



Reg. Charity No.249826

# **ANNUAL REPORT 2022**

## **Patrons**

The Right Revd. Dr Martin Warner, Bishop of Chichester  
Sara Stonor, Deputy Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex  
Lady Emma Barnard, Lord Lieutenant of West Sussex

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# Annual Report 2022

**Mothers' UNION**  
Christian care for families

Diocese of Chichester

2022 is the beginning of a new triennial for us. There have been highs and lows. We all celebrated the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth 2<sup>nd</sup>, and then joined together to watch her funeral, many members not quite believing our national patron was no longer with us.



The commissioning service in September where trustees and officers were sworn in by Bishop Will, was a well-attended and joyous event at St Mary's Church, Horsham. It was at this service we met our new patron, The Lord Lieutenant for West Sussex, Lady Emma Barnard.

Our thanks to the outgoing Lord Lieutenant, Dame Susan Pyper, for her support.

We have finally been able to put the pandemic behind us. Members met together, sharing, and praying together. We had trustee meetings in person and hybrid using zoom. The pandemic has left it scars but I believe we are slowly fighting back! All our Diocesan Projects are now back, and we are moving forward with them.

**In 2022, Mothers' Union Diocese of Chichester has touched with Christ's love the lives of over 1600 adults and 600 children with its Diocesan Projects. That's hundreds of families!**

*Not included in these figures are the number of lives touched by Branch projects across the two counties in the Chichester Diocese.*

**Away From It All (AFIA):-** A very good year for AFIA, records numbers at Selsey this season. Winchelsea was mostly full when it was available. The new shower cabinet was fitted at Winchelsea in September. I haven't seen it but I am told it looks very good. This season we have held open days in May at both sites. These were well attended and appreciated by members. Our members are wonderful in their support of this project. We couldn't finance this without their support.



The Trustee Board greatly appreciate and thank the members and branches for their continued support of the AFIA project.

As I write, both caravans are shut down for the winter. They will re-open at Easter. Going forward, the plan is to fit a veranda to the Winchelsea van, rather like the one at Selsey. Quotes are being investigated now. We would be looking at outside sources for funding for this. We had very few problems this season, there are always one or two hiccups! That is the nature of the families we are



dealing with, many of whom face challenges. Overall, a good season, very much easier than the two Covid Years!

**Eighteen families at Winchelsea** including a Ukrainian family and one referred via Domestic Violence Agency and **twenty-five families at Selsey**, also with one referral from a Domestic Violence Agency. A total of **72 adults and 91 children had a holiday thanks to Mothers' Union Diocese of Chichester in 2022.**

Two Cream Teas and raffles were held at Seal Bay, Selsey which heightens our profile as well as being a fundraiser.

Grateful thanks to Christine Bright our AFIA Coordinator, Linda at Selsey and Brenda at Winchelsea for all their hard work in looking after the caravans and the guests! Bookings for 2023 will open at the end of January. We are already getting enquiries!

**Flourishing Families:** -The Mothers' Union's passion to support and encourage parents stems from the very foundations of our now 4-million-member strong worldwide movement.

As we seek to remain relevant to our current context and the issues facing parents and carers today, we have learnt from our challenges and built on the strengths of our Parenting Programme over the past 22 years. This has happened through a review of the Worldwide Parenting Programme in 2019, a formal evaluation of Passionate about Parenting in 2020, a 5-session global process called Reflect and Renew with parenting facilitators and trainers in 2021 and other surveys/zoom sessions.

Mary Sumner House, the headquarters of Mothers' Union, has a new approach, launched in 2022, called Flourishing Families, and Mothers' Union Diocese of Chichester has agreed to be one of the pilot Dioceses for this project. To date, **8 members have volunteered to be part of the pilot as trained facilitators**. It gives us a lead in shaping and refining the programme before it is offered to the rest of our Mothers' Union movement.

The goal is to support and encourage families as their children are develop within safe and nourishing environments. We plan to work as Flourishing Families volunteer teams, adopting a three-stage process in selected areas.

Stage 1: -Trust and understanding has been built in an area, using already established groups- mums and toddlers etc.....

Stage 2: -Establish parents' / carers' groups. Trained facilitators will run six to eight ninety-minute sessions, designed to build confidence and self-esteem, to build communication skills, and to identify issues of concern and possible strategies to tackle them.

