ST. PEGA'S CHURCH, PEAKIRK

APCM REPORT ON CHURCH YEAR ACTIVITIES - JANUARY 2023 T0 31ST DECEMBER 2023

CHURCH SERVICES DURING THE VACANCY

Our main achievement has been to keep the church running smoothly until September 2023 when Reverend Keir Dow was installed. Our Reader Derek has taken all of our church services each month since we have been in a vacancy, apart from Holy Communion which was usually taken by Reverend George, and we can't thank Derek enough for his help, support and dedication, and also from his wife Jane.

CHURCH EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR 2023

Tuesday@10 held on the second Tuesday each month.
Messy Church held on the first Sunday afternoon in the month.
Several sung Services by the Benefice Choir over the year.
St. Pega's Patronal Festival held on 15th January during evensong with Sam Graper singing.
Soup Days held in January and February in Peakirk Village Hall.
Benefice Lent Course in February/March
Brunch – held in March and November in Peakirk Village Hall.
Lent Lunch held in March and the **Baptism** of baby Lyla Bradley. **Mothering Sunday** with a craft table and bunches of flowers for Mothers to take home.
Easter Fayre on 1st April and during **Holy Week in Easter –** A Reflections Service, Walk of Witness, Benefice Easter Eve Vigil with the Benefice Choir and Holy Communion on Easter Day by extension.
On Pentecost Sunday the outdoor service was held on the village green led by Fr. Michael Matthews.
St. Pega's Package - Avril had three Church talks and walks booked in April, May and June which required tea and cakes prepared by the ladies of the church. All were very well attended and successful raising funds towards the conservation of the Wall Paintings.
Music Concert with the Glebe Singers at the beginning of July and also a **Bat Talk with Bat Count** by Anthony Mould took place in mid July.
Hymns & Pims held in September in the Churchyard in the evening.
Licensing of Reverend Keir Dow held on 17th September at 3pm at Maxey Church.
Harvest Festival weekend 30th September/1st October. The church was decorated with flowers and stalls held in the churchyard on the Saturday with hot dogs being served. A special Harvest Celebration Service was held on the Sunday morning with the donated goods being taken to the Food Bank.
Christmas Events – The lights were erected around the south side of the church by our usual team in the village. **Christingle Service** followed by the lighting of the Christmas tree with hot chocolate/mulled wine and cookies with a few carols. A **Wreath Making Workshop –** organised by Pauline Cooke was held in the village hall and was very successful. **Morning Prayer with Carols** was held in mid December, followed by Mince Pies. **Christmas Day Benefice Holy Communion Service** was held at St. Pegas and led by Rev'd Keir.

BELL RINGING GROUP – They still meet regularly to practice and the bells can often be heard ringing out in Peakirk before the Sunday morning services. A big thank you to them all.

FOOD BANK – People are still being very generous and we are making regular trips to the Food Bank in Deeping.

A busy year for all in the church and our thanks go to our wonderful team of helpers who support the church, both from St. Pega's and also many village residents. Our grateful thanks to the Village Hall Committee for allowing the Church free use of the Village Hall during the past year for holding our fund-raising events.

Sheila Lever and Pauline Cooke
Churchwardens

April 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to St Pega's Parochial Church Council, Peakirk

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023 which are set out on schedules 1 to 3.

As members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts and you 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 and state whether any particular matters have come to my attention. 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 PCC 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 PCC 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 of the accounts.

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Roderick Gall FCCA
18 St Pegas Road
Peakirk
Peterborough

25th March 2024

DRAFT - NOT YET EXAMINED Schedule 1

ST PEGA'S PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

General Fund Income & Expenditure Account - Year to 31st December 2023

Income	Year to 31st Dec 2023	Year to 31st Dec 2022
Giving		
Gift Aid	8,097.70	10,900.00
Offertory	1,681.86	1,919.82
Weddings etc	65.40	787.10
Tax rebate	-	2,824.50
	9,844.96	16,431.42
Fund raising		
Lent Lunch	374.00	474.50
Brunch	808.50	707.50
Easter fayre	553.02	
Warm up Wednesday	440.00	
Afternoon tea	-	590.00
Big swim	2,479.28	
Harvest Festival	258.95	293.20
Presentations	321.00	852.80
Glebe singers	427.00	
Wreath making	270.00	
Guide book sales	300.00	
	6,231.75	2,918.00
Other		
Donations	4,237.38	108.74
Bats In Churches	889.99	455.00
Land Rent	-	170.00
Parish Council Grant	1,500.00	-
Diocese - Vicar's fees	667.43	
Diocese Energy Grant	-	755.00
	7,294.80	1,488.74
Total Income	23,371.51	20,838.16

