

THE PARISH OF BASINGSTOKE DOWN

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Details

Status Registered

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Registered 2023-03-10

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Activities

Objects: PROMOTING IN THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH THE WHOLE MISSION OF THE CHURCH.

Activities: Religious Activities

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Hampshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£117,423	£113,602	-	-
2023-12-31	£123,505	£125,167	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Nicola Such	Chair	2022-03-20
Andrew Mark Campbell Briggs		2023-04-30
Christopher Frank Welton		2022-03-20
Clare Elizabeth Nunn		2022-03-20
Georgina Mary Bull		2022-03-20
Hilary Marsden Nickell		2022-03-20
Jason Robert Nunn		2022-03-20
Jeannette Marie Welton		2022-03-20
Jonathan Michael Morris		2022-03-20
Laura Wilkinson		2022-03-20
Pauline Mary North		2022-03-20
Primrose May Gibson		2022-03-20
Rev Kim Pauline Robins		2022-03-20
Susan Elizabeth Hooper		2022-03-20
William David North		2022-03-20

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Accounts

The Parish of Basingstoke Down A celebration



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Annual Report and Financial Statement

Presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

11th May 2025

Statutory Annual Report 2024

Introduction

This document serves two main purposes:

- o To ensure compliance with a number of statutory statements about the organisation, life and ministry of the churches of Immanuel, Hatchwarren and Beggarwood, and St. Mark's, Kempshott, in the Parish of Basingstoke Down in 2024.
- o More importantly, it provides us with an opportunity to thank God for his goodness and for his generosity through his people as we review much of all that has happened within the parish over the last year.

Locations

The Parish has two places of worship:

- o Immanuel Church, Hatchwarren and Beggarwood, is incorporated into St. Mark's Church of England School on Danebury Road, Hatchwarren;
- o St. Mark's Church, Kempshott, is situated in Homesteads Road, Kempshott. This is the principal address of the Charity and the Parish Office is here (Homesteads Road, Kempshott, Basingstoke, RG22 5LQ).

The Parish is part of the Basingstoke Deanery of the Diocese of Winchester within the Church of England.

Charitable Status

The Parish became a Registered Charity Number 1202279 on 10th March 2023.

As a Charity, we are governed by the Parochial Church Council (PCC) Powers Measure (1956) as amended and the Church Representation Rules that came into force on 02 Jan 1957.

Our Charitable object is *promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church*. And the PCC, who are the charity's trustees, have regard for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance as this report will show.

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Leadership

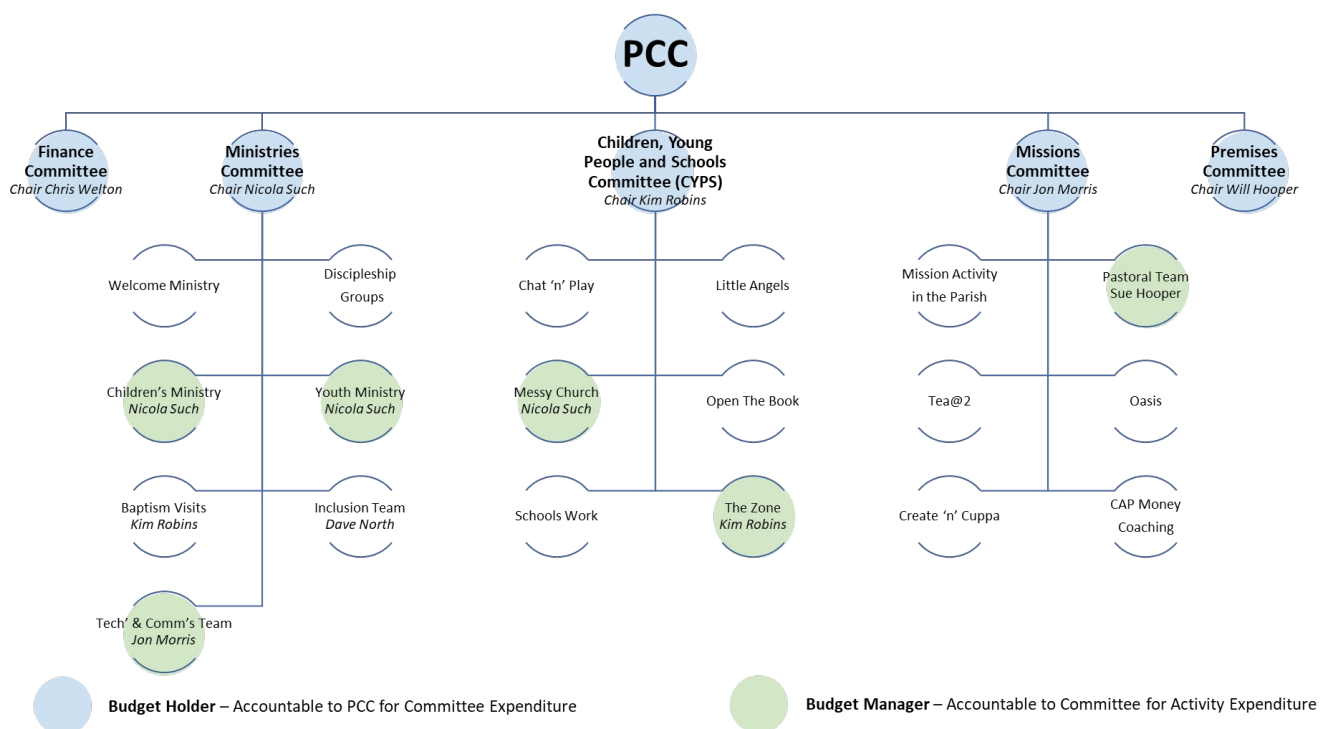
The PCC is elected from the church membership. PCC members and Deanery Synod Representatives serve for a period of three years before requiring re-election. Churchwardens are elected each year. The Vicar, Churchwardens, and Deanery Synod Representatives automatically serve on the PCC and since 2011 LLM (Readers) should they so wish. Currently our LLM serves. The role of Treasurer is held by one of our Churchwardens, assisted by a member of the PCC.

The PCC has appointed a Safeguarding Officer who ensures that any person coming into close contact with Children or Vulnerable Adults has a current "volunteer contract" and DBS check for such purpose. In this way the PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

The PCC is required to meet at least four times a year to discuss the business of the parish and work of the church. If need be, a Standing Committee meets between PCC meetings to progress items of business that are urgent. The Standing Committee comprises the Vicar, Churchwardens and two Lay Representatives of the PCC. The Vicar also meets from time to time with the Associate Minister, Churchwardens and the LLM for prayer and to review the pastoral, worship and business concerns of the church and parish.

The PCC has a Committee structure aligned with our Parish Mission Action Plan (pMAP). Usually committees are chaired by a member of the PCC and a proportion of their membership is from the PCC. Their minutes are circulated and received by the PCC at its meetings. The following chart shows the Committee structure.

Each Committee administers a budget on behalf of the PCC and, within the Teams that report up to the Committee, there are some Budget Managers who have an allocated budget for their activities.



