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**The Parochial Church Council of the
Ecclesiastical Parish of St. John Leyland.
Diocese of Blackburn.**

Registered Charity Number: 1175098

**Annual Report and Financial Statements
for the year ended 31 December 2020**

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Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St John Leyland

Annual Report

For the year ended 31 December 2020

(This report is made in accordance with the Church Representation Rules 2020 and is separate from any statement or address that the incumbent may wish to make or any reports that any other individual or parish group may present at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.)

Administrative information

St John's Church is situated in Leyland Lane, Leyland. It is part of the Diocese of Blackburn within the Church of England. The correspondence address is St John's Vicarage, Leyland Lane, Leyland PR25 1XB. Under the terms of section 3 of the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956 the Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a body corporate and became a registered charity on 11 November 2017.

PCC members who have served from 1 January 2020 until the date of this report was approved are:

Ex officio

Rev Andy Meeson
Rev Barbara Wilson

Incumbent
Assistant Minister
Safeguarding Officer

Appointment started/ended

Chris Slater
Russ Waring
Dave Champness

Church Warden
Church Warden
Deanery Synod Rep
/Data Protection Officer/
Gift Aid Secretary

Term of office ended Oct 2020
Re-elected October 2020
Re-elected October 2020

Stella Weaver
Sue Champness
David Spencer
Tracey Johnson

Deanery Synod Rep
Reader
Reader
Treasurer

Term of office ended October 20
Co opted October 2020

Elected members

Lucy Bretherton
Tracey Johnson
Andrew Bullen
Gloria Bullen
Jean Simmons
Sue Rhodes
Tom Wilson
Audrey Waring
Keith Waring
Pat Briffa

PCC Secretary

Health and Safety Officer

Term of office ended October 2020
Term of office ended October 2020
Term of office ended October 2020
Resigned October 2020
Resigned January 2020

Caroline Waring
Mark Smith

Vision Champion

Elected October 2020
Deceased January 2021
Elected October 2020
Elected October 2020

It is considered that all PCC. members and any others who could be understood as 'managers' in the activities and affairs of St. John's Church, Leyland are deemed to be 'fit and proper' persons under the terms of the Finance Act 2010. All PCC member elected for the first time and any others who have been re - elected after an absence of some time are provided with a copy of "What is the PCC?" a document which summarises the purpose of the PCC and expectations of its members and they are invited to meet with the PCC Treasurer, Wardens and/or Incumbent for further explanation of the role and to be briefed on the present situation of the Parish.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules 2020. All church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

The Standing Committee is the only committee to be in place by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings, subject to ratification by the PCC. Its members from January to October were A Meeson, C Slater, R Waring, S Weaver, S Rhodes, and T Johnson. From October to December they were A Meeson, R Waring, A Waring, S Rhodes, and T Johnson.

Objectives and activities

The PCC is aware of the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit in 'The Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' and have regard to it in their administration of the Parish. The PCC believes that, by fulfilling its responsibility to work together with the incumbent and to co-operate in all matters of concern and importance for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, it provides a benefit to the public by:

- providing resources and facilities for public worship, pastoral care and spiritual, moral and intellectual development, both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church offers;
- promoting Christian values, and service by members of the Church in the Parish to its community, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole.

Risk assessment

The PCC recognises that in relation to 'Risk Assessment', risk is defined as 'the threat of any action or event which will adversely affect an organisation's ability to achieve its objectives and execute its strategies'. It also accepts that the term 'risk' can include any circumstances that may, or do, have an adverse effect, and is wider than financial matters. 'Risks' relate not only to the negative consequences of a threat, but also to the impact of not taking advantage of opportunities.

The PCC recognises it requires a practical Health and Safety Policy covering activities for both the church, its surrounding grounds, the church hall and lounge. This is reviewed on a regular basis. An Accident Book is maintained. During 2020 Covid Risk Assessments were produced and regularly reviewed in response to the Covid 19 pandemic.

