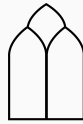
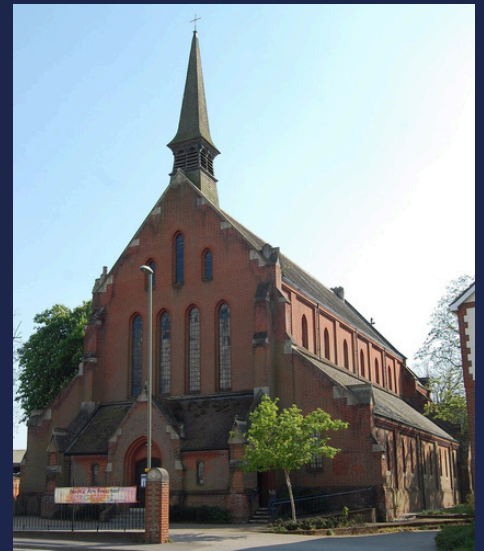
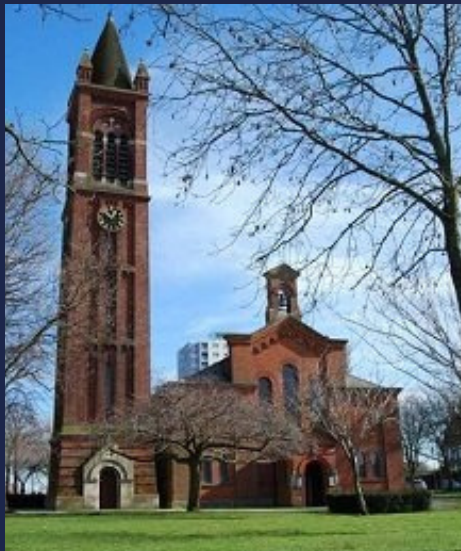


THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING



HAVEN CHURCH GOSPORT (Formerly Gosport South PCC)

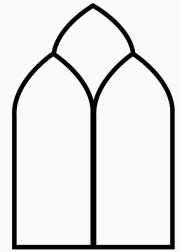
MONDAY 20TH MAY 2024
HELD AT CHRIST CHURCH FROM 7PM



ONE CHURCH | THREE LOCATIONS



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HAVEN CHURCH GOSPORT

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Monday 20th May 2024

Agenda

1. Opening Prayer
2. Changes to Electoral Roll
3. Annual report on PCC activities
4. Safeguarding
5. Financial statement for the year ending 31 December 2023
6. Election of independent examiners/auditors
7. Fabric Report
8. Deanery Synod Report
9. Election of Churchwardens
10. Election of PCC members
11. Election of Deanery Synod Representatives
12. AOB
13. Closing Prayer

Administrative Information

Christ Church is situated on Stoke Road, Gosport. It is part of the Diocese of Portsmouth within the Church of England. The correspondence address is Stoke Road, Gosport PO12 1JQ.

Holy Trinity Church is situated in Trinity Green, Gosport. It is part of the Diocese of Portsmouth within the Church of England. The correspondence address is Trinity Green, Gosport PO12 1HL.

Saint John's is situated on Forton Road, Gosport. It is part of the Diocese of Portsmouth within the Church of England. The correspondence address is 133-141 Forton Road, Gosport PO12 4TQ.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. The PCC is excepted by order from registering with the Charity Commission.

Chair: Rev. Ray Driscoll

Team Priest-in-charge: Rev. Ray Driscoll

Team Vicar: Fr. Godfrey Chigumira

Pioneer Minister: Matt Gatt

Church Wardens: Jo Snape, Glyn Wright

PCC Representatives: Karen Angel, Pat Hewitt, James Howe, Jan McNally, Shelagh Perch, Helen Reeves, Phil Reeves, Patricia Spragg

Deanery Synod Representatives: Dawn Bradshaw, Michelle Bunter, Peter Darcy, Mary Hearn, Jack McDonald

Diocesan Synod Representatives: Peter Darcy, Ann Wood

PCC Treasurer: Amelia Somerset

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Anna Mellers

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representative Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Electoral Roll Officers Report

I have requested from each church that according to procedure they should notify any amendments to the electoral roll in preparation for the Parish APCM. There were some amendments and additions to both Christ Church and Holy Trinity electoral roll.

I therefore provide the following details of the electoral roll numbers as follows:

Church	No. on Electoral Roll
Christ Church	182
Holy Trinity	73
Total	255

The above numbers are broken down as follows:

Breakdown of Numbers	
Within the Parish	92
Outside of the Parish	163
Newly Registered	27

IJenny Darcy
Electoral Roll Officer
Haven Church Gosport
7 May 2024

Activity Reports

Haven Church PCC

The PCC takes the lead in carrying out the mission of the church – the whole church. Working alongside and supporting the clergy, pastoral care, telling the story of faith, social action and co-operation with churches of other denominations all fall within its remit. In many ways it is the PCC that shapes the health of the church.

PCCs are legal entities and are governed by two pieces of Church of England legislation, called Measures. These are the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956, which defines its principal functions, and the Church Representation Rules.

The key work of the PCC in the year following our last APCM was to seek to draw the parish closer together and to get a greater clarity and vision on income and expenditure. The PCC established a number of sub-committees to enable this; Finance, Safeguarding, Pastoral Care and Mission, alongside our District Church Councils (DCCs) who help to aid the smooth operation of each church. The biggest and most significant piece of work was the rebranding of the parish, which oversaw the development of the brand, relaunching of the website and renaming of the parish to Haven Church Gosport. A huge thank you to our PCC, Deanery Synod Members, Treasurer and Church Wardens for playing their part in the PCC this year.

Celebrating Christ Church Life

It has been a wonderful year at Christ Church. The 09:30 and 11:00 services have grown numerically, and relationships between the congregations continue to deepen.

The 09:30 averages 35-40 each week, is traditional in style and follows the liturgical calendar. We have had a number of new readers, sidesmen and intercessors come forward to use their gifts.

The 11:00 is now averaging 145-160 each week, with 40-50 children attending Haven Kids church.

This year we started a new service at 16:00 called The Four, which reaches 30-40 people each week. This is aimed at families who are not normally in

church. This includes songs, a short talk and a craft, and is followed by a meal. A highlight was the attendance of the Archbishop of Canterbury, who joined in with all the dance moves and answered questions from the children, which included “what does an Archbishop actually do?”

We enjoy good partnerships with the two local schools, Haselworth and Newtown, and the church has functioned as a host for festival services and celebrations. We enjoy leading weekly acts of worship in the schools with this being a key strategic partnership through which new people come into the life of the church community.

The church continues to be busy during the week, with Tots and Toddlers, Kitchen Table, Life Groups, Alcoholics Anonymous, Lunch Club, Heart for Hospitality and many other church groups and community organisations using the space. We continue to be a key part of the Stoke Road Community, as a venue and contributing to the planning of events.

The Christ Church family is beautifully diverse in every sense, with a hardworking and generous ethos that makes us an imaginative, loving and dynamic community.

A huge thank you to all those who contribute to the services, events and initiatives at Christ Church and to every one of you who serves, supports and helps to make this church family what it is!

