

Takeley Congregational Church

Trustees Report, April 2022

It has been easy to lose track of events over the last year, with coronavirus-related restrictions coming and going and people's lives disrupted by lockdowns, all the related pressures and a general atmosphere of fear and unease.

Many of the old "pillars" have been shaken, and we now live under a "new normal", in which the former way of life and some of the freedoms we took for granted can no longer be taken for granted. Maybe it is not a bad thing for Christians to experience discomfort and uncertainty. It makes us more aware of our dependence on God, and maybe fosters a greater sense of solidarity with the persecuted church in so many parts of the world. We are no longer so "insulated".

In these circumstances, a core of seven or eight members have continued to meet regularly at the Chapel, while others – both members and friends – have attended as and when able.

We continue to ask questions as to our mission, how we communicate the gospel and how we build community. Rome was not built in a day, so patience is in order. Meanwhile, we are all committed to deepening our prayer life and living as members of the "monastery without walls". The meeting for silent prayer on Wednesday evenings has continued, with a maximum of five people attending.

The Chapel is in a fine state materially. It now has some attractive storage cupboards and the floor has been beautifully varnished. This was a real case of "all hands on deck": we hired an industrial floor cleaner and took turns to try and master what turned out to be a "bucking bronco". Working together on practical projects is always up-building and enjoyed by all, especially if food is also part of the programme! All intended works on the building are now completed with no outstanding costs, though we did run over budget.

Where the wider community is concerned, we have been aware of a number of people around us who are suffering illness and other adversities and, in several cases, we have been able to offer practical help and encouragement. The Chapel is used on a Saturday by a local youth group led by Pastor Bojidar, a Bulgarian friend.

The Christian School continues to use our buildings, and the School staff have soldiered on valiantly through thick and thin. The School is a community in itself and a recent suggestion has been that we should try to foster closer relations with the School staff and parents. Linda Cole (school administrator) has done a great job of keeping us informed and create closer links. She has worked hard to create a site that the Chapel can enjoy, as well as being practical for the School.

The grounds are well cared for. The costs of having a firm do this are shared with the School. We have a new raised bed outside the porch window, which was full of flowers in the summer.

It is impossible to know what the future may hold, but it is certain that, In the midst of all the stress and busyness, people need a spiritual oasis, a quiet place where they can find rest, genuine friendships and, often, just someone who will listen to them. This, too, is part of our mission.

Simon Knight

on behalf of the Chapel Trustees, April 2022

Takeley Chapel General Account Receipts and Payments
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	<u>Year ended 31/12/2021</u>	<u>Year ended 31/12/2020</u>
Receipts		
Gifts	1,653.15	1,732.37
Rent	2,000.00	2,000.00
Schol contribution to Grounds	840.00	840.00
Schol contribution to Skip hire (2020)	-	100.00
Interest	-	715.00
"Normal receipts"	4,493.15	5,387.37
Late contribution to 2019 insurance from TCST	-	547.28
Interest on Charity Bank savings 2020	-	78.47
Total receipts	4,493.15	6,013.12
Payments		
Sundry Expenses	334.69	80.89
Charitable Giving	130.00	70.00
Utilities	133.57	146.59
Maintenance	2,281.67	1,393.00
Chapel sign	170.40	-
Cupboards	1,020.00	-
Insurance (2020 less school contribution)	539.06	508.08
Subscription & payments to CCPAS	32.25	32.25
Administrator pay	265.00	255.50
Church Growth Trust	2,991.42	-
Transfer to endowment fund	-	3,380.38
Total payments	7,898.06	5,866.69
Net surplus/(deficit)	-3,404.91	146.43
Opening balances	20,506.40	20,359.97
Closing balances	17,101.49	20,506.40

Takeley Chapel Balance Sheet as at 31 December
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	2021	2020
General Fund	£17,101.49	£20,506.40
Closing balances	£17,101.49	£20,506.40
Represented by Assets		
Barclays Community account	£10,438.34	£13,843.25
Stewardship account	£6,663.15	£6,663.15
	£17,101.49	£20,506.40

The accounts as set out above and associated banking documents relating to the period ending 31st December 2021 have been independently examined.

