



LORDSBRIDGE TEAM
OF CHURCHES



The parishes of Barton, Caldecote with
Childerley, Comberton, Coton, Dry Drayton,
Great and Little Eversden, Hardwick,
Harlton, Haslingfield and Toft

St Mary's Church, Hardwick APCM

Sunday 23rd April 2023

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ANNUAL MEETING SUNDAY 23 APRIL 2023

10:30 am

ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF THE CHURCH OF ST MARY, HARDWICK

AGENDA

Opening Prayers

I. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF PARISHIONERS

1. To receive the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 20 March 2022
2. To re-elect the churchwardens

II. THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Present & apologies
2. Minutes of the annual meeting held on 20 March 2022
3. Matters Arising
4. Notice of items to be raised under AOB
5. Review of 2022
 - a. Vicar's report
 - b. Finances 2022
 - c. Proceedings of the Parish and the PCC
 - Worship, prayer and spiritual life
 - Church community and pastoral care
 - Mission, outreach and contribution to village life
 - Events
 - Pippins
 - The Cabin
 - d. Fabric, Goods and Ornaments of the Church
 - e. Safeguarding
 - f. Lordsbridge Team
 - g. Deanery Synod
6. Report on the new electoral roll
7. Elections and appointments
 - a. To elect three representatives to the PCC
 - b. To elect a representative to the Deanery Synod for the next three years
 - c. To appoint an independent examiner to the Council
8. Any other business

III. PCC MEETING

1. Appointment of vice-chair, Secretary and Treasurer and standing committee
2. Budget 2023
3. AOB
4. Confirmation of next meeting Monday 31 July at 7:30pm in the Cabin

Note: the composition of the Standing Committee will comprise Parish Priest, Church Wardens, Secretary and Treasurer to be elected and approved.

Minutes of the APCM of St. Mary's Church Hardwick, April 3rd 2022 at 10:40

Present. Clare & Howard Bigg, Mary Wilkins, Tricia Maguire, Carole Butler, Janet & Jim Barnard, Naomi Roy, Brian Croxall, Kate Riley, Sue & Peter Cornwell, Janet Hayman, Anne & Jeff Jones, Lois Frettsome, Joan Segrave, Thelma Westbury, Liz Tinkler, Liz Entwistle, Chris Ford, Mark Manning

1. Stand-out moments of 2021 (or how to survive Covid!)

Despite Covid restrictions Church life carried on as normally as possible. There were many outstanding moments, Alison Myer's leaving lunch and the celebration of her Ministry which bought so much to the life of St. Mary's, her enthusiasm, leadership, and vision, and though she is greatly missed, we have been left so much stronger and able to cope with the interregnum. Easter celebrations, The opening of the Cabin, by the Bishop, followed by lunch and the afternoon tea. The outdoor services, The garden safari, The summer afternoons, and Wild Church (making charcoal, and the sawdust kiln), and the sound of children once more on site. The joint service with the Evangelical Church following the successful Eco weekend, Harvest Supper held in the Cabin, Carol singing in the rain, and Paul's farewell round the camp fire. The Christmas Tree Festival, Christingles, Christmas services, switching on the lights of the stars on the tower and lych gate, the pleasure of families meeting together, being able to join in the singing of hymns in church again. The visiting clergy covering the interregnum. Sue thanked all those volunteers who have helped with the events.

2. Comments and questions on the annual Report.

Clare thanked everyone who contributed to the report, and that she had received the material before the deadline. There is a lack of photos, but there are many of the various events that can be seen online.

3. Formal approval of the accounts for 2021.

The accounts have been circulated. Thanks to a loving and giving God and a generous congregation, the running costs of the church and Hall have been covered. The appeals for Toilet and Tap Twinning, and the Cabin Stones have more than passed expectations. She agreed to stay on as Treasurer.

Clare was thanked for her work on the accounts, and the acceptance of the 2021 accounts was proposed by Chris Ford and Seconded by Sue Cornwell.

Mark Taylor was unanimously appointed independent Examiner for 2022.

4. Election 1 PCC Member.

Jeff Jones re-elected, un-opposed. Proposed by Anne Jones, and seconded by Clare Bigg.

The post of secretary is still vacant,

5. Elections of Church Wardens.

Ali Marcus- re-elected unopposed Proposed by Peter Cornwell and Seconded by Chris Ford.

Janet Hayman-re-elected unopposed Proposed by Patricia Maguire, seconded by Mary Wilkins. Janet and Ali were thanked for all that they do.

Janet thanked everyone for their help and support during Covid and the Interregnum, it was very much appreciated.

6.Reps for Deanery Synod, Team Council, safeguarding officer, Community Assoc. rep.

(Info-these are not elected posts)

Lois Frettsome agreed to continue as Deanery Synod Rep, and Community Association Rep. Team Council Rep is Clare and Jane Muncey will continue as safeguarding Officer. The meeting expressed their thanks to Jane for taking on this job.

7 Electoral Roll report.

There are currently 48 people on the electoral roll

8. A.O.B. No Matters arising.

9. The meeting closed at 11.00am

10. Date of next meeting tba.

Vicar's Report

Revd Clare Coates

On October 29 2022, I was licensed as Team Vicar to the Lordsbridge Team, and as lead Minister with responsibility for Hardwick, Dry Drayton, and Caldecote. The final two months of 2022 passed in a whirlwind of activity and worship. My grateful thanks to the Ministry Team Clare Bigg, Ali Marcus and Janet Hayman who have all been incredibly supportive and encouraging, and who have been a joy to work with. A big thank you too for the welcome all of you have given my family and I. You have made us feel at home, and we are very grateful.

A little church with a very big heart

There are huge strengths here, testimony to the church having been well run by both laity and clergy over many years. Numbers attending are good, and lots families are coming to our Wild Church services, Tuesday Toddlers and Bumps and Babes. The Cabin is a wonderful community amenity used by many for lots of different activities, not just church events.

There are challenges, of course, too. We are working hard to keep the church in good maintenance and repair. In particular, a lot of time and effort has focused on ensuring historic plasterwork and ceilings are going to be repaired. To that effect, we have had discussions with the Diocese and Historic England who have given us advice. We have also established a building repair committee which is currently commissioning various repairs and associated surveys.

There are huge opportunities too as we endeavour to live out our vision as a little church with a very big heart, reaching out into our wider community.

Church family

Growing God's Kingdom within a growing village is at the heart of our vision, appealing to all sections of the community from the very youngest to the very oldest. Everyone is welcomed and cherished, and we aim to share God's love with others in everything we do in an open and positive way. The church is a centre for community activities through the Cabin, and we aim to build on this excellent foundation. An exciting development for 2023 is a seasonal lunch club for our older members and their friends.

