real boost this year, with the Gordion Knot Plays in the spring, followed by Frensham Fayre, the Harvest supper then the Arts and Crafts exhibition ending the year with Wreath making, all of which helped towards us making a small surplus in the year.

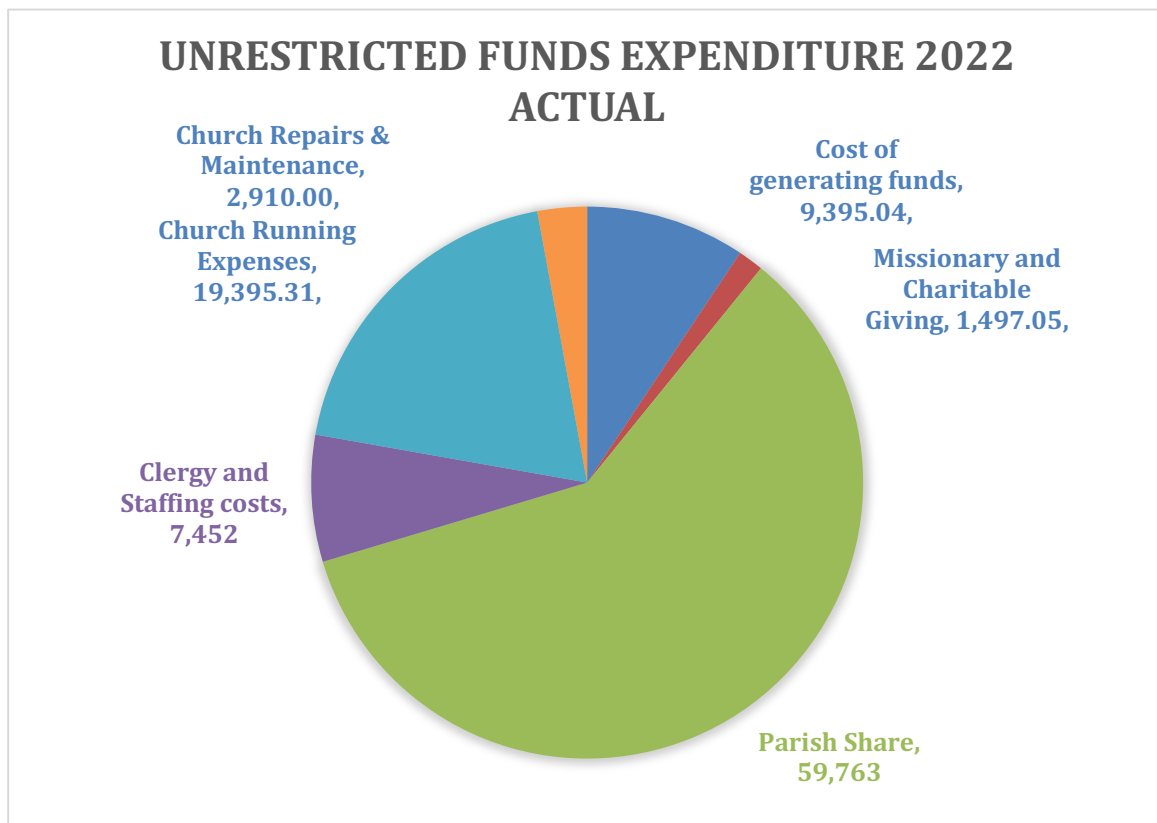
The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has continued to be very successful raising £2,026 In 2022, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2021 at £3,443 – up 132%!

Parish Magazine income rallied in 2022, increasing by £555 year on year, however this was offset by the increase in printing costs, due to the rise in paper costs.

Our total income from Activities for Generating Funds was £30,262, nearly double that of 2021.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £21,826 of which £16,408 related to the Bells Refurbishment Fund and £1,280 to the Organ Fund, £3,000 to the Good Shepherd Chairs fund and £1,270 to the fabric fund. £132 is a movement on the Agency Fund.



£67,215 (2021 - £59,893) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan

parish share of £59,763 (2021 - £55,555); In addition, Other Ministry Costs increased by 72% from 2021, well attended Alpha courses ran and a parish administrator was engaged. There were also additional costs due to Rev Jane Walker being on Sabbatical for 3 months. The underlying running costs of the church were £19,395, 42% up from 2021.

£25,531 was expended from restricted funds. The main components of the amount shown under restricted funds resources expended are as follows:

Bells Refurbishment –	£ 22,074
Depreciation – Fixed Assets	£ 3,585

Net movement in unrestricted funds is a surplus of £4,556 net movement in designated funds was a surplus of £1,274 and the net movement in restricted funds resulted is a deficit of £3,467. After taking into account balances brought forward, the balances carried forward on all funds are in surplus. However, it should be noted that future depreciation costs will be deducted from the relevant funds going forward.

Reserves

Reserves held reflect three different objectives:

- a) Restricted funds are funds which have been given the PCC for a specific purpose and which are held pending disbursement in accordance with the mandate for which they were given.
- b) Designated funds are unrestricted fund money the PCC has decided to put aside in other funds for use in the future. The money is 'designated' for these particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds are still unrestricted and can be moved to other general funds (redesignated or undesignated) if the PCC so decides.
- c) Unrestricted funds reflect the accumulated unspent net income: these funds are held for prudence in providing a buffer to meet unusual or exceptional needs.

Details of the reserves held are set in note 6 to the Financial Statements. There are no funds in deficit.

Volunteers

I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow and Hugh Evans) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, especially with the catering for the Arts and Crafts Exhibition and the Gordion Knot plays as well as her wreath making course at Christmas.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a third year, and the rest of our

“circle of Guildford Diocese treasurers” to perform this essential service for one another, in an independent manner at zero cost to each of our Parochial Church Councils.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The members of the PCC, who are trustees of the charity for the purposes of charity law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees’ Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, regulations and accounting standards.

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Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2022

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E	Other Receipts	2(e)	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
	TOTAL INCOME		104,968	-	21,826	126,794	100,092
	EXPENDITURE						
F	Church activities	3(a)	91,017	(1,274)	24,631	114,374	85,334
G	Raising funds	3(b)	9,395	-	900	10,295	5,434
H	Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		100,412	(1,274)	25,531	124,669	90,768
	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		4,556	1,274	(3,705)	2,125	9,324
I	TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	-
	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		4,556	1,274	(3,705)	2,125	9,324
	Total funds brought forward	6	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	117,966
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Total funds carried forward	6	61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290

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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

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FIXED ASSETS						
J Tangible fixed assets	4	1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
K Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
CURRENT ASSETS						
L Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	4,914	-	238	5,152	7,969
P Stock		-			-	-
N Short-term deposits		3,032	20,000	-	23,184	23,032
M Cash at bank and in hand		59,108	11,479	11,942	82,378	86,902
		67,054	31,479	12,180	110,714	117,903
LIABILITIES						
O Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	7,829	-	248	8,077	11,207
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		59,225	31,479	11,932	102,636	106,695
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
PARISH FUNDS		61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Mrs Val Chadney (PCC Secretary)

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Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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

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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years
- Good Shepherd Chairs	15 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	40,987	-	926	41,913	35,054
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	7,187	-	354	7,541	6,592
Non Recurring Grants	2,000	-	18,618	20,618	13,471
Legacies	1,500	-	-	1,500	-
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	3,246	-	1,090	4,336	10,134
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,861	-	-	10,861	10,475
	65,782	-	20,988	86,770	75,726
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	16,000	-	838	16,838	5,100
Church Bookstall - sales	150	-	-	150	147
Cherubs toddler group	293	-	-	293	175
Coffee Stop	2,036	-	-	2,036	1,375
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	3,443	-	-	3,443	1,483
Parish Magazine (sales)	-	-	-	-	4,347
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	8,342	-	-	8,342	3,440
	30,262	-	838	31,100	16,066
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	281	-	-	281	15
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	1,100
Other (see notes below)	2,910	-	-	2,910	100
	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
Total Incoming resources	104,968	-	21,826	126,794	100,092

Notes:

Other Receipts - Insurance claim for boundary wall

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	1,497	-	200	1,697	380
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	59,763	-	-	59,763	55,555
Other ministry costs	2,055	-	(15)	2,040	1,668
Church running and maintenance	18,121	(1,274)	768	17,615	13,310
Major repairs	2,910	-	20,994	23,904	8,875
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	2,685	3,319	2,974
Education, parish training & mission	968	-	-	968	910
Churchyard upkeep	379	-	-	379	249
Church hall running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	3,708	-	-	3,708	824
Bank charges	982	-	0	982	588
	91,017	(1,274)	24,631	114,374	85,334
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	3,856	-	900	4,756	299
Parish magazine costs	5,539	-	-	5,539	5,135
	9,395	-	900	10,295	5,434
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	100,412	(1,274)	25,531	124,669	90,768

Notes:

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2022	43,991
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	9,502
	At 31 December 2022	53,493
Depreciation	At 1 January 2022	23,396
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	3,319
	At 31 December 2022	26,714
Net book value 31 December 2022		26,778
Net book value 31 December 2021		20,595

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	2,113	-	3,143	539
Prepayments	954	-	871	-
Other receivables	1,847	476	1,684	1,732
Total	4,914	476	5,698	2,271
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utility and other costs	2,122	-	1,536	-
Other creditors	5,706	248	5,610	4,062
Total	7,829	248	7,145	4,062
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	-	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last half of 2022.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £954 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £363 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2022, £482 and vicarage water rates £109

Other Receivables - £1,847 - Hall Hire £375, Funerals / Monuments £270, Wreath Making £454, coffee Stop £405, Other funds raised £328, Cherubs £5, Parish Magazine £10. Restricted Funds - £238, Organ Recitals.

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- £2,122 £2,110 utilities accruals for gas, based on actual invoices received in February 2023, £184 for broadband and £122 for water. (£293) electricity negative accrual (we are in credit)

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises:

Unrestricted funds - Parish Magazine advanced payments received for 2023 advertising £3,260 and 2023 subscriptions £407, Parish Administrator fees £216. Printing costs £38, Organ tuning £276, roofing repairs £342. Secular charity donations £868, sum up fees £7 and £292 Rev Jane expenses for 2 months.

Agency collections £248 comprises Diocese fees for weddings / funerals £59, Childrens Society Christingle donations £191, Guildford Action £85, Phyllis Tuckwell £78 and overpaid Organist Fees / Verger fees for Funeral (£165)

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
- The Community Fund (Designated) was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,261	1,270	-	-	3,531
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	11,350	-	(1,114)	-	10,236
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	13,611	1,270	(1,114)	-	13,767
St. Mary's Sound System	9,196	-	(1,148)	-	8,048
Organ Refurbishment	1,373	1,280	(900)	-	1,753
Bells Fund	8,576	16,408	(22,074)	-	2,910
Agency	(28)	(132)	128	-	(32)
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	6,233	3,000	(422)	-	8,811
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	40,546	21,826	(25,531)	-	36,841
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	1,274	-	1,383
Community Project	10,096	-	-	-	10,096
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	56,535	104,968	(100,412)	-	61,091
Total	127,286	126,794	(124,669)	-	129,411

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	4,914	-	238	5,152	7,969
Cash at bank and in hand	62,140	31,480	11,942	105,562	109,934
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(7,829)	-	(248)	(8,077)	(11,207)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290

8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2022

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

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Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

Nicholas O'Brien 7/3/23

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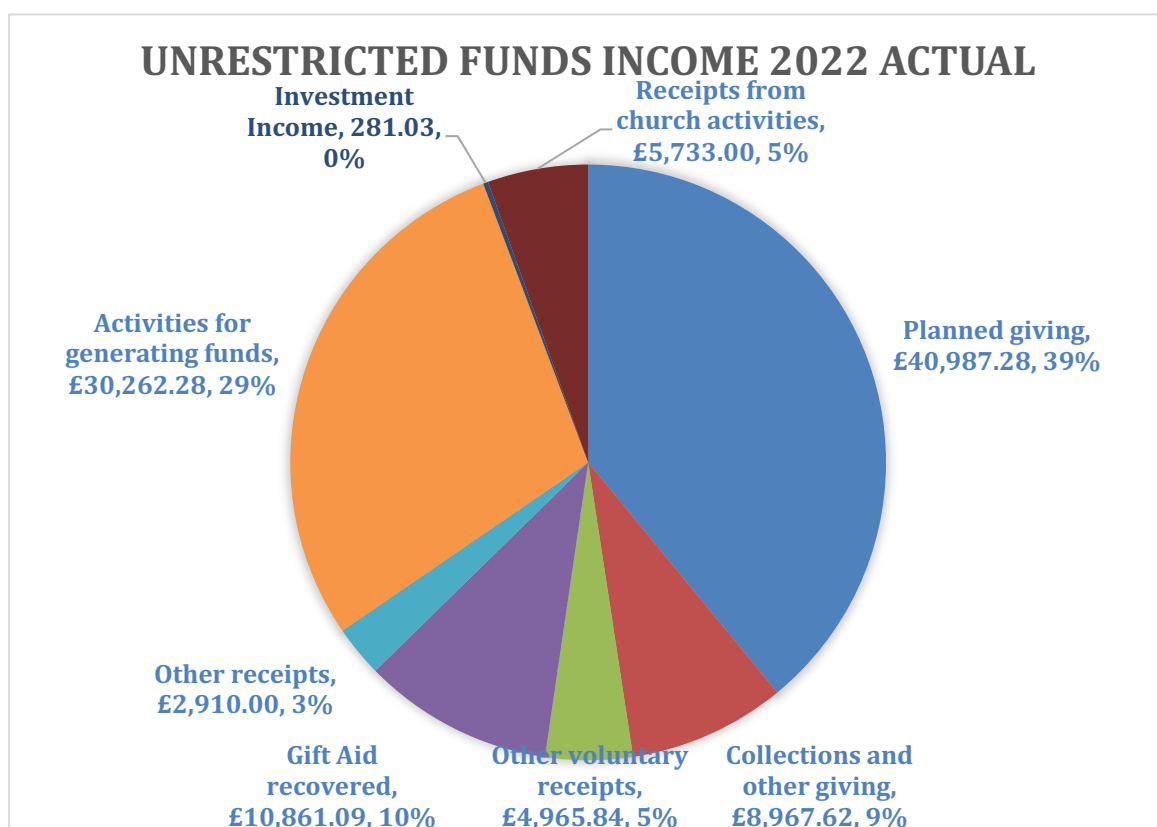
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This report together with the attached schedules comprises the financial statements for Frensham Parochial Church Council (PCC) for 2022. The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and within the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, and they have been prepared under FRS102(2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The charts shown below show an analysis of our Unrestricted Funds Income and Expenditure in 2022



Overall income recorded under Unrestricted Funds was 31% above the budgeted figure for 2022, and 30% above 2021 results.

Our profile of giving and voluntary receipts continued to change due to COVID-19 restrictions being lifted, planned giving up by £7,647, a 23% increase year on year. We continued to see strong credit card donations and increases in loose plate collection of 70% year on year.

Easy Fundraising continued to provide a healthy income stream in 2022, and achieved £673, a 43% growth year on year.

Our fundraising efforts received a real boost this year, with the Gordion Knot Plays in the spring, followed by Frensham Fayre, the Harvest supper then the Arts and Crafts exhibition ending the year with Wreath making, all of which helped towards us making a small surplus in the year.

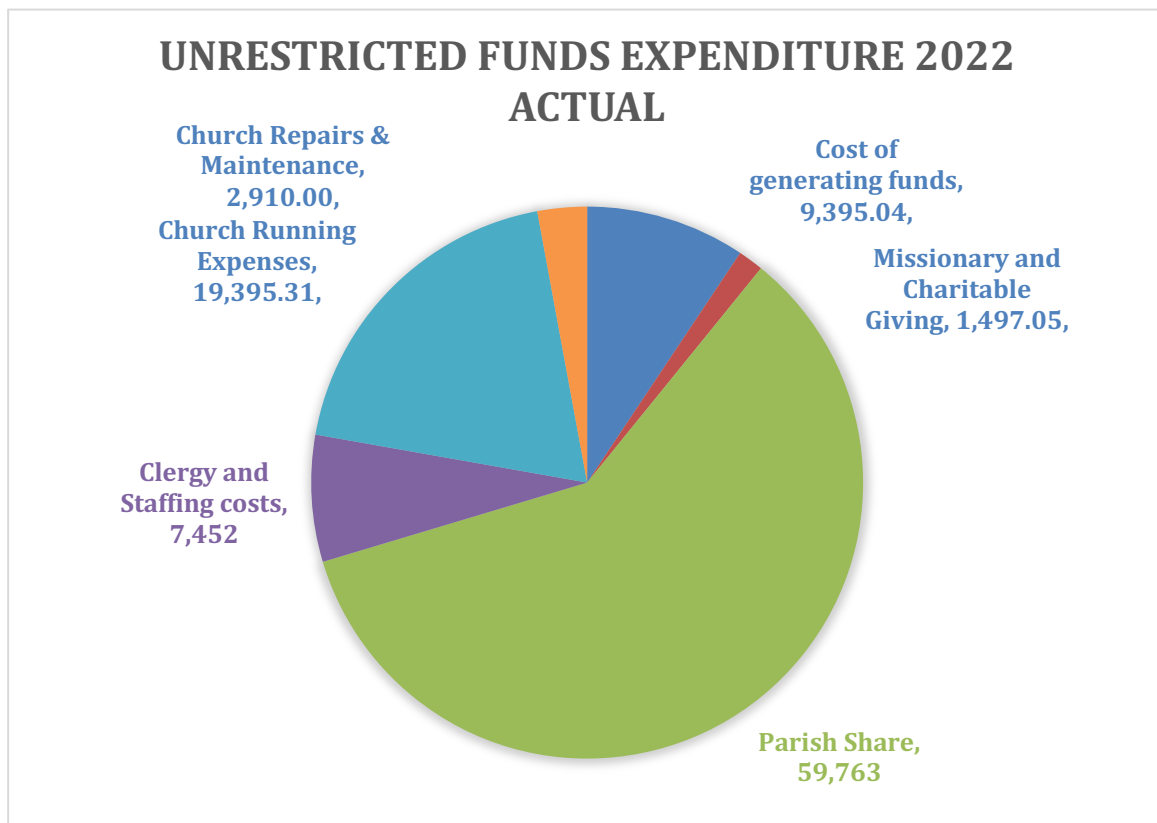
The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has continued to be very successful raising £2,026 In 2022, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2021 at £3,443 – up 132%! .

Parish Magazine income rallied in 2022, increasing by £555 year on year, however this was offset by the increase in printing costs, due to the rise in paper costs.

Our total income from Activities for Generating Funds was £30,262, nearly double that of 2021.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £21,826 of which £16,408 related to the Bells Refurbishment Fund and £1,280 to the Organ Fund, £3,000 to the Good Shepherd Chairs fund and £1,270 to the fabric fund. £132 is a movement on the Agency Fund.



£67,215 (2021 - £59,893) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan

parish share of £59,763 (2021 - £55,555); In addition, Other Ministry Costs increased by 72% from 2021, well attended Alpha courses ran and a parish administrator was engaged. There were also additional costs due to Rev Jane Walker being on Sabbatical for 3 months. The underlying running costs of the church were £19,395, 42% up from 2021.

£25,531 was expended from restricted funds. The main components of the amount shown under restricted funds resources expended are as follows:

Bells Refurbishment –	£ 22,074
Depreciation – Fixed Assets	£ 3,585

Net movement in unrestricted funds is a surplus of £4,556 net movement in designated funds was a surplus of £1,274 and the net movement in restricted funds resulted is a deficit of £3,467. After taking into account balances brought forward, the balances carried forward on all funds are in surplus. However, it should be noted that future depreciation costs will be deducted from the relevant funds going forward.

Reserves

Reserves held reflect three different objectives:

- a) Restricted funds are funds which have been given the PCC for a specific purpose and which are held pending disbursement in accordance with the mandate for which they were given.
- b) Designated funds are unrestricted fund money the PCC has decided to put aside in other funds for use in the future. The money is 'designated' for these particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds are still unrestricted and can be moved to other general funds (redesignated or undesignated) if the PCC so decides.
- c) Unrestricted funds reflect the accumulated unspent net income: these funds are held for prudence in providing a buffer to meet unusual or exceptional needs.

Details of the reserves held are set in note 6 to the Financial Statements. There are no funds in deficit.

Volunteers

I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow and Hugh Evans) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, especially with the catering for the Arts and Crafts Exhibition and the Gordion Knot plays as well as her wreath making course at Christmas.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a third year, and the rest of our

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	TOTAL INCOME		104,968	-	21,826	126,794	100,092
	EXPENDITURE						
F	Church activities	3(a)	91,017	(1,274)	24,631	114,374	85,334
G	Raising funds	3(b)	9,395	-	900	10,295	5,434
H	Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		100,412	(1,274)	25,531	124,669	90,768
	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		4,556	1,274	(3,705)	2,125	9,324
I	TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	-
	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		4,556	1,274	(3,705)	2,125	9,324
	Total funds brought forward	6	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	117,966
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	-	-	-	-	-
	Total funds carried forward	6	61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
FIXED ASSETS						
J Tangible fixed assets	4	1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
K Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
CURRENT ASSETS						
L Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	4,914	-	238	5,152	7,969
P Stock		-			-	-
N Short-term deposits		3,032	20,000	-	23,184	23,032
M Cash at bank and in hand		59,108	11,479	11,942	82,378	86,902
		67,054	31,479	12,180	110,714	117,903
LIABILITIES						
O Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	7,829	-	248	8,077	11,207
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		59,225	31,479	11,932	102,636	106,695
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
PARISH FUNDS		61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Mrs Val Chadney (PCC Secretary)

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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

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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years
- Good Shepherd Chairs	15 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	40,987	-	926	41,913	35,054
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	7,187	-	354	7,541	6,592
Non Recurring Grants	2,000	-	18,618	20,618	13,471
Legacies	1,500	-	-	1,500	-
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	3,246	-	1,090	4,336	10,134
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,861	-	-	10,861	10,475
	65,782	-	20,988	86,770	75,726
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	16,000	-	838	16,838	5,100
Church Bookstall - sales	150	-	-	150	147
Cherubs toddler group	293	-	-	293	175
Coffee Stop	2,036	-	-	2,036	1,375
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	3,443	-	-	3,443	1,483
Parish Magazine (sales)	-	-	-	-	4,347
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	8,342	-	-	8,342	3,440
	30,262	-	838	31,100	16,066
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	281	-	-	281	15
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	1,100
Other (see notes below)	2,910	-	-	2,910	100
	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
Total Incoming resources	104,968	-	21,826	126,794	100,092

Notes:

Other Receipts - Insurance claim for boundary wall

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	1,497	-	200	1,697	380
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	59,763	-	-	59,763	55,555
Other ministry costs	2,055	-	(15)	2,040	1,668
Church running and maintenance	18,121	(1,274)	768	17,615	13,310
Major repairs	2,910	-	20,994	23,904	8,875
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	2,685	3,319	2,974
Education, parish training & mission	968	-	-	968	910
Churchyard upkeep	379	-	-	379	249
Church hall running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	3,708	-	-	3,708	824
Bank charges	982	-	0	982	588
	91,017	(1,274)	24,631	114,374	85,334
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	3,856	-	900	4,756	299
Parish magazine costs	5,539	-	-	5,539	5,135
	9,395	-	900	10,295	5,434
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	100,412	(1,274)	25,531	124,669	90,768

Notes:

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2022	43,991
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	9,502
	At 31 December 2022	53,493
Depreciation	At 1 January 2022	23,396
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	3,319
	At 31 December 2022	26,714
Net book value 31 December 2022		26,778
Net book value 31 December 2021		20,595

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2022 £	Restricted Funds 2022 £	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	2,113	-	3,143	539
Prepayments	954	-	871	-
Other receivables	1,847	476	1,684	1,732
Total	4,914	476	5,698	2,271
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utility and other costs	2,122	-	1,536	-
Other creditors	5,706	248	5,610	4,062
Total	7,829	248	7,145	4,062
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	-	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last half of 2022.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £954 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £363 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2022, £482 and vicarage water rates £109

Other Receivables - £1,847 - Hall Hire £375, Funerals / Monuments £270, Wreath Making £454, coffee Stop £405, Other funds raised £328, Cherubs £5, Parish Magazine £10. Restricted Funds - £238, Organ Recitals.

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- £2,122 £2,110 utilities accruals for gas, based on actual invoices received in February 2023, £184 for broadband and £122 for water. (£293) electricity negative accrual (we are in credit)

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises:

Unrestricted funds - Parish Magazine advanced payments received for 2023 advertising £3,260 and 2023 subscriptions £407, Parish Administrator fees £216. Printing costs £38, Organ tuning £276, roofing repairs £342. Secular charity donations £868, sum up fees £7 and £292 Rev Jane expenses for 2 months.

Agency collections £248 comprises Diocese fees for weddings / funerals £59, Childrens Society Christingle donations £191, Guildford Action £85, Phyllis Tuckwell £78 and overpaid Organist Fees / Verger fees for Funeral (£165)

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
The Community Fund (Designated) was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,261	1,270	-	-	3,531
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	11,350	-	(1,114)	-	10,236
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	13,611	1,270	(1,114)	-	13,767
St. Mary's Sound System	9,196	-	(1,148)	-	8,048
Organ Refurbishment	1,373	1,280	(900)	-	1,753
Bells Fund	8,576	16,408	(22,074)	-	2,910
Agency	(28)	(132)	128	-	(32)
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	6,233	3,000	(422)	-	8,811
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	40,546	21,826	(25,531)	-	36,841
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	1,274	-	1,383
Community Project	10,096	-	-	-	10,096
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	56,535	104,968	(100,412)	-	61,091
Total	127,286	126,794	(124,669)	-	129,411

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	4,914	-	238	5,152	7,969
Cash at bank and in hand	62,140	31,480	11,942	105,562	109,934
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(7,829)	-	(248)	(8,077)	(11,207)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total	61,091	31,480	36,845	129,415	127,290

8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2022

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FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2021



1. Administrative information

The Benefice of Frensham incorporates St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield and is part of the Diocese of Guildford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Frensham, Surrey, GU10 3DT.

