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# ANNUAL REPORT ON THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL AND THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PARISH GENERALLY

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# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

# for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2022

Approved by the Council at its meeting on Sunday  $2^{\mbox{\scriptsize nd}}$  April 2023

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# **ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL 2022**

# OUR MISSION: "TO KNOW CHRIST AND BE SENT"

# 1. Prayer, Worship, Bible study and Parish Outreach

1.1 The Church was not closed during 2022, as the Coronavirus pandemic was manageable mainly due to the mass vaccinations that were given to the general population. Communion wafers were given to communicants by the Vicar. Later in the year wine was offered with a majority take-up; a few communicants have not resumed drinking from the cup.

1.2 The main Sunday service continued throughout at the new start time of 10.00 am. The average attendance at the 10.00 am service for the same period including August averaged 79 members. The Sunday Service continued to be recorded and the link sent out by e-mail or WhatsApp and was available on the website.

1.3 The 8.00 am service also took place on Sundays, which averaged about 9 members, there being no 8.00 am service in August.

1.4 Morning Prayer took place at 9.00 am every weekday whenever possible. The Barnabas Fellowship has not resumed meeting on Saturday mornings.

1.5 During the year there were 2 weddings at the church. The Vicar took 3 funeral services at the church (one being for Stuart Hobbs and another for Len Gray). The Vicar had conducted 8 other funeral services at the crematorium. There were 9 persons confirmed at a service in November conducted by the Bishop of Willesden, the Rt Revd Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy.

1.6 The Vicar and David Alleyne, our lay Pastoral Assistant, took home Communions as the need arose. Our Pastoral Group, comprising David Alleyne, Sue Broatch, Enid Scott-Kerr, Kulan Mills and the Vicar met regularly after Wednesday morning services to review the pastoral needs of the of the Parish. Healing prayers in the Lady Chapel at the end of communion at the 10.00 am service had re-started towards the end of the year. Other ways of keeping in touch with pastoral needs and care were found via use of the internet.

1.7 David Alleyne continued with the bereavement care ministry, which concentrated around two events.

The Annual All Souls' Service was organised by Enid Scott-Kerr on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 10.00 am. The Lights of Life Tree was put in place during Advent, with the Vicar providing the tree and Mol Rowat organising the prayer cards and writing facility.

1.8 **Lent Group Meetings 2022** "Holy Habits" (a book by Andrew Roberts) was the subject of our Lent Study in 2022. A variety of topics were studied, based on the teachings of Jesus, including Biblical teaching, fellowship, breaking bread, prayer, sharing resources and eating together. The four Group Leaders were Susan McLeod, David Alleyne, Pam Storey and Keith Nicholls. Twenty-five members of the Congregation attended.

1.9 Other churches using our premises operated as follows: The Korean Church met every Sunday continuous-

ly throughout the year; Friends of Christ (an English-speaking Tamil-founded group) met every first and third Sundays; and Holy God Ministries (a Tamil Church) met continuously every Sunday throughout the year.

1.10 Several of our congregation continue to subscribe to the New Daylight Bible Study notes run by the

Bible Society. These books are issued 3 times a year and provide a very interesting and thought-provoking insight into understanding the Bible. We thank Gill Moore for continuing **to** organise this service.

- 1.11 The Communications Committee comprising Keith Nicholls, Robert Crowhurst and Joyce Nickolay, did not meet during the year as it was felt that the production and distribution of leaflets throughout the parish was not sufficiently efficient. When events, such as the Christmas market, advertising through banners, the internet, community groups and people using the halls proved to be more effective.
- 1.12 Communication was continued with as many parishioners as possible, through Email, WhatsApp, text messaging and post. Our thanks are due to Wendy Godwin who organised and maintained the system.
- 1.13 The Vicar circulated prayers through the internet at appropriate times. The 10.00 am service continues to be recorded with thanks to Keith Nicholls and is available on the website.
- 1.14 Our website <u>www.standrewsroxbourne.org.uk</u> maintained by Keith Nicholls continues to be a source of useful communication to the Parish and the wider world. In 2022 the average monthly access was 50,000 (compared to 41,000 2021). Maximum usage in 2022 occurred in June at 69,000 (compared to 53,000 in May 2021).

#### 1.15 **Star Link**

Our weekly parish bulletin, giving the Sunday Collects and the Readings, topical notices and future events was maintained during the year. It contains the Old Testament, New Testament and Gospel readings and the welcome addition of coloured pictures thoughtfully introduced when appropriate by Sue McLeod who also prints the leaflet each week. We are grateful to Susan for her continued diligence in this task.

## 2 Working with Young People

**2.1. Children's Church** meets every Sunday in the Youth Centre during the 10.00 am Morning Service. We do

not meet in August. We have approximately 15 children on our register with a regular attendance of 9-12

each week. We have an age range of 2-14 years.

The Group is led by Barbara North, Gill Moore, Brenda Udall, Sue Jull and Annie Dawson which works on a

rota basis. Each session focuses on a Bible story linked to the Lectionary where possible and includes

teaching, crafts, food and games The children and young people are generally taught in one group but

may separate for more in depth questions and study when older children are present.

The children continue to have a regular slot at the end of the 10.00 am communion service to report back

on what they have learned.

**2.2** Messy Church takes place once a month on a Saturday from 10.00 am till 12 noon. It is a fun filled morning

with a variety of craft activities. It is free of charge, but any donations are gratefully received. Children

must be accompanied by an adult. It was great to have a complete year of Messy Church after Covid

restricted our activities last year. Our theme for each month follows the Church calendar, so themes

celebrated included Epiphany, Candlemas, Lent , Easter, Harvest and Christmas. We celebrated our late

Queen's 70 years on the throne with a variety of activities, including making lots of bunting! The Light

Party at the end of October was very successful. Our Christmas Messy Church was very well attended and

Father Christmas managed to find time in his busy schedule to drop in and was very enthusiastically

received.

A very big thank you to all of our dedicated and enthusiastic team for their support for Messy Church

during the last year and especially to Gill Moore for her organisation and commitment.

