

Borderlands Mission Area
Ardal Cenhadaeth Y Gororau

**ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 2022**

**The Mission Area of Borderlands
Charity Number: 1177376**

GROWING OUR MISSION AREA TOGETHER



A community living well with God where our Christian faith enables us to work together for the good of all!

MISSION AREA PRAYER

**Generous God, you call us to celebrate your love and generosity within the family of the Church.
We thank you for our Borderlands Mission Area and for our opportunities to share our abilities and resources within it.
Grant that your Holy Spirit will help us discern new ways of serving your Kingdom here, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

Borderlands Mission Area is part of the **Diocese of St Asaph** within the **Church in Wales**.

Governing Document
The Charity operates under the 'Constitution of the Church in Wales'
www.churchinwales.org.uk

N.B The term **Mission Area Conference** is the new name for the **Parish Church Council (PCC)** as referred to in the Constitution.

Average Sunday Attendance
2019: 580
(no robust data for 2020/21/22 - COVID)
Serving a local community of **70,000+**

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Our Churches and Communities

All Saints, Buckley
Bistre Emmanuel, Buckley
St Cecilia, Mynydd Isa
The Good Shepherd, Drury
St Matthew, Buckley

St David, Connah's Quay
St Mark Connah's Quay
St Ethelwold, Shotton
St Andrew, Garden City
St Francis, Sandycroft
St Bartholomew, Sealand
St Mary, Broughton
St Deiniol, Hawarden
The Holy Spirit, Ewloe
St John the Baptist, Penymynydd
Emmanuel, Penyffordd
St Cynfarch, Hope
St Michael, Llanfynydd
All Saints, Cymau

LOCATION / PROFILE

Borderlands Mission Area is situated in the North East of the Diocese of St Asaph, between the English border and the more rural Mold Mission Area to the west. It stretches from the marshes and former industrialised banks of the Dea estuary, now under regeneration, and southwards to 'Hope Mountain' and the rural communities bordering the Chwydian hills. Our MA is predominantly English speaking yet proud and protective of its Welsh culture.

STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

The Church in Wales is governed by its Constitution, set up under section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body.

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedures and powers are regulated by the Constitution, which provides that before assuming office, every member must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The MAC has the responsibility of working together with the Shared Ministry Team in promoting within Borderlands the whole mission of the Church; pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of its nineteen church buildings (listed previously), church halls and other related buildings and land.

The Mission Area Conference is thus responsible, inter-alia, for the Parish (Mission Area) budget and all expenditure, for the care and maintenance of Church fabric and of the Churchyards, and for any action or other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution, and is the normal channel of communication between the Mission Area and the Diocesan Bishop.

Mission Area Trustees

(Serving from 1 January 2022 until the submission of this Report 2022 to the Charity Commission.)
Mission Area Leader - Revd Canon Andrea Jones

Ex officio:

Clergy: Revd Canon Steven Green (to July'22), Revds Sally Baird, Neil Kelly, Alexier Mayes, Gill Stanning, Alan Cronin, Simon Piercy (from Apr'22)

MA Warden: Gareth Jones (*Chair of Property*)

Elected Lay Representatives:

Val Aldcroft, Helen Dalrymple, Blodwen Ellis, Helen Jones (to May'22), David Lloyd (to May'22), Brenda Macaskill, Stephen Smith, John Taylor (to May'22), Ann Williams, Paul Hewins, Dave Mackie, Janet Thompson, Rob Dawson, Grant Stanning (to May'22), Delyth Lee, Steve Wallace, Kath Jones (from May'22), Pat Cole (from Apr'22), Steven Tattun (from Apr'22), Sandra Fairclough (from Apr'22).

Co-opted:

Lay Ministries (Readers): Alan Griffiths

Youth Representative: Lacey Jones

Representatives to Standing Committee:

Clergy: Revd Neil Kelly

Lay: Mrs Val Aldcroft

OBJECTIVES

The Church in Wales is a Province within the Anglican Communion and seeks to advance the Christian religion through world-wide mission.

Borderlands Mission Area is committed therefore to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of our Mission Area Community. The Mission Area Conference maintains an overview of worship and makes suggestions on how services can involve the many groups that live within our mission area. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament. When planning our activities for the year we have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the supplementary guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. In particular we try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our mission area through:

- Worship and prayer; learning about the Gospel; developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.
- Provision of pastoral care for people living within our boundaries
- Missionary and Outreach work.

To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of our churches and related buildings.

WORSHIP AND PRAYER

Religious services take place in our churches and other buildings within the Mission Area, providing regular worship open to all. Our church buildings, many of which are accessible for some part of each day, provide a sacred space for personal prayer and contemplation and are a place for baptisms, marriages and funerals.

Our clergy are supported in providing worship and prayer by a team of Licensed Lay Readers and commissioned Worship Leaders.

As a result of COVID 19 our regular patterns of open buildings, public worship, baptisms, weddings and funerals, and combined services were suspended across the Mission Area until August 2020, but this provided us with the opportunity to trial new forms of prayer and worship online, highlighting new approaches which we have continued to develop into 2022.