Children and Families

We are building links with families via the school and through the very popular monthly Wild Church services. We are also exploring the possibility of trying Forest Church in the Summer holidays, as an outdoor all age service round the Cabin. We have recently re-started third Sunday all age services and are looking at offering a pet service in the summer months.

Community

As Christians, we are called to be salt and light in our community; to be welcoming and inclusive and in our daily lives to live out our faith in little acts of love and kindness. We may be a small church, but we have a big heart. I feel incredibly excited about the future and for what the Lord has in store for our church family.

Financial Report Clare Bigg

The full accounts for 2022 are provided separately.

Fabric Fund

Fabric Fund Summary	
Balance at 1 st Jan 2022	£13,062
Income	£5,965
Expenditure	£435
Balance at 31 st Dec 2022	£18,592

This Fund covers major expenditure on the church building. It was our intention this year to significantly augment the fund with necessary Quinquennial repairs in mind. This we did, thanks to generous donations and sterling work from the Events Committee. The Jubilee Supper, Safari Supper, Harvest Supper, Giant book sale, Quiz and Christmas Tree Festival raised £3,654 – a first class total. Expenditure covered the annual donation to Winter Comfort from the Christmas Tree Festival plus the extension to the memorial garden.

Cabin Running Fund

Cabin Running Fund Summary		
Balance at 1st Jan 2021		£7,763
Rental Income	£6,949	
Donations, Gift Aid and bank interest	£2,300	
Total income		£9,249
Expenditure – licences, insurance, fees etc	£1,480	
Expenditure – cleaning	£1,556	
Expenditure - utilities	£757	
Expenditure – consumables	£336	
Expenditure - fitments	£345	
Expenditure – maintenance and servicing	£392	
Expenditure – Cabin grounds	£10,232	
Total expenditure		£15,098
Balance at 31st Dec 2021		£1,914

The Cabin accounts are not typical this year because of the substantial spend on the Cabin grounds. This included the patio, turfing, additional planting and willow pollarding, as well as the final instalment on the Cabin stones. These improvements have enhanced the site and spending on the Cabin grounds in the future will be more like one tenth of this. We are grateful for the donations which helped make the patio and turfing possible. Our rental income more than covers the ongoing running expenses which bodes well for sustainability.

General Fund

It is good to be able to report that, despite a difficult year, we nearly broke even.

Donations form the bulk of our income, and we are most grateful for this. In particular, we appreciate those who use some form of planned giving which helps us budget wisely. This will be especially important in 2023 as costs rise, especially electricity, and our commitment to the Ministry Share increases again. Members of the congregation who are not yet using the Parish Giving Scheme, but would like to support the church in this way, should speak to the treasurer.

General Fund Summary		
Balance at 1st Jan 2021		£7,302
Income – Planned Giving	£15,951	
Income – other giving & donations	£1,725	
Income – Gift Aid	£4,120	
Income – wedding and funeral fees	£1,788	
Income - fundraising	£2,454	
Income – children & families	£831	
Income – Launde trip	£570	
Income - other	£1,433	
Total income		£28,872
Expenditure – charitable giving	£639	
Expenditure – ministry share	£21,163	
Expenditure – clergy & admin expenses	£1,246	
Expenditure – costs of ministry/outreach	£620	
Expenditure – relating to church services	£522	
Expenditure – children and families	£882	
Expenditure – relating to the building	£2,583	
Expenditure - Launde	£574	
Expenditure – other	£701	
Total Expenditure		£29,930
Balance at 31st Dec 2021		£7,244

Fundraising via the fete was also a significant help to the finances, as were donations from families made at the Summer afternoons, toddler group and Wild Church. These donations covered nearly all our expenditure on children, including the new set of drawers in the Cabin meeting room and the Roots material for Sunday Club. The miscellaneous income came from the ministry share rebate, a grant from the Diocese to help with energy costs and some collections made for specific purposes (see below).

Charitable giving by the church significantly exceeds the £639 given from PCC funds. Together in 2022 we gave £120 to Action Aid, £200 to the Lisa Kent trust, £368 to Water Aid, £150 to Winter Comfort, £60 to the Children's Society, £162 to the Diocesan Mission Fund and £2261 to the Ukraine Appeal. This totals an impressive £3321.

As treasurer, I would like again to express my appreciation of the generosity of the St Mary's community. Whenever there is a need, people step forward to help meet it. This makes my task a whole lot less stressful! We do face financial challenges in the year ahead as costs rise, while money is tight for many, but working together within the grace of God we can move forward in hope.

Parish Reports: Worship, Prayer and Spiritual Life

Clare Coates and Clare Bigg

Highlights from Sunday services in 2022 include:

Easter Sunday all-age service with the prayer cross for Ukraine decorated with flowers by the children. This was followed by the dedication of the Cabin stones.

The joint service with HEC for the Queen's platinum jubilee.

The joint outdoor service for the Eco weekend.

Clare Coates' induction service at the end of October.

The choir singing at the carol service.

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to the Lordsbridge chapter and others who came to take services during the vacancy.

The church was open for private prayer and reflection at the start of the Ukraine war, on Good Friday, after the Queen's death and for the Wave of Light (remembering babies gone too soon).

Midweek Prayer

Praying is one of the things we are called to do, but many of us find it hard. Some of us find it easier to pray in company and we have three very different ways of doing this.

a) On Tuesdays fortnightly at midday a group of up to 6 people meet in the Cabin to pray in silence. Howard leads this meditation group.

b) On Wednesday mornings at 9.00am, a group of up to 12 people from 3 churches meet to pray together. There is a short, structured liturgy and time for open prayer, and in particular we pray for the village and the work of the churches here. We meet mainly on zoom, but once a month we meet in the Cabin or the church and have coffee afterwards.

c) On Friday evenings a group of up to 10 people meet on zoom to say Night Prayer together, a short 10-minute service following a liturgy which changes with the seasons. We always pray for people facing difficult times, and for those we love, naming them silently before God.

Wild Church

This takes place once a month on a Sunday afternoon. We have managed so far to be outside every time, though we've needed at times to wrap up well, and rig up a cover in the trees as a shelter. Having the campfire helps! Memorable activities include snowdrop planting, working with clay, snail racing, blackberry and apple crumble making, thinking about roots and throwing frankincense on the fire. It was also special to welcome the family of a child who was baptised this year in St Mary's. Our main aim continues to be 'to engage playfully, actively and creatively in God's natural world.' What we see around the site, experience of the weather and learn about nature helps us develop our sense of wonder. We plan to build links between what we do and the Bible stories we hear in a way that helps us grow in faith. Over the year 16 different families have come to at least one session; each session averaged 10 children and 10 adults. Some families attend a different church on Sunday mornings, while for other families Wild Church is their only church. The team was Peter Cornwell, Ali Marcus, Clare Bigg, Lucy Gardner, Beth Keenan (from October) and Clare Coates (from November).

