# St. Margaret's Church, Barking - Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the Year Ended 31 December 2022

#### **Administrative information**

The PCC is a registered charity with the Charity Commission namely Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of Barking

Charity No 1134027

St Margaret's Church is located in the Abbey Ward of London Borough of Barking & Dagenham and draws members from the four local authority wards in Barking (Abbey, Eastbury, Gascoigne and Thames).

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PCC members who served at any time from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022 are:

Revd. Mark Adams

Cynthia Adams

Babajide Aina

Folashade Fagbemi

Chika Nduku

Carol Brabender

Andrew Earwaker

Irene Earwaker

**David Jarvis** 

Kunle Olaifa

Lola Sanwo

Joelraj Soundrapandian

Kanayo Omo

Jebaraj Soundrapandian

Hilton Idahosa

Ubalda Gaston-Roe

Nick Roe

Susan Lancaster-Marvin

Revd. Mark Adams is incumbent vicar and Chairman of the PCC.

#### Structure, governance and management

The PCC is made up of Clergy, Reader, Church Wardens and elected members from the church. Working under the National Church Representation Rules, all church members are encouraged to register on the Church Electoral Roll and to stand for election to the PCC.

The PCC operates under the chairmanship of the vicar, it's constitution provides representation from the whole membership of the church. The PCC oversees the life and work of the church and is responsible for the financial management and maintenance of the church buildings.

The PCC holds 4 scheduled meetings in a year but can also convene extra special meetings if and when there is need. There are committees that cater for the different facets of the Church's administration, these committees meet as at when required and report back to the PCC.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

The parish aims to promote love and worship of God in the community through acts of worship drawn from the Book of Common Prayer and the Church of England's Common Worship. The Gospel of Christ is proclaimed in the parish as recorded in the Holy Scriptures, embodied in the traditions of the Church and day to day living.

The PCC is committed to being an inclusive community where all are welcome regardless of age, race or way of life. Also the parish provides a welcoming place of worship to all Christians irrespective of their point in the journey of faith.

The parish gives pastoral ministry to the London Borough of Barking & Dagenham by holding services with the Mayor and Councillors on both Civic and Remembrance Sundays.

#### **Review of the Year 2021**

#### Church Attendance

There were 183 names listed on the Parish Electoral Roll in 2021

#### **PCC Report**

The PCC in the course of the year promoted the mission of the church in the parish through the range of worship services offered in the church and a variety of other spiritually benefitting activities.

There were five PCC meetings during the year at which the following were discussed:

- . Vestry Elections
- . Finance and Church Fabric

- . Sub Committee Reports
- . Deanery Synod Reports
- . School Governing Reports
- . Church worship

A more robust safeguarding policies were introduced aided by an officer who comes in weekly to update the safer recruitment process.

The church developed a new website and has been experiencing an increased social media presence.

Over the year, a contract was awarded for urgent repairs needed on the Bell Tower. The church joined in celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and hosted a civic service to mark the passing away of her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

In general, the church continued to grow in all aspects and going through a revival spiritually.

#### **Financial Review**

The lifting of the coronavirus pandemic restrictions had a positive impact on offerings and other income.

In 2022, incoming resources were £54,600 (£45,417 in 2021). Offerings increased by £7,732 (26%). Expenses increased by £13,710 (18%) to £89,832 (£76,122 in 2021). Of the £89,832 total expenses, parish share was £52,008 (58%)

A deficit of £35,232 for the year 2022 (£30,706 in 2021)

Details of receipts, payments, and balances held in all the funds are in the financial statements.

#### Conclusion

In 2022, life finally returned to normal after two years of pandemic and with the first full year of a new vicar, growth and revival began in St Margarets Church and is giving a hope for the future.

Many thanks to all the volunteers who work so hard to make the parish a welcoming place of worship and fellowship. We appreciate all the people that continue to give offerings and donations to the church but would also like to reach out for more help and support in maintaining the fabric of St, Margaret's - A place of Great History and Heritage.