PASTORAL CARE

The clergy of the MA are tasked with providing pastoral care to their congregations and to the wider local community. They are supported in this by commissioned Pastoral Assistants rooted in local churches.

Across Borderlands, congregations are nurtured and their needs and those of the local community identified and listened to. Those in need (the sick, aged, those with dementia etc.) are prayed for and supported. Communion is taken to the housebound and to those in care homes. Families are supported and prepared for baptism and couples for marriage. The dying and bereaved are visited and shown support.

In such a 'large' mission area we are proud of our continued concern and care for each other as we grow and move forward together in faith.

LINKS WITH THE WIDER COMMUNITY

Twenty Lay Representatives (one per church and one youth representative) in addition to the Shared Ministry Team attend the Diocesan Conference, thus providing the essential link between Borderlands and the wider structures of the Church. One cleric and one lay person (both elected) represent the Mission Area at the Bishop's Standing Committee. This has been and will continue to be instrumental in the further development of our Mission Area.

Each of our churches has a variety of links with the community it serves – schools, local councils, care homes – often working collaboratively with other groups such as CYTUN.

MISSION AREA CONFERENCE 2022

Work continues with our Growth priority – growing in spiritual depth and as disciples in service and mission.

The Conference continued to meet regularly throughout the year. In addition to formal business and other matters referred to us, our work and discussion focused on supporting each other and maintaining worship, ministry and mission.

To ensure that good communication and strong teamwork continued, individual sub committees and church congregations were encouraged to remain involved through regular feedback and all MAC Minutes and Agendas were circulated online across our churches.

Our responsibilities as trustees, and close collaboration were highlighted by the need to maintain developments in finance and the emerging property strategy.

LAY CHAIR REPORT

Welcome to the Borderlands Mission Area annual report for 2022. You will read about the highlights, challenges/ concerns, growth and planning and of course our community involvement, fundraising initiatives and vision for the forthcoming year.

All churches were hit hard by the pandemic and subsequent lockdown, we lost a number of regular members. However, we remained resolute in our Christian faith. Confident in our ability to spread the Gospel, To Grow Faith, Bring Hope and Demonstrate Love.

In our community we held Christmas Fairs, we established Community Choirs, we opened warm hubs and worked with food banks to tackle food poverty. We opened community cafes, we evangelised in Schools and in our neighbourhood, distributed Jesus Rocks and spread the Gospel in innovative ways. We continue to visit the elderly, house bound and infirm taking with us God's love and his real presence. We marked significant events for families through the year, through baptism, weddings and funerals. We celebrated the great Feasts holding Easter Services and with much joy we held and welcomed many to our Christmas Carol and Crib services.

Along with so many up and down the land we celebrated the Platinum Jubilee in June and in September we opened our doors for public prayer and the signing of books of condolence and held services to celebrate and remember the life and mourn the passing of Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

Following the publication of the Diocesan Mission Area Review we were able to put forward our vision for the Mission Area. Our planning day, ably led by Venerable Andy Grimwood as Archdeacon, was a great success with many new ideas and plans being proposed for each Church and for Churches to work more closely together. We continue to realise our potential and work together to bring our plans to fruition.

May God bless us all!

Rob Dawson – Lay Chair

MISSION

All of what it means to be a Mission area is acted out and delivered by our churches. Borderlands continues to promote the whole mission of the Church by seeking to serve the whole community, by developing links locally and more widely, and provision for those outside our regular congregations, and by providing support, activities and spaces for specific groups such as older people, parent and toddler groups, the lonely and the homeless etc. Our donations to other charities such as Christian Aid, USPG, Water Aid, provide benefit in the relief of poverty and need, whether within or outside the Mission Area. As we emerged from pandemic, lockdown and isolation our work was even more significant.

We have a Mission/Pioneer Priest who supports our work.

Pioneer Priest Report

It has been great to get back out into the community this year and to do some new things and pick up some of the things we had planned before the pandemic.

STORYTIME AND AFTERNOON CHURCH:

Storytime is a short service for children aged 0-4 which includes songs and nursery rhymes, a bible story told using props, puppets or characters dressed in costume and simple refreshments at the beginning with plenty of time to play.

Storytime happens once a week at St Mary's, Broughton. The sessions are going very well with the children enjoying learning the songs and hearing the bible stories.

Afternoon Church happens once a month on a Sunday afternoon and is a family friendly service with songs, puppets, bible stories, craft and prayers. We have been welcoming a number of families and the clergy invite families seeking baptism for their children in Broughton and Hawarden to attend. We are hoping to grow this service further through these contacts and with families at Storytime.

CHILDREN'S VIDEOS FOR CHRISTMAS AND EASTER:

Further online videos explaining the meaning of Easter and Christmas were produced. These told the Easter story and the Christmas story in a series of four for each season. The videos used puppets, songs and visual aids to tell the stories. The Christmas focus this year was the Star and the wise men. A craft activity was also modelled in each video for the children to try at home or in school. The services were advertised on Facebook and directly to our schools who used them in assemblies.

