

St Denys



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**ANNUAL
VESTRY
MEETING
3rd April 2017**

Parish Church of St. Denys, Lisvane
Annual Vestry 2017
Monday 3rd April 2017 at 7.30pm in St Denys Church

Agenda

1. Prayers.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Chairman's welcome.
4. To receive and confirm the Minutes of 2016 Annual Vestry held on 18th April 2016
5. To receive and discuss the Parish Report including the Audited Accounts for 2016 and the Budget for 2017
6. To receive *en bloc* Reports which are included in the Parish Report.
7. To make the following elections
 - Churchwarden-the People's warden.
 - Parochial Church Councillors not exceeding 12 in number.
 - Sides Persons/Welcomers
8. To appoint an Auditor.
9. To consider any other business of which notice has been given and to which the Meeting consents.
10. Closing Prayer and Blessing

A qualified Elector is a Communicant member over the age of sixteen whose name is entered on the Electoral Roll of the Parish.

All nominated for any office must be communicant members, eighteen years old or over and a qualified elector.

No person should be nominated unless he/she has signed the consent column of the Nomination Form.

Notice of other business under Item 9 should be given in writing to the Chairman (Vicar) or Secretary of the P.C.C. not less than 24 hours before the Annual Vestry Meeting

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING
MONDAY 18th APRIL 2016 AT 7.30pm
ST. DENYS CHURCH**

**Present: Rev Chris Burr (Vicar and Chairman)
Mr Stephen Brunker & Mrs Keren Rogerson (Churchwardens)
25 Parishioners attended the meeting.**

1. PRAYERS.

Keren Rogerson opened the meeting with prayers.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

These were received from Dilys Graham, Ruth & Jeff Toye, Andrew & Gill Crow, Tim Rogerson, Mark Aherne, Judy Lewis, Angela Goddard, Michael & Rosemary Durrant, Bev Plow & Christine Steward.

3. CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME.

Rev Chris welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

Rev Chris thanked everyone who works so very hard week on week to make sure St Denys ticks over as smoothly as it does. He said we have a smile sometimes that St Denys is a church which has a rota for just about everything, but each rota is made up of a team of people prepared to give up their time and energy to cover a huge variety of tasks and responsibilities.

Rev Chris made mention of the outgoing PCC (11 of the current 12 which will be seeking re-election this evening) and of the wonderful job they do. It's a very balanced group of people which have served the church exceptionally well over the past 12 months. They have been extremely supportive of Rev Chris without being 'yes' people which would serve neither the Church nor Rev Chris well.

Rev Chris flagged up the additional responsibilities his 3 month sabbatical created for wardens Keren Rogerson and Stephen Brunker and said the majority of their work goes unnoticed. In Steve and Keren he has two very fair, balanced and subjective people who prayerfully support both the church and himself as its leader in ways which few would appreciate and he thanked them both. Rev Chris also thanked Denise Searle.

Brief comment was then made on the past 12 months which brought with it a period when he and many others found extremely difficult. We lost several members within a short space of time and that significantly impacted us as a church and continues to do so in many ways. But it also yielded a sense of togetherness too which can only be honed through shared experiences like these and that we must work hard to maintain that but it's been bought at a high price.

Turning to the church finances, Rev Chris referred to Nigel Morris', the treasurer's report, that financially it's been a very positive one and that's enormously encouraging. The increase seen in committed giving helps us plan our mission and ministry far more effectively and confidently.

Interestingly whilst giving has increased average attendances have decreased despite only losing 2 members and new member numbers joining the electoral roll being higher than last. Rev Chris said this pattern is being reflected in many churches from his conversations with other church leaders. For a whole variety of reasons people are attending church less regularly, maybe 2 to 3 times a month rather than 3 to 4. The sabbatical period definitely had an impact last year but nevertheless it's not a trend Rev Chris would like to see continue. When new people come into a church it's not good to be met by one that's half empty and if we talk about church in terms of relationship and even of family that means being there for one another rather than taking a consumerist approach to our gatherings.

Rev Chris then turned to the subject of Church House and said that whilst we have had the verbal assurance from the Archbishop, the Archdeacon and the RB that the monies are being released on our parish equity share in the Vicarage to fund the redevelopment, he is waiting for it in writing to enable us to pick through the details of that before we commit too much time and energy to the matter. So for now we have the green light and once we know the terms and conditions then a meeting of the whole church will be called where we can all have our say to make sure that what we build will serve us best.

