

# THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

England & Wales · Charity number 281982

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1981-02-16

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO PRESERVE THE CHURCH AS A BUILDING OF HISTORIC AND ARCHITECTURAL INTEREST AND ARRANGE, ORGANISE AND CONDUCT SUCH CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (WHETHER OR NOT OF A RELIGIOUS NATURE) AT THE SAID CHURCH AS MAY BE AUTHORISED BY THE LEASE DATED 19TH JUNE 1979.

**Activities:** To promote music at regular Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday/Sunday concerts. Quiet days Exhibitions

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Arts/culture/heritage/science
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** EALING LB
- Ealing

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£99,010	£71,405	-	-
2024-07-31	£102,830	£68,218	-	-
2023-07-31	£94,102	£81,330	-	-
2022-07-31	£89,813	£52,908	-	-
2021-07-31	£94,670	£68,307	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>ANDREW NICHOLAS DAKIN GOODHART</b>	Chair	
Dr HUGH MAURICE MATHER MD FRCP		2011-11-15
JOHN BIGGS		
John Llywelyn Tracy Newbegin		
Rev Natasha Beckles		2024-02-28
Valerie Anne Aitken		2014-10-16

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
ST MARY'S, PERIVALE.**

**REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31ST JULY 2025**



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**ST MARY'S**

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## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2025**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

##### **PRESIDENT**

Alan Gillett, OBE

##### **TRUSTEES**

Andrew Goodhart (Chairman)

Rev Valerie Aitken

Rev N Beckles

John Biggs

Dr Hugh Mather

John Newbegin

##### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

Gerald McGregor BA FCA

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Ealing Branch

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##### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Hugh Mather (Chairman)

Roger Nellist (Vice Chairman)

Richard Norris (Treasurer)

Gill Rowley (Membership)

George Auckland

Christopher Brown

David Brown

Dermot Doughty

Rob Jenkins

Michael Pearce

Stanley Klar

John Newbegin

Judith Price

Simon Shute

Markella Vandaros

Rodney Waldes

Andrew Whadcoat

Sherry White

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#### **A N D GOODHART**

Andrew N D Goodhart  
Chairman of Trustees  
4th December 2025

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### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2025

**Introduction:** This has been another successful year. After the lockdowns in 2020 and 2021, we reopened again to a live audience in September 2021. Since then we have adopted a 'hybrid' concert model, serving both our small audience in the church and a much larger number of participants watching our broadcasts online. This has proved to be very successful and bodes well for the future. We have become, in effect, a much-respected broadcasting venue for superb solo and chamber music concerts, enjoyed by hundreds of classical music lovers throughout the UK and abroad. This astonishing development has been based on the remarkable video system installed by Simon Shute and his colleagues, to whom we owe a huge debt of gratitude.

**Broadcast concerts:** From September 2024 to July 2025 we held 115 concerts. We paid a total of over £40,000 to our musicians. All this has been achieved without any grant or external support, and run entirely by our team of unpaid volunteers. I would like to pay special tribute to our technical team who made all this possible, led by Simon Shute, and comprising George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins, John Naulls, Peter Sandison and Roger Nellist. I am also very grateful to Roger Nellist for helping me to run the organization, and to Andrew Goodhart, Chairman of the Trustees for handling the donations and Gift Aid. The concerts have received about 100,000 views on YouTube during the year, in around 70 countries, and were attended by an average of 40 people in the church, with attendances varying from 20 to 90, and viewed concurrently by 35 to 80 people. We have held a total of 1,579 concerts since 2004. The church is still consecrated, and we hold a Harvest Festival and Carol Service every year..

**Our finances:** These will be considered in more detail in the report by our Treasurer, Richard Norris. We markedly increased our payments to musicians at the start of the year, but despite this, we have recorded a surplus of over £25,000 in this financial year, and we have reserves of around £240,000. These are needed to protect against future expenditure on our medieval Grade I listed church. I would like to record our thanks to Richard Norris for handling our finances in his usual expert fashion.

**Video-recording facilities:** The quality, stability and reliability of our v=broadcastsis now stunning, and of professional quality. We are deeply indebted to our technical team led by Simon Shute, for their expertiseand hard work in this considerable achievement. We now broadcast to Facebook as wekll as YouTube, thanks to the expert input of George Auckland.

**Improvements to the Churchyard:** The churchyard is in good condition, thanks to the efforts of our flourishing gardening team under the direction of David Brown. We are fortunate tin having such a dedicated group of talented individuals, with a considerable range of skills, to assist in the maintenance and improvement of the churchyard.

**Publicity:** Our thrice weekly email newsletter is sent to over 1500 email addresses and remains our core advertising tool. Eight years ago we launched a major and successful 'social media' initiative on Facebook, with a 'page' for St Mary's Perivale administered by Roger Nellist. We are grateful for the input of Gill Rowley in producing posters for our renovated noticeboard and advertisements for Ealing Arts Diary.

**Use of the church by other musical organisations:** We have accommodated many local music organisations, including Ealing Chamber Music Club, Ealing Flute Group, Ealing Music Festival, West London Sinfonia, Ealing Symphony Orchestra and Ealing Youth Orchestra. We are proud that our building has been used to benefit all ages and standards of music-making in Ealing.

**Plans for the Autumn:** We plan to continue with about 100 concerts per year, streaming all except those given by our local amateur orchestras, and there is a long waiting list for musicians. The details of forthcoming concerts are on our website.

## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2025 (cont'd)

**Summary:** We have consolidated our position as the most active broadcasting venue in the UK, particularly for piano and chamber music recitals. Our 'hybrid' model means that we still provide concerts for our local music-lovers, while also broadcasting the concerts throughout the world. We have established St Mary's Perivale as the premier venue for instrumental and chamber music in West London and consolidated our finances. We continue to maintain our beautiful church and churchyard in pristine condition. With the valued support of our members and other core supporters, we are ensuring that our ancient church is preserved for future generations to enjoy

**Acknowledgements:** Our continued success during the past year is a magnificent team effort by everyone involved at St Mary's and I am indebted to so many people for all their help. I would like to pay special tribute to Roger Nellist, our Vice-Chairman, for his huge input into all aspects of our organization; to Simon Shute for leading our technical team and developing our amazing video facilities; to George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins, John Naulls and Roger Nellist for their massive contribution to the recordings; to George Auckland additionally for developing and funding our website; to Sherry White, Gill Rowley and Felicity Mather for running the 'box office'; to Andrew Goodhart for handling the donations via our website and Gift Aid system; to Richard Norris as Treasurer for his masterly handling of our finances;; to Gill Rowley for her work as Membership Secretary; to Judith Price for cleaning the church; to Sherry White for acting as church 'caretaker'; to Gill Rowley for much help with publicity; to David Brown and everyone in the gardening team, to Dermot Doughty for his research into the history of the church and management of the historical archives, to Rob Jenkins and Mike Pearce for organising the jazz events: to John Newbegin for advice on various legal issues. and to everyone on the Executive Committee for being part of such a remarkably harmonious and effective group. Finally, I would like to thank Andrew Goodhart, Chairman of the Trustees, and the other Trustees, for their close support.

#### H M MATHER

Dr H M Mather  
Chairman, Executive Committee  
[Hmather@btopenworld.com](mailto:Hmather@btopenworld.com)

4th December 2025

## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **HON TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2025**

Attached are an Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st July 2025, together with a Balance Sheet prepared as at that date.

We are very pleased to report once again that the organisation is in a strong financial position. A successful year's activities has been further augmented by much appreciated donations.

#### **Balance Sheet**

The Friends have net tangible assets of £256,420 which is an increase of £27,679 during the financial year; this includes an increase of £641 in the value of the holding of COIF Investment Fund, now valued at £53,555. More than three quarters of the Friends reserves are held in cash at the present time, which is now attracting a more realistic rate interest and in the short term at least has been considered to be the safest harbour for the money.

The present deposits are under review to obtain the best return within the conservative policy which we have always adopted, and will continue to maintain

#### **Income & Expenditure Account**

As explained in the CEO's report, the Friends has continued to provide live concerts, which are broadcast on our live-streaming system. Audiences have continued to respond very positively to this, and requests to listeners for donations to help pay the players have been very generously supported. As a result of this, concert income, at £54,908, has been maintained, and is further augmented by Gift Aid.

During the year, there were no major repair projects on the building but we have renovated benches in the churchyard, and continue to upgrade our live streaming facility.

