

Elmdon **Church**

“The Church in the Park”

Annual report for 2021

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Produced by the Parochial Church Council for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting,
to be held on Tuesday 24th May 2022, 7.30pm at Elmdon Church.

Church information

Address	Elmdon Church (also known as “the Church in the Park”) Church Lane, Elmdon Park, Solihull B92 9EJ
Rector	Revd Toby Crowe (until July 2021) Elmdon Rectory, 86 Tanhouse Farm Road, Solihull B92 9EY
Licensed Readers	Robert Dean, Richard Huss, Karen Matthews
Churchwardens	Carol Janes Paolo Mendonca (until May 2021) Sarah Leckie (from May 2021)

The business of the Church is carried out through the Parochial Church Council (PCC). This met nine times in person during 2021: six regular meetings, plus two extraordinary meetings and one meeting immediately after the APCM to appoint PCC officers. Further decisions were taken by email, in accordance with the provisions of the Church Representation Rules. The role of the PCC remains one of co-operating with the Rector in promoting the mission of the church: pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

PCC members, 2020-21

Revd Toby Crowe (until July 2021)	Chair
Carol Janes	Churchwarden, ex officio member
Paolo Mendonca (until May 2021)	Churchwarden, ex officio member
Sarah Leckie (from May 2021)	Churchwarden, ex officio member
Karen Matthews	Reader, appointed by the 2021 APCM
Christine Arnsby	Deanery Synod, ex officio member
Cheryl Doyle	Deanery Synod, ex officio member
Jamie Rawson	Deanery Synod, ex officio member

Elected Members to serve until APCM in:

2022	2023	2024
Alan Doyle	Patricia Coleman-Taylor (resigned May 2021)	Lesley Huss
Anne Milne	Elizabeth Smye (resigned Jan 2022)	Graham Smye
Vacancy	Dave Monk (resigned Jan 2022)	Sue Kimber

Co-opted members:

Revd John Tsipouras (from September 2021)
Martin Hewings (from March 2022)

Officers appointed by the PCC, 2021 -2022

Safeguarding	Patricia Coleman-Taylor (until May 2021) Lesley Huss (from May 2021)
PCC Treasurer	Alan Doyle
PCC Secretary	Christine Arnsby
Lay Vice-Chair	Graham Smye
Parish Identify Verifier	Lesley Huss
Electoral Roll Officer	Jamie Rawson

Wardens' Report

This last year has been a time to reflect on the past and think about the future.

We began this year still in Covid restrictions, not able to do much more than meet for services in a socially distanced way in 'pods' with no singing; and we had a Rector in place to lead us back to what we hoped would soon be some sort of normality. Now, although Covid restrictions have been lifted, things are still very different. We are 'in vacancy', going through the process of appointing a new Rector and relying on each other to keep church life going.

Both Wardens are very grateful for all those who have stepped forward and are helping to keep our church services and other activities going with all that is involved in preparing and running them.

We are very fortunate that John Tsipouras agreed to come whenever we need a minister for services. He not only comes when we need him, but comes at other times as a member of the congregation as well as attending PCC meetings where his advice is very valuable. Our job would be very much harder without his help.

Some activities have restarted although we aren't able to start every activity that took place pre-Covid as we don't have the people to run them but it doesn't mean that they will never begin again. We have been able to stay after services – both the Sunday morning service and the Tuesday afternoon service – for a social time over a cup of tea/coffee. This is something that was missed while we had to stay socially distanced.

We have begun to reconnect with some of the schools in our parish: the Area Dean, with Sarah, led an assembly at Damsonwood Infant School in April and year 1 of Valley School are coming to visit the church.

The church is open for visitors alongside park events, including when the Cycle Hub (the large container beside the car park) is being used, and the Elmdon Park Support Group add us to their publicity when they hold events. We are looking forward to a new Rector coming to lead our church forward into the next few years and know that everyone will welcome them and support them in whatever they decide is best for the future of Elmdon Church.

Sarah Leckie & Carol Janes
Churchwardens

Safeguarding

The Church of England requires its parish churches to adopt a number of processes and policies around safeguarding. This includes the appointment of a Safeguarding Coordinator and an individual with specific responsibility for safeguarding within the Parochial Church Council (PCC). Currently Elmdon has one individual with responsibility for both of these roles.

