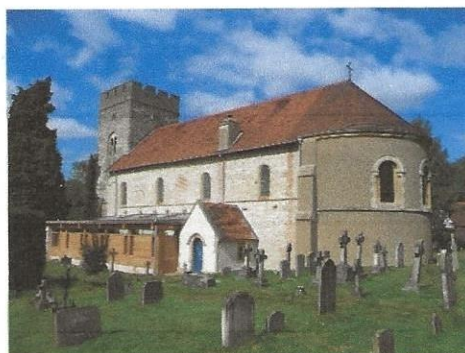


**GORING PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL  
ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY CHURCH  
GORING ON THAMES, OXFORDSHIRE**



**Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**



Registered Charity Number: 1152514

This parish is a part of the Benefice of Goring and Streatley with South Stoke

## Overview of Parish activity 2022

St Thomas of Canterbury Church is situated in Goring village near the banks of the river Thames. It has been a place of worship since before the 11th Century. It is one of three parishes forming the Benefice of Goring and Streatley with South Stoke, the other parishes being St Mary's, Streatley and St Andrew's, South Stoke, and part of the Henley Deanery within the Diocese of Oxford.

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission since 20th June 2013  
Charity number 1152514.

Church members who have served on the PCC in 2022:

### Clergy:

Vicar	Revd Ben Phillips
Assistant Curate	Revd Jo Allen
Associate Priest	Revd Wendy Middleton
Associate Priest	Revd Liz Dowding

Licensed Lay Ministers	Mrs Judith Aguda Mrs Judith Hogg	Deanery Synod rep from 15 <sup>th</sup> June
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Wardens	Mrs Brenda Kerr Muir Mr Rob Howard	Lay Vice-Chairman, Deanery Synod rep.
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Elected members	Mrs Bridget Braham Mrs Judy Crawford Mr Simon Merritt Dr Sarah Morton Mrs Elizabeth Parkinson Mr Don Shrimpton Mrs Melissa Walker	Elected 3rd April.  Co-opted until elected 3rd April. Honorary Treasurer Co-opted from 3 <sup>rd</sup> April.
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Mr Henry Parkinson continued as non-voting Honorary Secretary



The structure, governance and activity of the PCC is regulated under the *Church Representation Rules 2020*. Members of the Church community are encouraged to join the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. Responsibility for the compilation of the Electoral Roll was held by Judith Aguda. The number on the Electoral Roll reported by Judith at the 2022 Annual Parochial Church Meeting was 116.

The Parish Mission Statement is:

*To understand more fully the Good News of our faith and to be more active disciples of Christ in our own community. To make our church a welcoming and relevant place in the life of the village and to take seriously our responsibilities to the wider world.*

The shadow of the Covid-19 pandemic continued into 2022 despite most restrictions being lifted in late January including the requirement for face-coverings indoors. For the first few months the 9.30 service from St Thomas' was available on Zoom each second Sunday of the month. The Wednesday midweek said BCP Holy Communion service was also offered on Zoom by request until mid-May and was celebrated in the Canterbury Room in the latter part of the year as the organ rebuild reached its final stages.

The normal pattern of services was: first Sunday - Family service and Choral BCP evensong; second and fourth Sundays - Sung Holy Communion Common Worship; and third Sunday - Good News, Service of the Word format. The 8am BCP Holy Communion on Sundays continued weekly, alternating with St Mary's. Holy Communion throughout the year was administered with the presiding priest intincting the wafer before presenting it to the recipient. The monthly Prayer Breakfast continued throughout the year.