Rev Chris mentioned that over the course of the coming year the emphasis will be placed on personal discipleship. We will explore what it means to follow Jesus and the privileges and responsibilities that come with that both as individuals and as a church and what it means to serve our communities.

Rev Chris concluded with an extract from the traditional 1984 Book of Common Prayer which he trusted would set a framework for all that we seek to do as a church in the coming year:

We offer and present unto thee, O Lord,
ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable,
holy, and living sacrifice unto thee, beseeching thee
to keep us, by thy grace, in this holy fellowship and to enable
us to do all those good works which thou has
prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our
Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Spirit be all honour
and glory, world without end.

4. TO RECEIVE AND CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING HELD ON 13th APRIL 2015

The minutes were agreed to be a true and accurate record and signed by the Vicar. Proposed and seconded.

5. TO RECEIVE AND DISCUSS THE PARISH REPORT INCLUDING THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR 2015 AND THE BUDGET FOR 2016

The accounts and budget were accepted as detailed in the Annual Parish Report.

Mr Nigel Morris, Treasurer, presented the financial report covering the accounts for 2015 and the budget for 2016 as printed in the Parish Report.

Financially, 2015 was a very good year, Nigel was pleased to report. There was a significant rise in planned giving, and with the gift aid tax relief this source of income generated an additional £20K, which is perhaps somewhat strange given the fall in attendances. Fees were £2K up on the previous year and we also received £2,100 from the enforced encashment of the Government War loan.

There were no major unexpected items of expenditure and no significant repair bills. With the departure of Miriam during the year, there was a saving of £8K and overall a net surplus of almost £30K was generated. The bank balance at the yearend was approximately £40K. Nigel said he hasn't said that before! This has enabled us to repay our interest bearing Diocesan loan early. Nigel thanked Roy Goddard for his work as Independent Finance role and thanked Diana, as Gift Aid officer also and was grateful that both are continuing with these important roles for another year.

Rev Chris thanked Nigel for all his hard work, his diligence and expertise and most of all for his good news!

Andrew Keogh, Electoral Roll Officer reported that during the last 12 months two people left the roll and four people sadly died. However four long standing parishioners re-joined the roll and we have three new members, Irena Alexandrov, Wendy Davies and William Morgan. A round of applause was given for these new members.

Andrew also made mention of the new history of St Denys written by Barry Davies and Tony Edwards and this will be available to view on the new church website, with a hard copy version in due course. A info leaflet has also been produced by Andrew with the aim for it to be delivered to any newcomers to the area. Andrew then demonstrated his new cobweb busting device which will prove invaluable in tackling those hard to reach places.

Rev Chris thanked Andrew for all his hard work.

6 TO RECEIVE *EN BLOC* REPORTS WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN THE PARISH REPORT

Rev. Chris referred to the reports contained in the Parish Report. These were accepted en bloc unanimously. Proposed and seconded. Rev Chris made mention of the work undertaken by Lianne Gatheridge as Baptism officer and offered his thanks. On average we see 8/9 baptisms a year at St Denys, however this year there has been a huge increase and we have 25 booked in so far. This is a very healthy sign for church and attendances at Christmas and Easter in particular have been higher.

7. TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ELECTIONS

7.1 Churchwardens

Stephen Brunker will continue in his role as Vicar's Warden

There was one nomination for People's Warden, Keren Rogerson, and she will continue in this role.

7.2 PCC

12 people are to be elected to the PCC annually and this year there were 11 nominations plus the youth rep.

The following are elected as the PCC for 2016/17

Mark Aherne	Michael Inkpen	Justine Jones	Andrew Keogh
John Lancaster	Martin Plow	Martyn Ridge	Tim Rogerson
Matt Sellers	John Steward	Mererid Stone	Thomas Burr (Youth Rep)

Hazel Craven has left PCC and Rev Chris has written and thanked her for her commitment over the past year.

7.3 Sidespersons/welcomers

As a rota is in place for these duties no vote had to take place.

Triennial Elections

Diocesan Conference Rep: Mererid Stone

Area Deanery conference reps:

Catherine Kerby
John Lancaster
Anita Griffiths
Matt Sellers
Michael Inkpen

Rev Chris thanked all these volunteers.

8. TO APPOINT AN AUDITOR

Roy Goddard who undertakes this role and does an excellent job has very kindly agreed to continue for a further year which is much appreciated.

9. TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AND TO WHICH THE MEETING CONSENTS

A parishioner enquired as to what stage the appointment of a new Youth Leader had reached. Rev Chris said short listing would take place later this week and an appointment made in the next couple of weeks. Four candidates attended a service at St Denys recently. Rev Chris made mention of the excellent job that Duncan Shadwell and Matt Sellers have done with our young people during this period and also praised the new youth group Alpha & Omega born out of a recent youth alpha group.

10 CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

At 8.30pm the meeting stood for a minute's silence in memory of John Gough, Shirley Hodge, Louise Knight, Jim Richards and Diana Clarke who had all passed away in the previous year as well as remembering Heather Williams, Daisy Lewis and Richard Kerby.

Steve Brunker closed in prayer followed by a blessing from Rev Chris.

PARISH REPORT FOR 2016

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OBJECTS AND CONSTITUTION

The Parish of St Denys, Lisvane, in the Cardiff Deanery, is part of the Diocese of Llandaff within the Church in Wales. The parish is situated to the north of Cardiff, east of Llanishen and adjoining the Diocese of Monmouth.

The church address is:-
The Church in Wales
St Denys Church
Church Road
Lisvane
CARDIFF CF14 0SJ

The Church in Wales is a province within the Anglican Communion and, as such, exists to advance the Christian Religion through world-wide mission. The object of the Parochial Church Council is to ensure that the Life and work of the Church within the Parish helps to fulfil that mission, both locally and more widely.

The P.C.C. is not a body corporate. Its composition, procedure, and powers are regulated by the Constitution of the Church in Wales, as amended from time to time by its Governing Body, set up under Section 13(1) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914. Elections are held at an Annual Vestry Meeting which must take place on or before 30th April. All persons whose names are entered on the Electoral Roll are entitled to vote and stand for election. Before assuming office, every member of the Council must sign a declaration that he or she will be bound by the Constitution.

The Representative Body of the Church in Wales holds the land and property of the Church in Wales, including St. Denys' Church building, its contents and the churchyard. The Representative Body is an Exempt Charity and was set up under Section 13(2) of the Welsh Church Acts 1914. It acts on behalf of the Province in paying the stipends of full time clergy, and administers the Church in Wales scheme of Gift Aid giving and recovers tax on behalf of parishes. The P.C.C. is responsible inter alia for promoting the mission of the church, the parochial budget and all expenditure there under, the care and maintenance of the church fabric and of the churchyard, and for action on any other matter referred to it in accordance with the Constitution.



The Council is also the normal channel of communication between the parishioners and the Bishop of the Diocese.

It is the responsibility of both the P.C.C. and the Incumbent to work together and co-operate in all matters of concern and importance in the parish for the promotion of the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic and ecumenical in the parish.

The parish policies and aims are encapsulated in our Church Mission Statement:

BELONGING / SERVING / BLESSING

Belonging

At St Denys we want to create an atmosphere of belonging where all are welcomed, accepted, valued and feel at home.

We want to encourage everyone to encounter God and experience what it means to belong to Him by following Jesus in the power of The Holy Spirit.

Serving

At St Denys we want to encourage people to serve God wholeheartedly.

We want to encourage everyone to follow Jesus' example by sacrificially serving people with humility, love and compassion.

Blessing

At St Denys we want to create a culture of blessing.

We want to encourage people to reflect God's generosity by sharing His blessings with us both individually and as a church.

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

At the Vestry meeting on 18th April 2016, the new Parochial Church Council comprised: -

Ex Officio (7)**Chairman**

Rev'd Chris Burr

Lay Reader

Mr Duncan Shadwell

Churchwardens**Vicar's Warden** (Appointed)

Mr Stephen Brunker
11 Pen-y-Wain Place
Roath
CARDIFF
CF24 4GA

People's Warden (Elected)

Mrs Keren Rogerson
15 Page Drive
Pengam Green
CARDIFF
CF24 2TU

Secretary

Mrs Denise Searle

Treasurer

Mr Nigel Morris

Co-opted Youth Representative Mr Thomas Burr**Elected Members (11)**

Mark Aherne	Michael Inkpen	Justine Jones	Andrew Keogh
John Lancaster	Martin Plow	Martyn Ridge	Tim Rogerson
Matt Sellers	John Steward	Mererid Stone	

N.B. Our Gift Aid Secretary, Mrs Diana Morris, is not a P.C.C. Member.