In 2017 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Its registered name is "The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham" and its registered number is 1173223. All members of the PCC are trustees of the charity.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2021 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent of the Benefice		
Revd. Jane Walker		
Wardens		
None		
Representatives on the Deanery Synod		
Mrs Esther Van Rooyen		Re-elected APCM 2022 - 24th April
Representative on St Mary's School Board of Governors		
Revd. Jane Walker		
Elected Members		
Mrs Val Chadney	Secretary	Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Jill Billings	Treasurer	Co-opted – 25 th April
Mr Max Hadfield		Standing Down APCM 2022
Mrs Morag James	Lay Pastoral Assistant	Re-elected APCM 2019 - 28th April
Mr Peter James		Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct
Dr Hilary Lee-Corbin		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Jill McKenzie		Standing Down APCM 2022
Mrs Karen Nockels		Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct
Mrs Barbara Potter		Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct
Mr Jon Savage		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mr Mike Smith		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 th April
Bankers		
	CAF Bank Ltd National Westminster Bank, Farnham Lloyds Bank, Farnham CCLA Investment Management Ltd (The CBF Church of England Funds)	
Independent Examiner	Nick O'Brien	Treasurer from St John the Evangelist, Milford

2. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

3. Aims and Purposes

Frensham PCC with the Incumbent, Revd Jane Walker has the responsibility to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical throughout the ecclesiastical parish. It also has maintenance responsibilities for St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield. As trustees of the Charitable Trust of the Benefice of Frensham, the purpose of each PCC member is to be responsible for the management, the running, the review, evaluation and reporting on the charity.

4. Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Churches and to become part of our parish community within the Benefice of Frensham. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout our parish, and our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year, our objective is to enable people to live out their faith through:

- Worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the Benefice
- Mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield.

5. Achievements and Performance

Report on the Electoral Roll for 2021

For the year 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2021, six (6) new names have been added to the Electoral Roll and four (4) deletions. The Electoral Roll currently has a total of one hundred and fourteen (114) names, forty three (43) of which are not resident in the Parish.

Mr Stuart Easton
Church Electoral Roll Officer

6. Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council

The PCC is the governing body of the Parish Church and it is made up of Members of the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church. There are five purposes of a PCC :

- To enable the Church to play its part in God's mission to his world
- To co-operate with the minister in sharing leadership
- To ensure legal compliance with charity law and ecclesiastical law
- To care for the buildings and Churchyard
- To be a channel of consultation within the wider Church

This year many topics were discussed and agreed by the PCC including the following:

During 2021 six meetings of the PCC took place, three via video conferencing, three in situ.

January 2021 – via video conference

- Harry Glover gave a presentation and proposal for refurbishment of the bells at St Mary's and it was agreed Harry should place an order with Taylors of Loughborough.
- Church services at both St Mary's and Good Shepherd were suspended from March 2020 and remained closed until further notice due to the Coronavirus pandemic, in line with Government advice.
- Mike Smith, Hilary Lee Corbin and Val Chadney were welcomed to the PCC as co-opted members, standing for election at the APCM on 25th April 2021.

- The production and publication of the weekly services on YouTube, which began in March 2020, continued and would remain until further notice.
- Jane announced her plans for a “Stations of the Cross” walk during Holy Week, similar to the Nativity Trail that took place at Christmas 2020.
- Karen reported that approximately 130 Christmas bags had been donated to The Vine, Aldershot, which was a tremendous effort.
- Eunice announced her resignation as Churchwarden and PCC member with effect from the APCM in April 2021. She would continue as Sidesman, Reader and Intercessor, and will continue to update the Log Book and Terriers for both churches.

March 2021 – via video conference

- Due to Eunice King’s resignation as Churchwarden in April 2021 she had arranged for her various responsibilities to be re-allocated – SM Graveyard (David Millais), GS Churchyard (Rob Creegan and Olly Griffiths), Mowers (John Davis), Insurance (Pat Telfer), Webmaster (Malcolm Corbin), Church Life (Hilary Lee-Corbin alongside Jon Savage).
- A new Independent Examiner was appointed, namely Nick O’Brien, Treasurer for St John the Evangelist, Milford.
- It was agreed a new wifi contactless payment device (Collectin) be installed at St Mary’s to accept donations for services, Holy Week and Easter Walk donations, payments for the Parish Magazine or booklet, etc, costs generously covered by Pat Telfer.
- Communication with schools recommenced following closure due to the pandemic.
- The Good Shepherd was re-opened as a polling station and full cleaning was needed to eradicate the mould due to damp conditions (the church had been closed and without heating on for months).
- Communication commenced with the Dockfield Parish Council regarding viability of the Good Shepherd as a church. This was, and still is, an ongoing matter of discussion.
- St Mary’s was open daily for private prayer from Palm Sunday and from Easter Sunday onwards it was open for Sunday services.
- The Parish Giving Scheme (PGS) went online, available for new donors only.
- The H&S policy was updated, and Risk Assessments prepared for the re-opening of St Mary’s and the Holy Week Easter Walk.
- Maintenance to St Mary’s was carried out replacing the quoin on the north west end of the church, and also the roof leak. PAT testing was deferred until 2022 due to lack of use. The site for the bonfire in the graveyard was moved away from the graves which involved shifting much soil and levelling the ground.
- Hilary suggested a fund raising event for June 2022 involving a Murder Mystery evening with dinner.
- Preparations were made for the APCM to be held on 25th April 2021 - reports etc being collated, notices displayed. Due to Covid restrictions it was decided to hold the APCM as part of the Sunday 10.30 am service.
- Bell refurbishment – it was agreed the bell refurbishment should include sand blasting and a graphite coating which would incur additional costs to the original quote.
- Rev Jane received commendation from the Archdeacon on behalf of the Diocese for achieving so much throughout the pandemic, particularly engagement with the community. Subsequently Rev Jane was approached by “Countryfile” and the TV crew filmed an interview with Rev Jane.

May 2021 – via video conference

- Following the resignation of Eunice King as Churchwarden, and no-one coming forward to replace her, Revd Jane announced how she could cope without any Churchwardens (there should be two Churchwardens for St Mary’s). Much thought had gone into Rev Jane’s planning and the PCC were satisfied that her solutions were sound.
- The Good Shepherd re-opened for services on 6th June 2021 and from July we reverted to our normal pattern of services with the exception of family breakfasts. It was good news regarding the bells at St Mary’s which started ringing again from 23rd May following easing of Covid restrictions.
- We did receive letters of complaint from one or two people who had placed artificial arrangements on graves at St Mary’s, which is against the rules, and who were unhappy when the offending items were removed. Revd Jane replied and sent copies of the regulations to clarify the situation.

- Hilary Lee-Corbin took over the production of Church Life which is emailed to those on the circulation list and which covers items of interest about Frensham and Dockenfield.

July 2021 – held at the Good Shepherd

- Rev Jane and Jon Savage announced they would be running three eleven week Alpha Courses, the first commencing on 6th September. The courses are being promoted by the Guildford Diocese and the leader is Nicky Gumbel who is an excellent speaker and who would make the sessions really interesting.
- The CollecTin which was installed at St Mary's has proved very successful and plans were discussed to install a second CollecTin at The Good Shepherd once Wifi was installed there.
- Due to continuing Covid restrictions, three pews at St Mary's were available daily for private prayer, and during church services masks were required and hand sanitisation available on entry. Sunday services continued to be recorded and relayed via YouTube. During Sunday services alternate pews were kept empty for social distancing, the choir were relocated to the chancel and Holy Communion conducted via intinction. Risk assessments were continually updated for services, weddings, baptisms and funerals, as required. The numbers attending weddings were no longer restricted from July but we continued to record names and contact details of those attending to enable track and trace.
- Plans were put in place to resume Tea@3 in September and the monthly Village Lunch at the Royal British Legion with effect from October.
- Coffee Stop:Dockenfield opened it's doors on Friday mornings, run by Barbara Potter, and now regularly has 25-30 people attending for coffee, cake and chat! A huge success. Round tables (café style) were purchased and Barbara has recruited a team of helpers to assist her making cakes, serving drinks etc.
- Plans were put in place to remove the pews from the Good Shepherd and replace them with comfortable and stylish wooden chairs which can be stacked and covered when not in use. A faculty needed to be submitted for the removal of pews which Rev Jane undertook and which has now been approved. The cost of the chairs will be covered by generous donations from Dockenfield Parish Council and Friends of Frensham Churches plus funds held in the PCC restricted fund specifically for this purpose.
- Replacing the pews with chairs would make The Good Shepherd more versatile, both for church services and community use. A survey was prepared for the residents of Dockenfield and Frensham asking for views on continuing with The Good Shepherd as a church, making it more attractive for community use, asking for financial support, and asking for volunteers to help the PCC manage the building and bookings. The results of the survey were reviewed at the January 2022 meeting.

September 2021 – held at St Mary's

- On 24th September the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, visited Lakeside, Camberley, which was a well supported event when he answered questions on rural parishes and their futures and recollected his time as a Parish Priest. On Sunday 26th September he visited More House School, Frensham, and spoke to an audience of around 300 people, and answered questions. St Mary's choir were invited to sing during the event.
- The provision of wifi at the Good Shepherd took a step forward when the PCC approved the quote obtained by the Treasurer. The wifi order was placed and the installation finally took place in January 2022.
- Covid restrictions still required masks to be worn when moving around the church, hand sanitisation on entry and social distancing, but the register and QR code for track and trace were no longer required.
- The rise in parish share was discussed as it was due to be increased by 5.5% in 2022 to £59,613.
- The graveyard at St Mary's had been left to meadow in 2021 due to Covid restrictions, and it took six weeks for the garden crew to bring it back to normal, and the PCC gave them a huge vote of thanks.
- The Harvest Supper took place on 8th October, and due to social distancing rules there were less tickets available but it was a sell-out and the event was a great success.

November 2021- held at St Mary's

- The Village Carol Concert on 11th December outside the Royal British Legion was planned with the PCC providing mulled wine.
- The PCC considered Revd Jane's request for a hearing loop to be installed at The Good Shepherd – awaiting a quote.

- The chairs for The Good Shepherd were discussed further and it was agreed we should ask for a quote for providing 60 chairs, rather than the initial 48, as we would then have sufficient chairs for the harvest supper and crib services.
- Fundraising events were discussed including a visit from the Vivaldi Singers with Vocal Point in December, plus 3 wreath making sessions also to take place in December. Plans for the murder/mystery evening to be held in June 2022 continued with the decision that it should be held at the Good Shepherd.
- It was agreed that the three charities to receive Christmas donations were Helen Arkell (local), St Mungo's (National) and Shelterbox (International)

7. Financial Review

Please see the Financial Statement.

8. Reserves policy

Please see the Financial Statement.

9. Fabric, Goods, Ornaments & Churchyard

Fabric

Following the departure of Roderick Adam Smith as chair of the Fabric Committee, Richard Potter chaired the Fabric Committee, followed by Eunice King when Richard stepped back. Meetings were held regularly and minutes fed back to the PCC with meeting papers.

The Church of the Good Shepherd

Due to Covid, the Church of the Good Shepherd was closed for the first 5 months of 2021. We held its' first reopening service on 6th June which was a celebratory Worship and Fellowship service. Therein afterwards the usual pattern of services resumed by having Book of Common Prayer communion services on the remaining Sundays of the month. Prior to restarting the services, the church was thoroughly cleaned with the help of many local villager volunteers, for which we are truly grateful.

During the time of closure, the church was checked weekly to monitor both possibility of damp and the damage that the bat excrement and urine was causing.

Hiring of the church did not recommence until June 2021 when the people involved felt they could more safely meet under Covid guidelines. Please see Hall hiring report from Barbara Potter.

During 2021, the PCC sought to assess the viability of the church of the Good Shepherd by initially asking the community of Dockenfield if they would like it to reopen, to which there was very little response. Due to the lack of response, the PCC then sent out a survey to the community which outlined that if there was little response then it would not be viable to keep the church of the Good Shepherd going. The response was better, and due to a number of local people being passionate about it being used for both church and community use, we are now on a journey of promotion for the building with the support of the Dockenfield Parish Council and the public in general who did not want to see the only public building (apart from the Blue Bell public house) in Dockenfield close.

On the back of this rise in positivity, the project of pew removal and insertion of new chairs in the Church of the Good Shepherd was again raised at the PCC to make it far more useable for both church and community. As funds were available for the complete cost (due to previous donations and a government grant to reimburse the church for finances lost due to lack of hall hire during the pandemic), once the PCC were in agreement, we were able to go ahead with ordering 48 chairs. Then it was suggested at a subsequent PCC that the Dockenfield Parish Council might purchase a number of chairs, as the building was to be for both church and community, so that we could have more for bigger village meetings and increase its general use. The DPC agreed to pay for 20 chairs and the PCC 40 chairs, thus a total of 60 beautiful and useable (lighter in weight and stackable) arts and crafts chairs were ordered in line with the faculty stipulations from the Lord Chancellor. At this time, it was also agreed by the PCC that we would remove extraneous furniture from the Church of the Good Shepherd (a cupboard and the curate's chair) as they are not needed. The faculty covered all of this. It has been possible to sell the majority of the pews to local businesses and people, although there are still two left, which we will continue to try to sell.

The following actions were carried out during the year:

- Annual fire extinguisher service
- Wooden bench seat in churchyard
- Some delaminated tiles were replaced on the roof of the vestry
- Broken glass replaced in lantern over the gate
- The gutters were cleared
- Heaters serviced
- Boiler serviced
- The fire extinguishers were serviced in January 2021
- Removal of 14 out of the 16 pews
- Note: the curate's chair and cupboard have not yet been removed or sold.

St Mary's Church

The church is in good condition overall. Following another lockdown from Boxing Day 2020 until the end of March 2021, the church was not open for Sunday services. However, we were allowed to film them under Covid guidelines and this we did and put them up on YouTube so that both congregation and parishioners, etc. could still worship God. During this year when the church was open for prayer, all Covid guidelines of sanitisation, mask wearing and social distancing were observed and the prayer pews were cleaned at the end of each day. Our first Sunday service together was outside the church on 28th March, Palm Sunday and a full risk assessment was completed in order to achieve this. Subsequently our first service in the church was Easter Day, with greatly reduced numbers. Therein, with all Covid restrictions in place we have continued with services inside the church.

In order that the people of the congregation did not have to handle books or papers and also that the people watching on-line could join in with the liturgy and hymns, the content of the service was shown by PowerPoint on a portable screen by use of a projector, which was placed on a board on the pulpit – this being the most visible and safe place for the screen to go. Whilst there were some concerns about health and safety with this system, this was mitigated by careful cable taping, and red tape around where people should not walk or touch equipment. Also, only those trained in the erection of both screen and projector are authorised to do so. It has been a very successful system and enabled interactive worship and prayer which have very much benefitted the people of God. We continue to use this system as have not been able to fundraise as yet for an integral system for the church.

Regarding the bell refurbishment, the faculty was processed for which myself and the PCC are truly grateful to Eunice King for completing. Then it was just a case of fundraising when we were able and applying for grants from various bell and other charities. We give grateful thanks to Bell Tower Captain Harry Glover for his extensive work fundraising and planning for the work required when the bells will be taken out in January 2022. We also thank Paul Marshall (Tower Keeper) and all those bell ringers who constantly assist with the tower maintenance, as well as ringing for us on a weekly basis.

The following actions were carried out during the year:

- The roof leaked in the valley above the flower cupboard area and was repaired by Moran roofing.
- The vestry boiler was constantly running at one point, so the protection thermostat was reset to 5 degrees.
- CollecTin payment card reader installed by south door entrance – donated by Pat Telfer in 2021.
- The noticeboard with Fire evacuation and Hearing loop notices has been refixed to the pew (next to the CollecTin machine).
- Two LED floodlight units have been ordered and were fitted during May 2021 in the Nave.
- The halogen spotlight on the north side of the Chancel was fixed but when it was refitted it stopped working again. Brian thinks it needs a new complete unit.
- Fire Exit sign to the Ringing Room has been fixed on a string so it can be turned over when the Tower outside door is locked. People will need to be advised about this.
- Notice put up on porch door advising that it is the only fire exit when the church is unmanned.

- Fire Exit sign fixed above Hall door.
- The noticeboard with Fire evacuation and Hearing loop notices has been refixed to the pew (next to the Collectin machine).
- The peeling kitchen paintwork has been rubbed down, PVA applied and painted.
- Areas of paintwork have been touched up in the hall.
- Tiles have been fixed behind the sink in the choir vestry.
- The hole on the east wall for the wooden cross has been repaired.
- The spring on the RHS porch door closer has been welded and the door closure fitted.
- Red door felt that was coming away on the inside of the porch doors has been repaired.
- Steps by children's corner - QI suggested new hazard facings but couldn't find any that would fit! So, the hazard tape was renewed.
- Hall and choir vestry windows have been cleaned inside and out.
- Outside glass lanterns have been cleaned.
- Bottom gate has been repaired.
- Uneven paths have been sorted and tarmac done (in the summer).
- The outside light to the Tower has been replaced as PIR was broken. Also, the time lapse switch has been reconnected.
- Eunice King has given Harry Glover the tape for the top edges of beams in the intermediate room. (Harry has done some and will do the remainder after the bell work)
- Fitted an extra bulkhead type light in the intermediate room in the Tower (using armoured cable) plus existing fitting has brighter new LED lamp.
- Oak wedges have been made and applied to the flagpole so that it is now straight. Flagpole also connected to the Lightning Conductor (it wasn't previously).
- Bolt on door to Tower roof refixed.
- The boiler was serviced
- The fire alarm was serviced.
- The fire extinguishers were serviced in January 2021.

General

Church insurance continues with Trinitas at annual cost of £1,998.20 for St Mary's and £1,031.63 for the Good Shepherd.

Both Rev'd Jane Walker and the PCC are hugely grateful and give great thanks to Chris Mitchley and Brian King for their hard work throughout the year and for supplying much of the materials needed for all these repairs and maintenance. Overall, this has saved a huge amount of money for the church at a time when funds are very tight. We also greatly thank Eunice King who has both guided the work using the Quinquennial report and who has also carried out the health and safety assessment which has led to the need for much of the work.

Goods and ornaments

The goods and ornaments for both churches are in good order. The vestments at the church of the Good Shepherd are in such poor condition that this subject was taken to a PCC meeting and it was agreed that the priest could wear an alb with a simple stole. Rev'd Jane has offered to purchase new 'arts and crafts' stoles for the church in the liturgical colours. She will investigate ones with sheep or the good shepherd on when next at a Christian Resources exhibition.

Four items of silver from St Mary's continue to be lodged in Guildford Cathedral Treasury, comprising flagon, paten, chalice and salver. Due to continued Covid restrictions, these were not used during 2021 and so have remained at the Cathedral.

Regarding the goods and ornaments, and indeed the entire contents of both churches, Rev'd Jane Walker and the PCC recognise the massive amount of work that Eunice King has devoted to completing both terriers and log books for both the churches over a period of two years, even after she had stepped down from being church warden last year. We are truly grateful for all the time and effort she has given to complete this for the church.

Churchyards

St Mary's - Revd Jane Walker and the PCC are truly grateful to David Millais and the team of volunteers who graciously give up their time to maintain the 2 acres of graveyard. This year during the summer the majority of the graveyard to the rear of the church was allowed to go to meadow in order to help with the natural ecology. Despite writing about this in the church magazine Rev'd Jane did receive a number of complaints (mainly from people who live away) but these were mostly appeased when an explanation was given. At the end of the year, it took a huge effort and much extra work to bring the graveyard back in order. We are very grateful to the volunteers for all this extra effort. Certainly, it was worth it for all the increased wildlife – especially butterflies – that were observed. We will aim to do this again in 2022. Over the year Chris has continued to move extra soil to even up various areas of uneven ground. David Millais has also generously continued to get the mowers serviced for which we give heartfelt thanks. Finally, we give great thanks for all the team leaders who supply fuel for the machines – your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Good Shepherd - Revd Jane Walker and the PCC are truly grateful to Rob Cregeen and his team who mow (and also supply fuel for the mower) the grass at the Good Shepherd. The pattern outlined by Dan Bosence has been maintained and the wildflower meadow areas were even more successful this year. The area to the right of the path also looked fabulous in Spring when all the extra bulbs planted at the October Harvest service came up. Huge thanks to Rob, Olly, Robyn, Tim and Mark who helped to cut the hedges in September ready for the winter.

In the absence of a church warden this report was written by Rev'd Jane Walker, Vicar.

10. Farnham Deanery Synod

Farnham Deanery Synod had planned to meet on four occasions in 2021 (January, April, July and November), but the pandemic continued to disrupt normal routines and only the third and fourth meetings actually took place. The first meeting of the year was held at the Area Dean's church (St Mary's in Frensham) on Saturday 24 July, preceded by a socially-distanced communion service, led by the Area Dean. Looking outwards at the wider church, the meeting noted:

- The recent Diocesan Synod elections;
- The imminent General Synod elections, and
- The forthcoming visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

Looking internally, the meeting discussed the Deanery website and the Deanery Leadership Team:

- Work had continued on designing and populating the website, but delayed for obvious reasons.
- The Deanery Leadership Team had been renamed the Deanery Strategy Team (DST), with a more pro-active role.

This may extend to resource allocation in due course, but at present the Synod does not have such powers or functions.

But the most important topic for discussion was the impact of the pandemic on the parishes. Synod members from the various benefices described the negative and positive (yes, there were positive) effects on their congregations and communities:

- How they had coped (or not) with closed churches and worried parishioners.
- How technology (if available) had enabled the clergy to keep in touch with existing members and reach out to new communities of the faithful, sometimes on the other side of the world.
- How congregations and communities had worked cooperatively to help the lonely and the vulnerable.
- How some parishioners remained worried about attending church.

- How finances had suffered.

One question that emerged was what to do for on-line contacts once normality returns.

The second meeting was held at St Alban's Church in Hindhead on Thursday 4 November. The first topic was the Archbishop of Canterbury's visit to the Diocese in September, with a series of events planned to cover different angles and appeal to different audiences. The Archbishop used fresh material each time, but was not able to cover all the questions raised.

Then the Synod discussed the pandemic and various members gave an update on its continuing impact on parish life:

- Many parishes had become more adaptable, responsive and more technologically aware.
- On-line parish groups and discussion forums had proved popular and enduring.
- Some parishioners were still hesitant about returning to church services.
- Parishes were reluctant to switch off their on-line offering, but wondered how long they could continue to offer blended Sunday services.
- Some parish activities were suffering from a lack of physical congregation to do routine tasks.
- Some multi-church benefices had noted improved congregational mixing through on-line contacts.

The meeting was informed that the new Deanery website was now sufficiently advanced to be useful and a link would be provided to all the parishes. A draft strategy programme or framework had been prepared by the Deanery Strategy Team and was circulated to the synod members. It covers the 2022-2023 timeframe.

Looking forward, a full programme of four meeting, with dates selected to match Diocesan Synod meetings, was announced.

Mark Williams
Farnham Deanery Synod

11. Frensham Parochial Charity Trust

During the year 1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021 the charity had an income of £2,664.99 and an expenditure of £2,600.00. The balance in hand was £729.02.

The Trustees met on 19 October 2020 and agreed a distribution of £650 to each Parish.

Frensham spent this money by a combination of vouchers in the village shop and grants to parishioners in need. During the pandemic the trustees met on 27 October 2021 and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes of £700. In Frensham, the majority of this was used in the form of vouchers at the village shop for the parishioners and a contribution towards the lunch club, and Tea at 3.

Nicholas Harris
Hon. Secretary

12. Hire of Buildings

St Mary's Church Hall

St Mary's Church Hall reopened for bookings in June 2021 and since then many different classes and events have taken place including:

- Marriage Preparation
- The Forum which is an open and welcoming adult group that is about learning
- Tea @ 3
- Alpha Course which is an exploration of the Christian faith
- Organ recitals
- A new yoga class which started twice a week from 29th September 2021
- A Vivaldi concert in December
- Two evenings of wreath making which was a great success again

The Good Shepherd, Dockenfield

The Good Shepherd also reopened for bookings in June 2021. The removal of the pews has made the Church more versatile so that it can be used for different events and classes. These have included:

- Pilates - two classes on Mondays
- A lovely resident of Dockenfield hired the Church to perform her play which she was taking to the Edinburgh Festival
- 'Coffee Stop' which started on Friday 2nd July 2021 and takes place every Friday 10am -12 midday. It has been a huge success and is a great place to enjoy a coffee, homemade cakes and a chat with friends
- Dockenfield Parish Council use for their meetings

Both St Mary's Church Hall and The Good Shepherd, Dockenfield are getting very well used but more bookings are always welcome.

Barbara Potter
Hall Hire Booking

13. Music

St Mary's Choir

I must admit that I find myself challenged to write this report. Most of the past year has been spent trying to keep our heads above water – musically speaking. However, the choir has risen to the occasion numerous times and demonstrated enthusiasm, resilience and determination to keep singing in St Mary's Church.

The year began with the "choir" being limited to 6 singers, socially distanced, at both rehearsals and services. This meant that our choice of music was limited and that we had to ensure that the chosen 6 singers were able to attend both the Tuesday rehearsal and the Sunday service. What would we have done without emails??

We continued with 6 singers until July when, on Tuesday 20th, we were able to have our first full choir practice of 2021! This marked our return to some form of relative normality.

In addition to the Sunday services, we were able to sing at several weddings during the summer, a choral evensong in October (Smith Responses, Walmisley in D Evening Canticles and the anthem, "Give us the wings of faith" by Ernest Bullock), Pat Clough's funeral ("A Gaelic Blessing" by John Rutter, "Cantique de Jean Racine" by Fauré) and at Malc & Jill Billing's wedding ("A Clare Benediction" by John Rutter and "Jesu, joy of man's desiring" by J S Bach). We sang Will Todd's wonderful anthem, "The call of wisdom" at the All Souls' service at the end of October.

In November, we sang "So they gave their bodies to the commonwealth" by Peter Aston at the Service of Remembrance and for Advent Sunday evening we sang a service of readings and music based on the Great "O" Antiphons – this was a magical service, starting in candlelight at the back of the darkened church and progressing through the service to a glorious "O come, O come, Emmanuel" as the final hymn.

It was, therefore, a great disappointment that, for the second year running, we were unable to have the Carol Service in the church. Again, the choir rose to the occasion and, with only a few days' notice, we swapped the accompanied carols for unaccompanied ones and braved the cold for another delightful Carol service outside – the stuff of which a certain type of Christmas card is made – but without the snow!

