# StFaith'sLee

The Parish Church of Lee-on-the-Solent



# Annual Parochial Church Meeting 3pm, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023

Reports

Our vision is to be a welcoming innovative Christian community of all ages and all stages of faith, nurturing spiritual growth, and representing God's living presence in our town.

## <u>St Faith's Annual Parochial Church Meeting</u> <u>3pm, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023</u>

## **AGENDA**

#### Welcome and Introduction

#### **Annual Meeting of Parishioners**

Election of Churchwardens

#### **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

- I. Apologies
- 2. Minutes of the Meeting: 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022
- 3. Matters Arising
- 4. The Electoral Roll
- 5. Elections to the PCC
- 6. Approval of the Welcome Team
- 7. Presentation of Church and Parish Centre Accounts
- 8. Presentation of Written Reports
- Vicar's report
- Building Development
- Children and families' ministry
- Christmas Festival
- Cuppa and Company
- Fabric Committee
- Flower Team
- Friends of St Faith's

- History Group
- Mothers' Union
- Music
- Parish Centre
- Parochial Church Council
- People and Planet Group
- Safeguarding
- Women4Women in Lee
- Youth Work

- 9. Rev'd Dr Paul Chamberlain
- Any Other Notified Business (Notice must be given to the PCC Chair or Secretary by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April)

## St Faith's Church Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting

Minutes of the APCM Meeting held at

#### 3pm on Sunday 24th April 2022

that took place at St Faith's Church, Victoria Square, Lee-on-the-Solent

Present: Rev Dr Paul Chamberlain, Mr Cliff Rook, Mr Colin Skinner and 45 parishioners (for names please see Attendance List Book. Red book held by PCC Secretary.)

In Attendance: Mrs M Kreindler

Apologies for Absence: Mrs and Mrs Beer, Mrs S Castle, Mrs H Howard-Davies, Mr T Dawson, Mrs F Gunns, Mrs C Parkinson, Mrs J Rogers, Mr M Shephard, Mrs A Torroni, Mr R Vann.

Meeting Commenced: 3pm

Meeting Finished: 4pm

#### 1. **Annual Meeting of Parishioners**

#### Appointment of Church Wardens

Two candidates for the positions of Churchwardens had been nominated and seconded prior to the meeting.

Mr Luke Marshall Proposed by Mrs Jo Drew

Mr Mike Shrives Proposed by Mrs Jo Drew

Vote:

Mr Luke Marshall – the vote was unanimously in favour with no abstentions. Mr Mike Shrives – the vote was unanimously in favour with no abstentions.

#### 2. **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

Mr Cliff Rook welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### Minutes of the APCM Meeting of 4th July 2021

i) Mrs Elaine Johnson attended the last APCM and Mrs Elain Yates had not. After these amendments the minutes of the APCM of 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021 was agreed as a correct record.

#### ii) Matters Arising

iii) Electoral Roll The Electoral Roll stood at 264.

#### iv) Election to the PCC

There were 6 vacancies, and the 3 nominees were: Mrs Annabel Brammall, Mrs Bridget Dean, Mr Roland Rogers

All agreed with the elections to PCC membership.

#### v) Election of Welcome Team

The Welcome Team remained the same.

#### vi) Presentation of Church Accounts

CS gave a presentation of the accounts and asked if there were any questions;

• MG asked if a final cost for the building work was available. CS stated the work was now half-way through and costs at the end of December were £67,000. BM stated that a contingency fund of £10,000 is in place.

BM then raised a vote of thanks to Mr Colin Skinner for producing and presenting the accounts. CS reported that the Finance Committee had applied for funding grant to cover the VAT costs, from the Worship Grant Scheme and were awaiting a reply.

CR then thanked CS for his hard work on the accounts. CS then thanked Mr Richard Froude, Mr David Honour, Mrs Penny Murrells and Mr Peter Murrells.

#### vii) Presentation of Written Reports (included in booklet)

There were no questions from the floor with regard to the written reports.

#### Building Works Update

viii) BM reported that the Covid restrictions and Covid infections had greatly slowed the building works. BM stated that in some ways this had proved fortuitous as it had led to the discovery of rust that had been treated in May in the recesses. These will now be checked regularly. It was noted that the work that had taken place should last for 20 years.

#### ix) Vicar's Report

PC stated that now the pandemic was over it was a time when we can look forward to planning for the future. It was noted that Covid had an impact on all Churches and some aspects had changed. The following was then noted;

- PC had done some research on who was attending services;
- Around 15 people attend the 8am service, however numbers had declined over a decade;
- The Parish Eucharist Service had been affected the most, however numbers were now improving;
- There are still a number of people attending less often to some having not come back at all, who used to come regularly;
- Sundays@11 was the least affected service
- On-line participants stand at around 30 during the week.

It was noted that the pandemic had highlighted the importance of coming together in fellowship to worship in person in church.

PC then informed those present about the new pastoral network now renamed 'St Faith's Connect', the Men's Curry Night initiative and new house groups. All these are initiatives that have been brought to face the challenge of keeping the community together and thriving.

PC then stated that the other challenge was the fabric of the building of St Faith's, which was built in 1933. There was a need now to think about the use of the building for the wider Lee community. Aspects to concentrate on were lighting, heating, décor, entrances and office locations. It was noted that the PCC and the Building Development Group will be thinking about these in the future. Other areas of development were noted as follows:

- To develop the worship community with initiative like Women 4 Women, People and Planet and Cuppa and Company;
- Increasing financial giving;
- There is a need to think about those who do not attend any of the services and also do not have access to the internet;
- Additional volunteers to cover the sound desk;
- Additional volunteers for Children's Ministry;
- Acting as a Cinema by the showing of films in the Bulson Hall.

PC then thanked everybody who helps in the Church in any way. PC was thanked for keeping the Church going through the Pandemic.

## **Reports for the calendar year 2022**

## Vicar's Report 2022

#### Report by Rev'd Dr Paul Chamberlain, vicar

2022 was the first "normal" year after the covid-19 pandemic, the first times we could plan for things to happen and be pretty confident that covid would not stop them. A lot changed across the year – for example, at the start of 2022 plenty of people were still wearing masks in church and at events; by the end of the year (even in the winter) very few people were doing so.

So when I looked at the church calendar at the start of 2022, I was confident that what we planned, we could do. And looking back, I can see that we have done a lot! As well as all the things listed elsewhere in this report, we also:

- Held all our regular services on Sundays and Thursday mornings. On Sundays we looked at three Holy Habits across the year: Biblical Teaching, Fellowship, and Sharing Resources, each of which was accompanied by a course for people wanting to look in more detail at these things.
- Restarted weekday morning prayer at 8.30am on Facebook
- Held two Stewardship Sundays in the year (in January and November), encouraging church members to consider their giving to the church and to other causes. (We held the one in January because we'd not been able to do so in the previous November – from now on the Stewardship Sundays will be held in November each year)
- Had a Sunday exploring Science and Christianity in June, and also held Environment Sunday in October
- Held the Summer Fete, for the first time since 2019. This was a great community event the sun shone, and many people came along
- Held a special prayer meeting a few days after Russia's invasion of Ukraine
- Were involved with the town's celebrations for Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, with a special Celebration Service, and then I led an Acts of Thanksgiving on the seafront as the sun set. (The Act of Thanksgiving was immediately followed by scantily clad women twirling fire, and sadly they got more attention than I did...)
- Ran the Living in Love and Faith Course, to help us think though issues around relationships, identity, sexuality and marriage
- Ran a series of Men's Curry Nights, encouraging the men of the church to get together for food, fellowship and a talk
- Ran a Money-saving Workshop, given the high rate of inflation in the country
- Held special services on the death of Queen Elizabeth II, and opened the church and Bulson Hall for people to watch the Queen's funeral with others
- Ran a Christianity Explored course in the autumn, for people to discuss faith in more detail. This course involved reading all of Mark's Gospel over six weeks, and is a great way for people to engage with Jesus and what he said and did.
- Held our annual Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving in November

- Held an Advent Quiet Morning in December
- Encouraged people in the church to do a Reverse Advent Calendar, where you put something aside each day to give to the local food bank. This was very successful, and I know the Food Bank appreciated all that was given with the cost of living crisis, food bank use has increased a lot this year.
- Continued to run a number of house groups, for people to meet in the week for fellowship, Bible study and prayer.
- Held the Christmas Day Lunch, which our guests very much enjoyed
- Continued to develop St Faith's Connect, a pastoral care network intended to help us care for each other

During the pandemic, we didn't share wine at Holy Communion. In late 2021, we introduced small individual communion cups, and I was delighted one year later, on the anniversary of the introduction of small cups, to be able to reintroduce the communal chalice for those who want to drink from it.

Throughout the year I continued to be involved with governing at both Lee Infant and Nursery School (where I am the chair of governors) and Lee Junior School (where I am an associate governor).

I also continued to be Area Dean for Gosport Deanery, and attended the General Synod of the Church of England twice, in February and July. It was wonderful that our new bishop, Jonathan Frost, was installed in March 2022, and I have enjoyed getting to know and working with him across the year.

So a lot took place in 2022, as you can see from reading these reports. I am so grateful for everyone who contributes to the church's life, and especially to those whose contributions are unseen by most but which keep so many things going. Some people often talk about what we do as the church as if it's the vicar's church – they say things to me like "I'm sorry I couldn't come to your event" – when it's not my church, it's *our* church, or even better it's *God's* church, in which we all have a part to play. It's clear from these reports that so many people contribute to making St Faith's what it is. Thank you.

Paul dressed as a Christingle on Christmas Eve 2022



## Building Development - External Works 2022-23 Report by Brian Mansbridge, Building Development Group

In May 2022 work was completed on the south side of the church exterior, and the scaffolding removed. Over the 13 months the scaffolding was in place all the guttering was removed, cleaned, painted, and returned to the building, and brickwork issues were addressed. Rotten wood around the upper windows was replaced, and the wood enclosed with lead, to ensure greater protection from the weather.

A short while later, scaffolding was erected on the north side of the church, and this remained in place for the rest of the year, as repairs were carried out. Major repairs were completed in early 2023, and the scaffolding removed.

The contractual repairs have been completed and kept to budget, which is pleasing as there has been more leadwork than originally expected and material costs have risen significantly over the almost two years since the contract was signed.

There still are minor items to be finished; all are subject to discussion with the contractor, along with the patchwork painting. Nonetheless we retain  $2\frac{1}{2}$  % cost guarantee on the work and an assurance that all is weathertight again, so there is plenty of time for the finishing touches.



