

DERSINGHAM PARISH CHURCH OF ST NICHOLAS ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020

DERSINGHAM CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

The Church of St Nicholas in the parish of Dersingham is part of the Church of England, whose mission is:

- To proclaim the good news of the kingdom
- To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
- To respond to human need by loving service
- To seek to transform unjust structures of society
- To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and sustain the life of the earth

BACKGROUND

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has responsibilities for the maintenance of the Parish Church and Churchyard.

CHARITABLE STATUS

The PCC has charitable status, and is registered with the Charity Commission under the title: **"Funds Held In Connection With St Nicholas' Church, Dersingham"** – Charity No. 250450.

PCC MEMBERSHIP

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. At the APCM in April the following were on the church council.

Incumbent:	Reverend Mark Capron
Curate:	Reverend Dave Cossey [June 2019]
Churchwardens:	Neil Adams Thomas Wheeler

Deanery Synod Representatives: [elected in 2020]

Shirley Brooks
Thomas Wheeler

Elected Members: **2020**

Maggie Anderson
Anthea Aubrey-Jones
Shirley Brooks
Clive Browne
Jane Churchill
Diane Hall
Pauline Martin
Katrina Mundy
Pat Oughtibridge
Elaine Richardson

Committees

The PCC operates through a number of committees, which meet between full meetings of the PCC.

Standing Committee: Has the power to transact business of the PCC between the meetings, subject to any directions given by the council.

CHURCH STATISTICS

There was no revision of the Church Electoral Roll for the autumn "Zoom" A.P.C.M.

Average Adult Attendance at Sunday Services:		2020	2019
8.00a.m.	(11 weeks)	16	14
9.30a.m.	(11 weeks)	39 (13 under 16s)	44 (12 under 16s)
11.00a.m.	(11 weeks)	52	60
6.30p.m.	(11 weeks)	13	13
Easter Adult Attendance:-			
(8.00a.m./9.30a.m./11.00a.m./6.30 p.m.)		Church closed	15/81/77/0 (55 under 16s)
	Mothering Sunday	Church Closed	120 (34 under 16s)
	Summer Festival	No Summer Festival	119 (20 under 16's)
	Harvest Festival	35 (nil under 16s)	116 (28 under 16s)
Average Adult attendance for 15 weeks of			
10.00a.m. Combined Sunday Worship:		30 (2 under 16's)	

Average for Church at home services during October = 87

Christmas (Midnight) (in Church)	31	112
Christmas (Day) (in Church)	23 (8 under 16s)	10/88 (22 under 16s)

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals for		2020	2019
Baptisms		1	14
Confirmations		-	-
Renewal of Baptismal Vows		-	-
Weddings		2	4
Thanksgiving for a child		-	1
Thanksgiving/Blessing after marriage/Anniversary		-	-
Funerals		9 (Church)	7 (Church)
		23 (Crematorium)	14 (Crematorium)
Memorial Service after a Funeral		1	1

REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Worship

The pattern of Sunday services during 2020 up to March was:

8am	Every Sunday	Holy Communion
9.30am	The Gathering	Contemporary Worship
11.00am	1 st &4 th & 5 th Sundays	Sung Eucharist
	2 nd Sunday	Service of The Word
	3 rd Sunday	Morning Prayer
6.30pm	Every Sunday	Evening Worship (we now have different Services each week including a communion service)
12noon	1 st Wednesday of month	Mid Week Eucharist

Morning Prayer is said daily at 8.30am Monday to Saturday.

We have a choir at our 11.00am services, with choir practice on a Thursday evening.

After March 2020:

Weekly recorded online worship was produced, this involved a huge learning curve for those involved and a lot of hard work and long hours behind the scenes. Rev Dave built the Dersinghamonlineworship.com website to be used as the basis to offer the worship and in addition the

churches own YouTube channel. Later additional devotional contributions exploring Psalm 23 and Psalm 100 were produced over the summer of 2020. A number of youth bible exploration videos were created for the summer term. Then in September the launch of Bible Bites, focused on supporting the local schools by offering engaging collective worship, also being a ministry to some families as their worship in addition adults.

Mission and Ministry

We have 3 Mid Week Groups meet on a series of days and times during the week. – After March only 1 continued to meet via Zoom.

An Alpha Course was held via Zoom

We also supported the Diocesan Lent Project.

