



# 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:

<b>Incumbent of the Benefice</b>		
Revd. Jane Walker		
<b>Wardens</b>		
Richard Walker		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Representatives on the Deanery Synod</b>		
Mrs Esther Van Rooyen		Re-elected APCM 2022 - 24 <sup>th</sup> April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Elected APCM 2023 - 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
<b>Representative on St Mary's School Board of Governors</b>		
Revd. Jane Walker		
<b>Elected Members</b>		
Mrs Val Chadney	Secretary	Elected APCM 2021 – 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Mrs Jill Billings	Treasurer	Elected APCM 2022 – 24 <sup>th</sup> April
Mrs Morag James	Lay Pastoral Assistant	Re-elected APCM 2022 – 24 <sup>th</sup> April
Mr Peter James		Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Dr Hilary Lee-Corbin		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Mrs Karen Nockels		Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Mrs Barbara Potter		Re-elected APCM 2020 – 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Mr Jon Savage		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Mr Mike Smith		Elected APCM 2021 – 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Mrs Pat Telfer		Re-elected APCM 2021 – 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Mr Jonathan Hetherington		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 <sup>th</sup> April
Mr Steve Wingent		Elected APCM 2022 – 24 <sup>th</sup> April
<b>Bankers</b>	CAF Bank Ltd National Westminster Bank, Farnham Lloyds Bank, Farnham CCLA Investment Management Ltd (The CBF Church of England Funds)	
<b>Independent Examiner</b>	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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### **18<sup>th</sup> 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### **13<sup>th</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto: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**

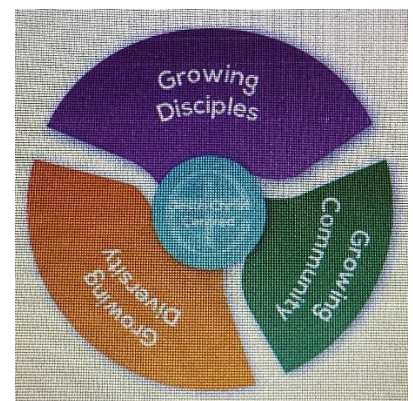
Growing disciples is about proclaiming the Good News of God's Kingdom in worship, teaching preaching and nurturing new and long-term Christians on their faith journey, and responding to human need in loving pastoral care.

#### **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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Signed :