Aside from concerts, the subscription income has been maintained at a high level, and we have received some very generous donations with particular mention of £4,000 from John Runge, and £1,000 each from PR Taylor, John Lowe and Mendl Sharma. Routine overheads for keeping the building and churchyard well maintained have generally been held or marginally reduced, but there have been significant increases in two aspects. as mentuioned in the CEO' report we have increased the payments to players hence the overall cost has increased by £4,800, and the cost of insurance has increased by £3,000 since we increased the sum assured to £1,6m; piano costs have also increased due to an overhaul of the piano which cost £3,500.

#### **General**

The surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account for the year is £27,533, which is a reflection on the generosity of those who have supported the organisation during the year, and made possible by the expertise and dedication of the live-streaming team who have created the facility.

#### **R G NORRIS**

Richard G Norris  
Hon Treasurer

4th December 2025

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST JULY 2025**

	Note	31st July 2024	
<b>Investments</b>			
COIF Deposit Fund		128,801	123,059
COIF Investment Fund (mid mkt val)	6	53,555	52,914
Lloyds Deposit Account		67,757	50,339
		<u>250,113</u>	<u>226,312</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Sundry Debtors	2	2,484	793
Stocks	3	61	61
Cash at Bank and in Hand		7,159	3,297
		<u>9,704</u>	<u>4,151</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Sundry Creditors	4	(3,397)	(1,718)
		6,307	2,433
		<u>£256,420</u>	<u>£228,745</u>
<b>Represented by</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2024		125,422	180,915
Reallocation		70	
Transfer to Restoration Fund			(90,105)
Surplus during the year		27,605	34,612
		<u>153,097</u>	<u>125,422</u>
<b>Church Restoration Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2024		101,180	11,075
Transfer from General Fund		0	90,105
		<u>101,180</u>	<u>101,180</u>
<b>Keith Hutton Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2024		2,143	2,143
No expenditure		0	0
		<u>2,143</u>	<u>2,143</u>
		<u>£256,420</u>	<u>£228,745</u>

**A N D GOODHART**

Chairman of Trustees  
4th December 2025

**H M MATHER**

Executive Chairman  
4th December 2025

**R G NORRIS**

HonTreasurer  
4th December 2025

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2025**

	<i>Year to 31.7.2024</i>	
<b>Receipts</b>		
<b>Charitable income</b>		
Subscriptions	11,169	10,280
Donations	8,760	11,440
Sundry income	150	56
Gift Aid	1,729	2,624
	<u>21,808</u>	<u>24,400</u>
<b>Investment income</b>		
Interest	6,679	4,870
Unrealised surplus on investments	641	3,823
	<u>7,320</u>	<u>8,693</u>
<b>Trading income</b>		
Hire of church	895	990
Income from live concerts	54,908	55,654
Gift aid on concert income	14,079	13,093
	<u>69,882</u>	<u>69,737</u>
	<u>£99,010</u>	<u>£102,830</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Building expenditure</b>		
Repairs & maintenance	2,336	8,450
Bench restoration (net of donation)	1,505	0
Technical support	3,523	6,310
Insurance	6,986	3,970
Electricity & heating	2,639	1,821
Telephone and internet	1,327	1,996
Technics alarms	553	824
Churchyard renovation	3,511	3,222
	<u>22,380</u>	<u>26,593</u>
<b>Trading expenditure</b>		
Concert costs	38,599	33,808
PRS fees	574	691
Celebration concerts	0	390
Website	140	0
Piano maintenance	7,430	4,975
	<u>46,743</u>	<u>39,864</u>
<b>Administration costs</b>		
Advertising	745	785
Printing & stationery	521	621
Sundries	1,016	355
	<u>2,282</u>	<u>1,761</u>
	<u>£71,405</u>	<u>£68,218</u>
<b>Year end surplus</b>	<u>£27,605</u>	<u>£34,612</u>

## FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2025

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS ON PAGES 6 AND 7

1 **Accounting Policies**

- a) these accounts have been prepared on accruals basis
- b) Capital expenditure is written off in the year in which it is incurred
- c) it is estimated that the society has assets to the value of approximately £35,000, comprising a grand piano, recording equipment and other assets appropriate for entertaining the public

**2023**

2 **Sundry debtors**

Gift Aid	0	150
Donations	440	0
Prepaid services		
Lunch float	129	146
Stationery	1,155	240
Christmas cards	240	240
Interest receivable	520	17
	<u>£2,484</u>	<u>£793</u>

3 **Stocks**

Refreshments	61	61
	<u>£61</u>	<u>£61</u>

4 **Sundry creditors**

Monument repairs	1,050	1,050
Bench restoration	1,805	
Electricity	63	69
Website licence	140	
PRS levies	339	599
	<u>£3,397</u>	<u>£1,718</u>

5 **Charitable status**

The Friends of St Mary's Perivale is a registered charity, its Charity Commission number being 281982

6 **Capital expenditure**

A) Technical equipment	523	0
B) Live streaming project	0	4,041
	<u>£523</u>	<u>£4,041</u>

This expenditure has been written off in these accounts

7 **Investments**

At 31st July 2025, the Friends of St Marys Perivale had a holding of 204.75 Accumulation Units in the COIF Charities Investment Fund with a value of £53,555 (2024: £52,914).

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO  
THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S, PERIVALE.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st July 2025 which are set out on the attached pages.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirements of Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 ("the Act") do not apply. It is thus my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7)(b) of the Act, where particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the Independent Examiner's Report**

My examinations were 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required of an audit, and consequently I do not present an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act, and
- b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met.

The Trust, in common with others of a similar size and organisation, received income which cannot be fully controlled until it is entered in the accounting records and is therefore not capable of independent verification.

No matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to make a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

**GERALD McGREGOR, FCA**  
**ICAEW 6422020**

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4th December 2025

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#### **A N D GOODHART**

Andrew N D Goodhart  
Chairman of Trustees  
21st March 2025

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**'Lockdown Star' Award:** We were given this prestigious award by the Critics' Circle, in recognition of our 156 concerts held in an empty church during the lockdown. We are proud of this national recognition of our activities. Here is their citation:

*St Mary's, Perivale – a tiny, Grade 1-listed redundant church in west London – has punched far above its weight with the range and quality of its streamed recitals. Dr Hugh Mather and the team – all volunteers – carried on with their three weekly recitals when Covid hit, providing young artists with paid employment and a platform during this hardest of times, raising their own funds, largely through donations, to pay the artists without any public subsidies. Both the quality of the concerts on offer and the diversity of performers and repertoire put the response of many larger, subsidised venues to shame. The concerts were streamed live using very high quality equipment installed by two former BBC engineers, Simon Shute and George Auckland.*

**Our finances:** These will be considered in more detail in the report by our Treasurer, Richard Norris, but despite increased abnormal expenditure on musicians' fees and other items listed below, we have recorded a surplus of nearly £35,000, and we have reserves of around £225,000. These are needed to protect against future expenditure on the church. We are further increasing the payments made to our musicians in the forthcoming year to reflect this financial success. I would like to record our thanks to Richard Norris for handling our finances in his usual expert fashion.

**Structural improvements:** We undertook structural surveys of the woodwork of the tower and of our electrical system, and replaced some of the older wiring at a total cost of about £6,000.

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## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2024 (cont'd)

**Video-recording facilities :** We paid about £4,000 for new audio equipment. The quality and stability and reliability of our broadcasts is now stunning and of professional quality. We are deeply indebted to our technical team, led by Simon Shute, for their expertise and hard work in this considerable achievement. We now broadcast to Facebook, as well as YouTube and Vimeo, thanks to the expert input from George Auckland.

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**Summary:** We have consolidated our position as the most active broadcasting venue in the UK, particularly for piano and chamber music recitals. Our 'hybrid' model means that we still provide concerts for our local music-lovers, while also broadcasting the concerts throughout the world. We have established St Mary's Perivale as the premier venue for instrumental and chamber music in West London and consolidated our finances. We continue to maintain our beautiful church and churchyard in pristine condition. With the valued support of our members and other core supporters, we are ensuring that our ancient church is preserved for future generations to enjoy

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Chairman, Executive Committee  
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21st March 2025

## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **HON TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2024**

Attached are an Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st July 2024, together with a Balance Sheet prepared as at that date.

We are very pleased to report once again that the organisation is in a strong financial position. A successful year's activities has been further augmented by much appreciated donations.