Stage 3: -Some groups may choose to continue meeting after the 'group' sessions; these could develop into community action groups or become part of Mothers' Union.

The Flourishing Families facilitators are looking to become part of a team of local members who will include people with a range of skills and passions to fulfil



three basic roles - team leader, coordinator, and facilitator. Perhaps after prayerful consideration you might like to take part as a volunteer? All volunteers will receive high quality training and support.

Mothers' Union Diocese of Chichester is planning for the Flourishing Families pilot scheme to take off at the beginning of 2023. This is only happening thanks to the hard work of Diane Clack – Parenting Coordinator, who has been instrumental in the creation of this project. My thanks to Diane. Your prayerful support would be very much appreciated as we embark on this exciting project.

**Mothers' Union in HMP Ford:** -Since the beginning of the year, great progress has been made towards getting a new team of volunteers together to support families visiting loved ones in prison. Through word of mouth, parish magazines and pew sheets and the volunteering hub in Bognor Regis we have drawn in **12 new volunteers**.

The Home Office have awarded a contract for supporting families who have members in prison, to charity called Prison Advice & Care Trust (PACT). They take over from Spurgeon's Children's Charity, who Scilla Page – MU Prison Liaison Officer, has been working with since 2016.

During the pandemic we were locked out until quite recently, although the Spurgeon's worker got back into the prison and did an excellent job keeping the men in touch with their families using face time.

PACT is now responsible for vetting the new volunteers and making sure they have enhanced DBS clearance. Their main vetting officer, Tara Creasy, has been in touch and has a complete list of the people who wish to join us. It is a long process. Scilla Page met another PACT employee on 16<sup>th</sup> December and was able to explain what Mothers' Union have been doing in Ford Prison for the last 30 years.

My thanks to Scilla Page and her volunteers for this important work.

#### **Christmas Cards into HMP and Gatwick Immigration**

**Removal Centre:** -Sarah Magrath has made contract with the Anglican chaplain at the Gatwick Immigration Removal Centre and ensured that there were the right number of Christmas cards, 50, for them. 100 cards were delivered to Anna Glenton, the Anglican chaplain at HMP Lewes and 280 went into HMP Ford; the Revd. Andy Kerr is happy to receive them.

*At a recent Branch meeting, one of the Chaplains at HMP Lewes said how much the men appreciated receiving the Christmas cards from MU each year.*

Some 300 pairs of socks were wrapped and delivered for Christmas Day to the Gatwick Immigration Removal Centre. This is an important outreach and should not ever be underestimated. Thank you All.

**Citizenship Ceremonies:** - Very happy to report since April the Citizenship Ceremonies have returned in person, across East Sussex. All volunteers have been enthusiastic about coming back. This involves people to welcome the

**20 citizens at each ceremony**, and their guests as well as dedicated cake makers who very kindly contribute delicious bakes.

This was the schedule for 2022:

- Hastings 2 Ceremonies - 20 citizens and guests at each
- Eastbourne: 2 Ceremonies.
- Lewes: 3 Ceremonies
- Crowborough: 2 Ceremonies, in June and October. 10 citizens
- Brighton: monthly ceremonies 2 ceremonies per date (11am and 2pm), 30 citizens and guests at each.

The organisers of all of the citizenship ceremonies team are very happy to have us back. Brighton regularly contributes towards the cost of cake ingredients.

These events are momentous in the lives of people who wish to be citizens of this country. MU members say it has been a privilege to attend these functions and share with the new citizens of the UK their delight and enthusiasm when they swear their allegiance and sing God Save the KING. Many come from countries where they know Mothers' Union.

*It is like having a little bit of my first home with me as I make my life in my new home" (New UK Citizen)*

Whilst serving teas and coffee and cakes it gives us a chance to chat to people from all around the world who have made Sussex their new home. We pray for them all.

Thanks to all the teams of MU members from Heathfield, Ringmer, Rye, Seaford and Denton Branches.