<i>In 2024 the following people served on the PCC</i>	<i>Elected / Appointed</i>	<i>End of Term</i>	<i>Position</i>
Rev'd Nicola Such	-	-	Vicar
Rev'd Kim Robins	-	-	Associate Minister (ex-officio)
Dave North	-	-	Licensed Lay Minister (ex-officio)
Chris Welton	2024	2025	Churchwarden and Vice Chair
Sue Hooper	2024 2023	2025 2026	Churchwarden and Deanery Synod Representative
Pauline North	2023	2026	Deanery Synod Representative
Andy Briggs	2023	2026	Council Member
Ena Bull	2022	2025	Council Member
Clare Nunn	2023	2026	Council Member
Hilary Nickell	2024	2027	Council Member
Ian Ross	2023	-	Council Member (resigned in July)
Jason Nunn	2022	2025	Council Member
Jeannette Welton	2023	2026	Council Member
Jon Morris	2023	2026	Council Member and Vice Chair
Laura Wilkinson	2024	2027	Council Member
Primrose Gibson	2022	2025	Council Member

Review of the Year

2024 – the year that was...

It always seems strange to write a review of the previous year a quarter of the way through the next one!! Nevertheless, it's been a good excuse to look back through our newsletters and social media to help remember what we got up to... and an opportunity to thank God for so many things – not least the teamwork and the resources that have enabled us to do so much. Here's a little reminder...

Having had a little time to draw breath after the Christmas busyness we entered into in **Lent** via our Pancake Party and Lent reflections. It was great to welcome Colin Bezant on his LLM placement for a couple of months during that time... and also good to engage with thinking about racial justice during a focused service in February. Our monthly visits to Dashwood for communion and other activities have continued to be very much appreciated.

Around **Easter** we got involved in the prayer stations at St. Mark's School (and again during the autumn) alongside our own Messy Easter and Easter services and celebrations, and as we moved towards the **summer** it was wonderful to celebrate Kim's licensing as our Associate Minister as well as welcome Beka from Stop the Traffik to tell us more about their vital work.

In July our 'Big Brew' cream tea raised enough money for a new community store in Bangladesh and our Olympic themed appearance at the Hatch Warren Summer Festival hopefully raised our profile a bit in the local community. The CAP schools team were busy in even more schools running the CAP money kids course, which continues to flourish.

After the summer we looked forward to welcoming Saltmine Theatre Company for a community production and commissioned a showreel video to let people know what we're about as a parish. Thanks to Sam Weller for his work on that – it looks great! Scarecrow Alice took shape as part of our continued engagement with Dashwood care home – we came second again – and as the autumn progressed, we celebrated all things pumpkin as we reflected on God's generosity to us at our Pumpkin Party.

Saltmine's 'Red Riding Hood' message about belonging went down a treat, and it was brilliant to welcome so many families from our local community and share something of the gospel message of welcome, reconciliation and acceptance with them. With Christmas following close behind it was another chance to welcome schools for the Christmas Journey (this time with a real baby, Aria!) and a few busy weeks of Christingles, carol singing and other Christmas services.

Alongside these events a whole host of wonderful people enable our regular activities to happen – Little Angels, Chat 'n' Play, Create and Cuppa, Oasis and Tea@2, God's Gifts, TCP, as well as prayer and home groups and various short courses – thank you for your faithful service. Thanks too, to all those involved in Sunday services on various rotas.

For all the ways in which you live out your faith every day and in supporting charities and organisations locally and further afield you inspire me – and it's a privilege to continue to be your Vicar.

We give thanks for those we love and prayed for who have gone before us – this past year or so: Myrtle, Josephine, Edna, Les, Olga, Kay and more recently Jenny and Graham – as well as others known to each of us.

Looking forward...

A special thank you to the PCC and the leadership team for their support as we continue to seek to grow, care, love and share – do continue to pray for us, and particularly as I step back from ministry over the summer for some extended study leave.

With a new school opening in Hounsome Fields and with new opportunities ahead we need wisdom and a continued desire to grow as followers of Jesus ourselves as we look to share the good news in our growing parish.

Rev'd Nicola Such, Vicar

Parochial Church Council

The PCC met on 8 occasions in 2024, with an additional Standing Committee in December.

In June, following the APCM in April, we welcomed new Members to the PCC, as well as saying fond farewell to outgoing Members, additionally the PCC had one other Member leave in July.

The PCC delegates detailed work to its Committees – Ministry, Mission, Children Young People and Schools, Premises and Finance – who then bring recommendations back to PCC as well as having autonomy, within the boundaries of their Charters, to take action. The Council relies on Committees to do detailed work in their areas of focus and bring recommendations to the Council for decision making.

Our PCC agendas included recurring topics such as the Parish's finances, safeguarding, risk assessment updates and policies, as well as the progress of our Parish Mission Action Plan (pMAP).

pMap discussions were ongoing throughout the year, with a detailed discussion around communication – resulting in moving PCC minutes to a sharable digital format and producing a showreel to allow the wider community to see what our parish does.

An important recurring theme throughout the year was the Grow Course. Its intention was to support the leadership of churches in guiding the development of discipleship and growth in the church. It covered 4 modules: vocation, formation (growing disciples, evangelism and growing new leaders); mission; multiplication (planting new churches).

The PCC distilled 3 key actions from the course: building relationships in the community; growing confidence to share our faith; identifying and developing new leaders, and these were discussed on many occasions with action plans produced.

The PCC gave their blessing to Nicola's extended study leave scheduled for summer 2025, and celebrated Kim's licensing in June.

We also spent some time thanking the unsung heroes/heroines of our congregation/community for all their hard work, by way of handwritten thank you cards.

Laura Wilkinson, PCC Secretary

Deanery Synod report 2024

The Basingstoke Deanery Synod, comprising representatives from each Anglican church within the Deanery, met on four occasions during 2024.

In February, the Synod met at the Church of Christ the King, where Philip, Bishop of Winchester, shared his background and facilitated group discussions over the three themes of Healing, Heritage and Hope.

The June Synod met at St. Mary's, Eastrop, the theme being Mission and Ministry Amongst Older People. Kate Powell (Anna Chaplain team leader for Alton) told the story of Anna Chaplaincy in Alton, sharing her experience building a ministry amongst older people, growing her team and working in partnership within her local community. Synod members were then invited to join breakout group sessions covering various aspects of ministry among older people.

The Deanery Synod returned to the Church of Christ the King in August for an informal 'Summer Social', which gave members an opportunity to mingle and to hear of news and activities taking place at other churches within the Basingstoke area.

The final meeting of the year took place in October, at St. Mark's Church, following the theme of 'Net Zero: Towards a More Sustainable Church'. Sam Scott, Winchester Diocesan Environment Officer, spoke of Mission Creation Care being a way to find common ground with other community groups around us who are interested and care about their local area. General Synod and our Diocese are committed to achieving Net Zero Carbon by 2030, with the key advice being to have a plan, enabling churches to access grants in order to help achieve this. It was recognised that within the Basingstoke Deanery, a majority of parishes, including ourselves, already have an Eco Church award.

Pauline North and Sue Hooper, Deanery Synod Representatives

Electoral Roll (Apr '25)

2025 saw a complete revision of the Electoral Roll of the Parish.

The 2024 Electoral Roll had 115 names on it, but a number of those people left the church following the 2021/2 reorganisation and their names were not removed until this revision. Two long-standing members of the Roll have passed away. A number of new people have joined the Roll.

We now have 94 names on the roll, of whom 24 live outside the Parish.

Jon Morris, Electoral Roll Officer

Fabric Report

St. Mark's Premises Committee is responsible for the upkeep of the building and the grounds, which is achieved by a variety of volunteers and paid professionals.

The committee met six times in 2024. Members during the year were Will Hooper (Retiring Chair), Tom Cawley, Nicola Such, Clare Nunn, Steve Coleman-Williams and Laurence Besemer (Incoming Chair).