The south side of St Faith's after the removal of the scaffolding

The contract did call for investigation into the car park flooding after heavy rain. Regretfully it is not just blocked drains but exhausted soakaways, something that is not surprising if you have ever tried to clear the drains of the regular accumulation of pine needles. The solution a whole new sunstainable drainage system (SuDS), a costly venture. I suspect most churchgoers would consider redecoration of the interior of the church more import, but updating the electric wiring and insulation the roof are arguable even more urgent requirements.



Before and after: One of the upper windows (left) and guttering near the church office (below)



## <u>Children and families ministry</u> Report by Becca Chamberlain, Children and Families Coordinator (Voluntary)

#### Families@11

Our vision is To Know, Grow and Show God's Love.

The team provides Kids@11 sessions every Sunday during Sundays@11. The groups are for children from the age of 2 years old and up, with the senior group for year 6 and upwards choosing when to join the main service. Although some families attend church each week, it is far more common to see children once or twice a month.

Primarily taught from the Roots materials, the groups have followed the lectionary. Becca has also written original material to follow the Holy Habits readings.

The families are encouraged to participate in communion and prayer responses together some weeks and on other weeks the children and adults pray separately. Kids@11 therefore is sometimes 20 mins and sometimes 30 mins.

We have a fabulous team with a mixture of parents and others. A special thanks to everyone involved either as helpers or leaders, and a special welcome to those who have joined this year.

The team sent home activity packs for Lent and at Advent. These were well received by families. We see supporting families as essential in helping children on their faith journey as 20 mins twice a month is only a small influence in the life of a child.

We also joined in with the flower festival with every group contributing to the final display.

The Families Facebook group is a closed group intended to allow families to share what they had been doing and different ideas about doing faith at home to encourage one another. SJ and Becca have been the ones who have posted most and the page has not really fostered the community we

had hoped.

chool Years 6 and up

The children that come really enjoy Sundays@11, and the Kids@11 groups are greatly appreciated. The community that we build is greatly valued. One child said: "I like coming to church, because I get to see all my friends".







We have continued to arrange Families@11 Breakfasts, one at Lent, and one at the start of Advent. A brilliant opportunity to get church families and Children's team volunteers together and it was especially good to launch the activity packs and material for the families to participate in at home.

#### Sunshine and Showers

Our vision is from Isaiah 40 – God will carry the lambs in his arms; he will gently lead their mothers Sunshine and Showers is a six-week course for new parents. We have advertised it a couple of times this year, but it has not been popular. Lots of people are confident to come to Rainbow Toddlers as we have excellent provision for babies and their parents.

#### Rainbow Toddlers

Our vision is: Sharing God's Love.

Rainbow Toddlers has had an excellent year, with lots of families enjoying the space as we use the church and the Bulson Hall in the cold/wet weather, and families love the outside space. We have a great team with lots of excellent ideas for creative ways to engage the families that come along.

The vision for Rainbow Toddlers is Sharing God's Love and we do this through hospitality and supporting one another, and each month we share a Bible story together.

One parent commented: "Rainbow toddlers is a weekly highlight in our household. It is the perfect place to go with my 3 year and 10month-old boys. There is always lots of exciting things to do and everyone is so kind and welcoming"

And the 3-year-old said: "I love toddlers. I love the story and snack and I play with all the toys ... and I like the brown trolley and the baby walker".

The team has grown and changed but we are a consistent committed bunch. We have lunch together on the first Tuesday of the month and there is a very friendly and supportive atmosphere. Currently Jenny Morris, Rita and Andrew Morgan help set up, Sue Hamilton and



Sarah Shrives provide the refreshments, sometimes excelling themselves with season treats such as pancakes on Shrove Tuesday and Christmas cake in Advent. SJ, Juliet, Bronwen, Karen, Di, Becca and Doug are stalwarts of the current team. Di and Karen often bring the grandchildren, one of whom likes to check: "Are we going to toddlers today? I love it Granny " to which she is pleased to reply, "And so do I!".

This year we have started a half termly Bring & Swap encouraging families to bring items they no longer need and swap them for others. They were invited to donate towards a different charity each time and together we have raised money for various causes over the year and also benefitted one another with sharing resources.

Term	Charity	Amount	
Spring	Unicef Ukraine appeal	£169.30	
Summer I	Smile Train	£33.30	
Summer 2	WaterAid	£46.50	
Autumn I	Tearfund – Pakistan Flood Appeal	£58.10	
Autumn 2	Children in Need	£72	
		Total	£379.20

It was a great shock when one of our Toddlers died in his sleep, and a test for us as a team as we supported the family in collaboration with Holy Rood Toddler team, and the families at toddlers who were affected. Some of the team were able to attend the funeral, which was heartbreaking, but much appreciated by the family.

A number of our regulars, families and childminders, left at the end of the summer and we had an end of term special followed by a big picnic. There were understandably some fears that numbers would be down in the autumn term, but this has not come to pass.

We try to use the outdoor space all year round, and had fun celebrating the Queen's jubilee in the grounds, as well as a Peppa pig special, splashing in muddy puddles.



Over the Rainbow Toddlers ran for preschoolers and their older siblings on two occasions in the Summer holidays. This is always a very popular and welcome event involving crafts, toys and games as well as an opportunity to meet up for families at home in the summer.

We have consistently had 40 families registered and more attending some weeks than others!

It has been great to involve the families in the Flower Festival and we also held a very enjoyable Easter flower night as well as another Wreath Making evening, which encourages the parents to come to a church thing without their children! We have had a number of parents come back to this, even though their children no longer come to the group.

We finished the year with a brilliant Christmas Special, with Father Christmas, the Nativity Story and a giant craft. Christmas books were given out to the children and some new big toys to the whole group.

#### Messy Church

Messy Church values are about being Christ-centred, for all ages, based on creativity, hospitality and celebration.

Messy Church has continued each month throughout the year, taking a break in August. One parent said, "We really enjoyed Messy church ... and the fun activities and meal provided."

Each session starts with table top games and refreshments and then a short video of the Bible story on the big



screen followed by a variety of activities linked to the theme to explore together as a family. We then have a short service followed by a meal together. We have had good numbers attending and are building a sense of community and inviting people to explore faith together. One family commented, "Our family love messy church. Such a great opportunity to get together with other local families, meet lots of new people and try lots of different activities all rounded off with a delicious hot meal and weather permitting an impromptu game of footie with Noah  $\heartsuit$ ".



We have covered all sorts of things including refugees and immigration whilst thinking about the Exodus, God's provision and food inequality through Harvest and the feeding of the 5000, remembrance both in response to Remembrance Day and also Communion as well as creative explorations of Easter, Christmas and other Bible themes!

#### Light Party



This year Halloween did not fall in half term, and the Light Party was held to provide an alternative for families to Trick or Treating. There were a variety of games and activities for children from the age of 4 and a baby sensory zone in the café area in Lowry Room. Hot dogs, hot chocolate and other drinks & snacks were available throughout the evening. Despite the

rain, we had a fire pit with colour changing pine cones outdoors and sparklers, and in the church there were lanterns to make, UV face paints and a light box for casting silhouettes. The evening finished with a short service, pointing us to Jesus, the light in the darkness.

It was a great evening, attracting families from across the community and the team did a brilliant job!

#### Schools Ministry

This year we have had the Junior school visit in year groups and as a whole school for Easter Experience and for the end of school celebration for Year 6 and for their Christmas Celebration. We have also been invited into the schools for assemblies and Paul, Becca and SJ Murphy have all been in to both the Infant and the Junior Schools. Becca has also offered support with RE lessons in the Junior school and provided material for teachers to look at.

#### Flower Festival

All the groups worked on separate flowers crafts which Di, Karen, Kevin and Becca assembled into a well display as part of the Flower festival, with the junior school decorating stones that were placed around the Children and Families display and others.

#### Families Leadership and Oversight

As ever we are grateful for everyone who is part of the Children's Ministry. Becca aims to give 3 or 4 days a week to St Faith's to lead the Children and Families ministry and SJ Murphy has also volunteered a couple of days a week to support the ministry, which has been incredibly helpful.

Seeking additional strategic oversight and prayer, a small team were gathered to act as the Families Oversight Group, meeting every other month. This team includes Becca Chamberlain, Rita Morgan, Alison Jeanneret and Trevor Reader.

A big Thank You to everyone who has helped with anything connected with the Children and Families Ministry here at St Faith's. We appreciated everything that makes families welcome in this place. If you are interested in helping with the Children and Families ministry we would love to talk to you. We would like to offer parenting courses, parenting for faith courses to resource parents, grandparents and all those supporting children, and more regular schools work, as well as continuing with all of the above.

The biggest challenges to the ministry is advertising and social media, so if you have skills with graphics and digital media do get in touch.



Flower Festival contributions from our varied children and families groups





## **Christmas Festival**

#### Report by Cliff Rook, chair or organising committee

Once again our Christmas Festival, after some late arrangements (due to moving the date around because of a Church booking that did not take place), went very well with many people from the wider community attending throughout the event from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm. The Church was full of various stalls, 15 Church stalls and 16 private stalls who all paid a fee for their table. Stalls included books and CDs, crafts, face painting, jewellery, cakes, tombola, a raffle, toys and many more. Again, there was an opportunity for visitors to write a prayer and hang it on the fourteen-foot Christmas tree in the Church.



Our main event was a new drama called "INN-TERRUPTED". This took place in the Lowry Room which had been totally changed into a tent that you would expect to find in the dessert, with two teams of five actors playing out the Christmas story. About a 180 people visited the play, and about a third of those were adults. After the play the visitors were able to go outside on the grass and visit the live animals, miniature donkeys, goats, sheep and pigs where the children were able to pat them if they wished.



Live Nativity actors on set in the Lowry Room



In the Parish Centre the bar was open for drinks including hot mulled wine and mince pies, with additional hot refreshments available at seated tables in the hall. The visitors were treated to some seasonal music and carol singing, which helped to create a festive atmosphere. It is satisfying to note that many comments were passed of the happy atmosphere throughout the event. Also encouraging was to see so many people who do not regularly attend our services but enjoyed their time in the Church.

## Cuppa and Company

#### Report by Cliff Rook, joint team leader

Cuppa and Company is a way of giving reassurance and comfort to people who are bereaved, or who are undergoing life changing experiences. We try to give the people attending some spiritual uplift, or just a comforting chat over a cup of tea and cake in an informal environment. Cuppa and Company is open to anyone who wishes to come from the wider community, regardless of whether they are a regular member of St Faith's Church or not.