#### **Balance Sheet**

The Friends have net tangible assets of £228,745 which is an increase of £34,612 during the financial year; this includes an increase of £5,051 in the value of the holding of COIF Investment Fund, now valued at £52,914. More than three quarters of the Friends reserves are held in cash at the present time, which is now attracting a more realistic rate interest and in the short term at least has been considered to be the safest harbour for the money.

The present deposits are under review to obtain the best return within the conservative policy which we have always adopted, and will continue to maintain.

#### **Income & Expenditure Account**

As explained in the CEO's report, the Friends has continued to provide live concerts, which are broadcast on our live-streaming system. Audiences have continued to respond very positively to this, and requests to listeners for donations to help pay the players have been very generously supported. As a result of this, concert income, at £55,752, has been maintained, and is further augmented by Gift Aid.

During the year, there were no major repair projects on the building but we have done some expensive electrical work, and continue to upgrade our live streaming facility.

Aside from concerts, the subscription income has been maintained at a high level, and routine overheads for keeping the building and churchyard well maintained have generally held or are again marginally reduced. We have also received some very generous donations with particular mention of £4,000 from John Runge, £1,600 from R B Parkes, £1,000 from P Fry, £1,000 from PR Taylor, £500 from Mrs P McKernan and £1,000 from the Richmond Concert Society.

#### **General**

The surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account for the year is £34,612, which is a reflection on the generosity of those who have supported the organisation during the year, and made possible by the expertise and dedication of the live-streaming team who have created the facility.

#### **R G NORRIS**

Richard G Norris  
Hon Treasurer

21st March 2025

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST JULY 2024**

	Note		31st July 2023
<b>Investments</b>			
COIF Deposit Fund		123,059	58,551
COIF Investment Fund (mid mkt val)	6	52,914	47,863
Lloyds Deposit Account		50,339	
Virgin Money Deposit		0	66,218
		<u>226,312</u>	<u>172,632</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Sundry Debtors	2	167	167
Prepaid expenditure	2	626	613
Stocks	3	61	61
Cash at Bank and in Hand		3,297	22,368
		<u>4,151</u>	<u>23,209</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Sundry Creditors	4	(1,718)	(1,708)
		2,433	21,501
		<u>£228,745</u>	<u>£194,133</u>
<b>Represented by</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2023		180,915	168,143
Transfer to Restoration Fund		(90,105)	0
Surplus during the year		34,612	12,772
		<u>125,422</u>	<u>180,915</u>
<b>Church Restoration Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2023		11,075	11,075
Transfer from General Fund		90,105	0
		<u>101,180</u>	<u>11,075</u>
<b>Keith Hutton Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2023		2,143	2,143
No expenditure		0	0
		<u>2,143</u>	<u>2,143</u>
		<u>£228,745</u>	<u>£194,133</u>

**A N D GOODHART**

Chairman of Trustees  
21st March 2025

**H M MATHER**

Executive Chairman  
21st March 2025

**R G NORRIS**

HonTreasurer  
21st March 2025

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2024**

<b>Receipts</b>	<i>Year to 31.7.2023</i>	
<b>Charitable income</b>		
Subscriptions	10,280	10,664
Donations	11,440	5,760
Sundry income	56	50
Gift Aid	<u>2,624</u>	<u>2,935</u>
	24,400	19,409
<b>Investment income</b>		
Interest	4,870	1,966
Unrealised surplus on investments	<u>3,823</u>	<u>3,112</u>
	8,693	5,078
<b>Trading income</b>		
Hire of church	990	1,245
Income from live concerts	55,654	55,237
Gift aid on concert income	<u>13,093</u>	<u>13,133</u>
	69,737	69,615
	<u>£102,830</u>	<u>£94,102</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Building expenditure</b>		
Repairs & maintenance	8,450	556
External decoration	0	15,485
New cameras	0	9,010
Video equipment	6,310	5,446
Insurance	3,970	3,763
Electricity & heating	1,821	1,777
Telephone and internet	1,996	1,925
Technics alarms	824	457
Churchyard renovation	<u>3,222</u>	<u>3,303</u>
	26,593	41,722
<b>Trading expenditure</b>		
Concert costs	33,808	31,635
PRS fees	691	1,221
Celebration concerts	390	792
Piano maintenance	<u>4,975</u>	<u>4,415</u>
	39,864	38,063
<b>Administration costs</b>		
Advertising	785	519
Printing & stationery	621	443
Sundries	<u>355</u>	<u>583</u>
	1,761	1,545
	<u>£68,218</u>	<u>£81,330</u>
<b>Year end surplus</b>	<u>£34,612</u>	<u>£12,772</u>

## FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2024

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS ON PAGES 6 AND 7

1 **Accounting Policies**

- a) these accounts have been prepared on accruals basis
- b) Capital expenditure is written off in the year in which it is incurred
- c) it is estimated that the society has assets to the value of approximately £35,000, comprising a grand piano, recording equipment and other assets appropriate for entertaining the public

	<b>2023</b>	
2 <b>Sundry debtors</b>		
Prepaid services	626	613
Interest receivable	167	167
	<u>£793</u>	<u>£780</u>
3 <b>Stocks</b>		
Refreshments	61	61
	<u>£61</u>	<u>£61</u>
4 <b>Sundry creditors</b>		
Monument repairs	1,050	1,050
Electricity	69	59
PRS levies	599	599
	<u>£1,718</u>	<u>£1,708</u>

5 **Charitable status**

The Friends of St Mary's Perivale is a registered charity, its Charity Commission number being 281982

6 **Capital expenditure**

A) Video equipment	0	9,010
B) Live streaming project	4,041	4,165
	<u>£4,041</u>	<u>£13,175</u>

This expenditure has been written off in these accounts

7 **Investments**

At 31st July 2024, the Friends of St Marys Perivale had a holding of 204.75 Accumulation Units in the COIF Charities Investment Fund with a value of £52,914 (2023: £47,863).

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO  
THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S, PERIVALE.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st July 2024 which are set out on the attached pages.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirements of Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 ("the Act") do not apply. It is thus my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7)(b) of the Act, where particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the Independent Examiner's Report**

My examinations were 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required of an audit, and consequently I do not present an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act, and
- b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met.

The Trust, in common with others of a similar size and organisation, received income which cannot be fully controlled until it is entered in the accounting records and is therefore not capable of independent verification.

No matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to make a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

**GERALD McGREGOR, FCA**  
**ICAEW 6422020**

44 Abinger Road  
Chiswick  
London W4

21<sup>st</sup> March 2025

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**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

England & Wales - Charity number 281982

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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
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**REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31ST JULY 2023**



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## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY 2023**

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

##### **PRESIDENT**

Alan Gillett, OBE

##### **TRUSTEES**

Andrew Goodhart (Chairman)  
Rev Valerie Aitken  
John Biggs  
Dr Hugh Mather  
John Newbegin

##### **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER**

Gerald McGregor BA FCA  
44 Abinger Road  
Chiswick  
London W4

##### **BANKERS**

Lloyds Bank Plc  
Ealing Branch  
London W5

Charity Investments Office  
One Angel Lane  
London EC4R 3AB

Virgin Money  
Jubilee House  
Gosforth  
Newcastle upon Tyne NE3 4PL

##### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Hugh Mather (Chairman)  
Roger Nellist (Vice Chairman)  
Richard Norris (Treasurer)  
Gill Rowley (Membership)  
Lucille Allen  
George Auckland  
Roger Blundell  
David Brown

Stanley Klar  
John Newbegin  
Judith Price  
Simon Shute  
Rodney Waldes  
Andrew Whadcoat  
Sherry White

## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2023**

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S is a Registered Charity No 281982 and is formally constituted by Deed of Trust dated 18th June 1979, although the Friends, as an organisation was founded at a meeting in Ealing Town Hall on 26th September 1976

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31st July 2023 were: Mr Andrew Goodhart (Chairman), Dr Hugh Mather, Rev Valerie Aitken, Rev Andy Johnston (resigned 1st March 2023 on leaving the parish, Mr John Newbwin and Mr John Biggs (Clerk).

#### **Objectives and Organisation**

The object of the Charity is to preserve this Grade I Listed Church "as a building of historic and architectural interest" and we are permitted, under the redundancy measures "to arrange, organise, and conduct such charitable activities (whether or not of a religious nature) at the said church as is authorised by the 99 year lease, granted on 19th June 1979 by the London Diocesan Fund on behalf of the Church Commissioners at a nominal rent of £250p.a." This rental is however waived annually, provided that the cost of all repairs and maintenance exceeds this sum, which has been the case since the commencement of the lease 44 years ago. There has never been a demand for rent and the "rent review" in June 2009 was not exercised. A few years ago, representatives of the London Diocesan Committee visited this and other redundant churches in Middlesex and were delighted with the condition of the church and the improved facilities that the Friends have provided, and continue to provide over the years.