JESUS ROCKS PART 3 OUTREACH:

During the lead up to Christmas I worked with St Deiniol's, Hawarden to co-ordinate the Jesus Rocks 3 project. This time the painted stones were painted to look like the three wise men and the star. We also made more baby Jesus stones. The stones were left around parts of Hawarden for people to pick up with photographic hints as to their whereabouts left on Facebook. Volunteers from the church got together to paint the stones. The stones were left with a laminated card which reminded people in a gentle way what Christmas is all about and included a link to our Facebook page or other contact details. On Church and MA Facebook pages there were links to the Christmas videos which tie in with the focus of the stones.

PUPPET TEAM:

The puppet team rehearsed our puppet show for schools based on the Good Samaritan story together with follow up learning activities for KS2 children. We were able to visit Hawarden Village school for our first performance and activity sessions. There has been definite interest from the schools we have approached, and we now have more dates planned for schools in Connah's Quay and Broughton. Our puppet team performed 'Bethlehem Rhapsody' three times in December. Once at St. Mary's Toddler group, Broughton. As part of a Christmas Proclamation event organized by St Michael's, LLanfynydd where 50 people attended and learned about the true meaning of Christmas. We went to Broughton Primary School where we did two performances.

We were enthusiastically received, and people wanted us to come again. We had more requests than we could respond to this Christmas and really do need more puppeteers to join us in this important outreach work.

DEMENTIA AWARENESS:

I continue to work with the Hope group to improve facilities and opportunities for those with Dementia and other issues caused by aging. We meet once a month as a committee and have new ideas in the pipeline, including IT support hubs and hosting of AURA Wales mental health and overall fitness events. Our monthly coffee mornings resumed.

BOOK CLUB:

In Autumn we started a book group at St. Matthew's. The group met to discuss 'The Healing' by Joy Margetts, a historical novel is set in France and Wales in the Middle Ages and examines one man's unique journey of faith. The group was small but enjoyed the discussions and have plans to continue meeting in future. I plan further book groups in other churches in 2023.

Rev Gill Stanning, Pioneer Priest

FROM ACROSS OUR CHURCHES

WHERE WE...

*Share the love of Jesus with all
Grow our mission area together*

Live well as a community with God, where our Christian faith enables us to work in harmony for the good of all

We supported the Over 50's group in the community and hospitals with knitted items. We maintained contact with the local primary school and nursery.

We launched a Warm Hub project with Hubs in the Parish Centre on Thursday lunchtimes and Friday evenings. We provide soup/bread rolls and refreshments in a warm environment.

We had a group of Bands over from the USA all trained in Safeguarding. They performed in church, and we had a great deal of youth there. Since then, Extreme have formed a connection with our churches to develop further music-based initiatives with the youth of the area.

Our Messy Church planted an Eco-Garden and we've been awarded a Bronze Award.

We have prioritised youth and children's work focusing on integration between baptism families and Messy Church.

We have re-established links with local schools who use our buildings around major festivals and hope to begin school assemblies once a term utilizing mission area resources such as puppets.

We have an 'Open the Book' team which goes into our schools weekly throughout term time and the Vicar

is a Governor at Caer Nant School.

We hosted the Flintshire Art Trail. Many people came to visit and to look around the church.

Christmas craft and puppet outreach: to spread the real meaning of Christmas and Café Church services run by worship leaders. This has attracted people back to church.

We commenced the warm hub in the Church Hall distributing Soup, a Meal and friendship to anyone who wished to attend.

We held a Lent Course and took part in the Mission Area initiative for vision. We are planning to start an enquirers study course and a Christians Against Poverty course.

We were able to offer the Nativity Trail for the Nursery classes in our local school.

We have had several joint services in the local community centre which involved the local Girl Guiding Association and Scouting Movement.

We held a Bible study course and are proud of people's willingness to grow their discipleship and faith.

We continue to concentrate on outreach to our community and believe we show we are at the heart of village life – our Dawn service, on Easter Day, our Christmas services. We have lots of community events – the Christmas Tree Festival,

Egg Rolling, Nativity Trail, Jesus Rocks.

Successful start-up and continuation of the Community Choir. Extensive attendance midweek and at festival services.

We continued to host our

Family Worship service (Afternoon Church) every fourth Sunday.

Our Mother & Toddler group continues to be popular. We are able to offer short, simplified bible stories and songs during the weekly group meeting, these little offerings are thoroughly enjoyed by children and adults alike.

Community consultation and establishment of a Community Woodland and participation of over a hundred local volunteers planting trees. Establishment of the Eco Church group and achieving the A Rocha Eco-Church Bronze Award.

The establishment of a new Book and Discussion Club – one man's journey of faith!

We had regular involvement with the local schools through leading assemblies, teaching sessions and church visits. Church members are part of the Governing Body.

We gave support and encouragement to the Uniformed Groups through participation in gaining faith badges and facilitating fun learning within the church about the Christian faith.

CHURCH PROPERTY AND BUILDINGS

Overview

During 2022 a MA Buildings and Property Committee was not set up and operated in the formal sense. However, as the nominated lead on Buildings and Property matters for the Mission Area, I found it personally more expedient to provide cover across all the churches when called, on an as and when basis by respective Clergy, Churchwardens and or church committee members. This I have done effectively across many of the churches giving direct guidance as required and have reported back on relevant issues matters arising directly to the MA Executive and at each Mission Area Conference. Similarly, it has enabled me to build up a working relationship with Churchwardens through operating this way.