Notes: The sale by auction of Ebenezer Chapel at Broxted took place in 2017. The Chapel was sold for £140,322 which was retained as an endowment to be spent on the Chapel land and buildings at Takeley. This fund has provided the means for Takeley Chapel to: re-roof the Chapel; make structural changes to the back room of the Chapel as directed by our architect; replace all remaining doors and windows with PVC in the Chapel and the windows and door on the front of the Recreational Hall; replace the existing entry lobby with a larger porch incorporating an accessible toilet and small seating area. The final cost of the building work exceeded the amount in the endowment fund by £6,396.33 and the endowment fund is therefore now closed.

Signed: -

Date: -

Date	Detail	Gifts	Rent	School contributio n to grounds	School contributio n to skip	School reimburse ment for insurance	Refund for purchase of ropes	Interest	CommAcc	s t a t s
04 January 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	01/04/2021
20 January 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	01/20/2021
21 January 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£64.26							£ 64.26	02/21/2021
01 February 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	02/01/2021
18 February 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£64.26							£ 64.26	02/18/2021
22 February 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	02/22/2021
01 March 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	03/01/2021
15 March 2021	School rent		£500.00						£ 500.00	03/15/2021
18 March 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£64.26							£ 64.26	03/18/2021
22 March 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	03/22/2021
01 April 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	04/01/2021
06 April 2021	Sue reimburse Chapel for ropes						£26.87		£ 26.87	04/06/2021
19 April 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	04/19/2021
20 April 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	04/20/2021
04 May 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	05/04/2021
20 May 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	05/20/2021
20 May 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	05/20/2021
01 June 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	06/01/2021
14 June 2021	School Rent		500						£ 500.00	06/14/2021
17 June 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	06/17/2021
21 June 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	06/21/2021
01 July 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	07/01/2021
12 July 2021	Contribution to insurance					£614.00			£ 614.00	07/12/2021
19 July 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	07/19/2021
20 July 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	07/20/2021
02 August 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	08/02/2021
19 August 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	08/19/2021
20 August 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	08/20/2021
01 September 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	09/01/2021
14 September 2021	School Rent		£500.00						£ 500.00	09/14/2021
20 September 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	09/20/2021
	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	09/20/2021
01 October 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	10/01/2021
21 October 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	10/21/2021
20 October 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	10/20/2021
01 November 2021	Gift - SK	£25.00							£ 25.00	11/01/2021
	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	11/01/2021
18 November 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	11/18/2021
22 November 2021	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	11/22/2021
01 December 2021	Regular giving - KM	£70.00							£ 70.00	12/01/2021
	Gift - SK	£20.00							£ 20.00	12/01/2021
14 December 2021	School Rent		£500.00						£ 500.00	12/14/2021
20 December 2021	Regular giving - stewardship 00B1-00	£63.93							£ 63.93	12/20/2021
	TCST maintenance			£70.00					£ 70.00	12/20/2021
	Total	###	£ 2,000.00	£ 840.00	£ -	£614.00	£ 26.87	£ -	£ 5,134.02	