Date : 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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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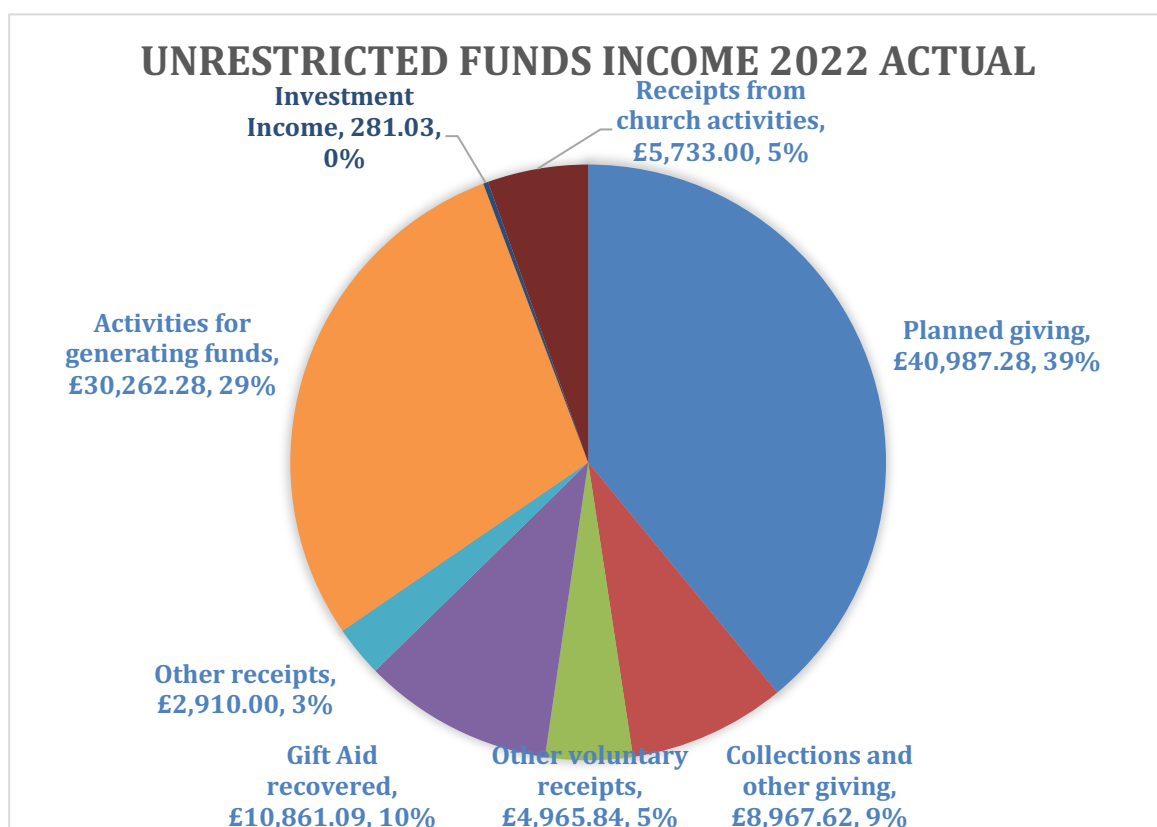
## **Frensham Parochial Church Council Annual Reports 2022**

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> 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.

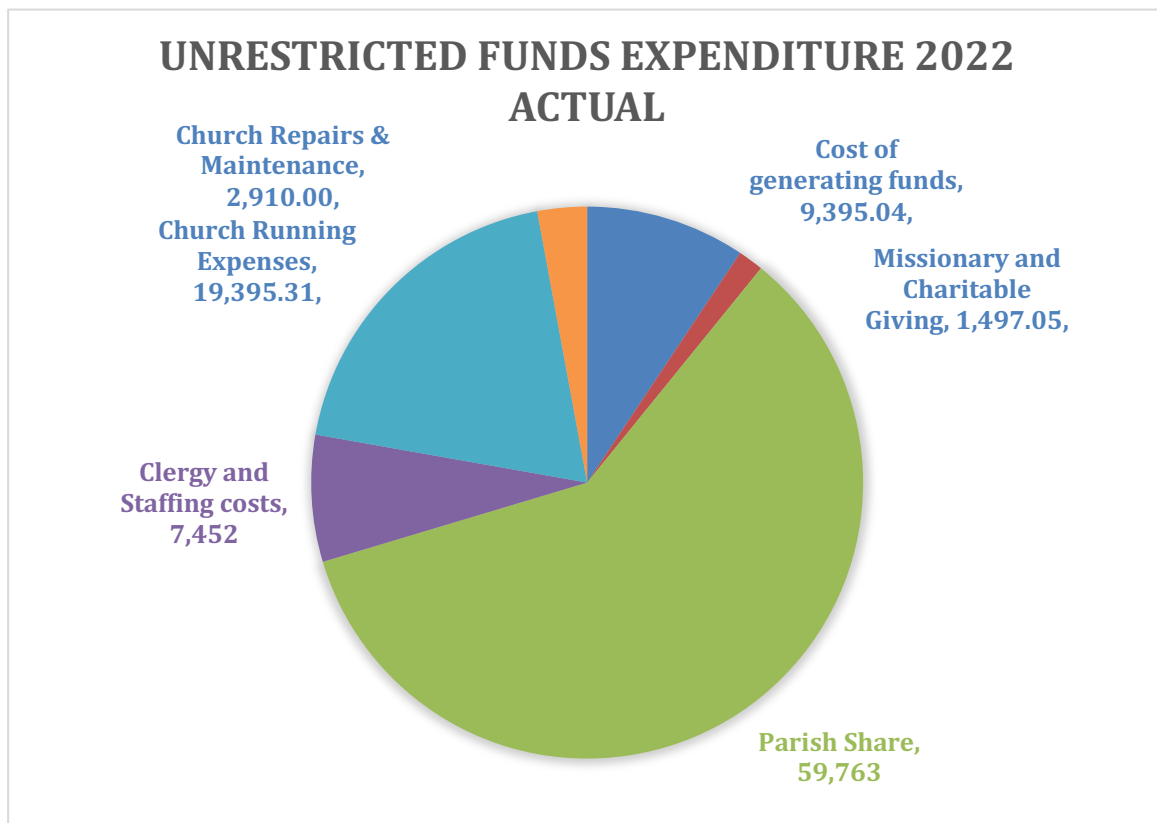
The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has continued to be very successful raising £2,026 In 2022, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2021 at £3,443 – up 132%! .