Parish Reports: Church Community and Pastoral Care

Clare Coates and Clare Bigg

Although we were in vacancy for most of 2022, the church community remained strong, with everyone stepping up to support one another. In particular, our trip to Launde Abbey at Easter was a special way of building up relationships. As well as spending time with each other, we explored the site at Launde with Alison and Boyd Myers and we made a wonderful altar frontal to add to our collection. It captured the peace and stillness of Launde and our joy in the natural world.

The moorhen family also brought us together as we watched the progress of the young ones from cute fluffy chicks through gawky adolescence to maturity. Who knew that moorhens have pastoral gifts?!

The biggest joy for the community in 2022 was welcoming Clare Coates as our new vicar at the end of October. Although not immediately able to move into the Rectory, Clare and her supportive family made a big impact right from the start at the church bonfire party, leading singing round the campfire. God has answered our prayers in bringing Clare to us and we look forward to growing as a community under her leadership and care.

Parish Report: Mission, Outreach and Contribution to Village Life

Bumps and Babies in the Cabin (Ali Marcus)

The aim of the group remains to support families during the “transition to parenthood” providing a comfortable and secure space for new parents to become confident caring for their babies whilst promoting the development of new friendships and a robust support network within and around Hardwick.

There is no specific structure to the sessions. Every adult is welcomed with a drink and a slice of toast (some don't get breakfast before leaving). We chat about everything and anything although once comfortable in the space, parents tend to share the latest news regarding sleep (or lack of it), their baby's development and thoughts on weaning with the parent sat close to them. It is lovely to see the more experienced parents, gently providing tips and tricks to the newer parents. Having my midwife's scales out for parents to do a “self-weigh” of their baby has been particularly popular. I try to ensure the group think about local issues and events as they come around to ensure the adults get every opportunity to get involved in the community in Hardwick.

I am pleased to say that word of mouth has been the primary way in which people get to hear about Bumps and Babies in the Cabin and the group has flourished in 2022 with on average 6 families attending each session. Some weeks we only get one or two and other weeks 8 or nine!! Given that there is the baby and toddler group running at the school at the same time as Bumps and Babies in the Cabin, the success of the group has been very pleasing. Parents always comment on the warmth, comfort and attractiveness of the Cabin. Several families have graduated to Tuesday Mornings. Many wish to hire the cabin for family parties and attend events such as Summer Afternoons.

As expected there is a churn of families as the babies become mobile and/or parents go back to work. The youngest baby was 4 weeks and the oldest 14 months. Overall in 2022, the group supported 16 families. With the lifting of COVID restrictions, it has been good to be able to accommodate mobile babies if parents want to stay with the group for a while longer prior to going back to work. However, I do not encourage this as the group is geared towards the early days of parenting.

The decision not to have a specified session fee has been proved to be acceptable so far. Two families have quietly told me that this has been very important to them. Income from donations by those attending in 2022 covered the discounted hall hiring fees and I have been able to replace broken toys and buy a second set of fitting cups with the income. I carried a float of £55.20 into 2023 and might be able to start paying a regular fee for hiring the hall by the end of the year if numbers continue to grow.

Tuesday Mornings in the Cabin (Clare Bigg)

22 different families came to the toddler group at least once in 2022, and weekly attendance averaged 5 children and 7 adults. The team in 2022 has been Helen Harding, Clare Bigg and

Beth Keenan (from October). The original rationale for starting this toddler group was to provide an opportunity to experience something of 'toddler church' that we could invite baptism families to. We also see ourselves as offering an inexpensive, friendly and supportive group where carers of all faiths and none can bring their small children to enjoy company and play. It is a mix of community, hospitality, and Christianity and the most important message we want adults and children alike to hear is that **they are loved** -- by God and by us – and they matter.

The morning starts and finishes with free play for the children, and coffee and chat for the adults. We provide a craft activity which links to the story if possible. In the middle of the session we have our story and song time. We start with the same gathering song 'Welcome Everybody' each time so the children know to go and sit in the story circle. Most of our songs are repeated regularly and have actions that pre-verbal children can join in with. They are not all explicitly Christian, but often have themes of welcome, love and blessing. For the Bible story we often use the Diddy Disciples material which is big on revamped nursery rhymes and the children are encouraged to join in as well as listen. The following prayer activity might make use of bubbles, or small wooden hearts, or felt flowers: the children have something to do, while adults are invited to pray if that is their practice. We finish with a snack for the children and a question for the adults to ponder. To be honest, it doesn't always pan out as intended: prep time is sometimes squeezed, and toddlers are toddlers!

Colour Wheel (Nicky Kerr)

The Colour Wheel has been going for almost four years since starting in August 2019.

The Cabin continues to be an excellent venue to host this group of mostly elderly and retired people, being secure, safe and very accessible. The surroundings lean to tranquillity and mindfulness and many have commented on the beautiful surroundings and functionality of the building.



Loneliness and isolation in our village is at the heart of the group. It is open to anyone from the local community to meet up and enjoy, participating in a wide selection of mindful colouring. The group has been attended by a variety of people mostly from Hardwick and a few from Comberton and Caldecote, with 12 people attending on average. Material is provided and refreshments are served halfway through the session. A voluntary £3 donation help to cover the hiring of the hall, refreshments and running cost. Since the PCC has reduced the cost to hire the hall, the Colour Wheel has been able to cover all expenses with the donations given by those attending.

The group have lost two of its regular members, who sadly passed away in 2022 and three new people have joined. A BBC reporter came to visit and will be doing a documentary as well as broadcasting the radio interview on BBC Cambridgeshire.

Summer Afternoons (Clare Bigg)

It was lovely to be able to enjoy the Summer Afternoons again without too much anxiety about Covid. The site adapts well to welcoming a large number of families – it is always a good opportunity to reconnect with old friends and make new ones. Many thanks to the band of cake-bakers who kept us well supplied with delicious refreshments, and to all the helpers who prepped and supervised activities for the children. Table-tennis was a new addition to the repertoire, and enjoyed by older guests. This year we were not able to make use of the campfire because of the fire risk in the exceptionally long drought.

Parish Report: Events Committee

Sue Cornwell

The Committee - Sue Cornwell (Chair), Thelma Westbury (Minutes), Joan Segrave, Ali Marcus, Caroline Edgley, Anne Jones, Lois Fretsomes, Kate Riley.

Although not strictly an 'Event', the first happening of 2022 was the unveiling of the 3 carved stones outside the Cabin in March with the wording "Hospitality, Wholeness and Encounter". These have been much admired and clearly show our aims on outreach.