Rev. Ray Driscoll



Celebrating Holy Trinity Life

As a young boy, I sometimes went to a local river with friends and watched it flow after heavy rains had fallen. The flow would become consistent and steady after a few days, and we would often feel like going in for a swim. But wiser and older companions would warn us: though on the surface the flow of the water seemed slow, underneath the current was too strong and too fast for anyone to swim safely in the river. On the surface, there seem to be only little and slow changes at Trinity at the moment. But when one looks closer, actually there have been quite a few changes, some evolutionary and others transitional.

I think the new Church Warden has done a wonderful job of working with the parish and with Holy Trinity in the past year. From the moment she took up the role she was confronted by a lot that needed doing, much more than any one person could do. She quickly managed to build small teams to work with, and I think she has done pretty well in that regard. It has been good to see so many people willing to work with her and support her in her work.

It has been great to see people bring themselves forward voluntarily whenever a request has been made for helpers. The more hands there have been to carry out various tasks, such as reading, leading intercessions, serving within Mass, and arranging the flowers, the merrier it has been to do it with them.

The number of attendees at Holy Trinity has remained at about 50, which could give the impression of a church bent on maintaining what is already there and not seeking growth. However, that view could change when one looks at the number of new attendees. A good proportion of the congregation on a Sunday only started coming to Holy Trinity less than two years ago. This became demonstrable recently when rehearsals for Good Friday were taking place. Except for the clergy, all the main readers of the Passion Gospel, about eight of them, were relatively new to Holy Trinity.

This, however, also means there is a good number of people who have stopped coming regularly. Some stopped attending due to ill health and loss of capacity to travel without assistance. A few of our regular church attendees have also been promoted to glory in the past year. As the

number of those who stay at home and those who spend time in hospitals has increased, our pastoral outreach to them has become more important. The introduction of Anna Chaplaincy could not have happened at a better time. Mother Margaret is doing a fantastic job of reaching out to all those in need of pastoral visits. We thank Mother Margaret for the wonderful work she is doing.

The live streaming of our Sunday services, while it only reaches a few dozen people, is also proving to be of importance to those few for their worship and helps them remain in touch with the church. Some of the beneficiaries of the live streaming had been lifelong church attendees and being able to worship on a Sunday through livestreaming matters to them a lot.

I have often spoken of an invisible and impenetrable wall between Holy Trinity church and its neighbourhood. We have for a long time struggled to build a meaningful relationship with those who live around our church building. I believe the wall is now showing signs of stress and cracking. It has not begun to crumble yet, but the cracking lines are opening. A few positive and forward-looking meetings have taken place with some leaders of those who live in the towers around Trinity, and I am now going into all the towers for pastoral visits. Those I visit are still very few, and most of them are not ready to relate to the church yet. Some of the negative views of the church by its neighbours seem to be softening a little as we invite them to some of our church events and allow them some space for socialising within the church building. There is some random mulling about attending church. A lot of work still needs to be done, but at least doors are beginning to open.



I would like to thank everyone in our Holy Trinity church family. It has been amazing how we have worked together and have been there for one another in the past year. We are only a small church family, and that means everyone hugely counts. Each one's contribution and support is very important. I am sure we would all like to continue in this spirit as we reach out and work for the present and future of the church.

Fr. Godfrey Chigumira

Celebrating Saint John's Life

Christmas was a great start for exploring what ministry could look like at Saint John's! We held Beers and Carols on the 10th of December with 124 people in attendance, notably the event ran effectively with the help of Louis Crowe & the Quay West team.

Haven Youth has had a stop start year with significant changes to staff and volunteers. However, we have now recruited a volunteer team to enable us to run youth alpha weekly through the summer term.

We will be starting to run a youth drop-in weekly on Tuesday afternoons in partnership with Saint John's Arts, who recently received a new grant of £50,000 from the Arts Council England. The grant will enable Saint John's Arts to continue offering an art provision in partnership with the Gosport and Fareham Multi Academy Trust (GFM). The prayer is that this will be another avenue of creativity that will burst into life here at Saint John's.

Matt has begun working with St Vincent's college to re-establish the college pastors program in the summer term and has also been engaged by the music department about future opportunities to collaborate.

Young Adults ministry launched at Saint John's, with our first social on the 25th of February with 18 Young Adults in attendance. There will be a monthly social event now ongoing. 'The Six', a service for Youth and Young Adults was soft launched at Saint Johns on the 14th of April, this is the beginning of what we pray will be an intentional act of worship for youth, young adults and creatives in the coming years!

Saint John's has undergone some building work since Christmas. We have had a new fuse board and full main church electrics to ensure that our space is safe and compliant. Our café space has had a full makeover with

a new bespoke bar which was built by a local carpenter and with new lighting installed. And finally, the building is now watertight! A roof survey was undertaken where several broken tiles were found at the front of the church around the spire, which have subsequently been replaced.

My thanks to all who have been involved at Saint John's and for those who continue with us. Please be praying for Saint John's as we continue to explore what the next phase of ministry looks like here on Forton Road!

Matt Gatt



Civic Ministry

The time between the death of Queen Elizabeth II (8 September 2022) and the coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camila (6 May 2023) was very important for Holy Trinity as a civic church. When the Queen died, not only did the church offer itself as a place where people could pray and grieve, but it also played an important role in the diocese as one of the few churches where the civic memorial service for the Queen could be officially held. When the coronation of the King happened in May last year, there was a celebration of that coronation at Holy Trinity a few days later. It was like a reconvening of civic dignitaries who had attended the memorial service for the Queen. Many of the dignitaries had already met at the same venue and already knew one another well. They also knew us from Trinity just as we knew them. This made the chatting easier and often enabled the conversations to go deeper.

Not long after, on Saturday the 20th of May, it was quite a spectacle to witness huge numbers of people who were drawn to Holy Trinity Church by the Marine Festival. The whole place was busy – inside the church, up in the Capper Room, and outside on the church and council grounds. The festival left the Trinity folks wondering for the right reasons, if the communication was right, as on this occasion it was not possible to draw droves of people into the church at any one time.

Towards the end of the year was the Winter Fair at Holy Trinity on the 2nd of December 2023. By then there was a new mayor for Gosport, Councillor Martin Pepper, who officially opened the event. While the Fair was itself a success, the first of its kind after the pandemic at Trinity, it was interesting that the mayor and his party stayed for most of the fair duration, mingling and chatting with all present. Not long after, on the 10th of December, we had the mayor and many dignitaries again at the annual civic carol service, which again went well.

While every year there are a few civic events to look forward to, the events themselves are far too few and far too spaced apart to form a basis for a pastoral relationship that grows and matures. The events seem to enable a momentary assemblance and celebration, without giving much room for relational and spiritual growth of those who gather. It is in that context that Trinity of late has very gladly enjoyed the presence of some young families working in the armed forces within its main Sunday services. It may be too early to celebrate this, but there are some positive signs that in the future, Trinity could have some young families connected to the armed forces as part of its worshipping community.

Fr. Godfrey Chigumira

All groups and ministries were invited to complete a report. What follows are those received.

Alpha - Wednesdays | 19:30 | Christ Church

We ran three alpha courses in the Spring, Summer and Autumn of 2023. Alpha provides a safe space for people to explore the Christian faith by listening to a short talk, discussion and a meal.