#### **Ministry of Cake: -**

**Conquest Hospital Hastings.** - Our ministry of cake has also resumed at last after a long break due to Covid-19. Special Baby Unit have been anxious for us to return. It is a delight to be able to visit first the special baby unit where we are greeted warmly by the staff an amazing bunch of dedicated nurses led by Matron Wendy. Numbers vary from week to week but usually there are 6 plus little ones in specially heated cots all being watched by loving parents and staff.

Members have time to sit and listen to the parents to offer a break of a drink and cake, a shoulder to cry on and an encouraging few moments. Then go into the maternity ward FRANK SHAW where the brand-new parents and babies are also the expectant mums waiting for a caesarean section. This is usually a time of great excitement beautiful new babies and happy smiley parents we get to congratulate them and admire the new arrivals (not allowed to touch).

Members from Rye & Brede also provide emergency wash bags for patients taken into the Conquest unexpectedly.

**Worthing Hospital** – Finally in October we were allowed into the Children's Ward – Bluefin and the neo-natal unit. The cakes and chats with staff and parents are valued. This is an important outreach.



This takes about an hour and a half we finish in the Chaplaincy office and report back to the lead chaplain if there is any follow up and of course we pray for the wellbeing of the special babies and thanksgiving for all the little ones born at that time.

Members also supply emergency wash bags for Maternity, Memory Bags for the neo-natal unit and gift vouchers to Bluefin for Christmas.



In July the Charity Broadwater Carnival, Worthing made us one of their 5 charities, we had a stall at the carnival, where we took £177 from the stall. Then in October we were invited to Broadwater Fire Station where we received a further £1,350, from the profits of the Carnival.

It is with sadness we have not been able to return to the Trevor Mann Unit at the Brighton RSCH.

Both hospitals are short of volunteers, anyone interested please contact for Hastings where the commitment is once a fortnight - Chris Emson, Worthing is every Monday afternoon, contact me if you are interested.

**Project with women's refuge centre for Rother.** Our project in the local refuge centre for Rother. When asked last year how a bunch of MU members could help. The manager had a meeting with the ladies and came back to us that they would like to have a veg plot. SOS to members and spades forks, netting, trowels, pots, seeds and plants all turned up and were gratefully received. We were also able to give a sum of money which purchased a large propagator and a garden storage bin. Members look forward to the spring and to hear about their plans for the plot. They have also asked for baby food and blankets; Bexhill District is on the case!

**Modern Day Slavery (MDS):** -Reverend Sue Foster is our Modern-Day Slavery Ambassador and Trustee her final visits for 2022 took place during October, when Sue visited Hurstpierpoint and Midhurst branches. Interestingly the visit to Midhurst included several folks who had limited links to the church and Mothers' Union, this hopefully opened a wider audience to share awareness of MDS.

Raising awareness during 2022 Revd Sue has travelled to 10 Mothers Union branches and one Rotary Club Meeting throughout the Diocese. She has been invited to preach in St Georges, Worthing, and Wivelsfield Parish. Raising awareness of Modern-Day Slavery is vital.

In the leafy lanes of Sussex MDS is a huge problem. It is so important that we talk to each other, keep our eyes open and be willing to report any incident we feel isn't right. This will help to keep children and vulnerable adults safe.



**THE CLEWER**  
INITIATIVE

Huge thanks to the Clewer Initiative for their resources, training and information provided on their website. If you haven't had a visit, then please do contact Revd Sue who is now taking bookings for 2023.

A huge thanks to Revd. Sue Foster, Trustee and Modern-day Slavery Ambassador

**Eastbourne Family Contact Centre (EFCC):** - MU has continued to support this joint project with Family Support Work (FSW), with a £5,000 grant to FSW towards the running of the project. This project could not have continued without FSW's expertise.

**Over the past 12 months, EFCC have supported a total of 22 families.** Several have now moved on and just recently there has been an influx of referrals. There have had lots of enquiries from parents, solicitors and children services since taking on our own referrals. **Michelle processed 18 referrals from January – April 2022.** Undertaking the Enhanced Supervised Contact training with NACCC last year, helped enormously with processing referrals. For example, making risk assessments, gathering information and when to refer onto a supervised contact centre.

This year 2 volunteers have stepped down. In March after a PR drive with posters, leaflets and an advert for volunteers was put out throughout Eastbourne and surrounding areas. **3 new volunteers were recruited** who started in May. **A further 3 potential volunteers contacted EFCC** looking for volunteer opportunities. One has worked in a contact centre before which is a real blessing.

