

**Trustees' Report
for
the year ended 31 December 2021
for
the Parochial Church Council of
St Thomas à Becket Church and St Matthew's Church,
Widcombe, Bath**

Registered Charity No:1182372

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Aims and Purposes

Widcombe Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Reverend Timothy Buckley, 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 St Thomas à Becket Church and St Matthew's Church buildings.

Objectives and Activities

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at our two churches and to become part of our parish community. The PCC maintains an overview of worship throughout the parish and makes suggestions on how our services can involve the many groups that live within the parish and beyond. Our services and worship put faith into practice through prayer and scripture, music and sacrament.

When planning our activities for the year, the incumbent and the PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and, in particular, the specific 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 for people living in the parish and beyond
- missionary and outreach work

To facilitate this work, it is important that we maintain the fabric of St Thomas à Becket Church and St Matthew's Church.

Achievements and Performance

Vicar's Report

My mother was always full of words of wisdom and advice as I grew up - a favourite of hers, and one I clearly regularly needed to hear was, "patience is a virtue." It seems to me, as Covid finally appears to no longer loom quite so large on our horizon, that much of last year had been filled with hesitant moments of optimism, held at bay by a great deal of waiting with bated breath for the promised increased freedoms to materialise and a season of "new normal" to begin.

Despite the challenges and pains of the last two years however, there is still so much to be grateful for, not least of all being able to finally return to a physical Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) after our more recent exciting Zoom adventures. As the year has progressed, we've also gradually been able to return to something near 'normality' for weekly services, as well as exploring new and better ways to bless and reach the community and beyond with God's love.

Celebrating God's goodness and faithfulness towards us as a parish therefore in these days, continues to be of paramount importance I believe. As the Book of Hebrews urges us, we have indeed learned to '*run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.*' (Hebrews 12:1b-2a). Of late, most of us are only too aware of the challenges of 'perseverance' - but having fixed our eyes on Jesus, as Romans tells us 'perseverance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us. (Romans 5:4-5a) After so many frustrations and disappointments, it's imperative to know the firm anchor point of renewed hope that the Father offers us.

Since our last APCM back in May 2021, each one of us throughout the pandemic has then, in many ways, large and small, had to learn to adapt to an ever-changing pattern of restrictions and limitations. So now, as we emerge from the shadow of Covid, into an ongoing 'new normal', our hope is secure and our outlook expectant.

It would be so easy for us to simply go back to what was before, but the truth is that we have all changed - both individually and collectively. When we have been unable to worship in our church buildings we have adapted brilliantly to the use of new media and technology, both pre-recorded and live streamed services. Of course, many within the parish continued to be isolated in homes, yet our marvellous family of churches, very much rose to the occasion rallying to support the most vulnerable in our community and check on members and neighbours across the Parish. And whilst in common with a majority of churches across the country, we noted that numbers who regularly worship with us in person have reduced somewhat, some new members have joined us, and through the generosity of church family members and the faithfulness of God, our financial position has stayed remarkably stable.

However, we need to continue to build on the foundations laid during this season of reduced activity (which allowed more space for prayer and reflection) if we want to continue to flourish, grow and reach out further into our community and city.

This year, as I have read the reports submitted for in this document, I am again amazed and encouraged by the creative, vibrant and generous hearted people I have the privilege of journeying alongside. Despite all that has been thrown at us over these last months, we have patiently and faithfully together continued our journey of discipleship with Christ seeking to see His Kingdom come more fully amongst us.

So my thanks again to you all who have worked so tirelessly and diligently throughout the year keeping both St Matts and St Thomas à Becket such special places to worship in and belong to. My personal thanks must also go to all PCC members, Sarah our ordinand, Mary our reader, the office and staff team including Sam, Libby, Ruby and Tamsin along with Peter our hardworking Sexton, our pastoral team and other volunteers and finally my amazing colleagues Rev'd Judith Harries and Rev'd Caroline O'Neill, who are always so willing to help, serve and minister in the parish.

