

Christ Church, Derry Hill

Annual Report And Financial Statements Of the Derry Hill Parochial Church Council

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Incumbent

Rev'd Linda Carter

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Independent Examiner

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Annual Report

Administrative Information

Christ Church is part of the Marden Vale Benefice of churches within the Deanery of Calne. The Parochial Church Council (PCC) shares its responsibilities with other churches in the group.

The PCC is a charity exempted from registration with the Charity Commission.

PCC members who have served during 2022 and up to the date of this report are:

Incumbent:	Reverend Linda Carter
Church Wardens:	Mr Peter Rigby Mrs Deirdre Lias
Representative on the Deanery Synod:	Vacant
Elected Members:	Marchioness of Lansdowne Mrs Carol Rigby Mr Ian Liddle
	Secretary Mrs Lucinda Prater
	Treasurer Mr Peter Roycroft

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representative Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Objectives and Activities

Christ Church PCC has the responsibility of cooperating with the incumbent in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It also has maintenance responsibility for the Church complex of Christ Church.

Church Attendance

Details reported separately.

Review of the year

Details reported separately.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

There is a specific PCC policy to retain a minimum of £5,000 in the Lloyds Bank current account to cover day to day needs of the parish, and also to cover any unexpected outlay. There are no specific PCC policies relating to:

Whether all Restricted Funds (other than Investments) should be held in the CCLA deposit.

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Total Reserves Position

During the year, total Funds (both Unrestricted and Restricted) increased marginally from £26,593 to £28,144 (2021: increased by £4,070). There is a payment due (amount unknown) following the required faculty from Salisbury for a repair required to the churchyard wall. The Liabilities, which are all arrears of Fairer Share payments, now amount to £66,479 (2021: £56,779). The Reserves and Funds position less Liabilities remains negative and might even be called precarious. However the Diocese is not likely to demand immediate payment of these arrears (and indeed may conceivably be written off in future). The possibility exists that the Fairer Share plan may be replaced by something more suited to ability to pay. The situation does call for the attention of and action by the PCC nonetheless.

Unrestricted Funds

Total Unrestricted Receipts were £33,260, being higher than the £30,065 taken in 2021, are detailed in the financial statements.

Major items of Unrestricted Receipts during the year were:

Collections: at £3,893 these were a 65% increase from the £2,541 taken in 2021.

Regular Planned Giving and Gift Aid: these increased to £16,962 (2021: £15,799).

The steady giving levels and tax reclaim from the Parish Giving Scheme increased during the year (£13,178 as against £12,483 in 2021).

Donations: up at £5,737 reflecting the generosity of donors, and compares extremely well against £3,024 received in 2021.

Fundraising: increased from £645 in 2021 to £1,241.

Total Unrestricted Payments during the year amounted to £33,641 up from £25,982 in 2021, due to increased Fairer Share payments, including one payment of £2,500 towards our 2021 share.

Major Unrestricted Payments during the year were:

Power, Heat & Light: £135 refund (2020: £2,133). This is due to Total Energies refunding over £2,000 which we had been overcharged due to estimated bills over a period in excess of a year.

Mission: None identified

Ministry: None identified.

Repairs & maintenance: £1,839. Significantly higher than the £241 in 2021, due to painting of the church doors, new carpet, trimming of trees and hedges, and repairs to the organ.

Fairer Share: total payments were £20,080 (2021: £16,600): £17,580 towards the 2022 share, and £2,500 towards the 2021 share.

The surplus for the year amounted to £2,619 (2021: £4,083 surplus).

Restricted Funds

Payments totalling £1,048 were made from various of the restricted funds: £675 from the Beint legacy for painting the church doors; £252 from the Organ fund for repairs; and £121 from the Choir fund for music stands. There was an increase in the General fund of £187 due to higher interest rates. Other Restricted Funds remained unchanged during the year, apart from a small decline in the value of the shares in the Herbert Haddrell fund. A letter exists signed by descendants of Herbert Haddrell permitting closure of this account, the money used to place a notice board bearing Herbert Haddrell's name in the church porch.

