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**The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of
Brighton, St Peter**

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2020

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
BRIGHTON, ST PETER**

LEGAL & ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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PCC MEMBERS ANNUAL REPORT

The PCC members present their report and accounts for the year ended 31st December 2020 for the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Brighton, St Peter (Operating under the name of Brighton, St Peter).

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS102)).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Organisational Structure

The church is a charitable trust registered in the UK with The Charity Commission of England and Wales (registered number 1146642).

St Peter's Parochial Church Council (PCC) has the responsibility of co-ordinating with the incumbent, the Reverend Archie Coates, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC members who served during the year were:

Revd J Bailey
Mrs S Brewer
Revd A Coates
Mrs C Foottit
Mr J Foottit
Revd H Garratt
Revd J Gumbel
Mr B Jacob
Mrs J Jacob
Mr D Jonnes
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Mr S Luke
Revd A Marshall
Revd H Milne
Mr J Mullineux
Mrs S Nelson
Mrs C Orton
Mr J Sayers
Mr L Taylor
Mrs S Taylor
Miss H Turpin
Mrs P Turton
Mr R Verheul
Mr S Waring
Mr C Willis

PCC Member Training

All staff, volunteers and PCC members undergo a formal recruiting and selection process, followed by an induction period that includes any training considered necessary to effectively perform their role. Senior Management of the Church consists of Clergy, whose pay is set via a stipend, the level of which is set by the Diocese, and the management team, whose pay is set by the PCC with reference to appropriate market rates.

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Risk Management

The church's operations are wholly reliant upon the members of the congregation continuing to give money and time to support the church's staffing and activities. Should this funding cease the church would be unable to continue to support all its current activities and staffing levels. This risk is managed on behalf of the church by the finance committee which is chaired by Revd Archie Coates. This committee meets monthly and reviews the management accounts of the church and considers what activities and staffing the church is able to commit to and agrees the necessary remedial actions to ensure the church is able to continue its operations. The preparation of the management accounts is overseen by the treasurer of the church, who is a chartered accountant. The church aims to hold a reserve of two months salaries to ensure it is able to meet its staffing commitments.

Grant Making

The charity pays grants in the form of mission giving. The level of mission giving is set at the start of each financial year by the PCC members and is based on the charity's projected income and asset levels.

Volunteers

The church benefit from the dedicated work of a great number of volunteers. In accordance with FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The organisation's charitable aims and objectives are set out in its governing document, agreed by the PCC members on 28th March 2012. The charity was registered with the Charity Commission on the 28th March 2012 (charity number 1146642).

The PCC is committed to the vision statement of the church to play our part in the re-evangelisation of the nation, the revitalisation of the Church and the transformation of society. In accordance with the vision statement, the church aims to meet its objectives through the provision of church services, courses and the instigation of new church plants. Given the diversity of the church's activities, performance is measured on a case-by-case basis.

Public Benefit

In accordance with our duties as stated in section 17(5) of the Charities Act, we have considered the guidance provided by the Charity Commission in regard to public benefit. This public benefit has been demonstrated by the activities undertaken since inception of the charity outlined above.

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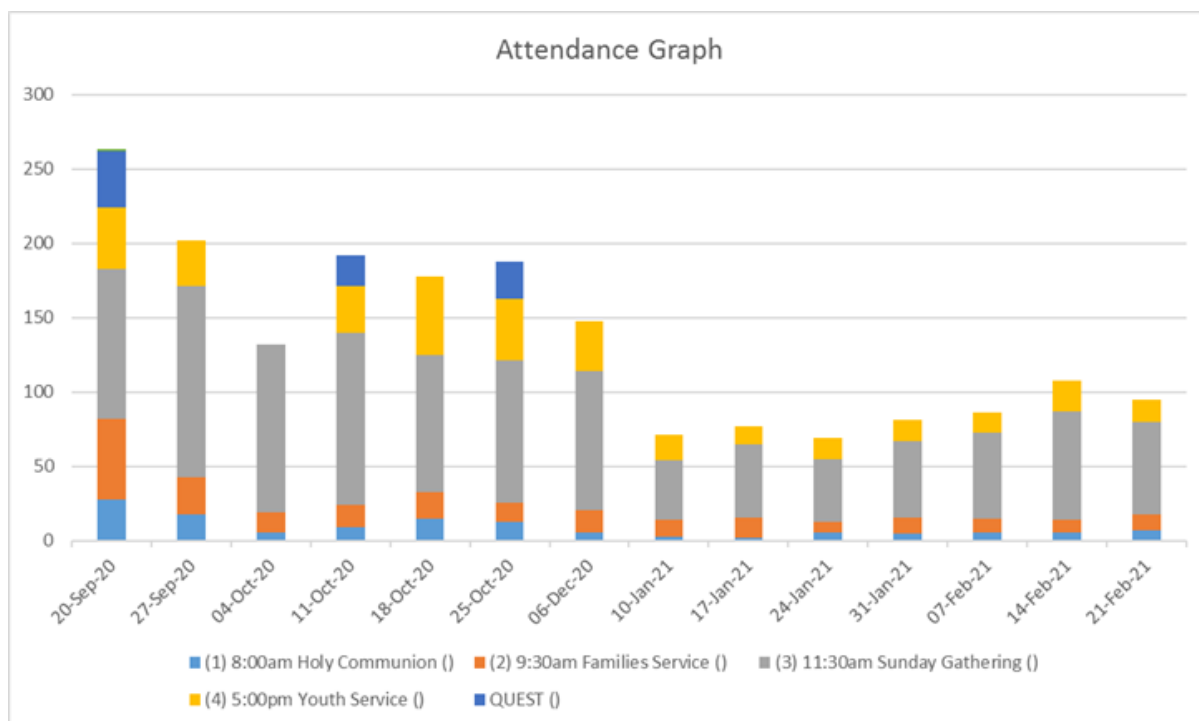
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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Services – In Person

Although services in the building were fairly stop-start over the last year due to COVID-19, we did see in person services re-launch in various ways in September and October, and then again from December at different times and levels of social distancing! Moving in to 2021, we have had live talks from January and a combined youth and student service from February half term which has been greatly appreciated.

The graph below gives a guide to numbers and engagement when we have been able to open. It has certainly been a powerful and important option alongside our online provision, and despite masks, social distancing and majority online content, has been well attended and an important part of the week for many.



Services – Online

In March 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we began a weekly online service, the Sunday Check In, as the lockdown was imposed. From March to May, this comprised pre-recorded hosting, worship and talk content recorded in homes.

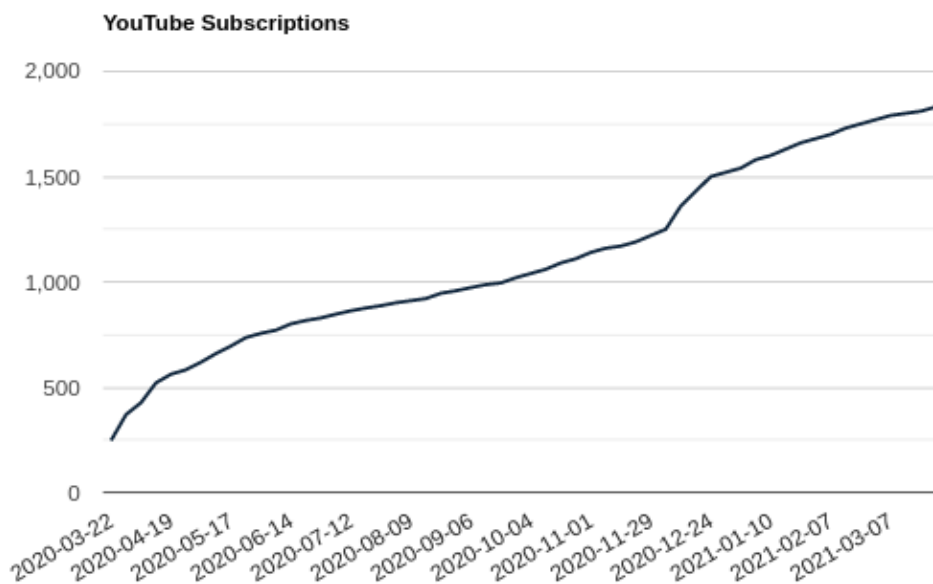
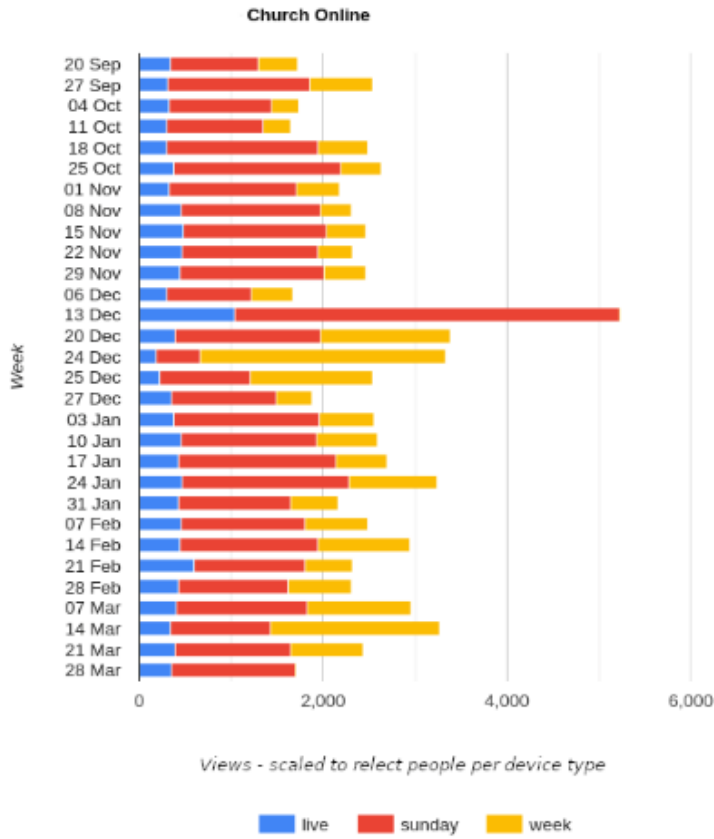
From May to September, with restrictions easing, this was pre-recorded mid-week in the church by a team of videographers and sound engineers. This format enabled guest speakers and worship leaders through the HTB Network, including Ben Lindsay, Danielle Strickland, Christine Caine, and Francis Chan. Focus 2020 was also delivered in a Sunday service online format across the network.

From September onwards, we launched Church Online, live streamed from a purpose-built studio in the crypt. With worship sets pre-recorded in the church building and pre-recorded or live speakers alongside live hosts, we were able to engage with an online congregation of around 300 'devices' watching live and a further 1500-2000 views by the following Sunday.

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Our Christmas services and content gained over 50,000 collective 'views', with a global audience. We established a Zoom Prayer Room to support the prayer ministry of the online service, with a dedicated team praying each week for a steady flow of people seeking further prayer.



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Kids

2020 started strongly for our kids' ministry with an average of 113 kids attending each Sunday across 3 services, an increase on 2019. In March we moved to providing online content for families due to COVID-19, starting with The Family Stream aimed specifically at the St Peter's congregation and in September joining with the Brighton Family of Churches to create Kids Online. Weekly views generally ranged between 125 and 175 and continue to grow. Anecdotally we know that its reach stretches beyond Brighton to families across the UK.

As well as releasing Kids Online via YouTube, we have also used the content as part of a Sunday Service for young families. This has proved to be popular and a great connection for Safehaven Mother & Baby families, who may not have attended a service before the pandemic.

We also ran a Parenting for Faith course via Zoom, with 14 families exploring how to help children build their own relationships with Jesus. We received great feedback and look forward to running this again.

Despite the restrictions, our Christmas celebrations were again a highlight of the year. Family Carols utilised video more than ever and was shown online as well as in person. Packs were sent out across Brighton and beyond for those watching at home and from this initiative we know that lots of guests accessed the content.

Youth

Over the course of the last year, Youth has seen a lot of change. Having previously met every Friday in the church (50-60 young people), as a core part of the 5pm service, for Bright City Life events and regularly heading into local schools for assemblies, worship services etc., as COVID-19 hit, all activity moved online and small groups developed with consistent Youth Team as their leaders. Later in the year we would see the 5pm Gathering re-open solely for Youth, eventually combining with Students. The consistency of small groups, online Gaming Group (where Youth play video games online with some of the Youth Team), Live Bible Studies on Instagram and in-person Sunday Gatherings saw relationships within the groups and with God deepen, growth in numbers and opportunity for young people to invite friends to any activity from the comfort of their home (with 80 attending the Christmas Party, 60-70 at in-person Friday activities and 45-50 online).

Alpha for Youth was the most successful evangelistic tool throughout this year, seeing around 14 Youth join the Zoom call each week (around half with no church background), using the opportunity authentically to discover the Christian faith. We're beginning to see opportunities with schools reopen and look forward to being able to meet new young people in the city. Tom Limebear has been recruited part-time to develop these links.

Students

Since March 2020, the Student Ministry has changed dramatically, with a significant reduction of in-person services and the launch of online engagement. During the first lockdown, we saw an average of 28 attending weekly Student Nights on Zoom.

We recognised the need to develop our Groups, so moved these online in July 2020. Initial attendance was 44, comprising existing students and Freshers who hadn't yet moved to Brighton but had connected online. In September 2020, we aimed to engage with new students both in-person and online.

Since the start of this academic year, we have placed emphasis on the 6.30pm service. This was well-attended by an average of 80 students in September and October, with fewer now as a result of more recent lockdowns. We continue to run our groups weekly online and have seen attendance at these increase to 130 students. We also connect with students at Alpha, with three groups running at present, and have just begun a new monthly Students and Spear collaborative session, within which we hope to prepare some of our 31 final year students for life beyond graduation this summer.

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Alpha

In 2020 and early 2021, Alpha has gone from strength to strength. Much has been learned, mainly that we have a remarkable evangelistic course that has seen many come to know Jesus. During COVID-19 we have worked closely with Alpha UK to launch Alpha Online and have had the privilege of being part of a round table conversation with other chosen churches, sharing best practices and thinking about the future together.

Nicky Gumbel, the pioneer of Alpha, sent an email to thousands of churches coordinating the course early in 2021 with these words: "I have been proved wrong about so many things in my life and this is another occasion where I've been proved wrong. I didn't think Alpha would work online, and I never thought I would be saying this, but I now think Alpha online works even better than Alpha in person."

The story at St Peters has been similar, with over 300 people signing up to Alpha Online, including people who have never set foot in our building. Many signed up as a result of Church online and we had a particularly large course from Christmas Online. Youth, Safehaven, Students and Men's Recovery groups have attended and recently business owners from our congregation have encouraged their employees to join, with 90 signed up within 2 hours of launch. Perhaps this is a sign of the future, as we continue to decentralise Alpha and equip the church to lead.

A large number of people have come to faith or have recommitted. Many from Alpha have connected with the life of St Peters, either by joining existing groups or staying with the people they did the course with.

Alpha Online will continue in one form or another (perhaps a hybrid model) as we look to the future. Finally, it has been brilliant to see so many of the church members leading groups and also prayer becoming even more central to the running of the course.

Safehaven Mother & Baby

During 2020 the Safehaven Mother and Baby team actively supported 47 families, 30 of which were new, which has more than doubled since 2019.

We delivered 36 Love Your Neighbour food hampers every week during the first lockdown, which included cooked meals, Higgidy Pies, gifts, children's activities, nappies and much more.

We hosted an online First Aid Course for 8 of our mums and visited Plot 22 Allotment in Hove for 9 weeks with 12 families. We bought 3 pairs of new school shoes for little ones starting school and helped one of our mums start her own business, 'Choose Joy'. We homed a mum and her son with a church family for 2 months and one of our mums has begun training as a teaching assistant. We have sourced and funded counselling sessions for one of our mums for 4 months.

14 of our mums attended our weekly drop-in from September to December and 14 have regularly attended our weekly Emotional Health, Nutrition, Art and Card Making workshops, and 3 did Alpha.

At Christmas we packed and delivered 45 Family Hope hampers across the city. 12 of our families attended the Christmas Family Carols and since January, 7 of our families have been attending weekly church services.

From January to March 2021, we restarted weekly hamper deliveries to 31 families. For Mother's Day, 44 of our mums received gifts which included a doorstep photograph of them with their little ones.

Safehaven Women

During 2020 the Safehaven Women team have supported 80 women, delivering 80 weekly LYN hampers including hot meals. We scaled this up to support the hostels and Off The Fence, who helped 1000 people with weekly hampers during the first lockdown. We have partnered with 16 hostels, through 18 church groups supporting and building relationships with them.

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We have also partnered with a number of services supporting homeless and vulnerable people in the city, including JustLife, Brighton Sexual Health and Contraception Service, RISE, Hummingbird, Brighton Women's Centre, St Mungo's, CGL, Oasis and Sex Workers Outreach Project, and also nurses who work in the homeless team. In June, we were donated £30K of new furniture, which we distributed to Rise Refuge, hostels and other individuals in need.

We returned to our weekly drop-in from September to December, with 50 women attending and with 80 at our Christmas meal.

In October we opened our first Hope & Wellness Centre, in the heart of Brighton, where we have delivered support workshops for up to 15 women. These include Christmas wreath making, emotional health, Alpha, twice weekly art groups and card making and engagement has been very encouraging.

At Christmas a Safehaven team of 50 volunteers sourced, packed and delivered 1400 Hope hampers across our city and 28 volunteers delivered 90 hampers to Safehaven women. From January to March we returned to weekly hamper deliveries to 70 women. On Mother's Day we delivered 83 gifts.

From January to March 2021, to show our support for keyworkers, volunteers delivered care packages of coffee, sandwiches and cake from our Hope and Wellness Centre to several hostels each week. In March, we delivered 250 kitchen starter packs to hostels, packed and delivered by a team of 30 volunteers.

We currently have a weekly volunteer team of 12 hamper packers and 23 drivers, 12 at our Hope and Wellness Centre running workshops, and 13 who have made weekly phone calls to 18 of our women during the pandemic.

Safehaven / Safehaven Men

Safehaven adapted in 2020 to be based mainly in the church carpark due to COVID-19. Every Saturday night, 12-15 regular volunteers served a 2-course takeaway meal with snacks to 110-150 men and women facing some form of disadvantage within Brighton. During the initial Spring 2020 lockdown, many of our guests who had been street homeless were housed and Safehaven ran with 4 volunteers to minimise risk.

Safehaven Men saw a similar increase, with 80-100 attending regularly and as many as 135 in the summer.

The church building has been open at both drop-ins as a quiet space for guests to sit and pray, which has seen relationships strengthened and the team has prayed with guests primarily in this space and also in the carpark. Safehaven Men Alpha started in January 2020 and around 20 men engaged with this before it stopped due to COVID-19. We hope to continue this later in 2021.

Night Shelter / The Circle

Due to the pandemic, the Churches Night Shelter had to adapt to ensure the safety of volunteers and residents. In late March 2020, we moved from the shelter at St Patrick's Church to The Circle in Portslade, to become part of Brighton & Hove Council's emergency response to COVID-19 for the homeless. We had 17 self-contained en-suite rooms where we had the privilege of working with over 50 residents to find sustainable housing solutions. Of course we missed the Night Shelter model that has been an important and crucial mission for St Peter's for nearly 10 years, but we believe God had his hand over it all from the start. Where we were previously able to help those experiencing homelessness on a nightly basis, we moved to being able to arrange long-term housing options for our residents that got them off the streets permanently, while still partnering with many churches in the city to provide their food. The Circle closed on 31st March, almost exactly a year since we opened. While we're still not sure what we'll do next to partner with other churches in the city to provide care for the homeless in our city, we believe the Lord will be guiding our hearts and prayers as we seek his will in this area.

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Spear

In 2020, 57 young people from Brighton and surrounding areas completed the Spear programme at St Peter's, with 2 groups run in person and 3 online. In response to COVID-19, we were able to adapt, pilot and establish Spear Digital, which is now being replicated at other Spear centres nationwide. We are still in contact with 90% of the cohort from the first programme of 2020 and estimate to see around 75% in employment or further education. We have also increased our relationships with different referral partners across the city and are now engaging with young people from a much wider geographical catchment.

At the end of 2020 we established Torch, a community space for those who have completed Spear to connect beyond the programme. Run by volunteers from St Peter's, our hope is to create pathways into the life of the church. Post Easter 2021, we are looking to run our first Torch Alpha.

Tackling Mental Health Together

This ministry encompasses two courses, Tackling Anxiety Together and Tackling Depression Together, and a termly event with speakers called The Well. The COVID-19 pandemic has seen an increase in mental health issues and more people than ever struggling with their emotional well-being. We have endeavoured to play our part in addressing these needs.

Tackling Depression Together moved online when the first lockdown happened halfway through the course and we found that Zoom was an environment where informative and supportive courses really worked. The course ran again in Autumn 2020. Tackling Anxiety Together ran 3 times in the last 12 months, with numbers increasing significantly compared to face to face courses run previously. Excitingly we've been joined by groups from other network churches and our hope is that they will run the courses themselves locally in the future and sharing our experience in this way is a positive outcome of the need to move online. Feedback from all the courses has been very good and they have been much appreciated by the around 200 people who have attended.

We moved The Well online for November 2020 and February 2021 with excellent speakers, Q&A, tips and support. The content addresses mental health and emotional well-being and we have looked at 'Life under Limits' and 'Resilience', both so appropriate for our times.

Developments for 2021 include filming the content for Tackling Anxiety Together, which will make it easier for other churches to run the course. Watch this space!

Pastoral Care Courses

We launched The Bereavement Journey online in Autumn 2020 and ran another course in Spring 2021. This was a significant step up from the course we were able to part run before lockdown last year. We've been joined by guests from the local area and further afield, with a wide range of experiences, ages, faith and no faith. The course works well online and the participants have found it a very helpful and supportive space in which to process their loss and grief which has been additionally complicated by all the restrictions of the last year. We have had a group from a local church join us and we hope to be able to encourage more churches across the region to run the course, by offering the opportunity to join online and learn from our experiences.

Faith In Recovery

Faith in Recovery re-launched in June 2020 to bridge the gap between Church and the recovery world. It's for anyone in recovery or struggling with addiction, drinking or substance-use.

Over 60 people from across the UK have attended via Zoom. A range of recovery journeys is represented including alcohol, drugs, sex, co-dependency, eating-disorders and pornography. Some of us are new to faith and/or recovery. Some of us are old timers.

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The group provides a safe place where people can be real. There's a culture of courageous vulnerability and of acceptance. We do not judge or try to fix one another.

"This group is my family," explained one group member. "I wouldn't be here without you." The group has provided support and connection through lockdowns, mental health crises, relapses, bereavements, crises of faith and many other challenges. As one regular recently shared: "this group is something to stay sober for."

Relationships

Moving online from April 2020 was a steep learning curve that resulted in huge and unexpected blessings for strengthening family relationships at an incredibly intense time.

After consultation with other leaders, we created an online resource for both The Marriage and Pre-Marriage Courses. Later in the year, our Parenting Conversations gathered good momentum from our St Peter's family, many other churches and the wider community. We have developed great links with leaders from a variety of other churches through The Marriage Courses and along with Nicky and Sila Lee, have established a regular way of blessing, encouraging and resourcing them.

Over the year we ran:

- 3 Pre-Marriage Courses, with 20 couples (7 St Peter's, 8 other church, 5 no church).
- 3 Marriage Courses with 2 new leaders and 169 couples. These comprised 51 couples in person (39 St Peter's, 6 other church, 6 no church) and 118 online (49 St Peter's, 50 other church, 19 no church).
- Cocktails for Couples online at All Saints Peckham
- Marriage Course leader training for other churches at HTB Assemble (March 2020) and with Nicky and Sila (online in November) for 37 course leaders from other churches.
- Parenting Conversations and Screenagers 2 film with 210 registrations (140 first time connection to a St Peter's Relationship event, around 50 St Peter's families, over 50% non-church).

In 2021 so far we have run:

- Parenting Conversations – 110 registrations
- The Marriage Course online – 23 couples
- The Pre-Marriage Course online – 8 couples
- Support Couple training to strengthen our support network
- Working with the Youth team to open up excellent discussions around sex and pornography.

We have established a good reputation in the city and beyond and our presence online, whether Marriage Courses or Parenting Conversations, has helped broaden our reach and secure our place on the map as a community who care about strengthening the relationships of couples and families – at a particularly intense time – as well as inviting people towards us on Sundays and to Alpha.

Groups

Groups continue to be a central pillar at St Peter's and there was a conscious move to get everybody in groups from September 2020, with Archie pitching to the church that 'groups are church'. Seeking to ensure all of our 46 groups have the core elements of belonging, growth and purpose, we now regularly see over 400 in weekly groups, a continued heart and vision to grow that number, and a strategy to continue to see groups as central and where the majority of our discipleship, connection and community outside Sundays will be found.

Since 1 April 2020, 200 people joined groups who had not been in or left a group in the preceding 2 years. Of these, 157 are still in an active group and 120 are new to the database. Excitingly, this means that 120 new people have landed in mainly online forums and found a home at St Peter's through groups (not including the 4 large and thriving student groups that have also engaged with the Groups ministry and content).

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One of the key ways we have expanded and released the groups has been our webinar series led by Nalishuwa and Jonny, which have been greatly appreciated by group leaders and have become a regular discipleship journey that we as a church have been able to travel together. Average views were 335 in the September term, when we were joined by St Matthias and St Cuthman's, and these have continued at over 250 for the January term.

We have deliberately sought to maintain an outward looking missional purpose for our groups, with 18 of the groups adopting hostels and 18 different hostel champions being appointed to build ongoing relationships. This has manifested itself practically with groups recently assembling 250 kitchen starter packs and delivering over 1000 Easter eggs.

Leadership Development Year

The Leadership Development Year continued for its fifth year, with 10 LDY interns on the programme from September 2019 – July 2020 serving in ministry placements at St Peter's and St Cuthman's. The programme includes weekly leadership, theology and formation group sessions across 3½ days per week, including Sunday services. In March 2020, we took 7 interns and 3 staff members to Hong Kong to serve at St Stephen's Society alongside Jackie Pullinger. When the COVID-19 lockdown began the LDY interns were redeployed to serve their placements within the Safehaven ministries and food distribution, and Whitehawk Foodbank as emergency support. At completion, 3 were employed by St Peter's and St Cuthman's, one joined a new church plant as worship pastor, one went into further education and the remaining 5 into employment.

In October 2020, we began a new cohort of ten LDY interns serving St Peter's, St Cuthman's, and St Matthias.

Prayer and prayer ministry

'The greatest answer to prayer is more prayer' (S. Chadwick) and I believe that we have been experiencing this over the past year. God is building us, as a family of churches, into a house of prayer. Prayer has brought us together, held us together and built us up over the past year and kept our eyes fixed on the main thing – Jesus! Exciting times as we pray His Kingdom Come!

24/7 Prayer Weeks are up and running, with a rhythm of one week of non-stop prayer at the beginning of each term. We enjoyed a week in September 2020, 3 days over Advent and a week in January 2021. Of note, Morning, Noon and Evening Prayer touchpoints brought us together to pray with gusto, and as a highlight, we joined over 300 people from other churches across the city to worship and pray on zoom.

Since October 2020 we have been meeting every weekday morning to pray online. 25-35 people join daily for extraordinary times of encouragement as His Spirit leads us in prayer. The prophetic is flowing!

In the first week of each month we run contemplative evening Prayers of Examen and 20-40 people join each evening. It is so encouraging to see how this is building community and a lifestyle of prayer, both personally and corporately.

Since lockdown, twice termly Kingdom Come gatherings of 75 to 100+ worship and pray for revival in the church, city and country, led by Bright City, youth, students, LDY and many others.

In September over 60 people joined a one-hour interactive training workshop on intercessory prayer, led by Jill Weber and members of the prayer team at Emmaus Road, Guildford.

'The Freedom Course' ran online for 6 weeks, with over 20 people exploring topics such as our identity in Jesus, dealing with past hurts and forgiveness. There was a phenomenal team of leaders and it was a privilege to pray with and encourage each guest on their journey to freedom each week.

Prayer mornings and Days of Prayer and Fasting continued on the first Tuesday of every month, gathering 60-90 people online to worship and pray together from across the church plants. Of note, we were hugely encouraged and inspired by Joel Virgo coming to speak to us this term.

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An Intercessory Prayer Team of 50 people prayed on a daily basis for various needs in our family of churches and city, each receiving a weekly email with daily prayer points.

Zoom Prayer Team after Church Online has been running since lockdown, with an extraordinary team of faithful family members gathering to pray before church and for others after. It has been a privilege to journey this season with this team and to witness how God has spoken through every single person to bring His freedom, love and healing presence into peoples' situations.

20 people joined online for a 2-part interactive prayer training course. It was encouraging to see how training is possible online.

Coming up in 2021 are:

- Breakthrough Prayer & Fasting in April, an hour of teaching with Simon Brading, worship pastor at Emmanuel Brighton, on the power of fasting for breakthrough.
- Hear My Voice – Stepping Out In The Prophetic in May, hosted by Sarah Wren, Holly Roe and Angie Green with worship led by Martin Smith, to learn how we can hear God's voice for ourselves and others.
- A new Freedom Course starting in May.

Bright City

2020 was a momentous year for the Bright City team. From March, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the team were tasked with leading worship remotely for St Peter's Church Online. The pandemic required creativity from the team to keep worship at the heart of the church while scattered across the city. Over the year, as guidelines have changed, the team has been able to pre-record worship back in the church building. These sets have been used not only by St Peter's, but many churches across the country, including HTB and Gas Street.

In May, during the first lockdown, Bright City released their first live album 'Change' in partnership with Integrity Music, a recording of the 10th anniversary celebration at St Peter's in November 2019. The team had to think differently to celebrate the release and put together an online 'watch-along' premiering the whole album. 'Change' has been well received and is still building in numbers across all platforms.

The year finished with the team creating the 'Hope is Born' Christmas Services online and in-person.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Total unrestricted income came to £1,783,177 (2019: £1,630,085), including £97,107 of designated income (2019: £47,250). Restricted income totalled £146,855 (2019: £60,653). Income from donations and legacies totalled £1,484,846 (2019: £1,397,486), of which £1,484,846 was unrestricted (2019: £1,373,646).

The overall surplus for the year, including movement on investments was £119,888 (2019: a deficit of £192,440). At the balance sheet date the church held total funds of £1,065,692 (2019: £945,804), of which £627,182 were unrestricted (2019: £518,881), £407,077 were endowed (2019: £402,031) and £31,433 were restricted (2019: £24,892).

Reserves

It is the policy of the PCC to retain two months' gross staff salaries in reserve to cover any emergencies. At the year end the charity had free reserves of £446,344 (2019: £264,297), this includes the designated fund of £102,385 (2019: £107,591) leaving £343,959 (2019: £156,706) which is enough reserves to fund three months salaries.

Investment Policy

The Trustees expect that both capital and income in the investment fund will grow in real terms over the medium to long term. The Trustees believe that this will generate the best financial return for the charity within and acceptable level of risk. Performance is monitored throughout the year and is reviewed as necessary.

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PCC MEMBERS ANNUAL REPORT

FUTURE PLANS

The Charity plans on continuing the activities outlined above in the forthcoming years subject to satisfactory funding arrangements. The charity will always plan to plant churches wherever the opportunity arises and has secured major funding from the Diocese of Chichester to plant four in the Brighton area by the end of 2024, with St Richard's, Hollingdean and St Leonard's, Hove opening during the second half of 2021.

The Charity has an agreement with HTB to host the biennial Brighton hub of the Leadership Conference and while this did not happen in 2019 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is anticipated that this will return in the future. In 2019 the Brighton hub attracted over 600 leaders from 71 churches in the region, representing a wide range of traditions.

STATEMENT AS TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

In so far as the trustees are aware at the time of approving our PCC members' annual report; there is no relevant audit information of which the auditor is unaware. Each of the trustees have confirmed that they have taken all steps that they ought to have taken as trustees, in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that it has been communicated to the auditor.

On behalf of the board of trustees



Steve Waring

PCC Member and Treasurer

Date: 27 September 2021

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF BRIGHTON, ST PETER

STATEMENT OF PCC MEMBER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The PCC members are responsible for preparing the accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard FRS102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland'.

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the PCC members to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the Charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year.

In preparing accounts giving a true and fair view, the PCC members should follow best practice and: None of the Trustees has any beneficial interest in the charity and there are no related parties to the charity.

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the accounts; and
- prepare the accounts on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The PCC members are responsible for keeping accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Charity and which enable them to ascertain the financial position of the Charity and which enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF BRIGHTON, ST PETER

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Brighton, St Peter ("the Charity") and its subsidiary ("the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2020, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities, the Group Balance Sheet, the Charity Balance Sheet, the Cashflow Statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and the Charity's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Group in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions Relating to Going Concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- The PCC's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- The PCC have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Group's or the Charity's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least 12 months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Other Information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, including the Report of the PCC, other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. The PCC are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF BRIGHTON, ST PETER

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Opinions on Other Matters Prescribed by the Charities Act 2011

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken during the audit:

- The information given in the Report of the PCC, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The Report of the PCC has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on Which we are Required to Report by Exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Group and its environment obtained during the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the PCC.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 require(s) us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- Adequate and proper accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- Certain disclosures of PCC members' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of the PCC

As explained more fully in the PCC responsibilities statement, the PCC are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the PCC determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the PCC are responsible for assessing the Group's and the Charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the PCC either intend to liquidate the Group or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditor's Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken based on these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website.

This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF BRIGHTON, ST PETER

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

The objectives of our audit, in respect to fraud, are: to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud; to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses; and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and its management.

Our approach was as follows:

- We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general sector experience, and through discussion with the trustees and other management (as required by auditing standards), and discussed with the trustees and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations (see below);
- We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect: health and safety; General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR); fraud; bribery and corruption, and employment law. Auditing standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. The identified actual or suspected non-compliance was not sufficiently significant to our audit to result in our response being identified as a key audit matter.
- We considered the legal and regulatory frameworks directly applicable to the financial statements reporting framework (FRS 102 and the and Charities Act 2011) and the relevant tax compliance regulations in the UK;
- We considered the nature of the charity's operations, the control environment and financial performance.
- We communicated identified laws and regulations throughout our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit;
- We considered the procedures and controls that the charity has established to address risks identified, or that otherwise prevent, deter and detect fraud; and how senior management monitors those programmes and controls.

Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations. Where the risk was considered to be higher, we performed audit procedures to address each identified fraud risk. These procedures included: testing manual journals; reviewing the financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation; performing analytical procedures; and enquiring of management, and were designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free from fraud or error.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. For example, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations (irregularities) is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the inherently limited procedures required by auditing standards would identify it. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Use of our Report

This report is made solely to the Group's and the Charity's members, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Group's and to the Charity's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Group and the Group's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

TC Group

Mr Mark Cummins FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

TC Group

Statutory Auditors

Office | Steyning, West Sussex

Dated: 29 September 2021

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
BRIGHTON, ST PETER
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Endowment funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<u>Income from:</u>						
Donations and legacies	4	1,484,846	-	-	1,484,846	1,397,486
Charitable activities						
Ordinary ministry of the church	5	242,834	-	146,855	389,689	233,856
Other trading activities	6	55,497	-	-	55,497	59,396
Total income		1,783,177	-	146,855	1,930,032	1,690,738
<u>Expenditure on:</u>						
Raising funds						
Subsidiary expenditure		22,151	-	-	22,151	15,845
Other		10,562	-	-	10,562	7,594
		32,713	-	-	32,713	23,439
Charitable activities						
Mission Giving	7/8	90,000	-	-	90,000	84,000
Ordinary ministry of the church	7	1,382,939	-	140,314	1,523,253	1,633,861
Development of sites	7	169,224	-	-	169,224	206,476
		1,642,163	-	140,314	1,782,477	1,924,337
Total expenditure		1,674,876	-	140,314	1,815,190	1,947,776
Net gains on investments	11	-	5,046	-	5,046	64,598
Net income/movement in funds		108,301	5,046	6,541	119,888	(192,440)
Funds brought forward at 1 January 2020		518,881	402,031	24,892	945,804	1,138,244
Funds carried forward at 31 December 2020	16/17	627,182	407,077	31,433	1,065,692	945,804

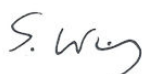
**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
BRIGHTON, ST PETER**

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	10	180,840	254,584
Investments	11	407,077	402,031
Total fixed assets		587,917	656,615
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stock	12	4,459	3,796
Debtors	13	224,796	149,019
Cash at bank and in hand	14	499,893	278,966
Total current assets		729,148	431,781
LIABILITIES			
Creditors falling due within one year	15	(251,373)	(142,592)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		477,775	289,189
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,065,692	945,804
NET ASSETS		1,065,692	945,804
<u>FUNDS</u>			
Unrestricted general	16	524,797	411,290
Designated	16/17	102,385	107,591
Permanent endowment	16/17	407,077	402,031
Restricted	16/17	31,433	24,892
		1,065,692	945,804

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 27 September 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



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Steve Waring
PCC Member

Charity registration number 1146642

The notes on pages 22 to 34 form part of these accounts.

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
BRIGHTON, ST PETER
CHARITY BALANCE SHEET**

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible fixed assets	10	180,840	254,584
Investments	11	407,079	402,033
Total fixed assets		587,919	656,617
CURRENT ASSETS			
Debtors	13	255,160	187,259
Cash at bank and in hand	14	472,801	243,332
Total current assets		727,961	430,591
LIABILITIES			
Creditors falling due within one year	15	(250,186)	(141,407)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		477,775	289,184
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		1,065,694	945,801
NET ASSETS		1,065,694	945,801
FUNDS			
Unrestricted general	16	524,799	411,287
Designated	16/17	102,385	107,591
Permanent endowment	16/17	407,077	402,031
Restricted	16/17	31,433	24,892
		1,065,694	945,801

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**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
BRIGHTON, ST PETER
CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT**

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

	Note	2020 £		2019 £	
Cash flows from operating activities					
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year		119,888	(192,440)		
<i>Adjustments for:</i>					
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	10	90,221	79,143		
Decrease/(increase) in stock	12	(663)	22		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	13	(75,777)	106,610		
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	15	108,781	(14,689)		
Gain on investments	11	<u>(5,046)</u>	<u>(64,598)</u>		
Net cash generated from/(used in) operating activities		237,404		(85,952)	
Cash flows from investing activities					
Assets purchased	10	<u>(16,477)</u>	<u>(116,212)</u>		
Net cash used in investing activities		(16,477)		(116,212)	
Net decrease in cash		<u>220,927</u>		<u>(202,164)</u>	
Analysis of net cash/(debt)		At 1 January 2020 £	Cash flow £	Non-cash changes £	At 31 December 2020 £
Cash and cash equivalents	14	278,966	220,927	-	499,893
		<u><u>278,966</u></u>	<u><u>220,927</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>499,893</u></u>

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
BRIGHTON, ST PETER
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020**

1. Statutory information

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Brighton, St Peter is an unincorporated charity, registered in England & Wales. The registered number and principal office address can be found on the legal and administrative information page.

2. Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared on behalf of the PCC in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

Brighton, Saint Peter meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s).

After making appropriate enquiries, the PCC have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. This includes taking into account any known impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The PCC have no material uncertainty with regards to the entity's ability to continue to continue as a going concern.

These financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functions currency of the charity. Figures included within these financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

2.1 Income

All income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Donations and legacies

Collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC. Planned giving receivable under Gift Aid is recognised when the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is possible.

Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid donations is recognised at the same time as the donation it relates to.

Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is possible.

Income from charitable activities

Income from events and courses is recognised on receipt and accounted for gross.

Grant income from the ordinary ministry of the church accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its legal entitlement, the amount due is quantifiable and its ultimate receipt by the PCC is possible.

Income from investments

Interest entitlements on bank accounts are accounted for as they accrue.

2.2 Expenditure

Mission giving

Grants and donations are recognised when the church is obligated to make the payment, it is probable that this payment will be made and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

Other expenditure relating to the work of the church

The parish's contribution to the costs of the Diocese is accounted for when payable.

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2.2 Expenditure (continued)

Support costs

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include administrative expenses, running costs, staffing, and governance costs. Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

2.3 Fixed assets

Consecrated land and buildings and other church property

The PCC has the use of the consecrated and beneficed property of Brighton Saint Peter and this is excluded from the accounts by virtue of S.10(2)(a) of the Charities Act 2011.

Movable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated. They are listed in the church's inventory which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

The church halls and clergy accommodation are held in trust by Chichester Diocesan Fund on behalf of the PCC. These properties are essential for the mission of the church and no value has been placed on them as there is no likelihood of their being realised.

All expenditure incurred in the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings is written off to the statement of financial activities.

Leasehold improvements, computer equipment and other equipment

Leasehold improvements are shown at historical cost less depreciation.

These assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over their estimated useful lives. The periods used are as follows:

Computer equipment	2 years
Other equipment	3 years
Leasehold improvements	2-10 years
Motor vehicles	3 years

Individual items with a purchase price of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

The carrying values of tangible fixed assets are reviewed for impairment in periods when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying value may not be recoverable.

Investments

Fixed asset investments are stated at fair value.

Realised and unrealised gains and losses are dealt with in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Investments in associates are held at cost.

2.4 Debtors

Amounts owing to the PCC at 31 December in respect of gift aid due, fees, rents and other income are shown as debtors less any provisions for amounts that may prove uncollectable.

2.5 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes short term highly liquid investments.

**THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF THE ECCLESIASTICAL PARISH OF
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2.6 Creditors and provisions

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 and estimated reliably.

2.7 Stock

Stock is reported on the balance sheet at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

2.8 Taxation

No provision for taxation is included in the accounts as the Charity is entitled to the exemption for tax afforded by Part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 and Section 256 of the Chargeable Gains Act 1992.

2.9 Foreign exchange

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling and recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction.

2.10 Pension costs

Existing employees of the church are automatically enrolled into the money purchase defined contribution pension scheme, unless they do not qualify or have exercised their right to opt out of scheme membership. It is funded by contributions from employee and employer. Costs are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis.

2.11 Accumulated funds

The funds of the charity currently comprise:

- Unrestricted funds that are expendable at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objectives of the charity.
- Restricted funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.
- Designated funds that have been set aside for a specific purpose by the PCC
- Endowment funds which are capital investments held for a specific purpose.

2.12 Accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised

The trustees do not consider that there are any critical estimates or areas of judgement that need to be brought to the attention of the readers of the financial statements.

2.13 Group financial statements

The financial statements consolidate the results of the charity and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Bright City Collective Limited, on a line by line basis. A separate Statement of Financial Activities and Income and Expenditure Account for the Charity has not been presented as the Charity has taken advantage of the available exemptions.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

3. Legal Status of the church

The church is a charitable trust registered in the UK with The Charity Commission of England and Wales (registered number 1146622).

4. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Donations	1,457,915	-	1,457,915	1,326,017
Collections	4,201	-	4,201	19,820
Grants	22,730	-	22,730	51,649
	<u>1,484,846</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,484,846</u>	<u>1,397,486</u>

The income from donations and legacies was £1,484,846 (2019: £1,397,486), of which £1,484,846 was unrestricted (2019: £1,373,646) and £Nil was restricted (2019: £23,840).

The church is grateful for the donation of goods and services free of charge throughout the year from a variety of different sources. These have not been afforded an economic value in the accounts due to the impracticable nature of valuing these items. The church also benefits from the dedicated work of a great number of volunteers. In accordance with FRS 102 and the Charities SORP (FRS 102), the economic contribution of general volunteers is not recognised in the accounts.

Included in grants and donations are government grants in the form of amounts received from the Department for Culture, Media and Sport for the value of input VAT on invoiced expenditure relating to the restoration of the church tower.

5. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
<i>Ordinary ministry of the church:</i>				
Events and courses	65,012	-	65,012	197,043
Grants	177,822	146,855	324,677	36,813
	<u>242,834</u>	<u>146,855</u>	<u>389,689</u>	<u>233,856</u>

The income from charitable activities was £389,689 (2019: £233,856), of which £242,834 is unrestricted (2019: £197,043) and £146,855 is restricted (2019: £36,813).

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6. Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Total 2020 £	Total 2018 £
Other trading income	-	49,920	49,920	47,250
Bright City Collective Ltd income	5,577	-	5,577	12,146
	<u>5,577</u>	<u>49,920</u>	<u>55,497</u>	<u>59,396</u>

Income from other trading activities was £55,497 (2019: £59,396) of which £5,577 was unrestricted (2019: £12,146) and £49,920 was designated (2019: £47,250). Other trading income predominantly represents amounts received in relation to advertising displayed on temporary scaffolding around the church tower.

7. Expenditure on charitable activities - activities related to the furtherance of the church's objects

	Ordinary ministry of the church £	Development of sites £	2020 Total £	2019 Total £
Clergy costs	158,936	-	158,936	160,118
Other staff costs	619,346	-	619,346	611,706
Church services and worships	8,746	-	8,746	32,836
Church courses and ministry costs	366,522	-	366,522	529,269
Church administration	15,119	-	115,119	106,530
Church running costs	48,541	-	48,541	100,516
Depreciation (note 10)	90,221	-	90,221	79,144
Governance costs	14,731	-	14,731	13,742
Mission giving (note 8)	90,000	-	90,000	84,000
Covid-19 Support	101,091	-	101,091	-
Restoration of the bell tower	-	169,224	169,224	206,476
	<u>1,613,253</u>	<u>169,224</u>	<u>1,782,477</u>	<u>1,924,337</u>

Total expenditure on charitable activities - activities related to the furtherance of the church's objects was £1,782,477 (2019: £1,924,337) of which £1,382,949 was unrestricted (2019: £1,740,508) and £140,314 was restricted (2019: £183,829).

The charitable activity for which all support and governance costs relate is that of the ordinary ministry of the church, as mission giving and site development are activities which accrue costs of a direct nature only.

Included within governance costs are payments to the auditors of £9,750 for audit services (2019: £10,750) and £150 for other professional fees (2019: £480).

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8. Expenditure on charitable activities - mission giving

	Grants 2020	Grants 2019
	£	£
<i>Grants to institutions:</i>		
Alpha International	10,000	10,000
Antifreeze	-	3,500
Baby Basics – Oak Trust	500	-
Besom – The Wholesome Warehouse	500	-
Cascade Creative Recovery	500	-
Church of the Christ King - Clarendon Trust	10,000	-
DEC Cyclone Idai Appeal	-	1,000
Holland Road	11,346	11,346
Home for Good	1,500	-
Justlife	7,000	-
LDY Hong Kong	5,300	5,000
Mercy Ministries (UK)	-	1,000
National Churches Trust	500	500
Off the Fence	5,000	-
Other	(12,946)	12,648
Power the Fight	5,000	-
RISE	4,000	-
Renewal Vineyard Church	6,000	-
Samara's Aid Appeal	7,500	7,500
Spear Brighton Trust	15,000	15,000
St Matthias Church, Brighton	-	5,000
St Stephens Society	2,000	2,300
Sussex University Christian Union	-	250
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	-	1,156
Voices in Exile	3,000	-
Woodingdean PCC	1,500	-
YWAM Holmstead Manor	-	1,000
4M UK	-	3,000
	83,200	80,200
Grants to 4 individuals (2019: 11 individuals)	6,800	3,800
Total mission giving	90,000	84,000

All mission giving expenditure is unrestricted in both 2020 and 2019.

'Other' mission giving includes over/under accruals brought forward from previous accounting periods.

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9. Staff costs, staff numbers and key management personnel

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and salaries	581,829	559,109
Social security costs	52,142	48,639
Pension contributions	13,624	10,810
	<u>647,595</u>	<u>618,558</u>

The average number of staff, excluding clergy, was 35 (2019: 43).

One staff member received emoluments from Brighton, Saint Peter in excess of £60,000 in 2020 and 2019, falling in the bracket of £70,000-£80,000.

No members of the PCC received any remuneration in the year (2019: none). Other than those receiving stipends from the Diocese, the senior management team consisted of the Executive Director, Operations and Office Managers, Worship Pastor, Kids Pastor and Youth Pastor. Senior management team remuneration for the year totaled £223,359 (2019: £223,312).

10. Tangible fixed assets

Charity and group

	Computer equipment £	Improvements to property £	Other equipment £	Total £
COST				
Opening balance	42,841	427,068	425,697	895,606
Additions	1,671	14,806	-	16,477
Closing balance 31st December 2020	<u>44,512</u>	<u>441,874</u>	<u>425,697</u>	<u>912,083</u>
DEPRECIATION				
Opening balance	36,232	255,961	348,829	641,022
Charge for the period	6,553	44,539	39,129	90,221
Closing balance 31st December 2020	<u>42,785</u>	<u>300,500</u>	<u>387,958</u>	<u>731,243</u>
NET BOOK VALUE				
At 31st December 2020	<u>1,727</u>	<u>141,374</u>	<u>37,739</u>	<u>180,840</u>
At 31st December 2019	<u>6,609</u>	<u>171,107</u>	<u>76,868</u>	<u>254,584</u>

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11. Investments

	Charity At fair value £	Charity At Cost £	Charity Total £	Group At fair value £
Fair value at 1 January 2020	402,031	2	402,033	402,031
Change in market value	5,046	-	5,046	5,046
	<u>407,077</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>407,079</u>	<u>407,077</u>

The investments are held by The Diocese of Chichester & other trusts on behalf of St Peter's Church as a permanent endowment.

At the balance sheet date £243,466 (2019: £251,649) was held in the St John's School Fund which is to be used for the furthering of the religious and charitable work of the Church of England in the ecclesiastical parish. £49,011 (2019: £44,941) was held on the Edward Riley Memorial fund which is to be used for the provision of maintenance in the church hall. £114,602 (2019: £105,444) was held in the Vicarage fund.

The investment in Bright City Collective Ltd (a 100% owned trading subsidiary) is held at cost (£2) on the balance sheet date (2019: £2). Details of the subsidiary's trading results can be found in note 19.

12. Stock

	Charity		Group	
	2020 £	2019 £	2020 £	2019 £
Stock of CDs and merchandise	-	-	4,459	3,796
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,459</u>	<u>3,796</u>

13. Debtors

	Charity		Group	
	2020 £	2019 £	2020 £	2019 £
Trade debtors	12,748	37,979	12,748	37,979
Gift aid due from HMRC	58,503	16,293	58,503	16,293
Amounts due from subsidiary undertaking	34,407	43,603	-	-
Other debtors	74,001	51,033	74,001	51,033
Prepayments and accrued income	75,501	38,351	79,544	43,714
	<u>255,160</u>	<u>187,259</u>	<u>224,796</u>	<u>149,019</u>

Amounts due from subsidiary undertakings include a loan to Bright City Collectives of £24,421 (2019: £40,995). Interest is payable on the loan at 3.25%. The loan is repayable on demand.

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14. Cash at bank and in hand

	Charity		Group	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank	451,451	223,982	478,543	259,616
Cash in hand	21,350	19,350	21,350	19,350
	<u>472,801</u>	<u>243,332</u>	<u>499,893</u>	<u>278,966</u>

15. Creditors: amounts due within one year

	Charity		Group	
	2020	2019	2020	2019
	£	£	£	£
Trade creditors	112,575	22,537	112,575	22,537
Taxation	26,364	13,804	26,364	13,804
Other creditors	32,296	14,056	32,296	14,056
Accruals and deferred income	78,951	91,010	80,138	92,195
	<u>250,186</u>	<u>141,407</u>	<u>251,373</u>	<u>142,592</u>

16. Analysis of net assets by fund

Charity

Year ended 31 December 2020:

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Endowment funds	Restricted funds	Total 2020
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	180,840	-	-	-	180,840
Investments	2	-	407,077	-	407,079
Current assets	594,143	102,385	-	31,433	727,961
Current liabilities	(250,186)	-	-	-	(250,186)
Fund balance	<u>524,799</u>	<u>102,385</u>	<u>407,077</u>	<u>31,433</u>	<u>1,065,694</u>

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16. Analysis of net assets by fund (continued)

Year ended 31 December 2019:

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Endowment funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2019 £
Fixed assets	254,584	-	-	-	254,584
Investments	2	-	402,031	-	402,033
Current assets	298,108	107,591	-	24,892	430,591
Current liabilities	(141,407)	-	-	-	(141,407)
Fund balance	411,287	107,591	402,031	24,892	945,801

Group

Year ended 31 December 2020:

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Endowment funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2020 £
Fixed assets	180,840	-	-	-	180,840
Investments	-	-	407,077	-	407,077
Current assets	595,330	102,385	-	31,433	729,148
Current liabilities	(251,373)	-	-	-	(251,373)
Fund balance	524,797	102,385	407,077	31,433	1,065,692

Year ended 31 December 2019:

	Unrestricted funds £	Designated funds £	Endowment funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2019 £
Fixed assets	254,584	-	-	-	254,584
Investments	-	-	402,031	-	402,031
Current assets	299,298	107,591	-	24,892	431,781
Current liabilities	(142,592)	-	-	-	(142,592)
Fund balance	411,290	107,591	402,031	24,892	945,804

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17. Funds

Restricted Funds

	Balance at 01-Jan-19	Incoming resources	Resources Expended	Balance at 31-Dec-20
	£	£	£	£
COVID-19	-	95,794	(89,761)	6,033
Hope Hampers	-	11,330	(11,330)	-
Love Thy Neighbour	-	1,000	-	1,000
Nightshelter	14,392	2,357	(16,749)	-
Safehaven House	6,000	-	-	6,000
Safehaven Outreach	-	2,750	-	2,750
Safehaven Saturday	-	6,824	(1,824)	5,000
Safehaven Women	-	13,600	(8,600)	5,000
Safehaven Mother and Baby	4,500	1,200	(5,700)	-
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	-	12,000	(6,350)	5,650
Total Restricted funds	24,892	146,855	(140,314)	31,433

The COVID-19 Fund represents funds raised to provide support during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Hope Hampers Fund relates to funds raised to bring light and hope to the most vulnerable in the city through delivery of Hope Hampers full of Christmas treats to those in need.

The Kitchen Fund relates to funds received for the church kitchen refurbishment.

The Nightshelter Fund relates to income received to be specifically spent on general nightshelter work, including Nightshelter Coordinator salary costs.

The Safehaven House Fund represents amounts received towards the future purchase of a house for safehaven ministry.

The Safehaven Outreach Fund represents amounts received to fund salary cost of the Safehaven Outreach Lead.

The Safehaven Saturday Fund relates to income received to fund the running of the safehaven Saturday project.

The Safehaven Women Fund relates to income received to fund the running of the safehaven women project.

The Safehaven Mother and Baby Fund relates to income received to fund general safehaven mother and baby work.

The Vicar's Discretionary Fund relates to amounts received towards activities at the Vicar's discretion.

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17. Funds (continued)

Permanent Endowment Funds

	Balance at 01-Jan-20	Incoming resources	Resources Expended	Transfers/ Gains	Balance at 31-Dec-20
	£	£	£	£	£
Investments	402,031	-	-	5,046	407,077
	<u>402,031</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,046</u>	<u>407,077</u>

Investments are held by the Diocese of Chichester and CCLA on behalf of St Peter's Church. The investments were donated to the Church by the Diocese and the capital element of the fund must be held as a permanent endowment. The investment income generated from the funds can be used to support the activities of the Church.

The transfers/gains of £5,046 represent gains on investments of £5,406 (2019: gains of £64,598).

Designated Funds

	Balance at 01-Jan-20	Incoming resources	Resources Expended	Transfers/ Gains	Balance at 31-Dec-20
	£	£	£	£	£
Buildings fund	148,709	97,107	(143,431)	-	102,385
	<u>148,709</u>	<u>97,107</u>	<u>(143,431)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>102,385</u>

During the year funds raised from advertising income were ring fenced as designated funds for the purpose of building related projects. Various building related projects were undertaken in the year.

18. Commitments

Brighton, Saint Peter has agreed to lease the church building from The Church Renewal Trust for 120 years at a peppercorn rent.

At 31 December 2020 the charity had total commitments under non-cancellable operating leases and contracts as follows:

	Land and buildings 2020	Land and buildings 2019	Other 2020	Other 2019
	£	£	£	£
Expiry date:				
Within one year	8,063	10,750	2,160	2,160
Between one and two years	-	8,603	2,160	2,160
Between two and five years	-	-	2,160	4,320
	<u>8,063</u>	<u>19,353</u>	<u>6,480</u>	<u>10,215</u>

Operating lease payments of £12,910 (2019: £17,560) were made in the year under review.

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19. Subsidiary company

On 8 January 2015 the charity subscribed for 100% of the share capital in a trading subsidiary, Bright City Collective Limited. Bright City Collective Limited is a company incorporated in the United Kingdom, company number 9379726.

The activity of the subsidiary has been consolidated within these accounts.

The company's registered office and principal address are the same as the principal address of St Peter's church, Brighton.

The subsidiaries financial performance was as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Total income	23,073	18,182
Total expenditure	(23,073)	(24,878)
Profit/loss	<u>-</u>	<u>(6,696)</u>
Capital and reserves	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

20. Related Parties

Holy Trinity Brompton (HTB)

The Rev'd Jonny Gumbel, the Assistant Vicar of Brighton Saint Peter, is the son of the Vicar of Holy Trinity Brompton (HTB), the Rev'd Nicky Gumbel. During the year payments were made to HTB totaling £306 (2019: £nil) and income was received from HTB totaling £nil (2019: £4,844). At the year end £nil was owed to HTB (2018: £306 was owed to HTB).

The Church Renewal Trust (CRT)

The Rev'd Jonny Gumbel, the Assistant Vicar of Brighton Saint Peter, is the son of the Rev'd Nicky Gumbel, one of the directors of the charity, Church Renewal Trust (CRT). CRT has agreed to take a 120 year lease from The Chichester Diocesan Fund & Board of Finance, at a peppercorn rent, on the church building. It has been agreed to lease the building on, at a peppercorn rent, to the new Anglican Parish, Brighton Saint Peter.

PCC Members & Connected Parties

During both 2020 and 2019 PCC members made various donations to the church.

One member of staff was also a member of the PCC of Brighton, Saint Peter (A Marshall). The following staff were related to members of the PCC of Brighton, Saint Peter: Sam Coates (spouse), Tara Gumbel (spouse), Paul Nelson (Spouse) and Lara Willis (daughter). The church paid a total of £94,707 (2019: £105,523) in respect of these staff.

Leslie Taylor and Rev'd Archie Coates, who are members of the PCC are also members of the PCC at St Cuthman's Church, Whitehawk. During the year Brighton, Saint Peter recharged staff costs and other expenditure of £12,600 to St Cuthman's Church, Whitehawk (2019: £66,571). At the Balance Sheet date £1,199 (2019: £ nil) was due from St Cuthman's Church, Whitehawk (2019: due to £3,159).

Leslie Taylor and Samantha Brewer, who are members of the PCC are also trustees of Spear Brighton Trust. During the year Brighton, Saint Peter recharged costs and other expenditure of £195 to Spear Brighton Trust (2019: £1,741). Brighton, Saint Peter also donated £15,000 to Spear Brighton Trust in the year (2019: £15,000).

S Luke, a member of the PCC of Brighton, Saint Peter, is related to R Luke (father) who has provided consultancy services of £18,111 (2019: £17,940) during the year. At the Balance Sheet date £1,613 (2019: £ nil) was due to R Luke.

During the year paint was purchased from C.Brewer & Sons Limited with a value of £69 (2019: £866) and at the balance sheet date £nil was owed to them (2019: £nil). S Brewer's spouse is a director of C.Brewer & Sons Limited.