The following tasks were completed

- o Fixed blocked drain in kitchen hand wash sink.
- o Replaced the soaked chip board splash back in the kitchen.
- o Built a wooden enclosure for new sound desk equipment and tidied up the wiring.
- o All new AV equipment was marked with smart water.
- o The stained carpet tiles in the Keble & Whitfield room were replaced with spares.
- o Wonky slabs by the Garden of Remembrance were lifted and re-laid.
- o Security was improved by installing external security lighting all around the building.
- o Hinged finger guards were installed on the main doors to the worship area.
- o The hinge pivot of the main entrance door was replaced.
- o Repaired the perimeter wire fence, strengthened the corner post, replaced and tensioned wire.
- o The external drain outside the kitchen and the blocked toilets were unblocked.

The Church is grateful to all those who gave of their time and skills to complete all these works in order to keep our building and grounds in good repair, ensuring the good stewardship of everything in our care.

The following tasks are outstanding as at the date of this report

- o Complete the sale of the redundant AV equipment.
- o Replace the faulty floodlights in the balcony with LED units.
- o Install a light above the external noticeboard.
- o Install TV on wall brackets in the Sumner Room and in the worship area.
- o The vestibule and corridor area need to be re-decorated and re-carpeted.
- o The fridge freezer in the Hood Room needs replacing.
- o Replace the rainwater gutters and downpipes with commercial grade materials.
- o The line of trees along the boundary of the church grounds has become overgrown and in need of pruning. Sparsholt Agricultural College has been contacted but has a two year waiting list.

One garden maintenance day took place on 24th August.

Accident Record Book

Two accidents were recorded in the ARB during 2024. Both were investigated and action taken to remedy the cause where necessary.

Quinquennial inspection

The last inspection took place in 2019. The main outstanding item requiring significant expense is the replacement of the rainwater gutters and downpipes with commercial grade materials.

The Committee has contacted our quinquennial inspector, Ryan Bunce to notify that our inspection will be delayed pending the replacement of the gutters and downpipes. Advice is also being sought on the best type of guttering to meet our main requirement of longevity.

Laurence Besemer, Chair of Premises Committee

Financial Statement for the year ending 31st December 2024

Total income from unrestricted funds for the year amounted to £114,340 (2023 £113,482). Of this £85,533 (2023 £80,223) came from giving by the congregation and Gift Aid refunds. Unfortunately, our room rent of £21,313 (2023 £26,515) was down due to the loss of one hirer. On behalf of the PCC, I would like to thank everyone who has contributed towards this higher giving figure which has enabled us to overcome the financial loss of a hirer.

Total expenses from unrestricted funds which provides Christian ministry for both churches amounted to £102,656 (2023 £104,911). Included in this amount was £54,488 (2023 £62,985) which was paid to the Diocesan Common Mission Fund (DCMF) and goes towards paying all clergy costs for the diocese. The reduction is after a major review by the diocese of their ongoing costs and like all parishes we were very grateful for the reduced figure.

There were no large financial projects undertaken in the year which required specific fundraising from the congregation. This was despite having to carry out major repairs to each of our drainage areas as the total cost, less an excess of £250, was entirely met by our insurers. We did however utilise almost all of our missions reserve by putting on a theatrical production for the local community at a cost of £2,077 and producing a Showreel of all the work carried out in the Parish at a cost of £1,380.

The parish continued with its policy of transferring 10% of its total income less its contribution to the DCMF into a designated reserve for mission which amounted to £5,364. Donations made to specific charities of £2,175 are shown in note 9. In addition, we transferred the surplus on our unrestricted funds of £6,320 to our existing fund for future repairs and building works. We also received a grant of £2,300 and raised £245 from a very enjoyable quiz evening. Both of these amounts have been allocated to a new Restricted fund for carpeting/decorating part of St. Mark's Church. At the end of December, we had a healthy bank balance of £71,395 (2023 £67,535.) and a breakdown of this figure between the various reserves is shown in the statement of assets and liabilities.

Reserves policy and future capital expenditure

In view of the healthy bank balance, together with our reliance on income from hirers, we will continue to maintain the balance held in unrestricted funds to the equivalent of three months expenditure which amounts to approximately £27,000.

The specific reasons for each of the various Designated and Restricted reserves are set out in note 2 which also shows all the movements for the year.

We are due to have our 5 year quinquennial review in 2025 and are aware that the guttering around the church will need replacing. In addition, the PCC intend to replace part of the carpeted area and paint part of the interior of the Parish Church. This will be financed by utilising as much of our designated building reserves of £14,066 and £6,626 as is necessary together with all of our Restricted carpet/decorating St. Marks reserves of £2,545.

Chris Welton (Chair of Finance Committee and Treasurer)

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Parish of Basingstoke Down

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2024.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records
2. have not been met; or
3. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Carlynn Friar



9/3/25

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Receipts and Payments Account

	Note	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Year to 31/12/24 £	Total Year to 31/12/23 £
RECEIPTS						
Voluntary receipts:						
Planned giving		63,206	0	0	63,206	59,938
Collections at services		6,738	0	0	6,738	3,447
All other giving/voluntary receipts	3	95	435	2,498	3,028	11,134
Gift Aid recovered		15,494	0	47	15,541	15,727
		<u>85,533</u>	<u>435</u>	<u>2,545</u>	<u>88,513</u>	<u>90,246</u>
Activities for generating funds	4	1,759	0	0	1,759	1,228
Church activities	5	25,596	0	103	25,699	31,158
Investment Income - Bank Interest		1,452	0	0	1,452	873
Total receipts		<u>114,340</u>	<u>435</u>	<u>2,648</u>	<u>117,423</u>	<u>123,505</u>
PAYMENTS						
Church activities:						
Diocesan parish contribution		54,488	2,985	0	57,473	60,000
Clergy and staffing costs	6	21,069	0	0	21,069	19,216
Charitable expenses	7	26,400	4,413	1,373	32,186	42,185
Governance Costs	8	360	0	0	360	403
Mission giving and donations	9	0	2,175	0	2,175	2,625
		<u>102,317</u>	<u>9,573</u>	<u>1,373</u>	<u>113,263</u>	<u>124,429</u>
Costs of generating funds	10	339	0	0	339	738
Total payments		<u>102,656</u>	<u>9,573</u>	<u>1,373</u>	<u>113,602</u>	<u>125,167</u>
Excess of Payments over Receipts			(9,138)	0	(9,138)	(1,662)
Excess of Receipts over Payments		11,684	0	1,275	12,959	0
Transfers between funds		(11,684)	11,684	0	0	0
		(0)	2,546	1,275	3,821	(1,662)
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January 2024		41,100	24,257	1,747	67,104	68,766
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December 2024		<u>41,100</u>	<u>26,803</u>	<u>3,022</u>	<u>70,925</u>	<u>67,104</u>

Statement of assets and liabilities

	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 to 31/12/24 £	Total 2023 to 31/12/23 £
Cash funds					
Bank and cash accounts	41,100	26,803	3,492	71,395	67,535
Paid/held for third parties	0	0	470	470	431
Belonging to PCC	41,100	26,803	3,022	70,925	67,104
Other monetary assets					
Gift Aid recoverable	218	0	0	218	742
Income receivable	0	0	0	0	187
Stock of bio-LPG	250	0	0	250	250
	<u>468</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>468</u>	<u>1,179</u>
Liabilities					
Payroll deductions & pension contributions	455	0	0	455	387
Utilities	339	0	0	339	293
Suppliers	0	0	0	0	286
Mission giving and outreach	0	2,934	0	2,934	3,491
	<u>794</u>	<u>2,934</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,728</u>	<u>4,457</u>