The safeguarding requirements are determined by the National Safeguarding Team who lead on these issues for the Church of England. The Diocese of Birmingham then provide guidance to each parish on how these are to be implemented.

The instructions from the National Safeguarding Team are made with the support and approval of the House of Bishops and are designed to make sure that parish churches understand and comply with increasingly complicated legal requirements whilst ensuring that the church properly fulfils its spiritual and moral obligations. The House of Bishop's guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults can be found under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016.

At Elmdon, the PCC oversees the management of safeguarding children and vulnerable adults in the parish and determines how best to implement the requirements with consideration to the advice provided from the Diocese of Birmingham. The PCC approves and oversees all organised activities provided for children and vulnerable adults by Elmdon Church.

The PCC provides policies on Safeguarding and Domestic Abuse which can be found on the Elmdon Church website and are displayed on the church noticeboard. In addition, safeguarding forms a standing item on every PCC agenda.

All staff and volunteers in roles which involve working with children or vulnerable adults are recruited according to the House of Bishops Safer Recruitment Practice Guidance. For those in eligible roles this includes us undertaking checks with the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

Training for our clergy, staff and volunteers in safeguarding matters is mandated by national Church of England requirements. The level of training required depends on the role being performed. The management of safeguarding training for clergy and staff is the responsibility of the Diocese, but the responsibility for ensuring that our volunteers are trained remains with the PCC.

From January 2022, DBS checks for volunteers in eligible roles will be required to be renewed every three years rather than every five; and **all** volunteers will be required to complete basic safeguarding training, not just those working directly with children or vulnerable adults. Achieving this will be a priority over the next 12 months.

Contact: Lesley Huss, Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Electoral Roll

We currently have 65 people on our electoral roll. This is down from 87, with 22 people removed since the last revision in 2021

Contact: Jamie Rawson, Electoral Roll Officer

Our Finances

The PCC is responsible for the church's finances, though it delegates management of these to the PCC Treasurer, Alan Doyle.

Separate accounts relating to the defunct church halls were closed in 2020, and the funds transferred to the main current account (the exception being one account relating to Gaydon Road, the funds from which were transferred to the main reserves account). A fabric account for the parish is overseen by Alan Doyle.

Income

Most of our income has come through stewardship (including direct debits), envelope-giving, cheques, standing orders, covenants, Gift Aid, plate collections and donations. Other sources of income have typically been wedding and funeral fees plus (in the past) legacies and social events.

A "Giving Station" device was purchased to allow donations to be taken by card, and this facility was also introduced via our web site. Revised information showing the available methods of supporting the church was made available at church and on our web site.

We must therefore plan and budget for a continued increase in giving in the years ahead. This will ensure, not only our own financial viability, but also that we can bless other churches in more straitened situations and places. We pray for even more generosity from existing church members, and for many new people to join us as well, that they might become sacrificial givers in their turn.

Fees paid for church work

In 2021, the church paid an organist's fee for weddings and funerals at which the organ was played. Where required, a vergers received a fee for duties carried out at these services. A sexton was also paid a fee for digging plots for the interment of cremated remains.

Financial Reserves Policy

The Charity endeavours to maintain finances at an appropriate level to facilitate day-to-day activities and also to finance upkeep of our buildings.

Our buildings

We currently still have responsibility for three properties, but two of these have now closed for good. Our main building is in the middle of Elmdon Park and is known as “the Church in the Park”. The Sunday service is held here, as well as all baptisms, weddings, and funerals.

Work continues on the intended sale of the Gaydon Road site. The sites of the two freestanding halls remain vested in the Birmingham Diocesan Board of Trustees who hold property on behalf of (and acting in the interests of) Parochial Church Councils in the diocese. The Elmdon Parochial Church Council owns the buildings themselves, and are the Managing Trustees.

PCC membership

Under the Church Representation Rules, we are entitled to nine elected PCC members.

In 2022, two elected and one co-opted lay members come to the end of their term but are eligible for re-election if they wish to stand. With other existing vacancies, we therefore intend to elect up to six PCC members at the APCM.

Every year the PCC appoints a Standing Committee, which meets as necessary and reports to the next meeting of the PCC. Its members since the 2021 APCM were Toby Crowe (Rector) until July 2021, Graham Smye (Lay Vice Chair) from July 2021, Carol Janes (Churchwarden), Sarah Leckie (Churchwarden), Christine Arnsby (Secretary) and Alan Doyle (Treasurer).