Also in March, we held the first coffee morning in the Cabin, raising money for Ukraine. This was a great success with over £2000 being sent to the DEC Humanitarian appeal.

The plant and produce stall re-opened but there was less support this year; covid restrictions had been relaxed and the weather was not conducive to gardening.

At the end of April, we had a very successful away day to Launde Abbey, resulting in a new altar frontal based on the wonderful peace felt in and around the Abbey.

May saw the annual Church Fete which was well supported and raised over £1800 but as ever, we would have wished for more help setting up, taking down and on the stalls - maybe next year!

On June 3rd, we held an early evening 'Jubilee supper' which was much enjoyed. Then in July, a safari supper which was a great evening, dining with friends old and new and enjoying great meals.

Summer afternoons followed in August and we were blessed with lovely weather so we had lots of families and others making the most of the Cabin and the grounds and enjoying children's activities plus home bakes, tea, coffee etc. over all six sessions.

In September, we provided the refreshments at the Eco Event, organised jointly by St Mary's and the Hardwick Evangelical Church and the Hardwick Climate Action group. Another very successful event with excellent speakers and lots of eco-friendly stalls with things to do and things to buy.

The harvest supper was held at the Cabin in October - again, a delicious meal and a ceilidh with the Cambridge University Ceilidh Band. Always a good evening. Fortunately, the weather was kind to us and we were able to use a marquee on the area outside the french doors. However, space was definitely at a premium and we have (almost) decided to use the school hall again next year. Also in October we had the second 'Giant Book Sale' - an all-day event which attracted readers from other villages as well as being well-supported by the local community. As last year, we had far more books donated than were sold, so the remaining books were donated to East Anglian Children's Hospice shops.

Rev. Clare Coates and her family were welcomed to Hardwick (and the Lordsbridge Team) with a bring and share supper after Clare's induction by Bishop Dagmar.

Bonfire night saw the fire pit in use again and hot dogs, hot chocolate, parking and singing were much enjoyed. It was great to have Harry Coates on guitar and Mary and Bobby leading the singing. The only fireworks were sparklers, but we also benefited from several brilliant (and noisy) local displays.

This year we had sixteen Christmas trees decorated for the Festival at the beginning of December, on the theme of 'musicals'. The church looked lovely and those visiting really appreciated the work that had gone into the trees. It was too cold and wet on the Sunday to sing carols outside, so the Eversden Brass band set up in the Cabin and we enjoyed listening to them and singing favourite carols, helped by mulled wine and mince pies. 50% of the profit was sent to Winter Comfort and the rest went into the Church Fabric fund. A really great event, despite the weather.

The last event of the year was the Christingle service and tea - the latter taking place in the Cabin. It was lovely to see the children's faces when they arrived to a candlelit room and tables set out with party ware, food and drinks.

As ever, the Events Committee would like to thank all those who have supported us this year. There are only eight of us, so we are extremely grateful for the help given in so many ways. We have some great events planned for 2023 and look forward to your support - if you know of any others who would be willing to be 'roped in' please let us know. Many hands make light work!

Parish Reports: Pippins
Anne Jones



Pippin's opened in June 2014 and we continue to open on the first Saturday of every month from 10am – midday and it is very popular, as we cater for all ages. There is always a good atmosphere, friendliness and a real buzz, with lots of chatter – certainly our way of serving the community! It has gone from strength to strength and it has been known for people to be queuing outside the door to come in.

We have a very keen and supportive team of 15 bakers and 22 helpers, some have left but we were able to recruit new members to the team, who offer their services each month. We pride ourselves with our wide selection of homemade cakes, cookies and biscuits, all at a very reasonable price. We try to have seasonal refreshments for Christmas and Easter. The bakers claim the cost of the ingredients only, which enables us to keep our costs down as we are a non-profit making enterprise. Any profit that is made is used to further improve our facilities and donated to groups or individuals in the village or further afield, worthy of our support. This year (January - December 2022) we made a donation of £300 to Ukraine.

The assets for the year ending December 2022 were £1775.02 in the bank and £90.56 cash in hand.

We celebrated Pippin's success with a social at the Cabin in May, including a Chinese meal, from Dry Drayton and home-made desserts which was a very pleasant evening.

We were very sorry to say farewell and thank you to David & Julie Gaze, who had been part of the Pippin's Team for most of its life but they felt it was time to hang up the dishcloth and tea towel! We were pleased to give them a voucher for afternoon tea in Stove when they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. Sadly, David has since died this year (2023).

Pippin's took part in the Christmas Tree Festival in December, hosted by St Mary's Church.

The Management Committee consists of Kate & Steve Gaze (Evangelical Church), Anne Jones (Community Association), Clare Bigg, Julie Coulson and Gino Starace, our Treasurer.

"Pippins is a real success story and a welcome addition to the things that go on in the village."

Parish Reports: The Cabin

Ali Marcus

Hospitality, Wholeness, Encounter

Cabin Management Team: Chair Peter Cornwell, Treasurer Clare Bigg, Booking Secretary Anne Jones, Minutes Sue Cornwell, Ali Marcus, Nicky Kerr, Jeff Jones

2022 was the first whole year that the Cabin was restriction free to users after the pandemic. It has been well used with bookings on almost every day of the year and some days having 5 bookings one after the other. We continue to get really good feedback regarding the warmth, light, good condition and functionality of the spaces. Users particularly value the atmosphere of peace and tranquillity.

Once again, we wish to acknowledge the huge amount of work that Anne has put in to managing bookings and showing users around. Thank you Anne. Thanks also go to Clare for managing invoices and our finances and Jeff for being the Cabin's handy man.

Bearing in mind our mission is to provide a welcoming space for everyone and to encourage community getting together to support each other, the profile of the user groups has been very pleasing. We host parent and baby/toddler groups, Brownies and Rainbows, a Forest school for those outside of mainstream education, exercise, art, craft and book groups, a therapeutic colouring group, numerous family gatherings and children's parties. We are able to comfortably host village functions and events and church events for the village that mark the seasons and national celebrations. The meeting room has been well used by various village committees and local business meetings.

It is also important to note that the Cabin has greatly enhanced the ability of St Mary's Church to host events for the village, as well as enabling the Lordsbridge Team to meet and work in a comfortable space.

Although we started the year with a functional and very popular community space here in the cabin, we have continued to raise money and work towards improving the facilities.

Work indoors includes:

- Installation of picture rails in the hall by Cambourne Carpentry- thanks to Jeff for painting them. This has enable users to decorate the hall or display posters without damaging the walls.
- Moving four piles of 8 chairs into the hall, freeing up space in the table store which has greatly improved access to the tables and chairs. There have been no complaints from users as to this new arrangement.
- Purchasing additional cutlery and crockery for the cabin to provide matching place settings for at least 60 people which we hope will be useful for church functions including community lunches and also for people wishing to hire the Cabin for wakes, baptisms and wedding celebrations. This was enabled by cabin users applying for a grant from Forresters and donations.