Christingle Service proceeds went to the Children's Society.

Church members also supported the Samaritans Purse via the Shoe Box Appeal.

All in person church children's and youth groups stopped. All adult groups also had to stop from March onwards.

Events

In 2020 due to Lockdowns and social distancing the following events were the only ones that were possible:

- Open Gardens - September
- St Nicholas Christmas Trees– December

Communications

Our role is to make sure that our Events & Special Church Services as well as our usual Services are well publicised and the material for these printed. Our Benefice Parish Church magazine unfortunately had to stop publication due to the inability to distribute, restarted for 2 months but again had to cease.

However, as well as the practical management of the Church building the main focus of the PCC's attention is upon mission and growth, and also fund-raising. This takes two forms - mainly Worship and Social Events. Worship builds up faith and is the most important aspect of our life together. The Events serve to create a sense of community and encourage wider growth. Such activities as these events are also an important source of income as we strive to meet our considerable financial obligations.

Fabric

Annual routine maintenance was attended to. The Gutters and Drains were cleared in the spring and autumn. The Intruder Alarm, the Roof Alarm and the Fire Extinguishers were serviced.

Numerous small tasks of routine maintenance were attended to throughout the year. We continue to have the church open all year during daylight hours (except when we are set up for a major festival). The Visitors Book was withdrawn from public display at the Coronavirus lock-down in March for hygiene reasons.

County Grounds Maintenance continue tending the churchyard although the level of customer care was found wanting. A new contractor was sought as the 3-year Agreement with C.G.M. had come to an end.

The oil painting, "Agony in the Garden", is still at the conservators studio. The Coronavirus pandemic has restricted progress on this project.

Again, with the Coronavirus pandemic, little progress has been made to the large project of re-ordering the church.

There is regular on-going monitoring of all aspects of the building to ensure that it is maintained in a sound condition.

Finance

The covid 19 pandemic reduced both receipts and payments of unrestricted funds in 2020. Compared with 2019, the amount donated from collections at services fell by over £5,800, planned giving through the envelope scheme fell by more than £6,000 and activities for generating funds fell by over £14,000. Although 'Church Activities' show an increase from 2019, this includes the VAT reclaim of £7,029 from the repair of the chancel roof. Happily, Standing Order donations **increased** by over £7,000 compared with 2019. We were also able to claim a record £17,000 from HMRC from the donations that were Gift Aided.

Payments were lower, even though we paid for the chancel roof in January, largely because we were unable to pay the full amount owed to our Parish Share. (The receipts in the restricted funds includes the £10,000 donated by The Friends of St Nicholas towards the cost of the Chancel repair mentioned in last year's report.)

2020 Diocesan Lent Appeal raised £62.07.

St Nicholas continues to pay the £15 monthly membership fee to Baby Basics UK.

Norfolk Churches Trust Bike and Walk 2020 raised £204.49 for St Nicholas and an equal amount for the Trust. We also were given a donation of £500 from the Music in Country Churches organisation as we were unable to host the planned concerts in 2020.

Members of the treasury team have continued to be of great help even though their opportunities were limited last year. Thanks to everyone, but particularly Rob and Lynne.

Finally, a new Reserves Policy was agreed by the PCC in November 2020.

The PCC aims to keep approximately £4,000 in unrestricted reserves to cover two months running costs and emergencies. The South Aisle Project fund and the Restricted PCC fund is to be used for match funding in applications for grants giving a total of £9,000. The grant from the Parish Council should be put into a restricted fund next year.

Thank you

The PCC would like to express their thanks to all those who contributed to the activities of the Church and to those who give of their time in the maintenance and administration of the Church. (A full account of our activities are in the additional report on the Life & Activities of our Church).

This Report and Accounts were approved at the PCC Meeting held on Monday 15th March. The accounts were signed by the Reverend Mark Capron on behalf of the PCC.