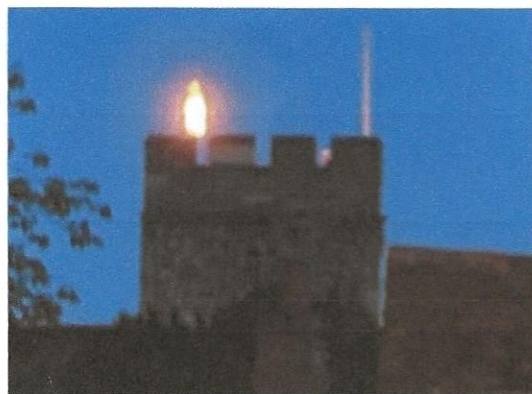
The PCC met on 4 occasions during the year under the chairmanship of Revd Ben Phillips. The October meeting commenced with a joint meeting of the three PCCs of the Benefice. In between these meetings the Vicar, Churchwardens and PCC Treasurer corresponded as a Standing Committee, mostly by email, to consider urgent business and formulate the PCC agenda. The Vicar and Wardens of the Benefice also met approximately every 8 weeks. The APCM on 3rd April was conducted with church members present in person.

The life of the parish and group activities run to enhance and further the aims of the Mission Statement included a sermon series and course on *Sharing Jesus* early in the year and a 4-week bereavement course through January.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine at the end of February was a shock. St Thomas' responded by providing resources for prayer in church and collections for the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in support of all the refugees fleeing their homes in Ukraine. In August, on the six-month anniversary of the invasion, there was another day of prayer.

Christian Aid week was marked with an envelope delivered to every house in Goring inside was a slip of paper requesting the donor to take the envelope to *Jack's* or *Inspirations* for Goring and Streatley. It seemed to work pretty well raising a total of £1,885.

In June the Queen's Platinum Jubilee was marked by an ecumenical service in the Rectory Garden on Sunday preceded by an evening event the previous Thursday including the lighting of a beacon on top of the tower - following a very carefully prepared Risk Assessment!



Sadly, Her Majesty the Queen died in early September. Special prayers and a Book of Condolence were placed in St Thomas' for those who wished to reflect or write an appreciation of her life of service and humility. Exactly a month after her death there was a celebration of her life at St Thomas' organised by Sara Benbow. It was a special musical event bringing together singers from various local choirs and others without affiliation to rehearse and perform a choral memorial and tribute to HM Queen Elizabeth II. The programme included Faure's *Requiem* and Howells' *Like as the Hart*.

In September we started a sermon series: *The Church. What are we about?* in preparation for the Parish Awayday for all the churches in the Benefice on 19<sup>th</sup> November. The awayday took place at St Stephen's, Upper Basildon and was ably facilitated by Canon Charles Chadwick. In the middle there was a very tasty lunch organised and coordinated by Lesley Longden of St Mary's. The following week there was an Agape supper in the Canterbury Room and all the churches in the community were represented. It was truly ecumenical occasion.



The weekly newsletter continued to be a vital support and communication channel to church members throughout the year. The form of service to use at home, reflection and suggested hymn continued until the end of May. We are most grateful to Jill Kirby for putting it together and to all those who prepared the reflections and intercessions. People continued to be added to the circulation list and a paper copy was delivered to homes for those without internet.


Towards the end to the year a brand new website was launched. Still using the address [www.thomandmary.org.uk](http://www.thomandmary.org.uk) it has a fresh new look and is much more user friendly.

The PCC is indebted to the small band of people who faithfully unlock and lock the church door each day so that the building may be a place of welcome, solace and refuge for those who are passing and choose to enter.

Statistics in the Service Register during 2022 sadly continued to show reduced attendance throughout the year – pre-pandemic 85-90, post-pandemic 45-50. However, over the year, we celebrated 4 Baptisms, there were 3 Weddings and 20 Funerals or Thanksgiving services.



**Ben Phillips**



**Brenda Kerr Muir**

## **FINANCIAL REVIEW for 2022**

### **Unrestricted Funds**

Income in 2022 rose slightly compared to 2021 - £113,340 (including £596 in the Vicar & Wardens Fund) compared to £111,230 and the PCC is extremely grateful for the on-going support from its regular and occasional donors.

Regular running costs were below last year - £94,300 compared to £102,151. This was due to (1) a significant reduction in maintenance costs (2021 included the one-off major expense of converting the church lighting to an LED system) and (2) a reduction in housing costs for the curate. There was no expenditure from the Vicar and Wardens fund in 2022.