The members of the PCC are aware of the Charity Commission guidance on public benefits in 'the Advancement of Religion for the Public Benefit' and have had regard to it in their administration of the PCC. The PCC believes that by promoting the work of the Church of England in the parish of Elmdon it provides a benefit to the public by:

- providing a facility for public worship and pastoral care both for its members and for anyone who wishes to benefit from what the Church can offer; and
- promoting Christian values and services by members of the Church and to their communities, to the benefit of individuals and society as a whole

Open Church

We now are open on Sunday afternoons for anyone to come and have a chat, a cup of tea/coffee or sit quietly in the church. All are welcome. Those who serve the drinks (and cake) or chat with visitors feel that this is a worthwhile way to reach out to the local community and remind them that the church is here and that they are welcome to come in. Thanks to those who come and help.

Contact: Sarah Leckie & Carol Janes, Churchwardens

Kids in Christ

In September of 2021 we were finally able to restart Kids in Christ. Due to changing demographics and team, we look a little different from before. We now run one group that caters for everyone up to the end of primary school, although in practice the group is generally in the younger half of this age bracket at present.

In the first part of the Autumn term we looked at the story of Jacob and saw how God was always with us, before moving on to look at the story of Christmas. Since January we have been exploring God's Big Plan along with the rest of the congregation, even managing to cover a few more stories than everyone else!

Thank you to the 5 people who have led sessions during this time and the many very helpful, helpers.

Contact: Elizabeth Smye, Kids in Christ Co-ordinator

Family Service

Once a month we have a family service where we worship as a church family from the very youngest to the very oldest. In these services we try to be a bit more creative and to explore different ways that we can worship God and learn together. Thank you to the wonderful team who have been leading these services.

Contact: Elizabeth Smye, Family Service Co-ordinator

Churchyard Maintenance

A team of volunteers began work on the Churchyard after a long period of inactivity due to COVID. The grounds were very overgrown and some negative feedback had been received via social media.

The team began work in the latter half of June 2021 and continued to work once a week until the end of October 2021 when we closed down for the winter.

The overall results were very rewarding with a very positive impact on the whole of the Churchyard with much positive feedback being received. A donation of some rakes was received and also a monetary donation of £50 from an appreciative relative, this has been reinvested in a battery trimmer for use in the Churchyard.

Work has recommenced this month May 2022.

Contact: Sarah Leckie, Churchyard Maintenance Co-ordinator

Connect Groups

Connect Groups are small groups that meet mid-week for fellowship, prayer and bible study. We currently have four groups meeting on different evenings and daytimes. Two groups meet in person and two meet via zoom: in this way we aim to cater for the different needs and availability of our group members. Connect groups are a great way to get to 'connect' with others in a deeper way and support each other in our Christian journeys, and we greatly value the time we spend together. We would highly recommend being in a Connect Group to all members of the Church.

Contact: Graham Smye

Deanery Synod Report

Elmdon Lay Representatives: Christine Arnsby, Cheryl Doyle, Jamie Rawson. Our electoral role numbers mean we are allocated 3 seats until Spring 2023.

May 2021 (Via Zoom) - Various topics:

1) Transforming Church Action Planning (TCAPs) Liz Dumain, Birmingham Diocese Director of Parish Mission Support, said parishes were having to revisit their vision statements since 'Lockdown' as the landscape everywhere had changed. Each parish needed to consider their story: the things that shaped them; what the wider community was calling them to be; who they were; where God was calling them to put their resources and to discern these things as a whole church while they brought together the action plan of how to get there. The essence of a TCAP was for each Church to prayerfully discern a short bullet point list of where God was calling them to be, backed up by a detailed plan of how to get there.

The role of the Deanery Project Team would be to gather all the TCAPs together and consolidate them into a Deanery Plan. Many new ideas were emerging across the Diocese, particularly in response to greater public awareness of climate change and enjoyment of nature during lockdown - with the missional question of how to connect people with the Creator of that same nature.

2) Racial Justice. Revd. Dele Sotonwa, Chair of BAME Reference Group, highlighted the need for the church to work together with 'black asian minority ethnic' (BAME) to stamp out racial injustice and prejudice. Members were then divided into small virtual groups to discuss questions to provoke thought on the topic.