**2.3 Little Steps** parent and toddler group has continued successfully in its second year. There are between 20

and 30 families each week: the parents are almost equalled by the number of grandparents. Over time

friendships are developing between those attending and with the team. The children have a chance to

socialise in a safe environment.

The team ethos is serving the community and supporting families, based on Christian love. A great

Diversity of nationalities is represented through the families at Little Steps. Our aim, led by Rev Lyndon, is

to welcome all and provide a place where good relationships can be created and our faith is communicated

through action.

Little Steps has benefited from donations of used toys and equipment so the running costs are low. The

biggest problem is storage. The metal shed which houses the larger items – bikes, slides etc is in a state of

disrepair as the walls have detached from the roof. We are looking at the best options to replace this in

2023.

The Little Steps team consists of Rev Lyndon, Annie Dawson, Barbara North, Jenny Kerr, Joyce Hughes,

Bernadette Rajan, Angela Zadurian and Enid Scott Kerr. Over the past year Lyndon has seen several

parents bring children to be baptised and there is a strong link to Messy Church.

**2.4 Holiday Club** We had an excellent Holiday Club in the Summer with 100 children attending over 3 days

with approximately 80 each day. The children are aged 5-10 years. We had 15 helpers who fulfilled a

variety of roles including leading a group, running a craft or initiating and supervising games on the field.

The Club was called 'Transformers' and was focussed on how we can be transformed to be more like Jesus

when we follow him. The children had great fun joining in the stories, doing crafts and games.

Our aim to share the love of Jesus with our community in an exciting and accessible way and look forward

to doing it again this year.

**2.5 St Andrew's Youth** St Andrews Youth Club meets every Friday during term-time between 7-9 pm. The

Youth Club is community based and attracts young people from all faiths and none. We currently have 25

plus youth on a Friday including a small number of girls. We use all our facilities across the site, including

basketball in the car park. Football on the field, dodgeball in the large hall and table tennis, board games,

table football, table tennis and pool in the Youth Centre.

We are a Christian Youth Club and provide opportunities for the young people to talk about faith in a small

group and also have whole group talks related to the Christian faith from time to time. Some of our young

people also now attend our Youth Club on Sunday Group. Our aim is always to provide a safe environment

for the young people and to share our love of God with them through our words and actions.

We currently have 10 volunteer helpers helping on a rota basis. As with all our groups we are always

looking for additional help. If you think you could help in any capacity, please let me know.

**2.6 Youth on Sunday** This is our Young Peoples Group for Youth aged from 11 years. This group is led by

Ayo Aina and Deke Adebambo. They meet on a monthly basis and have an attendance of up to 8 young

people many of whom have come from our Friday night Youth Club. They have studied Youth Alpha and the

Beatitudes over the last few months.

2.7**Scout organisations.** The groups, ably organised by Scout Leader, Darrell Courten, comprise Beavers, Cubs

and Scouts. The Beavers have grown from nothing last year to a healthy 16 Beavers. The Cubs are doing well run by James Courten, ably assisted by Edward Tinsey. Darrell would like to thank all the leaders and helpers that have helped over the last year and looks forward to continued growth and scouting at St. Andrew's.

- 2.8**School Assemblies.** The Vicar continues to maintain and strengthen our links with 7 local schools and frequently takes some assemblies. Children from the various schools visit the church on various occasions and the Vicar gives them instruction in the faith.
- 2.9**Safeguarding** St. Andrew's takes this issue seriously and continues to fulfil its obligations (under Section 5

of the Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure 2016) that our vicar, churchwardens and the PCC as a whole "have due regard to guidance issued by the House of Bishops on matters relating to the safeguarding of children and adults". See the latest information on the following websites:

https://www.churchofengland.org/more/safeguarding#na

https://www.churchofengland.org/safeguarding/promoting-safer-church/policy-practiceguidance

Our Safeguarding Officer (CSO) is Mrs Marita Brown (from 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017). Gill Moore has continued as the Section X checker" – confirming identities and processing the necessary on-line Disclosure & Barring Service application process through the Diocese.

All organisations using St. Andrew's premises are also required to have and have confirmed that they have suitable Child Protection Policies in place which meet Diocesan requirements or have agreed to and signed the Parish Safeguarding Policy issued by the Diocese.

All hirers of the church premises are required to agree to and to sign a hiring document containing a paragraph about the Parish Safeguarding Policy.

The Vicar and the CSO and other members of the parish in leadership roles have undertaken Safeguarding Leadership training in November 2022 and all PCC members and other people in relevant positions have either completed or are completing the on-line Diocesan Basic Awareness and/or Foundation training, as applicable. The CSO continually tries to be aware and follow up the latest Diocese Safeguarding Requirements as they arise.

Safeguarding information and contact numbers are displayed at various locations on the Church premises and have been recently updated.

Information concerning Safeguarding in the Church can be found on the Parish Website: <u>www.standrewsroxbourne.org.uk</u>

## 3 Working with adults, social and community events

**3.1 St.AR Friends** (**St. A**ndrew's **R**oxbourne **Friends**) This time last year, the Friends were full of hope and

expectation that the Club was up and running after the forced Covid closure. Members were attending

regularly, and were all enjoying fortnightly sessions - with the usual mixture of Quizzes, Bingo, Exercises

and the occasional speaker. (In fact, one of the speakers enjoyed coming so much she become an

honorary helper.)

The sadness this year was when Pam Storey, leader of the group for 16 years, after a great deal of careful

consideration and prayer, came to the conclusion thar her continuing immobility was making it

impossible for her to carry on leading the Club in the way she felt was required.

Four of the helpers, Maureen and Les Pattison and Georgina and Peter Sage had been with the Club since

it opened, and all the other helpers were long standing. After 16 years understandably none of them

wanted to take on the leadership and many had other commitments.

The Club has been an outstanding outreach into the Community and the helpers were all sad that a new

leader and helpers has not been found.

It is a joy to know that a lot of members are still keeping in touch with each other and with some of

the helpers too!!

Pam sends her sincere thanks to the Team of Helpers and to the Vicar for his unstinting support and to the

congregation for their willingness to support the Friends when needed. Many thanks are due to

Pam Storey for her dedication to the Club for 16 years.

