



**CHARITY COMMISSION**  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## **Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From 1 January 2021 to 31 December 2021**

**Charity name: The Mercy Ward Church Trust**

**Charity registration number: 1177763**

## **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>To advance the Christian religion, by:</b> <b>(1) supporting the mission and ministry of the Church of England in the parishes of Long and Little Wittenham, Oxfordshire ('the Parish') and the Dorchester Team Ministry;</b> <b>(2) in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, helping preserve, maintaining and, where appropriate, developing the fabric of the parish church of St Mary Long Wittenham, Oxfordshire; and</b> <b>(3) supporting any purpose intended to further the work of the Church of England and the spiritual, moral and physical education and training of the inhabitants of the Parish</b> <b>in such ways as the charity trustees may from time to time think.</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>The charity was established under the terms of the will of the late Ursula Mary Ward and following grant of probate the sum of £411,622 was passed to the charity. In this the fourth year of operation a grant of £7000 was paid to be made to Long &amp; Little Wittenham PCC in respect of refurbishment works to the bells at St Mary's Church Long Wittenham.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>The charity's objectives meet the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under the advancement of religion and the preservation of the environment/conservation headings and the trustees have regard to this in their decision making</b>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

**Achievements and Performance**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<b>In this the fourth year of operation a grant of £7000 was paid in respect of refurbishment works to the bells at St Mary's Church Long Wittenham. Without this funding, alongside funding from other trusts and Foundations, the works would not have been able to proceed.</b>  <b>The trustees continue to invite applications for funding in line with the charity's objectives</b>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
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Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>The charity has reserves of £364,775 at the end of the period to meet future requests for grants</b>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<b>The charity holds reserves in line with the wishes of the benefactor</b>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£364,775</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>Not applicable</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>Not applicable</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Not applicable</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Trust Deed</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<p><b>The selection of the initial trustees was specified in the will and the Trust Deed reflects this.</b></p> <p><b>Apart from the first charity trustees, every appointed trustee must be appointed for a term of three years by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the charity trustees.</b></p> <p><b>(b) In selecting individuals for appointment as appointed charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the CIO.</b></p> <p><b>(c) In selecting individuals for appointment as appointed charity trustees, the charity trustees must have regard to continuing to represent the views of the Long and Little Wittenham PCCs and the Dorchester Team Ministry.</b></p> <p><b>Ex-officio Trustees</b></p> <p><b>(a) In this clause, "the role" means any or all of the following, as the case may be:</b></p> <p><b>(i) the Team Rector of the Dorchester-on-Thames Team</b></p> <p><b>(ii) no less than one and no more than two of the Church Wardens of the churches of Long Wittenham and Little Wittenham</b></p> <p><b>(iii) the person with primary pastoral care of Long Wittenham for the Dorchester Team (which person at the time of creating this CIO is known as the "team Vicar")</b></p> <p><b>(iv) the PCC treasurer of Long and Little Wittenham or, if not possible, another PCC member</b></p> <p><b>(b) The role for the time being ("the office holder") shall automatically ("ex-officio") be a charity trustee, for as long as he or she holds that office.</b></p>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity name	The Mercy Ward Church Trust
Other name the charity uses	n/a
Registered charity number	1177763
Charity's principal address	Nelhurst Cottage, Copson Lane Stadhampton Oxford OX44 7TZ

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Michael John Pawley			
2	Susan Elizabeth Booys			
3	Dinah Perkins			
4	Mandy Williams			
5	Paul Graham Wignall		Appointed 11/8/21	
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### Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
n/a		

### Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
n/a		

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	n/a
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	n/a
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	n/a

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Legal	Royds Withy King	5-6 Northumberland Buildings, Queen Square, Bath BA1 2JE

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a
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## Exemptions from disclosure

#### Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

n/a
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## Other optional information


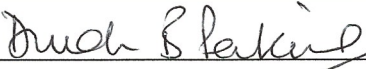
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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Michael John Pawley	DINAH BARKBY PERKINS
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Trustee	Trustee
Date	24/10/2022	28/10/2022



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## Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date <b>01-Jan-21</b>	To	Period end date <b>31-Dec-21</b>
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### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
Legacies	-	-	-	-	-
Interest on deposit account	-	36	-	36	298
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	-	36	-	36	298
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	-	36	-	36	298
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Grants and donations paid	-	7,000	-	7,000	1,600
Bank charges	-	97	-	97	60
Legal fees	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	7,097	-	7,097	1,660
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	-	7,097	-	7,097	1,660
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	-	7,061	-	7,061	1,362
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	371,835	-	371,835	373,197
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	-	364,775	-	364,775	371,835

### Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
<b>B1 Cash funds</b>				
	Cash at bank - current account	-	484	-
	Cash at bank - deposit account	-	364,291	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	-	364,775	-
CCXX R1 accounts (SS)		OK	OK	OK
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

## B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

## B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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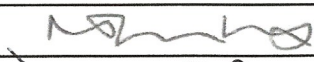

## B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
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## B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
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		-	
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Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Michael Pawley	24/10/2022
	DINAH B. PERKINS	28/10/2022