

CHRIST CHURCH, BATH
ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
Sunday 14 May 2023, 11:15am,
Christ Church, Julian Road, Bath BA1 2RH

Agenda

1. Opening prayers
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes of the previous ACM (Sunday 8 May 2022)
4. Matters Arising
5. Remarks from the Priest-in-Charge
6. Reports
 - (i) Electoral Roll – changes in membership
 - (ii) Chair of Trustees
 - (iii) Financial Report for 2022
 - (iv) Deanery Synod
7. Elections and appointments
 - (i) Election of Churchwardens
 - (ii) Election of Deanery Synod Representatives – 2 to be elected
 - (iii) Elections to Church Council – to elect 4 members
 - (iv) Appointment of independent financial examiner
8. Any Other Business
9. Date of the next Annual Church Meeting
10. Closing prayers

Minutes of the previous Annual Meeting

Held on Sunday 8th May 2022 at 11.30 am

Chair: Revd Lore Chumbley, Priest-in-charge
Clerk: Emma Elliott
Present: 31 people

It was agreed by assent that Emma Elliott would take minutes at the meeting because the Secretary to the Trustees was unwell.

1. Opening Prayer

Lore opened the meeting with prayer and remembered especially Dawn Hooper, Margaret Silver, Jane Fletcher and Sharon Rawlings, who have died over the past year.

2. Apologies

Margaret White, Simon Tatton Brown, Kara Maylor, Robin Kerr and Sarah Kerr sent their apologies.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes were adopted as a true accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by Mark Elliott, seconded by Malcolm Wall. All votes in favour.

4. Matters Arising

Alex Soboslay asked for confirmation on what happened to the bequest made by Penny Edwards. Nick Wells reported that it was paid into general funds.

5. Remarks from the Priest in Charge

In addition to her report in the booklet Lore made some further remarks. Her spirits are raised now that we can come together again as a congregation because she remembers the time when we couldn't meet. Things have changed in the last year. We have lost people, some of whom have died, and others who have moved away. We have also welcomed new people, especially our Curate Kara (who is unable to be present at the meeting due to a diocesan training day).

She expressed her thanks to many people including

- our Trustees, especially to Nick Wells, who took over as Chair this year
- our Council, and Jonathan our lay chair
- our retired clergy team: Peter and Beryl Bowes, and Simon Tatton-Brown
- to all those who figure in the reports
- Angela our verger, who works behind the scenes to make things run smoothly
- Alex Soboslay for producing our magazine

On Sunday 18th September Bishop Michael will come to Christ Church to consecrate St Michael's Chapel.

6 Reports

6a Electoral Roll Report

The Electoral Roll report records 93 people on the roll as of April 24th 2022.

6b Chair of Trustees

Following on from the published report from the chair of trustees, there were no further questions raised. Lore expressed her thanks to all the time, effort, and attention to detail that the trustees give to the church.

6c Financial Report

Alex Soboslay asked for further clarification on the separation of the bank accounts. David Bishop responded:

There are three accounts in total. All three accounts fall under the Christ Church Financial Accounts.

- Bellringers
- Property
- General

A decision was made some years ago to better-define the church council duties and responsibilities. In line with this, it made sense for council to have control of a bank account for practical reasons. The council's treasurer can look after that account and pay bills etc. Since Richard Gabe took over as council treasurer, the regular freewill giving has been moved to the General account (instead of the property account) and this is the account that the council will have access to, in order to carry out their duties. The bellringers account is a separate small account that the bellringers have direct access to.

David made one further separate point of clarification, that the expenditure of £30,000 (under projects) includes some payments for the vestry roof.

Lore expressed gratitude to David Bishop and Richard Gabe. She reported that a letter had been received from the Archdeacon, thanking the church for maintaining its voluntary Parish Share payments to the diocese over the pandemic.

6d Deanery Synod

One small correction to the report was noted. The Deanery Synod meeting referenced in section 1.9 (on page 16) was in May 2021, not May 2022. There were no further questions to the Deanery Synod representatives. Brenda and Pauline were thanked for standing as reps.

7. Elections

7a Churchwardens

Janet Mahto was proposed by David Rawlings and seconded by Georgina Bowman.

Jane Nicholson was proposed by Sarah Cade and seconded by Clive Tilling.

There being no other nominations, Jane and Janet were elected unopposed as churchwardens and thanked for their continued service.

7b Church Council

Council rules state that if there is a "Casual Vacancy" on Council, and no general meeting will take place within 2 months, then the Council can elect someone to fill that post. Sharon Rawlings was a member of Council, and following her death, it was agreed that David Rawlings would be asked to take her place on the Council. However, the minutes of the Council, when the appointment was made, state that David was co-opted at this meeting, rather than elected, to fill the post. Ian Hay Davidson proposed that we affirm the action of the Council. All were in favour and therefore David remains appointed to Council until 2023.

There are three vacancies to fill, to stand until 2025.

Zi Ling (proposed Georgina Bowman, seconded Rebekah Cunningham)

Isaac Elliott (proposed Jenny Hesketh, seconded Zoe Bushell)
Lucy Humbert (Proposed Jane Nicholson, seconded Wilhelmina Ligt)

All three were duly elected.

7c Independent Financial Examiner

Waldron Partnership will be appointed as independent examiners for the forthcoming financial year. This was proposed by David Bishop and seconded by Oosman Tegally. All were in favour.

7d Approval for the inclusion of Lay Reader on Church Council

Lore asked for approval to include Mark Elliott as an ex-officio member of Council. This was proposed by Sylvia Ayers and seconded by Jane Nicholson. All were in favour.

8 AOB

i Letter of thanks to Bishop Ruth

Jonathan Stead proposed that a letter of thanks be drawn up and sent to Bishop Ruth, who has been standing in for the Bishop of Bath and Wells during his absence. All agreed that this was an excellent suggestion, and Jonathan kindly agreed to draft the letter.

ii West End

Ian Hay Davison asked when we can expect to begin work on the west end renovations, which includes the addition of a Donors' board for the bells. Lore reported that a faculty application has been lodged. As well as the west end changes, this faculty application also includes the donors' board and two new silver candlesticks for St Michael's Chapel.

iii Bell ringers

Ian Hay Davison reported that over the past year, 7 ringers have been lost, due to illness, retirement or death. Training of new ringers is being done by Maggie. New ringers are always welcome. Ian requested that Will Willans, the Tower Captain, be co-opted on to council. All were in favour and acknowledged the importance of this appointment.