The contents and obligations of the Equality Act 2010 and the Data Protection Act 2018 are known and complied with to the best of the PCC's ability. The PCC is aware of its responsibilities in respect of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 in its requirement to carry out a fire assessment to identify any possible dangers and risks, to take action to minimise the risks and to create a plan to deal with any emergencies, and also to write up and keep a record of its findings and to review its assessment annually. The PCC has appointed Keith Waring as Health and Safety Officer and Dave Champness as Data Protection Officer

There is a Protection Policy in place in respect of children and vulnerable adults. Checks have been made with the Disclosure and Barring Service (formerly the CRB) in respect of persons dealing regularly with young people and vulnerable adults. The PCC appointed officer for this is Tom Wilson. Whilst it is impossible to eliminate all risks and their consequences, efforts are constantly made to minimise such occurrences.

During the past year the Wardens and the PCC have considered the major strategic and operational risks that the church faces, in particular in relation to the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic and the protection of church members and staff, the use of the buildings and the various groups that are run as part of our ministry. Further details can be found in the Incumbent's Report. Regular reports have been made to the PCC and steps taken to lessen those risks and to deal with any matters arising.

Achievements and performance

Church attendance

There are 91 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll, 48 of whom are not resident in the parish. The average weekly in person attendance in October 2020 was 44 adults plus 5 children under 16. In addition, an average of 40 people accessed the services via Youtube each week.

Incumbent's Review of the year

It is perhaps an understatement to say that 2020 has been a difficult year. Covid-19 has had serious and devastating consequences on the life of our nation and our world. The community of St John's Leyland is no exception. However, 2020 began with optimism, excitement and purpose.

In January we focussed on our new vision, *Live: Loving, Knowing & Sharing Jesus*. Through a 5-part sermon series, we delved into the biblical underpinning of this vision and explored our vision priorities:

Sharing Jesus: Reaching the unreached peoples of our parish and the world with the good news of Jesus

Knowing Jesus: Growing mature disciples by developing a more intentional and strategic discipleship process

Loving Jesus: Offering a more varied, accessible and contemporary pattern of worship – including an all age service on a Sunday afternoon

Children & Families: Seeing an increasing number of young families who have a vibrant committed Christian faith

We also set 3 specific goals for 2020:

1. Increase our engagement & giving towards mission to 5%
2. Develop a consistent image and strategy to communicate our vision to our parish
3. Implement our Children & Families Coordinator Project 2020-2022

The response to our new vision and goals was incredibly positive with our gift day raising around £10,000 to help resource this ambitious vision. Indeed, this same generosity of money and support (as well as time, energy, etc.) has been characteristic of the congregation throughout this difficult year.

Our third goal led to the launch of a new Sunday afternoon service called *4 o'clock Live* in January. The intention of this service was to be an accessible opportunity for those from non-churched or de-churched backgrounds to explore the Christian faith and become part of the St John's community. Over the first few months we saw a group of regular attendees and began to reach some of the young families in our parish. Plans were also well under way for an Easter Holiday Bible Club for primary aged children called 'The Greatest Rescue Ever,' and a summer outreach initiative on Leadale Green. In addition, other new initiatives for outreach to adults, such as Men's Shed, had either begun or were in the planning. There seemed to be a real momentum but unfortunately, the coronavirus pandemic put a halt to this.

As our nation entered lockdown in late March, our church building was closed and we were unable to gather for in-person services of worship and other activities for over three months. Later in the year in November we would be forced to close our doors again, this time for a month, as the nation entered a second lockdown. Even outside of these times our church services and activities have been curtailed by strict restrictions and ongoing risk of transmission which have prevented the re-commencement of all in person meetings other than public worship. As such a significant portion of our church life and ministry has been 'on pause' for the majority of the year – children's groups, lunch club, CAMEO, Causeway, Men's Shed to name just a few. In addition to these general challenges our church has also faced significant, serious illness in the congregation and ministry/leadership teams.

Despite these challenges, 2020 has also been a year of new opportunities and encouragements.

Being prevented from meeting in person forced us to learn new and innovative ways to worship together and fulfil our vision. We have installed internet in the church building, learned how to produce video content online and on DVD (e.g. morning prayer, Sunday services) and latterly to livestream our services. We now have a YouTube channel with over 60 subscribers and many more people viewing our content regularly. We have learned to utilize the online platform Zoom for many of our meetings – e.g. prayer, Levellers, Wednesday Night Worship and business. Our new online presence has been enhanced by the achievement of our goal to develop a new logo and branding, which was rolled out this past year. In addition, the requirement to change our services of worship (both online and in church in light of ongoing restrictions) has caused us to critically review our usual patterns of worship.