Notes

Notes						
1 The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006						
2 The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:						
	01-Jan-24	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	31-Dec-24	
Designated	£	£	£	£	£	
Repairs & refurbishment St Mark's	7,834	0	88	6,320	14,066	
Building maintenance Immanuel	3,321	0	144	0	3,177	
Major Repairs and Renewals for buildings	6,626	0	0	0	6,626	
Mission Parish of Basingstoke Down	3,491	435	6,356	5,364	2,934	
Balance of CMF 2023	2,985	0	2,985	0	0	
	<u>24,257</u>	<u>435</u>	<u>9,573</u>	<u>11,684</u>	<u>26,803</u>	
Repairs and Refurbishment St Mark's was set up in the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of St Mark's Church, Kempshott to be used for repairs to the Parish Church.						
The PCC of Basingstoke Down agreed to transfer the surplus for the year ended 31st December 2024 to this reserve to pay for quinquennial items.						
Building maintenance Immanuel was set up by the Parish of Hatch Warren and Beggarwood, to be used for repairs and improvements for Immanuel Church.						
Major Repairs and Renewals of the buildings was set up from the surplus made by the Parish of Basingstoke Down for the 10 month period ended 31st December 2022, to be used for both churches.						
Mission Parish Basingstoke Down is set up from 10% of non-restricted income less the CMF contribution paid for the period 1st October 2023 to 30th September 2024. To be spent by end of 2025 on Mission unless required for a different purpose.						
Balance of CMF was set up by the trustees when there was a sufficient surplus to pay the full request. Paid in February 2024						
	01-Jan-24	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	31-Dec-24	
Restricted	£	£	£	£	£	
Youth & children's work St Mark's school	721	0	721	0	0	
Oasis - Friendship Group	366	103	0	0	469	
Maintenance (St Mark's Garden of Remembrance)	8	0	0	0	8	
Music group St Mark's	652	0	652	0	0	
Carpets/Decorating St Marks	0	2,545	0	0	2,545	
Mission	0	0	0	0	0	
	<u>1,747</u>	<u>2,648</u>	<u>1,373</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,022</u>	
Oasis - Friendship Group, this reserve was set up in 2020 in the Parish of Hatch Warren and Beggarwood when the bank account from Hatch Warren over 50's group was paid into the Parish bank account. To be used as decided by the Oasis members.						
Maintenance (St Mark's Garden of Remembrance) to be used grave markers						
Music group St Mark's used during 2024, completion of AV upgrade.						

Notes Continued						
	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Year to to 31/12/24 £	Total Year to to 31/12/23 £	
Receipts						
3 All other giving/voluntary receipts:						
Donations	0	435	198	633	9,026	
Grants for Carpets/Decorating	0	0	2,300	2,300	0	
Grants for Outreach event	0	0	0	0	50	
Internet commission	95	0	0	95	233	
Energy grant	0	0	0	0	1,825	
	95	435	2,498	3,028	11,134	
4 Activities for generating funds:						
Events	1,138	0	0	1,138	1,109	
AV sales /Photocopier/Course Books	621	0	0	621	119	
	1,759	0	0	1,759	1,228	
5 Church activities:						
Fees for weddings and funerals	806	0	0	806	1,286	
Room & baptistry hire	21,313	0	0	21,313	26,515	
Servery	1,496	0	0	1,496	1,569	
Oasis Group	0	0	103	103	0	
Children's Activities	1,981	0	0	1,981	1,788	
	25,596	0	103	25,699	31,158	
Payments						
6 Clergy and staffing costs:						
Wages: Administrator, Cleaner	18,813	0	0	18,813	16,863	
Associate Minister & Staff expenses	621	0	0	621	1,034	
Vicar expenses	1,635	0	0	1,635	1,319	
	21,069	0	0	21,069	19,216	
7 Charity running expenses:						
Worship materials	853	0	0	853	1,340	
Tech & music group equipment, licences	2,240	0	652	2,892	2,540	
Broadband, telephone	1,221	0	0	1,221	1,151	
Office supplies and other admin	570	0	0	570	765	
Photocopier	1,363	0	0	1,363	1,343	
Insurance	1,701	0	0	1,701	1,671	
Heat, light and water	6,428	0	0	6,428	6,424	
Building & grounds maintenance	6,082	232	0	6,314	5,543	
Service charge - Immanuel	1,446	0	0	1,446	1,446	
Servery	1,240	0	0	1,240	921	
Outreach & Pastoral care	3,150	4,181	721	8,052	5,399	
Church children & youth groups	106	0	0	106	204	
	26,400	4,413	1,373	32,186	28,747	
AV Upgrade & New Projector	0	0	0	0	13,438	
	26,400	4,413	1,373	32,186	42,185	
8 Governance Costs						
Bank Charges	60	0	0	60	61	
PCC Away Day	0	0	0	0	82	
Independent Examiner	300	0	0	300	260	
	360	0	0	360	403	

Notes Continued						
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total	
	General	Designated	Funds	Year to	Year to	
	Fund	Funds		to 31/12/24	to 31/12/23	
	£	£	£	£	£	
9 Mission giving and donations:						
Compassion - general / sponsored child	0	475	0	475	1,000	
Inspiro	0	0	0	0	400	
Basingstoke Foodbank	0	300	0	300	400	
Starfish Enterprise Trust	0	300	0	300	400	
Camrose Centre Basingstoke	0	300	0	300	400	
Saltmine	0	300	0	300	0	
Mudhouse/Lily Foundation	0	500	0	500	0	
RNLI from Oasis	0	0	0	0	25	
	0	2,175	0	2,175	2,625	
10 Costs of generating funds						
Equipment / Materials	0	0	0	0	374	
Refreshments for Fundraising Activates	212	0	0	212	241	
Credit Card Charges	127	0	0	127	123	
	339	0	0	339	738	
11 Related Parties						
One trustee works as an administrator for the Parish and receives remuneration and benefits for this role						
One trustee is a trustee of Camrose Centre Basingstoke, which works to help the homeless and vulnerably housed.						
A donation was made to this charity from the mission fund.						
A number of trustees donate to the Parish.						
12 Trustees Expenses						
Some trustees are reimbursed for payments made by them on behalf of the Parish. All of these are authorised by the budget holder and are incurred wholly, exclusively and necessarily for the Parish.						

Adoption

This report was distributed to the PCC on 25-Apr-25 by email since there was no scheduled meeting. Their approval was recorded through email. Following the approval, the report was signed on behalf of the PCC by Nicola Such, Vicar.

Signed: 

THE PARISH OF BASINGSTOKE DOWN

England & Wales - Charity number 1202279

Accounts

The Parish of Basingstoke Down

A celebration



THE PARISH OF BASINGSTOKE DOWN

Annual Report and Financial Statement

Presented to the Annual Parochial Church Meeting

28th April 2024

Statutory Annual Report 2023

Introduction

This document serves two main purposes:

- o To ensure compliance with a number of statutory statements about the organisation, life and ministry of the churches of Immanuel, Hatchwarren and Beggarwood, and St. Mark's, Kempshott, in the Parish of Basingstoke Down in 2023.
- o More importantly, it provides us with an opportunity to thank God for his goodness and for his generosity through his people as we review much of all that has happened within the parish over the last year.

Locations

The Parish has two places of worship:

- o Immanuel Church, Hatchwarren and Beggarwood, is incorporated into St. Mark's Church of England School on Danebury Road, Hatchwarren;
- o St. Mark's Church, Kempshott, is situated in Homesteads Road, Kempshott. This is the principal address of the Charity and the Parish Office is here (Homesteads Road, Kempshott, Basingstoke, RG22 5LQ).