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Rector – Rev Mark Capron

Date 15/03/21

Dersingham PCC

Financial Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2020

Receipts and Payments Accounts

	Note	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2020	Total 2019
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Receipts							
Voluntary receipts:							
Collections at Services	3	5,337.93	-	91.15	-	5,429.08	16,981.74
Planned giving	3	39,971.00	-	-	-	39,971.00	32,651.00
All other giving/voluntary receipts	3	11,122.99	-	10,326.06	-	21,449.05	20,250.84
Grant Income	3	7,730.00	-	-	-	7,730.00	3,600.00
Legacies Received (Capital Value)		-	-	-	-	-	-
Gift Aid recovered		17,000.40	-	-	-	17,000.40	10,739.96
		81,162.32	-	10,417.21	-	91,579.53	84,223.54
Activities for generating funds	3	7,294.98	-	200.00	-	7,494.98	21,541.40
Investment income		14.71	-	17.26	-	31.97	112.13
Church activities	3	10,372.67	-	223.80	-	10,596.47	4,485.00
Other income	3	3.29	-	-	-	3.29	696.09
Total receipts		98,847.97	-	10,858.27	-	109,706.24	111,058.16
Payments							
Church activities:							
Parish share		39,602.00	-	-	-	39,602.00	51,671.75
Clergy and Staffing costs	4	6,162.57	-	-	-	6,162.57	10,581.79
Church running expenses	4	6,941.04	-	46.52	-	6,987.56	8,829.66
Mission giving and donations	4	366.86	-	50.00	-	416.86	1,831.27
Building work and repairs	4	27,755.74	-	13,882.92	-	41,638.66	7,640.33
Administration Costs	4	5,207.01	-	-	-	5,207.01	-
Other expenditure	4	10,241.05	-	229.45	-	10,470.50	6,151.99
		96,276.27	-	14,208.89	-	110,485.16	86,706.79
Cost of generating funds	4	2,422.73	-	-	-	2,422.73	7,591.39
Total Payments		98,699.00	-	14,208.89	-	112,907.89	94,298.18
Excess of payments over receipts		148.97	-	3,350.62	-	3,201.65	16,759.98
Transfers between funds							
		- 11,458.00	2,000.00	9,458.00	-	-	-
		- 11,309.03	2,000.00	6,107.38	-	3,201.65	16,759.98
Cash at bank and in hand at 1 Jan		16,617.45	-	10,462.84	-	27,080.29	20,833.91
Cash at bank and in hand at 31 Dec		5,308.42	2,000.00	16,570.22	-	23,878.64	27,080.29

Statement of Assets and Liabilities							
	Note	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2020	Total 2019
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Cash Funds							
Bank Current Account	5	5,308.42	2,000.00	4,950.22	-	12,258.64	24,460.29
Bank Savings Account		-	-	-	-	-	-
Deposit Fund	6	-	-	11,620.00	-	11,620.00	2,620.00
		5,308.42	2,000.00	16,570.22	-	23,878.64	27,080.29
Notes							
1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments basis.							
2. The movement in designated and restricted funds during the year were:							
Restricted		Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Bal c/fwd	
Men's Group		140.72	240.03	-	-	380.75	
Tower Bellringers		424.00	-	96.00	108.00	436.00	
Little Nippers		728.40	223.80	133.45	150.00	668.75	
Dersingham Descanters		1,069.11	86.03	-	-	1,155.14	
626002009D PCC CCLA		100.00	-	-	7,000.00	7,100.00	
Barclays VCW 50325392		5,480.61	10,308.41	13,979.44	500.00	2,309.58	
CCLA 6260002002D-RCW01/61		2,520.00	-	-	2,000.00	4,520.00	
		10,462.84	10,858.27	14,208.89	9,458.00	16,570.22	
Designated		Bal b/fwd	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Bal c/fwd	
South Aisle Project		-	-	-	2,000.00	2,000.00	
		-	-	-	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Men's Group - Own Bank Account Tower Bellringers - Funds raised by Bellringers for maintenance of tower bells South Aisle Project - Funds relating to re-ordering of the Church Little Nippers - Church parent & Toddler Group Dersingham Descanters - Own Bank Account 626002009D PCC CCLA - 0 Barclays VCW 50325392 - 0 CCLA 6260002002D-RCW01/61 - 0							
3. Receipts							
		Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2020	Total 2019
		£	£	£	£	£	£
COLLECTIONS AT SERVICES							
Sunday Collections		2,060.78	-	-	-	2,060.78	7,924.79
Sunday Collections - Gift Aided		2,877.00	-	-	-	2,877.00	9,056.95
Contactless Income		398.41	-	91.15	-	489.56	-
Contactless Income - Gift Aided		1.74	-	-	-	1.74	-
		5,337.93	-	91.15	-	5,429.08	16,981.74
PLANNED GIVING							
Standing Orders - Gift Aided		39,971.00	-	-	-	39,971.00	32,651.00
		39,971.00	-	-	-	39,971.00	32,651.00
GIFT AID RECOVERED							
Gift Aid Reclaim		17,000.40	-	-	-	17,000.40	10,739.96
		17,000.40	-	-	-	17,000.40	10,739.96
ALL OTHER GIVING/VOLUNTARY RECEIPTS							
Donations		8,506.72	-	10,326.06	-	18,832.78	15,433.46
Donations - Gift Aided		2,275.00	-	-	-	2,275.00	2,600.00
Wall Boxes		225.20	-	-	-	225.20	715.64
Donations for Others		116.07	-	-	-	116.07	1,501.74
		11,122.99	-	10,326.06	-	21,449.05	20,250.84
ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS							
Magazine		1,708.40	-	-	-	1,708.40	2,354.00
Sales		-	-	-	-	-	10.00
Summer/Flower Festival		-	-	-	-	-	4,720.06
Christmas Tree Festival		652.02	-	-	-	652.02	6,043.33
Open Gardens		3,609.00	-	-	-	3,609.00	4,152.37
Coffee Mornings		1,121.07	-	-	-	1,121.07	3,436.24
Sponsored Events		204.49	-	200.00	-	404.49	-
Concerts & Other One-Off Events		-	-	-	-	-	485.50
Grand Sale		-	-	-	-	-	339.90