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.

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

28th February 2023

Date

**FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**For the year ending 31st December 2022**

Ref:		<i>Note</i>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Designated Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>	<b>Total 2021 £</b>
	<b>INCOME</b>						
A	Voluntary Income	2(a)	65,782	-	20,988	86,770	75,726
B	Activities for generating funds	2(b)	30,262	-	838	31,100	16,066
C	Income from investments	2(c)	281	-	-	281	15
D	Church Activities	2(d)	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
E	Other Receipts	2(e)	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>104,968</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>126,794</b>	<b>100,092</b>
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
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)	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>100,412</b>	<b>(1,274)</b>	<b>25,531</b>	<b>124,669</b>	<b>90,768</b>
	<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>4,556</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>(3,705)</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>9,324</b>
I	<b>TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>4,556</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>(3,705)</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>9,324</b>
	Total funds brought forward	6	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	117,966
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>61,091</b>	<b>31,480</b>	<b>36,845</b>	<b>129,415</b>	<b>127,290</b>

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

**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Designated Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>	<b>Total 2021 £</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
J Tangible fixed assets	4	1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
K Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>						
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
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
O Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	7,829	-	248	8,077	11,207
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>		59,225	31,479	11,932	102,636	106,695
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
<b>Creditors - amounts falling due after one year</b>		-	-	-	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
<b>PARISH FUNDS</b>		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) <b>Voluntary income:</b>					
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) <b>Activities for generating funds:</b>					
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) <b>Income from investments:</b>					
Bank Interest	281	-	-	281	15
2(d) <b>Income from church activities:</b>					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
2(e) <b>Other Receipts:</b>					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	1,100
Other (see notes below)	2,910	-	-	2,910	100
	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	<b>104,968</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>126,794</b>	<b>100,092</b>

Notes:

Other Receipts - Insurance claim for boundary wall

## 3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3(a) <b>Church Activities:</b>					
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) <b>Raising Funds:</b>					
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) <b>Other Resources Expended:</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>100,412</b>	<b>(1,274)</b>	<b>25,531</b>	<b>124,669</b>	<b>90,768</b>

Notes:

#### 4. FIXED ASSETS

<b>Tangible Fixed Assets</b>		<b>Church Equipment £</b>
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) <b>Receivables / Prepayments</b>				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	2,113	-	3,143	539
Prepayments	954	-	871	-
Other receivables	1,847	476	1,684	1,732
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,914</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>5,698</b>	<b>2,271</b>
5(b) <b>Liabilities</b>				
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,829</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>7,145</b>	<b>4,062</b>
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.