The change to the outdoor service was particularly disappointing to me as for the past 6 years I have been awaiting the publication of Philip Stopford's carol, "I wonder as I wander" which was to end this year's Carol service – perhaps next year? And so for the second year running, here's hoping for an indoor Carol Service in 2022!

During the year we welcomed Richard Walker into the choir bass section – it has been great to have him singing with us!

I would like to thank Jane for her support and wisdom, Barbara for sorting music after we have used it, Aly for her musical wisdom and both Aly and Mark for conducting when I have been playing the organ.

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of the choir for their dedication, their musicianship and their friendship. St Mary's Choir is a very special group of people and long may it continue to sing God's praise in Frensham.

Mike Smith
Organist

St Mary's Organ

The organ has been used throughout the year for Sunday services, weddings and funerals, for recitals and concerts. This year I restarted the series of Tuesday lunchtime organ recitals with a recital on Tuesday 14th September with some of my favourite pieces. We subsequently changed the dates of the recitals to the 3rd Tuesday of the month when I realised that St Andrew's, Farnham, were planning to restart their series of lunchtime organ recitals on the 2nd Tuesday of each month!

Since then we have welcomed Gillian Lloyd, Rob Goldfinch and Brian Cotterill to play for us and entertain a small but loyal following of listeners. So, if you are free on a Tuesday lunchtime and would like homemade soup and bread at 12:00 followed at 13:00 by a recital of organ music, old and new, played on St Mary's fine organ, do come along. There is no charge for admission, but donations to cover the series expenses are most welcome.

I believe the organ in St Mary's to be a marvellous instrument and it continues to be a source of great joy to me.

Mike Smith
Organist

14. The Vine Centre, Aldershot

Firstly, I would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who has supported The Vine Centre with donations during 2021.

2021 started with a new lockdown and as a result an increase in demand for delivered food parcels, home cooked meals and care packages to the most vulnerable and isolated people in the community.

In 2021 The Vine Centre also introduced:

- The Community Cupboard which tackles food poverty in the community and is free for anyone needing help with food. This 'Cupboard' continues to see a steady stream of people to its doors supporting 50-60 people each day when it is open
- The Culture Cafe was opened in July 2021 and provides a safe place for people who have been socially isolated during the pandemic. Support workers run lots of activities each week for people to engage with and they are also there to provide help if needed with any other issues people may have. The Culture Cafe also provides Barista and Till training to help people gain experience and to grow their self confidence
- The 'Cooking with Confidence' course also restarted in July 2021 which means that The Vine Centre can offer help with mental health, wellbeing and employment skills to many more people
- The Vine Centre also welcomed a Royal Visitor in 2021 - The Earl of Wessex, Prince Edward. His Royal Highness was very impressed by all The Vine Centre's work to help the local community especially during the difficult time of the pandemic.
- 2021 ended once again with your wonderful Christmas Gift Bags - over 120 bags were filled which was absolutely fantastic. The gift bags were given to adults and children of all ages and they were very much appreciated by all those who received them. Christmas is a very difficult and lonely time for many of the people supported by The Vine Centre and your wonderful Christmas gift bags really do make a difference

Please continue to support The Vine Centre during 2022 which will no doubt be another very difficult year for many people and remember to look out for my updates each month in the Parish Magazine.

Finally, I would like to thank the Frensham Village Shop for their continued support for The Vine Centre. There is a 'Vine Centre' box in the shop where you can buy and leave your donations. You can also leave your donations in the Vine Centre basket at the crossing in St Mary's Church.

THANK YOU once again for all your tremendous and continued support for The Vine Centre and always remember that the smallest acts of kindness can make the biggest impact.

Karen Nockels

PCC Member & The Vine Centre Ambassador

14. Parish Friends

Over the year there were a few changes to the team of Parish Friends who continued to manage the evolving COVID-19 environment and support all those resident in our villages. After many years of transport service, Guy Olden retired from the team and we thank him for his help. Trisha Verity joined in November and we look forward to introducing her in our February 2022 meeting.

Parish Friends continue to support by keeping in contact with neighbours, transporting those needing help for vaccinations, boosters and regular hospital appointments and collecting pharmacy items or supporting those recovering from illness at home. They also visit newcomers to the villages taking a Parish Magazine, an updated Welcome Booklet and a Frensham Village Shop bag-for-life voucher.

The Welcome Booklet went through quite an update with a full fact-check of contacts and useful local information together with beautiful colour photographs, thanks to Simon Claiden. The first print run in May 2021 was exhausted within months, with so many new residents in the villages, so a further 25 copies were printed in November. Parish Friends meet at least twice a year to cover regular business, collect Baptism anniversary cards to send and to make contact and discuss any concerns or areas of worry. The February meeting was conducted via Zoom and also contained a presentation from our local Helen Arkell Dyslexia Charity, with CEO Andy Cook explaining what goes on down Arkell Lane and Claire Hughes detailing what she does as educational consultant for the charity.

In October, the team met in person at St Mary's to conduct regular business and distribute the annual Harvest Produce and flowers. These were taken to parishioners by their Parish Friends, with the excess donated to The Vine Centre and the food bank. It was also agreed that Parish Friends would again distribute income from the Frensham Parochial Charitable Trust in the form of Village Shop vouchers to some parishioners at Christmas, on behalf of the Vicar.

A small sub-meeting took place in November, when Trisha Verity joined the team, to agree areas for Trisha, Vicki Hinde and Lynda Newman to cover, moving forward. These areas are now agreed and are published monthly in the Parish Magazine, just inside the cover in the Yellow Pages. The full list of Friends with their local telephone numbers and the areas they cover are available for anyone to see and get in contact, as they see fit.

Finally, with only one baptism taking place in 2020, it was pleasing to witness thirteen baptisms of children during 2021! Each child has a Parish Friend assigned to them, who will continue to send anniversary cards for the next four years.

Claire Hughes (Co-ordinator)

Morag James

Parish Friends Chairman

15. Parish Magazine

We continue to try to cover as many different aspects of parish and village life as possible and to find articles about a range of subjects which we hope will interest our readers.

The new (or fairly new) colour photo on the cover is beginning to generate quite an interest among local photographers and each month we, with the help of Revd. Jane, Mayonne Coldicott (Distribution & Subscriptions) and Liz Pollard (Commercial Adverts), have the enjoyable (but sometimes difficult) task of selecting which photo to use. All the photographs are then put on the church website so that everyone can enjoy them.

As always we are grateful to Mayonne Coldicott for handling subscriptions and distributions, to Liz Pollard for organising the commercial adverts, to the distributors, contributors and, of course, our readers.

Philippa Hall & Penny Garrard
Co-Editors

Parish Magazine Financial Report

I was fortunate in inheriting a well-functioning distribution system from Susan last spring. There's a natural flow, from Editors, to the Printer, back to Frensham and out to our subscribers, via a team of 36 distributors. However, the next step in the process, annual subs collection, was disrupted 2 years ago. Many subscribers now pay by bank transfer; a surprising number forget, causing some aggravation to our patient distributors, who take responsibility for their own rounds.

Financial results for Parish Magazine for 2021 reflect an increase in subscription price from £7.20 to £10 pa, and an increase in our printing costs for the 'new look' magazines.

Subscriber income totalled £4,347 (a 71% increase over 2020) and Advertising income £3,440. Costs totalled £5,135 for the year, so the Parish magazine generated a healthy net surplus of £2,652 for the year.

I'd like to thank Philippa and Penny for welcoming me to the team – it's been fun!; to Susan Farnell-Watson and Jon Savage, for the thorough hand-over; and to Jill Billings, our Treasurer, for her patient support. And there are special thanks to our supportive distributors, the final links in the chain, getting our local news through letterboxes every month.

Mayonne Coldicott
Parish Magazine Manager

Parish Magazine Commercial Advertising

Susan diligently handed over the PM advertising to me last summer and the PM team have kindly welcomed me to the fold, thank you!

This has been an interesting role reversal for me as with my 'daytime job' in marketing I am more accustomed to buying advertising space than selling it. However, it has not been going too badly. We lost 6 advertisers at renewal time in Nov/Dec 2021 for a variety of reasons including pending retirement, cessation of trading and non-payment (!). However we have gained another 10, including 2 more starting in March and another in April, and that number will continue rising I hope. It is a very effective way of promoting local businesses.

Liz Pollard
Parish Magazine Commercial Advertising

16. Safeguarding Report

I am pleased to report that there have been no 'Safeguarding Issues' in 2021.

Disclosure & Barring (DBS) renewals are a continuing exercise. The online service makes the process simple for both the applicant and me.

I can report that all our volunteers are up to date with their Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checks and Safeguarding Training requirements. The following table gives an overview of the number of volunteers involved.

Note that:

- DBS checks are carried out every 5 years while Safeguarding training is every 3 years.
- Not all volunteer roles require DBS and/or Safeguarding training. It depends on their involvement with the PCC, children and/or vulnerable adults.

Total number of Volunteers in scope for:	PCC Members	Parish Friends	TOTAL
DBS checks	4	17	21
Safeguarding training	13	17	30

DBS Checks in 2021 :	1	2	3
Safeguarding Training undertaken in 2021:			
Awareness	3	-	3
Foundation	-	1	1
Leadership	-	-	-
Safer Recruitment	1	-	1
Domestic Abuse	-	-	-

These numbers exclude our Vicar Jane, who is administered by the Diocese and is up to date with all the above.

Jon Savage

Safeguarding Officer

safeguarding@frenshamchurches.org.uk

17. St Mary's Frensham Bell Ringers

For much of the first half of 2021 the church was closed as a consequence of the Covid lockdown restrictions, so we had no service ringing and no practices. The very limited ringing that did occur mostly involved just one ringer at a time, and including ringing for:

- **Gordon and Sheila Haytree's Diamond Wedding anniversary on 6th February.** Sheila has been a bellringer in Frensham for more years than she would want to admit to and is a valued member of the band.
- **The Marie Curie Day of Reflection on 23rd March**, one year after the start of the first lockdown.
- **The death and funeral of The Duke of Edinburgh in April.** On both occasions the tenor bell was rung half-muffled, giving rise to a poignant 'echo effect'.
- **On 5th July, on the 'NHS, Social Care and Frontline Workers Day'** coinciding with the 73rd anniversary of the NHS.
- **On Palm Sunday, 28th March** the tenor bell was rung 100 times prior to the service which recognised the amazing sum raised for the NHS by Captain Sir Tom Moore.
- **On Easter Sunday, 4th April** the tenor bell was rung for about 10 minutes.

During the first half of the year, several ringers 'rang' together using an on-line virtual ringing programme, called 'ringingroom.com'. Once lockdown restrictions eased we were able to ring four bells for Sunday services and weddings between 23rd May and the end of July. Then following further easing of restrictions we were able to re-start 'normal' ringing practices on 26th July, wedding ringing on 28th July and service ringing on 8th August.

However, we have not been able to revert to our pre-Covid numbers and have lost several ringers for a variety of reasons. On the 'plus' side we have four new recruits.

As is usual, the Union Jack, the Diocesan Flag and the RAF Ensign were flown from the top of the Tower on appropriate dates during the year.

We held our AGM in Holy Week on 29th March, not in person, but via Zoom; the following officers were elected:

- Tower Captain Harry Glover
- Deputy Tower Captain Paul Little
- Secretary Paul Little
- Treasurer David Munro
- Tower Keeper Paul Marshall
- Assistant Tower Keeper John Davis
- Junior Tower Keeper Stuart Marshall
- PCC Representative Jill McKenzie

During the course of the year a Purchase Order was placed with Taylor's Bellfoundry in Loughborough for a 'once-in-fifty-years' overhaul of our bells. The work started on 10th January 2022 and is anticipated to take about 10 weeks. In addition to earlier donations and pledges, we received further generous donations and over £3,000 from the Village Shop's "Giveback" initiative, so we are well on-track to meet the expected cost of some £33,000.

No Peals or Quarter Peals were rung in 2021, but it is hoped that some will be rung in 2022 once the bells are re-hung. Our last ringing of the year was on Christmas Day, and preliminary work – before arrival of the Bellhanger on 10th January 2022 – was started on 28th December.

Harry Glover
Tower Captain

18. Report of the Parish Priest

This report is a comprehensive appraisal of the practical and spiritual life of the church for the year Jan- Dec 2021. Our strategic mission, pastoral ministry and worship of the Trinitarian God for the Benefice of Frensham in 2021 continues to be underpinned by the vision of Guildford Diocese's 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives'. However, as 'Transforming Church Transforming Lives' was refreshed at the Diocesan Synod in March 2022 in order to link more closely with the National vision and strategy work, I shall be using the new format for the structure of my report. TCTL now contains just three broad groups:

Growing disciples, Growing community, and growing diversity.



All these are underpinned by the five marks of mission in the Anglican communion which are:

1. To proclaim the Good News of God's Kingdom
2. To teach, preach and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth

Note: due to the closure of the churches and reduced numbers in the congregation due to the ongoing pandemic, this report does not contain the usual appendices giving the numbers of attendees or yearly trends.

Introduction

Whereas 2020 was a year of illness, death, isolation and loss of freedom (all of which generally or specifically increased people's anxiety and depression), 2021 has been a rollercoaster of a year coping with these very real emotions and worries whilst trying to work toward health recovery and a 'new normal' – often taking 1 step forward and 2 back. The added work of doing risk assessments, seating plans, maintaining Covid restrictions and at times policing crowds so that people adhered to the rules, on top of trying to get back to 'being church', was incredibly stressful for all in leadership for the Benefice. Consequently, with the need for frequent risk assessments and necessary implementation of precautions due to the vacillating global pandemic situation and varying national restrictions in 2021, this has meant that we have had to mainly prioritise attention to these over our Benefice Church Development Plan (CDP) in order to

‘keep the show on the road’. This is not to suggest there has been no development! There certainly has, which is impressive given the stress we have all been under.

The CDP aims we had in place were:

1. Communication to the wider public in the Benefice - Continue improving relationships with council and other local groups.
2. Organise a whole church vision day
3. Send invitations for people to join in prayer – develop a prayer group.
4. Fill church vacancies
5. Develop projects making the church more visible in the community
6. Invite more people to services and courses. Start a programme of inviting those who come for baptisms, marriages and funerals to Alpha courses or other spiritual/ worship courses or events. Focus and connecting with new people and making it easier for them to attend church in different ways.
7. Grow the family friendly services
8. Development of healing ministry

With the arrival of the Delta coronavirus variant late 2020 came another 3-month lockdown from Christmas Day night 2020, so the new year started with most people feeling incredibly low in spirit. However, because we had learnt and developed so much during the first year of the pandemic, we were able to continue recording services and put them up on YouTube, and continue to have zoom and Microsoft team meetings for both the church and the community with ease and confidence. Many people have e-mailed me to say how much they have appreciated and enjoyed the YouTube and on-line services – one lady wrote, ‘they have kept me connected to God and church’.

Having built effective community links by developing many activities such as the Nativity Nature Trail and joining with the village Saturday night quiz, which were both physical and virtual in 2020, these closer links have borne fruit in 2021 with new community projects, which will be appraised in this report under the relevant sections.

Growing Disciples: an appraisal of CDP 3, 6, 7, 8

Growing disciples is about proclaiming the Good News of God’s Kingdom in worship, teaching preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey, and responding to human need in loving pastoral care. As a benefice we have achieved much this year despite the difficulties caused by the pandemic and necessary restrictions.

Regarding worship:

The Church was closed again for worship the first 3 months of 2021 and so we continued recording and putting the services up on YouTube at this time, and in fact for the whole of 2021, as when we were allowed to have an inside congregation again, numbers were very limited. This has been no mean feat and I am supremely appreciative and grateful for the skill and commitment of Jon Savage and Eunice King in continuing this essential service, which has been praised by many from far and wide. We recorded the Palm Sunday service outside the church and the Easter Day service was the first inside the church under strict Covid restrictions with a seating plan. I am grateful to Eunice King for doing this.

I am hugely grateful to Mike Smith and the choir who, when we had to close the church again this year, has continued to persevere in providing music and hymns for the services. Mike continued to collate recorded voices, editing and compiling hymns on the computer, to the benefit of all who tuned into the services. Once we were back in the church and could have a choir, all rose to this new challenge of how to sing and not continually reinfect each other. Despite many contracting Covid again, we have continued to have a choir for all the services. I am grateful for each member for respecting the Covid restrictions which enabled the choir to enhance the worship of God greatly.

A new said evening prayer service on the third Sunday of the month started up in 2021 following a request from Richard Walker and a group from Rowledge. Following each service there was a talk on a famous Christian which was

both interesting and illuminating, followed by refreshments. I am grateful to Richard, Lesley Voice and Roy Waight for organising this.

I give a special mention here of Peter James, to whom I am truly grateful for organising the Remembrance services this year, again under exceptionally restricted conditions, this time more due to third parties not being able to cover the insurance for personnel, road closures and a procession from the Frensham memorial to St Mary's church. This meant we could not be by the Frensham memorial this year but had the service on the green. With larger crowds than last year and with a risk assessment and seating plan for the church, it was a resounding success celebrating 100 years of the RBL in Frensham. My huge thanks to Barbara Potter who made an outstanding altar frontal using poppies and to all who assisted in making this essential service of remembrance possible.



This year, due to the death of Prince Phillip, the Duke of Edinburgh, we did a special prayerful service to honour him, as the Queen is our Patron. This was recorded and put up on YouTube.

The Advent carol service inside the church whose focus was on the 'Great O's' was very prayerful and spiritually moving. It was quite well attended too.

The Christingle service was very enjoyable and carefully interactive considering the restrictions. But numbers were very low in comparison to 'normal' years.

The outdoor 'Carols at the Royal British Legion' were actually indoor and sadly quite poorly attended this year, but this was on the back of yet another variant of Covid and people were very fearful of mixing indoors at this time.

Surprisingly the 'Christmas Carol' service at the front of St Mary's Church was packed! People came well wrapped up with their garden chairs ready to participate. We ran out of orders of service and mince pies and mulled wine! Everyone was so appreciative that we tried to keep them as safe as possible given the new stresses with regard to higher Covid infection rates. My thanks to all who made these special services possible, especially Jon Savage, Eunice and Pat telfer for 'Verging', Brian King for sorting the PA system and lighting; Mike and the choir; all the readers and everyone who helped set up and tidy up afterwards. I believe this outdoor Christmas Carol service may become a tradition!

The crib services were held in both churches this year but with very low numbers.

The Christmas Day service was a joyful affair and with good numbers of people attending who had booked and we had both a risk assessment and seating plan, with Covid restrictions in place to ensure everyone's safety.

Throughout this year, I continue to give thanks for the commitment and dedication of my vergers Barbara Potter, the sacristans, the sidesmen and Jean Shephard's care of the fine linens, without whom worship couldn't happen to such

a high standard. I give thanks also to Harry Glover and all the bell ringers who have brought joy and called people to worship even though severely limited with the Covid-19 restrictions.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding worship:

3: We have not developed prayer groups this year due to the vacillating Covid conditions. Depending on the next vision day for the PCC in 2022 when the CDP will be updated and no doubt changed, prayer groups may or may not occur in 2022.

7: We have not developed the family services this year due to the vacillating Covid conditions. Depending on the next vision day for the PCC in 2022 when the CDP will be updated and no doubt changed, these may or may not occur in 2022.

Regarding teaching, preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey:

This year there has been much teaching through the forum which has been both on-line through Microsoft teams with the help and organising by Jon Savage, for which I am hugely grateful. The diversity in which we study and learn is great and includes Bible Study, politics, environmental subjects, other faiths, hobbies, experiences and many other interesting topics.

We started our first Alpha course in September in person in St Mary's Church Hall which was well attended and much appreciated by both the church goers and new people who were exploring about faith. Thank you especially to Jon Savage who has done all the administration for the Alpha Course. Thank you to Barbara Potter for helping me with the cooking and Cheryl Savage for being our 'washer-upper.' We are looking forward to starting another course in the Spring.

This year the Lent course was 'Bridges to contemplative living' with regard to our faith, which used meditations by Thomas Merton (a Cistercian monk) and was held on Microsoft teams with a small attendance.

In preaching throughout the year, I have continued to convey the love of God for all God's children, welcoming those of all faiths and none by being inclusive and sticking to our progressive mission statements of 'creating an environment where God's love gets through', 'meeting people where they are at', and 'walking together in God's love.' New people have started attending regularly at both churches and so I believe the message of God's Good News in Jesus Christ is getting through.

Archbishop Justin Welby came to Frensham at the end of September 2021 to encourage new Christians to ask him any question. We are truly grateful to Jon Hetherington, the head teacher of More House School and his staff for hosting this prestigious event which was well attended, although the questions were somewhat lacking in either theological or practical depth! I'm not sure it achieved its overall premise of getting more new people to attend local Christian courses, but it was really good to meet with the Archbishop, who was a very engaging and thoughtful man who clearly liked to be amongst the people and have conversations with them.

Due to the various closures and restrictions on visiting the schools I have been unable to do assemblies or 'Open the Book' this year, although I have recorded some services which have been shown to the children at St Mary's school. However, behind the scene I have been working closely with St Mary's School and helped to develop a more connected and unified vision programme between the church and the school. Also, because we could not do any of the usual services or teaching of the Holy Week and Easter story with the children, we developed an outside Holy Week and Easter Walk (HWEW) between the churches (on a similar model to the Nativity Nature Trail but with the story of Christ's suffering, death and resurrection). This also was well received by all who did the walk. The children all also received a book about Easter as a gift from the church.

Also due to the various closures and restrictions on visiting the schools, I have been unable to visit the children at Edgeborough for assemblies, although I have been able to support the staff through various personal difficulties. I also was able to visit and support and pray for the head master Dan Thornburn as he left Edgeborough at Christmas. We await the new head teacher after Easter 2022.

Cherubs parent and toddler group started up again in September at Dockenfield every Thursday in term time and has been steadily growing. There have been times when we have had 28 children! I am very grateful to Fiona Ricketts for her help each week.

Regarding nurture: I particularly thank Morag James my Pastoral Assistant for her continued and devoted service with regard to weddings and baptisms and pastoral care. I am also thankful for the Parish Friends who keep in contact with Baptism families for 5 years following a baptism and send a card each year on the anniversary.

In 2021, we were able to baptise 1 adult and 13 children. Most of the preparation and form-filling-in for baptisms was done on Zoom, which was very effective.

In 2021 we caught up with many of the marriages which were postponed from 2020. This continued to be a very complicated and stressful process for all requiring a marriage risk assessment and then seating plans for each marriage. We kept Covid restrictions in place but, for a number of reasons, quite a few people did not want to adhere to them, which added to the overall stress. Also, in 2021 there ceased to be marriage registration in churches, which was a huge change and required the changing of marriage liturgy. This again complicated an already complicated Covid system and took a while to take on board at a particularly stressful time for both couples and priests! In 2021 we were able to marry 6 couples and conduct 1 marriage blessing.

I did do some marriage preparation both in person in St Mary's Church Hall under Covid restrictions, and also via zoom, but this is always much harder than being together in a group and could not be as extensive, deep or spiritual as usual. I am truly grateful for the support I have from both Barbara Potter and Morag James with marriage preparation, which is always a big learning curve for our couples who are quite affected by the depth of teaching that occurs and the guidance and support we give them.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding teaching, preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey:

6: Whilst we have invited people to Alpha courses and various services, we haven't yet linked this to weddings, baptisms and funerals. This is due to the amount of administration this would need, and without a parish administrator I have not been able to achieve linking weddings, baptisms and funeral to Christian courses in 2021.

Regarding responding to human need in loving pastoral care:

In 2021 I was still very much restricted in being able to visit people in their homes, so as not to spread the virus. However, as things eased a little, I have gradually been able to take home communions to house-bound people and give healing prayers with people again, although still maintaining social distancing in their premises, in their gardens or at the churches.

I am greatly appreciative of Morag James, Claire Hughes and the Parish friends who are my eyes and ears in the ground and who have visited and cared for the people in their streets/area over this year. Many have particularly helped with transport to hospital and other appointments as well as getting food or medicine supplies. Thank you all.

With regard to funerals and bereavement care: whilst maintaining Covid restrictions I have been able to support many families during this truly difficult time with regard to death and bereavement. At the start of 2021 we were still only allowed to conduct graveside funerals of which I conducted 5. When we were allowed back into church with Covid restrictions I conducted another 4 funerals and 4 memorial services. I also interred the ashes of 8 people.

This year two cherished members of our congregation passed away. David Jones died after a difficult time in hospital. He was our Deanery Synod Representative for many years, on the PCC and amongst many other church duties, also loved dressing up and acting out Bible stories for the children at St Mary's school, where he had been a governor for many years.

Pat Clough also died in 2021 after a long battle with cancer of which she always made light, never wishing for attention on herself. Quite honestly it is impossible to name all the roles Pat took on over her long and faithful service, but to name just two of great importance - with her amazing organisational skills - the parish magazine flourished and with her leadership of the WI, the village lunch was born and continued to nourish the community for many years.

We miss them both greatly.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding responding to human need in loving pastoral care:

8: We have not restarted the healing services in 2021 due to the vacillating Covid conditions. Depending on how the pandemic works out, these healing services may or may not occur in 2022.

Growing Community: an appraisal of CDP 1, 2, 4, 5

Growing community is not only about growing the church community but also specifically about how the church is part of, and interacts with, its' local community. So, it is about responding to local need by giving loving and prayerful service where required, as well as helping to transform unjust structures of society, challenging violence of every kind, whilst pursuing peace and reconciliation through our prayers, intentions and actions.

Regarding growing the church community:

Growing the church community involves having the right people and management structures in place that positively enable more people to come to Church, in order that they can be transformed by the loving power of the Trinitarian God and to learn how to be a Christian by walking together with other Christians. In order to continue giving glory to God, which is the primary function of both the church buildings, it also means we need adequate funds to keep the churches open with all health and safety measures, together with satisfactory care of the church fabric, in place to keep everything running smoothly and effectively.

Right people: Eunice King stepped down as Church Warden in April 2021 and sadly no-one felt able to fulfil this role, thus we have been without any Church Wardens for the rest of 2021. Later in the year someone did come forward to enquire regarding the role, and discussions are on-going discerning what this post now entails as it has changed greatly.