The Parish is part of the Basingstoke Deanery of the Diocese of Winchester within the Church of England.

Charitable Status

The Parish became a Registered Charity Number 1202279 on 10th March 2023.

As a Charity, we are governed by the Parochial Church Council (PCC) Powers Measure (1956) as amended and the Church Representation Rules that came into force on 02 Jan 1957.

Our Charitable object is ***promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the church***. And the PCC, who are the charity's trustees, have regard for the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance as this report will show

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Leadership

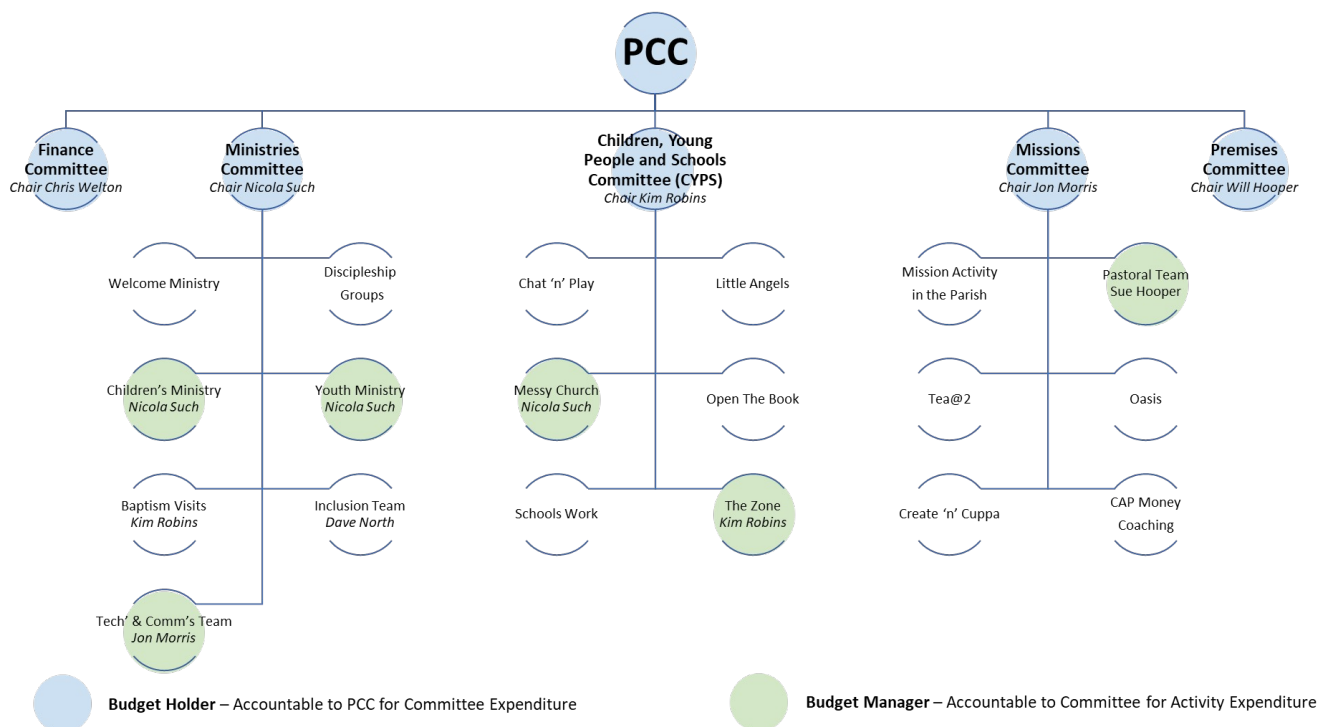
The PCC is elected from the church membership. PCC members serve for a period of three years before requiring re-election. Churchwardens and Deanery Synod Representatives are elected each year. The Vicar, Churchwardens, and Deanery Synod Representatives automatically serve on the PCC and since 2011 LLM (Readers) should they so wish. Currently all our LLMs serve. The role of Treasurer is held by one of our Churchwardens, assisted by a member of the PCC.

The PCC has appointed a Safeguarding Officer who ensures that any person coming into close contact with Children or Vulnerable Adults has a current “volunteer contract” and DBS check for such purpose. In this way the PCC has complied with the duty under section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults).

The PCC is required to meet at least four times a year to discuss the business of the parish and work of the church. If need be, a Standing Committee meets between PCC meetings to progress items of business that are urgent. The Standing Committee comprises the Vicar, Churchwardens and two Lay Representatives of the PCC. The Vicar also meets from time to time with the Churchwardens and the LLMs for prayer and to review the pastoral, worship and business concerns of the church and parish.

The PCC has a Committee structure aligned with our Parish Mission Action Plan (pMAP). Usually committees are chaired by a member of the PCC and a proportion of their membership is from the PCC. Their minutes are circulated and received by the PCC at its meetings. The following chart shows the Committee structure.

Each Committee administers a budget on behalf of the PCC and, within the Teams that report up to the Committee, there are some Budget Managers who have an allocated budget for their activities.



<i>In 2023 the following people served on the PCC</i>	<i>Elected / Appointed</i>	<i>End of Term</i>	<i>Position</i>
Rev'd Nicola Such	-	-	Vicar
Rev'd Kim Robins	2022	-	Curate (ex-officio)
Debbie Veel	2022	-	Licensed Lay Minister (ex-officio) & Deanery Synod Member – stepped down June
Dave North	2022	-	Licensed Lay Minister (ex-officio)
Chris Welton	2022	2023	Churchwarden and Vice Chair – Re-elected Churchwarden April
Clare Nunn	2022	2023	Churchwarden – Re-elected Council Member April
Pauline Pitcher	2022	2023	Deanery Synod Representative – stood down in March
Pauline North	2022	2023	Deanery Synod Representative – Re-elected April
Sue Hooper	2022	2023	Deanery Synod Representative – Re-elected Churchwarden April
Andy Briggs	2023	2026	Council Member – Elected April
Ena Bull	2022	2025	Council Member
Hilary Nickell	2022	2024	Council Member
Ian Ross	2023	2026	Council Member – Elected April
Iris Dearden	2022	2024	Council Member
Jason Nunn	2022	2025	Council Member
Jeannette Welton	2022	2023	Council Member – Re-elected April
Jon Morris	2022	2023	Council Member – Re-elected April
Laura Wilkinson	2022	2024	Council Member
Laurence Besemer	2022	-	Council Member – stood down in March
Primrose Gibson	2022	2025	Council Member
Steve Coleman-Williams	2022	-	Council Member – stood down in March
Steve Wood	2022	-	Council Member – stood down in March
Susan Hyland	2022	-	Council Member – stood down in March

Review of the Year

It seems amazing to me that it's only been our second year as a newly formed parish – and a credit to all involved that we have continued to work well together as two churches in our growing communities. As a leadership team we have begun to grapple with the opportunities that we have and the challenges we face as a committed but small group of followers in an ever-expanding area. The Grow Course (a national initiative to support church growth) has helped us to think carefully about what we do and why and how we make the best use of the resources that we have. We continue with the course into 2024.

There is much to celebrate!

To help us focus in on key goals I'm using our pMAP targets (Parish Mission Action Plan) to enable us to see where we have got to with God's help...

1. Discipleship – enabling people to live a deeper life with God in the everyday

Developing our biblical knowledge – earlier in the year we used the Bible Course in sermons and small groups to remind ourselves of God's big plan, and we continued after the summer with our sermon series on Ephesians.