*"The staff are amazing, so supportive and friendly. The children love coming to the Contact Centre" (Parent)*

**Since September Michelle sent out a total of 10 referrals forms** for people requesting the use of the contact centre. So far, half of those have come back and had their pre-visits and are now using the contact centre or about to over the coming weeks.

A lot of referrals are due to domestic violence or poor mental health. Some are waiting for final court hearings, and some are in the process of legal proceedings. As parents move on, EFCC should have space to take on more referrals but it's likely there will need to be a waiting list in the 2023 as EFCC are nearly at full capacity.

*"I can't fault the contact centre; you provide a fantastic service" (Parent)*

FSW received a substantial donation for EFCC from a well-wisher and Michelle have been purchasing more educationally diverse toys. We now have an excellent range of toys for all ages which are both educational and inclusive.



*"When I am here, I am at my best"*  
(Child)

We have had some great feedback from children and parents using the contact centre and it is heart-warming to see children slowly begin to relax and have special time with their absent parent. There have been some great outcome stories of people moving on and lots of positive feedback from reviews.

The children love the new toys and parents have commented on how nice they are.

**Warm Hubs:** - For many reasons outside of our control by September there were grave concerns about people not having enough money to eat and heat their homes. Branches decided to tackle this problem in intuitive ways. Some members invited their neighbours into their homes on a Sunday afternoon, for a chat, cuppa and cake. Better to heat one home than 4. Advice was given to these members on being safe.

West Tarring Branch went into a formal partnership with their parish church – St. Andrew, and by using the links the young family's worker Vicki (who is also a MU member), went through the local schools for young families who were "premium families". These families were offered a warm hub at The Old Palace, church hall, every Tuesday 3-6pm, where the children have a hot meal and parents have soup and bread. There are plenty of healthy snacks and a hot cuppa for Mum or dad, craft and colouring are available for the children. There is also an opportunity for the parents to take home a bag of groceries.

They started after October half term and will stop on 28.3.23; they are **feeding up to 24 children and 11 adults**. This Branch turned a simple November Coffee morning into a pre-Christmas Fair. They looked to outside funding from Worthing Lions, and received £370 from a Father Christmas Street collection, and a further £250 from a lucky Charity drawer. A **HUGE** thanks go to FSW and Turning Tides who have shared food.

**Worldwide Links:** - We continue through Caroline Sewell our Overseas Rep to keep in contact with our Overseas Prayer Links. Lambeth 2022 was a wonderful way to contact both our Links and the Diocesan ones. It gave our membership the opportunity to meet entertain and speak with Diocesan/Provincial Presidents of the Mothers' Union both at a local level and at Chichester Cathedral.



As a result of Lambeth 2022 we held in October an Overseas Members Day to highlight how our Overseas projects are chosen we were ably assisted by MSH, Robert Dawes - Head of Development; we also shared a moving video message from our link MU in Mundri.

My thanks to Caroline for keeping our contacts and members in touch so we know what to pray for and they know our needs too.



**Seoul – South Korea:** - Over the last year members have been raising money through the MU church network to send to Myanmar. This money was used to help and support families, particularly young women and children.

Pre-Covid, money would have been raised through a bazaar and selling things normally. The MU are hoping that next year this will resume.

In addition, we learned that there will be an election for a new MU diocesan president in October.

**Mundri, South Sudan:** - We continue to enjoy a real time and lively contact with the Bishop of Mundri, +Bismark and occasionally his wife, Rina. It was great to hear that their home has at last been renovated after being destroyed during the conflict in December 2013 when all their valuables were also looted. They have now moved back into it.

Rina shared that they too were looking for a new diocesan MU leader as the current one was due to retire,

+Bismark and Rina attended the Lambeth Conference and afterwards went to stay with friends in Birmingham. It was very interesting to hear what the challenges and blessings of the conference had been. It had clearly been a time of learning that had been welcomed but also a great sadness and frustration at what the bishop referred to as, 'a huge expansion of difference in the gap between the member provinces of the Global North and the Global South'. The gap being between the different attitudes and responses to same sex relationships. In conclusion the bishop wonders what this says about the future of the Anglican Communion and is very much aware of the challenges ahead.