There is so much to be thankful for and I know exciting days lie ahead; we as a parish are uniquely positioned to offer a wealth of diversity and engaging traditions from Book of Common Prayer (BCP) spoken liturgy to through to 'lego church' and band-led contemporary worship to meet the needs and spiritual longings of so many!

Despite the very real global and local challenges we face in the times in which we live, I believe that our churches - both people and buildings - are called to be remarkable shining beacons of light, hope and joy so as Hebrews boldly exhorts us together:

***Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess,
for he who promised is faithful.***

(Hebrews 10:23)

*Rev'd Tim Buckley
Vicar of Widcombe*

Safeguarding Report

There were no safeguarding incidents reported during 2021 in respect of St. Thomas à Becket Church or St. Matthew's Church.

The PCC has fully complied with its duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

Our Benefice is registered to use, and continues successfully to use, the DBS e-bulk system when DBS checks need to be carried out, along with Diocesan safe recruitment procedures.

Our Benefice continued to use the Diocesan 'Parish Dashboard' self-audit tool throughout the year and earned promotion from Level 1 to Level 3. Included in the work undertaken was the formulation of several new safeguarding documents and their addition to our Parish website.

In respect of safeguarding training, our Benefice's secure safeguarding training database was updated throughout the year as a record of the training completed by those in the Parish required to do so.

New online safeguarding training required by the Diocese this year for all PCC members was 'Foundations' training, and new safeguarding training required for all clergy and PCC members was 'Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse'.

Safeguarding training must be refreshed every three years, and further details of the safeguarding training categories can be found on the Diocesan website. Anyone requiring training is asked to contact the Safeguarding Officer or church office in the first instance.

Our Parish website meets national church requirements for safeguarding, including providing clear signposting arrangements and links to the Safeguarding Officer and Safeguarding Policy on the home page.

Jill Oldham
Safeguarding Officer

Electoral Roll Report

Jonathan Potter continues to hold and maintain the Electoral Roll management. The parish currently lists 107 on the Roll.

If anyone is unsure whether they are listed, or needs to be added, please contact Jonathan at jonathanrpotter@hotmail.com, or the office, for the appropriate form.

Jonathan Potter
Electoral Roll Officer

PCC Secretary Report

Since our last APCM in May 2021, the full PCC has met 5 times, most of which were online with an average level of attendance of 81%.

A Standing Committee meeting was held prior to PCC meetings to set the agenda and transact business not requiring a full PCC meeting.

At St Thomas', in the period May 2021 – May 2022, there were 5 baptisms, 1 marriage and 4 funerals. In addition, the Bristol branch of the German Lutheran Church continued to use St Thomas à Becket church for its monthly services as it has done for over forty years.

At St Matt's, in the period May 2021 – May 2022, there were 2 baptisms, 1 dedication thanksgiving service, and 3 weddings.

Midweek "Soul Groups" continue to meet weekly in homes around the city. These are made up of members from both our churches and have been a real blessing to all those involved. We ran the Alpha course within these groups at the beginning of 2022 which proved to be a great success.

As well as regular church services, St Matt's was also the venue for other events, including Widcombe Junior School's Easter service lead by Rev'd Tim Buckley, that was greatly appreciated. BriX held an "Easter Special" holiday club on the Saturday before Palm Sunday. This was well attended, with many new families coming in to the church for the first time. We hope to build on this for the future, and hold more holiday clubs aimed to reach out into the community.

St Matt's also now hosts a weekly youth group aimed at teenagers in our local area. In addition, each month a city-wide youth group come together for fellowship and to hear more about the Gospel, at St Matt's. This has been a huge success - thanks to Libby Piggott and all those who regularly volunteer their time for all their hard work in creating this and making it happen.

Christmas services within the Parish were very well attended. Services included Nine Lessons and Carols, Midnight Mass and Christmas Day services, a "Make your own Christmas Pudding" service and 'Carols by Candlelight'.