Brenda Wall asked Ian to pass on our thanks to the ringers. It is always a joy to hear them ringing on Sunday mornings and they ring to a very high standard.

iv Flowers

Nick Wells thanked the flower arrangers for their service and reminded the congregation that new flower arrangers are always welcome. The current team is a small one and is looking to expand. The flower arranging at church is of a very high standard.

v Vote of thanks to Lore

Sylvia proposed a vote of thanks to Lore for all she does for us, and especially for her sermons. All agreed, and Lore received a lengthy round of applause and a standing ovation.

A date of 14 May 2023 has been set for our next AGM.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 11.59 am with the Grace.

REPORTS FOR 2022

1. Administrative reports

1.1 Electoral Roll

The number on the electoral roll as at April 2022 was 93.

Since then, four people have been removed from the register and nine added to it.

The count for 2023 is therefore 98.

If anyone else would like to be added to the roll, please ask one of the churchwardens or Judith Anderson for an application form.

Current members of the electoral roll whose address has changed since April 2022 should inform me of their updated details.

Judith Anderson

Data correct at time of writing (April 2023)

1.2 Report from the Priest-in-Charge

It is a great privilege to continue to serve you as priest in charge of Christ Church in this, our 225th anniversary year. As we look back over the past year we remember those we have lost, and in particular: Yvonne Morris, who with Donald served Christ Church faithfully for many years; Ian Hay Davison, who masterminded the installation of our bells; and our recent past chair of Trustees, Charles Rice. For each of them the Christ Church family responded to their death with glorious music, flowers arranged with love and sensitivity and the solemn ringing of bells. We are all mortal but Christ's church will continue, expectant, until his return and it is heartening that we have welcomed new people, young and old, into Christ Church this year.

During Holy Week of 2022, Kara our curate sang the exultet with a convincing clarity at our Easter vigil service. Covid restrictions lifted sufficiently for us to attend her priesting in June and join her as she presided at her first Communion service the next day. We marked the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II in style with a regal tea party. The Lower Mews hosted two art exhibitions for Christ Church artists and a celebration of Ken and Sylvia's diamond wedding anniversary. When the sad announcement was made that her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II had died, Christ Church responded. Within 30 minutes the doors were open, candles burning and music playing to welcome the community in for refecton and prayer.

And that I hope is the motif for the past year. Almost imperceptibly Christ Church has become a place to which people come. The Cedar Tree community cafe is thriving. Our Caribbean community celebrated not only Windrush Day, but also a new Caribbean community or "Caricom" service in Christ Church, and we will do so again this year. At Christmas we were proud to host an inclusive carol service jointly with St Stephen's, St Mary's Charlcombe and Oasis Church. Paul Bayes, retired bishop of Liverpool, spoke about the need for the church to model humility, lament

and genuine welcome. Around a hundred people attended and afterwards lingered over refreshments, touched to find they were truly welcome. Kara's walks with Barney the ministry dog at the University of Bath have encouraged students to discover Christ Church, and we are happy that some have made it their home church.

At the beginning of 2022 Christ Church Council discerned a calling to build bridges to those around us – to individuals, the local community and to local churches. The foundations were already in place and as Covid restrictions were lifted we have been able to build those bridges strengthening our partnerships. As we celebrate our 225th year we look forward to hosting community celebrations in Julian Road in partnership with The Museum of Bath at Work, St Mary's Roman Catholic Church and Burlington House, and welcoming local people into Christ Church – their church.

Revd Lore Chumbley

1.3 Report from the Curate

It is a joy being a Curate at Christ Church. The rich variety of liturgical celebrations together with the passionate approach towards our Church community and wider community has taught me so much. Highlights have been outings with the wonderful Cedar Tree community both to Sham Castle and City Farm together with our weekly walks in our beautiful city. On our walks we always make time to appreciate and pray for each other and situations and we have seen many prayers answered, and our relationships to God and each other go deeper.

Holy Week is a particular highlight with the wonderful father-son duo of Mark and Issac leading us in sung Compline, the community spirit of the Passover meal, then the solemnity of Good Friday culminating in the Easter Vigil at St.Mary's. Then the stunning sunrise service in the garden leading to the jubilation of our Easter Day celebrations.

Walking with the students at the University has been so fulfilling. Barney our ministry dog is a firm favourite and through this a number of them have been welcomed into our Christ Church family. We had the privilege of baptising Michael last year. In addition there is now an evening group specifically for the under-30s age group, the Lighthouse group. This is led admirably by our fabulous Carol. I was fortunate to have them all to my house for an Easter celebration. Two of the girls cooked us the most delicious curry.

I have loved becoming part of the St.Andrew's School community too. I lead assemblies a couple of times a term and am in once a week to coach netball for Year 5 and 6. We have our first match against Bathford in a couple of weeks.

My membership of the local ecumenical group Still Waters has led to many beautiful evenings in St.John's Within. Once a month, we share food, a creative hour (which can be a variety of things from craft to walking) and evening prayer. Any of you would always be welcome.

Being priested in the Abbey was a truly joyful day and I was thrilled that so many of you joined me. I was so honoured by the celebration you held for me and the way my family and friends were made to feel so welcome.

I have enjoyed learning to ring the bells although I am a slow learner and Maggie has been so patient with me. Hopefully by the end of my Curacy I will actually be able to join a Tower team!

Being involved in the church at the death of Her Majesty the Queen and the Coronation which is coming soon has been very interesting. The resources that the Anglican Church provided us so well illustrate the breadth of the institution of which I feel honoured to be a part.

The celebrations for our 225 birthday are of course still all to come. I am really looking forward to Lucy and I doing our “brunch and boogie” morning – i.e., brunch then a guided walk after church, in a couple of weeks. And am intrigued to see what will happen with our artist inspired workshop “the Net” in June. And that is only a tiny glimpse of the rest of the year.

Huge thanks to you all and of course most especially to Lore for being the most inspiring, wise, kind and encouraging Training Incumbent a person could have.