Cuppa and Company meet each Thursday in the Bulson Hall from 2.00pm until 3.30pm during School term time. One of the ICANGO buses collects about eight people in Lee-on-the-Solent and Stubbington area for this event, and then return them home afterwards. Additionally, about five people regularly attend by their own means of transport. We have three or four helpers each week from our regular congregation attend to serve tea and cake to all who come. Cakes are often homemade by some of our helpers, which have proved to be very popular. Sadly, over the past year we have lost five of our clients, due mainly to people going into non-local care homes and natural causes. Each week we regularly have about ten or eleven clients attending. On a positive note in 2022 we have had four new members join us.

Heidi, a staff member from ASDA Superstore in Fareham, attends regularly to run a game or two. Thanks to ASDA's generosity, she brings a small gift each time for our guests. This gives a tremendous support to the four helpers who attend each week, ensuring that our clients are fully included.



Cuppa and Company Christmas Party 2022

## Fabric Committee

#### Report by Margaret Hunt, chair

The Committee consists of the Vicar, a Caretaker and small group of Volunteers who attend bimonthly meetings where the Fabric of the Church is observed and discussed. A maintenance schedule is used to check various points in the buildings, lighting, gutters etc and grounds on a monthly work list. This is reinforced by a walk round inspection at every meeting. Minor repairs are carried out by members when possible but, where bigger work, is required recommendations go forward for estimates and funding and, when available, these jobs are attended to.

During 2022 we have attended to the following:

- Ladder training and risk assessment on the use of these has been undertaken.
- Lowry kitchen taps have been replaced or repaired. N.B. as the tops are a flat surface there is a problem with water running off the draining board onto the floors. Users should be made aware of this.
- The Bulson Kitchen has a black patch in the area above the cupboards in the far-left corner. This is under review by going into the loft and replacing a coping stone. The cause cannot be found - it is possibly due to steam, collecting in this area, despite the extractor fan. This is being kept under review.
- The Bulson Hall kitchen floor is deep cleaned regularly, but users do need to be aware of mopping up water when necessary.
- Items from the Bulson Hall boiler room have been transferred to the cleared Lowry Room cupboards.
- There have been several Church cleaning days. These have been followed by replacing the felts on the chairs for easy moving and to avoid scratching on the floor.
- The blue chairs in the Lady Chapel have deteriorated beyond repair so they have been replaced with red ones.
- The South Door path has been replaced paid for by the Friends.
- The gate to the organ cellar has been rebuilt and replaced.
- Water in the organ cellar continues to be a concern. This is due to the water table.
- The smoking area outside the halls has been moved away from the doors.
- The grounds and machinery are kept in good order by the Grounds Team.
- The compost heap is of concern due to its closeness to the Vicarage fence. Several days of ground clearing using large Biffa bags emptied at the recycling centre and 3 brown bins emptied by the Council is bringing the heap down.
- Several trees have been pruned and, where necessary, branches felled for safety reasons.
- The Defibrillator is registered with the Circuit Southern Hampshire Ambulance team and is checked by us to inform on its readiness for use in an emergency.

As always our thanks must go to the Team members for their willingness to give up so many hours of support. We would welcome any other help that could be offered!

## Flower Team

#### Report by Margaret Hunt, chair

The team are guided by the colours of the Church year as a guideline for flowers throughout the year apart from wedding requests. During the period of Lent we have no flowers and in the season of Advent foliage only is used.

In December 2021 we worked with the families of St Faith's to hold a Christmas Wreath making evening. The evening proved a great success and was enjoyed by many from outside the Church. So successful was it that we developed this further to hold an Easter Basket and Wreath making evening, with the profits going to the Flower Festival later in the year.

However, the year was mainly taken up by the Flower Festival which PCC agreed to support. Its purpose was to promote the Church within the community and to raise money for the Fabric Fund. Initially it was necessary to raise funds for flowers and mechanics to achieve this. Appreciating the financial difficulties which the local businesses were experiencing, we asked for advertising support. This was freely given and we also received monetary donations from Solent Travel, Mortgage Helpers and Fenwick Estate Agents plus the loan of a cart from Finishing Touches!



During the next few months the team raised money from various events including a Flower Demonstration, a Corn Dolly workshop and a sponsored Swimming Marathon.

The theme of the festival was all 'God's Gifts around Us' and was purposely arranged for Harvest time. Local churches were approached but we did not get the responses that we had had in previous years. There were, however, 12 different displays. External support came from Portsmouth Cathedral, Lee Florists, Crofton Gardening Club (these groups sponsored their own flowers), the ladies from Holy Rood church, 2 ladies whose Church no longer had flowers plus volunteer help from Sussex. The other displays were achieved by the flower team, the People & Planet group, and the wider church Children and Young People groups. These were enhanced by the contributions from Lee Junior School of painted stones.

The ladies of Knit and Natter contributed over a hundred colourful knitted flowers which were used to enhance the pillars on the East side of the Church whilst the Art Group and members of the Flower Team showed their talents in banners on the West side.

Refreshments were served throughout the day at the Festival, along with a raffle and Craft Stall. The contribution of occasional musical interludes encouraged the visitors to sit for a while.

The financial total profit of the festival was  $\pounds$ 3,498.43 but the overall profit came from the visitors with children who came to see their stones, those who had not been into the Church before, the combined congregation Sunday service and the willingness of the family of St Faith's Church who so willingly gave their time to support with furniture moving, stewarding and general goodwill.

The Team have been delighted with the result and have arranged for  $\pounds4,000$  to be transferred to the Fabric Fund.

We rounded off the year with a Christmas Wreath making workshop in December – again this was a very successful event and a joy to see it so well attended.



## Friends of St Faith's

#### Report by Tim Austin, chair

At the end of 2022 the total funds stood at £7218.29, including the £3000 we keep in Reserve. We contributed to the replacement footpath at the South Entrance and the updating of the Church sound system. We have agreed to cover the costs for the removal of dangerous branches in the church grounds, the hire of a skip and the maintenance/repair of the lawn mower.

During the year we held several events and were especially pleased with the money raised for the people of Ukraine,  $\pounds 1085.47$ . We intend to repeat this event in 2023 but this time especially for the Ukrainian children displaced by the war. Our most popular events were the two Quiz Evenings, again to be repeated in 2023.

Our small Committee of nine works well and we are able to call on some regular volunteers to help during events – special thanks are due to them. I especially want to thank Jo Drew for her unwavering support as Treasurer.



The Friend's Supper for Hope, raising funds for the people of Ukraine

## History Group

#### **Report by Kevin Dean**

The St Faith's History Group was formed in February 2022 with the objectives to help Bring History Alive and share the history to help encourage the local community to willingly enter the church buildings.

Having discovered quite early on that the St Faith's Church Building was dedicated and opened almost 90 years ago on 21<sup>st</sup> June 1933, the History Group set two key objectives to work towards during 2022 for delivery in 2023. These were to produce an appealing easy-to-read book describing the history of St Faith's Church in Lee-on-the-Solent and to include St Faith's Church as part of the Gosport Heritage Open Days (GHOD) 2023.

Throughout the year, the more we learnt the more we realised there was to discover and that has led to members in the History Group trailing down many different paths including:

- Research into the story of the Lowry Brothers and correspondence with the York Army Museum.
- Auditing of the St Faith's Terrier and donated items and significant artefacts spreadsheet in conjunction with the Church Wardens.
- Conducting life story interviews with members of the St Faith's congregation.
- Digitizing over 130 St Faith's Parish News magazines discovered in a box in the church loft.
- Presenting "From Tin Tabernacle to Tin-Clad Church" presentation to the Friends of St Faith's and Mothers' Union Afternoon Tea Party on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022.
- Research into the story of the two well-connected architects of St Faith's church building, John Seely and Paul Paget and correspondence with academics from the Seely and Paget Society.

By the end of 2022, the history book manuscript had been written, content reviewed, copy reviewed and was sent out for Proof Reading.



St Faith's Carol Service, December 2022

## Mothers' Union

#### Report by Sue Hamilton, Branch Contact/Secretary

We have now completed our first year as a Committee-led Branch and this has worked well with different Committee members bringing their different styles to leading meetings.

Last year we held few fundraisers yet still managed to raise almost £900. This was distributed to various Mothers' Union projects. Donations help in emergency situations and fund projects in countries where Mothers' Union is present, enabling women to help themselves to become self-supporting, raising their self-esteem and allowing them to pay for children's schooling. We also send an amount to our local AFIA (Away from it All) Scheme. This provides days away and holidays for families in the UK who really need a break. Last year several families were helped in this way including one recommended from St Faith's.

After a two-year break during Covid we were delighted that St Faith's was again able to host the AFIA Day at the Seaside for mums and children from two local refuges. We supported the day by helping with catering and entertaining the children.

Our Membership has increased during last year and we now have 38 members. Some of our less able members have changed over to Indoor Membership. We greatly miss Helen Howard-Davies who was such a supportive and staunch member over a great many years. We managed a good selection of speakers during the year covering many topics including hospital chaplaincy and gender-based violence. We visited Lee Hub and we welcomed and enjoyed meeting both our new Diocesan President and Vice-President.

Three of our members are on the Diocesan MU Trustee Board, one volunteers at the Roberts Family Contact Centre and two are involved with hospital projects making angel gowns (for still-born babies)

and incubator quilt covers. In addition, we collect toiletries for the local women's refuge plus any useful items for the Roberts Centre which helps families.

We play a full role in Diocesan and Deanery events and try to live up to our motto: 'Christian Care for Families' by spreading the message of God's love to every style of family.

## <u>Music</u>

#### Report by Richard Dewland, Music Director

2022 saw another year of joyful singing, playing and leading worship at St. Faith's. The choir continues to flourish, providing music for the parish eucharist and major feasts. We have enjoyed singing a wide range of choral repertoire and learning several new anthems. The worship band has seen the addition of new members and both groups rehearse every Friday evening. As always, my thanks go to all members of both groups. Without their continued commitment, support, friendship and good humour, we would not have the rich musical offering we all enjoy. Again, thank you.



Wedding reception in the Bulson Hall, summer 2022

## Parish Centre

#### Report by Ruth Dewland, Parish Centre Manager

At the start of 2022, the Parish Centre team changed, with the recruitment of two new part-time caretakers, Adrian Aspinall and Todd Hughes, and the Events Coordinator Sally Dudley. We saw an increase in bookings across the year, as we did more advertising, and things found a new normal after the pandemic. Our number of regular hirers has increased, with some great new groups such as the Steady & Strong Class, Dance Remedy, as well as our longer standing groups e.g. Lee Volunteers Lunch Club, Lowry Art Group, Yoga and Pilates classes, just to name a few. Our church groups such as TGI Thursday, Flower Team, Warm Space, Knit & Natter and our courses continue to meet in the Centre as well.