The Wednesday coffee morning at St Matt's continues. Numbers dropped due to Covid restrictions in the early part of the year, but are now starting to grow again. The Christmas Lunch was a fantastic event offering a full Christmas meal to all those who came. A cribbage club has joined the coffee morning, which has really boosted the community feel in the church on Wednesday mornings. They were also able to join us for the Christmas lunch and we hope this fellowship will continue to thrive in the upcoming year.

With Covid restrictions easing over the year, it has been a challenging year to get the correct balance of safety, but also allow us to start meeting more “normally”. Both churches recognise that for some people, wearing a mask is still very important and we encourage people to make sensible choices when meeting together in our churches.

Our church administration has taken a leap into the 21st century and we have now gone “live” with ChurchSuite (a church back-office management system). This allows us to be GDPR compliant and has improved our organisation and administration processes throughout the parish. We are still learning as we are going and encourage anyone who would like to know more or have help in getting the most out of ChurchSuite, to contact the office anytime.

Sam Forrester
PCC Secretary

St Thomas à Becket Church Report

At St Thomas à Becket we are blessed with a stunning building, a bedrock congregation and inspiring Clergy and laity – we continue to strive to be a Christian Community reaching out to the Parish and beyond to invite people to encounter God’s grace.

Following on from challenging times, the period May 2021 to May 2022 has been a year of finding our way back to weekly in-person worship.

Restrictions have still applied but it has been wonderful to be back in our beautiful Church and able to meet as a faithful congregation week by week. Numbers attending our services have crept back up over the past months as we have settled into our new service pattern. As ever, our 8am congregation has been unswerving in its commitment.

The introduction of a regular monthly evening service has also been welcomed by many, and the mix of BCP Evening Prayer / Compline / Contemplative Celtic Prayer has provided a variety of styles with which to engage.

We continue to meet to pray for the parish on a weekly basis and we look forward to full use being made again of the prayer request book. Members of the congregation have valued this year’s Lent Course, facilitated through Zoom, as a way of connecting with each other and with characters from the Easter Story.

Thanks must go to Liz Holden-White who stepped down from her role as St Thomas’ Churchwarden at last years APCM. Liz did a superb job as Churchwarden and continues, with Sue Wiggin, to run and host the much appreciated twice-monthly afternoon ‘tea and scripture’ get-togethers.

Thanks must also go to all those who faithfully serve St Thomas' in so many ways. We truly are a family with a multitude of gifts and talents which are so willingly shared - from flower arranging and gardening to hymn choices, from leading services to sweeping out the porch - we have a place for all who wish to serve in whatever way.

*Sue Wiggin & Fiona Coverdale
Wardens at St Thomas à Becket*

St Matthew's Church Report

The Good Book says, "Without vision the people perish". Thus it is apposite that we have five foundation stones on which to keep building as we seek our future together: centering on worship, honouring the generations, growing a sense of family, recognising an apostolic call, and Holy Spirit encounter. These are unpacked on our website.

We continue to be grateful for the massive space that we steward in the form of the St Matt's building. With the SMART Team starting to meet again, we hope to find afresh the Lord's way forward for us in using this resource to the full.

As we have come back to in-person services after the lockdown, it has been immeasurably heartening to meet with people again in this way! Fellowship is so much more about being in proximity to each other. However, in a strange sense, it feels we can never go back again to how we were.

There have been good aspects to this, as people have necessarily learned new ways to socialise, fellowship, work and manage their time. It does mean adjusting what we felt the building could be used for. It is encouraging that often the city's youth meet regularly at St Matt's. Indeed, perhaps we can use the space more for the benefit of the wider family of God in Bath.

As a Team we are constantly looking for more efficiencies in the use of our time and money. However, generous gifts have meant that we can invest in a good quality sound system. More than simply a 'mod con', it means that we can display a spirit of excellence in this area. Moreover, among his many gifts, one of our Vicar's obvious ones is a refined appreciation and expertise in most things techy, so it is in good hands.