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Rev. Ray Driscoll

Choir - Thursdays | 18:00 | & | Sundays | 09:30 | Christ Church

Firstly I would like to officially thank the choir for leading the singing at the 09:30 Sunday Service during this reporting year. We may be small in number, but are a very dedicated group of people turning up every week to sing. The aim of the choir is to try to enhance the worship experience of the congregation by leading the singing of the hymns.

Unfortunately, Amy left the choir during this year but I would personally like to add my thanks for her contribution to the group. I would also like to thank Tim who joined us this year, for providing both piano musical accompaniment and for singing with the choir. It is much appreciated by both the choir and congregation for all his efforts.



Tim has been able to develop his traditional music knowledge, as he came to us with no background in this area.

Highlights of the year has been combining with the Worship Band musicians for a special service at Christmas and singing carols outside for a Stoke Road Christmas Event.

The challenge ahead is to encourage more volunteers to join the choir. We are a very friendly group who meet up on a Thursday evening to practice Sunday's music and have a hot drink and conversation. All are welcome.

Nicky Hayden

Haven Kids - Sundays | 11:00 | Christ Church

Haven Kids continues to be very busy. We have seen up to 50 children on our busiest Sunday although usually that number is closer to 40.

On site at our Christ Church location we have a busy baby room for those too little to leave their parents, and a 3-8 year olds group in the Parish Hall which hosts around 20 children. The 9-11 year olds still hire out a hall at the Methodist Church on Stoke Road and we have around 10 children in that group. The groups are fun and the children are growing in their Bible knowledge and relationships with God.

We also hire an additional room for Haven Youth, our over 12 year olds, which has seen a growth in numbers in recent months of around 10 or more children. We have an amazing team on volunteers who love seeing these children grow and are needing to recruit more volunteers to cover all the groups of children but this is a good problem to have!

Anna Mellers



Haven Tots and Toddlers - Mondays | 10-11:30 | Christ Church

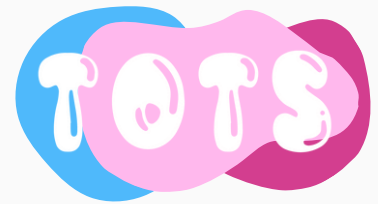
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Huge thanks to the amazing team who run Tots and Toddlers with me, they are so welcoming! We are starting to see families attend some of our church services due to friendships made at this group, and also families coming from Kitchen Table into Tots and Toddlers.

Anna Mellers



Heart 4 Hospitality - Sundays (monthly) | 13:00 | Christ Church

We have progressed in many ways and thankfully we are now officially under the cover of Haven Church. Because of this, we are able to have safeguarding and other possibly needed qualifications for our volunteers put in place. This is not only for our volunteers but also to ensure our guests safety. Our previously carefully drawn up codes of conduct and safety policies, have not been updated and brought in line with the latest policies.

We have had to alter our hospitality meal to welcoming only adults eighteen and above, as we were having families with children turn up, some of which were from the local Hostels. This was due to Safeguarding rules and volubility of some of our guests.

We have also found an increase in the number of guests and have had to impress on them that it is a good idea to get there on time. As we never know how many are likely to turn up. Guests numbers can vary from twenty two to twenty eight. We do our best to cater for thirty, as then some guests can request seconds, which is hard to gauge in case someone turns up late. We also like to offer take away meals to some people due to various reasons, such as feeling uncomfortable eating at a community meal. On occasion we have run out of food but thankfully we are now aware of need, and have managed to rustle up something. One time we had to ask permission to raid the Kitchen Table freezer for two beef burgers, so we owe them!

We offer our guests one main meal, mainly meat and vegetables but also a vegetarian equivalent, and two types of puddings, one of which is always supplied by Carol Brownlow, one of our faithful supporters.

We really could not do without the loyal support of our Gosport Voluntary Action group. Who set the tables and lay them out, welcome guests by signing them in and offering them a cold or hot drink, serving all our guests with their meals and refreshments at the tables. Also they are a great help in carrying in all the necessary food stuff and bottles of juice as well as the boxes of clothes and toiletries that are on offer free to our guests. Ann and Tessa serve in the Hammond room, distributing the clothes and toiletries which has proved very helpful. The clothing has been kindly donated but obviously not the toiletries, which can be quite expensive.

A few of our guests have asked about our church services even though it is not our policy to talk about our faith unless we are asked for information by our guests. I am happy to say that I am aware that a few have started attending the 11:00 service. We also feel it is very important that some of our team have time to sit and have a meal with our guests and to be able to chat. A guest will on occasion have a worrying situation and need more guidance than we can give, as none of us are qualified in that way, however we can offer help by signposting them to the professional help they may need. We have had one lovely experience with one of our guests who we have known for a long time that has been fighting addiction. We have given our support to this guest as best we can when they attended our meals and they have reached a turning point and have started to look really well. We hope and pray they are on the road to total recovery.

We are lucky that among our team we have a very good listener, Jo, who has a gentle way about her and is able to show empathy and understanding to some of our very vulnerable guests. We are not social workers, that is not our role, but we are a ministry and we offer our best to anybody who comes to our meals who may need a little more than a good meal, such as company, a good chat, sharing a joke and a good time.

I would like to finish on this lovely prayer, given to me by Ann Wood.

....John Wesley's Rule:

Do all the good you can
By all the means you can

In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
To all the people you can
As long as ever you can

So anything we can do to help our neighbours in the name of 'Our Lord Jesus' never say can't!

Jan MacNally

Life Groups - Various days, times and locations

Groups have been a part of the life of our churches for some time but this year there has been a particular focus upon investing in our groups vision. Life Groups are a place where members of Haven Church can meet midweek in homes or church buildings for the purpose of community, communion, and commission. By this, we mean that groups are a place where we can grow in friendship, share food and be vulnerable; where we can seek God and pray for one another, and where we explore and act upon our call to serve our local community.

At the time of writing, 105 church members are part of the various groups that meet across the parish and we would love for this number to continue increasing. Additionally, while numbers can be a useful metric, the thing to be celebrated most is the strength of relationships that we have seen built through Life Groups and how often group members have rallied around one another in hard times. Our Life Groups wonderfully reflect the diversity of our parish individuals from a range of church traditions, backgrounds and life stages coming together.

Life Groups would also not be possible without our amazing group leaders. With this in mind, I would love to extend a huge thank you to Dave & Liz Briggs, Jonnie & Karen Angel, Helen & Phil Reeves, Simon & Carol Collyer, Esther Kemp, Kaitlan McDonald, and Dave Palmer (who runs our Men's Group). I look forward to the future of Life Groups at Haven Church, hopefully growing in number but, most importantly, growing more in love with Jesus as we journey together and seek God's Kingdom in our town.

Jack McDonald

Lent - Christ Church

At our Christ Church location we have taken a holistic approach to Lent, engaging with the period, and the amazing opportunity to press into Jesus that it presents, on Sunday mornings, in our Life Groups and on our social media. All of this was centred around our preaching series in the 11:00 service, called 'The Kingdom Way.' In this series we worked through each of Jesus' Beatitudes, considering how they offer us a different way of living than the world does and being challenged to take up this counter-cultural way of life, just as Jesus did by heading to the desert to fast. Each week, a social media video accompanied our preaching series, with these videos exploring a spiritual discipline that related to that week's Beatitude. Our Life Groups also engaged with a video series on the Beatitudes when they gathered midweek.