Dele spoke about a Walk Of Witness that took place last year in Handsworth and Central Deanery to repent of the Church's past, to highlight injustice still prevalent in the Church today and to work toward equality in the future. Bishop David was keen to participate and encouraged the whole Church to work together to eradicate the issue in our Church and in our society, based on Galatians 3:26 "You are all one in Christ" .

3) Environmental Challenge / Climate Sunday - Beryl Moppett, Diocesan Eco-Church Coordinator. Ahead of the UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) the Church of England actively lobbied the UK government. Like Elmdon, churches across the country showed their support by holding a Climate Sunday service and registering it as evidence.

Our commitment to the environment did not stop at reducing greenhouse gases through our buildings but included what we did as individuals. Each parish church was asked to nominate a Climate Champion. Nick said the issue was not a one-off exercise but was something to keep before us.

4) Living In Love And Faith - Nick Parker, Area Dean. Each parish was asked to make time to discuss issues of identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage. A book was available 'Living in Love and Faith' (Church House Publishing) along with a course to aid discussion. The aim was for greater understanding and genuine encounter as the national church seeks to find a way forward together in love and faith. Nick said that facilitator training was available to help create a safe space for discussion on such a sensitive issue.

August 2021 - Social. Allowing opportunity for members to meet each other this, the first in-person meeting of Yardley and Solihull Deanery, was a social at Hampton In Arden Sport Club playing boules or petanque. Geoff, our contact at the club, showed us the basics of how to play and score the game and shuffled members between games so there was plenty of opportunity to mingle and work together. Due to the ongoing Covid infection we brought our own supper and bought drinks at the sports club bar.

The convivial atmosphere proved to be a good way of welcoming members to a new era of common life, witness and worship post-Covid lockdown.

October 2021 - St. Michael and All Angels' Church, South Yardley.

Fr. Alex French, our Deanery Environmental Champion (DEC), spoke about the Park where a company has partnered with Birmingham University to create fuel from waste, e.g. biomass from wood and low/zero carbon fuels, including hydrogen for fuelling about 20 Birmingham buses. Research was underway on low carbon heating and 'incubating businesses' at the Park to focus on fuel cells, smart grids, recycling rare materials from waste and other ideas.

We were reminded that the Diocesan pledge for net zero by March 2030 was shortly followed by General Synod's further commitment. The climate challenge was the church's challenge and more people were becoming involved in Eco Church. Our Deanery had 3 bronze awards, and 3 silver awards out of only 7 silver awards across the whole Diocese.

Sheena Heaton, Sutton Coldfield, spoke of how St. Peter's Church, Maney, had achieved the Silver award and progress towards a Gold award.

Rev. Fr. Peter Thomas, St. Peter's Balsall Common, spoke about achieving the Gold award. He said that every church which registered would mean more points towards Birmingham Diocese's Silver Award.

13th January 2022 - via Zoom

There was an short update on progress regarding the Racial Justice Walk of Witness, Eco-Church and People and Places, followed by a time of sharing news around the churches and talk by Alisia O'Sullivan, Home For Good (H4G), a Christian organisation that supported adoption and fostering of young children.

Sonia Hudson, Finance Manager, Diocesan Board of Finance, shared an overview of Diocesan finances and how the Diocese was offering help to parishes with their finances, like book-keeping and budgeting.

Nick Parker then read a script from Guy Donegan-Cross, Diocesan champion for 'Setting God's People Free' initiative before discussion by members of 3 questions on the subject of everyday faith and God at work in everyday life.

Hatchford Brook Churches Together (HBCT) Report

Member churches include: Lyndon Methodist, St. Mary's, Hobs Moat; Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG); St. Giles, Sheldon; St. Thomas Moore, Sheldon Community (SCC) besides ourselves. Other churches, such as Solihull Presbyterian Church, meet in the area but do not participate in HBCT activities.

The aim of HBCT is to be a visibly united witness of faith in Christ Jesus to dispel myths and confusion among members and outsiders caused by our separateness and differences in worship style. We seek to fulfil Christ's command in John 13:35 "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

We support each other in prayer and other ways in order to win people for Christ. Activities in 2021 were very limited for a variety of reasons not least of all, due to Covid lockdown restrictions. With Toby Crowe starting a new job outside the area, Linda Granner retiring during the year and Fr. Christopher Miller getting to grips with a new parish after Fr. John Peyton left St. Thomas More, clergy numbers were low.