The pause in our usual pattern of children and families ministries has afforded us the opportunity to review them in light of our vision. We are currently engaging with the diocesan Youth Provision Development Project as well as discussing internally how we can develop and progress our outreach and ministry to young people and their families. As a PCC we have continued to meet via Zoom and have used this year to prepare for a restructuring of the way the PCC operates.

From 2021 we will introduce a number of subgroups coordinating different areas of church ministry. This is designed to make our processes and decision making more efficient, as well as liberating more people to use their gifts and vocations in serving the church and our community. We have sought to keep in contact with all the members of our church family and to keep them informed of developments, through my regular congregational letters and a network of pastoral phone contacts.

Despite the necessary self-reflection during this tumultuous year, we have been able to maintain an outward-looking posture. We have achieved our goal of increasing our financial support and engagement towards mission (especially overseas) through the support of 7 new or continuing mission partners. More locally, our individual members have continued to be wonderful neighbours in the way they have loved and cared for their (church) family and community. We have also sought to engage with our community in meaningful ways via our banner (*Jesus: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow*) and associated prayer invitation and also via our recent nativity trail which drew the attention and participation of many in our community. We have been delighted to welcome new worshippers into our church family over this past year, whether in person or (currently) online.

This outward-focussed generosity has also been on display in the way we have sought to serve others in our diocese. The diocesan *Call to Pray and Give* resulted in a gift of ~£1,500 being given by us to the diocese. Rev Barbara Wilson & Rev David Gaskell have continued to generously preach and preside at other churches as required. Sue Champness has taken on the diocesan role of Assistant Director of Studies for LLMs. Meanwhile, I have served as Tutor in Old Testament at All Saints Centre for Mission & Ministry and on the Diocesan Coronavirus Task Group.

All in all, I believe St John's Leyland has emerged from 2020 a bit battered and bruised, having been stretched beyond our limits by the ever-changing challenges. However, we can also recognise God's continued faithfulness to us over this past year. As we embark on 2021 facing yet more uncertainty and difficulty, we do so encouraged by how the Lord has continued to build his kingdom through the imperfect – often stumbling – efforts of his church here in this place.

Rev A. S. Meeson

January 2021

Financial Review

Summary

The church suffered a deficit on unrestricted funds of £3,142 in 2020 (2019: surplus £2,091), which was funded from the LICF designated fund (see page 9).

Total unrestricted fund balances, including designations, at the year end increased to £44,590 (2019: £26,661) and restricted fund balances increased to £39,597 (2019: £28,287). Explanations for these increases are provided below.

Unrestricted income

Total unrestricted income for 2020 was £64,980 (2019: £69,643), the decrease primarily attributable to a reduction in one off donations, which reduced from £9,305 to £5,834. We were blessed by the fact that many regular donors already donated by standing order and others switched from cash collections to standing order during lockdown; others saved their weekly envelopes or cash donations until the church building was reopened for worship. Consequently, planned giving increased to £41,961 (2019: £40,688), and weekly collections decreased to £1,979 (2019: £2,866). £11,642 (2019: £11,859) was recovered from HMRC in respect of tax deducted from Gift Aided income. Contributions for the use of premises from church and community groups fell to £1,198 (2019: £3,138) as lockdown and local restrictions meant that the local dance school was unable to meet in our premises for most of the year.

Unrestricted expenditure

Total unrestricted expenditure for the year was £68,123 (2019: £67,553). 82% (2019: 75%) of this expenditure (£55,524) was in respect of the parish share, and vicarage costs, which increased in total by £5,089. It should be noted, that although the increase in parish share payable to the Diocese was one of the main factors contributing to the increased deficit for the year, this increase was offset by the receipt of LICF grant from the Diocese, which was then used to fund the deficit. The cost of running the church, lounge and grounds, including maintenance, decreased to £10,875 (2019: £13,217), primarily due to a reduction in maintenance costs. Savings in utility costs whilst the building was closed were offset by an increase in cleaning costs and expenditure to meet health and safety requirements for the period when the building reopened for public worship after the first lockdown. Home and overseas mission giving was primarily funded from designated funds and further details is provided below.