Jack McDonald

Love Christmas 2023 - Christ Church and Holy Trinity

Our Life Group meet on a Thursday evening at Holy Trinity Church, we focused Love Christmas 2023 on the surrounding neighbourhood. We raised funds through our church and in partnership with Love Your Neighbour to purchase over 80 bags of love including snacks and sweet treats, supplied by the wonderful P&Js Cash and Carry. We had fun packing the bags at Christ Church on a Saturday morning. The team spent a few hours after church delivering the bags, we had such positive responses from those we delivered to. Thank you to all who got involved, we blessed the community and in turn were blessed!

Karen Angel



Lunch Club - First Tuesday | 11:30 | Christ Church

The lunch club is going very well, we normally have 25-30 people attending on the first Tuesday of every month. There are four volunteers, who run and organise the lunch: Patricia and John Spragg, with John and me, hard work but very rewarding. We have managed to keep our prices at £3.50 per head, we also hold a small raffle which helps with the costs.

At Christmas, we serve a full Christmas dinner, with Christmas pudding to following, we usually have a small glass of sherry as everyone arrives. We have been able up to now to buy everyone a small Christmas present. Twice a year we have an Afternoon Tea, it tastes just as nice at 12:00 lunchtime.

Who attends our Lunch Club: we have people from Christ Church, Holy Trinity, Saint John's and quite a few from the community, which is exactly what we wanted, our churches and the community joining together.

Pat Hewitt

Mother's Union - Third Tuesday | 14:00 | Christ Church

In Haven Church the Mothers' Union Branch meet in the church rooms on the third Tuesday of the month and St Mary's, Alverstoke branch join us.

Mothers' Union is an Anglican Organisation that is world-wide. It is to be found in 84 countries.

The Mothers' Union movement began in 1876. Mary Sumner, the wife of a rector in Alresford, Hampshire, set up a group to support mothers of all kinds in bringing up their children. After delivering a speech in 1885 to churchgoing women at the Portsmouth Church Congress, she inspired many of them to go back to their parishes and set up similar groups. Many of the groups in Portsmouth Diocese are the oldest in the world. The central London Headquarters of Mothers' Union world-wide resides at Mary Sumner House and run our campaigns such as Activism against Domestic Abuse, Modern Day Slavery and Literacy world-wide.

In 2023 we had a mixture of speakers and Bible based activities and fun. In January, we received a talk about Metamorphosis, a course Mothers' Union runs to encourage members to change and look outwards to community and inwards to church.



In February was Pancake Day and in March we had a speaker. We had a meeting with poetry and hymns for Easter in April. We had a speaker from the Fareham and Gosport Food Bank which members from Haven Church support very generously.

There was no meeting in August but there was an AFIA day (Away From It All) for mothers and children in the Refuges in the diocese, at Lee-on-the-Solent, hosted by St. Faith's Mothers' Union, great fun was had by all, but the weather was not so good. AFIA is a Mothers' Union project which is run throughout the country by various dioceses wherein we are able to provide holidays for families who otherwise would not be able to afford one.

We had a garden party on 9th August, Mary Sumner Day, but no formal meeting. An Advent service and a meeting of Carols and Poetry and Christmas Cake ended the year. Please speak to me if you would like to know more about the organisation.

Elizabeth Groves



The Four - Sundays | 16:00 | Christ Church

The Four has been a steady service of around 30 people. We have some regular families who have never been to church before, and a few families who also come to our 11:00 service. The service itself has seen a few changes as we learn the needs of the community it serves and invite people who have never been to church before. The highlight of this year had to be the Archbishop of Canterbury visiting the service in October, who joined in with dancing to My Lighthouse and answering the childrens' questions!

Anna Mellers



Schools Ministry

Over the past year we have been regularly going into three schools in the Parish, having the privilege of telling approx. 1,000 children a week that they are loved by God. We have a time of sung worship, followed by a short video and a talk on various bible stories, which encourages lots of questions and answers. The impact of having such a good relationship with the schools is being recognised as a friendly face wherever we go, but also the children feel so confident coming into our church buildings for our events or services which is lovely to see. Father Godfrey and I visit St. John's School once a week each for collective worship, and Godfrey also visits individual classes. I visit Haselworth school for their assembly, and also myself and Ray deliver Newtown school's Collective Worship every week. They are all fantastic schools who welcome us in and we enjoy meeting with them all plus hosting them when they visit us for special event services.

Anna Mellers

Vista

Vista Portsmouth was established 3 years ago; this year's funding allowed them to branch out into the Isle of Wight and to Gosport.

In February of this year, I was appointed as the project manager of the new branch of Vista here in Gosport.

Vista offers support to women who are involved in the sex industry. We visit massage parlours as well as communicating with women who sell sex via online platforms. We are there to give a listening ear and to offer a hopeful view of the future where women are seeking change in their lives.

Through advocacy, signposting and referrals, we offer to help women find routes out of prostitution and into alternative employment. Our experience shows that women wanting to exit the sex industry often face a number of barriers such as housing, financial need and safety issues and that consistent non-judgmental emotional support from someone who will walk alongside is key in overcoming these barriers.

We seek to demonstrate God's unconditional love in practical ways and to communicate to women that they are of great value.

I have spent the last few months raising two teams of volunteers – a prayer team and an outreach team.

The prayer team meet weekly to cover the ministry with prayer, and to seek God's guidance.

The outreach team are being equipped to do parlour outreach.

This week we have appointed a part time outreach worker.

I'm excited to see what God has in store for Vista Gosport.

Karen Angel

PCC and Annual Church Parochial Council Report for Safeguarding

April 2023

Since the last meeting, the Parish has been working with the recruited Safeguarding Team, all responsible for their locations. Anna Mellers at Christ Church, Jo Snape at Holy Trinity and Matt Gatt takes over from Chris Toms at St Johns. This works well, as we are all able to keep an eye on our individual locations and can update our own Safeguarding Dashboards.

We have been working with the newly launched 'Safeguarding Hub' which has been a fantastic addition to helping us keep record of our safer recruitment. We will be continuing with adding to this system and updating all the DBS and training requirements. My job this term is to review the training needs and ensure everything is logged correctly.

Overall I am pleased to report that as a parish we are very good at safer recruitment and being aware of our church's needs, especially as we are such a busy parish!

In regard to Emily Hassan, she has needed to take a step back from the admin side of the Safeguarding due to a new job role, and although she is a welcome help on the end of the phone, she has passed the parish lead onto myself, Anna Mellers. We thank her for her dedication and hard work she has put into keeping the Parish safe for all.

Anna Mellers

Fabric Reports

Christ Church

Christ Church remains a busy church. Sunday sees between 30 and 40 at the 9.30 service, around 140 adults and 40 children at 11a.m. and several families at the 4pm Family Service.

The church plays host to many activities including Tots on a Monday morning with 40 children and 40 adults, AA on Tuesdays, a said communion on Wednesday morning with Alpha in the evening and occasional big events. This brings many challenges when trying to keep the church a clean, tidy and functional space. A bi-monthly cleaning day is held in addition to the ongoing maintenance. The carpet has been professionally cleaned in the last six months at a cost of £756.