**3.2 Social Committee** We attempted to run a quiz in April but unfortunately it had to be cancelled as

insufficient tickets were sold. We had a very successful and enjoyable 'picnic' to celebrate our late

Queen's 70 years on the throne. This was intended to be held outdoors but the weather didn't co-operate,

so the event was moved into the main hall. The children enjoyed the bouncy castle. Wendy Godwin

organised a very successful cake decorating competition which had a lot of entries. The competition was

won by an artistically decorated crown. Over 100 people attend this event, 75% of whom were not church

members so it was a really good community outreach event.

In October we had a very enjoyable Harvest Lunch. Our Christmas market was very well attended. We tried

some new stalls which were successful as well as the traditional ones. Father Christmas and his elf were

extremely busy, being visited by over 100 children in the superb grotto!

This was a very successful community event, raising over £3,000.

**3.3 After Service coffee** Georgina Sage continued maintaining the coffee supplies and Judi Grice organised

the coffee rota. The after service drinks remain free of charge.

**3.4 The Sunday Lunch Club**, meeting on the first Sunday in the month at the Ascott in Eastcote resumed in

November 2021; it averages 6-9 people attending. The weekly Tuesday men's Lunch Club has not resumed

meeting.

## 4 Music and Choir and Servers

Although we presently have no permanent choir, a group of just over 20 singers were able to come and

lead a Carol Service the weekend before Christmas with a varied mix of popular items for all to sing and a

number of more specialist carols for choir alone. It was well attended despite the competition of World

Cup football and various local Christmas concerts. St Andrew's was also represented once more in the

60-strong choir for the annual Deanery Choirs' Festival service held St Alban's Church North Harrow in

October.

**4.2** Sunday services continue to be led musically by our Organist, Alan Heyes, whose expertise, loyalty and

diligence are much appreciated and help ensure uplifting worship.

**4.3** Thanks are due to David Alleyne, our Head Server, who continues to lead the team of servers, comprising Susan Brown, Enid Scott-Kerr and Gill Moore, who lay-up on a Saturday working on a rota basis in preparation for the Sunday service. Other servers include Marita Brown, Di Bidder, Ann Varley, Omid Sarafun and Keith Kiruba.

## 5. Donations to charities

We encourage church members to take individual responsibility and ownership for giving to missions and

other good causes of their choice, so that as a church we can devote what resources we have to local

mission. However, we continue to promote seasonal appeals as follows (where applicable, the sums

quoted include tax refund through Gift Aid):

Christmas 2021 and 2022 -  $\pm$ 316 was paid in January 2022 to Angel Tree, the Charity that enables

prisoners to send Christmas presents to their children. The charity was again selected for Christmas

2022 and donors gave gifts; in addition a cash donation of £275 (plus some being used to offset the cost

of postage) was paid to the charity in December 2022.

**Lent 2022** £960 was raised and paid to Standybyme, a charity that rescues and takes care of

children in many countries overseas.

**Ukraine Aid** We raised and paid £365 to Ukraine aid during the Year.

**Christian Aid Week** - £631.50 was raised at a Big Brekkie on a Sunday in June in the church hall between

the two morning services. Along with leftovers from the previous year, £790 was paid to the charity.

Thanks are due to Rebecca Pennells for organising and running the event. It was not possible to

organise door-to-door collections which indeed may also be the case in the future.

**Christmas 22** Firm Foundation, a charity for the homeless was selected for Christmas and £1,793

(including some contributions that were given in January) was sent to the charity in 2022.

**Shoe Boxes** led by Barbara North, in excess of 50 shoe boxes were sent to the appropriate centre.

### 6. Who's who in the Church

- **6.1** Our **Archbishop** in the See of Canterbury is the Most Reverend Justin Welby, appointed in 2012.
- **6.2** Our **Bishop** in the Diocese of London is the Right Reverend Dame Sarah Mullally who was installed on 12 May 2018.
- **6.3** The **Area Bishop** of the Willesden Area appointed in November 2021 is the Rt. Revd Lusa Nsenga-Ngoy; formerly he was part of the BAME (Black and Minority Ethnic) in the Diocese of Leicester.

**6.4** Our **Archdeacon** in the Northolt Archdeaconry is the Venerable Catherine Pickford, appointed in September

2020. S<sup>t</sup> Andrew's is visited generally every 3 years by the Archdeacon who verifies all registers, minutes and other written records, goods and ornaments, and compliance with faculty-requirements. The next formal visitation and inspection will be in 2023. The role of the archdeacon is both pastoral, and administrative, granting (or refusing) permission for changes to the buildings. In 2022 she was invited to be shown the Spire project and to preach.

**6.5 Harrow Deanery** consists of 21 parishes and 12 other chaplaincies. Our **Area Dean** of Harrow is The Revd Ann Lynes since March 2021, who is also Priest in Charge of Holy Trinity, Northwood. The former Area Dean was the Revd Ian Dowsett, who served from January 2016 to March 2021 and is also Vicar of our neighbouring parish of St Paul, South Harrow. The role of the Area Dean is to support the clergy in pastoral matters, and to take charge, along with the churchwardens, in an interregnum.

**6.6** Our **Vicar** is Revd Lyndon North, appointed 2012, St Andrew's Vicarage, Malvern Avenue HA2 9ER.

(Tel 020 8422 3633). In 2020 he became one of the chaplains at Northwick Park Hospital and in 2022 he

was appointed as Chaplain to RAF Northolt.

**6.8** Our **Church Wardens are** Kemi Aina (appointed in April 2019) and Gary Williams (appointed in May 2022). Churchwardens are appointed every year by the meeting of parishioners, which immediately precedes the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). No Assistant Churchwardens were appointed in 2022. Churchwardens are limited to 6 years continuous service, unless a special Resolution is passed by the meeting of Parishioners dispensing with that limitation.

**6.9 Deanery Synod** Our current representatives are Wendy Godwin, Paul Hart and Susan McLeod who were

elected in 2020 for three years but can serve for a longer period if elected to do so. Representation on the Deanery Synod is 1 per 57 on the Electoral Roll and the figures are rounded up from 57. As we have between 114 and 171 on our Electoral Roll our deanery representation is recorded as 3 members.