Health and Safety

Focus continues to remind individual churches that there is a duty to ensure the safety of all who undertake voluntary work and that hazards and risks associated with particular activities are considered and assessed with measures put in place to reduce the risk of harm to individuals and/or damage to property. During 2022 there has been one serious accident involving a volunteer undertaking within the grounds of a church. This matter is now the subject of a claim against the Borderlands Mission Area and is being followed up by an appointed investigating solicitor by the church insurers EIG.

There was also a small fire within a kitchen area of a church hall. Fortunately, there were no injuries to any persons by there was substantial smoke damage. The repairs were covered in part by a claim on the church insurers.

Environment and Eco Church

There are some churches within the MA which have achieved the Eco Church Bronze and Silver awards which is commendable to all concerns. There will be a focus through the coming year to encourage other churches to follow through to achieve such standards. However, it is noticeable across all the churches that there is a considerable awareness and focus on limiting the impact on the environment from church activities especially in waste and recycling needs.

Online Faculty Applications

A number of full faculty and lesser significant but essential type A&B applications made by individual churches were supported via the MAC and ultimately approved via the Diocesan Advisory Committee. The process of individual churches putting forward such applications initially via the MAC is now working more effectively and reducing the previous administrative delays within the system. It is always important to have local church committee approval first and as much detailed information on an application or proposal to support a faculty submission.

Quinquennial Inspections(5 year) – Church Buildings:

An overview of the status and progress on the implementation of the respective recommendations and actions for each of the 19 Churches was collated and reported to the MAC during 2022. At the time of the update, it was estimated that the collective costs would be approaching £550k to fully meet the actions raised in the reports. This information is to be used as part of the strategic overview for future expenditure planning and budgeting forecasting for the future in respect of all Church buildings and halls. Many churches will be facing the latest round of inspections which will cover the next five years.

MA Review 2022 – Buildings and Property

A review of all the Church buildings, halls, associated land and other assets was undertaken across the MA during April 2021. The review team was led by the Archdeacon, The Diocesan Secretary and the Diocesan Church Buildings Surveyor, in conjunction with the MA Leader, representatives from the MA Exec and the individual Churches visited. The report with recommendations was finally issued at the end of 2021 and accepted in principle by the MAC in February 2022. The ongoing focus throughout 2022 is to develop and where possible implement specific recommendations relating to buildings and property as agreed by the between individual Church Committees and the MAC.

Of particular note is the closure of St Francis Church in Sandycroft which took place in October 2022 and the ongoing work to decommission the building and manage the reallocation of the items catalogued within the inventory to other churches within the MA and disposal of the items not of further use or listed a significant importance.

Gareth Jones - MA Warden / Chairperson of the Buildings and Property sub-Committee

FINANCE REPORT 2022

Given the exceptional circumstances and challenges of 2020/2021 caused by lockdown and closed churches, and only a slow return to church in 2022, we are pleased to report that our Mission Area finances remain secure at the end of the year – the result of constructive work on the management of our MA Finances. The Treasurers' Team/Finance Sub-committee continued to work closely together for mutual support and to address the practicalities of managing the process of transition from individual Church Accounts to consolidated MA Accounts, from paper to finance coordinator – zoom, emails and phone calls continuing mainly to replace our face-to-face meetings.

It is noteworthy that all Share and Church Costs were met but only with an injection of £73,282 throughout the year from our accrued reserves pot of Enablement Support and Rebates. We have been grateful for the generosity shown by those churches who hold greater reserves and have been willing to share and support.

As our Share was paid in full, Borderlands is to receive a pay-out from the Discount Scheme that is approximately 12% of its annual 2022 Share. This will total £45,000.

Several individual churches are now reporting that "finance is a big concern" and confirmed that they were beginning to struggle independently with payments and running costs. A decrease in church attendance and membership, in addition to the financial constraints affecting families, has led to a decrease in church income. At the same time church outgoings soared due to increased energy costs. This has impacted on our planned development of outreach and mission, and the maintenance of our buildings. 2022 has seen a greater reliance upon financial reserves.

A few churches report that "fundraising is starting to bounce back". With more fundraising events taking place and more grant applications, most churches are in fact 'holding their own'.

Once again, all churches maximised their income by submitting claims for Gift Aid and for a payment under the Small Donations Scheme.

Church closures have highlighted the benefits of online giving, particularly 'Gift Direct', and it will be necessary to develop this method of giving over the coming years, whilst recognising that we have a responsibility to enable all to be generous in whatever way they choose. More of our churches are embracing new technologies with contactless card readers etc.

Our Treasurers Team met with officers from Diocesan Finance in October to find a mutually acceptable allocation of MA Share 2023 across our churches.

Our work continues to integrate income streams/legacies from the former Hawarden Benefice, these are shown as part of the 2022 Accounts – for the moment ringfenced within the MA Central Account.

We must continue to be proactive in managing and developing our shared finances so that they become the secure basis for growing Mission and Ministry across Borderlands.