Also we have not had a parish administrator for the last year (indeed since 2019). All this has meant that I have had to take on this responsibility and the practical and administration duties as well as cover church warden duties, which I have done to the best of my ability. I am truly grateful to Eunice King in that she has left everything in very good order, and has continued to work at both the church log books and terriers since retiring in order to have up-to-date hard copies as well as put them up on Office 365. I am also hugely grateful to Pat Telfer who has walked alongside me with sound advice and practical, prayerful help since I came to Frensham and continues to do so to this day! Thank you, Pat. I am grateful to Mrs Val Chadney, our PCC secretary, for all she does regard the PCC meetings and much more. Regarding Deanery and Diocesan Synod: Esther Van Rooyen remains as our only Deanery representative, so we still have two vacancies for Deanery and one for Diocesan Synods. Thank you, Esther.

On a practical level, we still need more readers, intercessors, sidesmen, flower persons and gardeners.

Adequate funds: Over the last year overall there has been less expenditure as the churches were closed for some time, but finances were still very tight as attendance in the congregation has been slow to pick up. Thank you to all who walked the 'Beating the Bounds' sponsored walk with me again this year in September and for all who sponsored us. It all very much added to the success that we achieved and, together with the financial gifts of hugely generous people, we were able to pay our Parish share again this year. Huge thanks to Jill Wright, now 'Jill Billings' our treasurer as we (very much) celebrated her wedding to Malc Billings (deputy chair of Frensham Parish Council) in October this year. Her careful budgeting, advice and monitoring have been essential to keep us on track.

I appreciate greatly the huge effort that Barbara Potter and her daughter Ruth made to make and sell Christmas wreaths which raised a superb amount for church funds, as well as the Christmas Stall she had at Coffee Stop, Dockenfield. Barbara also usually manages the hall lettings which also bring in income for the general church funds, but these have also been limited this year due to the late opening of the Church of the Good Shepherd and people doing their lessons on-line.

Church fabric: Eunice very kindly completed the health and safety checks with Tim Merricks, Brian King and Chris Mitchley in March 2021. This will need assessing again in March 2022. We are truly so grateful particularly to Chris and Brian who have simply 'potted on' doing many repairs and general maintenance in both churches which have kept us both healthy and safe. Please see fabric report for details.

We are also very grateful for the Friends of Frensham Churches who have pledged money for new chairs in the Church of the Good Shepherd as well as the bell restoration fund. Thank you to Roger Holmes and the trustees.

Regarding interacting with the local community:

The first great community success in 2021 was the rebirth of the Village lunch, which we did in partnership with the Royal British Legion and the community. This had stopped pre-pandemic but there was a growing need for safe sociability within the village again as we journeyed through 2021. So, we started meeting to plan for this in July and our first Village lunch was on 27th October with our signature Shepherd's pie as main meal, and our second was our Christmas meal on 24th November. Barbara Potter and I coordinate the buying of the food and the cooking of the meals as Barbara has a level 2 food hygiene and handling certificate, and we are used to cooking for large quantities of people. We have been congratulated on the high standard and generosity of our cooking. Huge thanks must go to Pam Watmore particularly, who has pioneered this community project, and to all the volunteers who help with cooking, preparing the RBL, handling the money, serving, washing up and clearing up. We are very much looking forward to growing this service in 2022.



The second great success in 2021 has been 'Coffee Stop, Dockenfield' which was pioneered by Barbara Potter. Every Friday morning from 10am – 12pm, after the Church of the Good Shepherd was thoroughly cleaned in June 2021, Barbara and her team of volunteers have been selling refreshments and cakes, not only to increase the use of the Good Shepherd but also to enhance the local community's sociability and involvement with the church. It has also increased locals' knowledge of the church building itself, which is so beautiful, and what we 'do' as church. It has also brought in well needed funds into the church which hopefully should enable it to stay open. I give grateful thanks for Barbara's pioneering of and commitment to this and to all those who help make it happen.

Our strong links with the Vine Centre in Aldershot have continued by the super efforts of Karen Nockels our Vine Centre ambassador throughout this Covid ordeal. I am truly grateful for her commitment to conveying all the provisions given by church and village. It is a joy to do special projects which specifically help The Vine with their specific needs and the relationship between us has grown stronger over the many years we have been linked. We were again able to provide more than usual Christmas Bags which were gratefully accepted by all who received them. Thank you to everyone who provided the bags filled with goodies as well as essentials.

Karen also usually connects us with the Ahmadiyya Muslims at Tilford as well, but this has been more limited due to the pandemic.

This year we were still able to help parishioners who are in poverty through the generosity of the Frensham Parochial Trust. I am grateful to Nick Harris as secretary of this Trust, who enables the distribution of funds. I also give grateful thanks to Morag James and the Parish friends who helped distribute the funds in the form of Christmas vouchers which can be used in the village shop.

Regarding communications with the community: Our newly revamped Parish Magazine has gone down very well with those who receive it. All are liking the different covers each month which tie in with both the ecclesiastical and natural season and encourage people to send in new photos. I am truly grateful for all the hard work that Philippa Hall and Penny Garrard give as editors for the Parish Magazine, also Mayonne Coldicott our administrator and organiser of distribution, Liz Pollard our Advertisement organiser, and all who deliver magazines.

Jon savage and Hilary Lee-Corbin have also been communicating with our church volunteers by way of 'Church Life' for which I am very thankful.

Whilst DNL is not affiliated in any way to the church as it is civically funded by Dockenfield council, I am very grateful to Michael Foster for entering in the information both myself and Eunice King have submitted to him for publication this year.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding 1, 2, 4, 5

1: Communication has much improved between the church and local councils, especially Dockenfield Parish Council due to the ongoing concerns about keeping the church open. In the future we will continue to be proactive in this area as the bilateral sharing of information has reduced barriers, prejudices and judgements for all involved. It would be good to be more connected with Frensham Parish Council as well.

2: Due to restrictions we haven't been able to organise a whole church vision day, which would greatly help us to enlarge our consciousness of working within the community more, which also could increase the community of the church more. We have however, been able to join together as a PCC due to the skills of Jon Savage on Microsoft Teams and this has been both spiritually and practically helpful.

4: We are still very much in need of people to fill the many vacancies.

5: We have had huge success in this area this year which has been a joy for all.

Growing Diversity: an appraisal of CDP 2,6

Growing diversity can be understood in many ways: firstly, it could be about enabling people of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender to come and be part of being church. Secondly, it could link with the 5th mark of mission of the Anglican church: to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth – so could apply ecologically to us as church. Thirdly, it could apply to growing our links and assistance for those charities that are and work beyond our borders, but that we can help nonetheless. In order to grow diversity, we do need to bring this big topic into our church vision overall.

Enabling people of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender to come and be part of being church: Apart from our totally inclusive strap line of 'welcoming people of all faith and none', which we do, we actually don't have many people come to the church of different abilities, ages, ethnicity, sexuality or gender at present.

As the family services have not started back up yet, we don't have many young children in church coming with their parents. Although we have good access for those perhaps less mobile, we hardly have any people attend services or activities in wheelchairs or using mobility aids, but we have everything in place to make access and egress easier. At present we only have one lady of different ethnicity and none of different sexuality and gender attending church. This may be due to a number of factors due to the area in which we live, perceptions about the church (possibly too traditional?) and its Christian culture, etc. I am hoping to start discussions about this in 2022 with the 'Living in Love and Faith Course' which I will do as a Lent Course. It would be healthy to include this in our PCC vision day when that occurs.

To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain and renew the life of the earth:

This year, after discussions with the church gardeners, we let virtually the whole of the rear of St Mary's graveyard go to meadow for the sake of the environment and to increase diversity of species as well as bees and butterflies. It was a resounding success ecologically although I did get a few complaints from people who had come from afar to see their loved one's graves. After compassionate but explanatory correspondence this was all resolved. The only concern is how much work it took to bring it all back into control for the winter. The gardeners worked so very hard as we came to winter. Thank you all so very much.

We also let the church yard at Dockenfield go to meadow in a designated pattern (guided by Dan Bosence) for a second year and this also reaped results with many more orchids and other species flowering this year. Thanks to Rob Cregeen and his team, especially for bringing all the hedges under control in September.

Links and assistance for those charities that are and work beyond our borders:

Despite the limitations of the pandemic, we were still able to support those beyond our borders with the help of St Mary's Frensham Trust. I am thankful to David Millais, the Chair of this trust as well as all the Trustees for their continued commitment and management of this Trust which gives grants every year to charities which are local, national and international. I am also grateful to those on the church electoral roll who nominated the charities and gave us information concerning them. It is a joy that we have the confidence to be able to do this year after year, despite economic or pandemic difficulties.

Our links with Christian Aid have been continued by Susanna Millais who is our Christian Aid ambassador and became Farnham regional coordinator this year. My wholehearted thanks to Susanna who keeps us informed of the yearly vision and focus, together with the support we can give and actions required.

Reflecting on the CDP aims regarding 2, 6

2: Due to restrictions we haven't been able to organise a whole church vision day, which would greatly help us to enlarge our consciousness of growing diversity. This is a key area to develop going forward.

6: Once we have a parish administrator in place we could start to invite different individuals and groups to the church to improve learning of diversity.

Conclusion

In conclusion I believe the Benefice of Frensham and its churches together with the whole community have done remarkably well in 2021 when actually the stresses and strains through the changing rules and restrictions for Covid and coming out of Covid have been particularly challenging.

Our church human resources were much reduced in number and every action had to be risk assessed and carefully planned and enacted to keep within Covid-19 guidelines to protect the population and prevent the spread of this devastating virus. But even with all this we have actually achieved far more than I thought was possible between church and community and with regard to the CDP aims. We have also paid our Parish Share to the Diocese.

We have continued to '*create an environment where God's love can get through*', we have continued to pray to God and praise God throughout in many and diverse ways, and we have '*walked together*' with the local communities developing and adapting our ways whilst walking in God's love, supported by the integrity of Jesus Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

I reiterate my thanks and appreciation on behalf of the entire PCC for the amazing team effort to **all** those who have participated in:

- the recorded services and church services
- safeguarding and DBS
- compiling and distribution of the parish magazine
- education
- Cherubs
- the Parish Friends system
- 'Coffee Stop, Dockenfield'
- the continued support of The Vine
- St Mary's Frensham Trust
- Frensham Parochial Charity Trust
- Friends of Frensham Churches
- Christian Aid
- Beating the Bounds sponsored walk
- Remembrance Sunday
- Bell ringing and care of the church tower
- The Holy Week and Easter Walk
- the wreath making
- the new Christmas carol services

- the care of the church finances,
- the care of church buildings and their contents
- the care of the Church of the Good Shepherd churchyard and St Mary's graveyard
- the servicing of the mowers by John Davis, and servicing of the John Deere tractor mower by David Millais

Thank you all so very much.

We do have still more challenges going forward which include the need to fill vacancies and particularly fill the posts for two church wardens and Parish Administrator come the next APCM. I am confident we will meet each of these challenges in the faith, hope and love that God gives us. Thank You and God bless you all.

Yours in Christ
Reverend Jane Walker
Vicar of the Benefice of Frensham
April 2022

Approved by the PCC on Wednesday 20th April 2022

Signed :

Date :

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

Vicar – The Reverend Jane Walker

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
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Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

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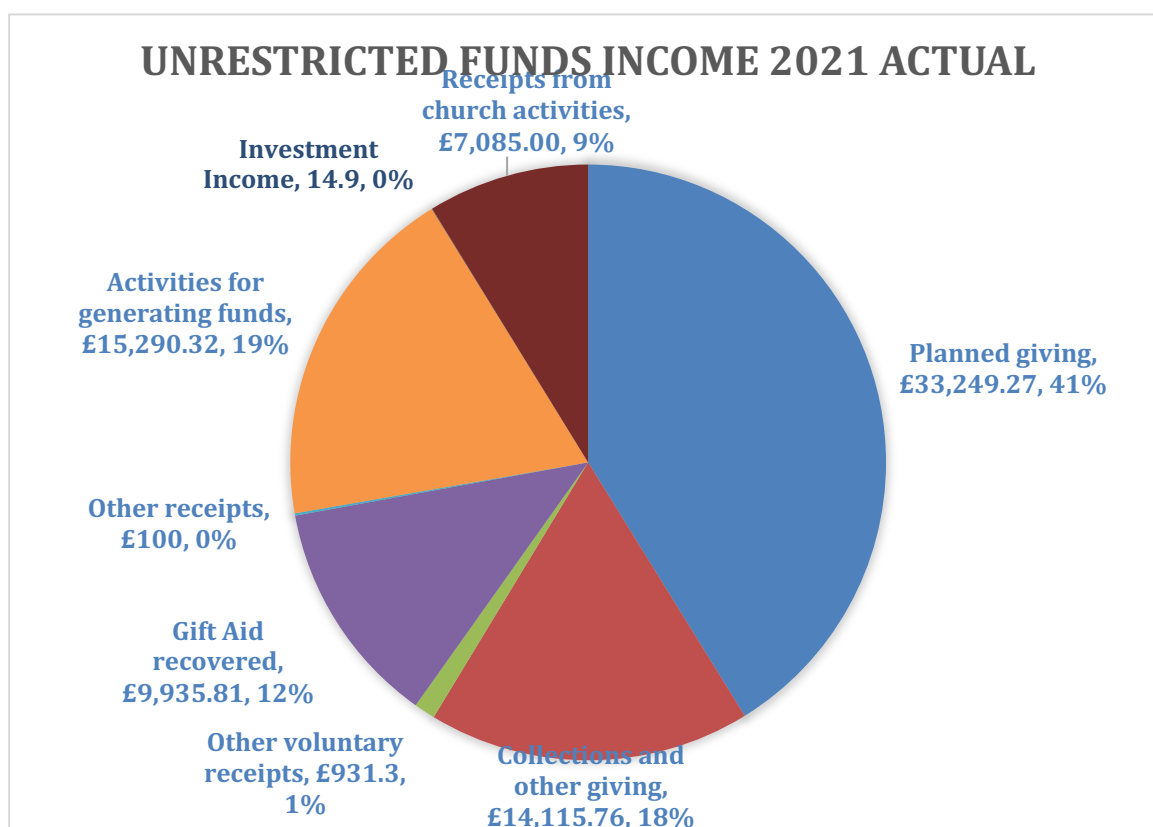
Frensham Parochial Church Council Annual Reports 2021

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2021

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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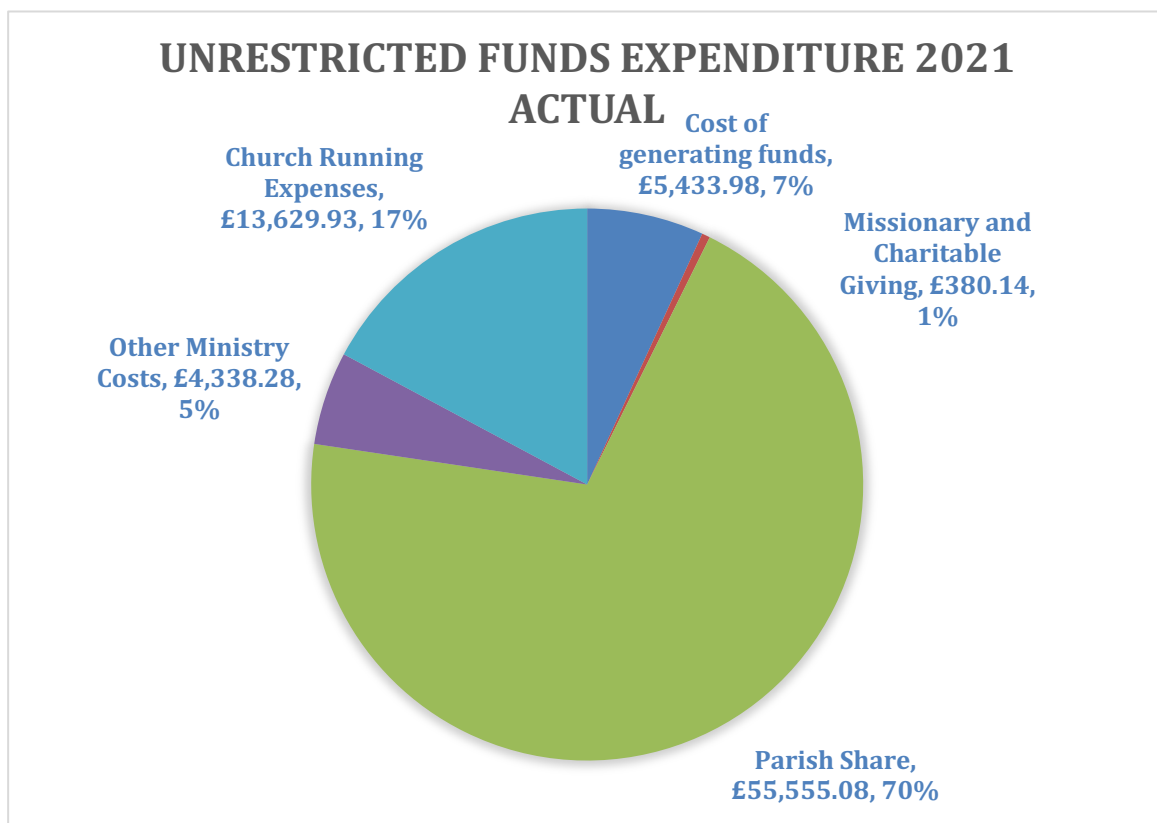
The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has been an unmitigated success raising £1,375 In its first part year, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2020 at £1,483 – up 50% .

Parish Magazine income rallied in 2021, increasing by £1,953 year on year – an increase of 33%.

Our total income from Activities for Generating Funds was £15,290.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £9,273 of which £6,874 related to the Bells Refurbishment Fund and £953 to the Organ Fund, £200 to the sound system fund and £1,100 to the Good Shepherd Chairs fund – from the sale of pews.



£59,893.36 (2020 - £54,926) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan parish share of £55,555.08 (2019 - £51,789); the parish share was frozen at the 2020 rate

(we received a discount in 2020 which was not replicated in 2021). In addition, Other Ministry Costs increased by 38% from 2020, Reverend Jane Walker started claiming expenses again in 2021, and a well attended Alpha course ran in the autumn. There were still savings due to no parish administrator being engaged.

The underlying running costs of the church were £13,630, 25% up from 2020.

£11,430 was expended from restricted funds. The main components of the amount shown under restricted funds resources expended are as follows:

Bells Refurbishment – deposit	£ 7,995
Depreciation – Fixed Assets	£ 2,974

Net movement in unrestricted funds is a surplus of £1,385 net movement in designated funds was £10,096 and the net movement in restricted funds resulted is a deficit of £2,157. After taking into account balances brought forward, the balances carried forward on all funds are in surplus. However, it should be noted that future depreciation costs will be deducted from the relevant funds going forward.

Reserves

Reserves held reflect three different objectives:

- a) Restricted funds are funds which have been given the PCC for a specific purpose and which are held pending disbursement in accordance with the mandate for which they were given.
- b) Designated funds are unrestricted fund money the PCC has decided to put aside in other funds for use in the future. The money is 'designated' for these particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds are still unrestricted and can be moved to other general funds (redesignated or undesignated) if the PCC so decides.
- c) Unrestricted funds reflect the accumulated unspent net income: these funds are held for prudence in providing a buffer to meet unusual or exceptional needs.

Details of the reserves held are set in note 6 to the Financial Statements. There are no funds in deficit.

Volunteers

I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow and Hugh Evans) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, including the selling of the pews from the Good Shepherd!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a second year, and the rest of our

“circle of Guildford Diocese treasurers” to perform this essential service for one another, in an independent manner at zero cost to each of our Parochial Church Councils.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The members of the PCC, who are trustees of the charity for the purposes of charity law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees’ Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, regulations and accounting standards.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the members of the PCC to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the PCC’s financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the members of the PCC are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will not continue in operation.

The members of the PCC are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Jill Billings FCCA

Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2021

Ref:		<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
	INCOME						
A	Voluntary Income	2(a)	58,232	10,096	7,397	75,726	68,599
B	Activities for generating funds	2(b)	15,290	-	776	16,066	23,865
C	Income from investments	2(c)	15	-	-	15	124
D	Church Activities	2(d)	7,085	-	-	7,085	6,996
E	Other Receipts	2(e)	100	-	1,100	1,200	-
	TOTAL INCOME		80,722	10,096	9,273	100,092	99,584
	EXPENDITURE						
F	Church activities	3(a)	73,903	-	11,430	85,334	116,729
G	Raising funds	3(b)	5,434	-	-	5,434	6,652
H	Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		79,337	-	11,430	90,768	123,381
	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		1,385	10,096	(2,157)	9,324	(23,797)
I	TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	-
	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		1,385	10,096	(2,157)	9,324	(23,797)
	Total funds brought forward	6	55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	(38)		(25)	(63)	
	Total funds carried forward	6	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS						
J Tangible fixed assets	4	2,499	-	18,096	20,595	23,569
K Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		2,499	-	18,096	20,595	23,569
CURRENT ASSETS						
L Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	5,698	-	2,271	7,969	6,754
P Stock		-			-	104
N Short-term deposits		3,032	20,000	-	23,032	23,020
M Cash at bank and in hand		51,177	11,479	24,245	86,901	71,300
		59,907	31,479	26,516	117,903	101,178
LIABILITIES						
O Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	5,871	1,274	4,062	11,207	6,718
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		54,036	30,205	22,454	106,695	94,460
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029
PARISH FUNDS		56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Mrs Val Chadney (PCC Secretary)

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Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	33,340	-	1,714	35,054	36,623
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	6,539	-	53	6,592	2,747
Non Recurring Grants	-	10,096	3,375	13,471	10,877
Legacies	-	-	-	-	1,000
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	8,417	-	1,717	10,134	6,482
Gift Aid Recoverable	9,936	-	539	10,475	10,870
	58,232	10,096	7,397	75,726	68,599
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	4,324	-	776	5,100	18,889
Church Bookstall - sales	147	-	-	147	185
Cherubs toddler group	175	-	-	175	220
Coffee Stop	1,375	-	-	1,375	-
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	1,483	-	-	1,483	987
Parish Magazine (sales)	4,347	-	-	4,347	2,534
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	3,440	-	-	3,440	3,585
	15,290	-	776	16,066	23,865
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	15	-	-	15	124
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	7,085	-	-	7,085	4,462
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	7,085	-	-	7,085	6,996
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	1,100	1,100	-
Other (see note below)	100	-	-	100	-
	100	-	1,100	1,200	-
Total Incoming resources	80,722	10,096	9,273	100,092	99,584

Notes:

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	380	-	-	380	130
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	55,555	-	-	55,555	51,789
Other ministry costs	1,668	-	-	1,668	566
Church running and maintenance	13,095	-	215	13,310	11,213
Major repairs	-	-	8,875	8,875	48,466
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	2,340	2,974	2,974
Education, parish training & mission	910	-	-	910	191
Churchyard upkeep	249	-	-	249	286
Church hall running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	824	-	-	824	613
Bank charges	588	-	-	588	502
	73,903	-	11,430	85,334	116,729
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	299	-	-	299	1,920
Parish magazine costs	5,135	-	-	5,135	4,732
	5,434	-	-	5,434	6,652
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	79,337	-	11,430	90,768	123,382

Notes:

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2021	43,991
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2021	43,991
Depreciation	At 1 January 2021	20,422
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	2,974
	At 31 December 2021	23,396
Net book value 31 December 2021		20,595
Net book value 31 December 2020		23,569

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	3,143	539	4,180	-
Prepayments	871	-	1,013	-
Other receivables	1,684	1,732	1,561	-
Total	5,698	2,271	6,754	-
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utility and other costs	1,536	-	2,044	-
Other creditors	5,610	4,062	3,613	-
Total	7,145	4,062	5,658	-
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	-	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last half of 2021.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £871 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £414 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2021, £420 and vicarage water rates £37.

Other Receivables - £1,684 - Hall Hire £480, Funerals / Monuments £531.1, Wreath Making £72, Other funds raised £135. Cherubs Winter term, £175, SumUp December £291, Restricted Funds - £1,732 - VAT reclaim from LPW scheme for Bells refurbishment, Organ Recital

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- Installation costs for St. Mary's telephone/broadband (this has now been transferred to accrue for broadband installation costs for The Good Shepherd) £1,274, Christmas donations to secular charities £220, Broadband £37 and SumUp fees £4.

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises:

Unrestricted funds - Parish Magazine advanced payments received for 2022 advertising £3,175 and 2021 subscriptions £780.

Agency collections £4,062 comprises Diocese fees for weddings / funerals £3,906, Childrens Society Christingle donations £31, Organist Fees for Funeral in December £125

Accounts Payable £1,654 comprises Rev Jane Walker Exps for 6 months to 31st Dec 21 - £1,593, Castle Water £28, Charles Farris £28 and Total Gas & Power £4.

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
The Community Fund (Designated) was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,995	147	(881)	-	2,261
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	12,542	-	(1,192)	-	11,350
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	15,537	147	(2,073)	-	13,611
St. Mary's Sound System	10,145	200	(1,148)	-	9,196
Organ Refurbishment	635	953	(214)	-	1,373
Bells Fund	9,697	6,874	(7,995)	-	8,576
Agency				(28)	(28)
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	5,133	1,100	-	-	6,233
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	42,732	9,273	(11,430)	(28)	40,547
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	-	-	109
Community Project		10,096	-	-	10,096
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	55,188	80,722	(79,337)	(35)	56,538
Total	118,029	100,092	(90,768)	(63)	127,290

* Prior year adjustments relate to Bank reconciliations being corrected to align the balance sheet to the bank statements.