Growing small groups – two of our small groups came to an end in 2023 but plans to start groups for our young people and those in their 20s have now come to fruition. We also benefited from two Pilgrim study courses.

Sharing everyday stories – it's been great to hear about the day-to-day things that people are involved in and how God is a part of these. We'd love to continue to hear people's stories as part of our Sunday services.

2. Mission to the community

Welcome activities for new housing – it was wonderful to welcome 60+ people out to our Easter Egg Hunt on Hounsome Fields on what began as a very wet day but thankfully dried up. We continue to have our welcome packs delivered as part of the moving-in process but would like to be more of a presence in these areas.

Getting to know Dashwood – we have received a warm invitation to be involved in the life of Dashwood care home since our first visit in Easter 2023. We have celebrated communion together most months, done crafts together and even won second prize for our Joseph scarecrow in their competition! I was delighted to be invited to be a judge at their Bake Off... but the highlight of our interactions was the residents' faces as they listened to the choir from Saint Mark's School sing Christmas carols for them.

Mission lunches – it's been good to hear more about some of the agencies that we support: Open the Book, Camrose Centre etc. and to pray for them and share lunch together.

3. Mission to children, young people and schools

Regular seasonal events – the Pancake Party, Messy Easter, Teddy Bear’s picnic, Light Party and Advent crafts were all popular events. We’d like to build on these by growing the relationships we have. Having additional adults to chat to the parents/grandparents is key to this and our next step.

Baptisms – we had a bumper number of baptisms and continue to work at keeping in touch with those who are not already part of our church community. It was joyful to be able to baptise Alex and Lois by full immersion too!

The Zone re-launched – it was touch and go early on with very small numbers, but Kim was determined to see the year out before deciding about its future and, late summer, it suddenly blossomed! The additional ‘God Slot’ has been going down very well too!

Schools – we have continued to be regularly involved in school services and assemblies – a special thanks to the Open the Book team – and in other school events, especially at Saint Mark’s School. We have continued to engage with Coppice Spring Academy in different ways and at Christmas were invited there to be a part of their Christmas service. The Christmas Journey was brilliant fun (as always) as we engaged children from both Kempshott Infants and Saint Mark’s in the story of the first Christmas.

Premises and Finance

Huge thanks to these teams for underpinning all that we do. A special mention to Jon, Will and Graham Wood for their work in upgrading the AV system. Thanks also to all who gave towards the ‘Jukebox Campaign’ and to those involved in organising fundraising events for it.

Another special mention to Chris and Jeannette Welton and Karen Ross who, with the support of the rest of the Finance Team, have done brilliantly finding their feet in new finance roles in 2023.

Stewardship

Your giving in its various forms remains vital to the mission and ministry of the parish and we hope that we are getting better at letting you know on a regular basis the impact that you are making through your time, gifts and money.

People

Church is the people of God and I continue to be proud of how we serve together in our parish. We gave thanks for Debbie as she left us to serve her curacy, and we’ve continued to be blessed with a committed Church Wardens team, great administrators, a fab PCC Secretary and a brilliant curate who is soon to become our Associate Minister – well done, Kim!

Thank you to everyone for the part you play in the Parish of Basingstoke Down – you are a blessing, and we pray that you will continue to bloom where you are planted!

Rev’d Nicola Such, Vicar

Parochial Church Council

The PCC met seven times during 2023, of which six were “normal” meetings and the seventh was an “away day”.

The PCC delegates detailed work to its Committees – Ministry, Mission, Children Young People and Schools, Premises and Finance – who then bring recommendations back to PCC as well as having autonomy, within the boundaries of their Charters, to take action.

Our PCC agendas included routine topics such as the Parish’s finances, our stewardship of all our resources, safeguarding, policies and the progress of our Parish Mission Action Plan (pMAP).

Bishop David joined us for our meeting in January to hear from the PCC about our experience of combining two parishes into one. It was a frank and honest meeting, from which Bishop David took our feedback to the Diocese. We hope it will help others in the future.

In May, following the APCM in April, we welcomed new Members to the PCC, as well as saying “à bientôt” to outgoing members.

An important recurring theme was hearing from the Inclusion Team and considering changes we can undertake to make the church more accessible to all.

We regularly discussed our outreach into the Parish, including offering Warm Spaces at Immanuel and Saint Mark’s as well as reaching out to newcomers to the Parish, especially in the new housing developments.

Something we have begun to contemplate is the need, at Saint Mark’s, for an accessible toilet which meets current standards, as well as issues with storage space in the building. The Premises Committee considered these issues and started a conversation about extending the building in some way to accommodate the necessary changes.

In the second half of the year, the PCC approved a fund-raising campaign to undertake a major AV upgrade at Saint Mark’s. Due to generous donations and fund raising events, the upgrade was started in September and completed in time for Christmas.

The Away Day focused on the Depth of Discipleship, our Impact in the Parish and our Capacity to do all that is in front of us. The thinking from this day can be used to guide our thinking for all that we will aim to do in the coming year.

Jon Morris, PCC Secretary

Deanery Synod report 2023

The Basingstoke Deanery Synod has met four times this year, with the July 2023 meeting being a Summer Social held at St. Paul's Church, Tadley. This gave the Synod members an opportunity to get to know one another at an informal level and to learn about the individual churches they represent.

A Synod meeting hosted by St. Michael's Church in May focused on the Church's ministry to local schools, with representatives from local churches of various denominations also attending. Ben Kautzer, Area Dean, commended some of the school's work taking place throughout the Deanery including:

- o from the Parish of Basingstoke Down, the CAP course (Christians Against Poverty) advice being given to Year 6 students,
- o the TLC (Transforming Lives for Good) initiative supporting children in Tadley Schools and in Oakley,
- o Sochi (Parish Youth Worker) facilitating groups and activities which promote the mental health and well-being of young people.

Those present were able to attend two of four available workshops, including one led by Kim on Open the Book.

The October meeting, at Christ Church, Chineham, featured representatives from the London Institute for Contemporary Christianity, facilitating members to reflect, in small groups and using a variety of scriptural texts, on 'How can we engage as Christians in our world?' and the relevance of their faith to their employment and other activities.

In February the Synod met at the church of Christ the King, on Brighton Hill, where the speaker was +Philip Mounstephen, the new bishop of Winchester. The evening consisted of shared conversations with +Philip as follows:

1. Healing: Reimagining the Culture of the Diocese
Input from +Philip
Group Conversations
Response
2. Heritage: Rediscovering the Mission, Ministry, and Purpose of Deaneries
Group Conversations
Response
Input from +Philip
3. Hope: Reaffirming the Unity of the Body of Christ in Troubled Times

Pauline North and Sue Hooper, Deanery Synod Representatives

Fabric Report

Saint Mark's Premises Committee is responsible for the upkeep of the building and the grounds, which is achieved by a variety of volunteers and paid professionals. In the last year a number of improvements have been made as well as essential maintenance and running repairs. The committee met five times.

Successes:

- The overhead glass panels in the worship area were laminated with Silver 20 to prevent broken glass falling into the worship area space in the event of the failure of a double glazed panel. This also had the benefit of reducing glare in strong sunlight.
- A new inspecting architect has been engaged. Ryan Bunce has visited the church and will carry out the next Quinquennial Inspection in 2025
- Portable Appliance Testing (PAT) of all the higher risk electrical items was completed
- Two work days were completed for gardening and other building related jobs
- A professional fire risk assessment report was received with prioritised actions
- The vermin pest control contract was extended.
- External lighting was installed over the Keble and Whitefield doors, the lock for which was converted to allow the doors to be used as a fire exit.