"Let us be bold and courageous as we continue our journey together!"

Val Aldcroft: MA Treasurer

APPROVED by the Mission Area Conference on:

and signed on its behalf by:

(Date)

(Signature)

(Name)

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Andra Jones
ANDREA JONES.

Statement of Financial Activities

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:							
Donations and legacies	3	385,529	-	54,104	-	439,632	478,198
Income from charitable activities	4	45,747	-	14,223	-	59,970	51,407
Other trading activities	5	131,475	-	5,885	-	137,360	69,750
Investments	6	13,267	-	534	215	14,016	13,922
Other income	7	(1,029)	-	1,605	-	576	5,144
Total income		574,988	-	76,351	215	651,554	618,422
Expenditure on:							
Raising funds	8	7,256	-	75	-	7,330	2,749
Expenditure on charitable activities	9	637,833	-	21,190	215	659,238	609,942
Other expenditure	10	9,992	-	2,025	-	12,017	10,749
Total expenditure		655,080	-	23,290	215	678,585	623,440
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer		(80,092)	-	53,060	-	(27,031)	(5,018)
Transfers							
Gross transfers between funds - in		209,011	9,000	169	-	218,180	85,997
Gross transfers between funds - out		(1,169)	(23,081)	(193,930)	-	(218,180)	(85,997)
Other recognised gains / losses							
Gains / losses on investment assets		(37,578)	-	(10,720)	(24,449)	(72,747)	271,263
Net movement in funds		90,172	(14,081)	(151,421)	(24,449)	(99,778)	266,245
Total funds brought forward		1,261,027	61,249	501,880	312,807	2,136,964	1,870,719
Total funds carried forward		1,351,199	47,169	350,459	288,359	2,037,186	2,136,964
Represented by							
Unrestricted							
General fund		1,351,199	-	-	-	1,351,199	1,261,027
Designated							
Building fund		-	36,762	-	-	36,762	40,762
Emmanuel petty cash		-	205	-	-	205	205
Former restoration appeal		-	-	-	-	-	18,081
Ladies Guild fund		-	15	-	-	15	15
St Cecilia's petty cash		-	205	-	-	205	205
Tiddle Tots fund		-	1,983	-	-	1,983	1,983
Friend		-	8,000	-	-	8,000	-
Restricted							
Aspire		-	-	21,620	-	21,620	21,620
Chancel Repair fund		-	-	1,798	-	1,798	2,009
Churchyard		-	-	98,624	-	98,624	94,610
Churchyard fund		-	-	5,200	-	5,200	5,200
Fred Birks Memorial fund		-	-	1,015	-	1,015	1,015
Frogs		-	-	291	-	291	291
Ladies Guild		-	-	60	-	60	60
Messy church		-	-	(974)	-	(974)	(974)
Messy church and youth		-	-	826	-	826	826
Reordering#2		-	-	(23,201)	-	(23,201)	(39,668)
Restricted donation		-	-	4,225	-	4,225	569
Restricted grants		-	-	28,156	-	28,156	30,551
Restricted fund		-	-	37,291	-	37,291	37,291
St Mary's Fabric fund		-	-	(0)	-	(0)	190,711
World Mission		-	-	5,402	-	5,402	3,390
Youth group		-	-	122	-	122	122
Churchyard fund		-	-	4,693	-	4,693	4,693
Truefood café		-	-	-	-	-	1,500
Bell		-	-	2,725	-	2,725	4,491
Fabric		-	-	42,941	-	42,941	47,976
Friend		-	-	7,656	-	7,656	6,290
HAWBRHALL		-	-	42	-	42	42
HAWEDUCN		-	-	16,041	-	16,041	16,133
HAWFABRIC		-	-	16,283	-	16,283	18,192
SGLAD		-	-	11,727	-	11,727	13,102
Organ		-	-	87	-	87	-
Altar		-	-	1,217	-	1,217	1,191
EMM Legacy		-	-	40,525	-	40,525	40,420
PopIn		-	-	158	-	158	227
Craft		-	-	358	-	358	-
Whitley		-	-	25,552	-	25,552	-

Endowment

Hazel Sherriff Choir/organ fund	-	-	-	10,817	10,817	12,086
AWRIGHT	-	-	-	4,237	4,237	4,734
CGGLAD	-	-	-	116,086	116,086	129,696
GLADTR	-	-	-	6,614	6,614	7,389
HAWEDUCN	-	-	-	38,000	38,000	38,000
HAWENDOW	-	-	-	14,000	14,000	14,000
HAWETHEL	-	-	-	4,975	4,975	4,975
HAWFABRIC	-	-	-	30,851	30,851	34,469
HAWLAND	-	-	-	16,000	16,000	16,000
HAWREC	-	-	-	6,391	6,391	6,391
HGLAD	-	-	-	863	863	908
RJONES	-	-	-	33,025	33,025	36,897
SGLAD	-	-	-	6,501	6,501	7,263
	1,351,199	47,169	350,459	288,359	2,037,186	2,136,964