**6.10** The **Parochial Church Council (PCC)** has as its purpose "to cooperate with the Vicar of S<sup>t</sup> Andrew's in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church: pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical" It is a "body corporate with perpetual

succession" which means, in everyday English, that members may come and go but the PCC goes on for ever. It is a registered charity (N° 1131727).

Its members are the trustees and are elected by members of the church who are registered on the parish's Electoral Roll. A list of members of the PCC for 2021 is given in Appendix A. The list of current members is posted in the church porch. The vicar is the Chairman of the PCC. The Church Wardens, and Deanery and Diocesan Synod representatives are *ex officio* members of the PCC. There are up to 12 directly elected members who are appointed to serve for three-year terms, with a few members standing down each year and eligible for further election subject to a person not serving continuously for more than six years without standing down for at least one year. The PCC also has power to co-opt up to two additional members.

To avoid conflict of interest, PCC members should not normally be paid by the church for services. David Alleyne received payment as verger at funerals. Apart from reimbursements for purchases made on behalf of the church, no other payments were made to PCC members.

**6.11** The **Electoral Roll** is a list of people over 16 and baptised in the Anglican Church who *either* have worshipped "regularly" at St Andrew's for at least 6 months *or* live in the parish. The Electoral Roll is updated before each APCM (although people can join at any time) and is renewed completely every 6 years. A renewal took place in 2019. The PCC meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> June re-appointed Joyce Nickolay to be Electoral Roll Officer. The Electoral Roll for 2022 was recorded as 152 of whom 81 are resident within the parish, and 71 living outside the parish.

We have said goodbye to Ralph Bedford who has moved into residential care which is nearer to his son and family and, more sadly, those who have died and are listed in our Memorial Books, in particular Stuart Hobbs and Len Gray.

**6.12** The PCC has a legal duty to appoint members to the **Standing Committee** (See Appendix A) and has the power to appoint various other **sub-committees** as it sees fit. The Vicar is *ex officio* a member of the standing committee and all sub-committees. Members of sub-committees do not have to be members of the PCC. The PCC agreed at its meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> June that there should be sub-committees for: (a) Estate Management; (b) Communications; (c) Pastoral Team; (d) Social events; (e) Stewardship & Grants; (f) Spire repair project and (g) Children & Youth Group.

## 7. The work of the PCC

- 7.1 Current arrangements are for the PCC normally to meet every other month, with the Standing Committee normally meeting in the alternate months. The PCC met on 11<sup>th</sup> January, 20<sup>th</sup> March, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 4<sup>th</sup> October and 6<sup>th</sup> December and the Standing Committee met on 8<sup>th</sup> February, 7<sup>th</sup> May, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 6<sup>th</sup> September and 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022.
- 7.2 The Agenda for each PCC meeting is e-mailed to members one week in advance of the meeting. A summary of the Minutes is placed in the notice board at the back of the church. PCC members consult by e-mail in between meetings.
- 7.3 General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) came into force in May 2018. Joyce Nickolay has incorporated this task with her work on the Electoral Roll and Parish Directory, and was reappointed at the PCC meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> June following the APCM on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

## 8 Estate Management

As one member has commented "We are in the mission business – with sacrificial giving – and not that of real estate". However, we are stewards of buildings and a site which occupies nearly two acres of potentially very valuable land. Matters involving care and use of our premises do occupy a lot of time for the PCC, standing committee, wardens and sub-committees.

**8.1 The Flat** The flat had been occupied by 3 individuals, who in turn resigned their tenancies, the final person departing in October 2022. Repairs and cleaning were then undertaken to the flat which was subsequently let to a family in December 2022. Thanks are due to Easterine Suresh for organising the repairs and redecoration and for the ongoing management of the tenancy.

**8.2 Hall lettings.** Weekday lettings are ably managed by Sue Barnard, the Vicar's Secretary. The main day-

time in the Youth being the Playgroup under the leadership of Claire Severino. In the large hall the main day-time lettings are the hospital rehabilitation groups - Cardio Rehab and Respiratory Rehab, both organised by Harefield Hospital. Weekday evening lettings include the Scout groups, Zumba classes, Capital Connection singing group and Harrow Association for Disabled people.

Weekend lettings are being well managed by Joan Oxenham – thanks are due to her for her thorough organisation of this task.

**8.3 Caretaking.** Chris Netsel has continued as caretaker at weekends, and John Paul locked the halls and Church on weekday evenings until mid-year when the Vicar and Gary Williams continued for the second half of the year. The Church remained open on weekdays in daylight hours for private prayers. The cleaning firm, comprising Pam Quartermaine and helpers, continued to clean both halls.

**8.5 Church cleaning rota** Chris Mills continues to organise the volunteer church cleaning rota comprising

'ten teams of helpers' who clean the church fortnightly. A number of long serving individuals have dropped out of the rota due to age and other reasons, so there is a need for more helpers.

**8.6 Health and Safety** A plan already exists for the evacuation of the Church and hall in emergencies.

Although the risk of catching Covid had subsided due to the national vaccination programme some

worshippers felt more comfortable wearing masks. During communion, the Vicar offered wine from the

chalice from mid-March in addition to the wafers which were ongoing.

**8.7** The **Estate Management Team** (EMT) is responsible for ensuring that the church, halls and grounds which are equipped and maintained to a high standard in terms of facilities, cleanliness/tidiness and repair as well as advising on any statutory and/or Diocesan requirements relating to the premises - such as compliance with fire protection regulations, the provisions of the Disability Discrimination Act, and formulating a general Risk Assessment strategy. It can also advise the PCC on appropriate charges for renting out the halls. The repairs undertaken in 2022 were as follows:

Church Tower

Major refurbishment of the Church Tower and steeple was carried out, to restore the concrete surrounds

of the tower windows, replace the aluminium cladding of two faces of the steeple, and to replace some

parts of the wooden structure of the steeple which were found to be rotten. The wooden louvres were also

refurbished and re-secured. A considerable area of the tower walls was re-pointed.

#### <u>Heating</u>

A leak detection company was employed to attempt to locate the leak in the system, but despite

employing a variety of detection systems, no leak was found. A power flush of the pipework was

carried out and has significantly improved the overall efficiency of the system. The system expansion vessel

was found to be faulty and has been replaced. Further work is in hand to replace some flue pipework, and

carry out various minor repairs.

#### General maintenance

The main entrance door to the hall had to have some of the door frame replaced. The hall kitchen Lincat

had to be repaired. The youth centre oven had to be replaced. We had a successful "clean up" day.

**8.9 Christmas lights** were put up by Paul Hart, Keith Nicholls and Robert Crowhurst. It comprised a lively

display of snow falling down the side of the church and two projecting lights of snowflakes to the front

of the church, from the rose garden.

# 9 Finance.

The Treasurer's report on the Financial Accounts follow this report.

**9.1** Mr Noel Rajaratnam of 19 Deane Ave, Ruislip, HA4 6SP continues to be the independent examiner.

Mr Rajaratnam has examined the accounts which follow, and other financial statements.

Many members devote many unpaid hours of work to St. Andrew's in various capacities, which saves the church thousands of pounds. However financial giving has been gradually reducing year by year due to decline in the number of people in planned stewardship giving. Ageing membership is reflected in the reduction in numbers of both money giving and volunteer workers. This needs to be reversed by recruitment of new members and volunteers. Our hall let income continues to sustain our income. We have now fully recovered from the drastic reduction in hall letting due to covid in years 2020 and 2021. Acquisition of new weekday lets and an increase in hall rates applied towards the end of the year as well as a new single-family tenancy of the flat we expect to generate income at a good level in 2023.

We are expected to meet our true cost of the common fund set at £90K but we have been allowed to pay £40K in 2021, £48K in 2022 and £60K in 2023. We will be expected to meet our full cost as from 2024.

Our operational cost is running at £2,200 a week. Our members contribution including donations contribute £1,100 a week, just 50% of the cost. Our letting income from Halls and the Flat helps us to bridge the gap and then to begin to restore reserves used up by the Spire repair. We need to increase the number of people in committed giving as well as amounts given per person. This will also mean attracting new members and making casual and occasional attendees to be regulars and committed givers. Giving has been relatively static in recent years and it is difficult to see how it will increase due to increasing fuel bills for everyone. Our aim is to get more worshippers into the church. The shortfall has to come from rent from the flat and payments from those who hire our premises, such the play schools, rehabilitation groups and other lets.

**9.2** Planned giving, now almost entirely by standing order, remains the bed-rock of our church's finances.

Membership of our Stewardship scheme decreased from 58 (in 2021) to 49 (including 10 couples who both

attend and give jointly, who are counted as one.

Our Diocesan Common Fund contribution based on our cost is close to  $\pm 90,000$  a year. During Covid years we were able to reduce our contribution to  $\pm 40,000$  in 2022 and 48,000 in 2023. Our spire project cost too gave us a reason to hold back on our contribution. We would, however, be expected to meet our costs as from 2024.

- **9.3** Peter Sage continues to be our Legacy Officer. This is a sensitive area, but it provides an important potential source of income from which many churches increasingly benefit.
- **9.4** Stewardship is not of course just financial: equally important are the planned giving to God of time and talents and, indeed, more widely in acting as Stewards of God's Kingdom. We also continue to be accredited as a "Fair Trade Church." As such, we are committed to using Fairtrade tea and coffee at all church-hosted refreshments and encourage greater use of Fairtrade products. Recyclable disposal cups are used on a regular basis.
- **9.5** The PCC annually reviews: the organist's stipend; bell-ringer, verger and others' non-statutory fees for weddings and funerals; payments to the Vicar's secretary and, in line with the London Living Wage, those to our caretakers; and clergy expenses and allowances.

## **10.** Wider Outreach to the Community

**10.1** Our premises continue to be used extensively by Church groups, the Uniformed Organisations and outside lets - some of which are long standing.

**10.2** We were pleased to provide the venue once more for our Uniformed Organisations to put on a first-class bonfire and fireworks display on the 5<sup>th</sup> November with church members assisting.

**10.3 M**eetings of the local *Churches Together in South Harrow* take place every three months. Recently they worked together in providing warm spaces. Their website is:

https://connectingsouthharrow.wordpress.com

and has information about the 6 churches in South Harrow: <u>Christ Church Roxeth;</u> <u>Roxeth Free Church;</u> <u>St Andrew's Roxbourne;</u> <u>St Paul's South Harrow;</u> <u>South Harrow;</u> <u>South Harrow Baptist Church</u> and <u>South Harrow Methodist Church</u>.

**11. In Conclusion** To save space, the many who have contributed to the well-being of St Andrew's, both those mentioned by name above and the many unnamed, have not been thanked in the body of the report, but the PCC would like to conclude by saying how grateful we are to all who have given time and talents.

#### <u>Notes</u>

 The normal address for external correspondence to the PCC is: The Vicarage, 89 Malvern Avenue, Harrow, Middlesex, HA2 9ER and marked as appropriate for the attention of the PCC Chairman, Secretary or

Treasurer.

- 2. The PCC's bankers are: HSBC plc, 31 Holborn Circus, EC1N 2HR, and Barclays Bank plc, 235 Northolt Road, South Harrow, HA2 8HP
- 3. The Independent Examiner of the PCC's accounts is: Mr Noel Rajaratnam of 19 Deane Ave, Ruislip,

HA4 6SP.

<u>Appendix A</u>

#### PCC MEMBERS, 2022

#### Vicar (Chairman) and ex officio

Rev<sup>d</sup> Lyndon North

Mrs Kemi AinaWarden (from April 2019)Mr Gary WilliamsWarden (from May 2022)NOTE: Wardens are elected or re-elected every year normally for a maximum period of 6

years.