Investment policy

Despite the poor returns from our CCLA deposit accounts we have continued to hold interest bearing monies in these secure accounts.

Approved by the PCC on 14.03.2023

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and signed on their behalf by the Incumbent (Rev'd Linda) as PCC Chairman: 

Independent Examiner's report to the PCC of Christ Church, Derry Hill

I report on the accounts of the church for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective Responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church'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 the independent examiner's 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 Commissioners (under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

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 with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the 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 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.

Independent Examiner: Mr John Kilbee MA, FCA Date signed: 2nd March 2023
Downs View, Goatacre, Calne, Wilts SN11 9HY



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Financial Statements for the Year ended 31st December 2022

Receipts & Payments Accounts – General (Unrestricted) & (Restricted) Accounts

	Unrestricted General	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
All giving and Gifts to the Church				
Collections	3,893	0	3,893	2,541
Regular Planned Giving (inc. Gift Aid)	16,962	0	16,962	15,799
Donations	5,737	0	5,737	3,024
Total	<u>26,592</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>26,592</u>	<u>21,364</u>
Fees	5,228	0	5,228	5,796
Fundraising	1,241	0	1,241	645
Activities	405	0	405	445
Magazine (net)	(419)	0	(419)	1,495
Interest & Dividends	187	0	187	10
Other	<u>26</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>310</u>
Total Receipts	<u>33,260</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,260</u>	<u>30,065</u>

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Receipts & Payments Accounts – General (Unrestricted) & (Restricted) Accounts (continued)

	Unrestricted General	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2022	2022	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Payments				
Church Activities				
Ministry	0	0	0	1,097
Mission	0	0	0	0
Power, Heat & Light	(135)	0	(135)	2,133
Insurance	2,907	0	2,907	2,825
Giving to other charities	373	0	373	0
Church Running Expenses	4,244	1,048	5,292	2,275
Sundries	252	0	252	34
Total	7,641	1,048	8,689	8,364
Diocesan Fairer Share	20,080	0	20,080	16,600
Fees	1,081	0	1,081	777
Repairs & maintenance	1,839	0	1,839	241
Total Payments	30,641	1,048	31,689	25,982
Receipts & Payments – Surplus/(Shortfall)	2,619	(1,048)	1,571	4,083
Investment value movement	0	(20)	(20)	(13)
Transfers	0	0	0	(142)
Net Movements during year	2,619	(1,068)	1,551	4,070
Total Reserves & Funds				
Balances as at 1st January	13,174	13,419	26,593	22,523
Balances as at 31st December	15,793	12,351	28,144	26,593

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Statement of Assets and Liabilities as at 31st December 2022

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank and Deposit Accounts		
Current Accounts		
Main	11,690	8,836
Magazine	3,133	3,552
Total	<u>14,823</u>	<u>12,388</u>
CCLA (Interest bearing)		
Main	<u>13,183</u>	<u>14,049</u>
Total Bank Current and Deposit Accounts	<u>28,006</u>	<u>26,437</u>
Other Assets		
Herbert Haddrell Bequest held at CCLA		
Valuation as at 31/12/2022	<u>136</u>	<u>156</u>
Liabilities		
Arrears of Diocesan Fairer Share	<u>66,479</u>	<u>56,779</u>

Notes to the Accounts:

- 1 The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using the Receipts & Payments basis (or Cash Accounting).
- 2 The following assets are recognised but not necessarily valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities: movable church furnishings.
- 3 Total Reserves & Funds are made up as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Unrestricted Funds		
General Fund		
Balance as at 1 st January	13,174	9,233
Surplus/(Shortfall) for the year	2,619	3,941
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>15,793</u>	<u>13,174</u>

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Notes to the Accounts (continued):