Balance sheet

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Fixed assets							
Tangible assets	13	550,000	-	-	-	550,000	550,000
Investments	14	266,662	-	93,783	287,496	647,941	719,886
		816,662	-	93,783	287,496	1,197,941	1,269,886
Current assets							
Debtors	15	15,861	-	-	-	15,861	15,684
Cash at bank and in hand		517,937	47,169	299,281	863	865,249	896,344
		533,798	47,169	299,281	863	881,110	912,028
Liabilities							
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	16	(740)	-	42,605	-	41,865	44,949
		(740)	-	42,605	-	41,865	44,949
Net current assets less current liabilities		534,538	47,169	256,676	863	839,245	867,078
Total assets less current liabilities		1,351,199	47,169	350,459	288,359	2,037,186	2,136,964
Total net assets less liabilities		1,351,199	47,169	350,459	288,359	2,037,186	2,136,964
Represented by							
Unrestricted							
General fund		1,351,199	-	-	-	1,351,199	1,261,027
Designated							
Building fund		-	36,762	-	-	36,762	40,762
Emmanuel petty cash		-	205	-	-	205	205
Former restoration appeal		-	-	-	-	-	18,081
Ladies Guild fund		-	15	-	-	15	15
St Cecilia's petty cash		-	205	-	-	205	205
Tiddle Tots fund		-	1,983	-	-	1,983	1,983
Friend		-	8,000	-	-	8,000	-
Restricted							
Aspire		-	-	21,620	-	21,620	21,620
Chancel Repair fund		-	-	1,798	-	1,798	2,009
Churchyard		-	-	98,624	-	98,624	94,610
Churchyard fund		-	-	5,200	-	5,200	5,200
Fred Birks Memorial fund		-	-	1,015	-	1,015	1,015
Frogs		-	-	291	-	291	291
Ladies Guild		-	-	60	-	60	60
Messy church		-	-	(974)	-	(974)	(974)
Messy church and youth		-	-	826	-	826	826
Reordering#2		-	-	(23,201)	-	(23,201)	(39,668)
Restricted donation		-	-	4,225	-	4,225	569
Restricted grants		-	-	28,156	-	28,156	30,551
Restricted fund		-	-	37,291	-	37,291	37,291
St Mary's Fabric fund		-	-	(0)	-	(0)	190,711
World Mission		-	-	5,402	-	5,402	3,390
Youth group		-	-	122	-	122	122
Churchyard fund		-	-	4,693	-	4,693	4,693
Truefood café		-	-	-	-	-	1,500
Bell		-	-	2,725	-	2,725	4,491
Fabric		-	-	42,941	-	42,941	47,976
Friend		-	-	7,656	-	7,656	6,290
HAWBRHALL		-	-	42	-	42	42
HAWEDUCN		-	-	16,041	-	16,041	16,133
HAWFABRIC		-	-	16,283	-	16,283	18,192
SGLAD		-	-	11,727	-	11,727	13,102
Organ		-	-	87	-	87	-
Altar		-	-	1,217	-	1,217	1,191
EMM Legacy		-	-	40,525	-	40,525	40,420
PopIn		-	-	158	-	158	227
Craft		-	-	358	-	358	-
Whitley		-	-	25,552	-	25,552	-
Endowment							
Hazel Sherriff Choir/organ fund		-	-	-	10,817	10,817	12,086
AWRIGHT		-	-	-	4,237	4,237	4,734

CGGLAD	-	-	-	116,086	116,086	129,696
GLADTR	-	-	-	6,614	6,614	7,389
HAWEDUCN	-	-	-	38,000	38,000	38,000
HAWENDOW	-	-	-	14,000	14,000	14,000
HAWETHEL	-	-	-	4,975	4,975	4,975
HAWFABRIC	-	-	-	30,851	30,851	34,469
HAWLAND	-	-	-	16,000	16,000	16,000
HAWREC	-	-	-	6,391	6,391	6,391
HGLAD	-	-	-	863	863	908
RJONES	-	-	-	33,025	33,025	36,897
SGLAD	-	-	-	6,501	6,501	7,263
	1,351,199	47,169	350,459	288,359	2,037,186	2,136,964

Cash Flow Statement

	Note	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash used in operations	21		(84,207)
Investing activities			
Rental income, dividends and interest received		53,113	53,113
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents			(31,094)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			896,344
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year			865,249

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1 Accounting policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's constitution, the Charities Act 2011 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). The charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity's presentational currency is pounds sterling and all amounts stated within the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the members have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the members continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the members in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise funds which have been set aside at the discretion of the members for specific purposes. The purposes and uses of the designated funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount. Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Legacies are recognised on receipt or otherwise if the charity has been notified of an impending distribution, the amount is known, and receipt is expected. If the amount is not known, the legacy is treated as a contingent asset.

Grant income is recognised on receipt unless income is received in advance at the year-end and the performance criteria relate to a future accounting period.