The annual meeting was delayed due to Covid restrictions and then postponed until October as the Chairman developed Covid so there was no speaker. No further meetings have been confirmed as yet.

MINUTES OF THE 2021 ANNUAL MEETINGS

Held 18th May 2021 via Zoom

Attendance at the annual meetings of Parishioners and Church (22)

Rev. Toby Crowe, Rector and Chairman

Christine Arnsby

Linda Bird

Emma Boniwell

Patricia Coleman Taylor

Joy Dean

Rob Dean

Alan Doyle

Cheryl Doyle

Lesley Huss

Carol Janes

Sue Kimber

Sarah Leckie

Miriam Lee

Elaine Malkin

Dan Mangles

Karen Marlow Tipple

Karen Matthews

Paolo Mendonca

Anne Milne

Dave Monk

Jamie Rawson

Elizabeth Smye

Graham Smye

Margaret Thomas

Apologies: No apologies were received.

MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1 Minutes of the previous meeting

Lesley Huss and Anne Milne proposed the minutes be adopted.

Motion approved unanimously with one abstention.

2 Election of Church Wardens

Carol Janes was proposed by Gill Carter seconded by Joyce Taylor.

Sarah Leckie was proposed by Anne Milne seconded by Carol Janes.

There were no other nominations. Carol and Sarah agreed to stand as Church Wardens for the coming year and were accepted unanimously.

Thanks were expressed to Paolo Mendonca for his service as Warden.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING (APCM)

1 Bible Study. Toby welcomed everyone to the meeting and spoke from Hebrews 13: 15-21 before inviting open prayer.

2 Apologies: No apologies were received.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting, 20th October 2020

Carol Janes and Jamie Rawson proposed the minutes be adopted.

Motion approved unanimously with seven abstentions.

4 Accounts and Financial Statements

Alan Doyle, Treasurer, gave a brief explanation of some of the anomalies to portray a more accurate picture of finances than the figures alone. He said Planned Giving was up by 6% while Gift Aid had been delayed and substantial expenditure had been incurred for the Gaydon Road site in order to obtain Planning Permission and maximise its value. He then answered a few questions.

5 Revised Electoral Roll Report

The revised report, published 1st October 2020, contained 88 names, excluding four regular church members who had sadly passed away.

6 PCC Report: Mission of the Church

6.1 Kids in Christ. Lesley Huss was stepping down as Co-ordinator and Elizabeth Smye had offered to take up the mantle.

6.2 Safeguarding Co-ordinator. Patricia Coleman Taylor was stepping down and Lesley Huss had agreed to take over the role. Patricia was thanked for her four years' service which had put Elmdon ahead of many other parishes in the Diocese and established an excellent framework within which the parish could move forward in its mission and ministry.

6.3 The future. Toby said that, as far as he could see, it would be difficult for Elmdon to revisit many of its evangelistic activities in the near future, despite Lockdown easing, as there were insufficient personnel to take them forward safely and to do them well.

There were several suggestions for evangelism and Toby urged everyone to take any ideas to the Wardens for consideration, as they had oversight of church activities, and ideas would need to be discussed by the church via the PCC before starting anything new to ensure we were co-ordinated, moving in unity. During Lockdown, social media had shown its value for us but was something to consider improving for increased impact in the future.

7 Fabric Report. There were no comments.

8 Deanery Synod report. There were no comments.

9 Appointment of Readers as ex-officio PCC members

Lesley Huss and Elizabeth Smye proposed that Karen Matthews, Parish Lay Reader, be accepted as ex-officio member of the PCC. The motion was approved unanimously with one abstention.

10 Election of lay representatives to PCC

Toby said that there were four vacancies for representatives to PCC.

- 1 Graham Smye** was proposed by Jamie Rawson seconded by Carol Janes,
- 2 Lesley Huss** was proposed by Karen Matthews seconded by Sue Kimber,
- 3 Sue Kimber** was proposed by Lesley Huss seconded by Karen Matthews.

There were no further nominations and Graham, Lesley and Sue were duly elected for three years, leaving one vacancy.