St Matt's has proved to be a 'sending church', as like Antioch (Acts 13) people go forth to other parts of the country and abroad (e.g. Burundi), and there is an aspect in this of sowing out. I (Haydn) heard Tim say that he believes we have cultivated well the soil of our hearts, to use a Biblical analogy, and are ready for the next stage of growth. There is an upward call on each one of our lives, which we need continually to discern and nurture - we can urge each other on in this. As we go forward together with our precious brothers and sisters at St Thomas, there is a huge opportunity increasingly to be a light and a source of spiritual succour for our community and beyond.

*Bill James & Haydn Wilkins
Chapelwardens at St Matthew's*

Deanery Synod Report

A Deanery is a geographical subdivision between a Diocese and a parish, with parishes grouped together so that they can work and serve together to see God's Kingdom come. Largely invisible to the public, Bath Deanery comprises the city of Bath and the surrounding villages and is made up of 21 traditional parishes encompassing 39 church buildings.

Its threefold emphasis is on prayerfulness, hospitality and innovation as it seeks to enable growth and provide support and structures that help to increase faith in what God is doing locally.

Whilst it is the forum for reflecting upon the aims and initiatives of the Diocesan Synod and, in turn feeding into them, Deanery Synods particular concern is with local efforts and programmes. This is achieved by supporting and assisting churches where possible to be more visible in their communities, to grow and flourish as God intends, to be free to do the work of the Kingdom and be encouraged to play their unique part.

Two members of the Widcombe PCC sit on the Deanery Synod. This provides the PCC with an important link between the parish and the wider structure of the church. The Rev'd Tim continues to serve in his role as one of two Assistant Area Deans to support Rev'd Stephen Girling as Rural Dean for the Bath Deanery.

There have been three Deanery Synod meetings to report on - May 2021 (online) with Rev'd Canon Patrick Whitworth talking about his writings and reflections on 'Coming out of Exile'; September 2021 - an evening related to Living In Love and Faith; and January 2022 - on Living Sustainably with guest speakers from Transition Bath and Christian Action for the Environment (CAFE B&NES) talking about their work.

2021 also saw the results of elections to Diocesan Synod both to the house of laity and clergy.

Carol Tottle & Anne Lawson
Deanery Synod Representatives

Mission support

As a PCC, we continually seek to inform, inspire and encourage the St Matt's and St Thomas à Becket church family in the support of Christian mission, near and far, practically supporting ministries aimed at blessing the poor and furthering God's Kingdom.

Continuing examples of this over the last year would include nurturing and furthering effective connections and support with our mission partners in Sri Lanka, Jerrie and Isabel, both in terms of their co-leading of the newly built church and also in their running of the Haven Home for girls in Kandy.

This year we have also continued to support the Widcombe birthed, Bath-based charity, Grow for Life, which provides therapeutic gardening opportunities for people suffering from mental and physical ill health with the aim of increasing the confidence and self-esteem of participants.

As is tradition, we were additionally able to give from our collections taken at our Christmas services the sum of £1,200 to charities nominated by the PCC.

PCC Mission sub group

Financial Review

Overview

In 2021, the PCC's total income and expenditure from normal activities was:

<i>Income</i>	£140,869
<i>Expenditure</i>	£143,900

As a consequence, the PCC incurred a deficit of (£3,031) in the year, which was funded by our reserves.

The PCC can meet its legal liabilities when they are due; the PCC's aim is to maintain a reserve of Unrestricted Funds of in the order of £30,000 to cover emergency situations, equivalent to approximately three month's normal operating costs at current levels.

Unrestricted Funds

At the end of 2021, the PCC's balance of unrestricted funds held was £37,624.

Unrestricted Income

In 2021, the PCC had three principal sources of income: Voluntary Giving; Gift Aid; and Lettings.

Voluntary Giving – the PCC received £102,756 in voluntary donations, of which £79,194 was Planned Giving.

Gift Aid – the PCC received an additional £16,314 in tax recovered in the form of Gift Aid.