Revd Kara Maylor

1.4 Trustees

Christ Church, Bath
Charity No: 1055275

Trustees' Annual Report **2022-2023**

List of Trustees

Chair:

Nick Wells (from 27.06.21, appointed 18.07.18)

Secretary:

Canon Simon Tatton-Brown (appointed 01.01.19)

Treasurer:

David Bishop (re-appointed 23.07.19)

The Ven Adrian Youings (*ex officio*, Archdeacon of Bath)

The Reverend Timothy Gleghorn (*ex officio*, Rector of Walcot)

Jenny Hesketh (appointed 28.11.19)

Sarah Sheppard (re-appointed 23.07.19)

Oosman Tegally (appointed 25.11.21)

Clive Tilling (re-appointed 23.07.19)

Hilary Wild (appointed 25.03.21)

Christ Church is governed by a Trust Deed dated 6 May 1801. The operation of the Deed is regulated by Standing Orders adopted by the Trustees on 23 June 2020, drawn up in the light of Charity Commission guidelines. Appointment to the position of trustee at Christ Church is for a six-year term in accordance with the Policy for the Appointment of a New Trustee, with option to renew subject to the agreement of the other trustees. Trustees are responsible for appointing new Trustees in event of vacancies. The Standing Orders also require that the trustees shall invite the Priest-in-Charge and Churchwardens of Christ Church to attend meetings of the trustees. They may participate fully in the trustees' meetings but without the power to vote.

Public Benefit: The trustees exercise their duties as the owners and custodians of the buildings forming part of the Christ Church Bath estate. The day-to-day responsibility for ordering the worship of Christ Church is exercised by the Priest-in-Charge with the Church Council. It is the view of the Trustees that the Charity complies with the guidance on public benefit as published by

the Charity Commission, by providing buildings and open spaces for religious activities, facilities and services for the general public/mankind.

Policies: The Trustees have adopted the following policies: For the Appointment of New Trustees (reviewed 09.03.23); Conflict of Interest (reviewed 08.09.22); Processing Personal Data (reviewed 08.09.22); Safeguarding (revised 28.04.22) Protection of Electronic and Written Data (08.09.22); Safeguarding Policy and Safeguarding Procedures (revised 09.03.23); Risk Policy and Register (reviewed 13.10.22); Health & Safety (adopted 19.01.23); Investment Policy (09.02.23); Standing Orders (reviewed 08.09.22). Reserves policy: It is the policy of the trustees to hold a cash reserve of at least £15,000.

Christ Church has complied with Safeguarding Procedures with regard to our responsibilities to children in the previous year.

Simon Tatton-Brown

1.5 Chair of Trustees

Trustees have continued to meet every six weeks or so throughout the year. Their focus continues to be the effective management of Christ Church's estate and finances to support both the ministry of the church and to maintain and update the fabric of its buildings.

Trustees' immediate aim is to build our financial resources at a time when costs are rising rapidly after several years of large transformational projects. In particular, we wish to ensure adequate reserves ahead of major maintenance of the main church roof, which is likely to arise in the longer term, and to provide a buffer for expenditure triggered by the imminent Quinquennial inspection.

Our income in 2022/23 was significantly reduced as a result of the long-term tenant in the Upper Mews leaving in August. A new commercial tenant has recently signed an eight-year lease and is expected to move in shortly. There has also been a change of tenancy in one of the Cottages albeit with only a short vacant period. The opportunity has been taken when negotiating with new tenants to raise rents to reflect current market rates.

A number of safety improvements have been made, or are in train. In particular, the staircase in the tower has been strengthened and approval sought for safety rails on the church roof.

Under our Architect's advice we continue to monitor the masonry crack beneath the Gallery North West window and to date, the movement appears historic. We have consulted a stained glass window specialist regarding refurbishment of the main Gallery windows and he has advised that limited repair is unlikely to be effective and that wholesale repair will require external scaffolding, significantly increasing the cost. Any programme in this regard is on hold pending the findings of the Quinquennial inspection. Trustees will then prioritise works according to urgency.

We were pleased to get Diocesan approval for the new bells simulator used for bellringer training.

Robin Kerr again undertook a host of repairs across the estate for which we are very grateful. Robin has installed insulation in the church and in one of the cottages thereby improving energy efficiency. David Bishop, as Treasurer, has been involved in all aspects of the Trust's business and

has spent many hours accordingly in our service. Simon Tatton Brown, as Secretary, has been central to the work the Trust continues to do to tighten our governance. Trustees now consider safeguarding and health & safety at every meeting and regular reports are provided on these matters. All the Trust's policies remain subject to annual review.

After many years' service as a Trustee, Clive Tilling is standing down and he leaves with our very best wishes for good health and happiness in his well-earned "retirement".

On behalf of Trustees, I thank Lore again for her work during the past year for the whole Christ Church community. We are also grateful for Kara's contribution and for that of our hardworking churchwardens. I pray that Christ Church will continue to grow both within our church building and outside it.

Nick Wells

Chair, Trustees of Christ Church Bath

1.6 Church Council

The Council met 5 times during the year under review and was able to move to virtual attendance rather than a hybrid of Zoom and in person. At the Annual Meeting on 8 May 2022 the congregation elected Zi Ling, Isaac Elliott and Lucy Humbert to the Council and they were warmly welcomed. In addition our Deanery Synod representatives, Pauline Swaby-Wallace and Brenda Wall, are valuable members.

At its first meeting the new Council re-elected Jonathan Stead as Lay Chair. A vote of appreciation was passed to the former members Virginia Knight, Georgina Bowman and Rebekah Cunningham for their service.

Council discussions followed regular reports on church activities from the Pastoral Care group, worship leaders and Deanery Synod as well from the Council Treasurer, Richard Gabe. Council thanked the Pastoral Care team for the quarterly Eucharist and tea for older members of the congregation and those whose who have moved away from our area. These events are much valued by the attendees. The monthly reflective Iona service has become established on our calendar and attracts a regular group.

The Council Treasurer kept Council up to date with the current financial situation and our need to raise our income through various streams but most important, through increased dedicated giving that enables the church to do longer term planning.

The 225th anniversary of Christ Church in 2023 provided Council with the opportunity to start developing a programme of events to celebrate the occasion. This would include a Time and Talent challenge, an Open Day, a ceilidh, and a festive Eucharist on the Sunday closest to the day of its dedication. A marketing leaflet was designed and agreed upon, and will be available for visitors to the church. This would be part of a general programme to raise the profile of Christ Church as many Bath residents do not know of its existence.

There were extensive discussions on the cost of energy in relation to the church usage but also in terms of the "warm spaces" project to provide a heated and safe space for local people during the

winter. The need to be as green as possible in energy choices was emphasised, in line with our commitment through the Eco-Church declaration.