#### **Chairman's Report by Andrew Goodhart**

The Chairman's report for the Trustees whose purpose, under the Deed of Trust, is to have the ultimate responsibility for the use and maintenance of the church and churchyard in accordance with the terms of the lease. The Charity Commissioners have recently confirmed that the Trust Deed is the official over-riding document which describes the responsibilities of the Trustees in respect of the church and the churchyard, including burial arrangements.

The Trustees have noted with appreciation all the hard work that has been carried out during the year, both inside and outside the church building, by the excellent team of volunteers. It is good to have Hugh Mather (Chairman of the Executive Committee) as a Trustee, as he is the prime mover of everything connected with the day-to-day running of St Mary's Perivale. and we celebrated in July the 2000th concert organised by Hugh Mather at both St Mary's and St Barnabas Churches. The Executive Chairman's Report therefore gives a more detailed report of the activities for the year. The continuance of concerts is particularly important to the life of St Mary's Perivale, as are the benefits to the musicians who are very keen to play. A major item during the year has been the continuous live-streaming of the concerts on a worldwide basis, and we continue to upgrade the recording and sound equipment, and are benefitting from the new fibre link for our transmissions, now without problems and the addition of new cameras, all now High Definition.

The church is being kept in fine condition and, with forward planning, we are able to cover all foreseeable eventualities. The church tower has had rotten timbers replaced as well as repairs to the kitchen roof, and the notice board has been refurbished and has lights. The team of gardeners continue to keep the churchyard in an excellent condition.

**Andrew N D Goodhart**



Chairman of Trustees  
18th August 2023

## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2023

**Introduction:** This has been another successful year. After the lockdowns in 2020 and 2021, we reopened again to a live audience in September 2021. Since then we have adopted a 'hybrid' concert model, serving both our small audience in the church and a much larger number of participants watching our broadcasts online. This has proved to be very successful and bodes well for the future. We have become, in effect, a much-respected broadcasting venue for superb solo and chamber music concerts, enjoyed by hundreds of classical music lovers throughout the UK and abroad. This astonishing development has been based on the remarkable video system installed by Simon Shute and his colleagues, to whom we owe a huge debt of gratitude.

**Broadcast concerts:** From September 2022 to July 2023 we broadcast 120 streamed concerts, with 65 piano recitals. Our highlight events were a Chopin Piano Festival with 20 pianists in October 2022 and a 'New Faces' Festival with 8 pianists in March 2023. We paid out over £31,000 to musicians. All this has been achieved without any grant or external support, and run entirely by our team of unpaid volunteers. I would like to pay special tribute to our technical team who made all this possible, led by Simon Shute, and comprising George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins, Truus Bos, Peter Sandison and Roger Nellist. I am also very grateful to Roger Nellist for helping me to run the organization, and to Andrew Goodhart, Chairman of the Trustees for handling the donations and Gift Aid. The concerts have received about 100,000 views during the year, in 60 countries around the world, and were attended by an average of 35 people in the church, with attendances varying from 15 to 80. I celebrated 2000 Ealing concerts on 23rd July 2023 - 1,343 at St Mary's and 657 at St Barnabas.

**'Lockdown Star' Award:** We were given this prestigious award by the Critics' Circle, in recognition of our 156 concerts held in an empty church during the lockdown. We are proud of this national recognition of our activities. Here is their citation :

*St Mary's, Perivale – a tiny, Grade 1-listed redundant church in west London – has punched far above its weight with the range and quality of its streamed recitals. Dr Hugh Mather and the team – all volunteers – carried on with their three weekly recitals when Covid hit, providing young artists with paid employment and a platform during this hardest of times, raising their own funds, largely through donations, to pay the artists without any public subsidies. Both the quality of the concerts on offer and the diversity of performers and repertoire put the response of many larger, subsidised venues to shame. The concerts were streamed live using very high quality equipment installed by two former BBC engineers, Simon Shute and George Auckland.*

**Our finances:** These will be considered in more detail in the report by our Treasurer, Richard Norris, but despite abnormal expenditure of about £16,000 on repairs to the tower and external redecoration, and about £12,000 on new video and audio equipment, we still managed to record an overall surplus of about £12,000, and we have reserves of around £180,000. We are further increasing the payments made to our musicians in the forthcoming year to reflect this financial success. I would like to record our thanks to Richard Norris for handling our finances in his usual expert fashion.

**Structural improvements:** The woodwork of the tower was repaired last summer, with extensive rotten areas being replaced, and the exterior of the church and tower was repainted. The total cost of these repairs was about £16,000. The outside noticeboard was also renovated and fitted with illumination.

**Improvements to the Churchyard:** The churchyard is in good condition, thanks to the efforts of our flourishing gardening team under the direction of David Brown. We are fortunate in having such a dedicated group of talented individuals, with a considerable range of skills, to assist in the maintenance and improvement of the churchyard.

## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2023 (cont'd)

**Video-recording facilities :** We paid about £9,000 for a major upgrade of our our video camers, and £3,000 for new audio equipment, and this was installed by BT last November. This has transformed the quality, stability and reliability of our broadcasts, and the video and audio quality of our current livestreams is stunning. We are deeply indebted to our technical team, led by Simon Shute, for their expertise and hard work in this considerable achievement. We now broadcast to Facebook, as well as YouTube and Vimeo, thanks to the expert input from George Aukland.

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**Plans for the Autumn:** We plan to continue with about 120 concerts per year, streaming all except those given by our local amateur orchestras. The Autumn programme looks very good, with a major festival run jointly with the Keyboard Charitable Trust, featuring 10 exceptional young pianists on September 30th and October 1st. Virtually all concerts until next summer afre already booked up, and there is a long waiting list for musicians.

**Summary:** We have consolidated our position as the most active broadcasting venue in the UK, particularly for piano and chamber music recitals. Our 'hybrid' model means that we still provide concerts for our local music-lovers, while also broadcasting the concerts throughout the world. We have established St Mary's Perivale as the premier venue for instrumental and chamber music in West London and consolidated our finances. We continue to maintain our beautiful church and churchyard in pristine condition. With the valued support of our members and other core supporters, we are ensuring that our ancient church is preserved for future generations to enjoy

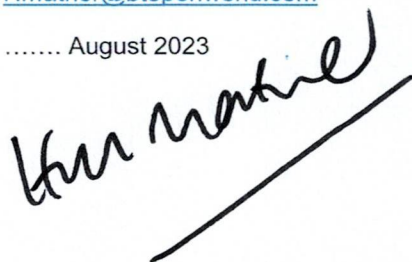
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**Dr Hugh M Mather**

Chairman, Executive Committee

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..... August 2023



## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

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#### Balance Sheet

The Friends have net tangible assets of £194,133 which is an increase of £10,204 during the financial year; this includes a small increase of £452 in the value of the holding of COIF Investment Fund, now valued at £47,863 More than three quarters of the Friends reserves are held in cash at the present time, which has attracted very little interest but in the short term at least has been considered to be the safest harbour for the money.

In recent months, there has been a significant movement in interest rates, which, as holders of cash has been to our advantage. The present deposits are under review to obtain the best return within the conservative policy which we have always adopted, and will continue to maintain

#### Income & Expenditure Account

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During the year, there was a major repair project on the tower which, including exterior redecoration, cost over £15,485 , and over £13,275 has been invested in new livestreaming equipment, including £9,010 on upgraded cameras.

Aside from concerts, the subscription income has been maintained at a high level, and routine overheads for keeping the building and churchyard well maintained have generally held or are again marginally reduced. We have also received some very generous donations with particular mention of £2,000 from R Illingworth, £1,600 from Parkes, £500 from Anna Davies and £1,000 from the Richmond Concert Society.

#### General

The surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account for the year is £11,760, which is a reflection on the generosity of those who have supported the organisation during the year, and made possible by the expertise and dedication of the live-streaming team who have created the facility.

