

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

PARISH OF MOSSLEY

NIC 103262

TRUSTEE ANNUAL REPORT YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER 2022

TRUSTEES – Revd P Jones (Chairman), Mrs W Clarke, Mr A Bowes, Mr R Lee, Mr D Boyd, Mr S Beck, Mr J Caldwell, Ms J Eccles, Mr D Flint, Mrs P Flint, Mr K Jackson, Mrs J Mackey, Mr G Madden, Mrs V Moore, Mr J Nesbitt (Charity Contact), Mrs J Parkinson, Mrs V Porter.

FINANCE

The day-to-day management of the church finances comes under the control of the Honorary Treasurer, Mr David Flint, who reports regularly to the trustees at the monthly meeting of the Select Vestry, or at other times as and when required.

The total income of restricted and unrestricted funds into the church in 2022 totalled £130, 390 which included Freewill Offering and hall rental. Total expenditure over the same period amounted to £120, 548, resulting in a net income over expenditure of £9, 841.

Most of the income is derived from regular giving by parishioners using the free-will offering method, either by using envelopes or regular standing order. Gift Aid is claimed where applicable. Other income is received from donations, hall rent, fund raising and legacies.

All of the income received is used to benefit the running and maintenance of the church and its buildings. It is also used for the advancement of religion, but donations and subscriptions are also made to various other charities and local community groups, both national and local

The counting and lodgement of all monies received are carried out by a dedicated team of competent counters under the supervision of the Trustees and the Free-Will Recorder Mr Ken Jackson and banked under dual control.

COMPLIANCE OF PUBLIC BENEFIT

The Trustees strive to achieve their obligations to the benefit of the public by:

- Providing and maintaining a place of worship and encouraging people to attend public services on Sundays and during the week; giving them the opportunity to worship God in a safe, peaceful and holy environment.
- Providing pastoral care to all in need, in particular the sick, vulnerable, and elderly.
- Providing public access to our archives.
- Providing accommodation and supporting various organisations that meet for religious and recreational/social purposes.
- Reaching out into the community and engaging with the public by organising various Christian events throughout the year for young and old.

No harm is done from carrying out the above purposes.

SAFEGUARDING PANEL

The Select Vestry appoints and oversees a Safeguarding Trust Panel who are trained and fully equipped to deal with such as issues that are brought before them. All church organisation leaders and volunteers who come into contact with children and vulnerable adults regularly undergo Access NI checking.

PARISH ACTIVITY 2022

Throughout the year the church gradually relaxed the restrictions following the Covid 19 pandemic. At the end of the year some, but not all, restrictions were lifted.

Plans to transform a room in the Parish Centre into a Coffee Bar facility were put on hold due to increased usage of the room.

From the summer Sure Start, an organisation who works with families and young children started to use the Parish Centre on a regular basis. As well as increasing hall rental it also helped to raise the profile of the church as part of the community.

An Afternoon Tea to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of the late Queen was held on 2nd June 2022. All were invited and a grant of £375 towards costs was received from the local Council.

A Christmas Tree Festival was held from the 8th to the 11th December in aid of Church Funds. A total of £2, 044 was raised.

An appeal for grocery items was made so that Hampers could be made up and distributed throughout the local community. A total of 59 hampers were made and sent to Earlview and Mossley Primary Schools for distribution.

PRIVATE BENEFIT

The wider benefit to the public will outweigh any detriment arising in the course of Christian outreach. Any private benefit arising out of the fulfilment of Christian ministry or to lay staff is essential to the fulfilment of the purpose of the advancement of religion. No Trustee receives remuneration, reward, or any other private benefit for carrying out their Trustee responsibility.

MANGAGEMENT

Mossley Parish Church is managed by its board of Trustees, namely the Select Vestry, fourteen of whom are elected each year at the publicly held Annual General Vestry meeting. The Chairman is also the incumbent of the parish who appoints a churchwarden and a Glebewarden. The Select Vestry appoints from among their number an Honorary Secretary and Treasurer each year, and meetings are held monthly except for the months of July and August.

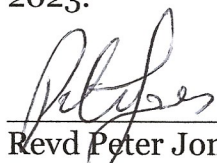
STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITY

The members of the Select Vestry take their roles as Trustees very seriously and have complied with the statutory duties required of them by the Charity Commission of Northern Ireland.


FOOTNOTE

In December one of our Trustees, our Honorary Treasurer Mr David Flint, sadly passed away after a long illness. David was a faithful member of the Select Vestry and was instrumental in the process of registering the church as a charity. David has gone to a higher calling, and he will be missed by his family and church community.

Report approved and signed on behalf of the Select Vestry on Monday 19th June 2023.



Revd Peter Jones
Chairman & Incumbent



Mr John Nesbitt
Charity Contact and Hon Secretary