There have been many changes to the fabric since the last APCM. Changes include:

- The electrics and sound system have had two updates. Adam Kemp has tried to tidy some of the wiring installed in 2021. Adam has also rewired the drum cage into its new position. Noise Boys, a Surrey company, was employed to install further speakers, a screen in each side aisle and further update to the sound system.
- The need to cut the cost of printing has resulted in the use of the screen for the 9.30 service – all words are now displayed on the screen.
- The growth of the worship team has meant that the stage has had to be extended significantly resulting in less seating area for services and less area for Tots and other activities.
- The drum cage has been enlarged and moved onto the new stage area resulting in half the choir stalls being obscured and 30% of the new stage area being used.
- The number of pews in the Sedgewick aisle has been reduced to five from seven. The PCC has agreed to all the pews and the 'monk's table' eventually going to enhance the atmosphere and ambience at St John's. Eventually more seating will be purchased to replace the 40-seat capacity of the pews.
- Outside, Rob Crowe has carried out much maintenance to the broken guttering. This should reduce the amount of damp and

ingress particularly in the south aisle and the sanctum. He has identified several maintenance jobs, and he is going to submit a quote for the work.

The quinquennial inspection was carried out in February, and we are waiting for the report. Verbal feedback included the need to address the pointing and there was some concern about health and safety issues in regard to the wiring.

Since the 2023 APCM Christ Church has continued to provide a focus for **Stoke Road** activities. Two art and craft fairs, three Big Quizzes, a big event in September and Christmas activities. The church and centre have also provided a venue for Stoke Road meetings.

Decorating is still required in the **vestry and sanctum**. The SDF bid does not allow for the purchase of materials for this. The **baby room**, which also is a room for the choir to robe up, continues to be used extensively on a Sunday morning for parents with babies, for Connect group meetings and a store for the huge amount of equipment needed for Tots on Monday morning.

The **Lady Chapel** provides a calm and quiet area for private prayer and contemplation. The large black boxing for the sound system wires has been opened up during the last adaptations to the sound system. A second-hand smaller box has been acquired and the wiring is going to be rehoused. This will mean that the Lady Chapel will look tidier and can be used more frequently.

Outside **the garden** now includes an arbour and bench at the far end. Several plants have been put in, many of them sponsored or in memory of people. It has provided a good backdrop to a few wedding photos!

The **Church Centre** continues to be well used for many church and wider community events including Kids church on a Sunday morning, The Kitchen Table on a Monday, a monthly Hearts for Hospitality meal, a monthly Lunch Club, dance groups, parties, support groups and business meetings. The centre continues to be well maintained and managed by John and Pat Hewitt.

Glyn Wright

Holy Trinity

Since my last report Holy Trinity our congregation continues to welcome new people to its number since December including people returning to church having come back to live in the area, and some new to church worship all together. Unfortunately we have also lost 3 of our regular worshipers who passed away just before Christmas, may they rest in peace and rise in glory.

We continue to open the church on Wednesday and Saturday mornings for local people and congregational members to “pop in” for quiet contemplation and prayer or just a chat.

In regard to the fabric of the building the following information has been extracted from the recent Fabric Report made to the DCC by Peter Darcy:

Following a meeting with the Archdeacon the problem with the windows in the Capper Room and other inner deterioration has been explored. An initial discussion with David Cain (Diocesan Building Officer), informed us that in order to apply for grants and financial help we must enlist the help of Fiona Hudd (Architect) to draw up an accurate specification for the work needed. We contacted Fiona Hudd at Radley House Group and discussed the need for an accurate estimate for the works including professional fees, both prior to and during works. She has advised the fee cost, as being:

- £600 plus VAT for the initial drawing up of the schedule of works need prior to being able to apply for grant funding.
- Management of the project will be in the order of a further £600 plus VAT.

The initial £600 will need to be paid by the Parish and which can, hopefully, be recovered via the grant funding.

It should be noted that the situation in the Capper Room is slowly becoming more serious with new cracks and falling brick dust being much greater than previously reported. As the Capper Room provides the only function room capable of holding 40 – 60 people and which is used not only for after service refreshments but also as a venue for meetings of local residents and other organisations which pay fees for its use and therefore provide an income, it also enables us to have social

events both for the congregations and local residents. Without attention the room will become unusable and restrict our ability to provide such amenities.

David Cain has said once we get to grant application stage he and his department will be pleased to give us every assistance.

The loose and missing brickwork at the rear of the church is being constantly monitored. To date there are a few more bricks missing, which is providing roost ledges for pigeons perched on the dome area and in the cavities of the missing brickwork and which is causing further loss of brickwork. The Council do not provide pest control for pigeons and therefore we have approached a recommended registered Pest Control firm to provide a quotation which will be submitted to the PCC for approval

The light and emergency lighting has malfunctioned in the dark corridor adjoining the organ to the flower room as this is accessed on a regular basis the lack of lighting presented a high risk in terms of potential injury due to uneven flooring not being seen in the dark and therefore was replaced on Thursday 29 February.

All statutory and legal inspections have been carried out as required and records regarding the fabric of the building and health and safety are all fully up to date, and PAT Testing has been carried out with all appliances successfully been approved.

Holy Trinity provided several successful events over the course of the last 3 months including:

- Boxes of Loving Kindness were given out before Christmas and were welcomed by many residents in the local tower blocks.
- The Pancake Event held on 13 February was a great success with over 30 people attending despite the weather, more than half of whom came from the local residences. Everyone enjoyed the event and Fr Godfrey has received some useful feedback which we will use in the organisation of future events planned this year.
- We continue to host regular successful musical events through the Tea time and lunch time concerts with donations received going to the preservation, repair and maintenance of the Handle Organ. We have also paid for the tuning of the two pianos (which are used both for concerts and some services) using the Organ and Arts Fund.

- Plans are being put in place for an Easter Parade and Egg Hunt on 31 March 2024 and a Summer Fayre on 1 June. Other social events are planned including an early St Georges Bangers and Mash Supper with Quiz open to all.

We have had a good result using the CollectTin, with steady growth of donations using this technology and ensure that it is visible during services and available for attendees at weddings, Baptisms and Funerals where appropriate.

The congregation have had a mixed reception of the new “signs” and we are having issues with the “Flags” that should be erected outside the Church. These have very heavy bases which are too heavy to move safely, are unstable in high winds and cause restricted access for disabled worshipers when parking outside the church. We are looking at how these might be made more movable and safer to move using a trolley like mechanism.

Saint John's

Saint John's has seen many changes since the last APCM with the front area being repainted, the café bar has been embellished using dismantled pews for the bar top, repaired panelling for the front of the bar and other wooden embellishments. New furniture and lighting have been added to make it a more welcoming and stylish area. It is hoped that it will become an important hub for young people, especially for those between 16 and 35. This will help with the planned social and service sessions.

Outside gutters and downpipes have been cleared, Rob Crowe has used a cherry picker to mend the roof. Louis, of Quay West, has cleaned the outside of the church and tried to keep the foliage down and the flower borders tended to make it an attractive building to come into. Quay West remains the main tenant and uses the nave, Lady Chapel, Chancel, Vestry and corridor areas.

The **loft spaces**, which were cleared eighteen months ago now require further work. There are many robes stored up there and in the vestry corridor cupboard. These have been checked against the terrier. All plate has also been checked against the terrier and precious items are stored

in the safe and less precious items are stored in a cupboard or have been repurposed in the front café.