Occasional hirings have increased a lot this year, including wedding receptions, christening parties, funeral wakes, family reunions and church events such as the Friends of St. Faith's quiz, Friends 'Supper for Ukraine' and a Strawberry Tea. 2022 saw the launch of the Community Cinema with shows for both children and adults, which proved popular. We obtained our very own bar premises license this year and were able to use the bar on many occasions for drinks and snacks, which has led to good income for the Centre. The Parish Centre team meet and greet occasional hirers for events, making them feel at home, help parishioners around the church, and do a lot of work behind the scenes, which really helps with the smooth running of things here at St Faith's.

Having grown the work of the Centre, Sally Dudley left for a new role at the end of the year. This provided the Parish Centre Oversight Group with an opportunity to review and discuss the direction of this rapidly evolving role, and in early 2023 we advertised for a Parish Centre Marketing and Events Coordinator to develop things further. During November our hirers were also made aware of the significant increases to energy bills which the Centre was incurring, and we introduced an energy surcharge to help us cover costs.



The Christmas Day Lunch in the Parish Centre

I would like to thank our Parish Centre Oversight Group for their continued support. This is a very exciting time for the Parish Centre and I would like to thank our church members, volunteers, and all our hirers who have stayed with us over the last year, but to also welcome new ones too. What a great community we have here.

## Parochial Church Council

#### Report by Luke Marshall, churchwarden

St Faith's is a charity, and the PCC are the charity trustees, responsible for the governance of the church, its activities and finances. The PCC meets 6 times a year, on Tuesday evenings in the Lowry Room. At most meetings we have one significant item to discuss, which we do at the start of the meeting to ensure we devote enough time to it. After the major items, we receive reports on the church finances, and from the various ministries and activities the church undertakes, the work of which you can see detailed in this APCM report.

Included in the items we discussed in the last year: -

- Bishops Jonathan's vision for the diocese which includes Anna Chaplaincy and young people
- Preparing St Faith's for the next 90 years this has included a discussion on the inside of the building and its use. Our church architect recently discussed this with the PCC, and from this a small group has been set up to work with our architect on plans for the church interior. This includes the vision of how we want to use the building, as well as the practical elements of insulation, decorating, lighting etc.



St Faith's Summer Fete 2022

## People and Planet Group

#### Report by Elaine Johnson & Mandy Hoang, chairs

2022 continued to be a productive year for the St Faith's People and Planet group, thanks to the hard work of those in the group and the support of the St Faith's church community.

The group are continuing to be part of the A Rocha Eco Church Award scheme which guides us towards being more sustainable in our church community and in our own lifestyles. As you will be aware, we achieved our A Rocha Bronze Award in 2021 and we are working towards our Silver Award. St Faith's is continuing to look at ways we can reduce our carbon footprint. In December 2022 an

Energy Audit was undertaken on the church and surrounding buildings. We are still awaiting the results, which will inform us on measures we need to take to reduce our CO2 emissions.

Our two areas for wildflowers have been a challenge at times this year. 2022 saw one of the driest and hottest summers on record. This affected our annual patch which suffered as a result of the drought and it would not have been environmentally responsible or financially fair to the church to have continued watering it. The perennial patch which looks disappointing in the winter, was more successful this year and produced a good display of perennial flowers, including ox-eye daisies and supported several species of bee and beetles. With Roland Rogers' and Mary Shepherd's support we trialled the 'Churches Count on Nature' project and did a count of the flora and fauna in our grounds in July 2022. Again, the weather conditions were not favourable but it is hoped to do more counts in 2023 at differing times of the year. Watch the Weekly Notes for details. The Remembrance Circle Spring flowering bulbs, which were planted in Autumn 2021, produced a pleasing display in front of the church to remember those who died in the Covid pandemic.



The Recycling Hub continues to be well supported and during 2022 we continued to recycle bread bags, toothpaste tubes and toothbrushes, cheese packets and biscuit wrappers. These items are sent to a company called Terracycle and by the end of 2022 we had recycled approximately 51kg of bakery packaging, 32kg of dental products, 5kg of biscuit wrappers and 13kg of cheese wrappers. In August 2022 we were asked by members of Sacred Heart Church in Fareham to provide a bin for aluminium recycling. In those few months we have collected approximately 12kg of foil. The foil is sold and recycled and the money raised supports adults with physical and learning disabilities at the QE2 Activities Centre near Southampton. Thank you to all who support these schemes and help these items to be recycled into useful products. We, as a church, get a small profit from the Terracycle recycling and raised £40.70 in 2022. This money will be used to support environmental projects within the church grounds. Kevin Dean keeps a record of our recycling rates and has produced graphs and information on recycling which can be found on the noticeboards at the back of the church.

To encourage people who use the church and community buildings to cycle to the venue, bike racks are being installed in the car park at the back of the Lowry Room, paid for with a grant from the Coop. We receive ongoing support from the Diocesan Eco Church Group and attend Zoom/in person meetings when possible. We continue to post regular notices in the Weekly Notes to support our church community with ways of becoming more sustainable in our own everyday lives. In October, with the support of Paul and the Ministry Team, the People and Planet group led all 3 services on a Sunday to help raise awareness of the group's aims and to thank the congregation for their support.

When the group was started by Becca Chamberlain in 2019, Elaine and Mandy volunteered to act as joint Chairs of the group for a period of 3 years, as Becca's time was taken up with other commitments, Those 3 years finished at the end of 2022 so Mandy and Elaine are taking a break from running the group, although they continue to be involved. If you are passionate about caring for God's world and you feel that this is something you would like to be involved in please email peopleandplanet@stfaithslee.org.uk



Men's Curry Night, summer 2022

## **Safeguarding**

#### Report by Margaret Hunt, Parish Safeguarding Officer

St Faith's Safeguarding policy is presented to the PCC every year for approval and it is then submitted to the Diocese. A summary can be read on the notice board inside the South Door and on the church website.

Safeguarding has changed considerably in recent years - through new policies and training it is making churches and organisations safer. The wider church has developed a tool called the 'Dashboard' which all parishes are asked to adopt to ensure that we are promoting a Safer Church. It has three levels, each with a 'traffic light system', which shows areas of achievement or, in the amber and red areas, the need to review or complete.

Here at St Faith's we have completed the requirements for Level One -Safer Foundations and Level Two – Safer Activities. We now have to complete Level Three - Safer Practices.

We are fortunate that there are many different groups at St Faith's, each with leaders who give up their time to lead a variety of activities. The Dashboard is a tool which allows the Safeguarding Team to ensure that we develop and maintain good practice for all of these activities. A matrix, provided by the Diocese, allows us to monitor what training is required for learning and development at Basic Level (a one-time training), Foundation Safeguarding or Domestic Abuse and, where advocated, further training in Safer Recruitment and Leadership, all of which need to be renewed every 3 years. These trainings are available as e-learning or may be presented by face to face sessions occasionally both here at St Faith's and by the Diocese.

Thank you to everyone who completed safeguarding training in 2022. There are a few more people who need to complete some training for the parish to achieve Level Three.

We appreciate that these trainings, risk assessments etc. take further time out for all volunteers. However, they are ensuring that we are developing a Safer Culture for children, vulnerable adults and all members of the Parish. All that you do is much appreciated by the PCC and Portsmouth Diocese.



Marking International Women's Day in 2022

## Women4Women in Lee

#### Report by Bridget Dean, chair

As we entered 2022, W4W continued with our monthly coffee mornings. The attendance at these fell away as women became more confident about moving back into wider society and began visiting family and friends. We continued with the coffee mornings as we had intended until July 2022, then made the decision to change the focus of our activities. The coffee mornings had served their purpose well in providing a social space where women could meet, share stories, books, jigsaws and cake. Friendships were made which continue to flourish. We were delighted to have supported people in this way during a difficult time for us all.

Meanwhile, in March we held our third International Women's Day event – this time in person! With the title Womenkind, we based our event around the theme of Kindness. Leading up to the event, we encouraged women to decorate a square of fabric to reflect the theme, which we made into a beautiful Kindness Quilt. You may have seen it hanging in the Lady Chapel last spring. The Lowry Girls sang for us and we invited Jacky Charman from Gosport Voluntary Action and our own Dr Zeb Mebrahtu to

speak on the theme of kindness from their perspectives in the voluntary and health sectors. It was a successful and celebratory event, greatly enjoyed by the 60+ women who attended.

In July, when we held our last coffee morning of the season, we consulted with the people who had been attending the coffee mornings about what they would like us to deliver going forward. The preference was to provide something with more substance than the coffee mornings, appealing to people of all ages. This led to the birth of the 'Ages & Stages' events, starting in November with a session on communication. Sadly, the weather was appalling that afternoon which impacted on the numbers attending; however, all who braved the storm enjoyed it and found it useful.

In Advent we delivered flickering tealights in decorative bags to people in the community that we knew had been struggling for one reason or another. These pop-up events continue to provide us with a reason to drop in on people for a chat, and the W4W team love these opportunities to build relationships.

2022 has been an interesting year in society as people have found their feet again, quickly or slowly, post-pandemic. W4W was set up during the pandemic, and as such has always been envisaged as a group responding dynamically to the needs of the moment, and will continue to do so.

Once more my thanks go to the W4W team for their help and enthusiasm in presenting events, and for their amazing support for each other and the many women – and men – with whom they share their love of God in their daily lives.



High Tide youth event, in the Bulson Hall

## <u>Youth work</u> KfC (Kids for Christ) Report by Alison Jeanneret, leader

2022 was a very exciting year for Kids for Christ. Around 11 youngsters, now aged 15 - 17 continue to meet on Wednesdays in term time at St Mary's Alverstoke Parish Rooms at 5.30pm for a meal and then 1 hour of worship, Bible study, prayer and general rushing about with a football, finishing at 7pm or whenever Tony Camara and I can convince them to go home. Some members have had a go at leading a meeting.

At the beginning of the year High Tide West was inaugurated by Dom de Boo (Youth worker based at St Mary's Rowner) as described by Rebecca Parrett in her report on TGI. 14 youngsters from across the Gosport/Fareham area met at St Philip Howard in January - half of them from KfC who dubbed themselves 'Rent a Crowd' for a while. By the end of 2022 the numbers have more than doubled, KfC members have been interviewed and we have been the host church at St Faith's.