The positions of Ministerial Assistant and Secretary are held by salaried members of staff and therefore are on the PCC as permanent observers.

Incumbent's Report

Changes in the Diocese and the 20/20 Vision

For the past few years we have held a joint Lent Course with Christ Church Roath Park, a church with which we have a covenant to work more closely together. This covenant not only recognises the joy of collaborative ministry but also lays a foundation for closer working in the future between existing parishes under the Church in Wales' 20/20 Vision.

Part of 20/20 is the proposal that existing parishes be grouped and renamed as Ministry Areas (MAs) but the pace of change varies enormously from Diocese to Diocese. Here in Llandaff for example very few MAs have been set up as yet, but that may or may not be about to change.

As I write our Diocese is in the process of electing a new bishop and inevitably a change of bishop will bring about a change in priorities. It may well be therefore that the pace of reorganisation changes too and if that happens it's part of my job to ensure that we are prepared for that possibility.

The Role of Wardens

St [Denys](#) is quite unique within the Anglican tradition in Wales. It's particularly diverse and eclectic and, whilst its diversity is to be celebrated, it also means that particular care needs to be taken in holding that tension.

There are many areas of church life which naturally overlap and are important to all of us such as discipleship and pastoral care to name a couple of obvious examples. However it must also be recognised that different congregations have different priorities. For example in our traditional services there is a strong emphasis on liturgical worship but in our contemporary services very little liturgy is used and there is a much stronger emphasis on contemporary worship.



If St [Denys](#) is to continue to thrive, care needs to be taken that all aspects of church life are cherished, nurtured and indeed challenged from time to time. If [MAs](#) do become established in the Diocese then potentially the cleric in charge will become a rather more remote figure than he / she is at present and greater responsibility will fall to the Wardens and the laity in setting out vision and priorities in mission.

I and the two wardens will commit to work closely to ensure that all areas of church life are celebrated and affirmed whatever changes may lie ahead in terms of Bishops, Archbishops and MAs.

A Year of Challenges and Changes at St Denys

Looking back over the past year once again it's not been without its challenges. We began the year on the back of a season where we had sadly witnessed the passing of several cherished members of our church over a short period of time. There is no doubt that many felt an ongoing sense of sadness and loss throughout the year and it's taken time for us to begin looking positively towards the future once more. But God has been faithful and we look back at a period and recognise our Good Shepherd has gently guided us through that dark valley.

It's been an unsettled year also in terms of church leadership. We were delighted that The Rev'd Dr Hector Patmore was licensed as NSM Curate to the parish last summer but as we know shortly afterwards Hector was offered the post of Director of Ministerial Studies at St George's College, Jerusalem. This was a truly wonderful opportunity for Hector to return to Israel but whilst celebrating his achievement, were very sad to say goodbye to him, Lydia and Bertie which we did last December.

We also said goodbye last December to Keren Rogerson, the then People's Warden. After many years at St Denys she and Tim decided it was time to move on and we wish them well in the future as a couple and as a family.

Whilst we said our goodbyes to Hector and Keren and thanked them for their various Ministries, we said hello to Charis Moon who was appointed as a new full time youth leader last Autumn. Charis has settled in very well indeed since joining us, and is already making a valuable contribution to church life. We look forward to prayerfully supporting Charis in the months and years to come as we seek to nurture and encourage our children and young people in their relationship with Jesus Christ.

Exodus Church, Mbale & PONT

In February I led the second team from St Denys to make the 4,000 to make the 4,000 mile trip from Cardiff to Uganda. Once again it proved a wonderful time for all concerned and some described it as a 'life changing experience'. It served to consolidate our link with Exodus and we look forward to Pastor Andrew finishing his theological training this year and stepping in as the full time pastor there. I'm proud that our direct sponsorship enabled Andrew to fulfil his training and I have no doubts that our link will go from strength to strength. I'll be organising further trips in due course ... and perhaps we're due another visit back to Israel someone soon. I'll keep you posted on both!