**Madi and West Nile, Uganda:** - Our contact Victoria in Madi and West Nile who has been so generous with her communication has now moved to the Pennsylvania in the US to study for a Master of Arts in Religion focusing on Christian Ministry and Missiology.

In November Nesta the new Diocesan President has been in touch with Caroline via WhatsApp and has asked us to keep them all in our prayers as 'things are not ok, and many are struggling to make ends meet as the cost of living has gone so high'.

**Isikwuato, Nigeria:** - Sadly we still have no communication with our MU diocese here although a few tentative feelers have been put out. So do keep this link in your prayers and we will let you know if we make contact!

Caroline communicates several times a year about subjects ranging from Covid, the rise in the cost of living, family challenges and how they run and fund their MU branches, to the effects of civil war and the challenge of the huge difference in attitude to LGBTQI people between the global south and the global north.



It is an interesting and varied conversation and important to keep in our prayers.



## Summary: -

As can be seen 2022 has been another busy and productive year for the membership of Mothers' Union.

Whilst some branches have thrived reinvigorated after the Covid-19 pandemic others felt they could not continue. As a result of this in July 2 members attended the Re-imagining Mothers' Union conference in Liverpool. This is important as 4 Branches closed earlier this year. St Michaels and St Peters in Bexhill, Cuckfield and Colemans Hatch. The trustees are now looking to see new ways that we can have membership. Some of the members whose Branches closed have become Diocesan Members.

We have strengthened our ties with the Diocese through our work on the Diocesan Committees. We have representation on The Diocesan Overseas Committee (DOC), and the Diocesan Committee for the Common Good. I was delighted to accept the invitation from Bishop Martin to continue as a member of Diocesan Synod.

Whilst our Overseas Prayer Links are not the same as the Diocese, as a result of sitting on the DOC we have worked as a conduit between the Diocese and Mary Sumner House over 2022, which resulted in £15,000 of the Harvest Appeals going to Mothers' Union, for work within the Diocesan links and especially some of the money being used for MULOA (Mothers' Union Listening, Observing, Action) in Sierra Leone.

We are all around the world, but we are just around the corner too. It has been important therefore to strengthen our links with our sister Diocesan Charity – Family Support Work (FSW) and forge new links with Safe in Sussex and other Domestic Violence Agencies, and Turning Tides.

Hayley Cole, our administrator, has worked incredibly hard this year and found time to run the Beachy Head Marathon raising hundreds of pounds for Mothers' Union projects. Your trustees and Officers across the Diocese have worked hard too, my thanks to you all.

In a time of troubles and uncertainties such as these we must shine a Christ light into the darkness. The more we reach out into our communities with our projects in Christ's love, the more Christians will be trusted, and as one of the parents from the warm hub said, "You don't judge us, you just love us".

*Karen Hill*

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*Diocesan President*

*Chichester Mothers' Union.*



## MOTHERS' UNION CHICHESTER DIOCESE

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YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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Charity address	Garton House 22 Stanford Avenue Brighton East Sussex BN1 6AA
Registered Charity number	249826
Trustees	Mrs Karen Hill Mrs Michele White Mrs Christine Bright Mrs Christine Emson Revd Sue Foster Mrs Maria Greco Revd Emma Ham-Riche Mrs Deborah Matthews
Officers	Mrs Hayley Cole - Diocesan Administrator Revd Margaret Constable - Diocesan Chaplain
Bankers	Barclays Bank
Independent Examiners	Shoreline Accountants Limited



## **MOTHERS' UNION CHICHESTER DIOCESE**

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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The Trustees present their Annual Report and the Financial Statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Vision and Mission**

##### **Vision**

Our vision is a world where everyone prospers. We actively pursue this vision through prayer and action, helping to build confident people and resilient communities. Our movement seeks to bring about justice, challenge prejudice and advocate change.

##### **Mission**

We aim to show our Christian faith by helping the sustainable transformation of communities worldwide. We do this by helping to nurture strong relationships at all levels, promoting peace and reconciliation locally, nationally and globally.

##### **We aim to:**

- uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and to promote its wider understanding;
- encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church;
- maintain a world-wide fellowship of Christians united in prayer, worship and service;
- promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children; and
- help those whose family life has met with adversity.