<b>Fund movements:</b>	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,261	1,270	-	-	3,531
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	11,350	-	(1,114)	-	10,236
<b>Total SM Church Fabric Fund</b>	<b>13,611</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>(1,114)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,767</b>
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,546</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>(25,531)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,841</b>
<b>Designated:</b>					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	1,274	-	1,383
Community Project	10,096	-	-	-	10,096
<b>Unrestricted:</b>					
General Fund	56,535	104,968	(100,412)	-	61,091
<b>Total</b>	<b>127,286</b>	<b>126,794</b>	<b>(124,669)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129,411</b>

## 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
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	(7,829)	-	(248)	(8,077)	(11,207)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>61,091</b>	<b>31,480</b>	<b>36,845</b>	<b>129,415</b>	<b>127,290</b>

## 8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2022

FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> 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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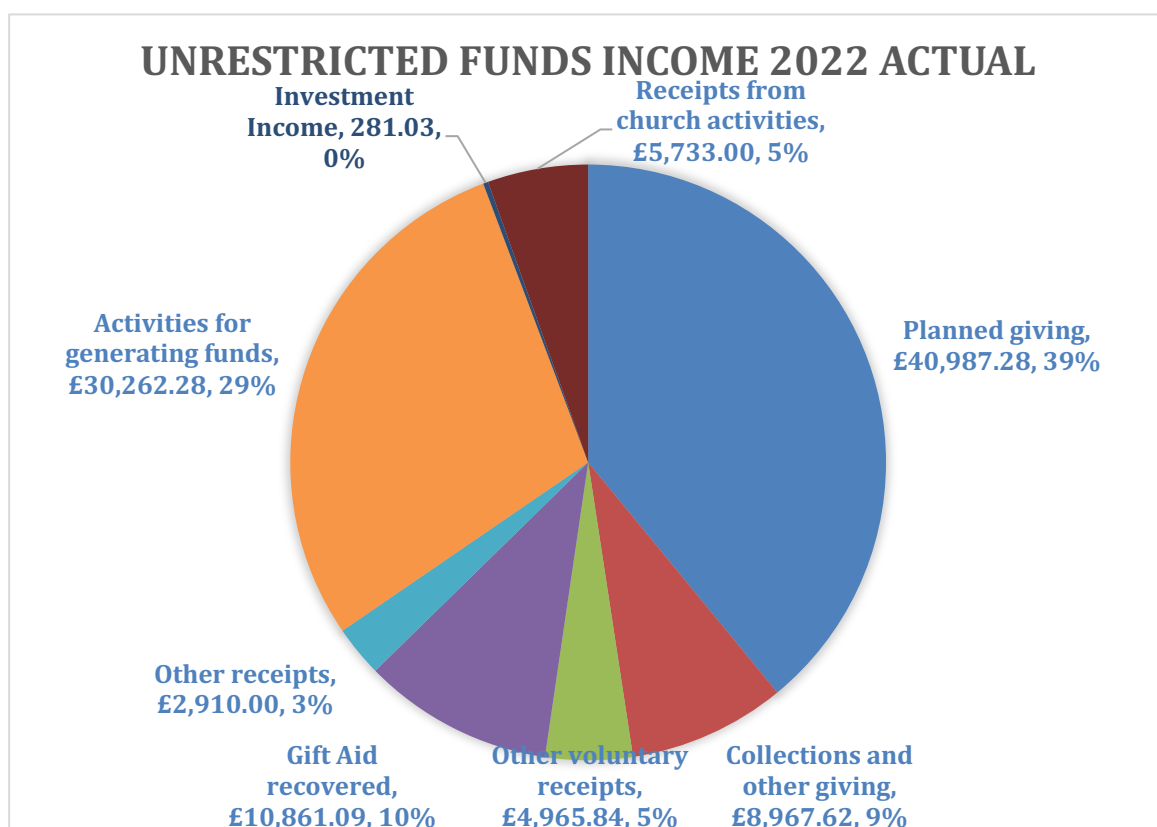
## **Frensham Parochial Church Council Annual Reports 2022**

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> 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.