The High Tide team (from across the Diocese) started a Young Leaders group, the Jeremiah Project, in September. 6 members of KfC are attending the bi-monthly meetings.

In February half term KfC helped out at Acts of Kindness, the local Food and Clothes Bank in Gosport. At May Half term we camped at Big Church Festival (previously Big Church Day Out) and the youngsters greatly enjoyed the music and festival atmosphere. I could have done with a bit less rain!



Some of the members of KFC with leaders Tony (left) and Alison (right) at the baptisms in September

In the Summer term we did a series on Baptism with pastors from 4 different churches and 3 different denominations coming to lead the sessions. Afterwards, Tony and I together took each KfC member aside during an outdoor games session and, sitting on a blanket, we chatted about where they were on their faith journey. As a result, we found ourselves planning an Ecumenical Baptism Event. On 11<sup>th</sup> September more than 100 folk gathered at St Faith's to worship, listen to testimony and then walk down to the beach where Isaiah, Noah, Oscar and Ephraim were all baptised in the sea by their own pastors. Not to be outdone and encouraged by the boys, 3 more members made their own commitments and Mia, Caleb and Ruby were baptised in the sea in October. Finally, Sirli was confirmed by our new(ish) Bishop at a quite marvellous service in November. Hallelujah! Praise our Wonderful God!

In the Autumn Term we did a series on Sex and Sexuality which I felt was greatly needed. Dom de Boo came and led it with me as Tony has 2 children in the group and needed to take a back seat. I am extremely grateful to Dom. Please continue to pray for our youngsters as they navigate the minefield of today's sexual ethics.

December came again and various celebratory options were mooted, but another Christmas Feast was what they wanted. There's no doubt that food is still very important to them!

#### TGI Thursday (Thank God It's Thursday) Report by Rebecca Parrett, leader

TGI has now become nicely established with a core group of eight youngsters who are attending regularly. We are beginning to see good relationships developing between them and some really positive faith habits becoming established as they are challenged to read their bibles and engage with the world through the prism of their faith.

Both TGI and KFC have very much enjoyed and valued being part of the High Tide events which provide an important opportunity for young people from across the area to come together and worship and hear from others like themselves. They have also appreciated having access to fun events such as the quarterly United splash events in Fareham and larger annual events such as the Big Church Festival; these are in addition to social events run by and for each of the groups and we will continue to promote a varied calendar of opportunities moving forward.

The group have particularly valued our occasional series on 'faith journeys' where invited guests come to speak to them about their journey to faith and how their faith impacts on their lives. We have been privileged to have heard from a number of members of the congregation at St Faith's including Roger Vann and Kayleigh Ledwith, as well as having the chance to hear from Bishop Jonathan about his faith journey. This also led to a nice write up in the diocesan paper about which the children are, rightly, pleased.



Bishop Jonathan visits TGI Thursday

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**Registered Charity No 1150119** 

# St Faith's Church and Parish Centre Lee on the Solent in the Diocese of Portsmouth

#### Financial Statements for the year ending 31 December 2022

Vicar

Rev. Dr. Paul Chamberlain

#### Treasurer

Colin Skinner

#### Independent Examiner

Peter Nicholls PN Independent Examinations

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#### Introduction to the Financial Statements for St Faith's Church and Parish Centre for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### **Financial review**

Following the difficult years of 2020 and 2021, 2022 saw a developing year with the finances for the Parish Centre. Although the centre has been open for 2022 it has taken a huge amount of work by our paid staff to grow income to a level where income exceeds costs. Work will continue to take activity to levels which hopefully return good ongoing surpluses.

In terms of the Church, we continue to have to address the underlying structural deficit in meeting the Church's day to day running costs in the general fund, although it is pleasing to report that 2022 saw an improvement in giving over 2021. We remain very grateful to the many members who give regularly to the life of the Church.

After the away giving provision of 5% of our giving income, the general fund was  $\pounds$ 3,750 in deficit for the year.

You will aware that the building renovation works to the exterior of the Church building has been taking place and due to these costs, there has been an aggregate net reduction in the Church's funds of £35,632.

Although there are sufficient funds available to meet our liabilities in respect of the remaining external building work, we will not have enough resources to cushion recurring revenue deficits going forward, and therefore if you are a regular worshipper at St Faith's Church and do not give regularly, please consider doing so. It is very important to cover our costs moving forward.

Our accounting policies are detailed in the notes to the accounts and are compliant with Charity law. We continue to use the Church of England recommended bespoke software for Finance Co-Ordinator 4 (FC4). Gift Aid is collated using a complementary package called Donations Co-Ordinator 7 (DC7).

#### **Reserves policy**

It is PCC policy to try to maintain a balance on free reserves (net current assets) which equates to at least three months unrestricted expense payments. This is approximately equivalent to £50,000. It is held to smooth out fluctuations in cash flow and to meet emergencies. The funds viewed as constituting our reserves are detailed below. There are no free reserves in the general fund.

The monies in designated and restricted funds are retained for the purposes detailed below. It is our policy to invest as much of our cash resources as we can in the CCLA Church of England Deposit Funds.

#### Finance team

The finances of the Church and Parish Centre continue to be run by a team who help and support myself as treasurer are. The team are:

#### **Richard Froude**

Richard has now completed eight years as our bookkeeper and continues to do an excellent job. As well as processing the day-to-day transactions through our accounting software Richard also assists Ruth in the office as unofficial debt collector and credit controller.

#### **David Honour**

David continues to help the team in making day to day payments to our various service-providers and reimbursements to our various volunteers.

#### **Peter and Penny Murrells**

Peter and Penny carry out our Gift Aid co-ordination and the claiming this from HMRC.

#### **Roland Rogers**

New to the team 12 months ago or so Roland processes our payroll and liaises with Stewardship Services, our payroll provider, to ensure our staff get paid each month.

In addition to the above, Mike Shrives, Luke Marshall and Paul Chamberlain - are members of the finance committee.

My sincere thanks and appreciation to all the team who volunteer considerable time and energy in helping to run the finances of both the Church and Parish Centre.

Colin Skinner Treasurer

## The accounting statements

Charity accounts must be prepared in accordance with charity law. The Charities Act 2011 requires accounts to be prepared in line with the current Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP).

The accounts are managed using a software system – Finance Co-ordinator 4 – which is recommended by the Church of England. It enables detailed analysis to take place and can produce a wide variety of reports compliant with statutory requirements

The accounting policies are detailed in the notes to the accounts.

## The Church's funds explained.

The Church's funds and their respective income, expenditure, transfers in and out and balances are detailed in the fund movement summary on page 14.

Fund types and 'legal' purposes are explained in the accounting policies section of this report.

Despite efforts to reduce the number of funds the Church now has some 26 funds with monies in them. Each time the Church embarks on a new initiative or ministry there is often a requirement to establish a fund for these activities thus enabling their finances to be kept transparent and ring-fenced for their specific purpose. A brief description of the Church's various funds is set out below and on the following pages.

#### **Unrestricted funds**

#### **General Fund**

This fund contains funds which are either donated or generated for the general operation of the Church. Use of its money is decided by the Finance committee and PCC.

On a day to day running basis there was a nominal surplus for 2022 of £2,522 in the general fund but after transferring £6,272 (5% of our giving income) to the away giving fund (see below), there was in fact a deficit of £3,750.

In addition to the away giving transfer referred to above a further £29,135 was transferred to the fabric fund to cover the cost of the external repairs carried out in the year. A transfer of £864 was made to the 5% retention fund in relation to the external building work and £247 was transferred to support the People and Planet fund.

At the year end the General Fund balance stood at  $\pounds$ 84,564 a reduction of  $\pounds$ 33,998 on the 2021 balance of  $\pounds$ 118,562. Much of this will be spent in 2023 on the remaining external repair work.

## **Designated funds**

#### Away Giving Fund

A fund created in 2018 to provide greater transparency over the amounts set aside for the Church's charitable giving.

After the transfer noted above under the general fund the Away Giving fund balance stands at £6,272 which will be dispersed as soon as practically possible.

#### Bulson interest fund

This fund receives the interest from the Bulson Shares and can be designated by the PCC for any use. This fund is considered as one of our reserves in support of our reserve policy. The year-end balance was £16,993.

#### KJS door fund

This fund arose through a donation from a former member of the ministry team and has been designated by the PCC for the renewal of the Church's doors. It can be used for other purposes in consultation with the donor. The year-end balance was  $\pounds 5,000$ .

#### Parish Centre fund

This designated fund facilitates the income and expenditure associated with running the Parish Centre. In the year, a surplus of £3,612 was generated, somewhat disappointing considering the large increase in activity on 2021 but this is after some one off expenses to obtain a licence for the bar, and a new dishwasher for the kitchen. In addition, energy costs for the final quarter of 2022 were significantly higher than budgeted due to much higher market prices for gas and electricity. At the year-end the fund balance was £7,795. In 2020 the amount of £14,340.77 was transferred into the Parish Centre fund from the General Fund to assist with the upgrade work undertaken in that year. This amount is still owed to the General fund.

#### Rainbow Toddlers Fund

Income generated by the Rainbow Toddlers group was in earlier years included as part of the Parish Centre income. In 2016 a separate fund was established for these funds so they could be designated for the benefit of the group. The year-end balance was £4,180. Details of the activities of the group and the donations they have made to other charitable organisations are detailed in their separate report.

#### Reserve fund

This is held in reserve to meet unforeseen contingencies and supports our reserves policy. The year-end balance was £13,167.

#### Reserve fund Bulson shares

This investment held on our behalf by Portsmouth Diocese at CCLA fund management, is invested in the Church of England Fixed Interest Securities Fund. Interest is received quarterly and paid in to the Bulson Interest fund above. The Capital value showed a decrease in the year of £4,412. It can be used for any purpose at the PCC's discretion and has in the past been used to help pay the parish share. It supports our reserves policy. The year-end valuation was £28,190.

#### **Retention Fund External repairs 5%**

There is a 5% retention built into the stage payments for the external repairs. These monies are retained in this fund and will be paid to the contractor when the retention period expires. The fund currently has a balance of  $\pounds4,305$ .

#### **Restricted Funds**

#### Children and Youth Fund

This fund was originally the Conques Pilgrimage fund and used to pay the cost of young church members who needed help with the travel costs at the time of the Conques pilgrimage. The fund has no current use for that purpose and the PCC has permission to use this fund in support of other children's and youth ministry work in the Church. The fund has been renamed as such and in 2020 the balance of the Church in your hands fund transferred to it. The year-end balance was £1,800.