Additionally, a provision to pay housing costs from prior years was released which gave a one-off benefit of £11,406.

As a result, Unrestricted Funds increased by £30,440 to end the year at £246,757. These results are summarised below.

	In £	Out £	2022 Net £	In £	Out £	2021 Net £
Church Running Costs	113,340	(94,306)	19,034	111,230	(102,151)	9,079
Other items - Rent Waived / Legacy			11,406			25,161
Transfers (to) / from other funds			0			(20,000)
	113,340	(94,306)	30,440	111,230	(102,151)	14,240
Opening Reserves Jan 1			216,317			201,077
Closing Reserves Dec 31			246,757			215,317

## Restricted and Endowment Funds

**Restricted Funds** are held for specific purposes and cannot be used for general running expenses. They decreased in aggregate during the year from £132,645 at the end of 2021 to £27,800 on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022, primarily because of payments made from the Organ Repair and refurbishment fund:

	Opening £	In £	Out £	Transfers £	Closing £
General Repair Fund	12,208	244	0	(7,000)	5,452
Church Room Trust	13,162	3,516	0	0	16,678
Bell Ringers Fund	5,714	495	(88)	0	6,121
Choir Fund	2,206	1,080	(123)	0	3,163
Organ Repair Fund	99,355	100,157	(210,126)	7,000	(3,614)
Mission Giving	0	3,037	(3,037)	0	0
	132,645	108,529	(213,374)	0	27,800

The General Repair Fund and Church Room Trust can only be used for major repairs and renovations and the Choir Fund is for choir expenses only. Fund raising for the organ refurbishment continued throughout 2022 and work on the project commenced in early 2022. The work was nearly complete by the end of the year. The organ was successfully dedicated in February 2023 and the project is expected to be closed later in 2023.

Mission / Charity Giving raises money for CMS to support the work done by Steve Poulson and other charities including Sue Ryder, DEC, Royal British Legion and The Children's Society.

**Endowment Funds** During 2022 endowment funds decreased in value from £192,239 to £169,609 reflecting changes in the stock market generally.

There are three endowments funds:

The Smallbone Bequest and Church Room Trust are endowments which are held in perpetuity. Goring PCC Income Fund was established from the PCC's share of the proceeds of sale of the curate's house in Westway, Goring and the income is paid into the General Fund.

**The Audited Accounts are attached on pages 5 to 9**



Signed: D Shrimpton Treasurer

22/3/2023  
Date



Parochial Church Council of St Thomas of Canterbury, Goring on Thames  
Statement of Financial Activities For the year ending 31 December 2022

Income & Expenses for the Year		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Incoming Resources</b>						
Voluntary Income	2(a)	98,303	101,441		199,744	201,316
Activities for generating funds	2(b)	12,647	2,887		15,534	11,077
Income from investments	2(c)	2,390	4,201		6,591	5,215
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>		<b>113,340</b>	<b>108,529</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>221,869</b>	<b>217,608</b>
<b>Resources Expended</b>						
Parish share & Deanery exs	3(a)	60,149			60,149	60,161
Charitable giving	3(b)	0	3,037		3,037	2,393
Church activities	3(c)	33,647	211		33,858	38,788
Church project costs	3(d)		210,126		210,126	2,884
Governance costs	3(e)	510			510	510
<b>Total Resources Expended</b>		<b>94,306</b>	<b>213,374</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>307,680</b>	<b>104,736</b>
<b>Net incoming resources before exceptional items, gains and losses on investments and transfers</b>						
		19,034	(104,845)		(85,811)	14,689
Exceptional Items	3(g)	11,406			11,406	25,161
(Loss) / Gains on investments during the year				(22,630)	(22,630)	24,392
Transfers between funds		0	0		0	0
<b>Net Movement in Funds</b>		<b>30,440</b>	<b>(104,845)</b>	<b>(22,630)</b>	<b>(97,035)</b>	<b>64,242</b>
<b>Balances brought forward 1 January</b>		<b>216,317</b>	<b>132,645</b>	<b>192,239</b>	<b>541,201</b>	<b>476,959</b>
<b>Balances carried forward 31 December</b>		<b>246,757</b>	<b>27,800</b>	<b>169,609</b>	<b>444,166</b>	<b>541,201</b>