  
Richard G Norris  
Hon Treasurer

11th November 2023

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST JULY 2023**

	Note	31st July 2022	
<b>Investments</b>			
COIF Deposit Fund		58,551	56,849
COIF Investment Fund (mid mkt val)	6	47,863	47,411
Virgin Money Deposit		66,218	65,954
		<u>172,632</u>	<u>170,214</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Sundry Debtors	2	167	17
Prepaid expenditure	2	613	1,080
Stocks	3	61	61
Cash at Bank and in Hand		22,368	13,997
		<u>23,209</u>	<u>15,155</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Sundry Creditors	4	(1,708)	(1,440)
		21,501	13,715
		<u>£194,133</u>	<u>£183,929</u>

**Represented by**

**General Fund**

As at 1st August 2022	179,218	144,881
Surplus during the year	12,772	36,905
	<u>191,990</u>	<u>181,786</u>

**Keith Hutton Fund**

As at 1st August 2022	2,143	2,143
Permissible expenditure	0	0
	<u>2,143</u>	<u>2,143</u>
	<u>£194,133</u>	<u>£183,929</u>



**A N D GOODHART**

Chairman of Trustees  
26th November 2023



**H M MATHER**

Executive Chairman  
1st November 2023



**R G NORRIS**

Hon Treasurer  
1st November 2023

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2023**

<b>Receipts</b>	<i>Year to 31.7.2022</i>	
<b>Charitable income</b>		
Subscriptions	10,664	11,414
Donations	5,760	7,614
Sundry income	50	0
Gift Aid	<u>2,935</u>	<u>2,466</u>
	19,409	21,494
<b>Investment income</b>		
Interest	1,966	154
Unrealised surplus on investments	<u>3,112</u>	<u>857</u>
	5,078	1,011
<b>Trading income</b>		
Hire of church	1,245	1,045
Income from live concerts	55,237	53,594
Gift aid on concert income	<u>13,133</u>	<u>12,669</u>
	69,615	67,308
	<u>£94,102</u>	<u>£89,813</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Building expenditure</b>		
Repairs & maintenance	556	1,030
External decoration	15,485	0
New cameras	9,010	0
Video equipment	5,446	6,983
Insurance	3,763	3,615
Electricity & heating	1,777	1,887
Telephone and internet	1,925	1,137
Technics alarms	457	694
Churchyard renovation	<u>3,303</u>	<u>4,953</u>
	41,722	20,299
<b>Trading expenditure</b>		
Concert costs	31,635	27,984
PRS fees	1,221	91
Website		129
Celebration concerts	792	0
Piano maintenance	<u>4,415</u>	<u>3,605</u>
	38,063	31,809
<b>Administration costs</b>		
Advertising	519	599
Printing & stationery	443	96
Sundries	<u>583</u>	<u>105</u>
	1,545	800
	<u>£81,330</u>	<u>£52,908</u>
<b>Year end surplus</b>	<u>£12,772</u>	<u>£36,905</u>

**FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

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**2022**

2 **Sundry debtors**

Prepaid services	613	1,080
Interest receivable	167	17
	<u>£780</u>	<u>£1,097</u>

3 **Stocks**

Refreshments	61	61
	<u>£61</u>	<u>£61</u>

4 **Sundry creditors**

Monument repairs	1,050	1,050
Electricity	59	38
PRS levies	599	232
Prepaid venue hire	0	120
	<u>£1,708</u>	<u>£1,440</u>

5 **Charitable status**

The Friends of St Mary's Perivale is a registered charity, its Charity Commission number being 281982

6 **Capital expenditure**

A) Video equipment	9,010	4,164
B) Live streaming project	4,165	1,725
	<u>£13,175</u>	<u>£5,889</u>

This expenditure has been written off in these accounts

7 **Investments**

At 31st July 2023, the Friends of St Marys Perivale had a holding of 204.75 Accumulation Units in the COIF Charities Investment Fund with a value of £47,863 (2022: £47,411).

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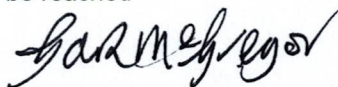
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# Accounts

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**THE FRIENDS OF  
ST MARY'S, PERIVALE.**

**REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**31ST JULY 2022**



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**ST MARY'S**

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## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2022**

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S is a Registered Charity No 281982 and is formally constituted by Deed of Trust dated 18th June 1979, although the Friends, as an organisation was founded at a meeting in Ealing Town Hall on 26th September 1976

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31st July 2020 were: Mr Andrew Goodhart (Chairman), Dr Hugh Mather, Rev Valerie Aitken, Rev Andy Johnston, Mr John Newbwgin and Mr John Biggs (Clerk). Two meetings of the Trustees are normally held during the year.

#### **Objectives and Organisation**

The object of the Charity is to preserve this Grade I Listed Church "as a building of historic and architectural interest" and we are permitted, under the redundancy measures "to arrange, organise, and conduct such charitable activities (whether or not of a religious nature) at the said church as is authorised by the 99 year lease, granted on 19th June 1979 by the London Diocesan Fund on behalf of the Church Commissioners at a nominal rent of £250p.a." This rental is however waived annually, provided that the cost of all repairs and maintenance exceeds this sum, which has been the case since the commencement of the lease over 40 years ago. There has never been a demand for rent and the "rent review" in June 2009 was not exercised. A few years ago, representatives of the London Diocesan Committee visited this and other redundant churches in Middlesex and were delighted with the condition of the church and the improved facilities that the Friends have provided, and continue to provide over the years.

#### **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman's report for the Trustees whose purpose, under the Deed of Trust, is to have the ultimate responsibility for the use and maintenance of the church and churchyard in accordance with the terms of the lease. The Charity Commissioners have recently confirmed that the Trust Deed is the official over-riding document which describes the responsibilities of the Trustees in respect of the church and the churchyard, including burial arrangements.

The Trustees have noted with appreciation all the hard work that has been carried out during the year, both inside and outside the church building, by the excellent team of volunteers. It is good to have Hugh Mather (Chairman of the Executive Committee) as a Trustee, as he is the prime mover of everything connected with the day-to-day running of St Mary's Perivale. The Executive Chairman's Report therefore gives a more detailed report of the activities for the year. The continuance of concerts is particularly important to the life of St Mary's Perivale, as are the benefits to the musicians who are very keen to play. A major item during the year has been the continuous live-streaming of the concerts during the pandemic on a worldwide basis; we continue to upgrade the recording and sound equipment, and are benefitting from the new fibre link for our transmissions, now without problems and the addition of new cameras.

The church is being kept in fine condition and, with forward planning, we are able to cover all foreseeable eventualities. The church tower will have some rotten timbers replaced later in the year, and the church notice board is being refurbished. The team of gardeners continue to keep the churchyard in an excellent condition.

**Andrew N D Goodhart**

Chairman of Trustees  
28th August 2022

## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2022

**Introduction:** This has been another highly unusual year because of the continuing Covid-19 pandemic. After the lockdowns from March 2020 onwards, we reopened again to a live audience in September 2021. Since then we have adopted a 'hybrid' concert model, serving both our small audience in the church and a much larger number of participants watching our broadcasts online. This has proved to be very successful and bodes well for the future. We have become, in effect, a much-respected broadcasting venue for superb solo and chamber music concerts, enjoyed by hundreds of classical music lovers throughout the UK and abroad. This astonishing development has been based on the remarkable video system installed by Simon Shute and his colleagues, to whom we owe a huge debt of gratitude.

**Broadcast concerts:** From September 2021 to July 2022 we broadcast 119 streamed concerts, with 64 piano recitals, as well as recitals by 11 violinists, 8 cellists, 5 piano duos, 9 trios, and 5 lectures and 10 jazz concerts. Our highlight events were a Beethoven Sonata Festival with 32 pianists in October 2021 and a Mozart Festival with 18 pianists in March 2022. We paid out over £27,000 to musicians. All this has been achieved without any grant or external support, and run entirely by our team of unpaid volunteers. I would like to pay special tribute to our technical team who made all this possible, led by Simon Shute, and comprising George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins, Truus Bos and Roger Nellist. I am also very grateful to Roger Nellist for helping me to run the organization, and to Andrew Goodhart for handling the donations. The concerts have been viewed by an average of 500 people each, in 53 countries around the world, and by an average of 30 people in the venue, with attendances varying from 15 to 60.