1.5 Fixed asset investments

Fixed asset investments are initially measured at transaction price excluding transaction costs and are subsequently measured at fair value at each reporting date. Changes in fair value are recognised in net income/(expenditure) for the year. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

1.7 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the members are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

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3 Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Donations and gifts	343,096	-	26,823	-	369,919	323,935
Legacies receivable	7,000	-	5,143	-	12,143	17,748
Grants receivable	35,432	-	22,138	-	57,571	136,515
	385,529	-	54,104	-	439,632	478,198

4 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Office fees	8,648	-	8,275	-	16,923	51,407
Wedding fees	16,342	-	50	-	16,392	-
Funeral fees	17,875	-	-	-	17,875	-
Burial fees	1,083	-	4,836	-	5,919	-
Memorial fees	1,799	-	1,062	-	2,861	-
	45,747	-	14,223	-	59,970	51,407

5 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fundraising events	44,427	-	5,295	-	49,723	26,931
Other funds generated	20,966	-	440	-	21,406	3,738
Hall rental income	39,098	-	150	-	39,248	18,598
Publication sales	11,153	-	-	-	11,153	8,476
Sundry income	4,404	-	-	-	4,404	11,211
Printing income	196	-	-	-	196	425
Church Building Rental	-	-	-	-	-	371
MA / Parish share rebate	11,231	-	-	-	11,231	-
	131,475	-	5,885	-	137,360	69,750

6 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Investment income	8,930	-	498	215	9,643	9,199
Interest receivable	785	-	35	-	821	1,172
Rental income	3,552	-	-	-	3,552	3,552
	13,267	-	534	215	14,016	13,922

7 Other income

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Insurance claims	1,203	-	1,605	-	2,808	1,974
Sales of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-	170
Sale of investments	(2,232)	-	-	-	(2,232)	3,000
	(1,029)	-	1,605	-	576	5,144

8 Raising funds

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Other fundraising costs	7,256	-	75	-	7,330	2,749
	7,256	-	75	-	7,330	2,749

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9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Parish share	422,589	-	-	-	422,589	384,116
Clergy expenses	9,664	-	-	-	9,664	8,298
Parsonage - water	2,346	-	-	-	2,346	2,248
Parsonage - gas	-	-	-	-	-	224
Parsonage - other expenses	570	-	-	-	570	80
Digital services	2,076	-	-	-	2,076	-
Copyright license	1,906	-	-	-	1,906	-
Curate stipend contribution	-	-	-	-	-	587
Maintenance of services	5,223	-	14	-	5,237	4,723
Costs of vergers and choir	5,610	-	-	-	5,610	2,733
Music and performances	2,886	-	25	-	2,911	17,315
Gifts	95	-	30	-	125	-
Bank charges	2,055	-	186	-	2,241	459
Costs of printing and post	8,128	-	-	-	8,128	5,895
Parish - telephone/internet	1,275	-	-	-	1,275	988
Office and general expenses	2,916	-	-	-	2,916	4,476
Parish administrator	5,058	-	-	-	5,058	11,997
Leasing and HP	3,402	-	-	-	3,402	1,179
Professional fees	5,838	-	-	-	5,838	1,700
Audit and accountancy	1,860	-	-	-	1,860	1,800
MA/LMA central costs	7,757	-	-	-	7,757	208
Church costs - insurance	14,561	-	1,595	-	16,156	14,980
Church costs - electricity	15,947	-	-	-	15,947	10,879
Church costs - gas	19,074	-	-	-	19,074	17,598
Church costs - water	1,252	-	-	-	1,252	971
Church costs - Oil	2,581	-	-	-	2,581	-
Church costs - other	3,938	-	-	-	3,938	3,702
Church costs - repairs	24,015	-	-	215	24,230	24,813
Cleaning	1,674	-	-	-	1,674	880
Churchyard management	865	-	1,533	-	2,398	27,469
Churchyard grass cutting	3,530	-	5,590	-	9,120	636
Church hall - other	7,563	-	170	-	7,733	1,224
Church hall - electric	7,377	-	-	-	7,377	4,002
Church hall - gas	3,765	-	-	-	3,765	2,721
Church hall - insurance	8,135	-	-	-	8,135	7,368
Church hall - repairs	3,515	-	-	-	3,515	3,663
Church hall - telephone	-	-	-	-	-	694
Church hall - water	2,018	-	-	-	2,018	1,876
Church hall - equipment	3,397	-	-	-	3,397	598
Church hall - cleaning	6,127	-	-	-	6,127	4,158
Other PCC property - repair	311	-	-	-	311	767
Major building renovations	3,150	-	10,424	-	13,574	20,893
Young people activity costs	136	-	-	-	136	831
Parish lay workers	-	-	-	-	-	-
Church publications	5,728	-	-	-	5,728	4,205
Mission and evangelism	412	-	343	-	755	333
Parish mission costs	317	-	-	-	317	659
Diocesan projects support	525	-	-	-	525	348
Church charity and projects	485	-	-	-	485	282
External charities	1,875	-	1,080	-	2,955	1,373
World Mission Giving	4,307	-	200	-	4,507	2,992
	637,833	-	21,190	215	659,238	609,942

10 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Purchase of assets	7,492	-	2,025	-	9,517	7,249
Loans received repayments	2,500	-	-	-	2,500	3,500
	9,992	-	2,025	-	12,017	10,749

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11 Members

None of the members (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the charity during the year.