Unrestricted designated funds

As referred to above, the total of unrestricted funds at 31 December 2020 was £45,590. This included designated funds of £24,302 (2019: £5,373) and unrestricted free reserves of £21,288 (2019: £21,288)

The PCC's policy is to try to maintain a level of free, unrestricted funds equal to at least 3 months' expenditure, which currently equates to approximately £17,000. Although the total of unrestricted, undesignated, free reserves at 31 December 2020 remained £21,288 (2019: £21,288), the PCC feels that in the current economic climate it is prudent to continue to hold this level of reserves, which is slightly higher than the stated policy, to make provision for potential future deficits and/or unexpected expenditure.

The closing balances on all designated funds are shown on page 14. The following 2 additional designated funds have been set up in 2020:

Lower Income Communities Fund (LICF)

We were extremely fortunate to be awarded £20,341 by the Diocese from the LICF fund and the PCC agreed to recognise this funding separately and pay the full parish share request, rather than net the two off. The LICF grant has been allocated to a designated fund to be used to fund mission giving to our agreed mission partners, other mission related expenditure and any unrestricted deficits. During 2020, a donation of £1,900 was made to the Diocesan Parish Vision Fund, £3,400 was paid to our mission partners, and £3,142 was used to fund the unrestricted deficit.

Gift Day Fund

As noted in the Incumbents' Report on page 5, a Gift Day was held in February 2020, which raised £10,071 which has been designated to fund our Vision Action Plan. £781 was spent during the year to pay for internet installation.

Restricted funds

Building Fund

The closing balance on this fund was £3,729. Income of £1,050, including Gift Aid was received in the year, but there was no expenditure allocated to this fund.

Children and Families' Worker Funds

These funds were used to fund the costs of employing Barbara Lang, our Children and Families Work Coordinator. This was the first year of a new 3 year project.

We were delighted to be awarded £7,500 from the Garfield Weston Trust and £20,000 over 3 years (£6,667 per annum) from the Diocesan Parish Vision Fund. A further £15,448 was received in donations from the congregation and related Gift Aid.

The costs incurred during the year totalled £22,155 and at the year end £30,323 was held, which will fund expected costs for approximately eighteen months.

Nefyn Camp Fund

There was no movement on this fund as sadly, camps were unable to take place in 2020.

Welfare Fund

Income of £1,938 including Gift Aid was received and £2,035 was expended to help those in need in our community. A balance of £621 was held at the yearend.

Communications Fund

Donations of £3,000 were received in the year to add to the £1,000 brought forward and £1,494 was spent on the new branding referenced in the Incumbent's Report and on the purchase of equipment to assist with the streaming of services.

Future Plans

The PCC is committed to continuing its mission to spread the good news of the gospel and to serve the people of its parish in Leyland and plans for the future are included in the Incumbent's Review on pages 5 to 7.

Report approved by the PCC on 8 March 2021 and signed on its behalf by Andrew Meeson (PCC Chair).



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Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 December 2020

Receipts and Payments Account

	2020 Unrestricted £	2020 Designated £	2020 Restricted £	2020 Total £	2019 Unrestricted £	2019 Designated £	2019 Restricted £	2019 Total £
Receipts								
<i>Voluntary receipts</i>								
Regular giving								
Planned giving: covenanted	35,476	-	11,440	46,916	33,575	-	11,445	45,020
Planned giving: uncovenanted	6,485	-	1,546	8,031	7,113	-	1,445	8,558
Collections	1,979	-	-	1,979	2,866	-	-	2,866
Sundry income and donations	5,834	-	-	5,834	9,305	-	6,674	15,979
Income tax recovered	11,642	-	3,931	15,573	11,859	-	2,647	14,506
	61,416	-	16,917	78,333	64,718	-	22,211	86,929
Other voluntary receipts								
Donations and appeals	-	10,071	6,335	16,406	-	-	4,960	4,960
Grants	-	20,342	14,168	34,510	-	-	-	-
	-	30,413	20,503	50,916	-	-	4,960	4,960
<i>Receipts from church activities</i>								
Fees	1,614	-	-	1,614	1,605	-	-	1,605
Contributions from church groups	443	-	-	443	640	-	-	640
Contributions from non-church groups	755	30	-	785	2,498	130	-	2,628
	2,812	30	-	2,842	4,743	130	-	4,873
<i>Income from investments</i>								
Bank interest	104	-	-	104	183	-	-	183
<i>Non-recurring income</i>								
Legacy and memorial donations	-	127	-	127	-	756	-	756
CJRS grant	648	-	-	648	-	-	-	-
Other grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,647	1,647
	648	127	-	774	-	756	1,647	2,403
Total receipts	64,980	30,569	37,420	132,970	69,643	886	28,818	99,347

