



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH  
OF ST MARK NEW FERRY

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

1174918

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above  
charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2022**.

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the  
accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011  
("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out  
under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I  
have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission  
under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent  
examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed:

M. Fortham

Date:

31.10.2023

Name:

Michael John Fortham

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

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**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**



# **TREASURER'S REPORT**

## **FOR THE YEAR ENDING**

**31 DECEMBER 2022**

We continue to thank and praise God for his gracious provision to us in providing the financial resources necessary to support the work of the gospel at St Mark's.

### **OVERVIEW: 2022**

Our total income for the year was £101,379 against expenditure of £100,576, leading to a surplus for the year of £804 (compared to a surplus of £6,339 in the prior year).

Income was higher than in 2022 primarily due to the timing of gift aid claims, higher donations and additional hall rents.

Expenditure was higher than prior year, primarily because of exceptional effects in 2021 when we received income in relation to curate costs previously carried by St Mark's and credits from our energy supplier in relation to the correction of historical billing errors.

### **INCOME**

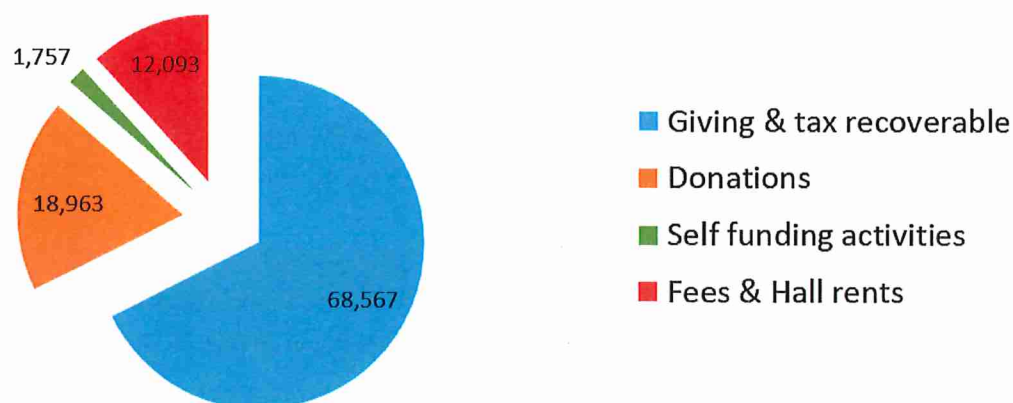
The work of St Mark's is financed largely through voluntary giving from within our congregation, as well as tax recoverable through the Gift Aid scheme on giving. Together these accounted for 68% of our income in 2022 (£68,567).

Donations relate primarily to external donations for our 'Pastoral Assistant' Account for staffing of the church's work with families and young people, legacies received and other sundry donations. Donations totalled £18,963 in 2022.

Fees relate to church hall rental fees and fees for weddings & funerals. Hall hire fees have increased versus prior year due to higher utilization of the hall by fee-paying groups, and totalled £12,093 for the year.

'Self-funding activities' such as the Tuesday Fellowship account for a similar amount of income and expenditure each year.

The chart below shows an analysis of our income for 2022:

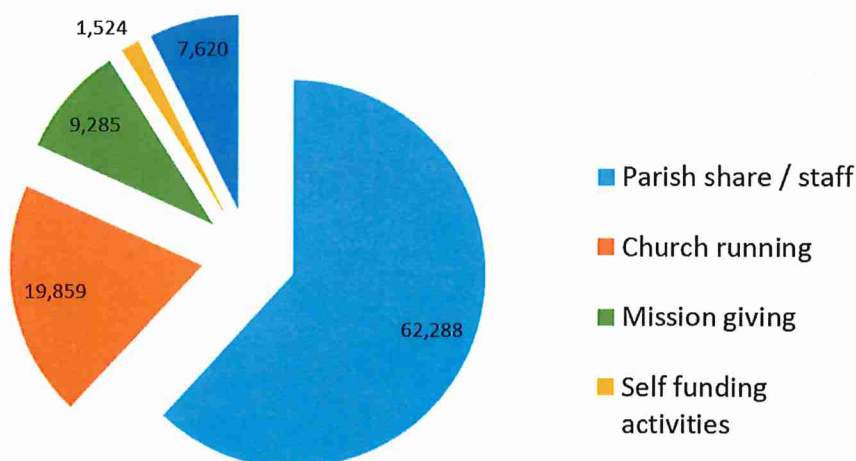


## EXPENDITURE

The majority of our expenditure relates to the costs of having full time gospel workers to minister among us (£62,288 in 2022). The Parish Share of payable to the Diocese (£43,127) reflects not only the costs of having a full time incumbent but also a contribution towards the central costs of our Diocese within the Church of England, including training costs.