#### **Choir Robes Fund**

This fund was established to finance the purchase of choir robes by way of an appeal to the congregation. The year-end balance was £13.

#### **Christmas Lunch Fund**

This fund holds monies donated for the Christmas Lunch hosted by St Faith's. The year-end balance was £1,001.

#### **Cuppa and Company**

This fund housed a donation used to support the outreach of the cuppa and company team. This fund will be closed when exhausted and ongoing support if required will be paid for by the general fund. The year-end balance was £26.

# Fabric Fund

The fabric fund facilitates the renewing and repair of the fabric of the Church, and is funded by transfers from the general fund when required and by restricted donations from donors. It is the Church's policy that receipts from legacies are also credited to this fund.

The fabric fund has a balance of £493 at the year-end. Donations of £19,223 were received into this fund during the year and a total of £48,909 was spent on the external repairs. A transfer of £29,135 was received into the fund from the general fund.

## Facilities for the disabled fund

This fund received a donation of £5,000 plus gift aid, to be used towards the cost of upgrading the accessible toilet facilities. The year-end balance was £6,250

## Flower Fund

This fund receives donations from Church members towards the cost of flowers as well as fees for the cost of flowers at weddings. Fundraising efforts by the flower team such as the flower festival are also recorded in this fund. Activities of the flower team are reported separately. The year end balance was £5,044.

### Friends of St Faith fund

This fund receives donations from church members – 'friends' and fundraising proceeds from events held. Projects paid for from this fund are considered and actioned by the friends committee and reported separately by them. The year end balance was  $\pounds$ 7,218.

# History Group Fund

The history group received a restricted donation of £15 during the year which necessitated the creation of a fund for the purpose of recording the group's finances.

### Llewelyn Jones Grave Trust fund

This fund can only be used to maintain the Llewelyn Jones memorial in the church grounds. This fund received monies from the maturity of a War stock investment held by the Diocese as custodian trustee. The year end balance was £1,025.

### Men's Ministry Fund

This fund records finances for the Men's group who meet regularly to enjoy fellowship, a meal and a talk from an interesting speaker. The year end balance was  $\pounds185$ 

# Music Fund

This fund is used to finance the purchase of new music, resources and external musicians for special events and services. It has been supported by donations from the congregation, as well as choir wedding and funeral fees. The year end balance was £403.

## People and Planet fund

This fund records the financial transactions for the People and Planet group. Their activities are reported separately. The year end fund balance was £293.

# TH door fund

This donation and the accompanying gift aid have been restricted for the installation of new doors and their ongoing maintenance by a member of the church. This work forms part of the ongoing re-ordering plans being considered by the fabric committee and PCC. The year end balance was £15,604.

## Vicar's discretionary fund

This fund was established by a donation and associated gift aid from a former member of our congregation who has now moved away. It is used to support the needs of individuals or families who need confidential support. The recipients of such support are known only to the vicar. The year end balance was £1,250.

### Women4women in Lee Fund

This fund created in 2020 is to support the activities of the fund's committee in their ministry to vulnerable women in Lee. Their activities are reported separately. The year end balance was £608.

# **Endowment Funds**

# Bulson endowment fund

This fund represents the build cost of the Bulson Hall and is held in the form of the fixed asset of the Bulson Hall in the Church's accounts. The value of the fund was written down substantially in 2017 and continues to reduce with a depreciation policy now in place for the asset represented by this fund.

#### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Faith's Church, Lee-on-the-Solent.

I report on the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 December 2022 which are set out on pages 12-23.

#### Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) 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 2011 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 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 for 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 those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- The accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- The accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of the accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than in any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

P A Nicholls MBE MAAT 5 Nursery Road Havant Hants PO9 3BG

8 March 2023

# Notes to the Accounts

# **1** Accounting Policies

# Basis of financial statements

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 PCCs, and with the Regulations' "true and fair view" provisions. They are prepared under the applicable accounting standards and the 2019 version of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for 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 affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

# Fund accounting

*Endowment funds* are funds, the capital of which must be retained either permanently or at the PCC's discretion; the income derived from the endowment is to be used either as restricted or unrestricted income funds depending upon the purpose for which the endowment was established in the first place.

*Restricted funds* comprise (a) income from endowments which is to be expended only on the restricted purposes intended by the donor and (b) revenue donations or grants for a specific PCC activity intended by the donor. Where these funds have unspent balances, interest on their pooled investment is apportioned to the individual funds on an average balance basis.

*Unrestricted funds* are income funds which are to be spent on the PCC's general purposes.

*Designated funds* are general funds set aside by the PCC for use in the future. Project funds are designated for particular projects for administration purposes only.

### Incoming resources

Planned giving, collections and similar 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 entitled to the use of the resources, their ultimate receipt is considered reasonably certain and the amounts due are reliably quantifiable. Dividends are accounted when declared receivable, interest as and when accrued by the payer.

All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

# Resources expended

Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding or constructive obligation on the PCC. The diocesan parish share expected to be paid is paid in twelve equal installments and paid over 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.10(2)(a) and (c) 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 inalienable property, listed in the church's inventory, which can be inspected (at any reasonable time).

Assets are generally written off on acquisition and not valued in the financial statements.

The Bulson Hall had been valued at build cost and not depreciated over time. After seeking professional advice the PCC took advice to depreciate our Bulson Hall asset over a period of 50 years. A baseline date of the year 2000 has been used to begin the 50-year period of write down with an annual depreciation charge of £7,700.

A summary schedule of the fixed asset movement for the Bulson Hall and furniture is can be seen on page 17.

Investments are shown at market value at 31 December 2022.

# 2 Statement of Financial Activity (SOFA)

Where headings and sub-headings are shown in the SOFA, these correspond to the analysis of income and expenditure (pages 18 - 20) where a breakdown of the SOFA headings can be found.

# 3 Balance Sheet

The alignment of asset and cash balances shown in the balance sheet to the Church's funds can be found in the 'Statement of Assets and Liabilities showing funding alignment' on pages 21 - 22.

### **Statement of Financial Activities**

# For the period 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	149,420.58	472.00	15,009.03	_	164,901.61	188,846.13
Income from charitable activities	4,379.00	1,933.84	785.25	_	7,098.09	7,964.55
Other trading activities	10,835.26	66,306.32	8,476.31	_	85,617.89	31,218.20
Investments	76.37	1,719.09	303.73	_	2,099.19	999.66
Other income	161.04	—	10,938.77	_	11,099.81	5,852.25
Total income	164,872.25	70,431.25	35,513.09	_	270,816.59	234,880.79
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	2,347.60	21,678.74	2,936.27	_	26,962.61	12,435.21
Expenditure on charitable activities	159,136.42	45,517.25	10,358.60	_	215,012.27	186,226.56
Other expenditure	865.67	2,586.00	48,909.68	7,700.00	60,061.35	78,838.34
Total expenditure	162,349.69	69,781.99	62,204.55	7,700.00	302,036.23	277,500.11
Gains / losses on investment assets	_	(4,411.94)	_	_	(4,411.94)	(2,302.96)
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	2,522.56	(3,762.68)	(26,691.46)	(7,700.00)	(35,631.58)	(44,922.28)
Transfers						
Gross transfers between funds - in	_	7.136.36	30,247.50	_	37,383.86	30,534.51
Gross transfers between funds - out	(36,519.50)	_	(864.36)	_	(37,383.86)	(30,534.51)
Other recognised gains / losses						
Net movement in funds	(33,996.94)	3,373.68	2,691.68	(7,700.00)	(35,631.58)	(44,922.28)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward	118,561.66	82,530.15	38,541.39	215,600.00	455,233.20	500,155.48
Total funds carried forward	84,564.72	85,903.83	41,233.07	207,900.00	419,601.62	455,233.20

#### **Statement of Financial Activities - summary**

# For the period 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted funds	Designated funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
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Total funds carried forward	84,564.72	85,903.83	41,233.07	207,900.00	419,601.62	455,233.20
Unrestricted						
General fund	84,564.72	_	_	_	84,564.72	118,561.66
Designated						
Away Giving	_	6,272.00	_	_	6,272.00	6,091.00
Bulson Interest Fund	_	16,992.98	_	_	16,992.98	15,962.68
Church External Repairs - 5% retention	_	4,305.37	_	_	4,305.37	3,441.01
Door KJS Fund	_	5,000.00	_	_	5,000.00	5,000.00
Parish Centre Fund	_	7,794.94	_	_	7,794.94	4,182.84
Rainbow Toddlers	_	4,180.66	_	_	4,180.66	2,768.75
Reserve Fund	_	13,167.27	_	_	13,167.27	12,481.32
Reserve Fund Bulson Shares	_	28,190.61	_	_	28,190.61	32,602.55
Restricted						
Children and Youth Fund	_	_	1,800.32	_	1,800.32	3,193.54
Choir Robes	_	_	13.50	_	13.50	13.50
Christmas Lunch	_	_	1,001.91	_	1,001.91	798.49
Cuppa and Company	—	—	26.53	—	26.53	26.53
Fabric Fund	—	—	493.49	—	493.49	1,044.33
Facilities for Disabled	—	—	6,250.00	—	6,250.00	6,250.00
Flower Fund	—	_	5,043.85	—	5,043.85	1,244.29
Friends of St Faiths	—	_	7,218.29	—	7,218.29	8,192.64
Llywelyn Jones Grave Trust	-	_	1,025.02	_	1,025.02	1,021.28
Mens' Ministry	_	_	185.49	_	185.49	_
Music Fund	_	_	403.09	_	403.09	235.74
People and Planet Fund	_	_	293.64	_	293.64	419.51
St Faith's History Group	—	_	15.00	—	15.00	_
TH Door Fund	—	_	15,604.46	—	15,604.46	15,401.89
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	—	_	1,250.00	—	1,250.00	_
women4women in Lee	—	—	608.48	—	608.48	699.65
Endowment						
Bulson Investment Fund	—	_	-	207,900.00	207,900.00	215,600.00