	2022	2021
	£	£
Restricted Funds		
Fabric Fund		
Balance as at 1 st January	379	379
Met Movements for the year	0	0
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>379</u>	<u>379</u>
Organ Fund		
Balance as at 1 st January	3,706	3,706
Met Movements for the year	(252)	0
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>3,454</u>	<u>3,706</u>
Arnold Legacy		
Balance as at 1 st January	1,500	1,500
Met Movements for the year	0	0
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>
Beint Legacy		
Balance as at 1 st January	7,536	7,536
Met Movements for the year	(675)	0
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>6,861</u>	<u>7,536</u>
Herbert Haddrell Bequest		
Balance as at 1 st January	156	169
Met Movements for the year	(20)	(13)
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>136</u>	<u>156</u>
Choir Fund		
Balance as at 1 st January	142	0
Met Movements for the year	(121)	142
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>21</u>	<u>142</u>
Total Restricted Funds		
Balance as at 1 st January	13,419	13,290
Net Movements for the year	(1,068)	129
Balance as at 31 st December	<u>12,351</u>	<u>13,419</u>

- 4 During 2022 £121 was transferred from the Choir Fund to the General Account for the purchase of music stands.
- 5 During 2022 the PCC paid £17,580 of its Fairer Share allocation of £28,362 to DBF Salisbury; 2021 paid £16,600. In addition £2,500 was paid in respect of the 2021 Fairer Share allocation. This leaves total Fairer Share arrears Of £66,479; 2021 £56,779.

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Notes to the Accounts (continued):

The details of the Fairer Share arrears are as follows:

	2022	2021
	£	£
2012 Share outstanding	1,000	1,000
2013 Share outstanding	5,855	5,855
2014 Share outstanding	7,036	7,036
2015 Share outstanding	2,000	2,000
2016 Share outstanding	1,526	1,526
2017 Share outstanding	2,000	2,000
2018 Share outstanding	11,500	11,500
2020 Share outstanding	14,100	14,100
2021 Share outstanding	9,262	11,752
2022 Share outstanding	<u>12,200</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	66,479	56,769

Approved by the PCC on *14th March* 2023 and signed on their behalf by

Revd Linda Carter (incumbent)  PCC Chairman

Mr Peter Roycroft  PCC Treasurer

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In the year since the last Annual Parish Meeting the PCC has met 5 times to decide on the business of the parish

Staff

The Marden Vale Team Ministry comprises Team Rector Rev'd Bob Kenway (*to end July 2022*), Team Vicars Rev'd Linda Carter and Rev'd Teresa Michaux, Licensed Lay Ministers Enid Powell and Steven Colby, and Sr. Jenny Colby (Church Army), plus supporting retired clergy.

Attendance

Average attendance during October was 25

Attendance at Easter 62

Attendance at Christmas was 158

Occasional services:

children baptised 10

adults baptised 1

marriages 1

funerals 10

Electoral Roll 79 19 not resident in the parish

Safeguarding

The PCC has complied with the duty under Section 5 of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016 (duty to have due regard to House of Bishops' guidance on safeguarding children and vulnerable adults). Christ Church, Derry Hill adheres to The Church of England's Safeguarding Policy 'Promoting a Safer Church' 2017.

The Safeguarding Policy and Good Practice Guidelines were reviewed on 30th August 2022. A revised Policy Statement was agreed. Contact details of the current Diocesan Safeguarding Admin Support have been updated on documentation and websites.

There are no safeguarding incidents to report.

The Parish Safeguarding Officers are Dr David Stevens and Mr Peter Rigby.

Risk Assessments and reviews relating to COVID-19 have been carried out (see Clergy Report).

GDPR (Data Protection)

QR Code posters have been removed following changes in the law relating to Test and Trace procedure.

The Privacy Notice has been updated on documentation and the website.