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	2,499	-	18,096	20,595	23,569
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	5,698	-	2,271	7,969	6,858
Cash at bank and in hand	54,209	31,480	24,245	109,934	94,320
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(5,871)	(1,274)	(4,062)	(11,207)	(6,718)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029

8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2021

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Vicar – The Reverend Jane Walker

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Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

Nicholas O'Brien
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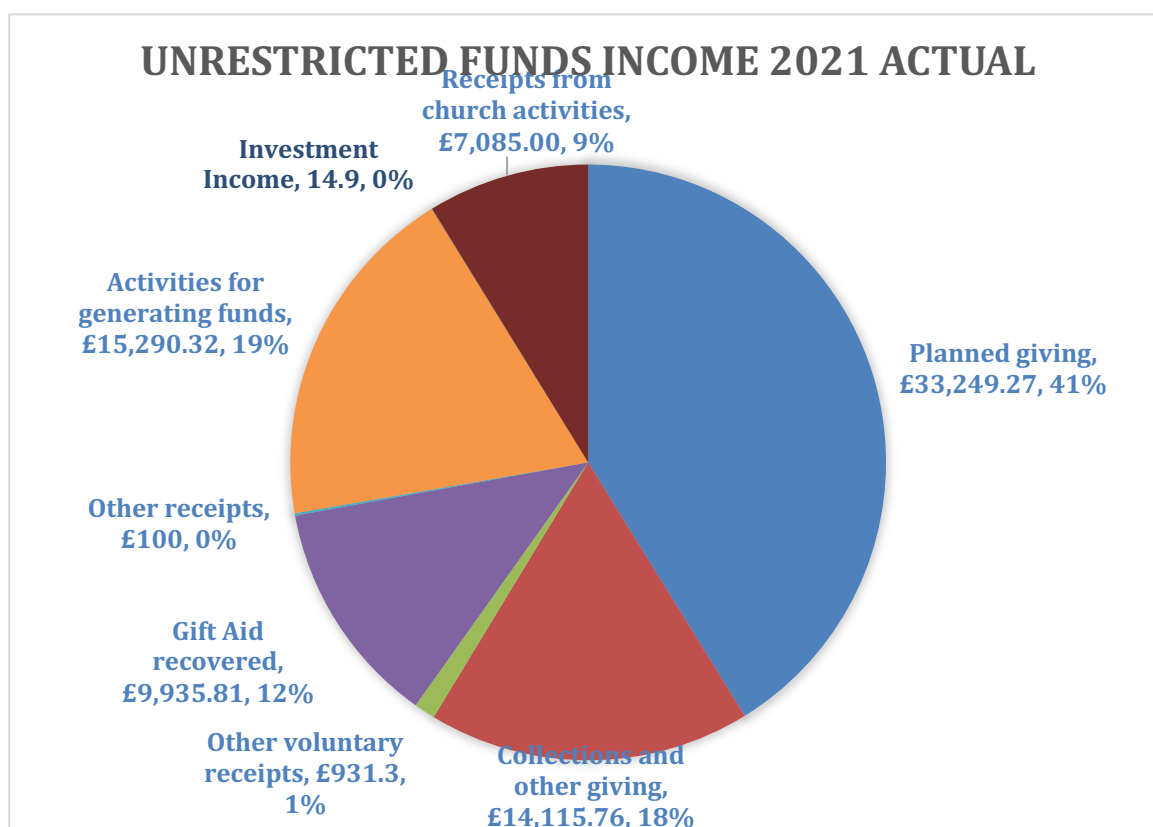
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Although our usual fundraising event of the Frensham Fayre was cancelled, the Harvest Festival and Beating the Bounds went ahead along with wreath making.

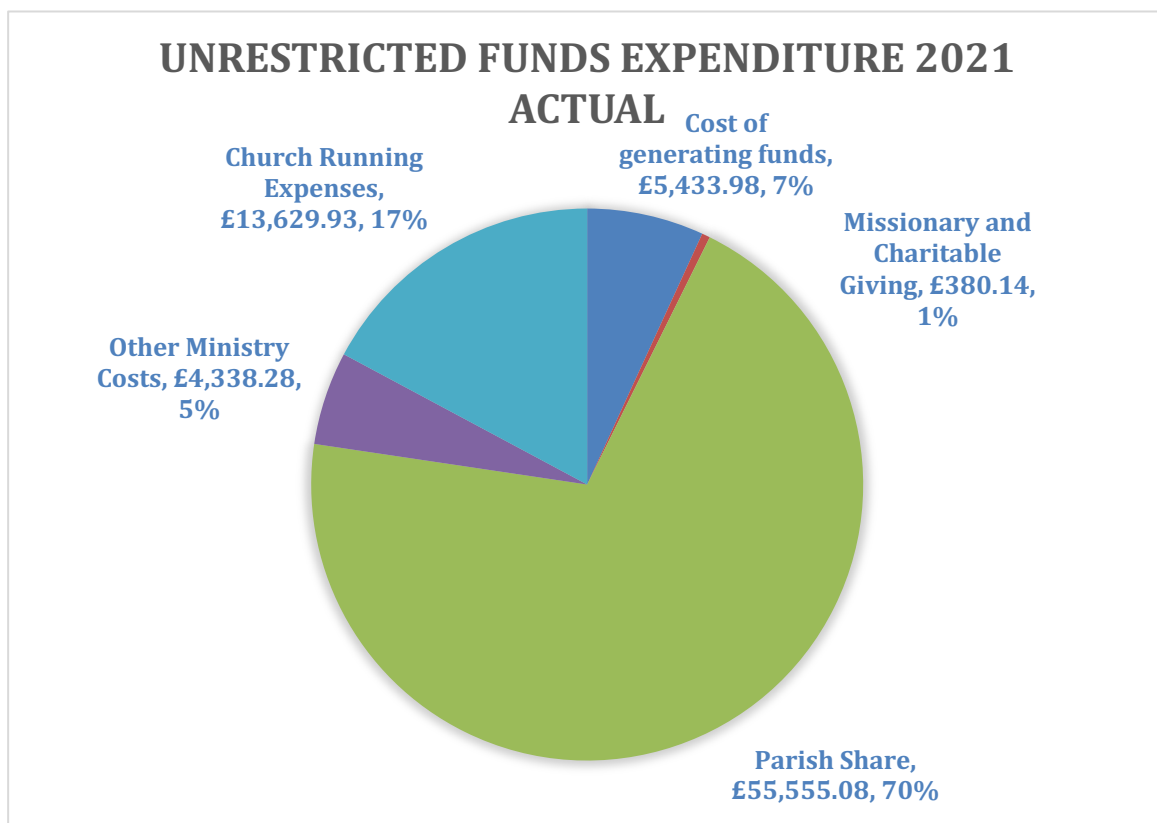
The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has been an unmitigated success raising £1,375 In its first part year, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2020 at £1,483 – up 50% .

Parish Magazine income rallied in 2021, increasing by £1,953 year on year – an increase of 33%.

Our total income from Activities for Generating Funds was £15,290.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £9,273 of which £6,874 related to the Bells Refurbishment Fund and £953 to the Organ Fund, £200 to the sound system fund and £1,100 to the Good Shepherd Chairs fund – from the sale of pews.



£59,893.36 (2020 - £54,926) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan parish share of £55,555.08 (2019 - £51,789); the parish share was frozen at the 2020 rate

(we received a discount in 2020 which was not replicated in 2021). In addition, Other Ministry Costs increased by 38% from 2020, Reverend Jane Walker started claiming expenses again in 2021, and a well attended Alpha course ran in the autumn. There were still savings due to no parish administrator being engaged.

The underlying running costs of the church were £13,630, 25% up from 2020.

£11,430 was expended from restricted funds. The main components of the amount shown under restricted funds resources expended are as follows:

Bells Refurbishment – deposit	£ 7,995
Depreciation – Fixed Assets	£ 2,974

Net movement in unrestricted funds is a surplus of £1,385 net movement in designated funds was £10,096 and the net movement in restricted funds resulted is a deficit of £2,157. After taking into account balances brought forward, the balances carried forward on all funds are in surplus. However, it should be noted that future depreciation costs will be deducted from the relevant funds going forward.

Reserves

Reserves held reflect three different objectives:

- a) Restricted funds are funds which have been given the PCC for a specific purpose and which are held pending disbursement in accordance with the mandate for which they were given.
- b) Designated funds are unrestricted fund money the PCC has decided to put aside in other funds for use in the future. The money is 'designated' for these particular projects for administration purposes only. Designated funds are still unrestricted and can be moved to other general funds (redesignated or undesignated) if the PCC so decides.
- c) Unrestricted funds reflect the accumulated unspent net income: these funds are held for prudence in providing a buffer to meet unusual or exceptional needs.

Details of the reserves held are set in note 6 to the Financial Statements. There are no funds in deficit.

Volunteers

I personally would like to thank everyone who has helped me in performing the treasurer duties. This includes Mark Vardy and his banking team (Patrick Farmer, Tim Finlow and Hugh Evans) who take care of the weekly banking duties, Peter James for his ongoing work and support as Gift Aid Secretary, Mayonne Coldicott and Liz Pollard for maintaining the Parish magazine accounts, Morag James for invoicing for weddings, Karen Nockels for picking up the hall invoicing, and Barbara Potter for the Coffee Stop and all of her other fund raising efforts, including the selling of the pews from the Good Shepherd!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Nicholas O'Brien who has once again taken on the role of our Independent Examiner for a second year, and the rest of our

“circle of Guildford Diocese treasurers” to perform this essential service for one another, in an independent manner at zero cost to each of our Parochial Church Councils.

Statement of Trustee Responsibilities

The members of the PCC, who are trustees of the charity for the purposes of charity law, are responsible for preparing the Trustees’ Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law, regulations and accounting standards.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the members of the PCC to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the PCC’s financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the members of the PCC are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will not continue in operation.

The members of the PCC are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Jill Billings FCCA

Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2021

Ref:		<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
	INCOME						
A	Voluntary Income	2(a)	58,232	10,096	7,397	75,726	68,599
B	Activities for generating funds	2(b)	15,290	-	776	16,066	23,865
C	Income from investments	2(c)	15	-	-	15	124
D	Church Activities	2(d)	7,085	-	-	7,085	6,996
E	Other Receipts	2(e)	100	-	1,100	1,200	-
	TOTAL INCOME		80,722	10,096	9,273	100,092	99,584
	EXPENDITURE						
F	Church activities	3(a)	73,903	-	11,430	85,334	116,729
G	Raising funds	3(b)	5,434	-	-	5,434	6,652
H	Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		79,337	-	11,430	90,768	123,381
	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		1,385	10,096	(2,157)	9,324	(23,797)
I	TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	-
	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		1,385	10,096	(2,157)	9,324	(23,797)
	Total funds brought forward	6	55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	(38)		(25)	(63)	
	Total funds carried forward	6	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2021

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
FIXED ASSETS						
J Tangible fixed assets	4	2,499	-	18,096	20,595	23,569
K Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		2,499	-	18,096	20,595	23,569
CURRENT ASSETS						
L Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	5,698	-	2,271	7,969	6,754
P Stock		-			-	104
N Short-term deposits		3,032	20,000	-	23,032	23,020
M Cash at bank and in hand		51,177	11,479	24,245	86,901	71,300
		59,907	31,479	26,516	117,903	101,178
LIABILITIES						
O Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	5,871	1,274	4,062	11,207	6,718
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		54,036	30,205	22,454	106,695	94,460
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS	7	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029
PARISH FUNDS		56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Mrs Val Chadney (PCC Secretary)

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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

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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	33,340	-	1,714	35,054	36,623
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	6,539	-	53	6,592	2,747
Non Recurring Grants	-	10,096	3,375	13,471	10,877
Legacies	-	-	-	-	1,000
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	8,417	-	1,717	10,134	6,482
Gift Aid Recoverable	9,936	-	539	10,475	10,870
	58,232	10,096	7,397	75,726	68,599
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	4,324	-	776	5,100	18,889
Church Bookstall - sales	147	-	-	147	185
Cherubs toddler group	175	-	-	175	220
Coffee Stop	1,375	-	-	1,375	-
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	1,483	-	-	1,483	987
Parish Magazine (sales)	4,347	-	-	4,347	2,534
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	3,440	-	-	3,440	3,585
	15,290	-	776	16,066	23,865
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	15	-	-	15	124
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	7,085	-	-	7,085	4,462
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	7,085	-	-	7,085	6,996
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	1,100	1,100	-
Other (see note below)	100	-	-	100	-
	100	-	1,100	1,200	-
Total Incoming resources	80,722	10,096	9,273	100,092	99,584

Notes:

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	380	-	-	380	130
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	55,555	-	-	55,555	51,789
Other ministry costs	1,668	-	-	1,668	566
Church running and maintenance	13,095	-	215	13,310	11,213
Major repairs	-	-	8,875	8,875	48,466
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	2,340	2,974	2,974
Education, parish training & mission	910	-	-	910	191
Churchyard upkeep	249	-	-	249	286
Church hall running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	824	-	-	824	613
Bank charges	588	-	-	588	502
	73,903	-	11,430	85,334	116,729
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	299	-	-	299	1,920
Parish magazine costs	5,135	-	-	5,135	4,732
	5,434	-	-	5,434	6,652
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	79,337	-	11,430	90,768	123,382

Notes:

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2021	43,991
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2021	43,991
Depreciation	At 1 January 2021	20,422
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	2,974
	At 31 December 2021	23,396
Net book value 31 December 2021		20,595
Net book value 31 December 2020		23,569

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2021 £	Restricted Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	3,143	539	4,180	-
Prepayments	871	-	1,013	-
Other receivables	1,684	1,732	1,561	-
Total	5,698	2,271	6,754	-
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utility and other costs	1,536	-	2,044	-
Other creditors	5,610	4,062	3,613	-
Total	7,145	4,062	5,658	-
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	-	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last half of 2021.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £871 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £414 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2021, £420 and vicarage water rates £37.

Other Receivables - £1,684 - Hall Hire £480, Funerals / Monuments £531.1, Wreath Making £72, Other funds raised £135. Cherubs Winter term, £175, SumUp December £291, Restricted Funds - £1,732 - VAT reclaim from LPW scheme for Bells refurbishment, Organ Recital

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- Installation costs for St. Mary's telephone/broadband (this has now been transferred to accrue for broadband installation costs for The Good Shepherd) £1,274, Christmas donations to secular charities £220, Broadband £37 and SumUp fees £4.

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises:

Unrestricted funds - Parish Magazine advanced payments received for 2022 advertising £3,175 and 2021 subscriptions £780.

Agency collections £4,062 comprises Diocese fees for weddings / funerals £3,906, Childrens Society Christingle donations £31, Organist Fees for Funeral in December £125

Accounts Payable £1,654 comprises Rev Jane Walker Exps for 6 months to 31st Dec 21 - £1,593, Castle Water £28, Charles Farris £28 and Total Gas & Power £4.

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
- The Community Fund (Designated) was set up in 2021 to separate the COVID-19 grant given by Waverley Borough Council, to support the church getting back to normal, supporting the local community.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,995	147	(881)	-	2,261
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	12,542	-	(1,192)	-	11,350
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	15,537	147	(2,073)	-	13,611
St. Mary's Sound System	10,145	200	(1,148)	-	9,196
Organ Refurbishment	635	953	(214)	-	1,373
Bells Fund	9,697	6,874	(7,995)	-	8,576
Agency				(28)	(28)
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	5,133	1,100	-	-	6,233
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	42,732	9,273	(11,430)	(28)	40,547
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	-	-	109
Community Project		10,096	-	-	10,096
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	55,188	80,722	(79,337)	(35)	56,538
Total	118,029	100,092	(90,768)	(63)	127,290

* Prior year adjustments relate to Bank reconciliations being corrected to align the balance sheet to the bank statements.

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	2,499	-	18,096	20,595	23,569
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	5,698	-	2,271	7,969	6,858
Cash at bank and in hand	54,209	31,480	24,245	109,934	94,320
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(5,871)	(1,274)	(4,062)	(11,207)	(6,718)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	118,029

8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2021

Accounts



FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For the year ended 31st December 2020



1. Administrative information

The Benefice of Frensham incorporates St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield and is part of the Diocese of Guildford within the Church of England. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, Frensham, Surrey, GU10 3DT.

In 2017 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission.

Its registered name is "The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham" and its registered number is 1173223. All members of the PCC are trustees of the charity.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2020 until the date this report was approved are:

Incumbent of the Benefice

Revd. Jane Walker

Wardens

Mrs Eunice King

Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25th Oct

Representatives on the Deanery Synod

Mrs Esther Van Rooyen

Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct

Representative on St Mary's School Board of Governors

Revd. Jane Walker

Elected Members

Mrs Val Chadney Secretary

Co-opted - 13th Dec 2020

Mr Simon Claiden

Retired APCM 2020 – 25th Oct

Mrs Jill Wright Treasurer

Co-opted – 18th Nov 2020

Mr Max Hadfield

Re-elected APCM 2019 – 28th April

Mrs Morag James

Re-elected APCM 2019 - 28th April

Mr Peter James

Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct

Dr Hilary Lee-Corbin

Co-opted - 18th Nov 2020

Mrs Jill McKenzie

Elected APCM 2019 28th April

Mrs Karen Nockels

Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct

Mrs Barbara Potter

Re-elected APCM 2020 - 25th Oct

Mr Jon Savage

Re-elected APCM 2018 - 22nd April

Mr Mike Smith

Co-opted - 18th Nov 2020

Mrs Pat Telfer

Re-elected APCM 2018 - 22nd April

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank,
Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management
Ltd
(The CBF Church of England
Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nick O'Brien

Treasurer from St John the Evangelist,
Milford

2. Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

3. Aims and Purposes

Frensham PCC with the Incumbent, Revd Jane Walker has the responsibility to promote the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical throughout the ecclesiastical parish. It also has maintenance responsibilities for St Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield. As trustees of the Charitable Trust of the Benefice of Frensham, the purpose of each PCC member is to be responsible for the management, the running, the review, evaluation and reporting on the charity.

4. Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our Churches and to become part of our parish community within the Benefice of Frensham. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout our parish, and our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer, scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year, our objective is to enable people to live out their faith through:

- Worship and prayer, learning about the gospel and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus
- Provision of pastoral care for people living in the Benefice
- Mission and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St. Mary the Virgin, Frensham and The Church of the Good Shepherd, Dockenfield.

5. Achievements and Performance

Electoral Roll

From February 2020 to 2021, one (1) new name has been added to the Electoral Roll and four (4) deletions. The Electoral Roll currently has a total of one hundred and thirteen (113) names, forty-three (43) of which are not resident in the Parish.

Mr Stuart Easton

Church Electoral Roll Officer

Church Attendance Due to Church closures during 2020 these records have not been included in this report.

6. Proceedings of the Parochial Church Council

There were four full PCC meetings and one Extraordinary PCC meeting held this year.

The PCC is the governing body of the Parish Church and it is made up of Members of the Clergy and Lay Members of the Church. There are five purposes of a PCC:

- To enable the Church to play its part in God's mission to his world
- To co-operate with the minister in sharing leadership
- To ensure legal compliance with charity law and ecclesiastical law
- To care for the buildings and Churchyard
- To be a channel of consultation within the wider Church

This year many topics were discussed and agreed by the PCC including the following:

January

A presentation was given on Stewardship and the 'Encouraging Generous Giving in Rural/Village Churches' workshop

There were discussions on the Parish Share and Contactless giving

An update was given on the End of Year accounts

The 2020 General Fund Budget was approved

The Risk Assessment for the Noel Coward plays was approved

An update was given on the Chair Project at The Good Shepherd

There was an update given on the bells repair/refurbishment

March

There was no PCC meeting due to the Covid-19 outbreak and restrictions

The APCM was postponed from 26th April 2020 to 25th October 2020

May

There was no PCC meeting due to the Covid-19 restrictions

July - meeting held via Microsoft Teams

There was an update given on finance and the completion of the Diocesan 'CV19 Parish Finance Evaluation' form

The 2019 APCM Financial Report was approved

The PCC agreed to set up a Paypal account

There was a discussion on the new chairs for The Good Shepherd - it was agreed to put this on hold for the time being

Update given on the bells repair/refurbishment

Discussion on how and when to proceed with the Church Services taking into consideration the Covid-19 restrictions. It was agreed to open on Sunday 23rd August 2020 at St Mary's Church but no Services were to be held at The Good Shepherd for the time being

Statistics for 'Church Life' and the YouTube Online Services were discussed

September - meeting held via Microsoft Teams

An update was given on the financial situation

It was agreed that there would be two Harvest Festival Services at St Mary's Church. The offerings from these Services would be divided between Parishioners in need, The Vine Centre and the Farnham Food Bank

It was agreed that The Good Shepherd would remain closed for the time being

There would be a sponsored walk 'Beating the Bounds' in aid of the Church held on 10th October 2020

The APCM Annual Report was approved

An update was given on the Parish Magazine

There was a discussion about a new projector and screen for St Mary's Church

November - meeting held via Microsoft Teams

Jill Wright co-opted by the PCC as our Treasurer

There was a discussion about The Good Shepherd

The Sidesmen were approved

The 2020 APCM minutes were agreed

It was agreed that the Christmas collections would be in aid of the Church this year

The increase in the Parish Magazine cover price and future sponsorship was discussed

There was a discussion on the Visual Equipment quotes

There was a discussion on our Parish Share

Update given on the Christmas Services and the Nativity Nature Trail

Mike Smith and Hilary Lee-Corbin were co-opted onto the PCC

December - 13th December 2020 at St Mary's Church

There was an Extraordinary meeting held to:

Co-opt Val Chadney onto the PCC (and as PCC Secretary)

Approve the Service on Sunday 27th December 2020 being shown as an Online Service (provided by the Diocese)

Approve the Risk Assessments for:

- Re-opening the Church in Tier 2
- the Carol Service on 20th December 2020 at St Mary's
- the Nativity Nature Trail

It was also agreed that Revd Jane Walker and Eunice King would jointly approve the Risk Assessment for the Village Sing-a-Long Carols at The Royal British Legion, Frensham.

The Vine Centre, Aldershot

I would like to give a huge thank you to everyone who has donated and supported The Vine Centre in Aldershot during 2020, which was a very difficult year. The Vine Centre's Covid-19 response was to provide essential services to those people who are most vulnerable in the local community. These services included support calls through 'VineLine', home cooked meals and care packages being delivered every week.

From 30th March 2020 to 29th January 2021 The Vine Centre provided:-

- **5748** support calls through Vineline
- **3520** care packages delivered
- **8600** home cooked meals delivered
- **665** family meal packs

2020 ended with all your wonderful and generous Christmas gift bags which totalled over 120 !! The recipients ranged from families and young carers to single adults many of whom were impacted by Covid-19 from the loss of loved ones to financial hardship from the loss of jobs. The Christmas gift bag response from everyone was overwhelming and very much appreciated by The Vine Centre and by all of those people who received them at such a difficult time of year for many.

Thank you so much and please continue to support The Vine Centre during 2021. Remember also to look out for my updates in the Parish Magazine every month.

Thank you once again for your tremendous support

Karen Nockels
(PCC Secretary)

7.Financial Review

Please see the Financial Statement.

8.Reserves policy

Please see the Financial Statement.

9. Fabric, Goods, Ornaments & Churchyard

Fabric

The Fabric committee has not formally met in 2020, largely due to the Covid pandemic. We have addressed problems as they have cropped up.

Good Shepherd

2020 was an extraordinary year and The Good Shepherd was closed in March with the lockdown and continues to be kept closed. We were advised that the hot air blown heating system was thought to spread Covid particles and therefore was not safe to use so the church continued to stay closed throughout the year. Later in the year the advice changed and it seems that blown air systems are now not thought to spread the Covid particles. However, it became apparent that there wasn't sufficient interest in attending services from the local congregation in Dockenfield, possibly due to self-isolating, and with the lack of actual human resources the PCC agreed that it was not feasible to open the church nor to record services there because of lack of technology. We carried out a thorough clean and covered the carpet and as much of the furniture as possible with dust-sheets. Physical weekly checks are made on the building inside and out, but we have recently noticed a good deal of damp/mould on the pews and the beam on the eastern end in the chancel. This will continue to be monitored and we will aim to air the church as much as possible when the weather improves. Hirings of the church stopped during the first lockdown and because of moth-balling the church for the reasons stated above, hirings continue to be on hold. Habits have changed and the pilates group for example are now permanently online.

In 2018 I reported that the PCC had agreed to focus on refurbishing specific areas of The Good Shepherd and in 2019 it was decided to fundraise for new chairs to replace the pews. We had thought to do this in two phases and secured the funds for the first tranche, mainly from generous donations from Friends of Frensham Churches, the Frensham Baptists church and St Mary's Frensham Trust. We were on the cusp of placing this order when Covid happened and the church was closed. Alongside this we became aware that the bat excrement and urine was damaging the fabric seat pad of the sample chair that had been left in the church. This has prompted us to pause with the project. Further consideration needs to be made by the PCC regarding the use of the church and the feasibility of the purchase of new chairs and general refurbishment.

The following actions were carried out during the year.

- The wooden floor in the vestry was re-laid by UK Wood Floors in February. It had been lifting due to damp and a dehumidifier was being used prior to their visit. We discovered that part of the problem had been caused by the guttering on the vestry roof which was letting water run down the outside wooden wall. This had not only caused damp in the floor inside but also rotting in some of the wooden boards. The boards were replaced in May.
- The window catches were in poor condition causing the windows to blow open in windy weather. These were filed down and refurbished so all windows now close securely.
- The brass candlesticks were badly soiled by the bat urine and had to be polished with a machine to remove the damage.
- The Vulcana gas heaters were serviced in June.
- A thorough clean was done before covering the carpets and some of the furniture with dustsheets prior to moth-balling in the autumn.
- The water system was drained in October to prevent any burst pipes over the winter period.
- A small leak was repaired in the felt where the vestry roof abuts the main church.

St Mary's

The church is in good condition but some redecoration of the chancel, painting of metal gutterings/ downpipes and attention to the gates will be required in the next few years.

Health and Safety, and in particular Risk Assessments, were key tasks in 2020 that took much research and time. Our Health & Safety Officer stepped down and the post is still vacant. Risk assessments were written for church services and activities. Most activities were cancelled but a Sponsored Walk and Nativity Nature Trail did take place and Risk Assessments were written for both events. As the regulations changed over the course of the pandemic updates were issued. Social distancing was introduced with every other pew being left vacant in order to comply with a 2m distance between congregation members. Red tape markers were stuck to the floor and signage used to remind all of the regulations. Vigorous cleaning with anti-bacterial products has left some of the pews and the alter rail stripped of natural waxes and looking paler in colour. When the church was open for private individual prayer, sections were taped off to minimise cleaning at the end of each day. As the weather got colder, we took advantage of the window vents to provide additional ventilation. A one-way system was adopted, entering through the porch, exiting through the hall. Large services such as Christmas Day, were restricted in numbers to comply with social distancing and a booking system was introduced.