**'Lockdown Star' Award:** We were given this prestigious award by the Critics' Circle, in recognition of our 156 concerts held in an empty church during the lockdown. We are proud of this national recognition of our activities. Here is their citation :

*St Mary's, Perivale – a tiny, Grade 1-listed redundant church in west London – has punched far above its weight with the range and quality of its streamed recitals. Dr Hugh Mather and the team – all volunteers – carried on with their three weekly recitals when Covid hit, providing young artists with paid employment and a platform during this hardest of times, raising their own funds, largely through donations, to pay the artists without any public subsidies. Both the quality of the concerts on offer and the diversity of performers and repertoire put the response of many larger, subsidised venues to shame. The concerts were streamed live using very high quality equipment installed by two former BBC engineers, Simon Shute and George Auckland.*

**Our finances:** These will be considered in more detail in the report by our Treasurer, Richard Norris, but despite the difficulties in attracting back our physical audience after the pandemic, we still managed to record an overall surplus of about £25,000, and we have reserves of around £160,000. We have increased the payments made to our musicians to reflect this financial success. I would like to record our thanks to Richard Norris for handling our finances in his usual expert fashion.

**Improvements to the Churchyard:** The churchyard is in good condition, thanks to our flourishing gardening team under the direction of David Brown, and has remained well maintained over the lockdown. We are fortunate in having such a dedicated group of talented individuals, with a considerable range of skills, to assist in the maintenance and improvement of the churchyard.

**Video-recording facilities :** We paid about £12,000 for a major upgrade of our internet connection to fibre, and this was installed by BT last November. This has transformed the quality, stability and reliability of our broadcasts from Standard Definition to High Definition. We have also made major improvements to the sound recording facilities, with extra microphones and sound mixers and installed a sound booth at the back of the nave for concerts and lectures.

## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2022 (cont'd)

**Structural improvements:** The woodwork of the tower contains some rotten areas which need replacement, and the exterior of the church needs redecoration. This major work will be undertaken in September. The church noticeboard will also be renovated

**Improvements to the churchyard:** The churchyard is in good condition, thanks to the efforts of our flourishing gardening team under the direction of David Brown, and has remained well maintained over the lockdown. We are fortunate in having such a dedicated group of talented individuals, with a considerable range of skills, to assist in the maintenance and improvement of the churchyard.

**Publicity:** Our thrice weekly email newsletter is sent to over 1480 email addresses and remains our core advertising tool. Five years ago we launched a major and successful 'social media' initiative on Facebook, with a 'page' for St Mary's Perivale administered by Roger Nellist. We now intend to increase our presence on Instagram. We are grateful for the input of Gill Rowley in producing posters and advertisements for Ealing Arts Diary.

**Use of the church by other musical organisations:** We have accommodated many local music organisations, including Ealing Chamber Music Club, Ealing Flute Group, Ealing Music Festival, Ealing Symphony Orchestra and Ealing Youth Orchestra. We are proud that our building has been used to benefit all ages and standards of music-making in Ealing.

**Plans for the Autumn:** We plan to continue with about 120 concerts per year, streaming all except those given by our local amateur orchestras. The Autumn programme looks very good, with a major Chopin piano festival on September 30th and October 1st and 2nd, in which 20 pianists will play most of Chopin's piano music over 5 long sessions.

**Summary:** We have consolidated our position as the most active broadcasting venue in the UK, particularly for piano and chamber music recitals. Our 'hybrid' model means that we still provide concerts for our local music-lovers, while also broadcasting the concerts throughout the world. We have established St Mary's Perivale as the premier venue for instrumental and chamber music in West London and consolidated our finances. We continue to maintain our beautiful church and churchyard in pristine condition. With the valued support of our members and other core supporters, we are ensuring that our ancient church is preserved for future generations to enjoy

**Acknowledgements:** Our continued success during the past year is a magnificent team effort by everyone involved at St Mary's and I am indebted to so many people for all their help. I would like to pay special tribute to Roger Nellist, our Vice-Chairman, for his huge input into all aspects of our organization; to Simon Shute for leading our technical team and developing our amazing video facilities; to George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins, Truus Bos and Roger Nellist for their massive contribution to the recordings; to George Auckland additionally for developing and funding our website; to Sherry White, Gill Rowley and Felicity Mather for running the 'box office'; to Andrew Goodhart for handling the donations via our website and Gift Aid system; to Richard Norris as Treasurer for his masterly handling of our finances; to Gill Rowley for her work as Membership Secretary; to Judith Price for cleaning the church; to Sherry White for acting as church 'caretaker'; to Gill Rowley for much help with publicity; to David Brown and everyone on the gardening team; and to everyone on the Executive Committee for being part of such a remarkably harmonious and effective group. Finally, I would like to thank Andrew Goodhart, Chairman of the Trustees, and the other Trustees, for their close support.

**Dr Hugh M Mather**  
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4th August 2022

## THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### HON TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2022

Attached are an Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st July 2022, together with a Balance Sheet prepared as at that date.

We are very pleased to report once again that the organisation is in a strong financial position. A successful year's activities has been further augmented by much appreciated donations.

#### Balance Sheet

The Friends have net tangible assets of £183,929 which is an increase of £36,905 during the financial year; this includes a small increase of £857 in the value of the holding of COIF Investment Fund, now valued at £44,741. More than three quarters of the Friends reserves are held in cash at the present time, which attracts very little interest but in the short term at least is considered to be the safest harbour for the money

There have been no major improvements to the structure during the year, but considerable remedial work on the tower, carpentry and redecoration is imminent, and is expected to cost in excess of £10,000. This has not been provided for in these Accounts, pending investigation into the extent of the problem.

#### Income & Expenditure Account

As explained in the CEO's report, the Friends has continued to provide live concerts, which are broadcast on our live-streaming system. Audiences have continued to respond very positively to this, and requests to listeners for donations to help pay the players have been very generously supported. As a result of this, concert income, at £55,993, has been maintained, and is further augmented by Gift Aid.

Much of the expenditure on the live streaming facility has been included in previous years' financial statements, but we have taken the opportunity to upgrade the equipment including an extra strategically placed camera.

Aside from concerts, the subscription income has been maintained at a high level, and routine overheads for keeping the building and churchyard well maintained have generally held or are marginally reduced. We have also received some very generous donations with particular mention of Richard Williams £5,000, Mrs Mendl £1,000 and Kate Vickery in memory of her husband

#### General

The surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account for the year is £36,905, which is a reflection on the generosity of those who have supported the organisation during the year, and made possible by the expertise and dedication of the live-streaming team who have created the facility. It should not be overlooked however that there is a large bill pending for repairs to the tower

  
Richard G Norris  
Hon Treasurer

28th August 2022

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

**BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST JULY 2022**

	Note		31st July 2021
<b>Investments</b>			
COIF Deposit Fund		56,849	11,773
COIF Investment Fund (mid mkt val)	6	47,411	46,554
Virgin Money Deposit		65,954	65,875
		<u>170,214</u>	<u>124,202</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Sundry Debtors	2	17	17
Prepaid expenditure	2	1,080	503
Stocks	3	61	61
Cash at Bank and in Hand		13,997	26,831
		<u>15,155</u>	<u>27,412</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Sundry Creditors	4	(1,440)	(4,589)
		13,715	22,823
		<u>£183,929</u>	<u>£147,024</u>
<b>Represented by</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2019		144,881	118,518
Surplus during the year		36,905	26,363
		<u>181,786</u>	<u>144,881</u>
<b>Keith Hutton Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2019		2,143	14,354
Permissible expenditure		0	(12,211)
		<u>2,143</u>	<u>2,143</u>
		<u>£183,929</u>	<u>£147,024</u>

**A N D GOODHART**

Chairman of Trustees  
.... December 2022



**H M MATHER**

Executive Chairman  
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**R G NORRIS**

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<b>Receipts</b>	<i>Year to 31.7.2021</i>	
<b>Charitable income</b>		
Subscriptions	11,414	11,515
Donations	7,614	4,155
Bequests-	0	0
Gift Aid	<u>2,466</u>	<u>3,116</u>
	21,494	18,786
<b>Investment income</b>		
Interest	154	77
Unrealised surplus on investments	<u>857</u>	<u>7,625</u>
	1,011	7,702
<b>Trading income</b>		
Hire of church	1,045	0
Income from live concerts	53,594	55,993
Gift aid on concert income	<u>12,669</u>	<u>12,189</u>
	67,308	68,182
	<u>£89,813</u>	<u>£94,670</u>
<b>Payments</b>		
<b>Building expenditure</b>		
Repairs & maintenance	1,030	3,469
Video equipment	6,983	17,152
Insurance	3,615	3,269
Electricity & heating	1,887	1,945
Telephone and internet	1,137	1,681
Technics alarms	694	610
New computer		1,234
Bench for Mary Agnew (net of £500 bequest)		245
Churchyard renovation	<u>4,953</u>	<u>2,624</u>
	20,299	32,230
<b>Trading expenditure</b>		
Concert costs	27,984	30,530
PRS fees	91	420
Stock of books written off	0	500
Website	129	165
Piano maintenance	<u>3,605</u>	<u>3,130</u>
	31,809	34,745
<b>Administration costs</b>		
Advertising	599	672
Printing & stationery	96	93
Sundries	<u>105</u>	<u>567</u>
	800	1,332
	<u>£52,908</u>	<u>£68,307</u>
<b>Year end surplus</b>	<u>£36,905</u>	<u>£26,363</u>