	7,294.98	-	200.00	-	7,494.98	21,541.40
CHURCH ACTIVITIES						
Fees - Statutory	1,731.00	-	-	-	1,731.00	1,709.00
Fees - Additional	1,522.00	-	-	-	1,522.00	1,389.00
Church Building Appeal	85.24	-	-	-	85.24	-
VAT Reclaim	7,029.43	-	-	-	7,029.43	-
Alpha Course	-	-	-	-	-	240.00
Little Nippers	-	-	223.80	-	223.80	-
Donations - Holiday Club & Youth Work	-	-	-	-	-	62.00
Memorial Flowers/Flower Based Income	5.00	-	-	-	5.00	105.00
Elevation Youth Group	-	-	-	-	-	980.00
	10,392.67	-	223.80	-	10,596.47	4,485.00
INVESTMENT INCOME						
Dividends and Interest	14.71	-	17.26	-	31.97	112.13
	14.71	-	17.26	-	31.97	112.13
GRANT INCOME						
Recurring Grants	400.00	-	-	-	400.00	-
Non-Recurring Grants	3,730.00	-	-	-	3,730.00	-
Churchyard Grant from Parish Council	3,600.00	-	-	-	3,600.00	3,600.00
	7,730.00	-	-	-	7,730.00	3,600.00
OTHER INCOME						
Reimbursements	-	-	-	-	-	350.72
Banking Loyalty Reward	3.29	-	-	-	3.29	13.94
Consolidated Income Lines from 2019, no longer required in 2020	-	-	-	-	-	331.43
	3.29	-	-	-	3.29	696.09
4. Payments	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2020	Total 2019
	£	£	£	£	£	£
CLERGY AND STAFFING COSTS						
Clergy Expenses	694.59	-	-	-	694.59	674.49
Cleaner	2,500.00	-	-	-	2,500.00	2,600.00
Organist Fees - Locum & Additional Services	610.00	-	-	-	610.00	640.00
DBS & Safeguarding Related	131.20	-	-	-	131.20	-
Organist Fees - Regular	1,610.00	-	-	-	1,610.00	3,610.00
Ministry Team Expenses	371.78	-	-	-	371.78	1,207.30
Verger	245.00	-	-	-	245.00	350.00
Choir Director	-	-	-	-	-	1,500.00
	6,162.57	-	-	-	6,162.57	10,581.79
CHURCH RUNNING EXPENSES						
Gas and Electricity Bill	2,978.96	-	-	-	2,978.96	3,303.78
Insurance	3,403.03	-	-	-	3,403.03	3,361.32
Service Costs	193.73	-	-	-	193.73	147.36
Water Bill	39.73	-	-	-	39.73	-
Cleaning Materials	74.13	-	-	-	74.13	138.72
PCC Discretionary Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	245.49
Flower Arrangers	40.00	-	-	-	40.00	484.78
Septic Tank	-	-	-	-	-	555.00
Church Youth Group 'Elevation'	114.00	-	-	-	114.00	398.25
Church Youth Group 'Unnamed Primary Age'	13.46	-	-	-	13.46	-
The Gathering Children's Groups	84.00	-	-	-	84.00	194.96
	6,941.04	-	-	-	6,941.04	8,829.66
MISSION GIVING AND DONATIONS						
Charities - Home (UK)	366.86	-	50.00	-	416.86	1,223.23
Charities - Secular	-	-	-	-	-	608.04
	366.86	-	50.00	-	416.86	1,831.27
BUILDING WORK AND REPAIRS						
Church - Major repairs and Redecorations	10,194.75	-	12,360.00	-	22,554.75	2,983.20
New Building Work	14,503.00	-	1,522.92	-	16,025.92	2,200.00
Church Maintenance & Repairs	3,057.99	-	-	-	3,057.99	2,457.13
	27,755.74	-	13,882.92	-	41,638.66	7,640.33
COSTS OF GENERATING FUNDS						
Bookstall	-	-	-	-	-	20.00
Grand Sale Payments	-	-	-	-	-	89.25
Summer/Flower Festival Payments	-	-	-	-	-	2,411.38
2019 Christmas Tree Festival Payments	70.00	-	-	-	70.00	1,150.35
Open Gardens Payments	2,082.31	-	-	-	2,082.31	1,168.84
Concert Payments	-	-	-	-	-	1,552.16