Lettings – the PCC received £4,210 in rent from lettings of St Matthew's Church and Church Hall, the principal users being: Bath Operatic and Drama Society and Beats Dance. The Covid-19 restrictions in place during 2021 continued to impact the lettings income received.

Grants – the PCC received two grants from DCMS totalling £13,722 representing the reclaim of VAT incurred on essential roof repairs and other works to the fabric of St Matthew's Church. The PCC decided to allocate this as unrestricted income to support our cash flow given the uncertainties of 2021.

Interest on Investments - the PCC has three interest-bearing investments: the Church Charities and Local Authorities (CCLA) fund, Nat West Deposit Account and Current Account interest. Together these investments delivered £26 in interest.

Payments

The major payments from Unrestricted Funds fall into five categories: Administration and Office Costs; St Thomas à Becket's Operating Costs; St Matthew's Operating Costs; Charitable Donations; and Parish Share. Operating Costs are made up of four sub-categories: Utilities (gas, electricity and water); Insurance; Maintenance and Repair; and Cleaning.

Administration came to £20,267 including payment to our part-time administrators and costs associated with running the Church office.

St Thomas à Becket Operating Costs – in 2021 were £1,993 – all from Unrestricted Funds.

St Matthew's Operating Costs – in 2021 were £21,193 – all from Unrestricted Funds.

Charitable Donations – the PCC donated from Unrestricted Funds £5,426 to various charitable organizations and other causes, including: the Bath Soup Run, the Haven Home in Sri Lanka, The Children's Society, and Open Doors.

Parish Share – the PCC paid £65,762 to the Diocese of Bath & Wells in 2021 representing 87% of the Parish Share requested (£75,626). After a period of nine consecutive years during which the PCC had been able to pay the Parish Share in full, the challenges experienced with both income and reserves regrettably prevented the PCC from matching the full sum requested.

Restricted Funds

Restricted Funds relate to those donations that are given to the PCC with a restriction imposed upon the purpose for which the funds can be used.

At the start of 2021, the PCC held six Restricted Funds:

St Thomas à Becket Restoration Fund - £19,981. This Fund started the year at £19,801. It is PCC policy, agreed in 2007, to maintain a reserve of approximately £20,000 for restoration work on St Thomas' church in a restricted fund.

Organ Fund - £2,350. This Fund is comprised of £1,671 for the sole purpose of the maintenance and repair to the organ at St Matthew's and £679 representing the surplus after the purchase of the new organ at St Thomas' in 2017.

Widcombe United Charities – wound up. The Vicar and Churchwardens of St Thomas à Becket Church and the Chapelwardens of St Matthew's Church were trustees of a separate charity, the Widcombe United Charities Trust (charity number 239919), which was a consolidation of a number of historic endowment charities dating back to the 19th Century for the relief of poverty of the elderly of the parish. Towards the end of 2020 the trustees sought the permission of the Charity Commission to transfer the trust's assets to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Widcombe, Bath (charity number 1182372). Permission was granted with the condition that any distribution of the assets should broadly meet the objective of the Widcombe United Charities Trust; consequently, Widcombe PCC made a gift of the trust's assets to Mercy In Action, a Bath-based charity, to provide support to local families suffering financial hardship.

St Matthew's Church Regeneration Fund - £0. This Fund is restricted to expenditure for the regeneration of the St Matthew's church building, including any substantive work on the church roof. At the start of the year the Fund was void of capital, but during 2021 the Fund received gifts and grants totalling £37,856. All of this was spent in 2021 making good a further section of the church roof together with associated professional fees.

Missionary Fund - £384. This Fund covers any anonymous gifts made to the PCC with instructions to make payments towards specific individuals or causes. The Fund received gifts totalling £3,825 in 2021 and payments were made of £2,500 to our mission partners in Sri Lanka and £1,325 to a local family following bereavement.