# Fund movement by type

# For the period 1 January 2022 - 31 December 2022

Fund and type	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances carried forward
Unrestricted							
General - General fund	118,561.66	164,872.25	162,349.69	(36,519.50)	—	_	84,564.72
Sub-totals	118,561.66	164,872.25	162,349.69	(36,519.50)	_	_	84,564.72
Designated							
Awaygiving - Away Giving	6,091.00	—	6,091.00	6,272.00	—	—	6,272.00
Bullnt - Bulson Interest Fund	15,962.68	1,030.30	_	_	_	—	16,992.98
DoorKJS - Door KJS Fund	5,000.00	—	—	—	_	_	5,000.00
ParCentre - Parish Centre Fund	4,182.84	66,309.16	62,697.06	_	_	—	7,794.94
RainbowT - Rainbow Toddlers	2,768.75	2,405.84	993.93	_	_	—	4,180.66
ResF - Reserve Fund	12,481.32	685.95	_	—	—	_	13,167.27
ResFBS - Reserve Fund Bulson Shares	32,602.55	—	—	_	(4,411.94)	—	28,190.61
Retention - Church External Repairs - 5% retention	3,441.01	_	_	864.36	_	_	4,305.37
Sub-totals	82,530.15	70,431.25	69,781.99	7,136.36	(4,411.94)	_	85,903.83
Restricted							
CandYth - Children and Youth Fund	3,193.54	1,214.51	2,607.73	—	_	—	1,800.32
ChoirRobes - Choir Robes	13.50	—	_	—	_	—	13.50
Chrlunch - Christmas Lunch	798.49	1,058.27	854.85	—	—	_	1,001.91
Cuppa - Cuppa and Company	26.53	—	—	—	—	—	26.53
Fabric - Fabric Fund	1,044.33	19,223.20	48,909.68	29,135.64	_	—	493.49
FacDis - Facilities for Disabled	6,250.00	—	_	—	_	—	6,250.00
Flower - Flower Fund	1,244.29	5,503.33	1,703.77	—	—	_	5,043.85
Friends - Friends of St Faiths	8,192.64	5,752.14	6,726.49	_	_	_	7,218.29
History - St Faith's History Group	_	15.00	_	_	_	_	15.00
LJGT - Llywelyn Jones Grave Trust	1,021.28	3.74	_	—	_	—	1,025.02
MensMin - Mens' Ministry	_	623.75	438.26	—	—	_	185.49
Music - Music Fund	235.74	250.00	82.65		_		403.09
P-Planet - People and Planet Fund	419.51	40.70	414.07	247.50	—	_	293.64
THDoor - TH Door Fund	15,401.89	202.57	_	_	_	_	15,604.46
VicarsDis - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	_	1,250.00	—	—	_	_	1,250.00
w4winLee - women4women in Lee	699.65	375.88	467.05	_	_	_	608.48

Fund and type	Fund balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances carried forward
Sub-totals	38,541.39	35,513.09	62,204.55	29,383.14	_	_	41,233.07
Endowment							
BulsonInv - Bulson Investment Fund	215,600.00	_	7,700.00	—	—	_	207,900.00
Sub-totals	215,600.00	_	7,700.00	_	_	_	207,900.00
Totals	455,233.20	270,816.59	302,036.23		(4,411.94)		419,601.62

#### Balance Sheet As at 31 December 2022

	General Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	At 31/12/2022 £	At 31/12/2021 £
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets	_	_	_	207,900.00	207,900.00	215,600.00
Investments	—	28,190.61	—	—	28,190.61	32,602.55
Fixed assets	_	28,190.61	_	207,900.00	236,090.61	248,202.55
Current assets						
Stocks and work in progress	_	1,707.27	_	_	1,707.27	844.14
Cash at bank and in hand	84,564.72	56,005.95	41,983.07	_	182,553.74	206,601.52
Current assets	84,564.72	57,713.22	41,983.07	_	184,261.01	207,445.66
Liabilities						
Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year	_	_	750.00	_	750.00	415.01
Net current assets less current liabilities	84,564.72	57,713.22	41,233.07	_	183,511.01	207,030.65
Total assets less current liabilities	84,564.72	85,903.83	41,233.07	207,900.00	419,601.62	455,233.20
Total net assets less liabilities	84,564.72	85,903.83	41,233.07	207,900.00	419,601.62	455,233.20
Represented by						
Unrestricted						
Unrestricted - General fund	84,564.72	—	_	—	84,564.72	118,561.66
Designated						
Designated - Away Giving	_	6,272.00	_	_	6,272.00	6,091.00
Designated - Reserve Fund Bulson Shares	_	28,190.61	_	_	28,190.61	32,602.55
Designated - Church External Repairs - 5% retention	—	4,305.37	—	—	4,305.37	3,441.01
Designated - Bulson Interest Fund	_	16,992.98	_	_	16,992.98	15,962.68
Designated - Door KJS Fund	—	5,000.00	—	—	5,000.00	5,000.00
Designated - Parish Centre Fund	—	7,794.94	—	—	7,794.94	4,182.84
Designated - Rainbow Toddlers	—	4,180.66	—	—	4,180.66	2,768.75
Designated - Reserve Fund	—	13,167.27	_	—	13,167.27	12,481.32
Restricted						
Restricted - Children and Youth Fund	—	_	1,800.32	_	1,800.32	3,193.54
Restricted - St Faith's History Group	—	—	15.00	—	15.00	-
Restricted - Llywelyn Jones Grave Trust	—	—	1,025.02	—	1,025.02	1,021.28
Restricted - Mens' Ministry Restricted - Music Fund	_	_	185.49 403.09	_	185.49 403.09	235.74
Restricted - People and Planet Fund	—	—	293.64	—	293.64	419.51
Restricted - TH Door Fund	_	_	15,604.46	_	15,604.46	15,401.89
Restricted - Choir Robes			13,50		13,50	13.50
Restricted - Vicar's Discretionary Fund	_	_	1,250.00	_	1,250.00	
Restricted - women4women in Lee	_	_	608.48	_	608.48	699.65
Restricted - Christmas Lunch	_	_	1,001.91	_	1,001.91	798.49
Restricted - Cuppa and Company	_	_	26.53	_	26.53	26.53
Restricted - Fabric Fund	_	_	493.49	_	493.49	1,044.33
Restricted - Facilities for Disabled	—	—	6,250.00	—	6,250.00	6,250.00
Restricted - Flower Fund	—	—	5,043.85	—	5,043.85	1,244.29
Restricted - Friends of St Faiths	_	_	7,218.29	_	7,218.29	8,192.64
Endowment						
Endowment - Bulson Investment Fund				207,900.00	207,900.00	215,600.00
Funds of the church	84,564.72	85,903.83	41,233.07	207,900.00	419,601.62	455,233.20

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on 21st March 2023 and signed on its behalf by

The Reverend Dr. Paul Chamberlain.....

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#### St Faith's Church Lee-on-the Solent Tangible Fixed Asset summary 31 December 2022

#### **Tangible Fixed Assets**

	Buildings	Furniture	Total
Cost			
As at 1 January 2022	385,000.00	5,719.81	390,719.81
Additions			
As at 31 December 2022	385,000.00	5,719.81	390,719.81
Depreciation			
As at 1 January 2022	169,400.00	5,719.81	157,431.70
Charge for the year	7,700.00		7,700.00
As at 31 December 2022	177,100.00	5,719.81	182,819.81
Net book Value			
As at 31 December 2022	207,900.00	0.00	207,900.00
As at 31 December 2021	215,600.00	0.00	215,600.00

#### Analysis of income and expenditure Selected period: 01 January 2022 to 31 December 2022

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2022	Total 2021
Income and endowments						
Donations and legacies						
Planned Giving	34,237.00	_	_	_	34,237.00	39,946.00
Parish Giving Scheme	70,151.76	—	—	—	70,151.76	60,717.77
On line Donations Gift Aided	145.00	—	—	—	145.00	2,712.00
On line Donations Non-Gift Aided	20.00	472.00	525.10	—	1,017.10	821.39
On line Donations - St Faiths 2	5,123.50	_	_	—	5,123.50	1,005.00
Friends donations	—	—	2,288.00 838.45	—	2,288.00 838.45	1,505.00
Messy Church Loose plate collections	3,860.46	_	030.45	_	3,860.46	543.81 4,727.40
Church In Your Hands		_	50.00		50.00	94.07
One-off Gift Aid gifts	9,130.00	_	1,000.00	_	10,130.00	37,295.00
Donations appeals etc	2,783.00	_	759.60	_	3,542.60	5,476.47
Donations & Fees for Flowers	_	—	553.50	—	553.50	332.30
Tax recovered on Gift Aided Donations	7,533.00	_	420.75	—	7,953.75	19,493.81
Gift Aid Parish Giving Scheme	15,686.86	_	_	—	15,686.86	13,601.11
Legacies	—	—	8,323.63	—	8,323.63	—
Non-recurring one-off grants	750.00	_	250.00	_	1,000.00	575.00
Donations and legacies Totals	149,420.58	472.00	15,009.03	_	164,901.61	188,846.13
Income from charitable activities						
Men's Ministry	_	—	535.25	—	535.25	—
Fees for Weddings	1,382.00	—	150.00	—	1,532.00	1,172.00
Fees for Funerals	2,997.00	_	100.00	_	3,097.00	5,417.00
Rainbow Toddlers		1,933.84	_	_	1,933.84	1,375.55
Charitable Activities Totals	4,379.00	1,933.84	785.25	_	7,098.09	7,964.55
Other trading activities						
Summer Fete	5,061.81	_	—	—	5,061.81	_
Christmas Fayre	2,564.95	_	239.21 7,186.15		2,804.16	2,050.58 3,509.06
Other Fund Raising Events Live Nativity	167.00	_	7,100.15	_	7,186.15 167.00	3,509.06
Evenbrite Ticket Sales		_				294.00
Risograph recharge	677.50	_	_	_	677.50	334.00
Church Lettings	2,286.00	_	_	_	2,286.00	566.25
Bulson Hall Lettings	_	36,693.70	—	—	36,693.70	16,222.80
Lowry Room Lettings	_	10,404.40	_	—	10,404.40	5,683.10
After Church Coffee	_	1,260.36	—	—	1,260.36	461.46
Parish Centre - Bar Takings	78.00	9,747.83	1,050.95	—	10,876.78	2,096.95
Parish Centre Cinema Income	_	774.38	_	_	774.38	_
Parish Centre Other Events	_	7,425.65	—	—	7,425.65	
Other trading activities Totals	10,835.26	66,306.32	8,476.31	_	85,617.89	31,218.20
Investments Bank and building society interest	76.37	1,719.09	303.73		2,099.19	999.66
Investments Totals	76.37	1,719.09	303.73		2,099.19	999.66
Other income	10.01	.,. 10.00	000.10		2,000.10	000.00
Easy Fundraising	57.33	_	_	_	57.33	_
Amazon Smile	23.71	_	_	_	23.71	_
Listed Place of Worship Grant Scheme	_	_	10,898.07	_	10,898.07	_
Recycling Income	—	—	40.70	—	40.70	—
JRS receipts Church	_	—	_	—	_	1,170.45
JRS receipts Parish Centre Surplus - sales of fixed assets	 80.00	_	_	_	 80.00	4,681.80
Other income Totals	161.04	_	10,938.77	_	11,099.81	5,852.25
	164,872.25	70,431.25	35,513.09		270,816.59	234,880.79
Income and endowments Grand totals	104,072.20	10,701.20	33,513.09	_	210,010.33	∠J <del>4</del> ,000.79