12 Employees

There were no employees during the year (2021 - none).

13 Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold land and buildings
Cost	£
At 1 January 2022	550,000
Additions/Disposals	
Revaluations	
At 31 December 2022	550,000
Depreciation and impairment	
At 1 January 2022	-
Revaluation adjustment	
At 31 December 2022	-
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2022	550,000
At 31 December 2021	550,000

14 Fixed asset investments

	Unlisted investments
Cost or valuation	£
At 1 January 2022	719,885
Additions / reallocations	
Valuation changes	(71,945)
At 31 December 2022	647,941
Carrying amount	
At 31 December 2022	647,941
At 31 December 2021	719,885

15 Debtors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Trade debtors		625
Prepayments		
Other debtors	15,861	15,059
	15,861	15,684

16 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	7,865	8,949
Other creditors		
Loans payable	34,000	36,000
	41,865	44,949

17 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2021 - none).

18 Transactions with trustees

No expenses were reimbursed to the trustee during the year (2021 - £0).

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19 Fund movement by type

	Balance brought forward	Incoming resources	Outgoing resources	Transfers	Gains and losses	Balance carried forward
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted fund						
General fund	1,261,027.33	574,988.31	(655,079.99)	207,841.82	(37,578.42)	1,351,199.05
Designated funds						
Building fund	40,761.64			(4,000.00)		36,761.64
Emmanuel petty cash	204.59					204.59
Former restoration appeal	18,080.60			(18,080.60)		-
Ladies Guild fund	14.50					14.50
St Cecilia's petty cash	204.55					204.55
Tiddle Tots fund	1,983.26					1,983.26
Friend				8,000.00		8,000.00
Restricted funds						
Aspire	21,620.40					21,620.40
Chancel Repair fund	2,008.84				(210.82)	1,798.02
Churchyard	94,610.41	17,838.83	(13,825.39)			98,623.85
Churchyard fund	5,200.01					5,200.01
Fred Birks Memorial fund	1,015.00					1,015.00
Frogs	290.66					290.66
Ladies Guild	60.00					60.00
Messy church	(974.03)					(974.03)
Messy church and youth	826.24					826.24
Reordering#2	(39,668.44)	18,737.00	(2,269.93)			(23,201.37)
Restricted donation	569.16	5,305.59		(1,650.00)		4,224.75
Restricted grants	30,551.00	72.00			(2,467.00)	28,156.00
Restricted fund	37,291.34					37,291.34
St Mary's Fabric fund	190,711.13			(190,629.67)	(81.46)	(0.00)
World Mission	3,390.18	2,634.63	(623.00)			5,401.81
Youth group	121.83					121.83
Churchyard fund	4,693.10					4,693.10
Truefood café	1,500.00			(1,500.00)		-
Bell	4,490.80	2,323.60	(4,089.40)			2,725.00
Fabric	47,975.58				(5,034.64)	42,940.94
Friend	6,290.18	2,834.00	(1,468.62)			7,655.56
HAWBRHALL	42.39					42.39
HAWEDUCN	16,132.50	(91.83)				16,040.67
HAWFABRIC	18,191.90				(1,909.08)	16,282.82
SGLAD	13,101.92				(1,374.94)	11,726.98
Organ	-			87.29		87.29
Altar	1,190.69	40.00	(14.00)			1,216.69
EMM Legacy	40,420.20	104.57				40,524.77
Popln	227.11	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	(68.84)		158.27
Craft					358.16	358.16
Whitley		25,552.28				25,552.28
Endowment						
Hazel Sherriff Choir/organ fund	12,086.00	215.00	(215.00)		(1,269.00)	10,817.00
AWRIGHT	4,734.11				(496.81)	4,237.30
CGGLAD	129,696.31				(13,610.55)	116,085.76
GLADTR	7,389.14				(775.43)	6,613.71
HAWEDUCN	38,000.00					38,000.00
HAWENDOW	14,000.00					14,000.00
HAWETHEL	4,975.00					4,975.00
HAWFABRIC	34,468.62				(3,617.20)	30,851.42
HAWLAND	16,000.00					16,000.00
HAWREC	6,390.62					6,390.62
HGLAD	908.42				(45.49)	862.93
RJONES	36,896.55				(3,871.99)	33,024.56
SGLAD	7,262.71				(762.16)	6,500.55
	2,136,964	651,554	(678,585)	(0)	(72,747)	2,037,186

20 Cash generated from operations

	2022
	£
Deficit for the year	(27,031)
Adjustments for:	
Net Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(53,915)
Movement in working capital:	
Decrease in trade and other receivables	(177)
Increase in trade and other payables	(3,084)
Cash used in operations	(84,207)

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO

BORDERLANDS MISSION AREA CONFERENCE

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The Mission Area Conference (MAC) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.

The MAC considers 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)

To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and

To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in 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 matter has come to my attention:

- 1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - a) to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - b) 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.

Whilst carrying out the independent examination of Borderlands Mission Area, the following issues have come to my attention:

As part of our testing we were unable to obtain supporting evidence to confirm some bank accounts and investment values. We expect this to be vouched in the coming year.

(Signature)

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