Balance Sheet at 31st December 2022		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2022	Total 2021
	Notes	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Office Equipment	7	0			0	0
Investments	7			169,609	169,609	192,239
		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>169,609</u>	<u>169,609</u>	<u>192,239</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors	8	3,930	2,576		6,506	4,417
CAF & CCLA Deposit Funds		155,847	55,915		211,762	214,299
Cash at bank		92,775	48,309		141,084	303,332
		<u>252,552</u>	<u>106,800</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>359,352</u>	<u>522,048</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>						
Creditors	9(a)	(5,795)			(5,795)	(15,686)
Loans	9(b)		(79,000)		(79,000)	(157,400)
		<u>(5,795)</u>	<u>(79,000)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(84,795)</u>	<u>(173,086)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>		<b>246,757</b>	<b>27,800</b>	<b>169,609</b>	<b>444,166</b>	<b>541,201</b>
<b>Funds of the Church</b>						
<b>Unrestricted Fund</b>						
General Fund	10(b)	91,000			91,000	61,156
Vicar & Wardens Fund		155,757			155,757	155,161
<b>Restricted Funds</b>						
Repair Fund	10(a)		5,452		5,452	12,208
Church Room Trust			16,678		16,678	13,162
Bell Ringers			6,121		6,121	5,714
Choir Fund			3,163		3,163	2,206
Organ Repair Fund			(3,614)		(3,614)	99,355
Tower Repair Fund			0		0	0
Mission Giving			0		0	0
<b>Investment Funds</b>						
				169,609	169,609	192,239
<b>TOTAL FUNDS OF THE CHURCH</b>		<b>246,757</b>	<b>27,800</b>	<b>169,609</b>	<b>444,166</b>	<b>541,201</b>

The notes on pages 6 to 8 form part of these accounts.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 22nd March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

Ben Phillips



Brenda Kerr Muir



# **Parochial Church Council of St Thomas of Canterbury, Goring on Thames**

## **Notes on the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

### **1.1) Accounting Policies**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, the Charities Act 1993, applicable accounting standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (revised 2005)

The Financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for the valuation of investment assets, which are shown at market value. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

### **1.2) Funds**

Perpetual Endowment Funds are funds, the capital of which must be maintained in perpetuity; only income arising from the investment of the endowment may be used either as restricted or unrestricted funds depending on the purpose for which the endowment was established

Restricted Funds represent (a) income from trusts of endowments which may be expended only on those restricted objectives provided in the terms of the trust or bequest, and (b) donations or grants received for the specific object or invited by the PCC for a specific object. The funds may only be expended on the specific object for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of each year must normally be carried forward as a balance on that fund. The PCC does not usually invest separately for each fund. Where there is no separate investment, the interest is apportioned to individual funds on an average balance basis.

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for the PCC ordinary purposes

#### **Incoming Resources**

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognised when received. Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming resource to which they relate is received. Grants and legacies are accounted for when the PCC is legally entitled to the amounts due. Dividends are accounted when receivable, interest is accrued. All other income is recognised when it is receivable. All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

#### **Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for goods or services. Grants and charitable giving are accountable for when paid over or when awarded, if the award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share is accounted for when due. All other expenditure is generally recognised when it is incurred and is accounted for gross.

#### **Fixed Assets**

Consecrated and benefice property is not included in the accounts in accordance with s.96(2)(a) of the Charities Act 1993. No value is placed on movable church furnishings held by the church wardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal since the PCC considers this inalienable property. All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or beneficed buildings and movable church furnishings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA. Equipment used within church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over five years. Individual items with a purchase of £500 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.