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	2020 Unrestricted £	2020 Designated £	2020 Restricted £	2020 Total £	2019 Unrestricted £	2019 Designated £	2019 Restricted £	2019 Total £
Payments								
<i>Church activities</i>								
Overseas mission	328	3,900	195	4,423	907	500	785	2,192
Home mission	93	2,100	24,300	26,493	477	-	30,781	31,258
Parish share	53,625	-	-	53,625	48,081	-	-	48,081
Clergy expenses	475	-	-	475	501	-	-	501
Parsonage expenses	1,899	-	-	1,899	2,354	-	-	2,354
Church running expenses	7,333	-	-	7,333	7,773	750	-	8,523
Cost of services	938	-	120	1,058	655	-	168	823
Refreshments	-	-	-	-	239	-	-	239
Support costs	335	363	-	698	138	208	-	346
Church maintenance	1,417	-	-	1,417	4,034	-	3,682	7,716
Churches Together in Leyland	150	-	-	150	120	-	-	120
Fees to diocese/verger/organist	1,152	-	-	1,152	420	-	-	420
Fixtures and equipment	-	781	-	781	1,476	-	1,355	2,831
	67,745	7,144	24,615	99,504	67,175	1,458	36,771	105,405
<i>Church management and administration</i>								
Electrical survey	-	1,354	-	1,354	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	377	-	1,494	1,872	378	-	76	454
	377	1,354	1,494	3,225	378	-	76	454
Total payments	68,123	8,498	26,109	102,730	67,553	1,458	36,848	105,858
Excess of receipts over payments	(3,142)	22,072	11,310	30,239	2,091	(572)	(8,031)	(6,512)
Transfers between unrestricted and restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers from designated funds	3,142	(3,142)	-	-	(2,091)	2,091	-	-
Net movement in year	-	18,929	11,310	30,239	-	1,519	(8,031)	(6,512)
Balances at 1 January	21,288	5,373	28,287	54,948	21,288	3,854	36,318	61,460
Balances at 31 December	21,288	24,302	39,597	85,187	21,288	5,373	28,287	54,948

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Statement of Assets as at 31 December 2020

Monetary assets

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
HSBC current account	-	7,253	7,253	6,533
Co-operative current account	45,590	7,690	53,280	23,864
CBF deposit account	-	24,630	24,630	24,526
Cash	-	25	25	25
	<u>45,590</u>	<u>39,597</u>	<u>85,187</u>	<u>54,948</u>
Designated	24,302			
Undesignated	<u>21,288</u>			
	<u>45,590</u>			

Approved by the PCC on 8 March 2021

and signed on its behalf by:

Tracey Johnson
Treasurer



Andrew Meeson
Chair



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Analysis of Funds

Unrestricted Funds

	Undesignated General	Quinquennial Survey	Designated Triennial Electrical Survey	Car Park	Mission Giving	Training	LICF	Legacy and Memorial	Gift Day	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£		£
Balance brought forward	21,288	851	1,200	1,503	700	363	-	756	-	26,661
Excess/ (deficit) of receipts and payments	(3,142)	-	(1,354)	30	(700)	(363)	15,042	127	9,290	18,929
Transfer to restricted funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers to designated funds	3,142	-	154	-	-	-	(3,296)	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	21,288	851	-	1,533	-	-	11,746	883	9,290	45,590