- Returning tables to GoPak for repair due to a design fault. Thanks to Peter for sorting out what proved to be a mammoth logistical task.

Work in the garden has continued. We now have:

- Shed 3 up and running for the storage of furniture used outdoors as well as lighting and other bits and bobs. Thanks to LOTS team for installing shelving in the sheds. As we can all appreciate, storage is particularly important in a community facility.
- A patio which has proved to be a useful space for activities without generating mud!!! It has been particularly successful in preventing injuries when the ground is wet and soft and we are seating people outside. The chair legs no longer sink in the mud and so far no-one has fallen!! Thanks go to James Wakeling and his team for the excellent job.
- Turf laid around the patio thanks to a generous donation.
- Garden furniture which remains on the patio and can be used for outside refreshments in the good weather. We are very grateful for these donations.
- Strings of lights which add to the ambience and functionality of the garden for evening events.
- A path up to the firepit and enlargement of the bark area around the firepit. Both have been successful additions to the garden, especially for Wild Church and other camp-fire events. They have prevented a mud bath being created in poorer weather. Thanks to James Wakeling and the LOTS team for their work on this.
- Standing stones crafted by Pippa Westoby which are a poignant and a beautiful reminder to everyone what the Cabin was built for. They were unveiled after St Mary's Easter Service with champagne and cake- in true St Mary's style.
- A black bin for rubbish, although we continue to request the users take their rubbish home with them. We are hoping to get a recycling bin this year.
- A new flower bed next to shed 2 designed by Louisa Gilhoy which we hope will add to the biodiversity of the site.
- The pond work is now finished with the Willow trees having been pollarded. We look forward to the regrowth in the spring and summer and hopefully a more wildlife friendly habitat in the future.
- We are still awaiting the maintenance work on the pond fence, which has been held up for various reasons.
- We have yet to create and install the signage in the church yard and garden mapping out the area.

We are looking into ways to generate the electricity we use from renewable sources such as wind and solar. This looks like it will be a project for the future.

Peter stepped down from the team at the end of the year and Jeff has kindly offered to be Chair.

Cabin users in 2022 and the number of bookings they had in 2022.

Voluntary Village groups

- Book Club: 10
- Bumps and Babies: 48
- Colour Wheel: 25
- Cabin Creative arts 17
- Craft group: 17
- Rainbows: 34
- Brownies: 34
- LOTS: 20 recorded

Exercise classes

- Pilates: 120
- Zumba: 38
- Yoga: 22

Education

- Private tuition: 13
- Woodventurers: 55

Village group committee meetings

- WI: 11
- St Marys Events: 7
- Allotment: 7
- Parish Council: 12
- Jubilee organisers: 3
- HCCWG: 5

Village Group socials:

WI, Pippins,

St Mary's Church groups:

- Tuesday Morning Toddlers: 38
- Wild Church: 12
- Meditation: 17
- Morning prayers/coffee: 11
- PCC: 6
- Ministry meeting: 4

Lordsbridge Team

- Resource hub: 35
- Lordsbridge Core and Team Council: 38
- Youth meetings: 3

Families

- Weddings
- Baptisms/Christenings: 3
- Wakes: 2
- Childrens Birthday parties: 22
- Family gatherings/adult birthdays: 12

Village socials and events

Village Eco event, Church fete, Platinum Jubilee, Pancake day, music evening, coffee morning, Christingle tea Party, Bonfire Party, Harvest Supper, All Souls tea, Carol Service refreshments, Safari Supper, Summer afternoons (6), Christmas Tree festival

One off Workshops: 6

Business/directors meetings: 8

Misc: 7

Finance report for the Cabin at St Mary's AGM

Report on 2022

It is very encouraging that our rental income of just under £7k more than covers routine expenditure of just over £6k. This gives us confidence in the sustainability of the Cabin. The 'legacy' items were shed #2, the patio and the final instalment for the Cabin stones. These are not recurrent items and were in part financed from the remainder of the Cabin building fund. We spent more than expected on the Cabin grounds with the willow pollarding, turfing and additional planting. Again, none of these should be regular drains on the Cabin finances (unlike birdseed!). Warm thanks to the people who made gifts to help fund these enhancements to the Cabin grounds which we have all appreciated.

Financial Statement for the Cabin Running Fund 2022

			<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Balance of fund at 1st</u>				
<u>Jan</u>	Held in Nat West a/c	£5,648.97	£3,292.16	
	Held in CCLA a/c	£2,114.03	£0.00	
	<u>Total</u>		<u>£7,763.00</u>	<u>£3,292.16</u>
<u>Receipts</u>				
	Tfer from Comm Hall Fund		£3,404.78	
	Rental Income	£6,949.00	£3,502.50	
	Bank interest	£3.74		
	Donations & Gift Aid	£2,292.00	£1,042.40	
	<u>Total</u>		<u>£9,244.74</u>	<u>£7,949.68</u>
<u>Payments</u>				
	Fees & Licences	£283.80	£302.59	
	Insurance & fire	£1,196.36	£503.52	
	Utilities	£757.05	£634.60	
	Cleaner	£1,556.00	£1,224.00	
	Consumables	£336.46	£136.43	
	Cabin grounds	£1,236.90	£135.65	
	Inside fitments	£344.55	£82.93	
	Maintenance & servicing	£392.40	£459.12	
	Legacy items	£8,994.90		
	<u>Total</u>		<u>£15,098.42</u>	<u>£3,478.84</u>
<u>Balance of Fund at 31st</u>				
<u>Dec</u>	Held in Nat West a/c	£0.00	£5,648.97	
	Held in CCLA a/c	£1,909.32	£2,114.03	
	<u>TOTAL</u>		<u>£1,909.32</u>	<u>£7,763.00</u>

Fabric Report

Jeff Jones

2022 was not a good year for St Mary's; the very hot dry summer appeared to have a detrimental effect on the building. As the summer progressed and the clay soil below the medieval walls became depleted of moisture, it heaved and new interior plaster cracks appeared and historic cracks widened, suggesting some movement to the structure of the building. The Quinquennial Inspection in October, picked up on this, as well as pointing out a multitude of other costly issues requiring attention. Much of this necessary work, of course, had been postponed from the previous inspection in 2017, in order that all our effort could be concentrated on the huge task of building 'The Cabin.' Unfortunately, just before Christmas, when a period of severe frosty weather was followed by a rapid thaw, several pieces of mortar fell from the inside of the porch whilst the church was in use for a carol service. For safety reasons, all remaining loose masonry was removed, along with an area of loose plaster inside the church adjacent to the vestry door. Additionally, just after Christmas a piece of loose plaster fell from the ceiling in the south-west corner of the nave, which necessitated cordoning off this area. Consequently, the year finished with the prospect of the church fabric requiring serious attention in 2023.