**Parochial Church Council of St Thomas of Canterbury, Goring on Thames**  
**Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

**Notes to the Accounts continued**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	<b>Total 2022</b> £	<b>Total 2021</b> £
<b>2. INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
<b>2(a) Voluntary Income</b>					
<b>Recurring Income</b>					
Gift Aid Giving	32,876			32,876	32,951
Tax recovered / recoverable	17,248			17,248	17,167
Collections (open plate)	3,358	3,037		6,395	4,294
Parish Giving	38,295			38,295	35,640
	<u>91,777</u>	<u>3,037</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>94,814</u>	<u>90,052</u>
<b>Non-recurring Income</b>					
Donations and legacies	1,529	48,133		49,662	95,857
Loan repayment waived		7,000		7,000	0
Tax recovered	71	868		939	7,785
Bell ringers peal fees		478		478	0
Grants	80			80	80
Church Flowers	290			290	410
Pick a Flick	200			200	0
Non recurring collections	982	1,125		2,107	158
Other income	1,953			1,953	2,174
VAT recovered		40,800		40,800	4,800
Ride & Stride	85			85	0
Becket Festival	836			836	0
Seat Sales	500			500	0
	<u>6,526</u>	<u>98,404</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>104,930</u>	<u>111,264</u>
<b>2(a) Total voluntary income</b>	<u>98,303</u>	<u>101,441</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>199,744</u>	<u>201,316</u>
<b>2(b) Activities for generating funds</b>					
Fees - weddings, funerals etc	6,227	1,080		7,307	3,733
Canterbury room fees	6,412			6,412	2,496
Social events, Concerts & Recitals	0	1,807		1,807	4,821
Sunday coffee contributions	8			8	27
	<u>12,647</u>	<u>2,887</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>15,534</u>	<u>11,077</u>
<b>2(c) Investment Income</b>					
Dividends	1,577	3,468		5,045	4,878
Deposit fund interest	813	733		1,546	337
	<u>2,390</u>	<u>4,201</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>6,591</u>	<u>5,215</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>	<u>113,340</u>	<u>108,529</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>221,869</u>	<u>217,608</u>
<b>3. RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
<b>3(a) Parish Share</b>	59,739			59,739	59,739
Deanery expenses	410			410	422
<b>3(b) Missionary &amp; Charitable Giving</b>		3,037		3,037	2,393
<b>3(c) Church Activities</b>					
Church running costs	11,806			11,806	8,081
Maintenance of Church and Churchyard	8,553			8,553	22,925
Service costs incl organist and choir	3,898	123		4,021	2,953
Clergy expenses	325			325	148
Parish Administrator's salary	5,152			5,152	4,677
Curate's house - council tax and water	1,850			1,850	8,682
Printing & photocopying	115			115	349
Support, Administration & Misc. Costs	1,948	88		2,036	2,331
Social events				0	425
	<u>33,647</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>33,858</u>	<u>50,571</u>
<b>3(d) Church Project Costs</b>					
Architect and professional fees		1,180		1,180	2,884
Organ restoration costs		208,946		208,946	86,400
	<u>0</u>	<u>210,126</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>210,126</u>	<u>89,284</u>
<b>3(e) Governance Costs</b>					
Audit & bank fees	510			510	510
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>	<u>94,306</u>	<u>213,374</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>307,680</u>	<u>202,919</u>
<b>3(g) Exceptional Item</b>					
Rent Creditor no longer required ( 2021 Legacy)	11,406	0	0	11,406	25,161



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**Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2022**

**Notes to the Accounts continued**

	2022	2021
<b>5 AUDIT FEE</b>	£	£
Audit fee for reporting on the accounts	510	510

**6. TRUSTEE REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES**

No members of the PC received any remuneration for their work on the PCC. The clergy who are ex officio members do receive a stipend but are not remunerated for their services on the PCC. No members claimed expenses

	2022	2021
<b>7 FIXED ASSETS</b>		
General Fund - Office Equipment	£	£
Cost Jan 1 - Fixtures & Fittings	5,544	5,544
Additions - Photocopier	0	0
Cost Dec 31 - Fixtures & Fittings	5,544	5,544
Depreciation Jan 1	5,544	5,544
Charge for Year	0	0
Depreciation Dec 31	5,544	5,544
Net Book Value Dec 31	0	0