May God in His infinite grace and mercy continue to grant us the will and devotion to serve Him and bring His light to our community.

#### **Emmanuel Fagbemi**

PCC Charity Officer October 2022

### INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PARISH OF BARKING

#### Independent examiner's report to the Trustees of THE PARISH OF BARKING

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Parish of Barking for the year ended 31 December 2022.

#### Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of The Parish Of Barking (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of The Parish Of Barking are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

#### Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities (applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)).

I have no concerns and 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.

Michael Lomotey. FCCA Fred Michael & Co Ltd 216 High Road Chadwell Heath Essex RM6 6LS

Date: 28 April 2023

Parish of Barking 2022 Accounts in compliance with Charities Act 1993

2022 Accounts in compliance with chartics A	Incoming	Resources	Surplus/	Transfers	Movement for the	Balances c/fwd at	
	resources	expended	(Deficit)	between funds	year	1 January 2022	31 December 2022
St Margaret's							
General Reserve	54,600	89,832	(35,232)		(35,232)	(42,535)	(77,767)
48 Sunningdale Avenue Fund			-		-	165,000	165,000
Children & Youth Workers' Fund	-	-	-		-	20,054	20,054
Church Memorial Fund	-	-	-		-	4,274	4,274
Church Repairs - Bell Tower	1,123	28,557	(27,434)		(27,434)	132,479	105,044
Housing Fund	16,775	3,788	12,987	-	12,987	99,393	112,380
Security Fund		-	-		-	489	489
Total Unrestricted Funds	72,497	122,177	(49,680)	-	(49,680)	379,153	329,473
Choir Fund	-	-	-		-	1,033	1,033
Flower Fund	-	-	-		-	222	222
Organ Fund	-	1,456	(1,456)		(1,456)	(1,538)	(2,993)
Total Restricted Funds	-	1,456	(1,456)	-	(1,456)	(282)	(1,738)
Lake Bequest Fund	761	3,396	(2,634)		(2,634)	17,866	15,231
Total Endowment Funds	761	3,396	(2,634)	-	(2,634)	17,866	15,231
St Margaret's Total	73,259	127,028	(53,770)	-	(53,770)	396,736	342,966
St Margaret's Centre							
General Reserve	27,217	25,018	2,199	-	2,199	48,925	51,124
St Margaret's Centre Total	27,217	25,018	2,199	-	2,199	48,925	51,124
Barking Parish Total	100,476	152,047	(51,571)	-	(51,571)	445,660	394,090

## Parish of Barking

## Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2022

	20	)22	2021		
	£	£	£	£	
Non-current Assets	_	~	_	_	
48 Sunningdale Avenue	165,000		165,000		
Office and Kitchen Equipment	1,664		3,700		
		166,664		168,700	
Current Assets					
Barclays Bank - Community Account	124,061		161,040		
CBoF Investment A/c	81,513		86,920		
CBoF Investment A/c - Lake Bequest	25,580		28,976		
CBoF Deposit Account	27,910		27,548		
Petty Cash	534		559		
Prepayments	4,401		4,026	_	
	263,999		309,069	-	
Current Liabilities					
Other Creditors	5,130		1,126		
Diocesan Fees	460		-		
Mens' Night	100		100		
Ladies Breakfast Bar	40		40		
Mission Giving	30,842		30,842		
iviission diving	36,573		32,109	-	
	30,373		32,103		
Net Current Assets		227,426		276,961	
TOTAL ASSETS		394,090		445,660	
Financed by:					
48 Sunningdale Avenue Fund		165,000		165,000	
Children & Youth Worker's Fund		20,054		20,054	
Choir Fund		1,033		1,033	
Church Memorial Fund		4,274		4,274	
Church Repair Fund - Bell Tower		105,044		132,479	
Flower Fund		222		222	
General Reserve Fund		(26,644)		6,389	
Housing Fund		112,380		99,393	
Lake Bequest Fund		15,231		17,866	
Organ Fund		(2,993)		(1,538)	
Security Fund		489		489	
		394,090		445,660	
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