The **quinquennial report** was two years overdue but has now been carried out by the architect, Julian Vallis of Vallis and Hall. Checking against the previous report much of the actions and work have not yet been carried out which has compromised the structure of the building. This includes pointing that is missing or, even worse, has been poorly repaired with concrete.

The **grounds** have been partially cleared with the broken metal shed being emptied and removed by a local contractor. Some weeds remain and there needs to be some ongoing work to clear overgrown shrubs and the odd sapling growing near the foundations. Several trees have preservation orders and there are live badger setts cross the area behind the church. This may have compromised plans to build in the area behind the church.

Early indications are that the quinquennial report will show the need to carry out running repairs outside the church, mostly repointing and replacing crumbling masonry and inside the church, namely refreshing the Lady Chapel to make a more usable space.

Glyn Wright

Deanery Synod Report

The most recent Synod was hosted by St. Faith's Lee-on-the-Solent.

ITEM 1 - The Synod commenced at 7pm with Holy Communion led by Rev. Dr. Paul Chamberlain.

ITEM 2 - Following Holy Communion, refreshments were served

ITEM 3 – the Synod commenced with a welcome and apologies. Although the House of Laity was quorate, the House of Clergy was not as it requires 3 members to be present and there were only 2. Therefore no decisions could be taken at the meeting.

ITEM 4 - Kathryn Percival, the Archdeacon of the Meon was welcomed to the meeting. The Archdeacon spoke about her history and her role as Archdeacon of the Meon.

ITEM 5 - The minutes of the of the last meeting – Monday 17th July 2023 – were accepted, but can't be approved as this meeting was not quorate. Matters Arising – the current Deanery Plan had been circulated.

ITEM 6 - Peter Darcy, Deanery Treasurer then gave a report on Deanery Finances. Currently has a small adequate bank account with little outgoings. Peter confirmed that the monies could only be spent to benefit the whole Deanery and not just one parish.

The Archdeacon confirmed that she is discussing funding with the Deans in terms of where the funds come from and how they can be spent.

ITEM 7 – The recent Diocesan Synod was discussed and questions were answered by the members of the Synod.

ITEM 8 – We discussed the Deanery Plan and progress. Alverstoke PCC are working on updating their part of the Deanery Plan. The other 3 parishes/benefices are working on updating their parts of the Deanery Plan.

ITEM 9 - There was no other business to be discussed.

ITEM 10 - News was received from Parishes within the Deanery.

ITEM 11 - Closing prayers

Peter Darcy

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL
PARISH OF GOSPORT SOUTH
PCC & Annual Church Parochial Council**

(charity number: 1199183)

REPORT AND UNAUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

Trustee Report

Date: 02 April 2024

Charitable Number: 1199183

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Trustees: Rev Raymond Driscoll (Chair)
Rev Godfrey Chigmura
Mrs Joanne Snape
Mrs Glynnis Wright
Mrs Karen Angel
Mr Phillip Reeves
Mrs Helen Reeves
Mrs Janet MacNally
Mrs Patricia Hewitt
Mrs Patricia Spragg
Mr James Howe

We are a parish of three beautiful churches. St John's, Forton Road, Holy Trinity, Trinity Green and Christ Church, Stoke Road in Gosport. Our primary goal is the advancement of religion. The Parochial Church Council is the governing body of a parish church. It includes the clergy, the churchwardens and members elected at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. It will typically meet four times a year to discuss and decide on things affecting the parish.

The parish of Gosport South is committed to playing its part in seeing people who aren't currently going to church discover a church and a faith that is accessible and relevant to them. We want to see the church alive and thriving, full of people, worshipping Jesus, encountering the Holy Spirit and being a point of contact for the community. We are committed to serving our community especially; the poor, the lonely, the homeless and the addicted. We believe that a healthy, loving, supported and worshipping community is the foundation of our vision and each one of our church communities has a unique part to play in achieving our vision.

We provide a range of worshipping opportunities as we are a liturgically diverse parish with a mixed ecology of worship and we value the breadth of our worshipping communities. We run faith based courses, such as Alpha, along with a number of groups and activities centred around faith and discipleship. We've seen significant numerical growth in the number of people attending services over recent years.

We offer a range of activities that benefit our town including toddler groups, youth groups, concerts, primary school assemblies. Several community organisations use our buildings, including residents associations, Alcoholics Anonymous, keep fit and dance groups.



REV. RAY DRISCOLL
04/04/2024

Financial Review

In the year to the end of December 2023 Gosport South PCC raised total income of £248k against total expenditure of £221k. Unrestricted funds ended the year on £50k. Restricted funds totalled £72k at the year end. Please see the financial statements following this report for the details behind these figures.

Future Plans

The Charity plans on continuing the activities outlined above in the forthcoming years subject to satisfactory funding arrangements.

Reserves policy

It is the aim of the trustees to hold a balance of 3 months of expenditure for free (i.e. unrestricted) reserves, which would indicate a target on net current assets of £33k. At the end of 2023 the balance on free reserves came to £40k representing 3.6 months of unrestricted expenditure. The reserves are therefore sufficient for the current unrestricted spending but will be monitored to ensure this remains.

Statement of Responsibilities of Trustees

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and the United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP).

The Charities Act requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the surplus or deficiency for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- observe the methods and principles in the charities SORP
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parochial Church Council of The Ecclesiastical Parish of Gosport South for the year ended 31 December 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 19.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

I report in respect of my examination of the Trustee'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 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

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



C J Goodhead FCA

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4 April 2024

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023
(Including Income and Expenditure Account)

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£	£
INCOME						
Voluntary income	3	105,734	95,561	-	201,295	139,565
Charitable activities	4	38,723	1,666	-	40,389	28,419
Other income		4,849	0	-	4,849	6,043
Investment income		292	1,010	-	1,302	504
Net assets gifted from CC, HT, SJ		-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		149,598	98,237	-	247,835	174,531
EXPENDITURE						
Charitable activities	5	132,087	88,812	-	220,899	236,755
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		132,087	88,812	-	220,899	236,755
NET INCOME FOR YEAR BEFORE TRANSFERS		17,511	9,425	-	26,936	(62,224)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		(3,512)	3,512	-	-	-
NET INCOME FOR YEAR AFTER TRANSFERS		13,999	12,937	-	26,936	(62,224)
GAIN ON INVESTMENTS		-	239	598	837	(635)
FUND BALANCES AT 1 JANUARY 2023		36,239	59,257	12,105	107,601	170,460
FUND BALANCES AT 31 DECEMBER 2023		50,238	72,433	12,703	135,374	107,601

This statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

Charity number: 1199183

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible Assets	8	-	4,560
Investments	9	10,020	9,183
		<u>10,020</u>	<u>13,743</u>
Current Assets			
Debtors	10	70,103	9,150
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>64,892</u>	<u>89,208</u>
Creditors			
Amounts falling due in one year	11	<u>(9,642)</u>	<u>(4,500)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		125,354	93,858
NET ASSETS	14	<u><u>135,374</u></u>	<u><u>107,601</u></u>
FUNDS			
Endowment Funds	12	12,703	12,105
Restricted Funds	12	72,433	59,257
Designated Funds	13	10,711	10,711
Unrestricted funds	13	39,527	25,528
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>135,374</u></u>	<u><u>107,601</u></u>

Approved by the trustees on and signed on their behalf by

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, the Charities Act 2011 and the Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (effective January 2019).