#### As Deanery Synod Representative and ex officio 2020 - 2023

Mr Paul Hart Mrs Wendy Godwin Mrs Susan McLeod

#### As Directly Elected Member

Mr David Alleyne (May 2022 – April 2025) Already served 6 years followed by a year's break Mrs Marita Brown (April 2021 - April 2024) Elected for a second term Mrs Annie Dawson (October 2020- April 2023) Elected for a second term Mr Orley McIntyre (April 2021 – April 2024) (April 2021 – April 2024) Mr Kulan Mills Mrs Gill Moore (April 2021 – April 2024) Mr Keith Nicholls (April 2020 - April 2023) Elected for a second term Mrs Joyce Nickolay (April 2021 – April 2024) Mrs Barbara North (October 2020 – April 2023) Miss Rebecca Pennells (October 2020 - April 2023) Elected for a second term

NOTE: Members are elected for a 3-year period and can only stand for 6 years before being required to stand down.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEE**

The Vicar and Churchwardens are members *ex officio* of the Standing Committee. Mr Kulan Mills, Treasurer (elected by the PCC), Mrs Joyce Nickolay, Secretary (elected by the PCC from September 2019) Mrs Marita Brown (elected by the PCC) Mrs Annie Dawson (elected by the PCC) Mrs Gill Moore (elected by the PCC)

# Parochial Church Council St Andrew's Church, Roxbourne Registered Charity Number 1131727

# **ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR 2022**

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- 4 Accounting Policies This sets out the accounting policies followed.
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### Parochial Church Council of St Andrew's Roxbourne

#### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 December 2022

#### **Financial Review**

2022 has experienced post pandemic recovery of our hall letting income as from the last quarter of the year, and one of the church's major building works in the repair of its tower in the summer months. Although steady, the stewardship income and the number of people giving regularly, mostly by monthly standing order, has continued to decline. Church members responded well to the Tower appeal that was run during the year.

#### Income

As in the recent past the stewardship income was steady, and as these are received on a monthly basis, we were able to meet regular monthly payments without touching our savings. We also managed to meet the cost of the Tower project without touching our savings, thanks to genererous members and friends donations, and Diocesan grant and loan of £20,000 cach. As the church and hall received listed building status in early 2022, we were able to recover the VAT paid on the works.

#### Expenditure

The PCC maintained its committed contribution to the Diocesan Common Fund at £48,000, a figure well short of our common fund cost, which is close to £85,000. We paid near full cost in 2020 but as the pandemic had a major effect on parish finances, the Diocese accepted what we proposed and justified as affordable giving. We also needed money to meet the Tower project cost. Our reduced common fund giving was £40,000 in 2021, £48,000 in 2022 and £60,000 in the current year 2023. We would be expected to return to paying full cost as from 2024.

Our major concern is the cost of gas and electricity. Our two year fixed price contract expired in August and, as from September, the cost has increased greatly. Gas price of £2.48p per kWh increased to £11.50p per kWh even after a 23% energy support grant. Electricity rate has doubled. We received another energy support grant of £2,641 from the Diocese in late 2022 in common with other churches.

#### **Cash and Cash Deposits**

Cash, Bank and Savings deposits reduced by £ 17,000 but this was soon reversed in early 2023 when we received the VAT refund, shown in the accounts under Debtors, of £20,384.

#### Tower repair Project in 2022

The project was completed by August 2022. The source of funding and the cost are set out in Note 10 of the accounts.

#### **Reserves Policy**

It has been PCC Policy to maintain a balance on unrestricted reserves amounting to at least three months average expenditure excluding our contribution to the Diocesan Common Fund. On that basis, at the end of 2022, the unrestricted reserves amounted to 16 months average of the year's expenditure, which is a reduction (due to Tower repairs) from 30 months reserves in 2021.

#### **Risk Policy**

Insurable risks are covered by our comprehensive insurance policy with Ecclesiastical Insurance Company. The buildings (except the Vicarage which is not the PCC's responsibility) and contents are now insured for £ 8.4 million.

The flat, which has tenants on an Assured Shorthold Tenancy agreement has had the mandatory landlord's annual safety checks and certification carried out for Gas and Electrical equipment.

The church has a Church Safeguarding Officer and a children's Champion and secures the necessary DBS clearances on those working with children and vulnerable adults. All members of the PCC have completed training on safeguarding and awareness provided by the Diocese.

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Approved by PCC on 2 April 2023, and signed on behalf of PCC by Hon. Treasurer, P Kulan Mills FCA, FCMA, CGMA

#### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. ANDREW'S ROXBOURNE BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

A5 A1 51 D	ECEIVIDER 2022		2022	2021
			£	£
FIXED ASS	ETS			
		1	13,014	13,014
CURRENT	ACCETS			
CORRENT	Debtors	5	26,929	9,292
	Deposits - CBF's CCLA	0	78,617	77,596
	Bank - Main Account		23,275	40,920
	Bank - Stewardship Account		2,493	2,941
	Cash in Hand		63	85
			131,377	130,834
CURRENT	LIABILITIES			
CORRENT	Sundry Creditors	6	14,274	3,350
	Diocesan Loan	7	20,000	-
			34,274	3,350
NET CURR	ENT ASSETS		97,103	127,484
TOTAL NE	T ASSETS		110,118	140,498
FUNDS	Restricted			
	Missions & Charities	8	1,359	695
	Roses Fund	8	633	524
	Organ Fund	8	2,426	3,399
	TT		4,418	4,618
	Unrestricted			
	General Reserve	9	105,700	135,880
			105,700	135,880
TOTAL FU	NDS		110,118	140,498

SOFA on page 3 and the Analysis and Notes on pages 4-8 form part of these accounts.

These accounts were approved at the PCC meeting held on 2 April 2023.

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Chairman Rev. Lyndon North

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Hon Treasurer Mr Kulan Mills

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#### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. ANDREW'S ROXBOURNE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022		General Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		£	£	£.	£
Voluntary Income	2a	58,380	27,065	85,445	86,097
Activities for Generating Funds	2b	94,440	-	94,440	68,306
Income from Investments	2c	969	52	1,021	28
Income from Church Activities	2đ	8,657	20,000	28,657	8,938
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		162,446	47,117	209,563	163,369
RESOURCES USED					
Church Activities Grants	3a	20	2,750	2,770	3,382
Activities relating to the work of the church	3Ъ	121,245	1,266	122,511	81,542
Church Management & Administration	3с	9,880	-	9,880	5,928
Exceptional & Non-annually recurring costs	3d	61,181	43,301	104,482	8,964
Governance Costs	3e	300	-	300	300
TOTAL RESOURCES USED	•	192,626	47,317	239,942	100,115
NET INCOMING/ (OUTGOING) RESOURCES		(30,180)	(200)	(30,380)	63,253
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(30,180)	(200)	(30,380)	63,253
BALANCES (brought forward at) 1 JANUARY 2022		135,880	4,618	140,498	77,244
BALANCES (carried forward at) 31 DECEMBER 2022		105,700	4,418	110,118	140,498

#### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. ANDREW'S ROXBOURNE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The PCC is a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 governing the individual accounts of PCC's, and with the Regulations 'true and fair view' provisions. They have been prepared under FRS102 (2016) as the applicable accounting standards and the 2016 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP(FRS102)).

