

FRIENDS OF St MARY'S CHURCH
MAPLEDURWELL

Charity Number 284649

Accounts for the year to 31st December 2023

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Trustees

Jane Stevens	Chairman
Robin Best	Treasurer
Prilly Brewin	Vice Chairman & Secretary
Nicola Franks	Sadly deceased 3 rd September 2023
Jane Carfrae	
Diana Maclean	
Damian Read	
Anna Rigby	

Chairman's Report

This year we continued to support the maintenance, restoration and improvement of St Mary's Church, Mapledurwell.

The Charity's income from M&G investments was £42,944 in 2023 representing an increase of £1,255 over the prior year (£41,688).

The market value of our M&G investments on 31st December 2023 was £720,759 (2022: £738,102).

In 2023 donations were made to the following causes:

Mapledurwell

St Mary's Church Mapledurwell:	£4,500 (plus Christmas flowers of £108)
Mapledurwell and Up-Nately parish council towards Mapledurwell pond refurbishment:	£7,700 (plus further pond expenses of £831)

Local

Friends of St Stephens Up-Nately (tree damage):	£500
Basingstoke Food Bank:	£2,000
Two Saints Basingstoke:	£3,000
The Camrose Centre Basingstoke:	£3,000
Odiham PCC Food Bank:	£1,500
Student University Grants	£13,000

National

Support for individual's fundraisers:	£1,200 (see below)
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International

Disasters Emergency Committee Turkey-Syria earthquake appeal:	£4,000
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The charity made donations matching local individual charity fund-raising activities up to £200: two people ran the London Marathon for Shelter and Back Up, a walk to support Cruse Bereavement, two people hiked around Loch Lomond for Cancer Research UK, one individual had his long hair cut short to make a wig for Teenage Cancer Trust.

We are also pleased to continue to support the young people of the community by sponsoring University students with grants towards tuition fees.

The Trustees would like to express their condolences to Nicola Franks' family after her death in September 2023. They would like to give thanks for her valuable services as a Trustee of the Charity during the past 16 years.



Mrs Jane Stevens

Chairman

Date11/4..... 2024

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Trustee's Report

Introduction

The trustees of the Friends of St Mary's Church, Mapledurwell (the 'Charity') are pleased to present their Annual Report together with the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2023.

Structure, Governance and Management of the Charity

The Charity is governed by its constitution dated 12th March 1982 and entered on the register of Charities on 30 April 1982.

The Objective of the Charity is as follows:

The Charity is established to pay or make provision or application for the maintenance, restoration and improvement of the church of St Mary at Mapledurwell near Basingstoke in the county of Hampshire, and to carry out such other legally charitable purposes for the benefit of humankind as the Trustees may from time to time determine.

All Trustees are volunteers and are not paid.

Trustees are invited to attend Trustee's meetings of which there should be at least three each year. Decisions are made based on the majority vote of Trustees present. Where the votes are equal the Chair has the casting vote.

During the year under review three trustee's meetings were held.

Main activities of the Charity for public benefit

The Trustees take into account the Charity's Objectives and the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The Charity has continued for many years to support the maintenance, restoration and improvement of St Mary's Church, Mapledurwell, to make grants to university students towards university tuition fees, to make donations to charities internationally and to various local community projects.

Financial Development

The Charity's main income is from investments in M&G Charifund Income Units.
The Charity has no restricted funds.

Reserve's policy

The Charity holds reserves invested in a low-risk equity fund that pays income sufficient to meet the regular annual costs of maintenance of the Church, together with a share of costs, identified by the quinquennial maintenance review of the Church fabric undertaken for the Mapledurwell Village Church Committee. Excess income can be spent giving grants to students from the village, donations to other charities and grants for individual items that improve the well-being of the members of the village.
A float is kept in a non-interest-bearing bank account.

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Income and Expenditure Account

<u>Income</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>£</u>
M & G Investment income	42,944.48	Donation to St Mary's Church	4,500.00
		Church Expenses (flowers)	107.74
		Insurance	254.00
		The Camrose Centre, Basingstoke	3,000.00
		Two Saints, Basingstoke	3,000.00
		DEC, Turkey-Syria Earthquake	4,000.00
		Basingstoke Food Bank	2,000.00
		Odiham Food Bank	1,500.00
		Student University Grants	13,000.00
		Donations to Mapledurwell & Up-Nately Parish Council (Mapledurwell Pond)	7,700.00
		Pond – Christmas lights, Fish, Plants	830.65
		Christmas Carols, Mapledurwell Pond expenses and St Michael's Hospice donation	318.27
		Support for individual's charity fund raising events	1,200.00
		Donation to St Stephen's Church (tree work)	500.00
		Plaque for Nicola Franks' bench at Pond	160.00
		Excess of income over expenditure	873.82
Total Income	42,070.66	Total Expenditure	42,070.66

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31ST December 2023

Investments

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Charifund Income Units. At Cost: 483,030.46
(Holding of 50,227.479 units at 1,434.99p at 31/12/23 is £720,759.30)

Balance at Santander UK plc Bank 46,166.23

529,196.69

Capital Fund

Balance as at 1st January 2023 528,322.87

Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year 873.82

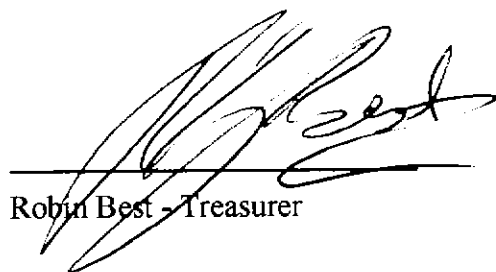
As at 31st December 2024

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The accounts were approved by the Trustees on Date. 11 April 2024 and signed on their behalf by:



Jane Stevens - Chairman



Robin Best - Treasurer

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Friends of St Mary's Church, Mapledurwell

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2023, set out on pages 5 & 6.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the Accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.
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Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

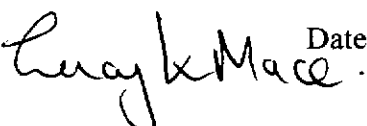
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature  Date 11 / 4 / 24

Lucy Mace (CIMA qualified)

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