11 Appointment of independent examiners

Alan Doyle proposed using the same accountants (Prime Chartered Accountants) for the coming year. Joy Dean seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously with one abstention.

After Rob Dean closed the meeting in prayer, Toby thanked everyone for their time before non-members left the virtual meeting leaving the PCC to continue.

Annual Report of the Elmdon Parochial Church Council for 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (THE PCC)

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31st December 2021 which are set out on pages 17 to 27.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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

Jeremy Kitson FCA
Prime Chartered Accountants
Corner Oak
1 Homer Road
Solihull
B91 3QG
Date:

ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - GENERAL FUND
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>			
Planned Giving	5	42,764	47,502
Loan received		4,000	-
Collections and Donations		<u>1,389</u>	<u>1,932</u>
		48,153	49,434
<i>Receipts from Activities for generating funds</i>			
Sundry Income		<u>2,213</u>	<u>2,645</u>
		2,213	2,645
<i>Receipts from Church Activities</i>			
Wedding and Funeral Fees		<u>6,810</u>	<u>6,166</u>
		6,810	6,166
<i>Receipts from Investments</i>			
Investment Income	6	<u>993</u>	<u>1,013</u>
Total receipts		58,169	59,258
Payments			
<i>Church Activities</i>			
Apportionment	7	39,378	49,740
Building repairs		1,564	2,601
Charities	8	1,887	2,366
Church running expenses		46	438
Church and Churchyard	9	9,468	12,643
Printing, postage and stationery		1,204	1,846
Sundry Expenses	10	4,487	1,148
VCC planning fees		<u>8,956</u>	<u>15,000</u>
		66,990	85,782
<i>Governance costs</i>			
Accountancy		<u>1,704</u>	<u>1,680</u>
Total payments		68,694	87,462
Transfers to / (out of) general fund		-	38,525
(Deficit)/Surplus of Receipts/Overpayments		<u>(10,525)</u>	<u>10,321</u>
Bank Balances 1 January		<u>14,695</u>	<u>4,374</u>
Bank Balances 31 December		<u>4,170</u>	<u>14,695</u>

ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - RESTRICTED FUND
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	2021	2020
		£	£
Receipts			
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>			
Collections and Donations		<u>-</u>	<u>2,132</u>
		-	2,132
<i>Receipts from Activities for generating funds</i>			
Sundry Income		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
		-	-
<i>Receipts from Church Activities</i>			
Wedding and Funeral Fees		<u>5,978</u>	<u>5,043</u>
		<u>5,978</u>	<u>5,043</u>
Total receipts		5,978	7,175
Payments			
<i>Church Activities</i>			
Church running expenses		3,929	4,829
VCC planning fees		<u>11,687</u>	<u>-</u>
Total payments		15,616	4,829
Transfer from general funds		-	(9,021)
(Deficit)/Surplus of Receipts/Overpayments		<u>(9,638)</u>	<u>(6,675)</u>
Bank Balances 1 January		<u>11,975</u>	<u>18,650</u>
Bank Balances 31 December		<u>2,337</u>	<u>11,975</u>

**ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED ACCOUNT
– FABRIC FUND**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021		2020	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>				
Transfer from Funds		-		-
<i>Receipts from Church Activities</i>				
Weddings & Funeral Fees		-		84
<i>Receipts from Investments</i>				
Interest on CBF Appeals Fund		<u>1</u>		<u>6</u>
Total receipts		1		90
Payments				
<i>Church Activities</i>				
Transfer between funds	-		-	
Music Fund	295		-	
Building Repairs	-		-	
Wedding fees costs	-		-	
Total payments		<u>295</u>		<u>-</u>
(Deficit)/Surplus of receipts/overpayments		<u>(294)</u>		<u>90</u>
Bank Balances 1 January		<u>1,668</u>		<u>1,578</u>
Bank Balances 31 December		<u>1,374</u>		<u>1,668</u>

**ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED ACCOUNT
– VALLEY CHURCH CENTRE**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Receipts		
<i>Voluntary Receipts</i>		
Donations	-	-
<i>Receipts from Church Activities</i>		
Income from organisations	-	1,432
Outside Bookings	-	1,526
Miscellaneous	-	40
	-	2,998
<i>Receipts from Investments</i>		
Bank Interest	-	4
Total receipts	-	3,002
Payments		
<i>Church Activities</i>		
Hall cleaning	-	640
Maintenance and repair	-	-
Light and Heat	-	880
Water	-	108
Insurance	-	473
Sundries	-	-
Total payments	-	2,101
Transfer between funds	-	(18,580)
Deficit of receipts over payments	-	(17,679)
Bank Balances 1 January	-	17,679
Bank Balances 31 December	-	-

ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT - DESIGNATED ACCOUNT
–ST STEPHENS HALL USERS

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	2021	2020
	£	£
Receipts		
<i>Receipts from Church Activities</i>		
Rents	-	1,850
Functions	-	-
Grants and Donations	-	-
	_____	_____
	-	1,850
<i>Receipts from Investments</i>		
Interest Received	_____ -	_____ 7
Total receipts	-	1,857
Payments		
<i>Church Activities</i>		
Insurance	-	2,466
Water Rates	-	100
Telephone	-	85
Electricity	-	1,786
Cleaning	-	416
Fire Security	-	339
Maintenance	-	1,348
Sundry	_____ -	_____ -
Total payments	_____ -	6,540
Transfer between funds	-	(10,925)
(Deficit)/Surplus of receipts/overpayments	===== -	(15,608)
Bank Balances 1 January	===== -	15,608
Bank Balances 31 December	===== -	===== -

ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
CONSOLIDATED RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	General	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£		£	£
Receipts					
Planned Giving	42,764	-	-	42,764	47,502
Collections & Donations	1,389	-	-	1,389	4,064
Teas	-	-	-	-	-
Sundry Income	6,213	-	-	6,213	2,645
Wedding & Funeral Fees	6,810	-	5,978	12,788	11,293
Investment Income	993	1	-	994	1,030
VAT refund on Building Work	-	-	-	-	-
Income from Organisations	-	-	-	-	1,432
Outside Bookings	-	-	-	-	1,526
Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	40
Rents	-	-	-	-	1,850
Functions	-	-	-	-	-
Grants & Donations	-	-	-	-	-
 Total Receipts	 <u>58,169</u>	 <u>1</u>	 <u>5,978</u>	 <u>64,148</u>	 <u>71,382</u>
 Payments					
Apportionment	39,378	-	-	39,378	49,740
Charities	1,887	-	-	1,887	2,366
Church Running Expenses	46	-	3,929	3,975	5,267
Church & Churchyard	9,468	-	-	9,468	12,643
Printing, Postage & Stationary	1,204	-	-	1,204	1,846
Sundry Expenses	4,487	-	-	4,487	1,148
Accountancy	1,704	-	-	1,704	1,680
Building Maintenance & Repairs	1,564	-	-	1,564	3,951
Cleaning	-	-	-	-	1,056
Light & Heat	-	-	-	-	2,666
Water	-	-	-	-	208
Insurance	-	-	-	-	2,939
Telephone	-	-	-	-	85
Music fund	-	295	-	295	339
VCC planning fees	8,956	-	11,687	20,643	15,000
 Total Payments	 <u>68,694</u>	 <u>295</u>	 <u>15,616</u>	 <u>84,605</u>	 <u>100,934</u>

**ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

	Total £	General Fund £	Restricted Fund £	Designated Funds £
Monetary Assets				
CBF deposit fund	3,169	1,964	-	1,205
Bank current accounts	3,782	1,276	2,337	169
Bank deposit accounts	<u>930</u>	<u>930</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	7,881	4,170	2,337	1,374
Investments (at valuation at year end)				
CBF Share Portfolio	40,974	40,974	-	-
CBF Fixed Interest	<u>198</u>	<u>198</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>49,053</u>	<u>45,342</u>	<u>2,337</u>	<u>1,374</u>

Other Assets

Properties vested in the Birmingham Diocesan Board of Trustees on behalf of the PCC:
St Stephens Church Centre and Valley Church Centre

ANALYSIS OF DESIGNATED FUNDS

	Total £	Fabric Fund £	Valley Church Centre £	St Stephens Hall Users £
CBF deposit fund	-	-	-	-
Bank current account	1,374	1,374	-	-
Bank deposit account	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>1,374</u>	<u>1,374</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

These Financial Statements were approved by the Parochial Church Council on

..... and signed on behalf of the Council by:-

_____ Chair

_____ Churchwarden

_____ Churchwarden

**ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations issued in 2006 using the Receipts and Payments basis, the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) and the Charities Act 2011.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any special restrictions regarding their use and are available for application to the general purposes of the PCC.