The churchyard was again well cared for by the LOTS team (Peter Cornwell, Jeff Jones, Dave Muncey and David Morgan) with many favourable comments being made, especially when the snowdrops appeared in the spring. Also, Brian Coxall ensured that the rose garden was kept neat and tidy. The work to extend the memorial garden was carried out in the spring, so there is now provision for the interment of ashes for many years. To comply with the Wildlife Trust bronze award status, some areas of grass, nettles and cow parsley were again left uncut at certain times, to encourage spring and summer flowers and provide habitat for insect visitors.

From early December until Epiphany, stars on the tower and lychgate were illuminated and was again well received by the village community.

Safeguarding Report
Jane Muncey

The PCC have now competed and updated, where appropriate, the DBS check and safeguarding training.

Although most of the volunteer roles within St Mary's are filled by people who have held other roles in St Mary's and therefore they already have up to date DBS checks and training. When new people are recruited for roles involving children and vulnerable adults, they are asked to complete the DBS checks and to complete the safeguarding training.

The updated Action Plan is presented regularly to PCC meetings. There are currently no Urgent items on the Action Plan requiring action.

12 April 2023

The Lordsbridge Team – Report for 2023 APCM

David Newton

For much of 2022 the 'Lordsbridge Team Ministry' (The Rector and Team Vicars) was down a Team Member. The local teams in Hardwick and Dry Drayton worked hard and exceptionally well to maintain the mission and ministry of their parishes whilst in vacancy.

David Newton was legally licensed as the Team Rector in July, which enabled us to then begin to advertise for a new Team Vicar. It was an absolute joy to welcome the Rev'd Clare Coates as the Lead Minister for Caldecote with Childreley, Dry Drayton, and Hardwick in October. And she has begun her ministry amongst us with wisdom and energy.

The Team exists to enable the *support and collaboration* of the parishes. It does this in a number of ways, including but not restricted to:

- Administration and Communication. Rebecca Herrick does 15 invaluable hours for the Team. Her work supports parishes and clergy, with communications, occasional offices, fees, safeguarding and more.
- Weekly "Core" Team Meetings for the Lead Ministers, Team Support Minister, and Administrator. (Clare Coates, Charles Fraser, Becca Herrick, David Newton, Claire Robertson, and Priscilla Slusar). These provide much needed mutual support and collegiality.
- Financial cooperation – with ministry share, central administrative costs, and support for WCCYM.
- Opportunities to gather and share across the Team. For example, at Team Services (including on Zoom), at Team Chapter meetings (which in 2022 included a wonderful gathering at Dry Drayton pub in the Autumn), at Team Council, at courses and groups that run across parishes, and in many more informal ways that support one another.

Candlemass 2023

The Lordsbridge Team Council - Report for 2023 APCMs

David Newton

The Team Council met three times during 2022, with the AGM in February.

At the AGM Priscilla gave an update on the process for the appointment of the new Team Rector. Subsequently, David was interviewed as the preferred candidate and appointed in May (and instituted in July). There was also a 'round table discussion' on the Deanery Planning process. Those present were invited to consider 3 questions:

1. How does, or could, being part of the Lordsbridge Team help the parishes with
 - a. Governance
 - b. Ministry (thinking about services, outreach and discipleship)
 - c. Finance
 - d. Use and Care of our Buildings
2. Are there any struggles or challenges that come with being part of a Team Ministry?
3. What challenges do we see on the horizon for our parishes?

At the **Meeting in June** parishes shared highlights of the Jubilee weekend. The Team Vicar appointment process was decided, with the Team Council approving the decision to appoint a Team Vicar for Caldecote with Childerley, Dry Drayton and Hardwick. The Council also decided to seek Diocesan approval to become a Charitable Incorporated Organization. (Approval was not granted and the Council has stopped pursuing this end).

In **October** the council conducted a pay review of our administrator, and approved a 9% pay rise to ensure the Team pay the Living Wage. The initial Ministry Share proposal for the parishes was not voted through; Usual Sunday Attendance Figures (which feed into Ministry Share) were reviewed before a revised Ministry Share Proposal was accepted. The Council approved a Ministry Share commitment of £180,112 for the Team. The Council agreed to look into the possibility of benefice wide insurance of our church buildings to see if this might be cheaper. The Council approved Local Fee Guidance for the parishes for 2023.

Particular thanks must be given to Erica for her clear, careful and considered work as Team Treasurer.

March 2023

Bourn Deanery Synod – Summary Report for 2022

Priscilla Slusar

Meetings

Three meetings were held during the year – in March, June, and November.

Meetings were held at the following churches: SS Peter and Paul, Dry Drayton, St Mary's, Comberton and All Saints', Haslingfield. We are grateful for the hospitality that is offered at each meeting, providing refreshments and a warm welcome.

Presentations

The meetings in June and November started with a guest speaker.

In March Mrs Julie Martin, Headteacher at Barton Church of England Primary School spoke to us about the joys and challenges of leading a rural school. She illustrated her excellent talk with a power point presentation showing the school buildings and the work of the pupils.

In June Revd James Shakespeare, Vicar of St John the Evangelist in Cambridge and Bishop's Spirituality Adviser for the Diocese, talked about the central importance of prayer in our lives. He provided some practical approaches to help our prayer lives and indicated the support that is available in the Diocese.

Personnel

At the June meeting congratulations were given to Revd David Newton on his appointment as Rector of the Lordsbridge team of churches.

Prayers were offered for Revd Chris Westgarth for her ordination as priest.

Rob Hawkins and Eden Parris were welcomed – ordinands on placement with the Lordsbridge and Papworth teams respectively.

A428 Developments

Nigel Taylor presented a report at each Synod meeting, describing the development of the new housing along the A428 and considering the implications for ministry in this area. Originally the Diocese had indicated that there was likely to be a Pioneer Minister appointed to this area, but in June it was reported that Bishop's Council felt that they could no longer confirm this because of financial constraints. Concern was expressed about the significant pressure that this would place on the existing ministry teams, especially Revd Bill Miller and the team at Cambourne Church. Representation of our concern has been made to the Archdeacon. We await further information.

News from across the Deanery

At each meeting we receive a short report from each part of the Deanery – Lordsbridge, Papworth, Cambourne and WCCYM. This usually takes the form of a summary of events that have taken place since the last meeting.

At the November meeting each team presented a report which looked forward to some of the worship or ministry events that would be taking place across the Advent or Christmas season.