Council is very appreciative of the tireless work of the Priest in Charge, Revd Lore Chumbley, the Curate, Revd Kara Maylor, and the Director of Music as well as all those involved in the many varied activities that make Christ Church such a dynamic and creative worshipping community.

Jonathan Stead

1.7 Safeguarding

I am happy to record that there have been no significant incidents regarding safeguarding since my 2022 report.

I have set up a dedicated email address christchbathsafeguarding@gmail.com to separate safeguarding correspondence from my personal email. Details of this and of the new Diocesan out-of-hours telephone number for safeguarding (0303 003 1111) are posted at the back of church. I look forward to the arrival of the church noticeboards, which will have a dedicated area for safeguarding notices: contact email addresses and phone numbers, our policy and procedures, and the posters about Modern Slavery and domestic abuse which we have been asked to display.

Since April 2023 I have arranged 8 DBS checks. The number of these checks has increased because more people require them, and now more frequently – every 3 years instead of every 5. As a result, arranging them, and fielding any resulting exchanges of email, is now taking up a larger part of the safeguarding role that was ever originally intended. With this in mind I propose that someone else should take over primary responsibility for DBS checks at Christ Church. I would remain available to assist with the checks if needed. Such a splitting of the safeguarding role is increasingly becoming the pattern in larger churches where there is no paid administrator.

I took part in the first online diocesan safeguarding forum, which I found moderately helpful, though sparsely attended. I hope to attend other such forums when time pressures permit.

Safeguarding is an important task which remains largely invisible and it has been proposed that we make it a theme for one Sunday. In fact, there was an official “Safeguarding Sunday” in 2022 but it was rather thoughtlessly placed on the Sunday before Advent, a busy one for many churches and especially so at Christ Church. This year it is on 19th November, which avoids that particular clash and might be a possibility.

Virginia Knight,

Safeguarding Officer

1.8 Treasurer’s report on the Financial Year to Dec 2022

The FY2021 accounts for Christ Church Bath were inspected by Waldrons and filed with the Charity Commission on time. The church’s finances remained healthy through 2022 with funds increasing by £18,000, reflecting a year without significant project or building maintenance expenditure.

Trust

Rent from carparking and from the two cottages continued as normal with only one month's rent lost from Cottage 1 due to a change of tenancy. In financial terms the most significant event of 2022 was BAMM's decision to close their business at the end of their ten-year lease on 2 August. A new tenant was found in late November who is currently moving in, but the vacancy has resulted in over 8 months of lost revenue, increased overheads and legal costs, resulting in a net loss to Christ Church funds in excess of £25,000.

The shortfall was offset by £8,500 of VAT recovered from the last bills of the East End project under the DCMS's Listed Places of Worship Scheme.

A generous legacy was received from the estate of a church member who died in 2022.

The Upper Mews vacancy led to the Trustees deferring their policy decision to build up Trust investments in preparation for future major building maintenance, such as the main church roof. This comes after a number of years of major project expenditure in the church. Necessary repairs to the Mews building roof and measures to improve church balcony security are already under discussion, and a quinquennial inspection by the church architect in April will further help define our medium-term commitments, facilitating longer-term planning and adherence to the Trust's investment policy.

Council

Freewill offerings from church members remained at a high level (over £50,000 including GiftAid recovery), with 95% now paid regularly by standing orders. This gives comparative assurance of regular month on month income which is a great help in managing the Council's budget.

Christ Church continues to build its reputation for hosting outside events. Concerts, talks, silent movie screenings, book signings and other events brought in over £6500 in 2022. Despite Toppings moving to larger premises better suited to their book signings, 13 such events were hosted at Christ Church during 2022 with others scheduled in 2023.

Internal events such as sales of artwork and jewellery raised almost £1500.

The church's £15,000 promised contribution to the Diocese was met in full, and this amount has been increased by 10% for 2023. Spending on wages rose in line with inflation, and Will Beech joined the payroll in October as Organ Scholar.

Despite the energy price hikes in 2022, spending on utilities remained in line with previous years as Christ Church's electricity and gas contract prices were fixed. These costs were mitigated by the Church of England's £750 energy grant, covering about 10% of spend. Both utilities contracts are both due for renegotiation in 2023, with higher prices appearing inevitable. Other church running costs remained broadly in line with previous years.

1.9 Deanery Synod

Challenging topics and issues have had to be faced and discussed at Deanery Synod meetings over the last few months, and the difficulties and challenging decisions that have to be made are by no means over yet.

The way ahead for the Deanery is seen as shaping a culture of prayerfulness, hospitality and innovation. Prayer is the cornerstone and direction for developing faith in the City and villages around Bath.

Hospitality has been defined as “looking for Christ in the other” and “being vulnerable to the other” so that they can see Christ in us, especially our neighbours of different faiths and none.

Innovation in the Deanery is going to mean taking risks, learning from the past and building on what is going to be fruitful in the future, where God is working amongst us.

It seems to me that Christ Church is already advanced on the path of prayer, innovation and hospitality and we can be pleased with what we already have achieved. Meeting and hearing from Pastors and ministers in other churches outside the CofE in Bath demonstrated a great longing for unity and strategy in mission in order to find the “lost souls of Bath”, to encourage one another as we move closer to the glory of God.

I have been elected to the DMPG – the Deanery Mission and Pastoral Group – where some very painful issues have been faced head-on. Numbers of regular worshippers have been declining during the last ten years in Bath and the Diocese as a whole, and the pandemic had a profound effect on the Christian congregations of Bath: many worshippers simply did not return after lockdown was lifted. As a result the Church in Bath is running at a £1.25million deficit and there are few reserves.

The fact also is that Bath is “over-populated” with stipendiary clergy when compared with other parts of the diocese and the country as a whole. Changes in the way that the churches in Bath are staffed and run will have to be made over the next few years. The financially better off parishes are going to have to support the poorer “magnificat parishes”, and those parishes who have the luxury of being well provided for in terms of ordained ministry may have to lose some of it. Four stipendiary posts will have to go, probably through retirements of clergy, and lay people are going to have to be trained to help across the Deanery.

It is hoped that partnerships of churches and congregations will be forged so that resources are carefully and effectively used and the Church in Bath remains vibrant and continues to grow. We all have to be responsible stewards, working in faith and continually praying for God’s help. “Come Holy Ghost our souls inspire!”