Haven Home – Sri Lanka Fund – now consolidated within Missionary Fund. This Fund is restricted to making gifts to the Haven Home in Kandy, Sri Lanka to support the work of caring for approximately 20 girls who are either orphaned or rejected by their families. At the start of the year the balance of the Fund was £787 and received gifts during the year of £1,300 from church family members. The sum of £1,703 was distributed leaving a balance of £384. To ease administration the closing balance has been consolidated within the Missionary Fund as a designated fund and is reflected in its closing balance of £384.

Plans for the Future

The measures introduced by the government to combat the Covid-19 pandemic continued to have a significant impact on the life of the church family in 2021. We are grateful that we were able to join together remotely throughout the year, and as the situation and outlook improves we are greatly enjoying being able to meet face to face once again, welcoming back some old friends and building new friendships.

Our plans for re-ordering St Matthew's Church have rested on the 'back-burner' throughout the pandemic, but as we emerge from the crisis we have begun to prayerfully seek God's guidance and provision for what He might wish us to pursue in the coming years.

We give thanks to God for his continued blessing, encouragement and resourcing of the wider Widcombe Parish through our two remarkable buildings and through our church family.

Mark Nish
Treasurer to Widcombe PCC

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. The membership of Widcombe PCC consists of the incumbent (our vicar), the churchwardens and chapelwardens, the reader, 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 to 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.

Administrative Information

St Thomas à Becket Church and St Matthew's Church are sited in Church Street and Widcombe Hill respectively, within the parish of Widcombe, Bath. We are in the Bath Deanery and part of the Diocese of Bath and Wells within the Church of England.

The PCC is a body corporate (PCC Powers Measure 1956, Church Representation Rules 2006) and a charity registered with the Charity Commission (no. 1182372).

PCC members who have served for the period from 01 January 2021 until the APCM held on 08 May 2022 are:

Ex Officio members:

<i>Incumbent:</i>	The Reverend Timothy Buckley
<i>Curate:</i>	The Reverend Jenny Buckler (until June 2021)
<i>Churchwardens:</i>	Elizabeth Holden-White (until APCM May 2021) Sue Wiggin Fiona Coverdale (from APCM May 2021)
<i>Chapelwardens:</i>	Andrew Udale-Smith (until APCM May 2021) Bill James Haydn Wilkins (from APCM May 2021)
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Mark Nish

Elected Members:

Martin Geake (PCC Chairman – until APCM May 2021)
Lindsaye Dunn
Jonathan Potter
Wayne McMaster (from APCM May 2021)
Joel Lloyd-Carter (from APCM May 2021)
Anne Lawson (Deanery Synod representative)
Carol Tottle (Deanery Synod representative)
The Reverend Judith Harries (co-opted)
Mary Udale-Smith (*Reader* - co-opted)

Approved by the PCC on 29 April 2022 and signed on their behalf by -



Haydn Wilkins (Chapelwarden)

Independent Examiners Report to the trustees/members of Widcombe PCC - Year Ended 31 December 2021

I report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2021 as set out on pages 17 to 19.

Respective responsibilities of PCC and examiner

The PCC consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act), and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC 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 the PCC concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the PCC have not met the requirements to ensure that:
 - proper accounting records are kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - accounts are prepared which agree with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
- 2 to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.


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Peter Barton FCCA
ART Accountants Ltd
11 Manvers Street
Bath
BA1 1JQ