Services were recorded every week from March onwards and indeed continue to either be recorded or live streamed. During the period from August to the end of the year when the church was physically open for services, we were putting up a portable screen and running various cables in order to avoid using service books and to make the service user-friendly to congregation watching online. This was very cumbersome and not ideal as far as safety was concerned. In October, I did some investigation about installing better display equipment (projectors, screens and connection for laptops, etc) and obtained quotes and advice from a number of suppliers. The costs ranged from £12,000 for the basics to £20,000+ for a complete system covering the whole church. This was not affordable so we continue with the portable screen.

The bell refurbishment project at St Mary's was investigated further during 2020 and more fundraising took place before the lockdown in March. There was some concern that the bell frame structure may need replacing but after seeking expert advice this is not required. Final quotations and a funding plan was presented to the PCC and approved in January 2021 (this refurbishment is expected to cost just under £30,000). Subject to Faculty, we expect works to commence in January 2022.

The Health and Safety Policy is now due for review (December 2020).

The following actions were carried out during the year:

- The boiler insurance inspection was carried out in January for insurance purposes (this is done every other year). The boiler inspection insurance cost £780 in 2020.
- The cesspit was emptied in January (next empty due January 2022).
- In February 2020 there was a small leak from the valley of the roof by the organ which we believe was due to the storm conditions. [A much more serious leak occurred in January 2021 and remedial works have been carried out to rectify the problem at a cost of £315].
- The two boilers were serviced in June.
- The organ was removed for cleaning and refurbishment and the works were completed, much of the work was carried out during the first lockdown when the church was closed. Due to extended delays with the Chancellor outside of our control, the Faculty was granted after the works had been completed. Funding for the works was given by the late Jo Reader. A number of additional things were included in the project that became apparent whilst the organ was dismantled. These were largely covered by the organ restricted fund (including Jo Reader's donation) and had no impact on the church general fund.
- The door spring was mended on the internal porch door.
- The valleys/gutters were cleared on the main roof, the hall and the priest's vestry.
- Gate post replaced on the west end of the play area.
- In October we had some money stolen from the cauldron which was being used to collect donations towards the bell restoration fund. We believe approximately £20 was taken but some damage occurred to the cauldron by way of a few dents and a couple of cracks in the copper work.
- Some heating grills in the choir vestry had broken and were repaired.
- The oak chest was swapped from near the choir stalls to 'children's corner' and the altar rail hanging cabinet was moved into its place to be nearer to the altar for practical purposes. As part of this reorganisation, the book sale table was moved from the hall to children's corner and the oak chest will be used to house children's toys and games (although the physical moving of all the books and toys has yet to be completed)
- St Mary's had a spring clean in January and again in August. Cleaning is now done in-house due to finances.

General

Church insurance continues with Trinitas at annual cost of £1,918 for St Mary's and £990 for The Good Shepherd, still affording us savings compared to the previous insurer, Ecclesiastical.

The fire extinguisher servicing was carried out in both churches in January 2021 (being due in December 2020 but delayed because of Covid).

I would like to thank Chris Mitchley and Brian King for their continued support with repairs.

Goods and Ornaments

Goods and ornaments are mainly in good order for both churches. As mentioned last year the priest's vestments at The Good Shepherd are in poor condition. Given that The Good Shepherd has remained closed from March onwards, this has not been progressed any further.

Four items of silver from St Mary's continue to be lodged in the Guildford Cathedral Treasury, comprising flagon, paten, chalice and salver. Due to church closure at Easter and Covid restrictions at Christmas, these items have not been used during 2020.

Churchyards

St Mary's – I am very grateful to our dedicated team of volunteers who help to maintain the 2 acres of churchyard. We managed to maintain a small team of people during the lockdown when Covid restrictions meant that the usual teams were not able to work safely. My particular thanks to John Davis who was such a great support during this difficult time.

Throughout the summer Chris Mitchley repointed the runnels at the front and east end of the church and the bottom vehicle access gate was re-hung. We had one working party in October where we did a lot of work on edging the paths, strimming and re-clearing the runnels. Thanks also to my husband, Brian, for felling a rotted cherry tree and cutting all the hedges. Chris Mitchley has also moved tonnes of soil from the end of the churchyard to fill in holes/low areas throughout the churchyard. We shall now move the bonfire heap to this area. Chris also refurbished the dilapidated bench in the front of the churchyard near Wisteria Cottage. My thanks to David Millais for both servicing and replacing the battery on the ride on mower at his expense and to all the team leaders who generously supply the fuel for the machines.

The Good Shepherd – my thanks to the team who carry out the mowing (and also supply the fuel for the mower). Again we managed to keep on top of the mowing despite the lockdown restrictions. The wildflower meadow was successfully staked out with the help of Dan Bosence. It really flourished and provided much enjoyment, with some rare flowers and interesting insects. It is our intention to continue with this initiative in 2021 and beyond. The hedges were professionally cut in the autumn thanks to an act of generosity from a parishioner.

Frensham Brownies kindly gave us three bird boxes that they made. Two have been installed in St Mary's churchyard and another at The Good Shepherd. We look forward to welcoming their inhabitants in 2021!

Eunice King
Churchwarden

10. Farnham Deanery Synod

Farnham Deanery Synod planned to meet on four occasions in 2020, repeating the rhythm established in 2019 of three evening meetings and one Saturday morning meeting.

The first meeting was held at St Mark's Shared Church in Bordon in January. Churchwardens had also been invited to attend and it was preceded by a Deanery communion service. The first topic was an update on the **Deanery communications plan**. The draft Deanery website was displayed and it will eventually include links to: (1) parish websites; (2) parish skills and resources; and (3) policies and templates of proven worth that may be adapted by other parishes, thus avoiding duplication of effort. Parishes were also reminded that the Church of England website 'A Church Near You' (www.achurchnearyou.com) was more likely to be consulted by the general public than a particular parish website, so it was important that the information on each page was up-to-date.

The second topic was the recent **reorganisation at Church House**, and more specifically the implementation of the Parish Needs-Based Process, which represented a shift from a hierarchical diocesan structure to a Central Team that supported the parishes. Mission Enablers had been appointed to work with parishes to update their Church Development and Transforming Church Transforming Lives (TCTL) plans.

Finally parishes were reminded that the **triennial elections to Deanery Synod** were to take place at the Annual Parochial Church Meetings (APCMs) in 2020.

Then the pandemic struck and the resulting lockdowns and extended periods of restrictions meant that the meetings planned for March, June and October had to be cancelled.

A second meeting was held in November (using Zoom) to take stock of how the parishes in the Deanery, and the Central Team, had been impacted by the pandemic. At the Deanery level, the two major developments planned for 2020 – launching the **Deanery website** and discussing the implementation of the **Deanery Handbook** issued at the start of the year – had had to be postponed. For the Central Team, the Parish Needs-Based Process had also been halted. The pandemic had affected church finances at all levels. Although committed to supporting clergy and parishes throughout the pandemic, difficult decisions would have to be made and the Central Team had launched a Health and Viability Review of all parishes across the Diocese. Such a move was perfectly understandable in the circumstances, but had caused some disquiet.

The Area Dean had already decided to implement one aspect of the Deanery Handbook (pp 6-7) – renaming and refocusing of the Standing Committee (with additional membership) as the Deanery Leadership Team (DLT). It now has the triple responsibility of: (1) leading the Deanery; (2) acting as the Deanery Mission and Pastoral Committee;

whilst (3) remaining as the Standing (or Business) Committee. The benefits of this initiative would not be apparent until (some form of) normality returned in 2021.

During the meeting, initial reactions to the Deanery Handbook were canvassed and some reservations were expressed – excessive ‘management speak’ and a lack of spiritual input and Scriptural foundations; Anglican-centric and no reference to existing ecumenical structures; previous experience of resistance to sharing beyond parish boundaries and structures; and overly ambitious in scope with insufficient resources for a forum that meets infrequently. The Area Dean closed the meeting by exhorting the clergy to attend future Deanery Synod and Clergy Chapter meetings in these uncertain and challenging times.

One deanery synod representative was re-elected at the APCM in October, leaving two vacancies against the allocation for Frensham.

Mark Williams
Farnham Deanery Synod

11. Frensham Parochial Charity Trust

During the year, the charity had an income of £2,659.13 and an expenditure of £2,800.00. The balance in hand was £664.01.

During the pandemic the trustees met on 19 October 2020 and agreed a distribution to each of the four Parishes, which are recipients of the Frensham Parochial Charitable Trust, of £650. In Frensham, the majority of this was used in the form of vouchers at the village shop for the benefit of parishioners, some of whom were in necessitous circumstances.

Nicholas Harris
Hon. Secretary

12. Hire of Buildings

St. Mary's Church Hall

The hall was hired for Yoga and Movement Classes until the 16th March. It was used for the Noel Coward plays , Newcomers Evening, T @ 3, Marriage Prep., Bellringers, and Parish Friends until the 16th March, since then it has been closed due to the pandemic.

The Good Shepherd

The church was hired for Pilates and Cello lessons until the 16th March, since then it has been closed due to the pandemic.

Barbara Potter
Hall Hire Booking

13. Music

Musically, there is very little to report. The year will be remembered predominately for two things: for the Covid-19 pandemic that changed so much in our way of life and for Richard's death - finally succumbing to the dreadful disease against which he had fought so bravely.

St Mary's Choir

The year got off to a good start with the choir singing a delightful anthem, “Star of the East” by Gordon Thornett, at the Epiphany evensong service on January 5th and for the Candlemas evening service on February 2nd at which the choir sang anthems by Richard Shephard, Malcolm Archer and John Dankworth.

The cleaning and refurbishment of the organ began in the middle of January and the piano became our source of accompaniment. With that in mind, our planned Passiontide offering was to be “Wondrous Cross” by Alan Bullard – a meditation based on the “Seven Last Words” of Christ from the cross – with piano accompaniment, but that was not to be. We will keep it in mind for better times.

And so choral singing in church stopped and virtual became reality.

Jane and I started making socially distanced recordings of hymns using the piano and organ in The Good Shepherd.

During the Summer I picked the brain of a fellow singer and church musician, Geoff Quick, who had started making virtual recordings of singers for recorded services in Tilford Church and in August the singers from St Mary's Choir made their first homemade recordings. I recorded the hymn, sent it off to the choir, they recorded themselves singing to the backing track and emailed it to me. I then joined all the recordings together and emailed it to Jon Savage to include in the recorded service.

And then on September 1st came the sad news that Richard had died – an end of a chapter in the life of St Mary's. Richard had been Choirmaster since 1983 and under his guidance the choir had become one of the best church choirs in the area. He was always willing to "give things a go" even if they were outside his comfort zone – I remember him saying to me soon after I started as organist in St Mary's, "I've always wanted to conduct Vivaldi's Gloria". I replied "Well let's do it!" and we did! Not only the Sunday by Sunday music for the liturgy but also Festival services, fund raising concerts and numerous cathedral visits – not bad for a potty little village church choir!

Richard's funeral was inevitably a family affair with restricted numbers. He had planned out the service and we were able to fulfil his wishes. Six members of the choir sang "Dear Lord and Father of mankind" by Parry, "The Lord bless you and keep you" by Rutter and the "Nunc dimittis" in G by Dyson. In addition, a recording of Barbara singing "God be in my head" by Walford Davies was played. It was a sad but dignified service. Richard will be sorely missed and I am sure further tributes will be forthcoming when we remember him appropriately as and when we are able.

But life goes on and by Sunday September 20th we were allowed back into the church with 6 singers in chancel spaced at 2m apart. And what a joy it was! Not only to be back singing, but it was a lovely (if cold!) place in which to sing!

This continued up to Christmas with the choir singing from the chancel but no congregational singing was permitted. So, in order to allow the congregation to sing some carols, Jane's cunning plan was to hold the service outside – fingers and toes crossed and fervent prayer for fine weather! It was a delightful event with traditional Christmas readings and hymns, a selection of unaccompanied carols from the choir and fine weather!

So, a strange year but thanks to all of St Mary's choir who rose to the challenges of being a remote/virtual choir. Thanks to Ian Black who has been a regular tenor for the recordings and services. I would also like to thank the musicians in the Frensham community who have performed and recorded for our online services: Ian Chambers, Al, Phoebe and Arthur Bird, Malc Billings and Neil Dupré.

Finally, I hope and pray that, before too long, we will be able to gather together and rekindle the wonderful spirit in St Mary's Choir and to sing God's praise as a choir in St Mary's, Frensham.

Mike Smith
Organist

St Mary's Organ

2020 has been a big year for the organ in St Mary's! Its long-overdue overhaul and clean was upon us, but due to the Covid pandemic the work took longer than was planned.

Andrew Cooper & Co., Organ Builders, based at Ryde, on the Isle of White, started work on the organ on January 21st with the removal of the keyboards and pedal board. The keyboards were taken to Andrew Cooper's workshops in Ryde, to be cleaned, adjusted and have extra thumb pistons added - these are the buttons that the organist can press to recall a pre-stored combination of stops. The pedal board was taken to a specialist firm in Yorkshire to be cleaned, adjusted and have the worn "black" notes capped with Rosewood.

In the meantime, Gary Cook, of Liberty Organs Ltd (an organ builder based in Trowbridge and subcontracted to Coopers), began installing the new control system and its associated wiring. Several weeks were spent in the confined space inside the organ making up multi-core cables and soldering hundreds of joints. This was completed on Friday

13th March when the organ was switched on for the first time since January with some interesting results! There were several glitches, either with the software or rogue wiring, that were sorted out in the following weeks.

The new system includes a transposing function (enabling the organist to change key at the press of a button!), stepper thumb pistons and a stepper pedal piston (enabling the organist to change to the next combination of stops with his, or her, right foot) – a very useful facility when both hands are otherwise engaged!

Once the organ was working correctly, the new pipes for the Great Mixture stop were installed. Then most of the pipes were removed (excluding the largest pedal pipes at the rear of the organ, which were cleaned and adjusted in situ) and stored in St Mary's (as the church was closed) for cleaning and maintenance. The organ was then dismantled for cleaning and maintenance of the mechanisms, some of which were taken away to the workshops to be repaired.

With the pipes removed we took the opportunity to improve the lighting in the organ chamber and to install some lights in the Swell box. Many thanks to Brian King for doing this.

The organ was reassembled during the first week of August and it was great to get the organ back again after months without an instrument to play. I had not expected there to be much of a difference in the overall sound of the cleaned organ but I was bowled over by how much brighter it sounded.

The changes that were made to the Great Mixture have been a tremendous success! The unaltered stop was almost unusable with all but the largest of congregations. The changes mean that the stop compliments the overall sound of the organ rather than overpowering it and it can be used more regularly.

The stepper toe piston was an addition to the organ that evolved during the work. We had planned to have stepper thumb pistons either side of the general pistons above the Swell manual – one to move on to the next General piston and one to move back to the previous General piston. I mentioned the idea of including a stepper toe piston to Andrew who confirmed that it would be easily achievable. It has proved to be a very useful addition to the organ in St Mary's.

Andrew and his team have done a great job under difficult circumstances due to Covid restrictions. I look forward to working with him as he undertakes the on-going care of this marvellous instrument.

Mike Smith
Organist

14. Parish Friends

The pandemic of 2020 was very difficult for everyone, worldwide, nationwide and locally, and still ongoing at the end of the year with many restrictions still in place. The Parish Friends gave really incredible support to the Parish during this time, not least of which they delivered information letters (with the help of some others) to 660+ homes in the parish at the start of the first lockdown in March, so that every home had contact details of a PF who could help, plus a Village Shop leaflet. During the first total lockdown some PFs were also shielding but they were still able to co-ordinate parishioners' requests for help with shopping, prescriptions, keeping in touch etc. A big, big thank you to all of the Parish Friends.

During 2020 two Parish Friends retired; Jenny Carter moved away after many years of service and help with PF administration. Fiona Ricketts also retired after many years as a PF. Both will be missed greatly. The team was very fortunate to welcome three new people in October to help with three areas in Frensham; Vicki Hinde, Sharon Mumford and Bridgette Wilson. In October Claire Hughes kindly took on the administration of PF from Jenny and also some of the co-ordination of PF from Morag with a view to taking over from her in October 2021.

On 6 March 2020 a Newcomers evening was held in the Church Hall. PFs had delivered invitations to new residents in their area. There were a couple of PFs available at the evening for Newcomers to talk to. Through 2020 where possible with Covid restrictions Parish Friends continued to welcome newcomers, in many cases with a welcome note through the door rather than face to face, taking a Parish Magazine, a Welcome Booklet and a Village Shop bag-for-life voucher to each of the newcomers. The process of updating the Welcome Booklet began in 2020 and not completed so some new households will not yet have received their copy.

PFs have continued to give lifts within Government guidance, shop, run errands and care for parishioners when requested. They distributed income from the Frensham Parochial Charitable Trust in the form of Village Shop vouchers at Christmas on behalf of the Vicar. In October Claire Hughes, Rosemary Faun and Morag James collated the Harvest Festival produce received at the services at St Mary's and The Good Shepherd. It was not permitted to have fresh produce for 2020 so all gifts were packets or tins. PFs notified Claire Hughes in advance who they would like to distribute some harvest gifts to and collected the boxes from outside the church to deliver to the parish. There were no flowers to distribute in 2020 from the church. Any Harvest Gifts not distributed to parishioners were given to The Vine Centre and the Food Bank.

Only one child was baptised in the parish in 2020 just before lockdown and had a Parish Friend assigned to him. Parish Friends continued to send Baptism anniversary cards to children baptised in the last five years.

The Parish Friends "met" on three occasions in 2020. At the meeting on 10 February in the Church Hall items of general business were covered then the PFs had a very informative & interesting talk given by Allen Ruddock who volunteers as a Samaritan at the Guildford Branch and includes outreach in his remit. He answered numerous questions following his talk. The meeting on 12 October was by Zoom and covered business matters. A further Zoom meeting was held on 7 December as a social and to introduce the new Parish Friends.

Morag James
Parish Friends Chairman

15. Parish Magazine

This has been a difficult year for everyone because of the pandemic. We took the decision early on, with Revd Jane's support, to keep the magazine running despite the lack of many of our usual reports from local clubs and advertisements for local charity events.

We have tried to fill the pages instead with a mix of articles from as many different perspectives as possible and have been delighted with the response to our requests for contributions from readers.

The printers were very supportive in keeping the magazine going and even gave us colour photos in one edition as a thank you for continuing to use them. The distribution team led by Susan Farnell Watson were wonderful in coming forward to deliver the magazines in as safe a way as possible during the lockdowns and our readers have given positive feedback about the content.

It now looks as though restrictions will soon be lifted and many clubs, societies and fund raising events will be able to take place, the church will be open for services and life in many ways will return to how it used to be. However we will continue to try to incorporate as diverse a mix of articles as we are able to in the coming year.

Philippa Hall & Penny Garrard
Co-Editors

Parish Magazine Financial Report

I am pleased to report that the accounts are in a healthy position. Income £2534.00 from our regular subscription fee, and the advertising revenue of £3,300.00

2021 year will see the new colour format with increase of monthly price to £1.00 and a £10 yearly fee if paid in advance. This new format will increase advertising revenue as the charges are higher for the colour spots.

Despite the economic climate our sales have remained steadfast, with excellent customer loyalty and with our new advertising potential the future looks bright, as we endeavour to expand this during 2021 and beyond.

Susan Farnell-Watson
Parish Magazine Manager

16. Safeguarding Report

I am pleased to report that there have been no 'Safeguarding Issues' in 2020.

Disclosure & Barring (DBS) renewals are a continuing exercise. The online service makes the process simple for both the applicant and myself.

The new Diocese training programme has settled down and works well with the Church of England's on-line 'Foundation' module.

I can report that all our volunteers are up to date with their Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) checks and Safeguarding Training requirements. The following table gives an overview of the number of volunteers involved.

Note that:

1. DBS checks are carried out every 5 years while Safeguarding training is every 3 years.
2. Not all volunteer roles require DBS and/or Safeguarding training. It depends on their involvement with the PCC, Children and/or vulnerable adults.

Total number of Volunteers in scope for:	Church Officers	Parish Friends	TOTAL
DBS checks	3	19	22
Safeguarding training	13	19	32

DBS Checks in 2020	0	6	6
Safeguarding Training undertaken in 2020:			
Awareness	2		2
Foundation		4	4
Leadership			-
Safer Recruitment	1		1
Domestic Abuse			-

Jon Savage
Safeguarding Officer
safeguarding@frenshamchurches.org.uk

17. St Mary's Frensham Bell Ringers

Ringling this year since March has been very restricted and anything but 'normal' since the start of the Coronavirus pandemic and the first lockdown. Prior to the lockdown we rang for the Sunday morning services and practised as usual on Monday evenings but only until March 9th.

Since then – no practices, no teaching of learners and no ringling for weddings, no visiting bands, no Peals or Quarter Peals – so minimal ringling. During the summer, when restrictions were eased, we were able to ring 4 bells on Sunday mornings, and on Christmas Day we rang 5 bells. We were restricted in which and how many bells could be rung by the need for 'social distancing'. A smaller number of ringers also swing-chimed up to three bells for a few minutes at 8 o'clock on Thursday evenings during the 'clap for carers' weeks, whilst others clapped and banged pans outside their front doors.

On other occasions we were able to ring only a single bell, and notably did so on the 75th anniversary of VJ Day, 15th August, when the Tenor bell was rung 75 times at 11 o'clock. Covid restrictions also prevented anything more than the ringling of the Tenor bell on both Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day, but the one-bell ringling was quite poignant, with 11 'dongs' at 11 o'clock, then a 2-minute silence followed by ringling again for 5 minutes or so. Prior to the outdoor Carol Service held in the churchyard in December we rang several bells, albeit only one at a time.

As is usual, the Union Jack, the Diocesan Flag and the RAF Ensign were flown from the top of the Tower at different times of the year. In September, marking the anniversary of the Battle of Britain, the RAF Ensign caught the attention of a passer-by (a member of the Alton RAF Association) and the following short comment appeared in the

Association's newsletter: *"Passing through Frensham, Ian Driver spotted the RAF Ensign flying above the tower of St Mary. Not only was he surprised to see it flown from a church tower but especially pleased to see it flown in Battle of Britain week."* A photograph was included too.

In 2020 we did not hold an AGM, the timing of which coincided with the start of the first lockdown and many of us at that time were unfamiliar with 'Zoom' or similar video-conferencing services, so the previously-elected officers continued in their posts:

Tower Captain	Harry Glover
Deputy Tower Captain	Jill McKenzie
Secretary	Paul Little
Treasurer	David Munro
Tower Keeper	Norman McKenzie
Assistant Tower Keeper	John Davis
PCC Representative	Jill McKenzie

At our previous AGM Norman McKenzie indicated his intention to retire from the position of Tower Keeper, and also during the year Jill McKenzie resigned as Deputy Tower Captain by reason of the fact that they now live some 35-40 minutes' drive away from Frensham. Both have made a very significant contribution to the running of ringing and maintenance of the bells, and their input will be very greatly missed. Fortunately Jill is willing to continue as our PCC Representative.

During the course of the year our plans for a major overhaul of the bells and fittings were developed. It is over 50 years since any of the bells were overhauled, so a '50-year' service (which we now know the bellhangers recommend) is due, and it is proposed will take place between January and March 2022. The likely cost is about £33,000 of which we have some £13,700 already 'ring-fenced', a sum which includes generous donations from Frensham Fayre and the Friends of Frensham Churches, and fund-raising. In addition the work will qualify for a very generous Grant of one third of the final cost from the Guildford Diocese Bell Restoration Fund, so we have still about £8,300 to raise. Watch out for Quizzes, Beetle Drives, Skittles, Curling, and maybe a Ceilidh too!

Harry Glover
Tower Captain

18. Report of the Parish Priest

This report is a comprehensive appraisal of the spiritual life of the church for the year Jan- Dec 2020. Our strategic mission, pastoral ministry and worship of the Trinitarian God for the Benefice of Frensham in 2020 is underpinned by the vision of Guildford Diocese's 'Transforming Church, Transforming Lives'. As such the structure of this report will be in the TCTL format, linking with the Church Development Plan and other specific aims.

Introduction

Given that 2020 was an unprecedented year for humanity as a whole due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the challenge for survival of both the National Anglican Church and local parish churches was no less threatening. For the first time in their history, the doors of both St. Mary's Church and its daughter Church of the Good Shepherd were closed in March due to the National Lockdown.

The initial sense of loss of spiritual, communal and social connexion, for both individuals and the different congregations, was huge. People spoke of feeling lost, lonely, in pain and isolation because they were denied access to these holy places that they felt rooted in, and frequently (or infrequently) attended and used for worship, prayer, spiritual peace and connexion with God and people. Many people suffered with growing anxiety, depression and withdrawal for many reasons and not necessarily religious. It was with an aching pensive heart that I conducted the first three funerals of this year that were of young and troubled souls who committed suicide.

As the year went on beyond lockdown but still in a controlled system, the dawning realisation that the coronavirus could not be contained by lockdown or testing emerged. Consequently, having reopened in the summer months, we had to close the doors again in Autumn. This caused a growing anxiety within the PCC and congregations that the churches might never re-open. Given that we had had a very financially pressured 2019 with diminishing resources,

the possibility of permanent closure became a real possibility when the initial predictions indicated that finances would run out Spring 2021.

However, wonderfully this year, precisely *because we have* lived through this unique and challenging experience *together with the community*, surprising opportunities for creativity and connexion have occurred, that probably would not have happened had we not developed, expedited and implemented new outreaching endeavours in our Benefice, which have benefitted both church and community.

In 2020 the global pandemic situation and necessary national restrictions deprived the Benefice of Frensham from working towards/completing most of its' Church Development Plan (CDP) aims from 2019. I therefore thought it logical to combine the uncompleted aims of 2019 with those also suggested for 2020, for this appraisal.

These aims were:

1. Communication to the wider public in the Benefice - Continue improving relationships with council and other local groups.
2. Organise a whole church vision day
3. Send invitations for people to join in prayer – develop a prayer group.
4. Fill church vacancies
5. Develop projects making the church more visible in the community
6. Invite more people to services and courses. Start a programme of inviting those who come for baptisms, marriages and funerals to Alpha courses or other spiritual/worship courses or events. Focus and connecting with new people and making it easier for them to attend church in different ways.
7. Grow the family friendly services
8. Development of healing ministry

These aims will be reviewed under the relevant TCTL sections, but most come under Goal 1 which is about making disciples through pastoral care and worship.

Note: due to the closure of the churches and absence of the usual congregation, this report does not contain the usual appendices giving the numbers of attendees or yearly trends.