Brenda Wall

2. Reports on Church activities

2.1 Bell ringing

We have had twelve uninterrupted months. I'd almost forgotten what that was like. Even against a background of "interesting times", nationally and globally, there was a satisfaction I think we all shared, in getting back to the regular rhythm of practice and service ringing.

And, as they say, much more besides.

First, the Platinum Jubilee, for which the ringing was done by our most recent recruits and returners – Maggie's idea – more on this later. We tolled at the death of Her late Majesty – as it happened, within minutes of the announcement, which was picked up during a tied-bell session. We rang for the Proclamation in Bath of His Majesty King Charles III. We tolled again at the State Funeral.

Then we lost Ian, who had achieved what many thought was the impossible task of getting Christ Church "a proper ring of bells"; who in addition to countless other commitments served first as Tower Master, then as our Secretary and Treasurer; whose ebullient personality was an inspiration to us all. We rang, of course – as instructed, half-muffled before the funeral, "open" after, and getting the muffles off during the service was a bit of a challenge – but we coped – as Ian knew we would.

Meanwhile, the regular ringing has prospered, thanks to long-term regulars – also recent "returners", among them David Guy, back after nearly forty years. And, Christ Church is fully involved in a national recruiting drive, looking forward to the Coronation – "Ring for the King". Maggie is taking the lead in this, and reports:

With the advent of the simulator upgrade last year, there is much more potential for Christ Church to be known as a "teaching tower". We can muffle all eight bells and use a laptop to simulate the sound of each bell in real time, so the neighbours are undisturbed and we have extra time for practising.

Over the last year we have had extra individual or group sessions in the tower on at least three days each week. This involves 12 novices, 2 new ringing teachers, and 7 more experienced people returning to ringing after a gap of some years. As well as those who call Christ Church their home tower, we have ringers from Bathampton, Keynsham, Bathwick, and the Abbey, as well as two new students from the University of Bath.

Ringing is not just for the Coronation, but we are looking forward to including as many of these friends as possible when Christ Church rings for King Charles III.

I think Ian would be proud of us.

*William Willans,
Tower Master*

2.2 Cedar Tree café

Cedar Tree continues to flourish. It is held every Friday from 11am to 1:30pm. The “regulars” enjoy their lunch and home-made cakes alongside the chance to sit and chat. Games of table-top Jenga are played with enormous enthusiasm, while some are helping make cards for sale in Christ Church or doing puzzles. Other folk see our sign outside on a Friday and drop in to see us. All are welcome to join in the friendly atmosphere and have a cup of coffee or tea – or something more substantial.

We should welcome more volunteers to help from time to time. Please contact Jenny Hesketh on 07966962444 or email jenny.hesketh@me.com if you could spare a few hours on a Friday.

Jenny Hesketh

2.3 Charitable giving

During the recent pandemic there was a general decline in charitable giving through the plate as fewer people attended church and also because many do not carry cash in this credit/debit card society. This did not improve in 2022 compared to the 2021 or pre-pandemic levels. Some members have been contributing to our charities through a direct gift to the charity in question either through a debit order to USPG or through Just Giving pages. This also means it is difficult to tally how much money the congregation of Christ Church has raised for a particular charity.

It was very heartening to see the congregation responding to the call for new charities to support – and to become their champion for the month in question.

Charitable donation through the plate in church is reflected below:

March - Church Housing Trust: £110.10

April - Open Doors: £263.70

May - USPG Malawi Project: £104.00

June - New Bridge Foundation: £86.01

July - Woodland Trust: £96.50

August - USPG Malawi Project: £141.80

September - (selected by the Youth Church) Boys in Mind: £418.15

October - Water Aid UK: £113.00

November - USPG Malawi Project: £205.70

December - Julian House/Genesis Trust: £69.30 each

January/February - Burlington House: £261.83

Total: £1,939.39 (excluding donations made directly to charities online or by debit orders)

All donations were made by individuals directly to the named charity. Special mention must be made of the Youth Church, who not only promoted their chosen charity from the lectern but also organised a very successful cake sale and a creative (and entertaining) quiz to guess “who was who” through baby photographs of members of the congregation.

Champions of the various charities pointed out that only a month per charity made it difficult to advertise the charity and raise awareness. As a result Council agreed to give each charity a two month period. As a result we will have 6 charities a year: USPG Malawi Project, Julian House/Genesis Trust and a charity chosen by the young people, and then 3 other charities selected each year. It was also agreed that local charities should be selected where possible so that the congregation could interact them personally.

We continue to welcome suggestions and comments from the congregation, and will re-assess the new arrangement at the end of the year. We also wish to thank the congregation for their faithful giving at a time when personal finances are tight and there are other calls on their resources.

Jonathan Stead

2.4 Choir and music

Looking back at the last three years' reports, it's a great pleasure to be writing this year about a year of growth and building up of the choir, and the wider musical life of the church, after the very difficult Covid years. Whilst in many ways Covid seems a long time ago now, I should note that at the time of the last report just a year ago we were still singing observing 2m distancing, and it wasn't until June 2022 that we moved the singers back to standing together properly as a choir.

Since then, I'm pleased to say that things have gone from strength to strength: we have had new members join the choir, including two more juniors, which is fantastic; the musical standard has become, if anything, I think higher than immediately pre-Covid; the choir stalls are regularly full on a Sunday morning (which was again not the case immediately pre-Covid). All-in-all, the choir is heading in a very positive direction. The Advent and Christmas carol services have of course been highlights as usual, but I'd also mention the Candlemas "Service of Light". We first held one of these in Feb 2020, just before everything stopped. I thought at the time how successful it was and that we should make it an annual event, which obviously wasn't to be. So being able, eventually, to hold another one three years later felt like another element of putting the pandemic properly behind us.

On a wider musical front, it's been great to be able to restart hosting concerts at Christ Church. The reordered east end now lends itself brilliantly to performances of all types, and we've had everything from a full symphony orchestra to a single folk-fiddle player performing in the space, with a couple of organ improvisations to silent movies on a big screen as well! The fact that it works so well liturgically, but also as a performance space for such diverse performances, proves what a huge success the reordering has been.

I'm grateful to all the people who contribute to producing the music at Christ Church. Everyone in the choir for their dedication, talent and support week by week. David Winters for his skilful, musical, and sensitive organ playing. Will Beach, whom we welcomed to the team as Organ Scholar in the Autumn – it's excellent to have him join us. And to Emma for her great work with our growing junior choir.