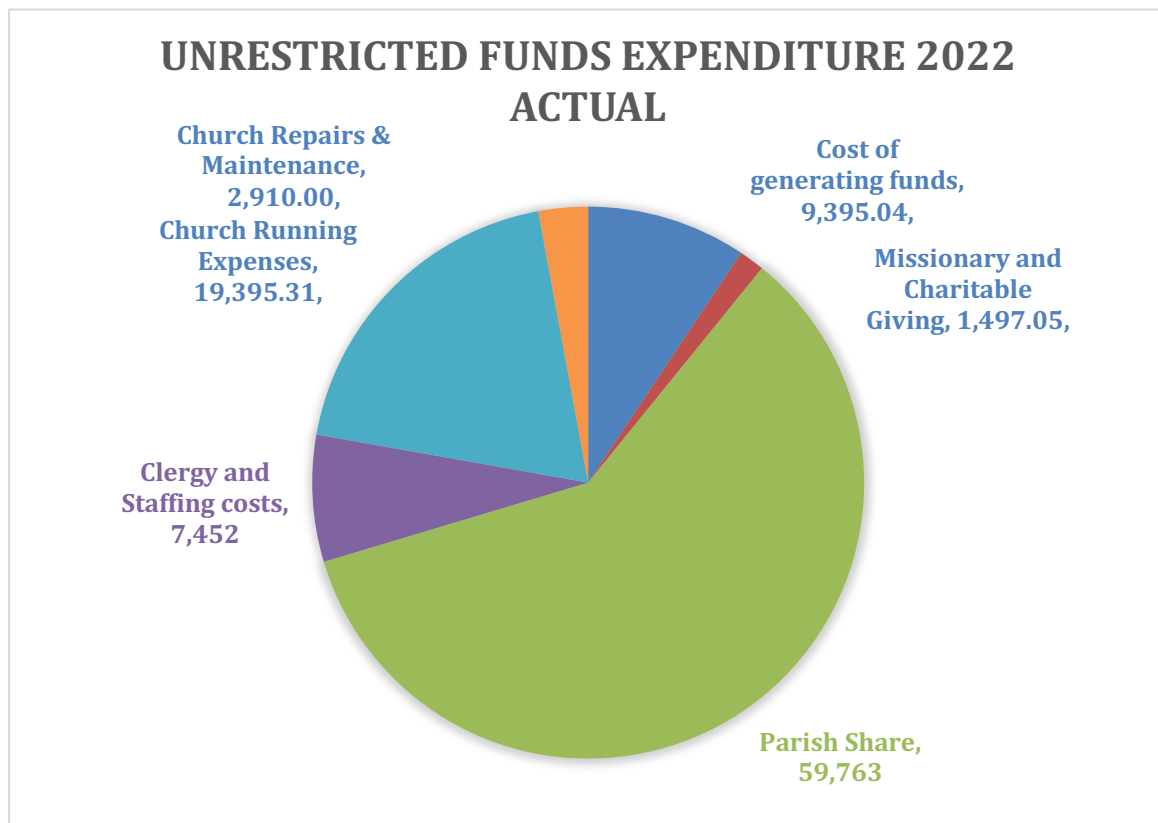
The Coffee Stop at The Good Shepherd has continued to be very successful raising £2,026 In 2022, with thanks to the hard work of Barbara Potter and all of the volunteers. Church lettings were up on 2021 at £3,443 – up 132%!

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.

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

28th February 2023

Date

**FRENSHAM PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**For the year ending 31st December 2022**

Ref:		<i>Note</i>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Designated Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>	<b>Total 2021 £</b>
	<b>INCOME</b>						
A	Voluntary Income	2(a)	65,782	-	20,988	86,770	75,726
B	Activities for generating funds	2(b)	30,262	-	838	31,100	16,066
C	Income from investments	2(c)	281	-	-	281	15
D	Church Activities	2(d)	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
E	Other Receipts	2(e)	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
	<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>104,968</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>126,794</b>	<b>100,092</b>
	<b>EXPENDITURE</b>						
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)	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURE</b>		<b>100,412</b>	<b>(1,274)</b>	<b>25,531</b>	<b>124,669</b>	<b>90,768</b>
	<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)</b>		<b>4,556</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>(3,705)</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>9,324</b>
I	<b>TRANSFER BETWEEN FUNDS</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>4,556</b>	<b>1,274</b>	<b>(3,705)</b>	<b>2,125</b>	<b>9,324</b>
	Total funds brought forward	6	56,535	30,205	40,550	127,290	117,966
	Prior Year Adjustment	6	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>61,091</b>	<b>31,480</b>	<b>36,845</b>	<b>129,415</b>	<b>127,290</b>