Clergy Report – Year ended 31st December 2022

2022 began in a rather cautious manner as we began to emerge from the shadow of Covid. Services were held regularly in church, together with a fortnightly online Zoom Evening Prayer for those still unable to attend in person. However, by Easter we were receiving communion (intincted wafers) at the high altar and sung Eucharists and Evensong were reinstated. In June we also enjoyed Evensong at Bowood Chapel again, which was led by Rev'd Bob Kenway (his last service at Bowood before retirement). June was also marked by celebrations and a Thanksgiving Service for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

In July we said goodbye to our Team Rector Rev'd Bob Kenway who retired after serving in Calne for 25 years. Sadly, we also said farewell to two of our retired priests - Rev'd Derek Frost who died in July, and Rev'd Jim Scott who died in May - both longstanding and well-loved members of the ministry team. This local sense of loss was compounded by the death of Queen Elizabeth II on 8th September. A Service of Commemoration was held and a Book of Condolence was made available in church for people to express their sadness and gratitude.

In addition, Sadie Kenway also retired as Calne parish administrator in July and work began in earnest to appoint a Team Administrator. In the meantime, a team of volunteers stepped in to rationalise and run the office at Church House and did a sterling job for several months. The post was advertised in December. Alongside this work, the Churchwardens and Treasurers across the Marden Vale Team met together with the Rural Dean (Jane Curtis) and Archdeacon Sue Groom to begin the process of producing a Benefice Profile and advertising the Team Rector post. (I was appointed Acting Team Rector for the duration of the vacancy.) Parish Representatives were appointed (Andy Skipp, David Stevens, Jane Ridgewell, Mary Pilcher-Clayton) with a view to the Team Rector's post being advertised in February and an appointment being made at the end of April 2023.

The second half of 2022 has been a challenging time with resources stretched very thinly across the Team, which has had an impact on Derry Hill parish in terms of services and pastoral care. However, the Coffe&Chat group, which began in September 2022, is providing a space for people to meet socially, boosting fellowship and opportunities to support one another. Opening the church to provide a regular meeting space for the Gardening Club and Crafternoon group has strengthened links with the wider community. These initiatives are so worthwhile and a real encouragement to us all.

In addition, two parishioners from Derry Hill and Bremhill completed a Lay Worship Leaders' course in December, which will enable continuity and hopefully, growth of services across the parishes. We also welcomed a retired priest with permission to officiate (PtO), Rev'd Annie Church, to the Team in December.

As we look ahead to 2023, it is clear that after the Covid hiatus, social and fundraising events are being planned and supported with enthusiasm.

My heartfelt thanks to our Churchwardens Peter Rigby and Deirdre Lias for their unstinting support to me personally and to Christ Church.

My thanks to you all for working so hard in 2022 - it has been a challenging year for everyone in so many ways. Thank you for supporting Teresa and myself – we look forward with hope.

Reverend Linda Carter

Church Wardens' Report Year ended 31st December 2022

This report is a combination of both my and Deirdre's recollections of the past year and hopes for the future.

We must start my report by saying a number of very heartfelt thank-yous.

First on the list is Linda. We all know that we are truly blessed to have her here as our vicar – albeit at present rather stretched – but it is what she does behind the scenes as well that is also important. Statistics are definitely not our forte – which she knows – so Linda generally does what is required by the diocese, and a host of other things as well. As church wardens both of us feel honoured to serve such an incumbent.

Next on the list is Richard. He does so much! From putting out bins, sorting out chairs and tables, preparing the church for services and very importantly for me, is the other half of 'Prichard' the odd job maintenance team so essential in any church community.

Then I must mention Carol. Again, she supports me in so many ways. She knows my limitations with IT (I did type this on my own though) and she is understanding of the fact that as a churchwarden there are times when 'duty' calls and church business has to come first.

Deirdre, has done her best to keep me focused on the business side of the job. She may have failed on that, but through no fault of her own. She has been a very supportive colleague and I thank her for that, and she deserves the thanks of all members of this congregation.

My final thanks go to all the members of the congregation and PCC who do the myriad of jobs which keep this church running. Peter, our treasurer, does an amazing job, not only doing his best to placate those in Salisbury who demand our money, but also continuing to fight an ongoing battle with our energy suppliers, who seem reluctant to actually send someone out to read our electricity meters. Lucinda, our PCC Secretary, the sides-people, the tea and coffee makers, the flower arrangers, the cleaner, the churchyard maintenance (Mike), and the list could probably go on. Those we have not mentioned, please forgive me. Your services are no less valued.