Date	Details	Sundry expenses	Cupboards in the Chapel	Chapel sign (exterior)	Charitable giving	Utilities	Maintenance and grounds	Insurance	Subscription and payments to 31:8	Administrator pay	Building project expenses	CommAcc	Notes
11/1/2021	Castle water					£24.04					£	24.04	Jan 04
20/1/2021	barrier and carpet clean	£172.84									£	172.84	Jan 20
22/1/2021	gift to CFT care				£80.00						£	80.00	Jan 22
22/1/2021	ropes for barrier	£26.87									£	26.87	Jan 22
16/2/2021	church administrator									£55.00	£	55.00	Feb 16
1/3/2021	paint and signage	£67.25									£	67.25	Mar 01
1/3/2021	church growth trust										£632.40	£	632.40
11/3/2021	raised bed contribution						£307.50				£	307.50	Mar 11
26/4/2021	Pay Korbi for grass cut						£70.00				£	70.00	Apr 29
5/5/2021	church adminstrator									£30.00	£	30.00	May 07
1/6/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£60.00				£	60.00	May 20
3/6/2021	church administrator									£30.00	£	30.00	Jun 02
	Burridge										£2,069.10	£	2,069.10
	Forest Hall Gardening						£60.00					£	60.00
10/6/2021	All aspects gardening						£120.00					£	120.00
	church growth trust										£289.92	£	289.92
15/6/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£60.00					£	60.00
1/7/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£100.00				£	100.00	Jul 02
	church administrator									£30.00	£	30.00	Jul 02
10/7/2021	Insurance and loss							£1,153.06			£	1,153.06	Jul 13
17/7/2021	Repay Sue for pads and rods						£225.81				£	225.81	Jul 14
	Finance to Sue for Ikea cupboards		£1,020.00								£	1,020.00	Jul 15
18/7/2021	Gas					£41.77					£	41.77	Jul 21
26/7/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£90.00				£	90.00	Jul 26
	Cash				£50.00						£	50.00	Jul 26
3/8/2021	Repay Sue for floor cleaner hire						£70.43				£	70.43	Aug 04
	church administrator									£30.00	£	30.00	Aug 04
8/8/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£80.00				£	80.00	Aug 10
	Repay Sue for oil and pad						£77.93				£	77.93	Aug 10
24/8/2021	water					£67.76					£	67.76	Aug 24
6/9/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£190.00				£	190.00	Sep 06
	church administrator									£30.00	£	30.00	Sep 06
	Chairs+travel	£69.60									£	69.60	Sep 06
17/9/21	nest of tables	£25.00									£	25.00	Sep 17
1/10/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£90.00				£	90.00	Oct 04
7/10/2021	church administrator									£30.00	£	30.00	Oct 07
11/10/2021	Essex Tree Masters						£600.00				£	600.00	Oct 12

20/10/2021	Repay Emlyn for Chapel sign			£170.40								£ 170.40	170.4
29/10/2021	Forest Hall Gardening						£80.00					£ 80.00	Oct 29
3/11/2021	church administrator									£30.00		£ 30.00	Nov 08
13/12/2021	31:8 annual charge								£32.25			£ 32.25	Dec 16
	Totals	£ 361.56	£ 1,020.00	£ 170.40	£ 130.00	£ 133.57	£2,281.67	£ 1,153.06	£ 32.25	£ 265.00	£ 2,991.42	£ 8,538.93	

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TAKELEY CHAPEL

BANK ACCOUNTS SUMMARY

Date: 05/26/2022

	Community Acct	Stewardship Acct	Total
Opening Balance 01/02/2018	£13,843.25	£6,663.15	£20,506.40
Receipts <i>(inc Transfers & Interest)</i>	£5,134.02	£0.00	£5,134.02
Payments <i>(inc Transfers)</i>	£8,538.93	£0.00	£8,538.93
Closing Balance	£10,438.34	£6,663.15	£17,101.49

TAKELEY CHAPEL

R&P SUMMARY

Date:

Receipts

Gifts
Rent
interest
Contribution to grounds
Invoices raised

Total Receipts for the year

Payments

Charitable giving
Utilities, Rates and insurance
Maintenance
CCPAS Costs
Sundry Purchases
Administrator Costs

Total Payments for the year

Net Balance for the year (A - B)

05/26/2022

£1,653.15

£2,000.00

£0.00

£840.00

£0.00

£4,493.15

£130.00

£133.57

£2,281.67

£32.25

£361.56

£265.00

£3,204.05

£1,289.10

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Takeley Chapel Endowment Account Receipts and Payments 2020
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12 months ended 31/12/2020

Receipts

Total receipts

£6,013.12

Payments

Major work, - Back room (2019) Porch (2020)

£89,691.22

Windows and doors in school(2019) and Chapel (2020)

£2,138.40

Building Project expenses

£2,713.80

New boiler

£0.00

Total payments

£94,543.42

Net surplus/(deficit)

-£94,543.42

Opening balances

£91,163.04

Closing balances

-£3,380.38

Balance Sheet

General fund unrestricted

23,886.78

Endowment fund restricted

-£3,380.38

£20,506.40

Represented by Assets

At

Barclays Community account

£13,843.25

Stewardship account

£6,663.15

Charity Bank

£0.00

£20,506.40