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2022	Total 2021
Expenditure						
Raising funds						
Online Donation Fees	134.41	_	1.01	_	135.42	101.13
Online Fees - Parish Centre	_	112.09	_	_	112.09	39.38
Costs of fetes & other events	196.93	_	2,570.96	_	2,767.89	830.34
Summer Fete Costs	808.89	—	_	—	808.89	_
Christmas Fayre Costs	172.87	—	—	—	172.87	219.67
Live Nativity Costs	987.33	—	—	—	987.33	42.53
Eventbrite Ticket Costs	47.17	41.08	_	_	88.25	70.50
Salaries attributable to raising funds PPL/PRS	_	8,799.86 409.42	_	—	8,799.86 409.42	6,216.99 912.00
Parish Centre - Bar purchases	_	3,263.91	364.30	_	3,628.21	912.00 1,754.44
Parish Centre - Function Costs		8,526.64			8,526.64	2,248.23
Parish Centre Cinema	_	525.74	_	_	525.74	
Raising funds Totals	2,347.60	21,678.74	2,936.27	_	26,962.61	12,435.21
Expenditure on charitable activities						
Giving - relief and development agencies	_	6,412.10	1,445.72	_	7,857.82	6,001.00
Home mission	30.00	_	_	_	30.00	_
Secular charities	_	88.10	50.00	_	138.10	150.00
Parish share	114,355.00	—	_	_	114,355.00	111,968.00
Salaries	10,887.52	21,382.71	—	—	32,270.23	26,823.90
Payroll Administration Fees	746.55	—	_	—	746.55	1,010.60
NEST Pension Emp Contribs Church	255.02	—	—	—	255.02	272.45
NEST Pension Fund Emp Contribs PC	—	386.62	—	—	386.62	516.20
Wages - Casual Bar Staff	_	805.00	_	_	805.00	_
Vicar's Expenses	1,113.40	2.60	134.49	—	1,250.49	632.74
Curate's Expenses	117.11	—	_	—	117.11	212.23
Church Flowers	—	—	301.37	—	301.37	194.86
Altar Requisites	1,137.02	—	_	_	1,137.02	902.61
Water rates - vicarage	160.56	—	—	—	160.56	318.67
Parsonage - water Vicar's telephone	94.35 176.00	_	_	—	94.35 176.00	172.32
Education	235.24	150.00	55.00	_	440.24	
Parish training and mission	20.00				20.00	711.12
Youth resources		553.92	1,204.82		1,758.74	1,232.17
Messy Church Costs	_		686.64		686.64	450.62
Youth Activities	_	28.21	285.30	_	313.51	
Men's Ministry	_	_	405.44	_	405.44	_
Church running - insurance	2,313.93	_	_	_	2,313.93	1,982.44
Church office - telephone	—	—	—	—	—	10.00
Church Office - Risograph	3,727.42	—	_	_	3,727.42	3,178.71
Church Office - Computers & Equipment	888.98	—	—	—	888.98	1,598.87
IT resources - purchases & maintenance	1,270.43	—	1,490.00	—	2,760.43	37.20
CCLI	842.00	—	_	_	842.00	982.00
Organist & Musician Fees	7,267.80	—	—	—	7,267.80	7,338.00
Organ / piano tuning	790.52	—	_	_	790.52	616.37
Music Purchases	-	—	82.65	—	82.65	92.24
Church maintenance	1,668.77	7 290 44	747.20	_	1,668.77	1,706.08
Parish Centre Maintenance Upkeep of Church Grounds	81.27	7,380.41	747.20 3,447.13		8,127.61 3,528.40	1,758.10 2,267.42
Church Administration	5,333.63	_	22.84	_	5,356.47	4,406.85
Parish Centre Administration		1,138.01		_	1,138.01	1,626.31
Church - electricity	2,653.10		_	_	2,653.10	1,309.54
Church - gas	2,970.80	_	_	_	2,970.80	1,956.53
Parish Centre - electricity	_	2,653.07	_	_	2,653.07	1,309.52
Parish Centre - gas	—	2,860.77	—	_	2,860.77	1,475.46
Parish Centre - maintenance	_	23.94	_	_	23.94	_
Parish Centre - water	—	701.76	—	—	701.76	44.72
Parish Centre Refreshment Purchases	_	460.91	_	—	460.91	150.71
Church interior and exterior decorating	_	_	_	—	_	350.00
Parish Centre - major repairs - structure	—	—	—	—	—	460.00
Parish Centre upgrade costs	_	489.12	—	_	489.12	_

_	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total 2022	Total 2021
Expenditure on charitable activities Totals	159,136.42	45,517.25	10,358.60	_	215,012.27	186,226.56
Other expenditure						
Verger Fees	420.00	_	_	_	420.00	238.00
Defribrillator Maintenance	_	_	—	_	_	86.22
Bank Fees & Charges	156.67	104.65	—	_	261.32	70.07
Depreciation Charge PC Furniture Fund	—	_	—	_	_	1,144.21
Depreciation Charge Bulson Hall	—	—	—	7,700.00	7,700.00	7,700.00
Parish Centre - Waste Disposal	_	2,481.35	_	_	2,481.35	1,752.68
Professional Fees	289.00	_	—	—	289.00	2,120.00
Church External Repairs	—	_	48,909.68	_	48,909.68	65,727.16
Other expenditure Totals	865.67	2,586.00	48,909.68	7,700.00	60,061.35	78,838.34
– Expenditure Grand totals	162,349.69	69,781.99	62,204.55	7,700.00	302,036.23	277,500.11

# Statement of Assets and Liabilities showing funding alignment As at: 31 December 2022

			Balance	Previous balance
Investments				
6440: Bulson Shares - Asse	t			
Reserve Fund Bulson Shares	Designated		28,190.61	32,602.55
			28,190.61	32,602.55
		Investments	28,190.61	32,602.55
Tangible assets				
6430: Bulson Hall - land and	-			
Bulson Investment Fund	Endowment		207,900.00	215,600.00
			207,900.00	215,600.00
		Tangible assets	207,900.00	215,600.00
Cash at bank and in hand				
6501: CAF current account				
Away Giving	Designated		6,272.00	6,091.00
Children and Youth Fund	Restricted		1,192.43	2,341.23
Choir Robes	Restricted		13.50	13.50
Christmas Lunch	Restricted		1,089.39	798.49
Church External Repairs - 5% retention	Designated		4,305.37	3,441.01
Cuppa and Company	Restricted		26.53	26.53
Fabric Fund	Restricted		377.82	930.16
Facilities for Disabled	Restricted		6,250.00	6,250.00
Flower Fund	Restricted		5,043.85	1,244.29
Friends of St Faiths	Restricted		720.56	1,779.27
Llywelyn Jones Grave Trust	Restricted		737.33	737.33
Mens' Ministry	Restricted		185.49	_
Music Fund	Restricted		403.09	235.74
Parish Centre Fund	Designated		2,695.64	893.26
People and Planet Fund	Restricted		293.64	419.51
Rainbow Toddlers	Designated		2,901.31	1,210.58
St Faith's History Group	Restricted		15.00	_
Vicar's Discretionary Fund	Restricted		1,250.00	_
women4women in Lee	Restricted		608.48	699.65
General fund	Unrestricted		49,168.35	83,892.69
Agency collection	Restricted		750.00	5.00
			84,299.78	111,009.24
6502: Lloyds current accou	nt - Asset			
Children and Youth Fund	Restricted		(282.08)	(26.10)
Christmas Lunch	Restricted		(87.48)	_
Parish Centre Fund	Designated		3,173.86	2,640.12
Rainbow Toddlers	Designated		1,279.35	1,558.17
General fund	Unrestricted		724.51	(2.89)
			4,808.16	4,169.30

		Balance	Previous balance
6511: CCLA (CBF) Reserv			
Door KJS Fund	Designated	5,000.00	5,000.00
Reserve Fund	Designated	13,167.27	12,481.32
General fund	Unrestricted	34,671.86	34,671.86
		52,839.13	52,153.18
	n and Youth Account - Asset		
Children and Youth Fund	Restricted	889.97	878.41
		889.97	878.41
6513: CCLA (CBF) Fabric	und Account - Asset		
Fabric Fund	Restricted	115.67	114.17
		115.67	114.17
6514: CCLA (CBF) Bulson	Interest Account - Asset		
Bulson Interest Fund	Designated	16,992.98	15,962.68
		16,992.98	15,962.68
	n Jones Grave Trust - Asset		
Llywelyn Jones Grave Trust	Restricted	287.69	283.95
		287.69	283.95
6516: CCLA (CBF) Friends	of St Faiths - Asset		
Friends of St Faiths	Restricted	6,497.73	6,413.37
		6,497.73	6,413.37
6517: CCLA (CBF) Parish	Centre Reserve Account - Asset		
Parish Centre Fund	Designated	218.17	215.33
		218.17	215.33
6518: CCLA (CBF) TH Doo	r Fund - Asset		
TH Door Fund	Restricted	15,604.46	15,401.89
		15,604.46	15,401.89
	Cash at bank and in hand	182,553.74	206,601.52
tocks and work in progress			
6600: Parish Centre Bar S Parish Centre Fund	ock - Asset Designated	1,707.27	844.14
Failsh Centre Fund	Designated	·	
		1,707.27	844.14
	Stocks and work in progress	1,707.27	844.14
gency accounts			
6699: Agency collections Agency collection	Liability Restricted	750.00	5.00
Agency concettori		750.00	5.00
			5.00
	Agency accounts	750.00	5.00

		Balance	Previous balance
	Creditors: Amounts falling due in	one vear	
	Creators. Amounts failing due in t	one year	
Z04: Accounts Payable -	Liability		
Parish Centre Fund	Designated	_	410.01
			410.01
	Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year		410.01
	Grand Total	419,601.62	455,233.20