Thank you to you all

In terms of the fabric of the church – well – we are due a quinquennial inspection this year and no doubt that will show where work must be done. A look round a few weeks ago showed that the main focus needs to be on the north side of the tower, where water from the ‘gargoyle spout’ at the top has blown back against the wall, causing some water ingress at the bottom of the tower. This is likely to be a scaffolding job which, of course, increases the cost. We did discuss other options at the last PCC meeting, which we will investigate, as they could be easier and less costly. Other jobs identified are relatively minor and can be done by the ‘Prichard’ team (and maybe other helpers).

We have ongoing faculty requests regarding the removal of the side benches, and I apologise that this has taken a long time. Due mainly to my lack of understanding of how ‘the system’ works (or doesn’t as the case may be).

The notice board is due to be started very soon. The craftsman involved has been very busy.

The church logbook is up to date as is the inventory book.

In terms of services and other uses of the church – I turn to Deirdre’s report.

She writes – ‘2022 has been another challenging year but we’re pleased to say that at Christchurch we have continued to grow and develop. The said Communion and Family Service has continued to be well attended. We are able to have three services a month and zoom services every month. In addition to services we also have Thursday morning Coffee and Chat, and Friday afternoon Crafternoon, both of which are popular and well attended. The church is also used by Mothers Union, Handbells, Meditation and Garden Club, throughout the year.

We continue to have strong links with our village school. It was a joy to be part of the village Jubilee celebrations and we were pleased to welcome so many people to our tea and music afternoon.’

Back to me now! I would like to see our church used for more functions and services. But, to justify that, we need to attract more people. If there was an easy answer to how that could be achieved, then I am sure many churches would have tried it already! In times when congregations nationally are dropping, we must work harder (and pray harder) to make both our church and services attractive to more people.

To make a great use of the space at the front of the church, Concerts could produce some much-needed income. (Iolanthe – a concert version - is to be performed here on April 29th, courtesy of MASK). Other concerts could/should be considered.

Finally, I would dearly like some of our younger members of the congregation to come onto the PCC-mainly because, we need younger ideas, and at some time in the future we will need a new - and younger and more energetic - church warden (or two).

Thank you all for your continued support.

Peter Rigby

Deirdre Lias

Church Wardens

Calne Deanery Synod

Report for 01.01 – 31.12.2022

1. Meetings held:

Three meetings of the synod were held in 2022, all were face to face. It was noticeable that attendance was better during the lighter evenings.

During the year the Synod welcomed new delegates; Graham Spencer (Calne) and Mary Cracknell (Cherhill).

At the February 2022 meeting members discussed the Calne Deanery Hopes and Aspirations, linked to four questions posed by the Bishop. The business also included updates from the benefices, and plans for post Lambeth hospitality.

The Diocesan Giving Advisor, Anna Hardy was welcomed to the May 2021 meeting. After a brief introduction to her role, Anna gave a lively presentation about giving.

Delegate Pippa Lovering and her husband hosted Bishop Fajak after the Lambeth conference. His visit included trips to the Bible Society Headquarters in Swindon, Bowood House and a tea at Calstone.

The October 2022 meeting focussed on worship, and delegates experienced Café and Contemplative styles of worship. The Rural Dean updated the Synod about several clergy movements and retirements.

2. Clergy and Lay movements:

During the year the Reverend Jim Scott and the Reverend Derek Frost, both of whom had long associations with Calne Deanery, sadly died. The Rector of Calne, Reverend Bob Kenway, retired in July. Reverend Linda Dytham announced her retirement (last Sunday 08.01.2023) and Reverend Karen Rizzello is moving to Oxfordshire (last Sunday 08.01.2023).

We welcomed Katy Minshall as Assistant Curate at Royal Wootton Bassett, and Nathan King and Andy Nicholls as the padres at MoD Lyneham.

Mary Pilcher-Clayton, Secretary, Calne Deanery Synod 28.12.2022