#### INCOMING RESOURCES

Incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when:

- 1. the PCC becomes legally entitled to the benefit of use of the resources and
- 2. their ultimate receipt is virtually certain; and
- 3. the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
- Grants, donations and legacies are included in the SOFA when any pre-conditions preventing their use by the PCC have been met. Collections and planned giving are included when the funds are received.

Gift Aid and other tax claims are included in the SOFA at the same time as the cash donations to which they relate.

Rental income from the letting of church premises is recognised when the rental is due. (See note below.)

Investment income is accounted for when receivable.

The value of any voluntary help is not included in the accounts but described in the annual report.

#### EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liabilities are recognised as soon as the legal or constructive obligation arises.

Governance costs include the cost of the examination of the statutory accounts.

Grants and donations are recognised when a commitment has been made externally and there are no pre-conditions still to be met for entitlement to the grant which remain within the control of the PCC.

#### ASSETS

#### **Consecrated and Benefice Property**

In so far as consecrated and benefice property of any kind is excluded from the statutory definition of 'charity' by Section 10(2) (a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011 such assets are not capitalised in the financial statements.

#### Movable church furnishings

These are capitalised at cost and depreciated over their useful economic life other than where insufficient cost information is available. In this case the item is not capitalised, but all items are included in the Church's inventory in any case.

No value is placed on any movable church furnishings that cannot be disposed of without a faculty, and which are regarded as "inalienable" property held on special trust on behalf of the PCC, and forming part of the consecrated property excluded from the financial statements by the Charities Act 2011.

#### Tangible fixed assets

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year and cost at least £5,000. They are valued at cost or else for gifts in kind, at a reasonable estimate of their open market value on receipt. The youth centre and field are included as functional assets of the PCC at a value of  $\pounds$ 13,014, being the historic cost at acquisition.

No depreciation is provided on buildings as the currently estimated value of the property is not less than the carrying value and, as the remaining useful life of these assets currently exceed 50 years any depreciation charge would be immaterial. An impairment review is carried out at each year-end and any resultant loss identified, quantified, and included in expenditure for the year. Short Term Deposits

These are cash held on deposit either with CCLA or at the bank.

#### RENTAL INCOME

Flat Kent

St Andrew's receives rental income from a property on the site. The property is owned by the London Diocesan Fund along with the associated halls. The building was considered an integral part of the church, with access from the church to the property existing internally. The building was historically used for caretakers. In more recent years the property, which is adjoined/linked to the church has been rented out. The rental income is disclosed in the accounts. The value of the asset has not been recorded within the accounts at either historical cost nor as a revaluation. The historical value is uncertain and considered immaterial as it was built in the 1950s when the entire land site was valued at £1,100. St Andrew's building are insured as part of the over premiums paid and the overall insurance value is considered to be £8,400,000 Halls Rent

The halls receive rental income on both regular and occasional weekday hire as well as short hourly day lets at weekends. This income is disclosed separately in the accounts.

#### **FUNDS**

#### **Unrestricted Funds**

Unrestricted funds represent the remaining income funds of the PCC that are available for spending on the general purposes of the PCC, including amounts designated by the PCC for fixed assets for its own use, or for spending on a future project and which are therefore not included in its "free reserves" as disclosed in the Annual Report.

#### **Restricted Funds**

Restricted funds are income funds that must be spent on restricted purposes and details of the funds held and restrictions provided are shown in the notes to the accounts.

Endowment Funds

The PCC has no endowment funds.

# PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. ANDREW'S ROXBOURNE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022

			Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
2a	Voluntary Income					
	Communion & General		6,037	-	6,037	3,272
	Pledges & Stewardship		39,738	-	39,738	43,229
	Tax Refund (Stewardship)		8,288	-	8,288	9,302
	Donations including (Gen) tax refund		4,317		4,317	19,481
	Lent offering StandBy (2021 MIND)		-	940	940	1,236
	Christmas Angel Tree (2021 Angel Tree)		-	318	318	316
	Leprosy Mission				-	164
	Tower Project Donations	10	-	23,301	23,301	6,714
	Ukranian Aid			365	365	
	Food Bank		-		-	250
	Christain Aid - Big Breakkie			632	632	379
	Roses Fund			310	310	963
	Organ Fund			40	40	
	Christmas Charity: Firm Foundation			1,139	1,139	
	Contribution from General Fund		<u></u>	20	20	791
			58,380	27,065	85,445	86,097
2Ь	Activities for Generating Funds					
	Christmas Bazaar		3,154	-	3,154	3,039
	Flat rent		11,293	-	11,293	12,132
	Halls rental		79,994	-	79,994	53,136
			94,440		94,440	68,306
2c	Investment Income					
	General Reserve		969		969	27
	Organ Fund & Rose Fund		-	52	52	1
	U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U		969	52	1,021	28
2d	Income from Church Activities	,				
	Junior Church & Youth		2,240		2,240	1,402
	Baptisms, Weddings & Funerals		3,776		3,776	6,411
	Diocesan Grant for Tower Project			20,000	20,000	-
	Diocesan Energy Grant		2,641	·	2,641	-
	Contribution from General Fund			-	_	1,125
			8,657	20,000	28,657	8,938
	TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		162,446	47,117	209,563	163,369

## PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. ANDREW'S ROXBOURNE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 3	1 DECEMBER 2022
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	E YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
3a	Grants Missions and Charities Charity contribution from General Fund Vicar's Discretionary Fund		20	2,750	2,750 20	2,591 791
		8	20	2,750	2,770	3,382
3b	Activities relating to the work of the church					
	Diocesan Common Fund Quota		48,000	-	48,000	40,000
	Diocesan Fees		1,528	-	1,528	2,941
	Services & Sanctuary		2,985	-	2,985	2,578
	Junior Church & Youth		1,336	-	1,336	853
	Clergy Expenses		4,108	-	4,108	2,421
	Choir & Organists		3,500	1,058	4,558	3,800
	Gas		9,507	_,	9,507	1,434
	Electricity		7,378		7,378	2,744
	Water		2,749	_	2,749	1,985
	Telephones		965	-	965	948
	Waste Collection		1,534	_	1,534	1,685
	Insurance		4,005	-	4,005	3,914
	Maintenance		20,281		20,281	5,191
	Roses/Garden			208	208	439
	Cleaning and Caretaking of Halls		10,707		10,707	9,855
	Coffee & Refreshments		1,101		1,101	7,000
	Cleaning Materials		1,561	_	1,561	754
	Ciculary materials		121,245	1,266	122,511	81,542
30	Church Management & Administration					
50	Secretary		3,350	-	3,350	3,350
	Office & Publications		3,094	_	3,094	2,578
	Flat Bad Debts written off	11	3,436		3,436	2,070
	That bad Debis whiteh on	**	9,880	-	9,880	5,928
3d	Exceptional & Non-annually recurring costs Tower Project					
	Contribution from General Fund		a. <b>.</b>		-	1,125
	Tower Project Cost		81,565	43,301	124,866	7,839
	Tower Cost - VAT Refund		(20,384)		(20,384)	-
		10	61,181	43,301	104,482	8,964
3e	Governance Costs					
	Professional Fees - Ind Examiner fee		300		300	300
			300	-	300	300
	TOTAL RESOURCES USED		192,626	47,317	239,943	100,115

#### PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. ANDREW'S ROXBOURNE NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FO

OR TH	IE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2022		
		2022	2021
		£	£
4	Missions and Charities		
	Expenditure during the year:		
	Food Bank		(1,037)
	Lent - Standbyme (MIND 2021)	(960)	(1,240)
	Ukranian Aid	(365)	-
	Leprosy	-	(164)
	Christian Aid	(411)	
	Angel Tree - Christmas	(319)	
	Christmas - Firm Foundation	(1,139)	(150)
		(3,194)	(2,591)
5	Debtors	2022	2021
		£	2021 f.
	Halls Rental	3,133	4.411
	Gift Aid Tax - Accrued for Qtr 4 of year	3,182	2,856
	Tower project - VAT Refund	20,384	2,000
	Sundry Debtors	230	2,025
	Sundy Debuilt	26,929	9,292
6	Creditors	2022	2021
		£	£
	Prepaid halls rental/deposits	2,350	1,450
	Prepaid Flat rent	435	-
	Vicarge Repair Fund	1,506	1,006
	Tower project - Builder's retention money	2,900	-
	E-on - Gas account provision	5,964	-
	Sundry expense accruals	1,119	894
		14,274	3,350
7	Diocesan Loan	2022	2021
	Interest Free 36 month Loan to fund	£	£
	Tower Project expenditure	20,000	
	, <u>,</u>		

8	Restricted Funds	Opening 1st Jan 2022 £	Donations & Interest £	Gen Fund Subsidy £	Payments	Closing 31st Dec 2022 t
	Ukranian Aid	-	365		(365)	-
	Lent Charity Stand By Me (2021 Mind)	-	940	20	(960)	-
	Angel Tree - Christmas Charity 2021 & 2022	316	319		(635)	-
	Firm Foundation - Christmas Charity 2022		1,139		-	1,139
	Christian Aid	379	632		(790)	221
	Missions and Charities	695	3,394	20	(2,750)	1,359
	Roses Fund	524	317		(208)	633
	Organ Fund	3,399	85		(1,058)	2,426
	-	4,618	3,796	20	(4,016)	4,418

The Missions & Charities Fund represents donations for missionary and charitable giving. The Roses Fund represents donations towards expenditure on the Church Memorial Roses and Garden.

The Organ Fund represents donations and income to be used towards expenditure on the Church organ.

9	Analysis of Funds & Net Assets	Opening £	income £	Expenditure £	Closing £	
	Restricted Funds	4,618	108,297	(108,497)	4,418	
	General Fund	135,880	162,666	(196,447)	102,099	
		140,498	270,963	(304,944)	106,517	
	Fixed Assets	13,014	-		13,014	
	Net Current Assets	127,484	(33,981)		93,503	
		140,498	(33,981)		106,517	
10	Tower Repair Project	Donations	Donations	Cost	VAT Retund	Net Cost
		Members & friends	Diocese			
	Totals accounted for in 2022	23,301	20,000	(124,866)	20,384	(61,181)
	Accounted for in 2020/21	6.714		(9,165)		(2,451)
	Totals of Project	30,015	20,000	(134.031)	20,384	(63,632)

Tower Repair Fund was raised substantially in 2022 and the repair completed also in 2022,

As the church brained listed status in early 2022, we were able to recover VAT paid on the project from Listed Places of Worship.

#### Bad Debt provision and Debt recovery 11 2022 2021 £ £ \*\* This was debt was written off Flat rent debt written off (2021 Hall rent debt) \*\* 808 against Hall Let income in 2021. 3,436

		Opening	Received in the	Potential future	Received in the
We continue to receive pre-2014 Fraud		1st Jan 2022	Year	recovery Amount	2021
compensation payments via courts.	£	3,132	197	2,935	123

# Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Andrew's Church, Roxbourne, Parochial Church Council.

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 1 to 7.

#### Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and Examiner

The church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The church's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of 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 then report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### **Independent Examiner's Statement**

Since the gross income for the year exceeds the amount provided in section 145(3) of the Act, I confirm that I am qualified to act as Independent Examiner under the provision of that section of the Act and that my qualification is as shown below.

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention,

- 1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or 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.

Mr Noel-Rajaratnam FCMA, CA, B.Sc. 103a Malvern Avenue South Harrow HA2 9ER 6 April 2023

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