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	Prepaid services	1,080	503
	Interest receivable	17	17
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	Refreshments	61	61
		<u>£61</u>	<u>£61</u>
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	Monument repairs	1,050	1,050
	Electricity	38	48
	PRS levies	232	881
	Prepaid venue hire	120	0
	Memorial bench	0	745
	New computer	0	1,234
	Compost equipment	0	273
	Presentation gift	0	43
	Advertisement	0	40
	Piano repairs	0	275
	Video camera	0	0
		<u>£1,440</u>	<u>£4,589</u>

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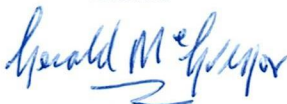
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Sherry White

## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2021**

THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S is a Registered Charity No 281982 and is formally constituted by Deed of Trust dated 18th June 1979, although the Friends, as an organisation was founded at a meeting in Ealing Town Hall on 26th September 1976

The Charity Trustees during the year to 31st July 2020 were: Mr Andrew Goodhart (Chairman), Dr Hugh Mather, Rev Valerie Aitken, Rev Andy Johnston, Mr John Newbwgin and Mr John Biggs (Clerk). Two meetings of the Trustees are normally held during the year.

#### **Objectives and Organisation**

The object of the Charity is to preserve this Grade I Listed Church "as a building of historic and architectural interest" and we are permitted, under the redundancy measures "to arrange, organise, and conduct such charitable activities (whether or not of a religious nature) at the said church as is authorised by the 99 year lease, granted on 19th June 1979 by the London Diocesan Fund on behalf of the Church Commissioners at a nominal rent of £250p.a." This rental is however waived annually, provided that the cost of all repairs and maintenance exceeds this sum, which has been the case since the commencement of the lease over 40 years ago. There has never been a demand for rent and the "rent review" in June 2009 was not exercised. A few years ago, representatives of the London Diocesan Committee visited this and other redundant churches in Middlesex and were delighted with the condition of the church and the improved facilities that the Friends have provided, and continue to provide over the years.

#### **Chairman's Report**

The Chairman's report for the Trustees whose purpose, under the Deed of Trust, is to have the ultimate responsibility for the use and maintenance of the church and churchyard in accordance with the terms of the lease. The Charity Commissioners have recently confirmed that the Trust Deed is the official over-riding document which describes the responsibilities of the Trustees in respect of the church and the churchyard, including burial arrangements.

The Trustees have met twice during the year and have noted with appreciation all the hard work that has been carried out during the year, both inside and outside the church building, by the excellent team of volunteers. It is good to have Hugh Mather (Chairman of the Executive Committee) as a Trustee, as he is the prime mover of everything connected with the day-to-day running of St Mary's Perivale. The Executive Chairman's Report therefore gives a more detailed report of the activities for the year. The continuance of concerts is particularly important to the life of St Mary's Perivale, as are the benefits to the musicians who are very keen to play. A major item during the year has been the live-streaming of concerts on a worldwide basis, and we continue to upgrade the recording and sound equipment, and look forward to the new fibre link for our transmissions.

The church is being kept in fine condition and, with forward planning, we are able to cover all foreseeable eventualities. The lighting system has been updated and work on the tower woodwork, louvres and windows has been completed. The team of gardeners continue to keep the churchyard in an excellent condition.

**Andrew N D Goodhart**

Chairman of Trustees

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### CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2021

**Introduction** - This has been the most unusual year in our history because of the Covid-19 crisis. After the first lockdown, we reopened for live concerts in an empty church on 2nd June 2020. Since then, we have broadcast 154 concerts under these unusual conditions. It is apparent that we have avoided disaster because of our sophisticated video system, which enabled us to continue supporting musicians, subsidised by donations from viewers of the broadcasts. This has transformed our situation and we have avoided catastrophe and prospered because we are one of the few venues able to respond to this unexpected challenge.

**Broadcast concerts:** We have broadcast 154 concerts from an empty church, from 2nd June 2020 until now, including 70 piano recitals, 23 violin and piano duos, 26 trios or larger ensembles etc. and our Beethoven Piano Sonata Festival last October 2020, with all the sonatas played by 32 pianists. We have also held 6 jazz concerts. We have paid over £25,000 to musicians. All this has been achieved without any grant or external support, and run entirely by our team of unpaid volunteers. I would pay particular tribute to our technical team who made all this possible, led by Simon Shute, comprising George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins and Truus Bos. I am also very grateful to Roger Nellist for helping me to run the organisation, and to Andrew Goodhart for handling the donations. The broadcasts have been viewed by an average of 500 people per concert, in 53 countries around the world.

**Our finances:** These are considered in more detail in the report by our Treasurer, Richard Norris, but despite the difficulties in having no audience in the church since March last year, we still managed to record an overall surplus of over £25,000, and we have reserves of over £145,000. This is a remarkable achievement considering the desperate plight of so many other similar cultural centres, and bodes well for the future. I would like to record our thanks to Richard Norris for handling our finances in his usual expert fashion.

**Video-recording facilities:** We have paid some £12,000 for a major upgrade of our internet connection to fibre, and this is currently being installed by BT and should hopefully be finished by September. This will transform the quality of our broadcasts from Standard Definition to High Definition. The new lighting scheme installed in the chancel by Andrew Whadcoat and Simon Shute is working well. We have made major improvements to the sound recording facilities, with extra microphones and sound mixers, and an installation at the back of the nave to allow adjusting the broadcast sound during concerts and lectures.

**Improvements to the Churchyard:** The churchyard is in good condition, thanks to our flourishing gardening team under the direction of David Brown, and has remained well maintained over the lockdown. We are fortunate in having such a dedicated group of talented individuals, with a considerable range of skills, to assist in the maintenance and improvement of the churchyard.

**Publicity:** Our twice weekly email newsletter is sent to over 1,480 addresses and remains our core advertising tool. However, we now need to reach a wider 'virtual' audience watching our concerts at home, principally by use of social media. Five years ago, we launched a major and successful 'social media' initiative on Facebook, with a 'page' for St Mary's Perivale administered by Roger Nellist. We now intend to increase our presence on two other popular platforms, namely Instagram and Twitter. We are grateful for the input of Gill Rowley in producing posters and advertisements for the Ealing Arts Diary.

**Use of the church by other musical organisations:** In past 'normal' years we have accommodated many local music organisations including Ealing Chamber Music Club, Ealing Flute Group, Ealing Music Festival, West London Sinfonia, Piano Association, West London Sinfonia, Ealing Symphony Orchestra and Ealing Youth Orchestra. We are proud that the church has been used to benefit all ages and standards of music-making in Ealing, and will do so in the next twelve months when life returns to 'normal'.

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### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2021 (cont'd)**

**Plans for the Autumn:** We hope to resume concerts with an audience in September and have over 40 concerts planned for the Autumn. Obviously the fluctuating Covid situation is a threat, but barring a further lockdown, we will reopen with a live audience, while following the guidance from the government. Then, there will be two audiences for each concert - the 'live' one in the church (perhaps 25-50) and the virtual audience (totalling 250-500). Some former attenders may still have concerns about any residual Covid risk and may stay away, but we hope that we can persuade most of our supporters to return to the unbeatable 'live' experience in the church. We plan a repeat of our unique Beethoven Sonata cycle in October with 32 pianists playing all the sonatas.

**Summary:** Despite the problems posed by the pandemic, we have managed to preserve our concert programmes and have been busier than ever, and our 154 broadcasts have now given us a national and international profile beyond our wildest dreams.. We continue to maintain our beautiful church and churchyard in pristine condition. We have established St Mary's Perivale as the premier venue for instrumental and chamber music in West London and consolidated our finances. We are now probably the most active classical music society in the UK. We continue to maintain our beautiful church and churchyard in pristine condition. With the valued support of our members and other core supporters, we are ensuring that the church is preserved for future generations to enjoy.