Finally, thank you to the congregation of Christ Church for wanting and supporting the choir and musicians. I continue to feel deeply privileged to be Director of Music in a place which so clearly appreciates the contribution we make to the worshipping life of the church.

2.5 Concerts and Events

2022 has been a busy year for both Christ Church and the Lower Mews and I'd like to thank all those who made themselves available to help where they could.

The Lower Mews was the space for such events as Julian House Day Centre. This ran on one day during the week to encourage those living on the streets to get a hot meal and hot drinks whilst giving an opportunity to benefit from counselling and medical care should individuals need it. Having started with a lot of enthusiasm it unfortunately closed its doors after only a few weeks.

The Lower Mews also was the ideal place to hold a baby massage course, a Bath Councillor surgery on Saturday mornings, a Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) parcel wrapping service just before Christmas and even a yoga session for a group on a "Hen" weekend.

A joint art exhibition run by Ling Zi and Colin Chumbley was also a great success.

Christ Church hosted Toppings events started in March 2022 with Michael Morpurgo and continued through the year until November, 13 events in all, and included such famous names as Ian Rankin, footballer Peter Crouch, David Dimbleby and Melvyn Bragg.

Friends of Palestine held a couple of talks during the year and Bath Festival included Christ Church as a venue in their opening night of the Festival, Party in the City. David Briggs gave an organ recital and David Bednall improvised on the organ while the silent film Nosferatu was shown.

Again Christ Church played host to Norland Nannies' carol service, and the Royal School of Church Music, RSCM, held a Friday evensong in the church as part of their weekend course.

The church has hosted a number of concerts including a first performance of Richard Gabe's Requiem, University of Bath Choral and Orchestral Society (ChaOS) as well as two folk concerts: Sam Sweeney and Owen Spafford & Louis Campbell.

There has been an amazing variety of usage of the Church and Lower Mews, which is good. It gets the name of Christ Church out there and the church benefits from the footfall. 2023 promises to be as diverse.

Live-streaming of services continues together with the occasional event where requested.

Jude Bishop

2.6 Hospitality

We are known as a welcoming and hospitable community and continue to celebrate after services such as Christ the King and the Christmas services. In fact we use any opportunity to socialise and celebrate and raise a glass where possible.

Let's continue this through 2023.

Thanks again to all the helpers, we couldn't do this without you!

Jude Bishop

2.7 Junior Church

The Junior Church continues to thrive, and we have two groups running on most Sundays. We have recently decided to adjust the groups, and moving forward will be running a creche and a group for older children. This seems to best-serve the needs of our children, with the limitations that we have on space and leaders. We have four regular leaders, as well as Kara, who is very supportive. She often helps with sessions and runs them from time to time. We are grateful for her support. We also thank Lore for her continued nurturing and support of the group.

Some highlights for us from this year have been:

- our Nativity play, which was well-received, as always. Thank you to Sarah J for her beautiful writing.
- child-focused services at Christmas and Easter.
- apple picking day – and our thanks go to Janet for hosting this event.

The Juniors raised a fantastic total of over £400 for their chosen charity in September, Boys in Mind. Thanks must go to all the congregation, who are so supportive of the children's efforts. We are delighted to be supporting the Spafford Children's Center this year and we have enjoyed finding out more about the work of the centre.

We were sad to say goodbye to our friends Akira and Misue earlier this year, as they returned to Japan, but we hope we can keep in touch with them and their family. We have been pleased to welcome some new children into the group over recent months.

It was a pleasure to hear some of the children read so beautifully at our Mothering Sunday service and on Palm Sunday. Also, look out for the children's offerings in the recently-launched Time and Talent initiative. When we look for opportunities for the children to be more involved in church life, we are always mindful that they are not performing seals! Any involvement must be genuine, must make them feel affirmed and valued, and must be meaningful for them.

Thank you to the members of the congregation who are so supportive of the children. Please continue to remember us in your prayers. Anyone interested in helping on an occasional or more regular basis should get in touch.

Emma Elliott

Recommended reading for anyone interested in children's ministry is *Beyond the Children's Corner - Creating a culture of welcome for all ages* by Margaret Pritchard Houston, Sandra Millar.

2.8 Pastoral Care Group

This group meets from time to time to ensure that we keep in touch with our community, particularly folk who may be finding it difficult to get to services or are known to be facing problems. Two or three times a year we have a special service in the afternoon, followed by tea in the Mews. Cream teas and homemade cakes are very popular!

Jenny Hesketh

2.9 Pilgrim Group

The Pilgrim Group has met in person in the Lower Mews on a fortnightly basis throughout 2022 (with a break for the summer) and after a Christmas break has continued into 2023. During the first half of the year the group studied the Old Testament book of Job, facilitated by Lore, which was stimulating and thought-provoking, engaging as it does with the perennial problem of suffering.

After the summer break we embarked on a study of one of St Paul's earliest (and longest) letters, 1 Corinthians, written to a recently established church struggling with many tricky problems as they explored the implications of their new-found faith. In addition to trying to understand the text and tease out the questions and answers it poses, we have also sought to draw lessons for ourselves in today's Christ Church in 21st century Bath. Several members of the group have contributed stimulating material to start the evening sessions, fuelling lively discussion. At present rates of progress it will certainly be after Easter before we get to the end of the letter!

Sessions have been well-attended throughout the year. Thought is now beginning to turn to "What next?" and the programme for the summer and autumn.

Beryl and Peter Bowes

2.10 St Andrew's School

As you probably know, I am a foundation governor at St Andrew's School. Long ago I was invited to take up this role to strengthen the link between the school and Christ Church. So Christ Church deserves to hear what has been going on over the last year.

To set the scene, the school has 231 children at present on its books. This number includes our thriving nursery. 39 of our children are currently receiving pupil premium funding. One major concern at present is how the school can best support those early years children badly affected by the isolation COVID caused. When they would normally have been practising playing and learning with others, the pandemic kept them apart. They have missed out on their critical social skills, and this will take a long time to repair. We are not clear what funding the government will provide in this unprecedented situation.

On quite another different note, Jayne Rochford-Smith our head teacher has been given time to share good practice for early years reading and writing across our Bath and Wells Multi-Academy Trust. In time this training package will extend beyond our Trust. We are very proud of Jayne's contribution to this project.

