



2020 Report and Accounts for Parochial Church Council of Parbold, Christchurch.

Aims and purposes

Christchurch's Parochial Church Council has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent Reverend Sue Timmins, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also specifically responsible for the maintenance of the Church and grounds of Christchurch, Douglas-in-Parbold.

Objectives and activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our church and to become part of our parish community at Christchurch.

Our services put worship and faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year we consider the Commissions 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 the parish community through:

Worship and Prayer, learning about the gospel; and developing their knowledge and trust in Jesus.

Provision of pastoral care

Missionary and outreach work

To enable this, it is important to maintain the fabric of the church and grounds.

Achievements and performance

Worship and prayer

There are normally a range of services, on a Sunday there is an 8am and 10am services and once a month there is a communion service on a Wednesday. At other times a variety of services are offered which the community find both beneficial and spiritually fulfilling. On Sunday evenings the youth meet in church.

During 2020 where churches have been closed due to the COVID 19 pandemic Sunday services have been recorded and offered to the congregation via Webex or as recordings. When able services have been held in church with congregation and livestreamed with a phone in option available or in the open air. The youth group when permitted have been meeting outdoors

Normally one Sunday a month there is a family service which all church members participate in. During Covid 19 restrictions two family services have been held on line.

Once a term services are held at Parbold Douglas Academy. The Academy also holds an assembly once a term in the church. During the Covid 19 pandemic weekly video assemblies have been sent

into school alongside some class zoom lessons

All our welcome to attend our regular services. At present there are 148 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance, which normally happens in October did not take place due to Covid-19.

As well as our regular services, we enable our community to celebrate and thank God at the milestones of the journey through life. Through baptism we thank God for the gift of life, in marriage public vows are exchanged with God's blessing and through funeral services friends and family express their grief and give thanks for life and to commend the person into God's keeping. We have celebrated 2 baptisms, 0 weddings and held 17 funerals in our church this year.

Online thanksgiving services for families who have been bereaved have been held.

Deanery Synod

Three members of the PCC sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structure of the church.

Church

We want our church to be open to community for private prayer, unfortunately due to the geographical position of the church this is not always feasible. At certain times of year this is facilitated with the help of parishioners.

General maintenance has been continued throughout the year both in the church and graveyard.

Pastoral care

Some members of the parish are unable to attend church due to illness or age. The pastoral team visit at times offering to celebrate communion with them as requested although Covid-19 has restricted this Contact has been maintained with members of the congregation by phone calls and practical support as required. Linking younger families and older members of the church has been a success.

Missionary and evangelism

Helping others is a demonstration of our faith. This includes supporting local and international causes through our tithes. This year's harvest appeal enabled further funds to go to Embrace the Middle East, Beirut Appeal.

A church newsletter is produced bi monthly keeping people informed of the important matters affecting the church and articles that help and develop our knowledge and trust in Jesus. There are often updates from the organisations that the church support overseas keeping the congregation informed.

Ecumenical relationships

Unfortunately, due to the Covid-19 pandemic there were no ecumenical service this year

Financial review

Total income for 2020 was £111,533 which was down on 2019 by £8,489 but much less than expected at the end of the previous year. The Gift Aid recovered was increased by £2,239 to

£16,011. And although our loose plate and income from services was reduced, we also saw more people donating via Online and also some one-off gifts amounting to £6200. We also received a legacy of £1000 and a gift from the Peter Lathom Charity of £200.

Total expenditure was £108,669 which included full payment of our Parish Share (£56,691). Expenditure included: heating, Light and water rates: £3,055; Vicarage expenses of £4,268; Repairs and maintenance was £1,533. The wages for Parish Administrator, Children's and family worker and cleaner for 2020 came to £19,412. Our Tithe giving amounted to £9,870 and Harvest Appeal came to £4380 for Embrace the Middle East Beirut appeal. There was also £3,155 spent on the upkeep of the churchyard. The end of year saw an increase in funds by £2,864.

For 2021, we are again predicting a shortfall due to the continuing lockdown and we are paying more in our Parish share by agreement with the Diocese. We are still trying to encourage our regular giving. The PCC is aware and will closely scrutinise all expenses during the year to try to minimise the problem.