Challenges:

- The Premises Committee budget was significantly underspent in 2023 reflecting the difficulty of securing resources for the different jobs, both within our own congregation but also contractors / tradespersons.
- The current accessible toilet facility does not meet current requirements and there is insufficient space to accommodate it within the existing building footprint. This fact, plus the shortage of storage space and rooms for community use, has prompted a wider discussion about space utilisation and possible expansion beyond the current building footprint.
- The carpets in the vestibule and worship area need to be replaced.
- Two minor accidents were recorded.

The church is grateful to all those who gave of their time and skills to complete all these works in order to keep our building and grounds in good repair, ensuring the good stewardship of everything in our care.

Additional thanks are due to the Stratton Park Men's Shed who provided volunteers for our workdays in 2023.

Will Hooper, Chair of Premises Committee

Electoral Roll (Mar '24)

In the first Annual Report of the new Parish of Basingstoke Down our Electoral Roll numbers were 116 with 21 living outside the Parish.

Since the last report was written we have had a revision of the Electoral Roll, 1 person was added and 2 removed bringing the total to 115 with 20 living outside the Parish.

Next year will see a complete revision of the Roll

Jenny Cove, Electoral Roll Officer

Financial Statement for the year ending 31st December 2023

Total income from unrestricted funds for the year amounted to £113,482 of which £80,223 came from giving by the congregation and Gift Aid refunds. In addition, we received room rent of £26,515 which goes a considerable way to helping us cover our expenditure. Restricted donations of £8,280 plus Gift Aid of £947 recovered on these were allocated to the new projector / sound system upgrade which took place during the year.

Total Expenses from unrestricted funds which provides Christian ministry for both churches amounted to £104,911. Included in this amount was £60,000 which was paid to the Diocesan Common Mission Fund (DCMF) which goes towards paying all clergy costs for the diocese. In addition, an amount of £2,985 was transferred into a designated reserve fund, as shown in note 2, and paid to the DCMF after the year end. This resulted in us paying the full amount requested by the diocese at the start of the year. Our major item of expenditure during the year was the New Projector / Sound System upgrade at a cost of £13,438. This was financed by donations, gift aid and fund raising by the congregation of £9,227, an existing designated reserve for Tech equipment of £1,350 with the balance of £2,861 being taken from general reserves.

The result for the year in the unrestricted general fund was an excess of receipts over payments amounting to £8,571 before transfers between funds. The transfers to designated funds included £6,626 which was last year's surplus on the unrestricted general fund and has been set aside for future major building works and £5,133 for the mission fund which goes towards local charities and outreach in the community. After all the various transfers which are set out in note 2, the Parish had an excess of expenditure over income of £1,662 for the year which still left us with a healthy bank balance of £67,535. A breakdown of this figure between the various reserves is shown in the statement of assets and liabilities. The parish continued with its policy of transferring 10% of its total income less its contribution to the DCMF into a designated reserve for mission. Donations made to specific charities are shown in note 9.

Reserves policy and future capital expenditure

In view of the healthy bank balance, together with our reliance on income from hirers, the PCC agreed to increase the balance held in unrestricted funds from two months expenditure to three months. This is equivalent to £27,000. The reasons for each of the various Designated and Restricted reserves are set out in note 2.

The PCC are currently considering spending money to replace the carpet and paint the interior of the Parish Church at a cost of approximately £23,500. We have very recently received a grant of £2,300 and also have an offer of a grant amounting to £5,000 towards this. We are actively looking to obtain further grants. We will utilise some of our designated reserve of £7,834 and £6,626 towards the cost of this depending on the level of grants we are able to obtain together with potential contributions from the congregation.

We are continuing to research the possibility of improving the toilet facilities particularly for users with disabilities as well as looking at providing extra storage space. This may necessitate extra building work but we would need to undertake some major additional fund raising if we needed to do this.

Chris Welton

Chris Welton – Treasurer

Date *14th March 2024*

Independent Examiner's Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the members/trustees of The Parish of Basingstoke Down.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Independent Examiner

As trustees of the charity, the members of the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

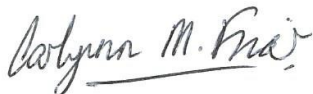
Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
 - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting recordshave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Carlynn M Friar
10 Burrowfields
Basingstoke
Hampshire

30/3/2024

date

Receipts and Payments Account

	Note	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Year to 31/12/23 £	Total 10 months to 31/12/22 £
RECEIPTS						
Voluntary receipts:						
Planned giving		59,938	0	0	59,938	51,880
Collections at services		3,447	0	0	3,447	1,908
All other giving/voluntary receipts	3	2,058	771	8,305	11,134	35,230
Gift Aid recovered		14,780	0	947	15,727	11,546
		80,223	771	9,252	90,246	100,564
Activities for generating funds	4	1,228	0	0	1,228	1,072
Church activities	5	31,158	0	0	31,158	23,008
Investment Income - Bank Interest		873	0	0	873	38
Total receipts		113,482	771	9,252	123,505	124,682
PAYMENTS						
Church activities:						
Diocesan parish contribution		60,000	0	0	60,000	49,799
Clergy and staffing costs	6	19,216	0	0	19,216	15,111
Charitable expenses	7	24,554	4,576	13,055	42,185	63,953
Governance Costs	8	403	0	0	403	0
Mission giving and donations	9	0	2,600	25	2,625	2,835
		104,173	7,176	13,080	124,429	131,698
Costs of generating funds	10	738	0	0	738	380
Total payments		104,911	7,176	13,080	125,167	132,078
Excess of Payments over Receipts			(6,405)	(3,828)	(10,233)	(7,396)
Excess of Receipts over Payments		8,571	0	0	8,571	0
Transfers between funds		(14,032)	14,668	(636)	0	0
		(5,461)	8,263	(4,464)	(1,662)	(7,396)
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 January 2023		46,561	15,994	6,211	68,766	76,163
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 December 2023		41,100	24,257	1,747	67,104	68,767

Statement of assets and liabilities

	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023 to 31/12/23 £	Total 2022 to 31/12/22 £
Cash funds					
Bank and cash accounts	41,100	24,257	2,178	67,535	69,671
Paid/held for third parties	0	0	431	431	904
Belonging to PCC	41,100	24,257	1,747	67,104	68,767
Other monetary assets					
Gift Aid recoverable	742	0	0	742	1,534
Income receivable	187	0	0	187	26
Stock of bio-LPG	250	0	0	250	1,132
	1,179	0	0	1,179	2,692
Liabilities					
Payroll deductions & pension contributions	387	0	0	387	373
Utilities	293	0	0	293	753
Suppliers	286	0	0	286	406
Mission giving and outreach	0	3,491	0	3,491	2,053
	966	3,491	0	4,457	3,585

