



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st January 2023 To 31st December 2023

Charity name: Berwick St John PCC

Charity registration number: 1190646

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The charity is the Parochial Church Council of Berwick St John.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector The Revd Dr Ruth Howlett-Shipley in promoting in the ecclesiastical Parish and is responsible for the maintenance of the Church and Churchyard at Berwick St John.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The PCC have considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit and in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. To facilitate this work it is important that we maintain the fabric of the Church and the Churchyard.

Achievements and Performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	We have continued the work of the Church in the parish of Berwick St John. Services are held on at least three Sundays each month. Services are conducted by both members of the Clergy Team as well as by lay members of the Church. The continuation of regular worship in an historic church in a small village is extremely important, as are the main festivals of Christmas and Easter. Weddings, baptisms and funerals of people in the village is extremely important. In addition, the Trustees have maintained the fabric of the Church and have started works of enhancement in the Churchyard.
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Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Total receipts on unrestricted funds were £28556 and restricted funds £17866 as shown in the accounts.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Its PCC policy to maintain a balance of unrestricted funds of £15000. The restricted funds balance is for the general maintenance of the Church and curtilage.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	Unrestricted £27989, restricted £35527 restricted investments £223862

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Berwick St John PCC
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1190646
Charity's principal address	The Old Rectory Berwick St John Shaftesbury SP7 0EY


Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)	
1	Rev Dr Ruth Howlett-Shipley	Chair	6 January 2023 (date of appointment)		
2	Lord Mark Bridges KCVO	Treasurer Trustee			
3	Philip Gready	Trustee			
4	Rosa Denton	Trustee			
5	Jonathan Dyer	Trustee			
6	Lady Angela Bridges	Trustee			

Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Lord Mark Thomas Bridges	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	13 August 2024	



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Berwick St John PCC

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start
01/01/2023

To

Period end date
31/12/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	11,709	4,000	-	15,709	33,719
Gift aid rebate	3,309	3,858	-	7,167	2,968
Fees	1,681	-	-	1,681	954
Lent project	-	-	-	-	-
Talks program	-	-	-	-	-
Interest	662	419	-	1,081	253
Fete	9,474	-	-	9,474	10,987
Shopping recoveries	-	-	-	-	-
Giffard	-	-	-	-	-
Harvest supper	534	-	-	534	-
Dividends	-	6,119	-	6,119	6,085
Miscellaneous	1,187	3,470	-	4,657	-
VAT recovered	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	28,556	17,866	-	46,422	54,966
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	28,556	17,866	-	46,422	54,966
A3 Payments					
Shopping	-	-	-	-	-
Salisbury DBF	15,102	-	-	15,102	14,662
CV Benefice	2,496	-	-	2,496	2,060
Insurance	3,473	-	-	3,473	3,510
Donations	2,648	-	-	2,648	1,779
Water	254	-	-	254	247
Electricity	-	-	-	-	1,299
Harvest Super	-	-	-	-	14
Visiting Clergy	500	-	-	500	300
Fees	650	-	-	650	812
hblend	-	-	-	-	-
Building works	-	13,930	-	13,930	-
Coronation	500	-	-	-	-
Churchyard	-	-	-	-	18,953
Miscellaneous	1,383	-	-	1,383	1,409
Sub total	27,006	13,930	-	40,436	45,045
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	27,006	13,930	-	40,436	45,045
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,550	3,936	-	3,936	9,921
A5 Transfers between funds					
A6 Cash funds last year end	26,439	31,591	-	58,030	48,109
Cash funds this year end	27,989	35,527	-	63,516	58,030

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

Categories

B1 Cash funds

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
Current Ac	3,363		
Savings Ac	12,362		
Appeal Ac		21,510	
Guwy Ac		14,017	
CCLA	12,102		
Total cash funds	27,827	35,527	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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Unrestricted funds
to nearest £Restricted funds
to nearest £Endowment funds
to nearest £

B2 Other monetary assets

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

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
9903 Income shares C of E investment fund	Restricted	223,862	183,000
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

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

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature

Print Name

Date of approval

Signed electronically

Mark Bridges
Angela Bridges

Signed electronically



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Berwick St John PCC

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1190646

Set out on pages

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Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31st December 2023.

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: ELECTRONICALLY

Date: 03/06/2024

Name: Adrian Thompson

Address: 18-20 High Street

Shaftesbury

Dorset

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

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose