



Friends of Droxford Church

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Registered Charity No 1165874

Financial Statement for period 1st October 2020 to 30th September 2021

Receipt and Payment Basis

Income Statement

		Restricted Funds £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total £
Opening balances	Main A/C	0	3,088.30	3,088.30
	Savings A/C	0	29.23	29.23
	Total	0	3,117.53	3,117.53
Income	(Note 1)	0	1,678.11	1,678.11
Expenses	(Note 2)	0	2,426.40	2,426.40
Closing balance		0	2,369.24	2,369.24
Closing bank balances			Current A/C Savings A/C	2,339.98 29.26

Notes to Accounts

Note 1:

Income	Restricted	Unrestricted
Gifts from village residents		1,666.00
Tax relief on gifts from village		0
Events		0
Amazon smile donation		12.08
Bank interest		0.03
Total:	0	1,678.11

Note 2:

Expenses	Restricted	Unrestricted
Gents toilet screen	0	1,188.00
Insurance		218.00
Website		176.40
Noticeboard contribution		844.00
Total:	0	2,426.40

Nicholas C Capon
 13th May 2022
 (Trustee)
 Approved AGM 5th May 2022



Reserves Policy:

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (I) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (II) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of ongoing running costs.
- (III) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out below and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and this Annual Report
- (IV) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Charity Commission

General funds held at year end 30 Sept 2021: £2,369

Reserves policy for General Funds:

We aim to hold £2,000 reserves to provide a contingency fund for current and future projects.

Nicholas Capon
13th May 2022
(Trustee)



Financial Accounts for year ending 30th September 2021

Independent Examiners Report

Report to Annual General Meeting of Friends of Droxford Church (FODC) on the accounts for the year ended 30th September 2021 as set out on page 1.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The FODC are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. They consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act; to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act); and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

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

Independent examiner's statement

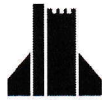
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - a. to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - b. to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

N. Keitley (NICHOLAS KEITLEY)

9th January 2022

Date



Chairman's Report

Overview

Despite ongoing constraints imposed by Covid restrictions until earlier this year, the FODC in co-operation with the PCC and DCH have continued to carry out our responsibilities across all three major objectives, Building Fabric Repair and Maintenance, Heritage Development and Community Involvement.

A major factor that has influenced our priorities over the past year, and indeed into the future, in all three of our objectives is the realization that, with Church attendance falling, funds available for investing in the Church are failing to meet costs, even for basic routine and reactive maintenance.

As a result the FODC and its partners have, as many will know, developed a "Strategy Plan" following consultation meetings with local community organizations and individual residents who contributed ideas and suggestions of how we might engage in a positive way to increase community use of the church and its facilities.

This view is endorsed by many ecclesiastical charities and by an increasing number of senior church spokesmen and has the full support of our own rector, Father Tony Forrest.

I do hope that the enthusiastic response received so far will encourage others to consider becoming FODC members and volunteers to be a force in preserving our beautiful church for generations to come.

We have much to do, and would welcome any assistance whether it be administrative, trade based or anyone with a talent for fund raising, event planning or just ideas.

The following is a summary of what has been achieved in the past year:

Objectives

Building maintenance

- Chancel roof repair and installation of CCTV on the roof.



- Flood mitigation strategy developed and liaison with the PC for drainage inspection and clearance.
- Preparation of a 5-year maintenance plan and discussions with the PCC over priorities.
- Boxing in of the electrics and redecorations in the Community room (funded by DCH)
- Replacement of the fencing by the Eastern boundary.
- Liaison, research and advising on vandalism within the Churchyard.

Current Year 2022/2023

- Re-ordering of the Tower and installation of cupboards therein.
- Boiler and heating system service and further work
- Discussions regarding the location of the Nicholson screen.
- Church sign and noticeboard

Heritage

- Pamphlet display on the Church, Meon Valley Trail etc.
- Articles in the Bridge, our parish magazine.
- Donor board.
- Discussions with a metal detectorist
- Discussions regarding the cataloging, organizing and putting on a display of Droxford Church prayer cushions.

Community

- Shantyhead's event.
- Participation and providing advice on the neighbouring parish green proposals.
- New notice board with details of social media for the village
- Beat surgeries for the PCSO.
- Pamphlet display for walkers, cyclists and other visitors.
- Communication routes established and ensuing extensive discussions with the PCC and DCH.
- Educational display at the village picnic August 2021 (omitted from last year's report)

Current year 2022/2023

- Art Exhibition June 2022

AGM – 5 May 2022



Country Fair – Participation over the Jubilee weekend with Trustees supporting different aspects at the Fair.

Fund raising and Finance

- Shantyheads event.
- New auditor.
- Discussions on a recruitment drive together with a 200 club style of membership.

Current year 2022/2023

- Obtaining a “sumup” device
- Art Exhibition June 2022
- Print and card sales

Strategic 5-yr Plan

- Trustee planning meetings 8 January and 7 March 2022
- Stake holders day 19 February.
- Village presentation day 26 March

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Tony Hoile

Chair

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April 2022