The accounts include monetary transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC can be held responsible. They do not include the accounts of other Church groups that owe an affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Subject to the above, receipts and payments include income as received and expenditure when irrevocably paid. Income Tax recoverable in respect of the year to 31 December is included in the receipts and payments accounts.

Non-monetary donations to the PCC are not included in the receipts and payments accounts, because they are incapable of being recorded at definite amounts. Where material, such items are referred to in the Annual Report.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

The following assets are recognised as being under the ownership of the PCC but are not included in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

- Movable church furnishings held by the church wardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal.
- Land and buildings held on behalf of the PCC.
- Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment where the PCC is free to dispose of such assets without faculty.
- Any other amounts owing to the PCC including church hall lettings and insurance claims.
- Legacies where formal notification of entitlement and amount has been received at 31 December by the PCC.
- Income Tax recoverable from HM Revenue & Customs in respect of Gift Aid donations received after 31 December in the year.

Opening and Closing bank balances are shown in the receipts and payments accounts.

**ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

2. DESIGNATED FUNDS

The Fabric Fund is designated (i.e. to be used solely) for the purpose of maintaining and improving the Parish Church.

The Valley Church Centre Funds are designated for the purpose of maintaining and running the Valley Church Centre situated at Gaydon Road, Solihull.

St Stephens Hall Users Fund is designated for the purpose of maintaining and running the St Stephens Church Centre situated at Coppice Road, Solihull.

3. REMUNERATION

No person connected with the Parochial Church Council has been paid or is due to be paid any remuneration or other benefits from the Funds of the PCC.

4. TRANSACTIONS WITH CONNECTED PERSONS

There have been no material transactions undertaken in the name of or on behalf of the Council in which any person connected with the Council has a material interest.

5. PLANNED GIVING

	2021	2020
	£	£
Gift aid receipts	27,147	27,682
Income tax recovered	5,232	5,452
Other giving	<u>10,385</u>	<u>14,368</u>
	<u><u>42,764</u></u>	<u><u>47,502</u></u>

ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

6. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2021	2020
	£	£
CBF Deposit account interest	6	7
CBF Dividends	982	953
Interest on Reserve fund	<u>5</u>	<u>53</u>
	<u><u>993</u></u>	<u><u>1,013</u></u>

7. APPORTIONMENT

	2021	2020
	£	£
Paid Direct	<u><u>39,378</u></u>	<u><u>49,740</u></u>

8. CHARITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Christian Relief, Development and Agencies	87	211
Churches overseas	1,800	2,005
Home Missions	<u>-</u>	<u>150</u>
	<u><u>1,887</u></u>	<u><u>2,366</u></u>

**ELMDON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)**

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

9. CHURCH AND CHURCHYARD EXPENSES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Maintenance and repairs	770	720
Water rates	456	183
Telephone	762	111
Light and heat	2,430	3,289
Insurance	2,803	2,907
Sundries	2,247	4,437
Wine, candles etc	46	64
Curate's House Rent	-	-
Consumer unit test & certification	-	840
Christian Literature	-	92
Readers' Board	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>9,468</u>	<u>12,643</u>

10. SUNDRY EXPENSES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fete floats	-	-
Other Sundry Expenses	<u>4,487</u>	<u>1,148</u>
	<u>4,487</u>	<u>1,148</u>

Agenda for the Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

Tuesday 24th May 2022, 7.30pm at Elmdon Church

Meeting of Parishioners

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the previous Meeting of Parishioners, Tuesday 18th May 2021
3. Election of Churchwardens

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM)

1. Bible study and opening prayer
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of the previous Annual Parochial Church Meeting, Tuesday 18th May 2021
4. Accounts and financial statements
5. Report on the revised Electoral Roll
6. PCC report
7. Fabric report
8. Deanery Synod report
9. Appointment of such Readers as wish to become members of the PCC
10. Election of up to six lay representatives to the PCC
11. Appointment of independent examiner
12. Closing prayer

First meeting of the new Parochial Church Council (PCC)

Election of:

1. Lay Vice Chair
2. Secretary
3. Treasurer
4. Electoral Roll Officer
5. Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Co-option of Revd John Tsipouras