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

**BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022**

	<i>Note</i>	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Designated Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>	<b>Total 2021 £</b>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
J Tangible fixed assets	4	1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
K Investments		-	-	-	-	-
		1,865	-	24,913	26,778	20,595
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>						
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
<b>LIABILITIES</b>						
O Creditors - amounts falling due within one year	5(b)	7,829	-	248	8,077	11,207
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)</b>		59,225	31,479	11,932	102,636	106,695
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
<b>Creditors - amounts falling due after one year</b>		-	-	-	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		61,090	31,479	36,845	129,415	127,290
<b>PARISH FUNDS</b>		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) <b>Voluntary income:</b>					
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) <b>Activities for generating funds:</b>					
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) <b>Income from investments:</b>					
Bank Interest	281	-	-	281	15
2(d) <b>Income from church activities:</b>					
Fees for weddings, funerals & baptisms	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
Church hall lettings - objects related	-	-	-	-	-
	5,733	-	-	5,733	7,085
2(e) <b>Other Receipts:</b>					
Gain on Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	1,100
Other (see notes below)	2,910	-	-	2,910	100
	2,910	-	-	2,910	1,200
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	<b>104,968</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>126,794</b>	<b>100,092</b>

Notes:

Other Receipts - Insurance claim for boundary wall

## 3. EXPENDITURE

	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3(a) <b>Church Activities:</b>					
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) <b>Raising Funds:</b>					
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) <b>Other Resources Expended:</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>100,412</b>	<b>(1,274)</b>	<b>25,531</b>	<b>124,669</b>	<b>90,768</b>

Notes:

#### 4. FIXED ASSETS

<b>Tangible Fixed Assets</b>		<b>Church Equipment £</b>
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) <b>Receivables / Prepayments</b>				
Gift Aid tax recoverable	2,113	-	3,143	539
Prepayments	954	-	871	-
Other receivables	1,847	476	1,684	1,732
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,914</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>5,698</b>	<b>2,271</b>
5(b) <b>Liabilities</b>				
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,829</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>7,145</b>	<b>4,062</b>
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.

<b>Fund movements:</b>	Bal. B/fwd £	Incoming Resources £	Expended Resources £	Prior Yr Adj * £	Bal. C/fwd £
<b>Restricted Funds:</b>					
Church Fabric (inc. Tower)	2,261	1,270	-	-	3,531
Church Fabric (St. Mary's Hall)	11,350	-	(1,114)	-	10,236
<b>Total SM Church Fabric Fund</b>	<b>13,611</b>	<b>1,270</b>	<b>(1,114)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,767</b>
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
<b>Total</b>	<b>40,546</b>	<b>21,826</b>	<b>(25,531)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,841</b>
<b>Designated:</b>					
Capital Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Communications Project	109	-	1,274	-	1,383
Community Project	10,096	-	-	-	10,096
<b>Unrestricted:</b>					
General Fund	56,535	104,968	(100,412)	-	61,091
<b>Total</b>	<b>127,286</b>	<b>126,794</b>	<b>(124,669)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>129,411</b>

## 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
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	(7,829)	-	(248)	(8,077)	(11,207)
Amounts falling due after one year	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>61,091</b>	<b>31,480</b>	<b>36,845</b>	<b>129,415</b>	<b>127,290</b>

## 8. RELATED PARTIES

No Related parties were paid in 2022