Expenditure	Year to 31st Dec 2023	Year to 31st Dec 2022
Roof Alarm	1,588.80	794.22
Electricity	150.00	360.00
Gas	419.55	336.98
Insurance	1,708.58	1,508.04
Rector's Expenses	94.73	97.26
Vicar's fees	508.43	307.56
Parish Share	11,000.00	9,000.00
Grounds maintenance	776.00	2,240.00
Boiler Service & Mtce	204.00	204.00
Bats in Churches	741.82	
Sundries	196.04	57.37
Organ Service/Repair	-	204.00
Drainage Rates	46.55	42.52
Sundry Maintenance	528.00	2,590.40
Organists	450.00	495.00
Book printing	-	498.00
Charitable	180.00	280.00
Total Expenditure	18,592.50	19,015.35
Surplus for Year	4,779.01	1,822.81

Totals

Balance at start of year	3,996.21	2,173.40
Surplus/(Deficit)	4,779.01	1,822.81
Transfer from Fabric Fund		-
Balance at end of year	8,775.22	3,996.21

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ST PEGA'S PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Fabric Fund Income & Expenditure Account - Year to 31st December 2023

Income	Year to 31st Dec 2023	Year to 31st Dec 2022	Expenditure	Year to 31st Dec 2023	Year to 31st Dec 2022
Brian's Challenges	-	-			
Gift aid	-	-			
Donations	-	-			
Dividends Received	1,578.75	1,570.07			
Interest	1,347.24	528.84			
Quinquennial grant			Quinquenial fee		-
Total	2,925.99	2,098.91	Total	-	-
			Surplus	2,925.99	2,098.91
Balance at start of year	61,736.26	59,637.35			
Transfer to General Fund	-	-			
Surplus	2,925.99	2,098.91			
Balance at end of year	64,662.25	61,736.26			

Note: Dividends received

The dividends received relate to the following three bequests:-

	Dividend received in			Value of investment at	
	2023	2022		31/12/2023	31/12/2022
128001066S	320.07	318.31	518	11,709.55	10,694.58
128001089S	425.12	422.79	688	15,552.45	14,204.38
128001179S	833.55	828.97	1349	30,494.55	27,851.32
	1,578.73	1,570.07		57,756.54	52,750.27
Dividends paid per share(p):	61.79		End month bid price (£)	22.61	20.65

128001066S relates to the Graves Trust. Miss G F James in her Will dated 20 March 1934 and proved on 11 Nov 1941 left a bequest of £250 upon Trust to pay the income to the PCC so long as the graves of Reverend Edward James, his wife and children are kept in good order and repair. Also that any surplus be spent on the fabric of the church.

128001089S relates to the Church Endowment Fund. In the same Will as above a bequest of £250 was made to the Peakirk Church Endowment Fund. There is no information as to what the income should be used for.

128001179S relates to the Miss D E Prentice bequest. Miss Prentic (in her Will dated 5 May 1952, died 20 Dec 1965, Will proved 25 January 1966) made a bequest of £150 upon Trust for investment. The income to be paid to the Trustees (Incumbent and Churchwardens) for the maintenance of the church and churchyard, so long as the graves of Miss Prentice's father, mother, sister and her own are in good order and condition.

DRAFT - NOT YET EXAMINED Schedule 3

ST PEGA'S PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

Balance sheet 31st December 2023

		Year to 31st Dec 2023	Year to 31st Dec 2022
Fund balances			
General Fund	Schedule 1	8,775.22	3,996.21
Fabric Fund	Schedule 2	64,662.25	61,736.26
Total		73,437.47	65,732.47
Represented by:			
CBF Fund C of E		42,025.87	40,720.80
Barclays Bank Current Account		25,479.70	24,855.18
Barclays Bank Savings Account		5,479.09	0.04
Cash with Treasurer		452.81	156.45
Total		73,437.47	65,732.47
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