Ordinands on Placement

Once again we have hosted several students on placement over the last twelve months. These generally range from between 4-6 weeks and I always enjoy seeing people exploring their vocations in this way and offering what support and encouragement we can as a church. In addition we have had an ordinand on placement for each of the 7 years I've been here. These last for a year at a time. Last year we had Hector of course, and presently Ceri Berry is with us on Sundays and Mondays. If you haven't yet had chance to chat to Ceri and get to know her a little then please do so.

The Alpha Course

We ran a highly successful Alpha Course last Autumn and thanks to Mike & Julia Plaut and Duncan Shadwell for undertaking that for us. That particular course has finished but it's participants have now morphed into a home group which Mike & Julia have committed to lead.

Church House

Having secured funding for the redevelopment of Church House work continues in the background to prepare the groundwork to enable that to happen. We have already consulted with various user groups as to what facilities they would ideally like to see there and we're currently asking 3 different architects to draw up plans. It'll be a wee while yet before we see any visible changes but I'm hoping that this time next year things will really be cracking on and it's very much hoped that the project will be complete early in 2019.

What an asset and a help that redevelopment promises to be. Particular thanks to Martin Plow for his hard work so far ... and indeed for all that remains to be done to enable our vision to become a reality.

Discipleship

Looking forward there will be an emphasis this year on personal discipleship in the faith. We want St Denys to be as strong a church as it can be in terms of participating in God's mission to the world (Matthew 28) and building and extending the influence of His Kingdom in our lives and communities.

To this end I'm actively looking to extend our home group network which promote a real sense of belonging, so important in an eclectic church like ours. Home groups, when they work well, provide space for people to study and discuss matters of faith, pray together and learn from one another in a way that's just not possible in the context of a regular service.

We have a good network already but I'm hoping that far more of our church will be members of a home group within twelve months time. If you're not already part of a group I'd encourage you to prayerfully think about joining one. Please look out for more on this in the coming months.

And finally ...

It's just not possible to thank all those who deserve to be thanked for their contribution to the life of our church over the past year but hopefully you know who are. I recognise the effort you put in and the difference that makes. I am especially grateful to those who actively exercise a ministry of encouragement both to myself and others.

We all know that living in community can be hard and it's much easier to be critical than it is to be tolerant. But we are called not just to talk about grace and humility but to model it too for this is when we enable the Holy Spirit to work most effectively and transformationally.

When all is said and done, and whatever our plans and strategies, if the Gospel of Jesus Christ is not at the centre of all that we do and that we seek to do, we won't further the Kingdom of God one iota. But in Christ, and through the power of the Spirit, we ordinary people can do extraordinary things:

'Thy Kingdom come; thy will be done'

Every blessing

Rev Chris

Every blessing to you

Rev Chris

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Electoral Roll & Church Attendance



As you know, in 2015 the electoral roll was completely renewed in accordance with the constitution of the Church in Wales. The number on the new electoral roll at the 2015 AVM was considerably lower than previous years at **188**; down from an average of around 240. There was a small increase to **189** at EVM in 2016. During the last year four members left the parish and one sadly died, however I'm pleased to say that we have six new entries on the electoral roll this year so our current total is now **190**.

The Sunday average attendances for May 2016 (including children) was **112** ; this is down on the average for May 2015 at **139** and May 2014 at **168**. The velethon that took place on the 22nd May probably contributed to a drop in numbers for the month.

In 2016 total communicants at Easter was **201** (**171** in 2015 and **184** in 2014) and at Christmas there were **156** (**171** in 2015 and **206** in 2014).

The average 2016 attendances for persons over 18 years, as required in the report to the Archdeacon, is **120** an increase over 2015's total at **118**. In 2010 it was **133**; in 2011 it was **142**; 2012 it was **137**; in 2013 it was **131** and in 2014 also **131**.

These figures are based upon the average for the middle 26 weeks, excluding the highest 13 weeks and the lowest 13 weeks. The Diocese uses these averages to calculate the value of the Parish Share paid to the Diocese.

This share accounts for a substantial proportion of our parish expenditure each year.