Date 29 April 2022

WIDCOMBE PCC - STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES- Year Ended 31 Dec' 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Funds 2020 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Voluntary receipts:				
Planned giving	79,194	1,680	80,874	80,348
Other giving & donations	23,562	27,781	51,343	27,540
Grants	-	13,700	13,700	13,000
Gift aid tax recovered	16,314	-	16,314	19,286
Activities for generating funds:				
Fundraising	-	-	-	15
Lettings	4,210	-	4,210	2,375
Parochial fees	3,841	-	3,841	3,109
Investment income	26	-	26	180
Other income	13,722	-	13,722	1,843
Total incoming resources	<u>140,869</u>	<u>43,161</u>	<u>184,030</u>	<u>147,696</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Church activities:				
<i>St Thomas Church expenses:</i>				
Heat & light	908	-	908	1,400
Insurance	985	-	985	1,080
Church repairs & maintenance	100	-	100	50
<i>St Matthew's Church expenses:</i>				
Heat, light & water	8,736	-	8,736	6,340
Insurance	2,296	-	2,296	2,164
Church repairs & maintenance	10,161	170	10,331	12,345
Roof repairs & professional fees	18,017	37,856	55,873	32,027
Parish Share for year	65,762	-	65,762	66,745
Parish administration	20,267	-	20,267	22,172
Church services	3,728	-	3,728	4,335
Clergy expenses	3,183	-	3,183	1,899
Mission & charitable giving	5,426	8,454	13,880	5,619
Parish sundries	526	-	526	690
Parochial fees	3,805	-	3,805	94
Total resources expended	<u>143,900</u>	<u>46,480</u>	<u>190,380</u>	<u>156,960</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	<u>(3,031)</u>	<u>(3,319)</u>	<u>(6,350)</u>	<u>(9,264)</u>
Balances brought forward	40,655	26,034	66,689	75,953
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD	<u>37,624</u>	<u>22,715</u>	<u>60,339</u>	<u>66,689</u>

WIDCOMBE PCC - BALANCE SHEET – Year Ended 31 December 2021

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021 £	Funds 2020 £
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	528	-	528	2,828
Bank Current Account	40,895	2,801	43,696	35,984
Deposit Funds	440	19,915	20,355	32,339
	<u>41,863</u>	<u>22,715</u>	<u>64,579</u>	<u>71,151</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Creditors	4,240	-	4,240	4,462
	<u>4,240</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,240</u>	<u>4,462</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS	<u>37,624</u>	<u>22,715</u>	<u>60,339</u>	<u>66,689</u>
FUNDS				
Unrestricted funds			37,624	40,655
Restricted funds		Note 2	22,715	26,034
TOTAL FUNDS			<u>60,339</u>	<u>66,689</u>

Approved by the PCC and signed on their behalf



Haydn Wilkins
Chapelwarden

Date 29/4/2022

WIDCOMBE PCC - NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - Year Ended 31 December 2021

1 LAND AT ST MARK'S

Widcombe PCC owns a piece of land by St Mark's Community Centre. The PCC continues to discuss its maintenance and plans for this land in the future.

2 The movements in restricted funds during the year were:

RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Balance brought forward	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Balance carried forward
St Thomas' Restoration Fund	19,801	180	-	-	19,981
Organ Fund	2,520	-	(170)	-	2,350
Widcombe United Charities	2,926	-	(2,926)	-	-
Missionary Fund	-	3,825	(3,825)	384	384
St Matthew's Regeneration Fund	-	37,856	(37,856)	-	-
Sri Lanka Haven Home Fund	787	1,300	(1,703)	(384)	-
	<u>26,034</u>	<u>43,161</u>	<u>(46,480)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>22,715</u>

The St Thomas' Restoration Fund is restricted to expenditure on the fabric of St Thomas' Church building.

The Organ Fund is restricted to expenditure on any organ repairs that may be required.

The Widcombe United Charities Trust (charity number 239919) was wound up in 2021. The trustees sought the permission of the Charity Commission to transfer the trust's assets to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Widcombe, Bath (charity number 1182372). Permission was granted with the condition that any distribution of the assets should broadly meet the objective of the Widcombe United Charities Trust; consequently, Widcombe PCC made a gift of the trust's assets to Mercy In Action, a Bath-based charity, to provide support to local families suffering financial hardship.

The Missionary Fund covers any anonymous gifts made to the church towards specific individuals and causes.

The Sri Lanka Haven Home Fund supports the work of the Haven Home in Sri Lanka that provides welfare to young girls who are either orphaned or from disadvantaged backgrounds. This Fund has now been consolidated within the Missionary Fund, but any gifts received for the Haven Home remain designated for this purpose.

The St Matthew's Regeneration Fund is restricted to expenditure for the regeneration of the church roof and to the future re-ordering of the church building.