Deanery Development Planning

This has been a significant part of Synod discussions over the year. The process has not gone smoothly and it has proved to be a challenging issue. Unfortunately, the planned meeting with Bishop Stephen due to take place in May was postponed to June and was then cancelled.

In March the Rural Dean issued a suggested framework for discussion that could be used in parishes, with team councils, lay groups, or with clergy groups. She also followed up with meetings in a variety of contexts across the Deanery.

Over the course of the year the Diocese set out timescales and other formats for the presentation of the plan. They have also provided seminars and further support to help Deaneries complete these plans. At the time of writing, the Diocese have indicated a deadline of 31st July 2023 for completion of these plans. However, they have indicated that the plans should be working documents reflecting ongoing review and modification.

Prayer

Each meeting begins and ends with prayer, and an awareness that we are working together for the Church's mission in our parishes and our communities.

Summary report prepared by Priscilla Slusar, Rural Dean
February 2023

Electoral Roll Report

Janet Hayman

There are currently 50 people on the electoral roll.



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St Mary's Church Hardwick Accounts for 2022

Introduction to the Accounts

The accounts have been prepared by Clare Bigg on a receipts and payments basis.

The General Fund is held in Nat West Account 23839325 (sort code 600423)

The Fabric Fund is held in a CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund 614119001D. The fund is designated for major maintenance of the church building and churchyard.

The Cabin was built in 2020, and the Cabin Fund is now used for all receipts and payments relating directly to the Cabin. At present this fund is held within the Nat West account and CCLA Church of England Deposit Fund 614119002D. A separate current bank account for the Cabin may be set up in due course.

Both the deposit accounts can only be paid into or withdrawn from via the Nat West account, so all transactions have to first go through the General Fund.

Clare Bigg

23/01/23



Independent Examiner's report to the PCC of St. Mary's, Hardwick

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on pages 4 - 8 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and section 43(2) of the charities Act 1993 {'the Act'}

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirements of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulation.

Basis of this report.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Direction given by the Charities Commission under section 43(7) of the Act and to be found in the *Church Guidance*, 2006 edition, issued by the finance Division of the Archbishop's Council. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and to prepare financial statements' which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulations have not been met or
- 2 To which in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

(Signed)  ACMA

Date 7/2/2023

Notes for the PCC to accompany the accounts 2022

General Fund:

I am pleased to report that, in a difficult year, we had a deficit of less than £60. Thanks, as always, to the many people who have given generously so that the worship and work of the church can continue.

Note1: Planned Giving is slightly down this year and may need to be addressed in 2023. Many thanks to all those regular donors who are able and willing to uplift their gifts in the light of inflation. We understand that, for some, the current increase in the cost of living makes finances tight and we appreciate what they are able to give all the more.

Note 2: Now that we are back in church regularly, **plate collections** are back to a more 'normal' level. This has resulted in part in a drop in other **donations**.

Note 3: 2022 saw the return of the **fete** for the first time since 2019, with record takings.

Note 4: The ongoing **book stall** was discontinued post Covid. The **plant and produce stall** was not well used. In part this may be due to the unprecedented heat wave, or perhaps post Covid people had other things to do.

Note 5: As well as our slice of the **Ministry Share** rebate that we get as a team for meeting our commitment in full, we also had a **grant** of £600 from the Diocese to help with rising electricity costs. Most of these additional costs will come in 2023.

Note 6: This money was contributed towards the cost of our awayday to **Launde**. Amazingly, it almost exactly matched the amount that Launde Abbey charged!

Note 7: **In and Out** covers money given for a particular purpose and passed on. This year it includes £228.55 for Ukraine to add to money paid directly to the appeal, £184 for Water Aid (harvest collection) and £162 given at the Licensing service collection for the Diocesan Mission Fund.

Note 8: This is **Charitable Giving** from PCC funds. It doesn't include other giving made via In/Out or collections paid direct to the charity. Details of all charitable giving in 2022 are below.

Charity	From PCC funds	From Fabric Fund	Giving by individuals	Total	Occasion
Action Aid	£120			£120	
Lisa Kent Trust	£200			£200	
Water Aid	£184		£184	£368	Harvest
Wintercomfort	£75	£75		£150	Carol service and Christmas Tree Festival
Children's Society	£60			£60	Christingle
Diocesan Mission			£162	£162	Licensing
Ukraine Appeal			£2261	£2261	Coffee Morning
TOTAL				£3321	

Note 9: The **Ministry Share** is our contribution towards the cost of the Lordsbridge clergy (including pensions, housing etc) plus the Diocesan offices which support the parishes. This increases yearly above the rate of inflation to slowly reduce the subsidy which we currently benefit from. So far, we have met in full the amount requested.

Note 10: **Rector's expenses** are small, since Clare has only been in post a short while, and December expenses are always included in the following year. Next year's budget for this will be £1200.

Note 11: **Families work** includes expenditure on Wild Church, Sunday Club, Tuesday Toddlers and Summer Afternoons. In particular this year we bought the chest of drawers for storage of kit, and restarted our subscription to Roots which provides ideas and lesson plans for Sunday Club. These expenses are offset by donations from the families.

Note 12: **Insurance** costs are now divided 50-50 between the church and Cabin.

Note 13: **Electricity** is also divided 50-50 between church and Cabin. The increased bills have not made a significant impact on the 2022 accounts. The December bill was an eye-watering £548 (after a small government discount) but this will form part of the 2023 accounts. Need to remember that December is always significantly more than other winter months.

Note 14: **Misc** expenditure was our share of the cost of the team vicar advert. Money well spent!

Note 15: In addition to December **cheques not cashed**, there were 3 cheques from the summer uncleared: 1768 for £25.02, 1786 for £14 and 1787 for £40.

FABRIC FUND

Huge thanks to the Events Committee and donors who have increased the fund by over £5,400 to £18,500+. We are going to need it! Discussions about fundraising for the church restoration project will need to be a significant part of 2023.