#### **Organisational Structure**

The charity is run by the Trustees

##### **Trustees**

Those who served during the year were as follows:

Mrs Karen Hill  
Mrs Michele White  
Mrs Christine Bright  
Mrs Christine Emson  
Revd Sue Foster  
Mrs Maria Greco  
Revd Emma Ham-Riche  
Mrs Deborah Matthews

##### **Officers**

Mrs Hayley Cole - Diocesan Administrator  
Revd Margaret Constable - Diocesan Chaplain

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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**Performance and Financial Review**

For 2022, the total incoming resources on our funds were £59,183.10 (2021: £86,997.08) and are detailed in the financial statements.

Income from Subscriptions increased by £5,097 to £28,292 (2021: ££23,195). Income for our major projects, AFIA and EFCC, decreased by £8,409.18 to £16,257.12 (2021: £24,666.30). Districts and Branches continued their support with contributions to the General Fund.

There was a surplus in the accounts at 31 December 2022 of £69,385.84.

**Reserves Policy**

It is the Trustee Board's policy to maintain a balance on funds and running costs which are up to 24 months' worth of payments as a contingency against unforeseen situations and the unexpected drop in membership. In particular, this would cover running costs of AFIA and EFCC, plus general Diocesan expenditure. The closing balance of the Project Fund this year of £42,349.71 (2021: £45,939.41) represents just over 8 months. This policy will be reviewed annually.

**Public Benefit**

The Trustees believe that the objectives and activities set out above fulfil this requirement of the Charity Commission's public benefit disclosure.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Mrs H Cole

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H Cole', is written over a horizontal line.



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES  
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on pages 5 to 7.

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINERS**

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees 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;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**BASIS OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT**

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

- a) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - i) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - ii) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act; have not been met; or
- b) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**Mark Boxall**  
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# MOTHERS' UNION CHICHESTER DIOCESE

## RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Unrestricted 2022 £	Restricted 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
Subscriptions	28,292.00		28,292.00	23,195.00
Gift Aid	3,025.96		3,025.96	0.00
Away from It All Holidays (AFIA)		14,738.72	14,738.72	22,097.07
Family Contact Centre (EFCC)		1,518.40	1,518.40	2,569.23
MuE	2,607.21		2,607.21	2,573.96
AFIA Appeal/Reserve				32,701.20
MSH Projects	1,080.00		1,080.00	
Meetings	972.07		972.07	
Other Income	6,947.31		6,947.31	3,860.09
Bank Interest	1.43		1.43	0.53
	<b>42,925.98</b>	<b>16,257.12</b>	<b>59,183.10</b>	<b>86,997.08</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
Subscriptions	15,460.00		15,460.00	13,670.00
Away from It All Holidays (AFIA)		12,953.06	12,953.06	10,288.86
Family Contact Centre (EFCC)		5,157.59	5,157.59	8,196.47
MuE	1,515.07		1,515.07	3,700.35
AFIA Appeal/Reserve	1,737.60		1,737.60	32,428.44
MSH Projects	801.00		801.00	0.00
Insurance	584.99		584.99	0.00
Trustee expenses*	393.70		393.70	0.00
Administrator Expenses*	1,140.26		1,140.26	0.00
DP Expenses*	864.15		864.15	0.00
Meetings*	1,787.45		1,787.45	0.00
Card processing Fees	7.31		7.31	0.00
Trustee Expenses, Conferences & Meetings	0.00		0.00	1,627.31
Printing & Stationery	5,153.67		5,153.67	2,210.37
Wages & Administration	9,303.64		9,303.64	10,026.37
Other Expenditure	2,759.12		2,759.12	3,096.03
	<b>41,507.96</b>	<b>18,110.65</b>	<b>59,618.61</b>	<b>85,244.20</b>
Net receipts (payments) in year	1,418.02	-1,853.53	-435.51	1,752.88
Cash funds at 1 January	9,281.15	60,196.79	69,477.94	67,445.00
**Opening balance adjustment				280.06
**Closing balance adjustment		343.41		
Cash funds at 31 December	<b>10,699.17</b>	<b>58,686.67</b>	<b>69,385.84</b>	<b>69,477.94</b>

\*In 2021 these figures were combined together under 'Trustee Expenses, Conferences & Meetings' For greater clarity I have now separated them.