**Endowment Funds - Investments**

	Smallbone Bequest Endowment £	Church Room Trust Endowment £	Goring PCC Income £	Total £
	Perpetual Restricted	Perpetual Restricted	Unrestricted	
Opening capital 9 March 1967	200			
Opening capital 23 April 1985		17,885		
Unrealised gain prior years At 1 January 2021	5,608	108,455		
	5,808	126,340	60,091	192,239
Unrealised gain / (loss) current year	(684)	(14,872)	(7,074)	(22,630)
At 31 December 2021	5,124	111,468	53,017	169,609

The Smallbone Bequest and the Church Room Trust Endowment are perpetual funds, the capital of which must be maintained in perpetuity.

The Church Room Trust is a charity registered under the Charities Act and called the Goring Ecclesiastical Charity (number 250803). It was established out of the proceeds of sale in 1985 of the building formerly known as the Church Room (and now known as Goring Village Hall). The income is restricted and can only be used for the repair of the fabric of the Church and the upkeep and repair of any church hall held by the parish.

The PCC Income Fund is the PCC's share of the proceeds from the sale of the curate's house in Westway, Goring.

**8. DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS**

	Unrestricted £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Tax refund due	1,700		1,700	2,900
Grants			0	0
Sundry Debtor	2,230	2,576	4,806	1,517
	3,930	2,576	6,506	4,417

**9. CREDITORS AND LOANS**

<b>9(a)</b>	Professional fees creditor	0	0	0
	Energy creditors	2,965	2,965	950
	Expense creditors	2,280	2,280	14,186
	Audit fee	550	550	550
		5,795	0	5,795
		0	5,795	15,686
<b>9(b)</b>	Loan to support Organ rebuild		2022	2021
	Opening Balance			0
	Received		157,400	157,400
	Repaid		(71,400)	0
	Repayment waived		(7,000)	0
	Closing balance		79,000	157,400

The loan is repayable as and when sufficient funds have been raised to cover the costs of the rebuild project

**10. FUND ANALYSIS**

	Fund balances brought forward £	Incoming Resources £	Resources expended £	Fund Transfers £	Fund balances carried forward £
<b>10(a) Restricted Funds</b>					
Repair Fund	12,208	244		(7,000)	5,452
Church Room Trust	13,162	3,516			16,678
Bell Ringers Fund	5,714	495	(88)		6,121
Choir Fund	2,206	1,080	(123)		3,163
Organ Repair Fund	99,355	100,157	(210,126)	7,000	(3,614)
Tower Repair Fund					
Mission Giving		3,037	(3,037)		0
	132,645	108,529	(213,374)	0	27,800
<b>10(b) Unrestricted Funds</b>					
		General Fund	Vicar & Wardens Fund		Total Unrestricted Funds
Fixed Assets		0	0		0
Bank Balances		72,425	155,161		227,586
Debtors		4,417	0		4,417
Liabilities		(15,686)	0		(15,686)
Unrestricted Funds at 1 January 2022		61,156	155,161		216,317
Incoming resources		112,744	596		113,340
Resources expended		(94,306)	0		(94,306)
Exceptional Item		11,406	0		11,406
Unrestricted Funds at 31 December 2022		91,000	155,757		246,757

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY,**  
**GORING-ON-THAMES PCC**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022, which are attached to this report.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that an audit is not required under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent Examination is needed

it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under s145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under S145(5)b of the 2011 Act); and
- To state whether particular matters have come to my attention

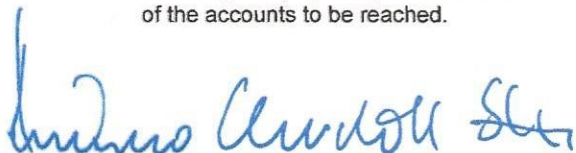
**Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as 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 is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to the matters 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 to comply with the requirements of the 2011 Acthave 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.



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