**Acknowledgements:** Our continued success during the past difficult year is the result of a magnificent team effort by everyone involved at St Mary's and I am indebted to so many people for all their help. I would like to pay special tribute to Roger Nellist, our Vice-Chairman, for his huge input into all aspects of our organisation; to Simon Shute for leading our technical team and developing our amazing video facilities; to George Auckland, Andrew Whadcoat, Rob Jenkins and Truus Bosl for their massive contribution to the recordings; to George Auckland additionally for developing and funding our website; to Andrew Goodhart for handling the donations via our website and Gift Aid System; to Richard Norris as Treasurer for his masterly handling of our finances; to Gill Rowley for her work as Membership Secretary; to Judith Price for cleaning the church; to Sherry White for acting as church 'caretaker'; to Gill Rowley and Mary Anne Auckland for much help with publicity; to David Brown and everyone on the gardening team; to the late Patrick Magill, who helped enormously with our broadcasts and whose passing is deeply mourned; and to everyone on the Executive Committee for being part of such a remarkably harmonious and effective group. Finally, I would like to thank Andrew Goodhart, Chairman of the Trustees, and the other Trustees for their close support.

**Dr Hugh M Mather**

Chairman, Executive Committee

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## **THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE**

### **HON TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2021**

Attached are an Income & Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st July 2021, together with a Balance Sheet prepared as at that date.

We are very pleased to report once again that the organisation is in a strong financial position. A successful year's activities has been further augmented by much appreciated donations.

#### **Balance Sheet**

The Friends have net tangible assets of £147,024 which is an increase of £14,151 during the financial year; this includes a increase of £7,625 In the value of the holding of COIF Investment Fund, now valued at £46,554. More than two thirds of the Friends reserves are held in cash at the present time, which attracts very little interest but in the short term at least is considered to be the safest harbour for the money

As indicated last year, the upgrade of the lighting in the church was completed in the Autumn at a total cost of £12,211; this was funded by the Keith Hutton Fund which is dedicated to funding internal church maintenance. There are no plans for spending the residual balance of £2,143.

#### **Income & Expenditure Account**

As explained in the CEO's report, the Friends has continued to provide live concerts, which are broadcast on our live-streaming system. Audiences have responded very positively to this, and requests to listeners for donations to help pay the players have been very generously supported. As a result of this, concert income has risen to £55,993 an increase of over £14,000 on last year, further augmented by increased Gift Aid.

As a result of this disrupted programme, direct concert costs remain rather lower, but the expenses include a charge of £11,664 for the installation of fibre optic cable to improve the quality of our broadcasts.

Aside from concerts, the subscription income has increased significantly, and routine overheads for keeping the building and churchyard well maintained have generally held or are marginally reduced. As indicated elsewhere, we have invested heavily in livestreaming equipment, but the planned redcoration of the interior of the church has been deferred until some of the present uncertainties should have eased.

#### **General**

The surplus on the Income and Expenditure Account for the year is £26,363, which is higher than planned and a reflection on the generosity who have supported the organisation during the year, and the expertise and dedication of the live-streaming team who have made it possible.

**Richard G Norris**  
**Hon Treasurer**

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE****BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31ST JULY 2021**

	Note		31st July 2020
<b>Investments</b>			
COIF Deposit Fund		11,773	11,759
COIF Investment Fund (mid mkt val)	6	46,554	38,929
Virgin Money Deposit		65,875	65,749
		<u>124,202</u>	<u>116,437</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Sundry Debtors	2	17	281
Prepaid expenditure	2	503	398
Stocks	3	61	561
Cash at Bank and in Hand		26,831	17,513
		<u>27,412</u>	<u>18,753</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Sundry Creditors	4	(4,589)	(2,317)
		22,823	16,436
		<u>£147,024</u>	<u>£132,873</u>
<b>Represented by</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2019		118,519	108,381
Surplus during the year		26,363	10,138
		<u>144,881</u>	<u>118,519</u>
<b>Keith Hutton Fund</b>			
As at 1st August 2019		14,354	14,279
Additional receipt		(12,211)	75
		<u>2,143</u>	<u>14,354</u>
		<u>£147,024</u>	<u>£132,873</u>

**A N D GOODHART**Chairman of Trustees  
.... October 2021**H M MATHER**Executive Chairman  
.... October 2021**R G NORRIS**HonTreasurer  
21st October 2021

**THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE****INCOME & EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2021**

		<i>Year to 31.7.2020</i>	
<b>Receipts</b>			
<b>Charitable income</b>			
Subscriptions	11,515	8,539	
Donations	4,155	2,403	
Bequests-	0	1,000	
Gift Aid	<u>3,116</u>	<u>2,393</u>	
	18,786		14,335
<b>Investment income</b>			
Interest	77	595	
Unrealised surplus on investments	<u>7,625</u>	<u>1,306</u>	
	7,702		1,901
<b>Trading income</b>			
Hire of church	0	750	
Income from live concerts	55,993	30,261	
Income from recorded concerts	0	11,458	
Gift aid on concert income	<u>12,189</u>	<u>8,979</u>	
	68,182		51,448
	<u>£94,670</u>		<u>£67,684</u>
<b>Payments</b>			
<b>Building expenditure</b>			
Repairs & maintenance	3,469	3,113	
Parking arrangement fees	0	1,200	
Carpet replacements	0	1,996	
Video equipment	17,152	7,876	
Insurance	3,269	2,969	
Electricity & heating	1,945	1,660	
Telephone and internet	1,681	607	
Technics alarms	610	928	
New computer	1,234	0	
Bench for Mary Agnew (net of £500 bequest)	245	0	
Churchyard renovation	<u>2,624</u>	<u>2,105</u>	
	32,230		22,454
<b>Trading expenditure</b>			
Concert costs	30,530	21,561	
Royalties on livestreamed recordings	0	6,500	
Refreshments	0	454	
PRS fees	420	788	
Stock of books written off	500	396	
Website	165	144	
Piano maintenance	<u>3,130</u>	<u>2,550</u>	
	34,745		32,393
<b>Administration costs</b>			
Advertising	672	1,616	

Printing & stationery	93	658
Sundries	<u>567</u>	<u>426</u>
	1,332	2,700
	<u>£68,307</u>	<u>£57,547</u>
<b>Year end surplus</b>	<u>£26,363</u>	<u>£10,138</u>

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## FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S PERIVALE

### ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY 2021

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS ON PAGES 6 AND 7

1 **Accounting Policies**

- a) these accounts have been prepared on accruals basis
- b) Capital expenditure is written off in the year in which it is incurred
- c) it is estimated that the society has assets to the value of approximately £35,000, comprising a grand piano, recording equipment and other assets appropriate for entertaining the public

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**Sundry debtors**

		<b>2020</b>
Prepaid services	503	440
Electricity prepaid	0	158
Interest receivable	17	81
	<u>£520</u>	<u>£679</u>

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**Stocks**

Refreshments	61	61
Literature for resale	0	500
	<u>£61</u>	<u>£561</u>

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**Sundry creditors**

Monument repairs	1,050	1,050
Electricity	48	0
PRS levies	881	461
Memorial bench	745	0
New computer	1,234	0
Compost equipment	273	0
Presentation gift	43	0
Advertisement	40	0
Piano repairs	275	0
Video camera	0	806
	<u>£4,589</u>	<u>£2,317</u>

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**Charitable status**

The Friends of St Mary's Perivale is a registered charity, its Charity Commission number being 281982

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**Capital expenditure**

A) Video equipment	5,488	6,299
B) Live streaming project	11,966	1,577
C) New computer	1,234	0

£18,688

£7,876

This expenditure has been written off in these accounts

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### **Investments**

At 31st July 2021 the Friends of St Marys Perivale had a holding of 204.75 Accumulation Units in the COIF Charities Investment Fund with a value of £46,554 (2019: £38,928).

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## **INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S, PERIVALE.**

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st July 2021 which are set out on the attached pages.

### **Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the Charity's Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and you consider that the audit requirements of Section 43 (2) of the Charities Act 1993 ("the Act") do not apply. It is thus my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under Section 43 (7)(b) of the Act, where particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of the Independent Examiner's Report**

My examinations were 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 such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required of an audit, and consequently I do not present an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- a) to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act, and
- b) to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met.

The Trust, in common with others of a similar size and organisation, received income which cannot be fully controlled until it is entered in the accounting records and is therefore not capable of independent verification.

No matter has come to my attention in connection with my examination to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to make a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached

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