Restricted Funds

	Welfare Fund	Buildings Fund	Youth Work Fund	Other Funds	Nefyn Camp Fund	Levellers Fund	Communications Fund	Call to Prayer	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	718	2,681	22,862	449	314	263	1,000	-	28,287
Income									
Voluntary receipts									
Regular planned giving	120	-	12,640	226	-	-	-	-	12,986
Other voluntary donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Income tax recovered	33	1,050	2,808	40	-	-	-	-	3,931
Donations and appeals	1,785	-	14,168	195	-	-	3,000	1,355	6,335
Grant income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,168
Expenditure									
Overseas mission	-	-	-	(195)	-	-	-	-	(195)
Home mission	(2,035)	-	(22,155)	(50)	-	(60)	-	-	(24,299)
Cost of services	-	-	-	(120)	-	-	-	-	(120)
Church maintenance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fixtures and equipment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,494)	-	(1,494)
Transfers from General Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Transfers between Restricted Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Balance carried forward	621	3,731	30,323	545	314	203	2,506	1,355	39,597

See Note
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Notes to the Accounts

1 Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the receipts and payments basis.

2 Funds policy

Unrestricted funds may be used by the PCC for any of its ordinary purposes. It is the policy of the PCC to maintain unrestricted reserves equal to approximately 3 months expenditure.

Designated funds represent sums set aside out of ordinary unrestricted funds for specific designated purposes, which can be transferred back into general funds at any time.

Restricted funds represent donations or grants received or invited for specific purposes, which may only be spent on the specific purpose for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent must be carried forward as a balance on that fund and cannot be absorbed into general funds without the agreement of the donor/funder. The movement on major restricted funds is detailed on page 15.

Other restricted funds comprise sundry restricted donations received and wholly expended in the year.

3 Mission

The total spent on overseas and home mission and given to other charities from all sources during the year comprises:

	Restricted Fund donations/expenditure £	PCC expenditure £	Designated Mission Giving £	Total Mission/Charitable Giving/Expenditure £
Overseas mission				
African Inland Mission	-	-	850	850
Platfrom 67	-	-	500	500
OMF	-	-	1,350	1,350
MAF	-	-	200	200
Barnabas Fund	-	286	-	286
Open Doors	-	42	500	542
Tearfund	195	-	500	695
	195	328	3,900	4,423
Home mission				
Scripture Union	-	-	200	200
Children's and Families Worker	22,155	-	-	22,155
Levellers	60	-	-	60
Welfare fund	2,035	-	-	2,035
Parish Vision Fund	-	-	1,900	1,900
Mission related materials	-	93	-	93
SLEAP	50	-	-	50
	24,300	93	2,100	26,493
Total mission related giving/ expenditure	24,495	421	6,000	30,916

4 Assets for church use

The following assets are recognised but not necessarily valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities:

Moveable church furnishings held by the Church Wardens on special trust for the PCC, which require a faculty for disposal.

5 Trustee expenses

The expenses paid to clergy may include an immaterial proportion which relate to their function as PCC members. No other payments were made to PCC members for their role as members of the PCC

6 Associated church groups

It is the policy of the PCC that groups associated with the church maintain their own banking records and hold their funds separately from PCC funds. At 31 December 2020 the funds held by these groups were as follows:

	£ At 31 Dec 2019	£ Income	£ Expenditure	£ At 31 Dec 2020	
Chatterbox	496	271	(376)	391	
Cameo	692			692	
Craft and Natter	63	17	(45)	35	
Messy Church	131	117	(100)	148	
Lunch Club	1,139	5	307	(214)	1,232

**Independent Examiner's unqualified report to the C. of E. P.C.C.'s 2018.
members of the P.C.C. of St. John's Church, Leyland.**

Accounts for the year ended 31st. December 2020.

Charity no 1175098.

Set out on pages 11 to 15 of this report.

Respective responsibilities of the P.C.C. and the examiner.

The P.C.C. members acting as the charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of the Independent Examiner's statement.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission and the guidance published in PCC Accountability (The Charities Act 2011 and the P.C.C.), 5th edition). An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with these records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required for an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement.

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

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts do not accord to the accounting records.

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

Signed. *Alex A. Clements*
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Date 18th. March 2021.

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