After people costs, the second most significant part of our expenditure is building costs, relating to insurance, utilities and repairs and maintenance. These costs totalled £19,859 in 2022.

The chart below shows an analysis of our expenditure for 2022:



### Supporting Mission

Giving to external Mission was £9,285 in 2022: this includes both funds donated by the PCC (calculated as 10% of general fund income for the previous year) as well as any donations made directly by members of the congregation through church funds but specifically for mission support.

### Cash position

Our year end cash balance is £46,411. This represents an increase of £804 versus prior year.

#### Cash statement at 31 December 2022

		2022	2021	Variance
Unrestricted funds	General Account	35,938	35,707	231
	Mission Account	5,053	4,678	375
	Luncheon Club	347	347	0
	Bookstall Account	0	35	(35)
	Tuesday Fellowship	1,053	820	233
Restricted funds	Parish Account	4,020	4,020	0
TOTAL funds		46,411	45,608	804

## St Mark's New Ferry

### Receipts and Payments Account for the Year ended 31 December 2022

£	2022			2021		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	TOTAL	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	TOTAL
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>						
<b>Voluntary Income</b>						
Planned giving	56,804		56,804	65,589		65,589
Tax recoverable	11,763		11,763	7,375		7,375
Curate related income (grants)						
Donations	18,963		18,963	10,053		10,053
<b>Income from church activities</b>						
Fees	1,006		1,006	443		443
Hall Rents	11,087		11,087	7,359		7,359
Tuesday Fellowship	1,757		1,757	1,004		1,004
Bookstall				51		51
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>101,379</b>		<b>101,379</b>	<b>91,874</b>		<b>91,874</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>						
Mission and charitable giving	9,285		9,285	9,598		9,598
<i>Activities directly related to the work of the church</i>						
Diocesan parish share	43,127		43,127	42,177		42,177
Curate related costs				-	6,206	- 6,206
Pastoral Assistant & Ministry Trainee	19,162		19,162	20,611		20,611
Other ministry costs	4,912		4,912	3,632		3,632
Printing & Stationary						
Church Activities	1,009		1,009	453		453
Training						
Tuesday Fellowship	1,524		1,524	1,119		1,119
<i>Church running &amp; maintenance</i>						
Insurance	5,964		5,964	5,827		5,827
Heat & Light	4,684		4,684	- 550	-	550
Repairs & Maintenance	9,210		9,210	7,785		7,785
Other expenses	1,699		1,699	829	259	1,088
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>	<b>100,576</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>100,576</b>	<b>85,276</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>85,535</b>
<b>Cash brought forward</b>	<b>41,588</b>	<b>4,020</b>	<b>45,608</b>	<b>34,990</b>	<b>4,279</b>	<b>39,269</b>
<i>Surplus / (Deficit) for the period</i>	<i>804</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>804</i>	<i>6,598</i>	<i>- 259</i>	<i>6,339</i>
<b>Cash carried forward</b>	<b>42,392</b>	<b>4,020</b>	<b>46,411</b>	<b>41,588</b>	<b>4,020</b>	<b>45,608</b>



## **Mission Account**

The income and expenditure in the Mission Account was as follows:

<b>Balance b/f</b>	<b>4,678</b>
Direct donations	660
Tithe from General Account	9,000
WEC (UK)	-3,800
CPAS	-330
UFM (Furneys, Malawi)	-2,580
Jews for Jesus	-330
Ferries Family Groups	-1,020
Crosslinks	-1,225
<b>Balance c/f</b>	<b>5,053</b>

## **Looking ahead**

We hope and pray that our resources will continue to increase to fund our future gospel-centred activities, but will also actively seek external funding where this is realistic and appropriate.

## **Notes to the Accounts**

### **General**

1. The accounts are stated on a Receipts & Payments basis, in line with Charity Commission guidelines for Charities with an income of £250,000 or lower.

### **Parish Account**

2. The Parish Account contains donations received with a specified purpose, and is primarily used to account for the weekend away (where individual congregation members attending pay a contribution specifically towards these costs).