Notes

Notes						
1 The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006						
2 The movements in designated and restricted funds during the year were:						
	01-Jan-23	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	31-Dec-23	
Designated	£	£	£	£	£	
Repairs & refurbishment St Mark's	7,834	0	0	0	7,834	
Building maintenance Immanuel	4,681	0	1,360	0	3,321	
Major Repairs and Renewals for buildings	0	0	0	6,626	6,626	
Tech equipment	1,350	0	1,350	0	0	
Mission Parish of Basingstoke Down	2,053	371	4,066	5,133	3,491	
Balance of CMF 2023	0	0	0	2,985	2,985	
Create & Cuppa	76	0	0	(76)	0	
	<u>15,994</u>	<u>371</u>	<u>6,776</u>	<u>14,668</u>	<u>24,257</u>	
Repairs and Refurbishment St Mark's was set up in the accounts of the Parochial Church Council of St Mark's Church, Kempshott to be used for repairs to the Parish Church.						
Building maintenance Immanuel was set up by the Parish of Hatch Warren and Beggarwood, to be used for repairs and improvements for Immanuel Church.						
Major Repairs and Renewals of the buildings was set up from the surplus made by the Parish of Basingstoke Down for the 10 month period ended 31st December 2022, to be used for both churches.						
Tech Equipment was set up in 2022 from a saving in technical spend during the period, it was used for the AV upgrade.						
Mission Parish Basingstoke Down is set up from 10% of non-restricted income less the CMF contribution paid for the period 1st October 2022 to 30th September 2023. To be spent by end of 2024 on Mission.						
Balance of CMF was set up by the trustees when there was a sufficient surplus to pay the full request. Used in February 2024						
Create & Cuppa was transferred to the general fund as the attendees pay for refreshments.						
	01-Jan-23	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	31-Dec-23	
Restricted	£	£	£	£	£	
Young Youth (Little Angels)	315	0	0	(315)	0	
Young Youth (Chat 'n Play)	321	0	0	(321)	0	
Youth outreach (The Zone)	60	0	60	0	0	
Youth & children's work St Mark's school	2,025	0	1,304	0	721	
Outreach of St Mark's	225	0	225	0	0	
Oasis - Friendship Group	366	75	75	0	366	
Flowers St Mark's	118	0	118	0	0	
Major repairs and refurbishment St Mark's	825	0	825	0	0	
Roof repairs St Mark's	1,241	0	1,241	0	0	
Maintenance (St Mark's Garden of Remembrance)	63	0	55	0	8	
Music group St Mark's	652	0	0	0	652	
New Projector/Sound System Upgrade	0	9,227	9,227	0	0	
Mission	0	414	414	0	0	
	<u>6,211</u>	<u>9,716</u>	<u>13,544</u>	<u>(636)</u>	<u>1,747</u>	
Little Angels and Chat 'n' Play are activities run by the Parish for carers with babies and toddlers, attendees pay a fee to attend.						
The trustees agreed these are part of the objectives of the Charity and the closing balances as at 31st December 2022 were transferred to the general fund.						
Youth outreach (The Zone), was spent on sweets as group was relaunched.						
Youth & children's work St Mark's school funds raised to buy year 6 leavers a bible from the Parish, to be used 2024.						
Outreach of St Mark's used for outreach by Parish event held at Easter 2023.						
Oasis - Friendship Group, this reserve was set in 2020 in the Parish of Hatch Warren and Beggarwood when the bank account from Hatch Warren over 50's group was paid into the Parish bank account. To be used as decided by the Oasis members.						
Flowers St Mark's spent in year.						
Major repairs and refurbishment St Mark's fund raised for heating upgrade, balance used to pay for refill of tank.						
Roof repairs St Mark's spent in year.						
Maintenance (St Mark's Garden of Remembrance), grave markers and tools for garden.						
Music group St Mark's balance left after singathon for new organ to be used for improvements to systems.						
New Projector/Sound System Upgrade money raised and spent in year.						
Mission money raised for outreach event in the Parish and for Compassion.						

Notes Continued						
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total	
	General	Designated	Funds	Year to	10 months	
	Fund	Funds		to 31/12/23	to 31/12/22	
	£	£	£	£	£	
Receipts						
3 All other giving/voluntary receipts:						
Donations	0	721	8,305	9,026	4,012	
Grants for heating system St Mark's church	0	0	0	0	30,020	
Grants for Outreach event	0	50	0	50	0	
Internet commission	233	0	0	233	198	
Energy grant	1,825	0	0	1,825	1,000	
	2,058	771	8,305	11,134	35,230	
4 Activities for generating funds:						
Events	1,109	0	0	1,109	1,046	
Photocopier/Course Books	119	0	0	119	26	
	1,228	0	0	1,228	1,072	
5 Church activities:						
Fees for weddings and funerals	1,286	0	0	1,286	1,994	
Room & baptistry hire	26,515	0	0	26,515	19,455	
Servery	1,569	0	0	1,569	1,559	
Children's Activities	1,788	0	0	1,788	0	
	31,158	0	0	31,158	23,008	
Payments						
6 Clergy and staffing costs:						
Wages: Administrator, Cleaner	16,863	0	0	16,863	12,978	
Curate & staff expenses	1,034	0	0	1,034	853	
Vicar expenses	1,319	0	0	1,319	1,280	
	19,216	0	0	19,216	15,111	
7 Charity running expenses:						
Worship materials	1,222	0	118	1,340	903	
Tech & music group equipment, licences	2,540	0	0	2,540	2,788	
Broadband, telephone	1,151	0	0	1,151	1,234	
Office supplies and other admin	765	0	0	765	371	
Photocopier	1,343	0	0	1,343	967	
Insurance	1,671	0	0	1,671	1,355	
Heat, light and water	5,599	0	825	6,424	4,472	
Building & grounds maintenance	2,887	1,360	1,296	5,543	4,824	
Service charge - Immanuel	1,446	0	0	1,446	1,698	
Servery	921	0	0	921	1,065	
Outreach & Pastoral care	2,004	1,866	1,529	5,399	2,412	
Church children & youth groups	144	0	60	204	260	
	21,693	3,226	3,828	28,747	22,349	
AV Upgrade & New Projector	2,861	1,350	9,227	13,438	41,539	
	24,554	4,576	13,055	42,185	63,888	
8 Governance Costs						
Bank Charges	61	0	0	61	65	
PCC Away Day	82	0	0	82	0	
Independent Examiner	260	0	0	260	0	
	403	0	0	403	65	

Notes Continued	Unrestricted General Fund £	Unrestricted Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Year to to 31/12/23 £	Total 10 months to 31/12/22 £
9 Mission giving and donations:					
Compassion - general / sponsored child	0	1,000	0	1,000	750
St Michael's Hospice	0	0	0	0	500
Inspiro	0	400	0	400	0
Basingstoke Foodbank	0	400	0	400	500
Starfish Enterprise Trust	0	400	0	400	500
Camrose Centre Basingstoke	0	400	0	400	500
Local mission	0	0	0	0	34
RNLI from Oasis	0	0	25	25	50
	0	2,600	25	2,625	2,834
10 Costs of generating funds					
Equipment / Materials	374	0	0	374	0
Refreshments for Fundraising Activates	241	0	0	241	0
Credit Card Charges	123	0	0	123	0
	738	0	0	738	0
11 Related Parties					
One trustee works as an administrator for the Parish and receives remuneration and benefits for this role					
One trustee's wife works as an administrator, who receives remuneration and benefits for this role. (The Trustee retired during the year)					
One trustee is a trustee of Camrose Centre Basingstoke, which works to help the homeless and vulnerably housed. A donation was made to this charity from the mission fund.					
A number of trustees donate to the Parish.					
12 Trustees Expenses					
Some trustees are reimbursed for payments made by them on behalf of the Parish. All of these are authorised by the budget holder and are incurred wholly, exclusively and necessarily for the Parish.					

Adoption

This report was distributed to the PCC on 15-Apr-24 by email since there was no scheduled meeting. Their approval was recorded through email. Following the approval, the report was signed on behalf of the PCC by Nicola Such, Vicar.

Signed: 