Goal 1: Making disciples: an appraisal of CDP 3, 4 and 5

This first goal permeates through every other goal. It is the ultimate goal of our being as church, and this we continually aim to achieve throughout the whole mission of the church, primarily pastorally, but also through worship, prayer and other evangelistic and educational methods, as well as through social, secular and ecumenical means.

Both the provision of pastoral care and worship have been hugely disrupted this year. The national lockdown to protect the vulnerable and prevent contagion of the Coronavirus closed the churches by law for the first time in history. This was a sacrifice that all Christian individuals and corporate church organisations had to make, and although it caused much upset and anxiety in our congregation and community, and created complicated challenges for how we could continue to worship and give pastoral care; I, my Church warden and PCC were in complete agreement that it was utterly necessary.

Not being able to be in each other's presence since mid-March 2020 *has* affected us all deeply in body, mind and spirit. The impact on the church in the Benefice of Frensham (as well as all other churches) has been substantial especially because many of our congregation had to shield due to age, health vulnerabilities of self or family, or other reasons. I thank God that none of our congregation or community have died from Covid this year.

Regarding pastoral care: With knowledge of impending lockdown expected in March, myself and Church Warden Eunice King initially met with both Frensham and Dockenfield Councils to work together to put in place practical and spiritual support for each household in the villages. Up-to-date Safeguarding training and DBS clearance were essential to actioning this combined pastoral and civic care system, and both councils were (if the individual members didn't know already) made aware of our Parish Friends system and that each of our Parish Friends met these criteria. Other local community members who also met these criteria were added to the list to cover those Parish Friends who couldn't participate due to shielding. Instruction and knowledge of health and safety regarding Covid-19 was shared in

order to keep all who participated in this scheme safe. Letters were posted through every door in the Benefice prior to lockdown which gave the Parish Friend contact number if help was required. The whole system then swung into action to provide food parcels, collect prescriptions, have telephone conversations or socially distanced conversations on doorsteps, to remotely help people connect on their computers for 'zoom' or 'Microsoft teams' meetings, and much more. To start off with, I know I was on the phone for between 4-5 hours per day reassuring people and checking how they were getting on, and also know that Morag and Eunice have spent many hours doing the same. Overall, although this combined church and community project couldn't combat the entire depth of isolation and loneliness, it went a huge way to enabling people to have both hope that we would get through this awfully difficult time and spiritual support and practical assistance.

Regarding worship: the closure of the churches provided an opportunity for (initially) me to learn how to film services in the Vicarage garden on my mobile phone. This was very 'Heath Robinson' to start with and acutely stressful due to complications with the weather, noise from neighbours and traffic, the determination of my dogs to have a starring role, and actually learning how to film properly! But it did achieve the aim of getting both God's Word and Sacrament communicated to the public throughout Lent Holy Week and Easter – such spiritually important times in the Christian year – and I did get some appreciative e-mails of thanks. With the help and skill of Communication officer Jon Savage and Church Warden Eunice King, this was then posted weekly on the church website, Next-Door Frensham, and the church FaceBook. Later and growing in confidence, I enlisted many other people to give the readings and intercessions, who themselves learnt to record on their phones and send to Jon, who himself learnt new skills in order to edit and compile these composite services every week. I am so appreciative of all the time and effort that everyone has given and especially the commitment of both Jon and Eunice to get the message of God's love through worship and prayer 'out there.'

I am also hugely grateful to Mike Smith and the choir who have persevered in providing music and hymns for the services. Collating recorded voices, editing and compiling hymns on the computer is another challenge which Mike rose to, to the benefit of all who tuned into the services. When we were able to be back in church for the summer, it was a joy that the choir could sing again within Covid-19 restrictions and it was also wonderful to hear the organ again which had been completely serviced and improved during lockdown.

I give a special mention here of Peter James, to whom I am especially grateful for organising the Remembrance services this year under exceptionally restricted conditions, both at the memorials and at the church. Whilst having to himself shield, and at extremely short notice, Peter galvanised the key people of the villages into action so that we could honourably remember those who gave their lives for our freedom. This was filmed and communicated broadly, with a thankful response from the community.

Also, when the churches were allowed to reopen, because of the good response we had had to the on-line services, (often with higher numbers than achieved physically by church attendance), we elected to continue recording and live streaming. The work Jon and Eunice put into making this possible was tremendous and, being IT and electronically challenged, I am supremely appreciative of their skill and grateful for their commitment to making this happen. Our services now reach all round the British Isles and over the globe!

The outdoor 'Carols at the Royal British Legion' and 'Christmas Carol' service at the front of St Mary's Church are two services of note which filled people's hearts with love and hope, at a time when most plans of being with family and friends were thwarted by the news of more restrictions on Christmas Day and possible lockdown beyond. My thanks to all who made these special services possible, especially Eunice doing all the risk assessments and seating plans and health and safety (not only for this but all the church services when open); Neil Dupres, Jon Savage and Brian King sorting the PA system; Mike and the choir; all the readers and everyone who helped set up and tidy up afterwards. Many people have asked if we can make these outdoor services a tradition!

As we came towards Christmas, it became clear that we could not conduct all the services unique to this season in the churches. I came up with the idea of a Nativity Nature Trail, which would serve the whole community with not only the Christmas story, but also information about local nature and could be achieved as family 'bubble' exercise within the parameters of Covid-19 restrictions and guidelines. The walk would start at 'Nazareth' (Dockenfield Church) and end at Bethlehem (St Mary's Church, Frensham). With massive help from Eunice and Brian King, and Pat Telfer together with

a wonderful community effort to make key figure 'scarecrows', the whole effort was greatly appreciated by not only local families but those from further afield, as indicated by the many thankful e-mails received by myself and Eunice.

Although the churches have been closed, I continue to give thanks for the commitment and dedication of my vergers Barbara Potter, the sacristans, the sidesmen and Jean Shephard's care of the fine linens, without whom worship couldn't happen to such a high standard. I give thanks also to Harry Glover and all the bell ringers who have brought joy even though severely limited with the Covid-19 restrictions, by ringing for the NHS and to commemorate the 75th anniversaries of the end of WWII.

Reflecting on the CDP aims:

1: Communication has much improved between the church and local councils. In the future we will continue to be proactive in this area as the bilateral sharing of information has reduced barriers, prejudices and judgements for all involved.

2: Due to restrictions we haven't been able to organise a whole church vision day. We have however, been able to join together as a PCC due to the skills of Jon Savage on Microsoft Teams and this has been both spiritually and practically helpful. We will reschedule a vision day for 2021 to revise and update Frensham CDP.

3: Whilst we might have developed and organised a prayer group either on Microsoft teams or Zoom, with everything else that was being learnt and developed, as well as the community pastoral project, this did not happen. With experience over the year, I have also learnt that this will be much more effective in person due to the difficulties speaking liturgy and praying out loud together on-line. Post Covid, we will endeavour to enact this aim.

4: Church Vacancies: We are still in dire need of more volunteers to help in all aspects with the services and other managerial areas of church life. Church Warden Eunice King who has basically been on her own since Richard Potter stepped down, although the devoted assistance and commitment of ex-Church Warden Pat Telfer must be noted and commended here, is retiring and no-one has offered to fill this post, which is very worrying. It would be wonderful to fill the two posts for Church Warden and have one for the oversight of Frensham church and one for Dockenfield. Encouragingly, at time of writing this report, the post of PCC Secretary has been filled by Mrs Val Chadney, for which we are all very grateful. But we still need more readers, intercessors, sidesmen, deanery and diocesan synod representatives, flower persons, gardeners, and if possible a volunteer to help me with administration and paperwork.

5: The church has been much more visible in the community, due to the combined project, and I hope this will continue in new ways once we are beyond this pandemic.

6: All invitations to church and courses are suspended until post Covid.

7: No extra or new services have been developed this year.

8: Developing healing ministry has been suspended until post Covid.

Goal 2: Increasing Believers

All usual methods of initiating, sustaining or deepening belief and increasing the number of believers has been put on hold with this pandemic. It has not been the time to start new courses – rather more to use the time to explore, investigate and plan what we might do when we are back to some sense of normality.

However, there has been much work to sustain contact with those whom we would normally nurture through baptisms, weddings and funerals. I particularly thank Morag James my Pastoral Assistant for her continued and devoted service. I am also thankful for the Parish Friends who keep in contact with Baptism families for 5 years following a baptism and send a card each year on the anniversary.

The Marriage Preparation day did take place earlier in the year, but sadly most of the weddings were cancelled. For those who did manage to get married, I did do some marriage preparation via zoom, but this is much harder than

being together and could not be as extensive, deep or spiritual as usual. Regarding the four marriages that did take place, all the couples were hugely grateful and said how intimate and special they were. I managed to conduct one baptism before lockdown.

Most funerals took place in the graveyard with very limited numbers. But we did have the funeral in church of our brother-in-Christ Peter Newman, who sadly died earlier in the year. Peter was a faithful servant of this church and served as Deanery Synod representative for many years. His faith and testimony have been inspirational and his wise comments have been much appreciated at the PCC meetings. He now rests in peace in the graveyard of the church he loved and his spirit has risen in glory.

The Frensham Churches Walking Group also came to a halt as this was not allowed due to restrictions. However, it is something that could be done again once restrictions are lifted and so I hope this gets 'back on its feet' again soon.

Goal 3: Growing youth and children's ministry

All efforts to grow the numbers of young children and families in church have been curtailed this year. However, I have continued to send in films for Open the Book when I can, to support the Christian input to St Mary's School and this has been sent on to the children via e-mail at home. I was able to be present at the end-of-term leavers service in the school field which was very emotional for all, especially as most of the children had not seen their peers for months before they left. I did organise a Christmas present for every child in St Mary's School which was a special book of the Nativity. It has been impossible to do this with the private schools. I give huge thanks to Jon Savage who is my safeguarding officer and who keeps everyone up to date with their DBS and safeguarding training.

Goal 4: Developing lay ministers: not a priority at present for the Benefice

Goal 5: Recruiting more clergy: not a priority at present for the Benefice

Goal 6: Cultivating community partnerships:

I have already detailed the Benefice community Covid project in Goal 1 which was a great success. Thanks to Karen Nockels our Vine Centre ambassador, who has maintained strong links with them throughout this Covid ordeal. I am truly grateful for her commitment to conveying all the provisions given by church and village. It is a joy to do special projects which specifically help The Vine with their specific needs and the relationship between us has grown stronger over the many years we have been linked. We were able to provide more than usual Christmas Bags which were gratefully accepted by all who received them. Thank you to everyone who provided the bags filled with goodies as well as essentials. Karen usually connects us with the Ahmadiyya Muslims at Tilford as well, but this has been limited as well due to the pandemic.

This year we were still able to help parishioners who are in poverty through the generosity of the Frensham Parochial Trust. I am grateful to Nick Harris as secretary of this Trust, who enables the distribution of funds. I also give grateful thanks to Morag James and the Parish friends who helped distribute the funds in the form of Christmas vouchers which can be used in the village shop.

Sadly, the Village Christmas lunch at the Royal British Legion could not happen this year.

Regarding Deanery and Diocesan Synod: Esther Van Rooyen remains as our only representative, so we still have two vacancies.

Goal 7: Reaching beyond our Borders

Despite the limitations of the pandemic, we were still able to support those beyond our borders with the St Mary's Frensham Trust. I am thankful to David Millais, the Chair of this trust as well as all the Trustees for their continued commitment and management of this Trust which gives grants every year to charities which are local, national and international. I am also grateful to those on the church electoral roll who nominated the charities and gave us information concerning them.

Our links also with Christian Aid are continued by Susanna Millais who is our Christian Aid ambassador. My wholehearted thanks to Susanna who keeps us informed of the yearly vision and focus, support we can give and actions required.

Goal 8: Nurturing Education

I have already written about the church's involvement with schools above.

Our Educational Forum has continued with everything as usual on-line. Numbers have reduced but mostly this is due to the high amount of time people are spending on computers and zoom, computer problems, as well as that the pandemic has changed people's priorities and many are very tired.

Goal 9: Encouraging Generous Giving.

It was soon apparent as we went into lockdown that this could be financially disastrous for the finances of the Benefice as there were no service collections and no fundraising activities from March onwards.

I am hugely grateful to Hilary Lee-Corbin, not only for coming up with the idea of doing Noel Coward plays at St Mary's but also completely organising and directing it with the help of many church members. Thank you one and all. This made a substantial positive impact for our finances.

I give grateful thanks to all who walked the 'Beating the Bounds' sponsored walk with me and helped raise a staggeringly good amount, which in the end enabled us to pay our parish share for 2020.

I appreciate greatly the huge effort that Barbara Potter and her daughter Ruth made to make and sell Christmas wreaths which raised a superb amount for church funds. Barbara also usually manages the hall lettings but all this was cancelled.

I am supremely grateful to Jill Wright who although a renowned accountant has been in her first year as church treasurer, which is a new experience. Given the fact that she has had to shield so carefully, I believe she has coped courageously and marvellously with the most threatening challenges to the finances of the churches in this Benefice caused by church closure. She has devised systems to make the administration behind the finances this much easier, especially for myself for which I am very appreciative. In conjunction with other Diocesan church treasurers Jill has enabled a mutual system for the independent examination of our church accounts, which means we don't have the perennial anxiety of finding a new independent examiner. Well Done Jill!

What I have come to realise this year is that St Mary's Church in Frensham – both its building and its 'people' (its leaders, 'movers and shakers') - *do* matter to the community of Frensham and beyond, for a variety of reasons, which are not always religious but may be more about generational rootedness, family tradition (or superstition!), local history and its constant presence which gives hope, security and confidence of a future. This loyalty has been shown in many ways but importantly given the severe financial pressure we have been under, both local people and those from afar, whether church attendees or non-churchgoers, have been *so very* generous.

Sadly, I'm not so confident about loyalty to the Church of the Good Shepherd (its building and people). It does matter to those who use it for services and the toddler group on Thursdays (although this has not happened since March); but I'm not sure about its necessity to the local community of Dockenfield; although I know and stress that I am very thankful for the few faithful and more community-minded souls in Dockenfield who *are* passionate about keeping the building for gatherings, be that for religious or other purposes.

As the responsibility for the building (and its use) lies solely with the PCC of the Benefice, and the cost of maintenance and running the building increases; if the community do not wish to support it for religious or other purposes, then its viability will decrease. In order to assess whether the householders of Dockenfield felt they needed the Church of the Good Shepherd, in Autumn 2020 the whole community of Dockenfield were asked to respond to the question about possible reopening for services. This question was asked via the autumn Dockenfield News Letter which is posted

through every door in Dockenfield, and lamentably not one person responded. Therefore, the PCC will have to address the topic of viability and consult with both the Diocese and the community to plan what the possibilities for future continuation might be when the potential for reopening after the pandemic becomes clear.

Goal 10: Sharing expertise: not a priority at present for the Benefice

Goal 11: Communicating effectively: an appraisal of CDP 2

The communications team has been working extra hard this year to enable good communication, not only of God's love through the services and education, but also through our newly revamped Parish Magazine and 'Church Life'.

I am truly grateful to the comms team, which is mainly Jon Savage and Eunice King, and also for all the hard work that Philippa Hall and Penny Garrard give as editors for the Parish Magazine. Thanks also to Susan Farnell-Watson who has organised all the processing and distribution, and especially to all those wonderful volunteers who have done the posting in these difficult times.

Whilst DNL is not affiliated in any way to the church as is civically funded by Dockenfield council, I am very grateful to Michael Foster for entering in the information both myself and Church Warden Eunice King have submitted to him for publication this year.

Goal 12: Improving Church Buildings

Overall, both buildings are in good order although there are still ongoing projects and work to do.

It was fabulous to finally get the servicing and overhaul of the organ completed throughout lockdown. Jo Reader's incredibly generous legacy given for this before she died, has been honoured and the church is benefitting greatly now and will continue to do so in the future because of this.

I am utterly grateful to Chris Mitchley and Brian King for all their dedicated and hard work in the maintenance of both buildings that, even though the churches have been closed, has had to happen this year. Church Warden Eunice King has been an amazing administrator, *on top of everything else she does*, regarding maintenance of the church buildings and the grounds of both churches and church graveyard. This year she has brought the terrier and log book up to date as well as all the health and safety procedures and all the risk assessments and put them on-line. She has also completed all the laborious work for the faculty for the servicing of the bells and the bell tower in preparation for the work. I must thank Harry Glover here greatly too. The amount of work he has done for this is staggering. This is all an immense amount of work and a legacy which we must keep up. Thank you so much Eunice for your utter dedication to getting all this done. I write on behalf of the entire PCC and Church to say how very grateful we are to you.

I also give thanks to Roger Holmes and all the Trustees of Friends of Frensham Churches for coming alongside the church to financially support the improving of the church buildings.

The gardeners also carried on caring for our grounds working within Covid Guidelines, and I acknowledge the difficulties associated with doing this, giving heartfelt thanks to them all. Our neat and tidy grounds have been very much appreciated by all who visit and by the local villagers.

Conclusion

In conclusion I believe the Benefice of Frensham and its churches together with the whole community have done remarkably well this year. I thank God that we have not lost any souls to the virus, but there have been losses nevertheless that are truly sad and our hearts and prayers go out to those who continue their bereavement journey.

We have risen to the problematical challenges regarding pastoral care and worship, which have been caused by the coronavirus pandemic with the additional tough governmental constraints. Our church human resources were much reduced in number and every action had to be risk assessed and carefully planned and enacted to keep with Covid-19 guidelines to protect the population and prevent the spread of this devastating virus. But even with all this we have

actually achieved far more than I thought was possible between church and community and with regard to the CDP aims. We have also paid our Parish Share to the Diocese.

We have continued to '*create an environment where God's love can get through*', we have continued to pray to God and praise God throughout, and we have '*walked together*' with the community developing and adapting in God's love, supported by the integrity of Jesus Christ and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

I give thanks and appreciation on behalf of the entire PCC for the amazing team effort to all those who have participated in:

- the council/church community Covid care project
- the recorded services and church services
- safeguarding and DBS
- communication and the evolution of the parish magazine
- education
- the fundraising play
- the continued support of The Vine
- St Mary's Frensham Trust
- Frensham Parochial Trust
- Friends of Frensham Churches
- Christian Aid
- the Beat the Bounds sponsored walk
- the support of St Mary's School
- Remembrance Sunday
- Bell ringing
- the Nativity Nature Trail
- the wreath making
- the new Christmas carol services
- and the care of the church finances, buildings, contents and grounds.

However, four people stand out from the team and *must* be thanked and applauded for their faithful commitment and sheer hard graft in service to both church and people – it is due to them that such great things were achieved this year. They are Eunice King, Jon savage, Morag James and Pat Telfer. Thank you all so much.

We do have still more challenges going forward which include the need to fill vacancies and particularly fill the posts for two church wardens come the next APCM. The health and viability of the Church of the Good Shepherd is a major concern too, but I am confident we will meet each of these challenges in the faith, hope and love that God gives us. Thank You and God bless you all.

Reverend Jane Walker
Parish Priest

Approved by the PCC on 17th March 2021

Signed :

Date :

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

Vicar – The Reverend Jane Walker

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
Frensham
is a registered charity number 1173223

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

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

Nicholas O'Brien
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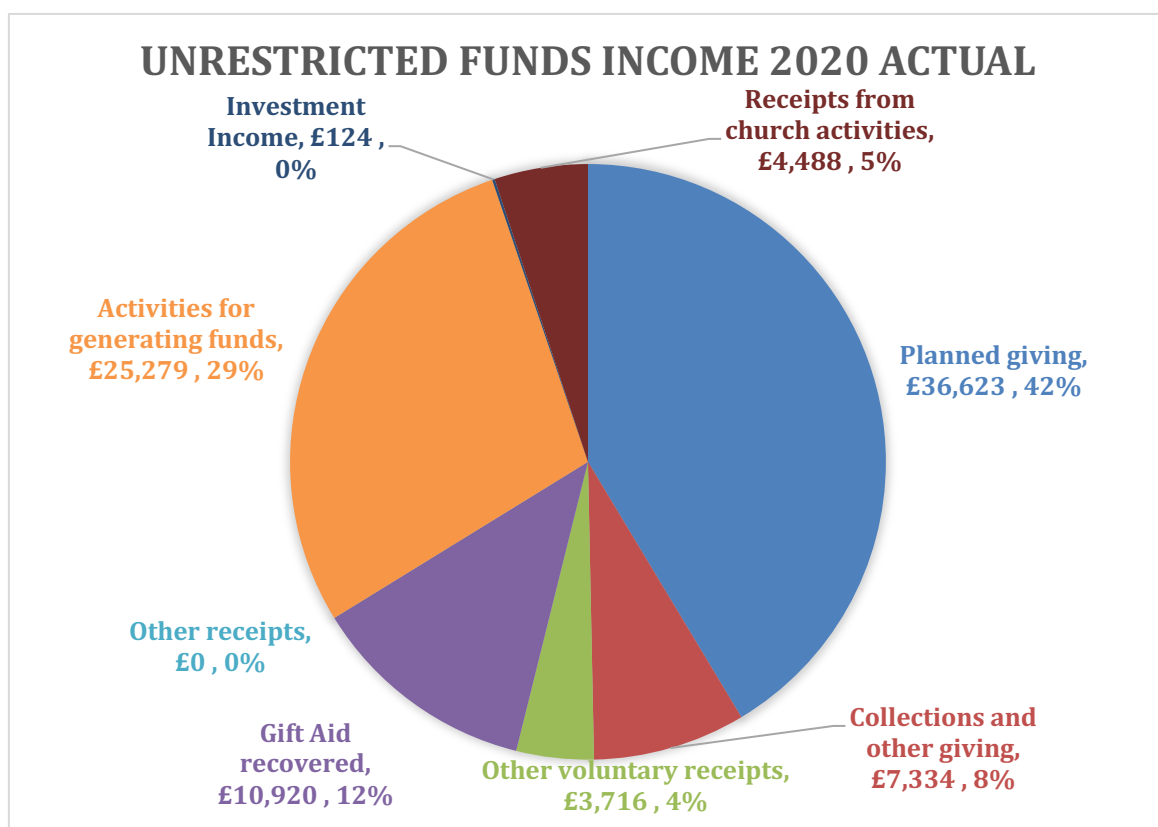
Frensham Parochial Church Council Annual Reports 2020

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

This report together with the attached schedules comprises the financial statements for Frensham Parochial Church Council (PCC) for 2020. The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102). The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCCs, and within the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions, and they have been prepared under FRS102(2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

The charts shown below show an analysis of our Unrestricted Funds Income and Expenditure in 2020.



Overall income recorded under Unrestricted Funds was 7.5% above the budgeted figure for 2020, and 0.4% above 2019 results. This was a tremendous response especially as we had COVID-19 to contend with.

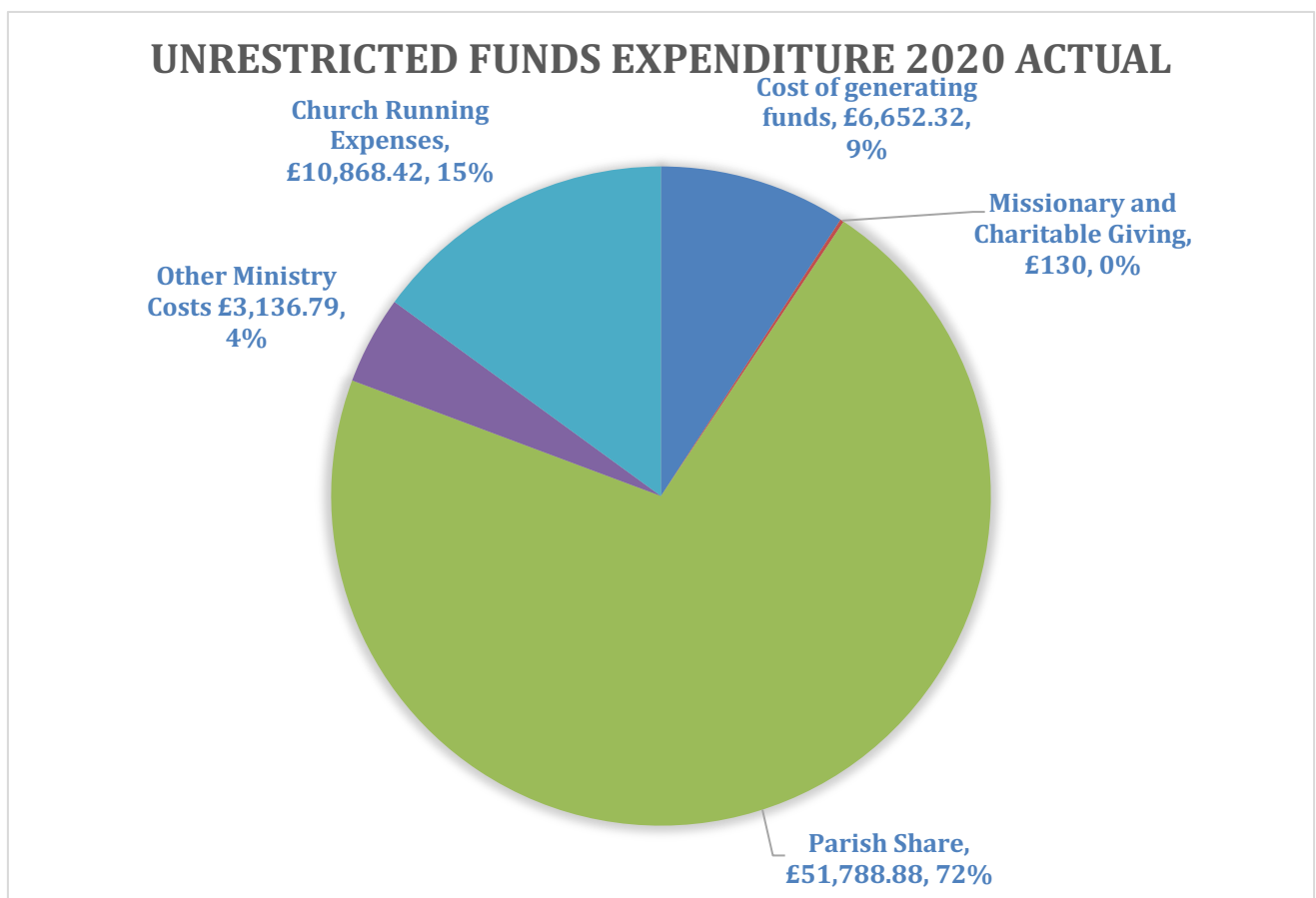
Our profile of giving and voluntary receipts changed for 2020 due to COVID-19, with church collections down by £10,463, a 69.5% decrease year on year, but offset in part by credit card online donations of £1,582 and one off gift aid gifts and other donations of £4,718, made up of Mask donations of £1,030 and other one off donations of £3,688. We were also in receipt of a one-off grant of £2,812, a donation matching grant from BP. We started to raise donations through Easy Fundraising in 2020, and achieved a healthy £645 income stream in this first year.