\*\*Opening balance adjustment included under restricted funds b/f figure.



MOTHERS' UNION CHICHESTER DIOCESE

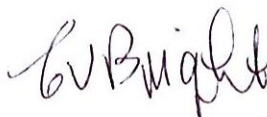
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

	2022	2021
£	£	
<b><u>MONETARY ASSETS</u></b>		
Barclay's - Community Account	64054.39	64149.72
Barclay's - Active Saver	5295.65	5294.22
Petty Cash	35.80	34.00
	<u>69385.84</u>	<u>69477.94</u>
<b><u>CURRENT ASSETS</u></b>		
Stocks	<u>1,400.00</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>
<b><u>FIXED ASSETS</u></b>		
Caravan	<u>25,500.00</u>	<u>29,000.00</u>
<b><u>RESTRICTED FUND BALANCES</u></b>		
Project Fund	5295.65	5294.22
AFIA	18148.74	26352.25
EFCC	7642.92	11282.11
AFIA APPEAL/RESERVE	11262.40	3010.83
	<u>42349.71</u>	<u>45939.41</u>

Approved by the trustees on 28/02/23 and signed on their behalf by:



Mrs H Cole  
Diocesan Administrator



Mrs C Bright  
Chair,  
Finance & Services



Mrs K Hill  
Diocesan President

**NOTES FOR THE ACCOUNTS  
THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022**

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**1 Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with section 133 of the Charities Act 2011.

**1.2 Incoming resource**

Incoming resources are recognised when received by the Charity.

**1.3 Resources used**

Expenditure is recognised in the period in which it is incurred and allocated to the appropriate cost centre. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT.

**1.4 Charitable funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the charity in furtherance of their charitable objectives unless the funds have been designated for other purposes. Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used.

**1.5 Restricted Funds**

Away From It All Holidays (AFIA) provides free holidays for families who otherwise would not have one due to lack of resources.

Away From It All Reserves (AFIA Reserves) was instigated for 2022 for funding of unforeseen costs incurred on the two diocesan caravans and a fund for future replacement of the caravans should the need arise.

Eastbourne Family Contact Centre (EFCC) provides supported contact between absent parent and children.

Project Fund is for projects which the Board of Trustees deem suitable for funding.

**1.6 Depreciation Policy**

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation rate is 15% calculated to write down the cost of each asset each year over its expected useful life. Impairment reviews are carried out as and when evidence comes to light that the recoverable amount of a functional fixed asset is below its net book value due to damage, obsolescence or other relevant factors.



## MOTHERS' UNION CHICHESTER DIOCESE

### NOTES FOR THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

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#### 2 Grants receivable

Restricted funds		
2022		
£		
The Chichester Diocesan Association for Family Support Work	(AFIA)	£2380
Mrs Lacy-Tate Trust	(AFIA)	£1000
Mrs Lacy-Tate Trust	(AFIA)	£1000
Unrestricted funds		
2022		
£		
Mary Sumner House	(MUe sales related grant)	£658.63
Brighton & Hove City Council	(Brighton Citizenship ceremonies)	£400.00

#### 3 Grants payable

Restricted funds		
2022		
£		
The Chichester Diocesan Association for Family Support Work	(EFCC )	£5000
Unrestricted funds		
2022		
£		
St Mary's Church Horsham	(Use of church for commissioning service)	£100
Sussex Coast Talking Newspaper	(transcription of Link)	£50

## **The Mothers' Union Prayer**

Loving Lord,  
We thank you for your love so freely given to us all. We pray for  
families around the world.  
Bless the work of the Mothers' Union as we seek to share your  
love through the encouragement, strengthening and support of  
marriage and family life.  
Empowered by your Spirit, may we be united in prayer and  
worship, and in love and service reach out as your hands  
across the world.  
In Jesus' name.

Amen

## **The Prayer of Mary Sumner, founder of Mothers' Union**

All this day, O Lord,  
let me touch as many lives as possible for thee;  
and every life I touch,  
do thou by thy spirit quicken,  
whether through the word I speak,  
the prayer I breathe,  
or the life I live.

Amen