Other Events	-	-	-	-	-	93.05
Coffee Morning Payments	71.22	-	-	-	71.22	510.36
2020 Christmas Tree Festival Payments	199.20	-	-	-	199.20	-
Cash Floats	-	-	-	-	-	596.00
	2,422.73	-	-	-	2,422.73	7,891.39
ADMINISTRATION COSTS						
Bank charges	70.45	-	-	-	70.45	69.70
Printing	905.19	-	-	-	905.19	1,815.72
Licenses/Subscriptions	886.67	-	-	-	886.67	890.92
Parish Website	100.00	-	-	-	100.00	100.00
Photocopier, Postal Costs & Telephone	3,244.70	-	-	-	3,244.70	3,366.11
	5,207.01	-	-	-	5,207.01	6,242.45
OTHER EXPENDITURE						
Churchyard Expenses	3,849.76	-	-	-	3,849.76	3,525.76
Worship Hospitality	176.75	-	-	-	176.75	814.21
Holiday Club & One-Off Youth Work	4.75	-	-	-	4.75	23.75
Choir Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	513.11
Little Nippers	-	-	-	-	-	46.44
Alpha Course Expenditure	175.00	-	-	-	175.00	243.22
Conservation Costs	5,460.00	-	-	-	5,460.00	-
Bell Ringers (Tower & Descanters)	-	-	-	-	-	192.00
Consolidated Expenditure Lines from 2019, no longer required in Covid-19 Expenditure	574.79	-	-	-	574.79	-
	10,241.05	-	-	-	10,241.05	6,151.99
	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2020	Total 2019
5. Bank Current Account	£	£	£	£	£	£
General Account	5,308.42	-	-	-	5,308.42	16,617.45
Men's Group	-	-	380.75	-	380.75	140.72
Tower Bellringers	-	-	436.00	-	436.00	424.00
South Aisle Project	-	2,000.00	-	-	2,000.00	-
Little Nippers	-	-	668.75	-	668.75	728.40
Dersingham Descanters	-	-	1,155.14	-	1,155.14	1,069.11
Barclays VCW 50325392	-	-	2,309.58	-	2,309.58	5,480.61
	5,308.42	2,000.00	4,950.22	-	12,258.64	24,460.29
	Unrestricted Fund	Designated Fund	Restricted Fund	Endowment Fund	Total 2020	Total 2019
6. Deposit Fund	£	£	£	£	£	£
626002009D PCC CCLA	-	-	7,100.00	-	7,100.00	100.00
CCLA 6260002002D-RCW01/61	-	-	4,520.00	-	4,520.00	2,520.00
	-	-	11,620.00	-	11,620.00	2,620.00



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Dersingham Parochial Church Council

On accounts for the year
ended

2020

Charity no
(if any)

250450

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

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

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

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

Signed:

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Date:

08/03/2021

Name:

MRS JO RABY

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