Gosport South meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

The accounts have been prepared on the going concern basis. There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

b) Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are funds that are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the charity for particular purposes.

The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

c) Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Investment income is included when receivable.
- Charitable activities income is accounted for when earned.

d) Expenditure

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Expenditure is not netted off against related income and is shown inclusive of VAT which cannot be reclaimed. Charitable expenditure comprises of those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

All costs are allocated between the expenditure categories of the Statement of Financial Activities on a basis designed to reflect the use of the resource. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly.

e) Fixed assets

Additions and improvements to the rented church premises are written off as incurred.

Expenditure on movable church furnishings and other functional equipment is capitalised where the cost exceeds £2,000. Equipment is depreciated on a straight line basis over 5 years.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

2 ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The charity is unincorporated and registered as a charity on 6 June 2022 with the Charity Commission. It's registration number is 1199183. The charity is a public benefit entity. The registered address of the charity is St John's Church, Forton Road, Gosport, PO12 4TQ.

3 VOLUNTARY INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 £	2022 £
Donations	67,645	91,913	159,558	123,424
Gift aid recoverable	22,703	-	22,703	-
Collections	15,091	2,977	18,068	15,141
Donations from organisations	295	671	966	1,000
Giving from Harbour	-	-	-	-
	105,734	95,561	201,295	139,565

4 CHARITABLE INCOME

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2023 £	2022 £
Wedding and funeral fees	6,503	1,666	8,169	8,671
Events	-	-	-	3,940
Hire income	29,036	-	29,036	15,488
Coffee income	3,184	-	3,184	320
	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME	38,723	1,666	40,389	28,419

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

5 EXPENDITURE

Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2023	2022
	£	£	£	£
Worship	4,331	3,770	8,101	27,039
Leadership development	-	1,720	1,720	4,629
Publications & Printing	3,206	265	3,471	1,742
Pastoral	122	194	316	219
Community	3,036	2,709	5,745	13
Youth	377	-	377	681
Travel	407	1,692	2,099	1,374
Owned and leased facilities	4,683	16,474	21,157	14,956
Hospitality	914	303	1,217	1,139
Parish Share	15,000	-	15,000	5,000
Heat and Light	36,427	-	36,427	21,954
Insurance	9,777	-	9,777	6,474
Parochial fees	4,010	3,903	7,913	-
Office costs	6,864	13,550	20,414	10,024
Altar expenses	-	-	-	990
Rates and water	4,150	-	4,150	1,283
Church outreach	-	-	-	15,289
Missions	779	7,496	8,275	3,498
Bank charges	186	-	186	141
Repairs and maintenance	17,207	15,254	32,461	96,115
Staff costs	12,267	17,084	29,351	15,168
Legal and professional services	-	-	-	600
Accounting and bookkeeping	510	3,360	2,850	3,112
Coffee Hub expenses	89	-	89	1,519
Depreciation	960	-	960	1,440
Loss on sale of asset	2,600	-	2,600	-
Sundry	5,205	1,038	6,243	2,356
			-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	132,087	88,812	220,899	236,755

Included within accounting and bookkeeping, is £720 (2022: £1,500) payable to the independent examiners.

6 ANALYSIS OF GRANTS

Grant payments of £1,000 or more to charitable institutions were as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Harbour Church	-	-

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

7 STAFF COSTS AND RELATED PARTIES

In 2022 and until August 2023 SDF staff roles were paid through Harbour church and reimbursed directly, Gosport South PCC did not incur any costs in this respect.

From September 2023 onwards, Staff were paid by Gosport South. Costs incurred directly since September 2023 are reported in these financial statements.

No employees earned more than £60,000 during this or the prior year.

During the year the average number of employees was four.

STAFF COSTS	2023	2022
Wages and salaries	24,574	-
Social security costs	1,783	-
Employers contribution to pension	612	-
Operating costs of pension scheme	-	-
Other employee benefits	2,382	-
	<u>29,351</u>	<u>-</u>

No trustees were reimbursed expenses (2022: £268) for other costs incurred on behalf of the charity.

8 TANGIBLE ASSETS

	Coffee Van	Total
	£	£
COST		
at 1st January 2023	7,200	7,200
Additions during the year	-	-
Sale during year	(7,200)	(7,200)
At 31 December 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
DEPRECIATION		
At 1 January 2023	2,640	2,640
Charge for year (partial)	960	960
Eliminated on disposals	(3,600)	(3,600)
At 31 December 2023	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
NET BOOK VALUE		
At end of the year	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
At beginning of year	<u>4,560</u>	<u>4,560</u>

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

9 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	CCLA Investments
	£
Cost or market value of investments at 1 January 2023	9,183
Additions	-
Disposals during year	-
Gain on revaluation of investment assets	837
Cost or market value of investments at 31 December 2023	<u>10,020</u>

10 DEBTORS

	2023	2022
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	22,436	-
Other debtors	42,415	6,205
Prepayments	5,252	2,945
	<u>70,103</u>	<u>9,150</u>

11 CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other creditors	1,775	-
Accruals and deferred income	4,478	4,500
Payroll liabilities	3,389	-
	<u>9,642</u>	<u>4,500</u>

PAROCHIAL CHURCH OF GOSPORT SOUTH

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

12 RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At beginning of year	Income and gains	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	At end of year
	£	£	£	£	£
RESTRICTED FUNDS					
CC Crosses fund	61	-	-	-	61
CC Home communion sets	13	-	-	-	13
CC Organ fund	55	-	-	-	55
CC Musical instruments	180	-	(227)	47	-
HT Fabric Fund	16,210	372	-	-	16,582
HT Clock Tower Campanile	1,921	-	-	-	1,921
HT Friends of Holy Trinity	7,292	6,034	(8,935)	-	4,390
HT Church Arts Initiative	4,566	116	-	-	4,682
HT Organ Restoration	14,448	522	-	-	14,970
HT Organ Maintenance	1,118	-	-	-	1,118
All Churches Trust Coffee Van	495	-	-	-	495
St Francis Hall	2,826	239	-	-	3,065
Mrs P Brading Legacy	1,000	-	(904)	-	96
SDF Gosport	-	65,143	(66,352)	1,209	-
CRT - Ray	915	15,000	-	-	15,915
All Church Trust heating	5,600	-	-	-	5,600
Love Christmas	164	516	(699)	19	-
CRT - Klds worker	-	126	-	-	126
National Lottery - Queen's Jubilee	392	-	-	-	392
CAP	2,001	-	-	-	2,001
Kitchen Table	-	6,382	(6,045)	-	337
Hearts for Hospitality	-	671	(247)	-	423
Statutory Fees	-	1,666	(3,903)	2,237	-
Young Producers	-	1,500	(1,500)	-	-
Earthquake Syria	-	190	-	-	190
	59,257	98,476	(88,812)	3,512	72,433
ENDOWMENT FUNDS					
St John's Forton - Sturmeys Fund	12,105	598	-	-	12,703
	12,105	598	-	-	12,703

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12 RESTRICTED FUNDS continued

Christ Church Crosses Fund

Accumulated congregational donations for crosses bought for Palm Sundays.