CABIN FUND

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ST MARY'S CHURCH HARDWICK

Financial Statement for the year ending 31st Dec 2022GENERAL FUND

	<u>Balance at 1st Jan</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	Held in Nat west a/c	7838.28	6620.35
	Held in cash	254.56	130.71
	Less uncleared cheques	-790.98	-1234.31
	Total	7301.86	5516.75
Code	<u>RECEIPTS</u>		
	Planned Giving via Parish Giving Scheme	11766.06	12362.47
1+2	Other Planned Giving (note 1)	4185.00	4330.00
3	Open Plate Collections (note 2)	1050.24	355.75
4	Donations	674.83	2679.79
6	Gift Aid Recovered	4120.00	4237.38
9	Fete or Garden Safari takings (note 3)	2645.61	1192.91
	Book and plant stalls (note 4)	5.00	936.74
11	Wedding and Funeral fees	3862.00	3555.50
13	Parish Share rebate & grant (note 5)	858.32	488.48
	Families Work	831.21	515.23
	Launde trip (note 6)	570.00	
	In and Out (note 7)	574.55	3182.01
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	31142.82	33836.26
	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
11	W and F fees to Ely etc	2074.00	1811.00
17	Cost of events	196.64	116.73
18	Charitable Giving (note 8)	639.00	277.32
19	Ministry Share (note 9)	21162.94	20602.23
21	Rector's Expenses (note 10)	31.78	278.82
21	Secretary's Expenses	1213.80	1030.92
21	Curate's Expenses		464.68
22	Adult Outreach Resources	238.30	117.96
22	Families work (note 11)	882.17	234.16
22	YouthMinistry	381.73	378.18
23	Pastoral costs	0.00	171.05
23	Insurance, fire etc (note 12)	1744.78	1802.48
23	Ministry & services costs	266.87	191.68
23	Churchyard costs	81.22	87.32
23	Music & Licences	254.89	165.00
23	Electricity (church) (note 13)	757.09	634.61
	Misc (note 14)	126.45	505.00
	Launde (note 6)	574.49	
25	In and Out (note 7)	574.55	3182.01
	TOTAL	31200.70	32051.15
	Balance at 31st Dec		
	Held in Nat west a/c	7367.17	7838.28
	Held in Cabin Fund CCLA a/c	708.45	
	Held in cash	251.83	254.56
	Less uncleared cheques (note 15)	-1083.47	-790.98
	Total	7243.98	7301.86

Financial Statement for the Cabin Running Fund 2022

			<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
<u>Balance of fund at 1st Jan</u>	Held in Nat West a/c	£5,648.97	£3,292.16	
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	<u>Total</u>		<u>£7,763.00</u>	<u>£3,292.16</u>
<u>Receipts</u>	Tfer from Comm Hall Fund		£3,404.78	
	Rental Income	£6,949.00	£3,502.50	
	Bank interest	£8.37		
	Donations & Gift Aid	£2,292.00	£1,042.40	
	<u>Total</u>		<u>£9,249.37</u>	<u>£7,949.68</u>
<u>Payments</u>	Fees & Licences	£283.80	£302.59	
	Insurance & fire	£1,196.36	£503.52	
	Utilities	£757.05	£634.60	
	Cleaner	£1,556.00	£1,224.00	
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	Legacy items	£8,994.90		
	<u>Total</u>		<u>£15,098.42</u>	<u>£3,478.84</u>
<u>Balance of Fund at 31st Dec</u>	Held in Nat West a/c	£0.00	£5,648.97	
	Held in CCLA a/c	£1,913.95	£2,114.03	
	<u>TOTAL</u>		<u>£1,913.95</u>	<u>£7,763.00</u>

Financial statement for the FABRIC FUND for 2022

		<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>	
<u>Balance of Fund at 1st Jan</u>	Invested in CCLA a/c	£10,765.80	£10,760.19	
	held in Nat West a/c	£2,296.13	£1,348.35	
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>£13,061.93</u>	<u>£12,108.54</u>	
<u>Receipts</u>				
	Donations	£1,791.00	£282.40	
	Fundraising (see table below)	£3,654.08	£702.28	
	Interest	£192.44	£5.61	
	Gift Aid	£327.50	£38.10	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>£5,965.02</u>	<u>£1,028.39</u>	
<u>Payments</u>				
	Memorial garden extension	£360.00		
	Donation to Wintercomfort	£75.00	£75.00	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>£435.00</u>	<u>£75.00</u>	
<u>Balance of Fund at 31st Dec</u>	Invested in CCLA a/c	£18,484.24	£10,765.80	
	Held in Nat West a/c	£107.71	£2,296.13	
		<u>£18,591.95</u>	<u>£13,061.93</u>	
<u>Fundraising money designated to Fabric Fund</u>				
	Takings	Expenses	PROFIT	
		deducted		
June	Jubilee Supper	£790.00	£233.29	£556.71
July	Safari Supper	£510.00	£102.66	£407.34
Oct	Harvest	£949.00	£258.04	£690.96
Oct	Giant book sale	£972.22	£6.42	£965.80
Nov	Quiz	£922.50	£197.22	£725.28
Dec	Xmas tree festiv	£373.33	£146.11	£227.22
	Easy Fundraising	£80.77		£80.77
	<u>Total</u>	<u>£4,597.82</u>	<u>£943.74</u>	<u>£3,654.08</u>

ANNUAL RECONCILIATION WITH NAT WEST BANK (GENERAL FUND)

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Cash at 1st Jan	254.56	130.71
Bank at 1st Jan	15783.38	21979.15
Less holding for FF at 1st Jan	-2296.13	-1348.35
Less holding for Comm Hall Fund at 1st Jan	0.00	-10718.29
Less holding for Cabin fund 1st Jan	-5648.97	-3292.16
Excess Receipts over payments	-57.88	1785.11
Cheques from last year now cleared	-790.98	-1234.31
Cheques from this year not cleared	1083.47	790.98
Held for Fabric Fund 31st Dec	107.71	2296.13
Held for Cabin fund Dec 31st	-708.45	5648.97
Total	<u>7726.71</u>	<u>16037.94</u>
Cash at 31st Dec	251.83	254.56
Bank at 31st Dec	7474.88	15783.38
Total	<u>7726.71</u>	<u>16037.94</u>

Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st Dec

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Nat West current a/c	£7,474.88	£15,783.38
CCLA Fabric Fund	£18,484.24	£10,765.80
CCLA Sunday School Fund (aka Cabin fund)	£2,622.40	£2,114.03
Cash in hand	£251.83	£254.56
Uncleared cheques	-£1,083.47	-£790.98
Total	<u>£27,749.88</u>	<u>£28,126.79</u>
 Fabric Fund	 £18,591.95	 £13,061.93
Cabin Fund	£1,913.95	£7,763.00
General Fund	£7,243.98	£7,301.86
TOTAL	<u>£27,749.88</u>	<u>£28,126.79</u>

Independent Examiner's report to the PCC of St. Mary's, Hardwick

This report on the financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2022, which are set out on pages 4 - 8 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and section 43(2) of the charities Act 1993 {'the Act'}

Respective responsibilities of the PCC and the examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirements of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulation.

Basis of this report.

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Direction given by the Charities Commission under section 43(7) of the Act and to be found in the *Church Guidance*, 2006 edition, issued by the finance Division of the Archbishop's Council. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning 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 view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention.

- 1 which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act, and to prepare financial statements' which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and Regulations have not been met or
- 2 To which in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the account to be reached.

(Signed)  ACMA

Date 7/2/2023