I am grateful for all the insights St Andrew's gives me and for the kindness it extends to me. It is a privilege to serve such an exceptional school.

Sarah Sheppard

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

Charity No. 1055275

Trustees' Report and Unaudited Accounts

31 December 2022

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FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH
Trustees Annual Report

The trustees present their report with the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2022.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity No. 1055275

Trustees

The following trustees served during the year:

D. Bishop
T. Gleghorn
J. Hesketh
S. Sheppard
S. Tatton-Brown
O. Tegally
C. Tilling
N. Wells
H. Wild
A. Youings

Accountants

The Waldron Partnership Ltd
30 Circus Mews
Bath
BA1 2PW

Statement of trustees' responsibilities in relation to the financial statements

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Trust deed. The Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees



D. Bishop
Trustee
27 April 2023

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

Independent Examiners Report

Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH for the year ended 31 December 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011('the Act'). The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under the Charities Act 2011, s.144(2) (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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



Marco Andrew Martin

FCCA

The Waldron Partnership Ltd

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27 April 2023

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 December 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income and endowments				
from:				
Donations and legacies	3	80,708	80,708	60,338
Investments	4	46,007	46,007	64,550
Other	5	712	712	254
Total		127,427	127,427	125,142
Expenditure on:				
Raising funds	6	13,326	13,326	17,749
Charitable activities	7	49,222	49,222	50,850
Other	8	54,181	54,181	61,739
Total		116,729	116,729	130,338
Net gains on investments		-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure)	9	10,698	10,698	(5,196)
Transfers between funds		-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) before other gains/(losses)		10,698	10,698	(5,196)
Other gains and losses				
Net movement in funds		10,698	10,698	(5,196)
Reconciliation of funds:				
Total funds brought forward		2,029,027	2,029,027	2,034,223
Total funds carried forward		2,039,725	2,039,725	2,029,027

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

Balance Sheet

at 31 December 2022

Charity No. 1055275

		2022	2021
		£	£
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	11	103,839	110,868
Investments	12	1,834,282	1,838,692
		<u>1,938,121</u>	<u>1,949,560</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	13	5,037	2,404
Cash at bank and in hand		103,479	85,281
		<u>108,516</u>	<u>87,685</u>
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	14	(6,912)	(8,218)
Net current assets		101,604	79,467
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>2,039,725</u>	<u>2,029,027</u>
Net assets excluding pension asset or liability		<u>2,039,725</u>	<u>2,029,027</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>2,039,725</u></u>	<u><u>2,029,027</u></u>
The funds of the charity			
Restricted funds	15		
Unrestricted funds	15		
General funds		2,039,725	2,029,027
		<u>2,039,725</u>	<u>2,029,027</u>
Reserves	15		
Total funds		<u><u>2,039,725</u></u>	<u><u>2,029,027</u></u>

Approved by the trustees on 27 April 2023

And signed on their behalf by:

D. Bishop
Trustee



27 April 2023

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

Statement of Cash flows

for the year ended 31 December 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net income/(expenditure) per Statement of Financial Activities	10,698	(5,196)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	7,029	7,029
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(46,719)	(64,804)
(Increase)/Decrease in trade and other receivables	(2,633)	3,284
(Decrease)/Increase in trade and other payables	(1,306)	8,218
Net cash used in operating activities	<u>(32,931)</u>	<u>(51,469)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	46,719	64,804
Net cash from investing activities	<u>46,719</u>	<u>64,804</u>
Net cash from financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	13,788	13,335
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	85,281	76,631
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	<u>99,069</u>	<u>89,966</u>
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and bank balances	103,479	85,281
	<u>103,479</u>	<u>85,281</u>

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

Notes to the Accounts

for the year ended 31 December 2022

1 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

Change in basis of accounting or to previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and method of accounting) since last year and no changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds	These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.
Designated funds	These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.
Revaluation funds	These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.
Restricted funds	These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income	Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Income with related expenditure	Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.
Donations and legacies	Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift/donation to which it relates.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit to the Charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material.
Volunteer help	The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	This includes any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments.

FUNDS HELD IN CONNECTION WITH CHRIST CHURCH IN BATH

Notes to the Accounts

Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Grants payable	All grant expenditure is accounted for on an actual paid basis plus an accrual for grants that have been approved by the trustees at the end of the year but not yet paid.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life:

Fixed assets	25% straight line
Fixed assets - Pipe Organ	4% straight line

Freehold investment property

Investment properties are measured initially at cost and subsequently at fair value at each balance sheet date and are not depreciated. All gains or losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the statement of financial position, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings or current liabilities. In the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the company's cash management.

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Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Pension costs

The charity operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the charity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the charity has no further payments obligations. The contributions are recognised as expenses when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals in the balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the charity in independently administered funds.

Receipt of donated goods, facilities and services

All donated goods, facilities and services received are recognised within incoming resources and expenditure at an estimate of the value to the charity.

2 Statement of Financial Activities - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income and endowments from:		
Donations and legacies	60,338	60,338
Investments	64,550	64,550
Other	254	254
Total	<u>125,142</u>	<u>125,142</u>
Expenditure on:		
Raising funds	17,749	17,749
Charitable activities	50,850	50,850
Other	61,739	61,739
Total	<u>130,338</u>	<u>130,338</u>
Net income	<u>(5,196)</u>	<u>(5,196)</u>
Net income before other gains/(losses)	(5,196)	(5,196)
Other gains and losses:		
Net movement in funds	<u>(5,196)</u>	<u>(5,196)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:		
Total funds brought forward	2,034,223	2,034,223
Total funds carried forward	<u>2,029,027</u>	<u>2,029,027</u>

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3 Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Church - Collection	14,109	14,109	4,690
Planned Giving	45,328	45,328	34,210
Donations	603	603	3,934
Others	20,668	20,668	17,504
	<u>80,708</u>	<u>80,708</u>	<u>60,338</u>

4 Income from investments

	Unrestricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Rental	48,636	48,636	58,721
Gain/(loss) on investment Revaluation	(4,410)	(4,410)	4,685
Dividends and interest	1,781	1,781	1,144
	<u>46,007</u>	<u>46,007</u>	<u>64,550</u>

5 Other income

	Unrestricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Bell Fund	712	712	254
	<u>712</u>	<u>712</u>	<u>254</u>