Reserves policy

It is the PCC policy to maintain a reserve balance on unrestricted funds which equates to 3 month's general running costs plus one month's salary costs and redundancy liabilities for paid employees. This is equivalent to £30,000.

It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies.

The remaining total in the Land and Building fund of £29,000 will be for any further improvements needed in the maintenance of the building and graveyard – especially the heating system and safety concerns regarding some of the graves. We also continue to seek to carry out our refurbishment plans.

Optional information

Volunteers

We would like to thank to all the volunteers who work to make the church lively and vibrant community especially the people who have official positions.

Structure, governance and management

The method of appointment of the PCC is set out in the Church Representation Rule. At Christchurch the membership of the PCC consists of the incumbent (our vicar), churchwardens and members elected by those members of the congregation who are on the electoral roll of the church, all those who attend our services/ members of the congregation are encouraged to register on the Electoral roll and stand for election of the PCC.

The PCC members are responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The full PCC met six times in 2020 year with an average attendance of 70%.

Given its wide responsibilities the PCC has a number of committees each dealing with a particular aspect of parish life. These committees which include fabric, outreach and pastoral are all responsible to the PCC and report back to it at each PCC meeting with decisions being discussed as necessary.

Administrative information

Christchurch, Parbold is situated on Parbold Hill, just outside the village. It is part of the Diocese of Blackburn. The correspondence address is The Vicarage, 5 Tanhouse Lane, Parbold, Lancashire.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rule 2006) and a charity seeking registration with the charity commission.

PCC members who have served in 2020 at any time from 1st January 2020 until the date this report was approved are:

Ex Officio Members

Incumbent: The Reverend Sue Timmins

Associate minister: Mr John Mountain

Associate minister: Dr Michelle Briggs

Wardens: Mr Justin Stopford, Mr Derek Ashcroft.

Elected members:

Mrs Joanna Ashcroft, representative on Deanery Synod

Mrs Barbara Long, representative on Deanery Synod

Mrs Sue Stopford, representative on Deanery Synod (from October 2020)

Mrs Lin Milne, Treasurer

Dr Brian McGucken

Mrs Sue Stopford (until October 2020)

Mrs Helen Cobos Pradas

Mrs Angela Worthington (until May 2021)

Mr Grant Carruthers

Dr Steve Higgins

Mrs Catherine Mercer

Mr Gavin Rowlands (from May 2021)

Approved by the PCC on 15th July 2021 and signed on their behalf by the Reverend Sue Timmins (PCC chairman)

Signature 

Date 15th July 2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Christ Church Parbold

No (if any)
1179128

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/01/2020

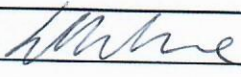
To

31/12/2020

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 £
A1 Receipts					
Planned giving (tax efficient)	61,271	-	-	61,271	60,200
Planned giving (other)	11,976	-	-	11,976	17,175
Collections at services	7,528	-	-	7,528	20,661
Other voluntary receipts	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid Recovered	16,011	-	-	16,011	13,771
Activities for generating funds	-	-	-	-	-
Receipts from Church Activities	14,342	-	-	14,342	7,789
Investment income	401	3	-	405	426
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	111,530	3	-	111,533	120,021
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	111,530	3	-	111,533	120,021
A3 Payments					
Cost of Generation Voluntary income	125	-	-	125	123
Diocesan Parish Share	56,691	-	-	56,691	53,812
Other Payments	41,530	-	-	41,530	50,904
Mission giving and charitable donations	9,870	-	-	9,870	11,820
Governance Costs	452	-	-	452	708
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	108,669	-	-	108,669	117,367
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	108,669	-	-	108,669	117,367
Net of receipts/(payments)	2,861	3	-	2,865	2,654
A5 Transfers between funds	7,000	7,000	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	42,996	43,126	6,250	92,372	89,718
Cash funds this year end	52,857	36,130	6,250	95,237	92,372

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 £
B1 Cash funds	General account	52,857	36,130	6,250
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	52,857	36,130	6,250
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets			Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use		Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities		Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			LINDA MICNE	10/1/21
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CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name Christ Church Douglas-in-Parbold Church Council		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st December 2020	Charity no (if any)	1179126
Set out on pages	1		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31 / 12 / 2020**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

I have no concerns and 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 to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 18th February 2021

Name:

Fiona Hill FCA

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qualification(s) or body
(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

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