Although our usual fundraising events of the Frensham Fayre, the Harvest Festival and others were cancelled due to COVID-19, with all of the hard work by Reverend Jane and the team, our income from Activities for Generating Funds was £25,279 - 35.9% above 2019. This is due in main to the tremendous success of the Noel Coward Plays £6,683, Beating the Bounds Sponsored Walk £9,874, Garden Visits £235, Christmas Wreath Sales £785 and the Nativity Nature Trail £130. Note: these figures do not include the gift aid recovered in addition.

Our church lettings were £987, down by 77.1% and parish magazine income down by 8.8% to 2019.

Once again, the generosity of our parishioners is simply amazing and humbling.

Receipts on restricted funds were £11,179 of which £8,905 related to the Organ Refurbishment Fund and £2,274 to the Bells Fund.



£54,926 (2019 - £54,546) was expended from unrestricted funds to provide Christian ministry from St. Mary's and the Good Shepherd. Included in this figure is the diocesan

parish share of £51,789 (2019 - £51,611); the parish share was increased by 9.5% in 2020 to £56,497, however due to COVID-19 we received a refund of £4,708. In addition, Other Ministry Costs reduced by 53% from 2019, by cost savings on the Parish Administrator salary, and Reverend Jane Walker not claiming any expenses for the year. The underlying running costs of the church were £10,868, 45% below 2019. This is due to in main to the churches being closed through the COVID-19 pandemic.

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- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will not continue in operation.

The members of the PCC are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



6th March 2021

Jill Wright FCCA

Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
INCOME						
Voluntary Income	2(a)	58,540	-	10,059	68,599	76,167
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	22,745	-	1,120	23,865	18,301
Income from investments	2(c)	124	-	-	124	218
Church Activities	2(d)	6,996	-	-	6,996	9,834
Other Receipts	2(e)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		88,405	-	11,179	99,584	104,520
EXPENDITURE						
Church activities	3(a)	65,924	-	50,806	116,729	82,783
Raising funds	3(b)	6,652	-	-	6,652	8,269
Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		72,576	-	50,806	123,381	91,052
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		15,830	-	(39,627)	(23,797)	13,468
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	(0)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		15,830	-	(39,627)	(23,797)	13,468
Total funds brought forward	6	39,358	20,109	82,359	141,826	128,358
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BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

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FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible fixed assets	4	3,133	-	20,436	23,569	26,543
Investments		-	-	0	-	-
		3,133	-	20,436	23,569	26,543
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	6,754	-	0	6,754	6,640
Stock		104			104	-
Short-term deposits		3,020	20,000	-	23,020	22,923
Cash at bank and in hand		46,700	1,383	23,217	71,300	92,234
		56,578	21,383	23,217	101,178	121,797
LIABILITIES						
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	4,522	1,274	922	6,718	6,514
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		52,056	20,109	22,296	94,460	115,283
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
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Approved by the Parochial Church Council on ~~XX~~¹⁷th March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

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Jane Walker

Mrs Eunice King (Church Warden)

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General information

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Basis of preparation

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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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	36,623	-	-	36,623	40,683
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	2,747	-	-	2,747	6,604
Non Recurring Grants	2,812	-	8,065	10,877	-
Legacies	-	-	1,000	1,000	-
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	5,488	-	994	6,482	17,726
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,870	-	-	10,870	11,154
	58,540	-	10,059	68,599	76,167
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	17,768	-	1,120	18,889	9,554
Church Bookstall - sales	185	-	-	185	468
Cherubs toddler group	220	-	-	220	172
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	987	-	-	987	4,450
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	3,585	-	-	3,585	3,657
	22,745	-	1,120	23,865	18,301
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	124	-	-	124	218
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	4,462	-	-	4,462	6,708
Parish Magazine (sales)	2,534	-	-	2,534	3,126
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	6,996	-	-	6,996	9,834
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other (see note below)	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming resources	88,405	-	11,179	99,584	104,520

Notes:

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	130	-	-	130	464
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	51,789	-	-	51,789	51,611
Other ministry costs	566	-	-	566	2,503
Church running and maintenance	11,213	-	-	11,213	21,233
Major repairs	-	-	48,466	48,466	-
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	2,340	2,974	2,941
Education, parish training & mission	191	-	-	191	566
Churchyard upkeep	286	-	-	286	498
Church hall running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	614	-	1	613	2,795
Bank charges	501	-	1	502	172
	65,924	-	50,805	116,729	82,783
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	1,920	-	-	1,920	3,639
Parish magazine costs	4,732	-	-	4,732	4,630
	6,652	-	-	6,652	8,269
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	72,576	-	50,805	123,382	91,052

Notes:

2019 Bank Charges and Administration costs have been re-stated, to reflect correct split and allow year on year comparisons.

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2020	43,991
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2020	43,991
Depreciation	At 1 January 2020	17,448
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	2,974
	At 31 December 2019	20,422
Net book value 31 December 2020		23,569
Net book value 31 December 2019		26,543

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds 2019 £	Restricted Funds 2019 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	4,180	-	2,398	50
Prepayments	1,013	-	963	2,640
Other receivables	1,561	-	542	47
Total	6,754	-	3,903	2,737
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utility and other costs	2,044	-	2,939	115
Other creditors	3,613	-	3,460	-
Total	5,658	-	6,399	115
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	-	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last quarter of 2020.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £390 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £439 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2021 and utility prepaid for Good Shepherd (due to being closed) £164.

Other receivables comprises: Unrestricted funds - Credit card payments for beating the bounds £1,100, Wreaths £169, £130 Nativity Trail, £60 Parish Magazine and £102 for general donations.

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- Installation costs for St. Mary's telephone & Broadband £1,274, utility bills £404, church running expenses £72 and Revenue postponed - wedding £294.

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises:

Unrestricted funds - Parish Magazine advanced payments received for 2021 advertising £3,290 and 2021 subscriptions £323.

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
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- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd	Incoming Resources	Expended Resources	Transfer*	Bal. C/fwd
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,995	-	-	-	2,995
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	13,734	-	(1,192)	-	12,542
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	16,729	-	(1,192)	-	15,537
St. Mary's Sound System	11,293	-	(1,148)	-	10,145
Organ Refurbishment	40,196	8,905	(48,466)	-	635
Bells Fund	7,423	2,274	-	-	9,697
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	5,133	-	-	-	5,133
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	82,359	11,179	(50,806)	-	42,732
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	-	-	109
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	39,358	88,405	(72,576)	-	55,188
Total	141,826	99,584	(123,381)	-	118,029

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	3,133	-	20,436	23,569	26,543
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	6,858	-	-	6,858	6,640
Cash at bank and in hand	49,719	21,384	23,218	94,320	115,157
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(4,522)	(1,274)	(922)	(6,718)	(6,514)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total	55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826

8. RELATED PARTIES

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FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

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Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
National Westminster Bank, Farnham
Lloyds Bank, Farnham
CCLA Investment Management Ltd.
(The CBF Church of England Funds)

Independent Examiner

Nicholas O'Brien

**Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of St. Mary the Virgin Church,
Frensham, Parochial Church Council.**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 which are set out on pages 2 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

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

It is my responsibility to

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

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full 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 matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - i. to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
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2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Nicholas O'Brien
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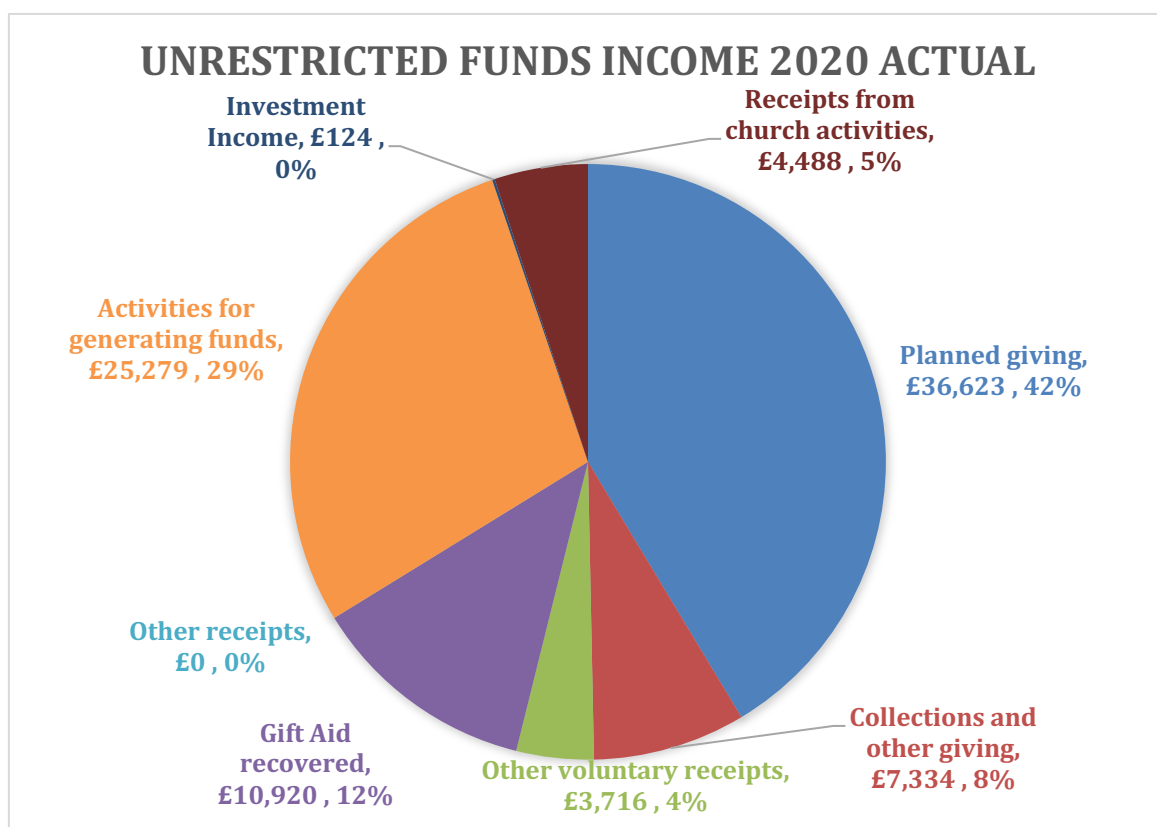
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

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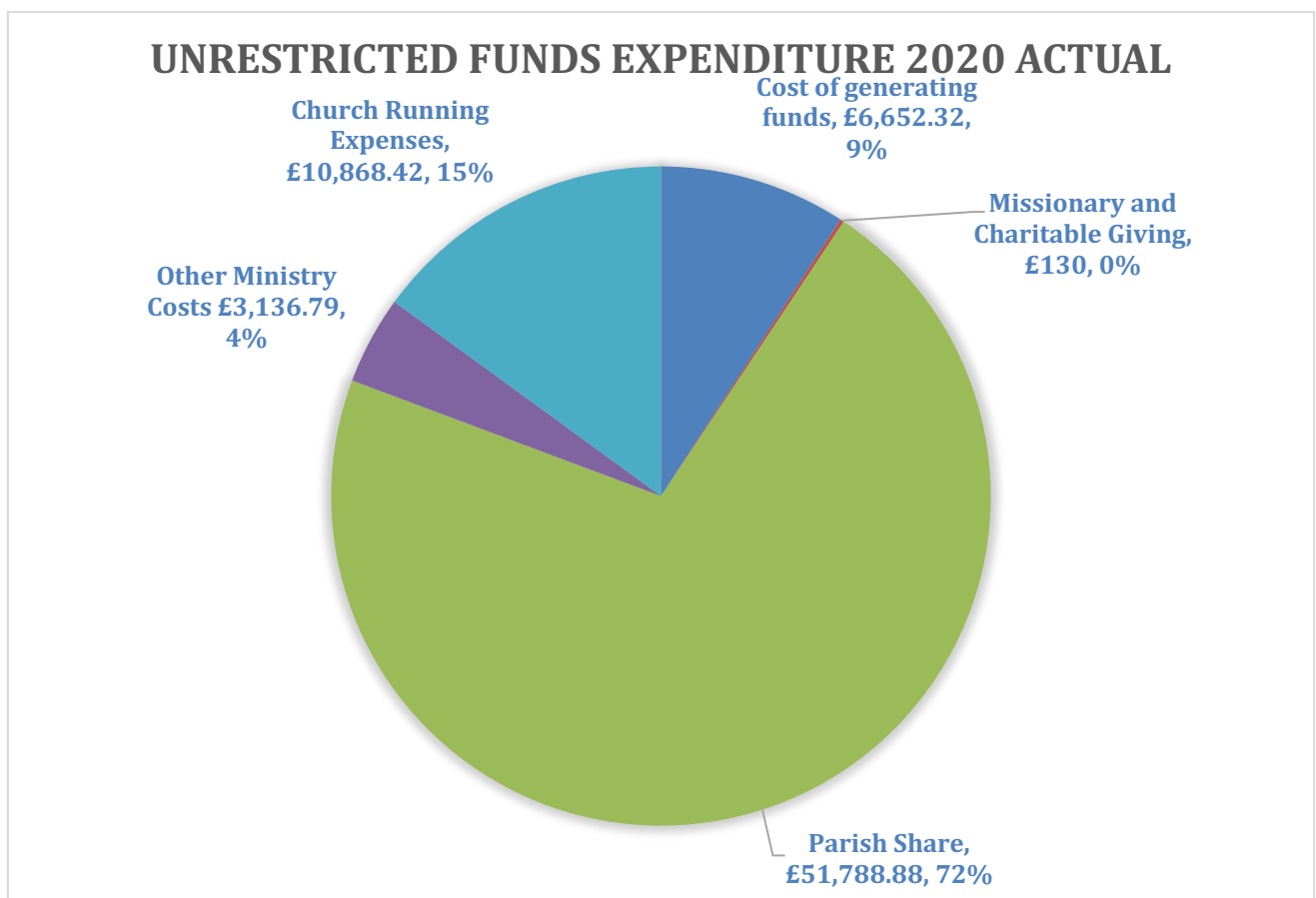
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Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the members of the PCC to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the PCC's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the members of the PCC are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will not continue in operation.

The members of the PCC are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the PCC and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the PCC and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.



6th March 2021

Jill Wright FCCA

Date

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

For the year ending 31st December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
INCOME						
Voluntary Income	2(a)	58,540	-	10,059	68,599	76,167
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	22,745	-	1,120	23,865	18,301
Income from investments	2(c)	124	-	-	124	218
Church Activities	2(d)	6,996	-	-	6,996	9,834
Other Receipts	2(e)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		88,405	-	11,179	99,584	104,520
EXPENDITURE						
Church activities	3(a)	65,924	-	50,806	116,729	82,783
Raising funds	3(b)	6,652	-	-	6,652	8,269
Other Resources Expended	3(c)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		72,576	-	50,806	123,381	91,052
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		15,830	-	(39,627)	(23,797)	13,468
TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS		-	-	-	-	(0)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		15,830	-	(39,627)	(23,797)	13,468
Total funds brought forward	6	39,358	20,109	82,359	141,826	128,358
Total funds carried forward	6	55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826

The notes on pages 8 to 11 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible fixed assets	4	3,133	-	20,436	23,569	26,543
Investments		-	-	0	-	-
		3,133	-	20,436	23,569	26,543
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors and Prepayments	5(a)	6,754	-	0	6,754	6,640
Stock		104			104	-
Short-term deposits		3,020	20,000	-	23,020	22,923
Cash at bank and in hand		46,700	1,383	23,217	71,300	92,234
		56,578	21,383	23,217	101,178	121,797
LIABILITIES						
Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	4,522	1,274	922	6,718	6,514
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		52,056	20,109	22,296	94,460	115,283
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826
Creditors - amounts falling due after one year		-	-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS	7	55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826
PARISH FUNDS		55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826

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Approved by the Parochial Church Council on ~~XX~~¹⁷th March 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Reverend Jane Walker (Chairperson):

Jane Walker

Mrs Eunice King (Church Warden)

Eunice King

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Notes

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Frensham is a registered charity, number 1173223 and having its office address at The Vicarage, The Street, Frensham, Surrey GU10 3DT.

The principal activities of the Parochial Church Council are described in the Vicar's report.

Basis of preparation

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

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 do they include groups that are informal gatherings of church members.

The PCC have formed a judgement, at the time of approving the financial statements, that there is a reasonable expectation that the Parochial Church Council has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason the PCC continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

ASSETS

Consecrated and benefice property

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

Moveable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or else, for gifts-in-kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt.

Depreciation is calculated to write off the capitalised cost of fixed assets less their currently anticipated residual fair value over their estimated useful lives as follows:

- St. Mary's Shed	2 years
- Vicars Laptop	5 years
- Internal & External LED Lighting	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall AV Equipment	10 years
- St. Mary's Hall Moveable Fixtures & Fittings	15 years
- St. Mary's Hearing Loop/Sound System	15 years
- St. Mary's Play Area Fencing	15 years
- St. Mary's Hall Fixed Fixtures & Fittings	20 years

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange or whose values derive from them are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at the PCC's best estimate of market value.

Short term deposits

These are the cash held on deposit either with the CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund or at the bank.

FUNDS

Unrestricted Funds

These represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC.

Designated Funds

These are income funds that have been set aside by decision of the PCC, for particular purposes, and details of the funds held and the intended uses are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Restricted Funds

These are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts

Income

Planned giving, collections and similar donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is entitled to the use of the resource, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are readily quantifiable.

Income from operating activities to further the PCCs objectives and to generate funds:

Funds raised by activities and events and the sale of books and magazines are accounted for gross. Income from activities and events, parochial fees due for weddings, funerals and other occasional services are accounted for when received; any fees outstanding at the end of the year are accrued.

Grants & Donations

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC.

Voluntary help

No financial benefit has been reflected in the accounts in respect of the time and effort freely given by many members of our church involved in the running and administration of church activities.

Reserves policy

It is PCC policy to try and maintain a £20,000 balance on its designated Capital Fund. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and meet emergencies or exceptional expenditures as they arise. If used, it is the PCC's policy to repay the amount within two years.

2. INCOME

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
2(a) Voluntary income:					
Planned Giving	36,623	-	-	36,623	40,683
Collections at Services/Church Boxes	2,747	-	-	2,747	6,604
Non Recurring Grants	2,812	-	8,065	10,877	-
Legacies	-	-	1,000	1,000	-
All Other Voluntary Giving & Appeals	5,488	-	994	6,482	17,726
Gift Aid Recoverable	10,870	-	-	10,870	11,154
	58,540	-	10,059	68,599	76,167
2(b) Activities for generating funds:					
Fund Raising Events	17,768	-	1,120	18,889	9,554
Church Bookstall - sales	185	-	-	185	468
Cherubs toddler group	220	-	-	220	172
Church Hall Lettings - non objects related	987	-	-	987	4,450
Parish Magazine - advertising/sundry sales	3,585	-	-	3,585	3,657
	22,745	-	1,120	23,865	18,301
2(c) Income from investments:					
Bank Interest	124	-	-	124	218
2(d) Income from church activities:					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	4,462	-	-	4,462	6,708
Parish Magazine (sales)	2,534	-	-	2,534	3,126
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	6,996	-	-	6,996	9,834
2(e) Other Receipts:					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Other (see note below)	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Total Incoming resources	88,405	-	11,179	99,584	104,520

Notes:

3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
3(a) Church Activities:					
Missionary and charitable giving:	130	-	-	130	464
Ministry: Diocesan parish share	51,789	-	-	51,789	51,611
Other ministry costs	566	-	-	566	2,503
Church running and maintenance	11,213	-	-	11,213	21,233
Major repairs	-	-	48,466	48,466	-
Depreciation on church equipment	634	-	2,340	2,974	2,941
Education, parish training & mission	191	-	-	191	566
Churchyard upkeep	286	-	-	286	498
Church hall running costs	-	-	-	-	-
Administration costs	614	-	1	613	2,795
Bank charges	501	-	1	502	172
	65,924	-	50,805	116,729	82,783
3(b) Raising Funds:					
Costs of fetes & other events	1,920	-	-	1,920	3,639
Parish magazine costs	4,732	-	-	4,732	4,630
	6,652	-	-	6,652	8,269
3(c) Other Resources Expended:	-	-	-	-	-
Total Resources Expended	72,576	-	50,805	123,382	91,052

Notes:

2019 Bank Charges and Administration costs have been re-stated, to reflect correct split and allow year on year comparisons.

4. FIXED ASSETS

Tangible Fixed Assets		Church Equipment £
Actual cost	At 1 January 2020	43,991
	Disposals	-
	Additions at cost	-
	At 31 December 2020	43,991
Depreciation	At 1 January 2020	17,448
	Withdrawn on disposals	-
	Charge for the year	2,974
	At 31 December 2019	20,422
Net book value 31 December 2020		23,569
Net book value 31 December 2019		26,543

The Charities Act 2011 states in Section 10(2) that benefice property (sub-section (a)) and consecrated property (sub-section (c)) are removed from the definition of charity for the purpose of the Act. Therefore, the value of our church buildings is excluded from these accounts.

Church equipment comprises kitchen fixtures and fittings, audio visual equipment and stacking chairs all located in the St. Mary's hall, St. Mary's sound system, Church notice boards, St. Mary's internal & external lighting, children's play area fencing for St. Mary's churchyard, Vicar's laptop (2019 addition) and the equipment shed located in St. Mary's churchyard.

5. CURRENT ASSETS/LIABILITIES

	Unrestricted Funds 2020 £	Restricted Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds 2019 £	Restricted Funds 2019 £
5(a) Receivables / Prepayments				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	4,180	-	2,398	50
Prepayments	1,013	-	963	2,640
Other receivables	1,561	-	542	47
Total	6,754	-	3,903	2,737
5(b) Liabilities				
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Accruals for utility and other costs	2,044	-	2,939	115
Other creditors	3,613	-	3,460	-
Total	5,658	-	6,399	115
Amounts falling due after one year:				
Other creditors	-	-	-	-

Receivables / Prepayments:

Gift Aid recoverable: Gift Aid to be claimed on donations received in the last quarter of 2020.

Prepayments: Unrestricted Funds - £390 - St. Mary's boiler insurance, £439 - Parish Magazine production costs for January 2021 and utility prepaid for Good Shepherd (due to being closed) £164.

Other receivables comprises: Unrestricted funds - Credit card payments for beating the bounds £1,100, Wreaths £169, £130 Nativity Trail, £60 Parish Magazine and £102 for general donations.

Liabilities:

Accruals for utility and other costs, Unrestricted:- Installation costs for St. Mary's telephone & Broadband £1,274, utility bills £404, church running expenses £72 and Revenue postponed - wedding £294.

Other creditors, falling due within one year, comprises:

Unrestricted funds - Parish Magazine advanced payments received for 2021 advertising £3,290 and 2021 subscriptions £323.

6. FUNDS

- (a) The Church Fabric fund (restricted) includes the St. Mary's Extension and Capital Works Fund that was set up during 2007; this fund has been used to fund the cost of building St. Mary's a new hall and to fund repair work to St. Mary's Tower including the west window.
- (b) St. Mary's Church Hall is part of the Church Fabric fund (restricted) but is shown separately here for information only.
- (c) St. Mary's Sound System Fund (Restricted): This fund was set up in 2014 for the purchase of the replacement sound system for St. Mary's church. Expended Resources is the annual depreciation charge of the equipment purchased.
- (d) The Organ Refurbishment Fund (restricted) was established in 2010 in order to fund a major overhaul of the organ which was completed in 2020.
- (e) Bells Fund (Restricted): This fund was established in 2018 for the purpose of recording receipts and expenditure for major repairs to the church bells in St. Mary's bell tower.
- (f) Good Shepherd Chairs Fund (Restricted) was established in 2019 to record donations and expenditure associated with replacing the pews in the Good Shepherd with chairs.
- (g) Good Shepherd Fabric Fund (Restricted). This fund was set up in 2017 to record donations and expenses associated with refurbishment work at the Good Shepherd Church.
- (h) The Capital Fund (Designated) was originally established in 1985 for emergency exceptional expenditure and, if used, has to be repaid within two years.
- (i) Communications Project (Designated) is a designated fund established by the PCC in 2017, from the proceeds of the Music Marathon, for the purchase of church communications equipment and media.

Fund movements:	Bal. B/fwd	Incoming Resources	Expended Resources	Transfer*	Bal. C/fwd
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted Funds:					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,995	-	-	-	2,995
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	13,734	-	(1,192)	-	12,542
Total SM Church Fabric Fund	16,729	-	(1,192)	-	15,537
St. Mary's Sound System	11,293	-	(1,148)	-	10,145
Organ Refurbishment	40,196	8,905	(48,466)	-	635
Bells Fund	7,423	2,274	-	-	9,697
Good Shepherd Chairs Fund	5,133	-	-	-	5,133
Good Shepherd Fabric Fund	1,585	-	-	-	1,585
Total	82,359	11,179	(50,806)	-	42,732
Designated:					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	-	-	109
Unrestricted:					
General Fund	39,358	88,405	(72,576)	-	55,188
Total	141,826	99,584	(123,381)	-	118,029

7. SUMMARY OF ASSETS BY FUND

	Unrestricted Funds	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	3,133	-	20,436	23,569	26,543
Investment fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Stock, Debtors and prepayments	6,858	-	-	6,858	6,640
Cash at bank and in hand	49,719	21,384	23,218	94,320	115,157
Liabilities:					
Amounts falling due within one year	(4,522)	(1,274)	(922)	(6,718)	(6,514)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
Total	55,188	20,109	42,732	118,029	141,826

8. RELATED PARTIES

Ruth Pearson, the daughter of Richard and Barbara Potter - both PCC members and trustees, invoiced the PCC £249 for her services assisting Reverend Jane with the Parish Administration during January 2020.