I do hope that our electoral roll and average attendances will continue to increase in the coming year., and look forward to seeing you all at EVM on 3rd April.

Andrew J Keogh
Electoral Roll Officer



Churchwarden's Report

As 'dwellers all in time and space' we often picture life as a journey through time and use spatial metaphors to describe 'where' we are in our lives. We say things like, "I'm stuck in a rut", "we need to move on", "I've turned a corner" and "we've come a long way together". The Annual Easter Vestry is a good time to look back on our journey as church over the last twelve months; to review where we've come from, and what happened along the way. Of course, the Bible contains some great stories about journeys and travelling – think of the Exodus – often with a spiritual message, so it's a useful way to look ourselves too. And this year it seems appropriate to me to review the year mainly in terms of people rather than events.

One of the strengths of church, and one of the things that should set us apart in this age of individualism, is that we travel together: we travel as a group, literally when it comes to choir outings or trips to Uganda, and metaphorically when it comes to the ups and downs of everyday life. And this year, perhaps more than most, we've seen significant changes to our travel group. We've said farewell to our People's Warden, Keren Rogerson, and to our Curate, Hector Patmore. Space doesn't permit me to thank them adequately for all they've brought to us. Suffice to say that we miss them and we praise God for them. Let us also commit to continue to pray for them as they continue their respective journeys where God has replaced them. We've also said farewell to other fellow travellers and a long-serving friend of St Denys in Archbishop Barry.

But there have also been new arrivals too. We've welcomed Charis Moon to join us as our Youth Leader and look forward to God continuing to work through her amongst our young people. We've also welcomed a steady stream of students on placement and thank God for the passion and willingness to serve that we see in them.



I'm also sure that, if we continue to draw closer to Christ and closer to each other, we will continue to draw other people to join us on our journey together.

However most of us haven't left or joined our group of travellers here at St Denys. We've continued skipping or striding or stumbling along since this time last year. But I'm sure Rev Chris would agree that seeing people committed to travelling together with knowing God as their goal is a great encouragement in itself, so a big thank you to all of you for simply being part of the group. And an even bigger thank you to those people, volunteers all, who serve our St Denys group in any capacity, be that practically or spiritually. Many of you do so week in week out without fuss or ceremony, behind the scenes without fuss or recognition. May God bless your service – all that you do for Him and for His people He will turn into spiritual gold.

And what of the future? As Christians we can look back and see where God has woven our lives together and guided us. We can look at our present circumstances and know that God has brought us together and is with us in the valley and on the mountaintop. And we can look forward to the future with confidence. Not *just* because He will continue to bless us through Rev Chris and each other, but because we can see our journey on this earth in true perspective. We know this earthly life is not '*all there is*' and we know ultimately where we're heading: the Promised Land, the Celestial City, Aslan's Country. And, just like the children of Israel in the Exodus narrative, we're journeying there together. We are all part of that great, true story of God's holy people on our way home. God bless us all, every one.

Stephen Brunker. Warden

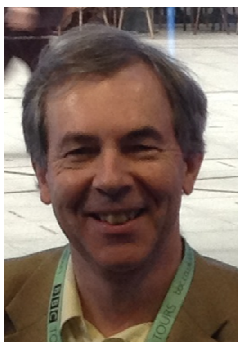
Treasurer's Report

With the loss of a number of long-standing members of our congregation, there was a reduction in planned giving in 2016 compared to 2015, but the total was still significantly higher than in 2014. Despite this, a surplus of £18,214 was achieved in 2016 against the budgeted figure of £12,000, since our new youth worker Charis joined us in August rather than at Easter, and £5,000 of expected repairs were delayed and hence have been carried forward into the 2017 budget. Our bank balance remains at a healthy level of over £40,000, and during the year we repaid in full the outstanding Diocesan loan of £13,500.

Also during the year, after some detailed discussions, the Diocese purchased our share of the vicarage at the agreed open-market valuation of £384,000, these funds are now held in the Common Investment Fund and can only be used for developing the site at Church Road for appropriate purposes.

As for 2017, it is difficult to estimate receipts from planned giving, but I am confident that with expenditure carefully controlled again we will not suffer any significant deficit, also that we will be able to meet all our on-going financial commitments.