Christ Church Home Communion Sets

Accumulated congregational donations for communion supplies.

Christ Church Organ fund

Accumulated congregational donations for organ maintenance and repairs.

Christ Church - Musical instruments

Donations to be spent on musical instruments.

Holy Trinity - Fabric fund

Represents accumulated donations and appeals for fabric maintenance.

Holy Trinity - Clock Tower Campanile

Represents accumulated donations and appeals for The Holy Trinity Clock and Campanile Restoration.

Holy Trinity - Friends of Holy Trinity

Donations from the members of The Friends of Holy Trinity Church assist in the repair, conservation and improvement of the fabric and the historically valuable artefacts of the church.

Holy Trinity - Church Arts Initiative

Represent accumulated donations and appeals for The Holy Trinity Arts Initiative Funds.

Holy Trinity - organ restoration

Represents accumulated donations and appeals for the restoration of The Holy Trinity organ, including the balance of the grant from the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Holy Trinity - organ maintenance

Represents accumulated donations and appeals for the maintenance and upkeep of Holy Trinity Organ and Pianos.

St Francis Hall

Historic St John's Forton fund from a mission cabin in the town of Gosport that was closed down and remaining funds were set aside for future missional use.

All Churches Trust coffee van

Restricted grant for the coffee van project and community outreach.

Mrs P Brading legacy

Funds for the introduction of a memorial bench.

SDF Gosport

Strategic redevelopment grant from the Church Commissioners.

CRT - Ray

Church Revitalisation Trust grant for administrative support.

All Churches Trust heating

Grant contribution to the installation of a new heating system at Christ Church.

Love Christmas

Project to supply families with Christmas Hampers, funding covered purchase of food and toys.

CRT - Kids worker

CRT kids worker - Grant towards salary costs for a Kids Worker in the parish.

National Lottery - Queen's Jubilee

Project to celebrate Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

CAP

Christians against Poverty – funds to support provision of CAP services in the parish.

St John's Forton - Sturmev Endowment Fund

Bequests received by St John's Forton.

Kitchen Table

Community project to provide food to local families to support with cost of living.

Hearts for Hospitality

Churches Together In Gosport have a heart for the homeless, the disadvantaged and the displaced, to give people hope and see people's lives transformed through hospitality.

Young Producers

Gosport Creates awarded a grant to St John's Arts to run a community mural project for young people.

Statutory Fees

Fees collected for Wedding and Funeral services on behalf of the Diocese

Earthquake Syria collection

To help with the medical supplies needed for hospitals that are overwhelmed and running low.

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13 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	At beginning of year	Income and gains	Expenditure	Transfers between funds	At end of year
	£	£	£	£	£
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS					
Christ Church - donations fund	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Christ Church - Fabric Fund	1,777	-	-	-	1,777
Holy Trinity church assets	1,037	-	-	-	1,037
St John's Forton church assets	6,897	-	-	-	6,897
	10,711	-	-	-	10,711
 General funds	 25,528	 149,598	 (132,087)	 (3,512)	 39,527
	36,239	149,598	(132,087)	(3,512)	50,238

Christ Church - donations fund

Congregational giving for worship costs.

Christ Church - Fabric fund

Congregational giving and fundraising for investment into the building.

Holy Trinity Church assets

These relate to the assets of Holy Trinity Church, gifted to the PCC, together with income and expenditure attributed to that particular church for 2021.

St John's Forton Church assets

These relate to the assets of St John's Forton, gifted to the PCC, together with income and expenditure attributed to that particular church for 2021.

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14 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

At 31 December 2023	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted funds	Endowment funds	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	-	-	-	-
Investments	3,065	-	6,955	10,020
Current assets	73,085	56,163	5,748	134,996
Current liabilities	(3,718)	(5,924)	-	(9,642)
	<u>72,433</u>	<u>50,238</u>	<u>12,703</u>	<u>135,374</u>

At 31 December 2022	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted funds	Endowment funds	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Tangible assets	-	4,560	-	4,560
Investments	2,826	-	6,357	9,183
Current assets	56,431	36,179	5,748	98,358
Current liabilities	-	(4,500)	-	(4,500)
	<u>59,257</u>	<u>36,239</u>	<u>12,105</u>	<u>107,601</u>

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**15 PRIOR YEAR STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022
(Including Income and Expenditure Account)**

	Note	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total 2022
		£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Voluntary income		51,514	88,051	-	139,565
Charitable activities		28,419	-	-	28,419
Other income		6,043	-	-	6,043
Investment income		504	-	-	504
TOTAL INCOME		86,480	88,051	-	174,531
EXPENDITURE					
Charitable activities		138,553	98,202	-	236,755
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	3	138,553	98,202	-	236,755
NET INCOME/EXPENDITURE FOR YEAR		(52,073)	(10,151)	-	(62,224)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS		635	(392)	(243)	-
NET INCOME FOR YEAR AFTER TRANSFERS		(51,438)	(10,543)	(243)	(62,224)
GAIN ON INVESTMENTS		(635)	-	-	(635)
FUND BALANCES AT 1 JANUARY 2022		88,312	69,800	12,348	170,460
FUND BALANCES AT 31 DECEMBER 2022		36,239	59,257	12,105	107,601

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16 PRIOR YEAR FUNDS MOVEMENTS

RESTRICTED FUNDS	At beginning of period £	Income and gains £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	At end of period £
CC Crosses fund	61	-	-	-	61
CC Home Communion sets	13	-	-	-	13
CC Organ fund	55	-	-	-	55
CC Musical instruments	180	-	-	-	180
HT Fabric fund	16,210	-	-	-	16,210
HT Clock Tower Campanile	1,921	-	-	-	1,921
HT Friends of Holy Trinity	4,061	7,165	(3,934)	-	7,292
HT Church Arts Initiative	4,566	-	-	-	4,566
HT organ restoration	14,488	-	-	-	14,488
HT organ maintenance	1,118	-	-	-	1,118
All Churches Trust coffee van	2,865	-	(2,370)	-	495
St Francis Hall	3,218	-	-	(392)	2,826
Mrs P Brading legacy	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
SDF Gosport	89	53,691	(53,780)	-	-
CRT - Ray	4,395	15,000	(18,480)	-	915
All Churches Trust heating	5,600	-	-	-	5,600
LYN love Christmas	-	164	-	-	164
CRT - Kids worker	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	-
National Lottery – Queen's Jubilee	-	10,000	(9,608)	-	392
CAP	-	2,031	(30)	-	2,001
	69,800	88,051	(98,202)	(392)	59,257

ENDOWMENT FUNDS

St John's Forton - Sturmeys Fund	12,348	-	-	(243)	12,105
	12,348	-	-	(243)	12,105

UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	At beginning of period £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers between funds £	At end of period £
<i>Designated funds:</i>					
Christ Church - donations fund	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
Christ Church - Fabric fund	1,777	-	-	-	1,777
Christ Church assets	-	-	-	-	-
Holy Trinity church assets	1,037	-	-	-	1,037
St John's Forton church assets	6,897	-	-	-	6,897
St John's Forton church improvements	61,234	-	(61,234)	-	-
	71,945	-	(61,234)	-	10,711
<i>General funds</i>	16,367	85,845	(77,319)	635	25,528
	88,312	85,845	(138,553)	635	36,239