6 Expenditure on raising funds

	Unrestricted	Total 2022	Total 2021
	£	£	£
Choir subscriptions and Music	3,044	3,044	1,893
Other including events	4,590	4,590	452
Rental	5,692	5,692	15,404
	<u>13,326</u>	<u>13,326</u>	<u>17,749</u>

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7 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Total	Total
		2022	2021
	£	£	£
<i>Expenditure on charitable activities</i>			
Wages	17,061	17,061	15,217
Premises cost	8,898	8,898	14,521
Administration	6,403	6,403	5,392
Parish Share	15,000	15,000	15,000
<i>Governance costs</i>			
Independent examination fees	1,860	1,860	720
	<u>49,222</u>	<u>49,222</u>	<u>50,850</u>

8 Other expenditure

	Unrestricted	Total	Total
		2022	2021
	£	£	£
Church Repairs	25,496	25,496	34,386
Other expenditure	21,656	21,656	20,324
Depreciation of fixed assets	7,029	7,029	7,029
	<u>54,181</u>	<u>54,181</u>	<u>61,739</u>

9 Net income/(expenditure) before transfers

	2022	2021
	£	£
This is stated after charging:		
Depreciation of owned fixed assets	7,029	7,029

10 Staff costs

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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11 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixed assets	Total
	£	£
Cost or revaluation		
At 1 January 2022	199,004	199,004
At 31 December 2022	<u>199,004</u>	<u>199,004</u>
Depreciation and impairment		
At 1 January 2022	88,136	88,136
Depreciation charge for the year	7,029	7,029
At 31 December 2022	<u>95,165</u>	<u>95,165</u>
Net book values		
At 31 December 2022	<u>103,839</u>	<u>103,839</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>110,868</u>	<u>110,868</u>

12 Investments

	Freehold Investment Property £	Other investments - Listed £	Total £
Cost or revaluation			
At 1 January 2022	1,800,000	31,974	1,831,974
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>31,974</u>	<u>1,831,974</u>
Provisions and impairment			
At 1 January 2022	-	(6,718)	(6,718)
Revaluation	-	4,410	4,410
At 31 December 2022	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,308)</u>	<u>(2,308)</u>
Net book values			
At 31 December 2022	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>34,282</u>	<u>1,834,282</u>
At 31 December 2021	<u>1,800,000</u>	<u>38,692</u>	<u>1,838,692</u>

The Freehold investment property consists of accommodation and a car park. The property was revalued as at 31 December 2020 by the Trustees on an open market value for existing use basis. The Trustees are of the opinion that the market value has not changed as at 31 December 2022.

13 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	5,037	2,404
	<u>5,037</u>	<u>2,404</u>

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14 Creditors:

amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Accruals	6,912	8,218
	<u>6,912</u>	<u>8,218</u>

15 Movement in funds

	At 1 January 2022	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses)	Resources expended	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds:				
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds	2,029,027	127,427	(116,729)	2,039,725
Total funds	<u>2,029,027</u>	<u>127,427</u>	<u>(116,729)</u>	<u>2,039,725</u>

16 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds	Total
	£	£
Fixed assets	103,839	103,839
Investments	1,834,282	1,834,282
Net current assets	101,604	101,604
	<u>2,039,725</u>	<u>2,039,725</u>

17 Reconciliation of net debt

	At 1 January 2022	Cash flows	At 31 December 2022
	£	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	85,281	18,198	103,479
	<u>85,281</u>	<u>18,198</u>	<u>103,479</u>
Net debt	<u>85,281</u>	<u>18,198</u>	<u>103,479</u>

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	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income and endowments from:			
Donations and legacies			
Church - Collection	14,109	14,109	4,690
Planned Giving	45,328	45,328	34,210
Donations	603	603	3,934
Others	20,668	20,668	17,504
	<u>80,708</u>	<u>80,708</u>	<u>60,338</u>
Investments			
Rental	48,636	48,636	58,721
Gain/(loss) on investment	(4,410)	(4,410)	4,685
Revaluation	1,781	1,781	1,144
Dividends and interest	46,007	46,007	64,550
	<u>46,007</u>	<u>46,007</u>	<u>64,550</u>
Other			
Bell Fund	712	712	254
	<u>712</u>	<u>712</u>	<u>254</u>
Total income and endowments	127,427	127,427	125,142
Expenditure on:			
Costs of other activities			
Choir subscriptions and Music	3,044	3,044	1,893
Other including events	4,590	4,590	452
	<u>7,634</u>	<u>7,634</u>	<u>2,345</u>
Investment management costs			
Rental	5,692	5,692	15,404
	<u>5,692</u>	<u>5,692</u>	<u>15,404</u>
Total of expenditure on raising funds	13,326	13,326	17,749
Charitable activities			
Wages	17,061	17,061	15,217
Premises cost	8,898	8,898	14,521
Administration	6,403	6,403	5,392
Parish Share	15,000	15,000	15,000
	<u>47,362</u>	<u>47,362</u>	<u>50,130</u>
Governance costs			
Independent examination fees	1,860	1,860	720
	<u>1,860</u>	<u>1,860</u>	<u>720</u>
Total of expenditure on charitable activities	49,222	49,222	50,850

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Other expenditure			
Church Repairs	25,496	25,496	34,386
Other expenditure	21,656	21,656	20,324
	<u>47,152</u>	<u>47,152</u>	<u>54,710</u>
General administrative costs			
Depreciation of Fixed assets	7,029	7,029	7,029
	<u>7,029</u>	<u>7,029</u>	<u>7,029</u>
Total of expenditure of other costs	<u>54,181</u>	<u>54,181</u>	<u>61,739</u>
Total expenditure	<u>116,729</u>	<u>116,729</u>	<u>130,338</u>
Net gains on investments	-	-	-
	<u>10,698</u>	<u>10,698</u>	<u>(5,196)</u>
Net income/(expenditure)			
Net income/(expenditure) before other gains/(losses)	<u>10,698</u>	<u>10,698</u>	<u>(5,196)</u>
Other Gains	-	-	-
	<u>10,698</u>	<u>10,698</u>	<u>(5,196)</u>
Net movement in funds	<u>10,698</u>	<u>10,698</u>	<u>(5,196)</u>
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward	2,029,027	2,029,027	2,034,223
Total funds carried forward	<u>2,039,725</u>	<u>2,039,725</u>	<u>2,029,027</u>