Nigel Morris
Treasurer



Gift Aid Secretary's Report

Gift Aid is the way that the Church can augment its income by 25% in respect of donations from any person that pays personal tax to H.M. Revenue & Customs (HMRC).

The Parish received £23,777 in 2016 from Gift Aid claims so this is a very important source of income. This is detailed further below:



	2016	2015
Total Gift Aid reclaimed	<u>£23,777</u> (*)	£25,616 (*)
Made up of :		
Reclaims on Envelopes & standing orders to St. Denys account	£18,159 (*)	£19,774 (*)
Reclaims from Church in Wales Give Direct Scheme	£5,618	£5,842
Reclaimed on Organ fund donations	-	-
Total 2016 Gift Aid Reclaimed	<u>£23,777</u>	<u>£25,616</u>

(*) these amounts include the £2,000 Gift Aid that the Church is permitted to claim annually on unidentified collections.

The amount of Gift Aid reclaimed on regular giving has decreased this year due to the impact of various change of life events for some regular givers exceeding the new givers this year.

If anyone would like to check that they have a St Denys Gift Aid form filed, or a query on an aspect of Gift Aid then please contact me. Also, to ensure that HMRC rules are complied with, please contact me if personal circumstances change resulting in a gift aid donor no longer paying tax.

Confidentiality is assured.

Information sheets about Gift Aid and a supply of Gift Aid forms and one-off Gift Aid envelopes can be found at the entrance to church

Diana Morris
Gift Aid Secretary

OTHER REPORTS

Please note that although the Vestry Report is dated 31st December 2016 to coincide with the financial requirements, some of the group reports refer to activities up to March 2017

All Age Worship @ Llysfaen Primary

It's been a year full of changes as far as All Age Worship is concerned. This particular service had been running at Llysfaen Primary School on the first Sunday of the month for a couple of years and although the additional space was very welcome it did present a very significant logistical effort to transfer all the equipment needed from church and Church House every month. This often resulted in many of the team feeling worn-out before we started!

When Keren and Tim left St Denys in December (both pivotal to enabling that particular service to happen) we had to very quickly take stock of things and decided that now was the time to pull that service back into St Denys. We'd already decided to change the start times of the contemporary service at church from 11.15am to 11am and to reduce it from 1 1/2 hours long to an hour. So bringing the AAW service back from the school probably didn't represent too much of a sea change.

I'm glad we took the service to the school and tried something different. As churches sometimes we're afraid to try new things or take a risk. But in retrospect the overall numbers hadn't increased and neither did the venue attract new children and parents from the school in the way we'd hoped.

The AAW service has been back at church for a few months now and it's just settling down again after the upheaval. In the last few months we've been focusing on some of the people that encountered Jesus and how it changed them. Julia Plaut usually leads the worship (and does a brilliant job in getting some of the children involved to help) and Don, Ros, Tom, Charis and I can settle back down now and begin to plan again on how we take it forward. Thank you to all those who have helped out over the past year. We could certainly do with some extra members for the team which helps keep things fresh and enables people to try new areas of ministry.

*Blessings.
Rev Chris*



Little Angels

Little Angels meets in the church hall during the 11.00am service and caters for a wide age range from toddlers to school year 2. We begin with welcome, name game and news. We try to follow the same theme as Disciples and mainly use Urban Saints resources which are excellent. They provide us with a variety of ways of telling bible stories with games and crafts to reinforce the message. We enjoy worship with action songs accompanied by CD's, Jump for Joy and My God is a Great Big God remain firm favourites. If there's time we have a snack and a chat and then we finish the morning with a time of prayer and the children are very happy to say their own prayers often thanking God for His blessings as well as bringing their concerns to Him.

We are very fortunate to have a loyal band of helpers; Louise Nessbert, Fiona Porter-Smith, Emma Porter and Helen Bur who share a rota preparing for the sessions and helping. We also occasionally have some older young people helping which the Little Angels really enjoy.

We all find it a privilege to spend the hour with these children sharing our faith, worshipping God and seeking to know Jesus better.

Jane Shadwell



Disciples

Last term in Disciples we were looking at Luke's Gospel and the story of Jesus life. This term we are looking at moving forward with God, and getting to know Jesus better though his 'I am' teachings. I am the Good Shepherd, the Living Bread, the Way to God. The children are always a delight to be with – fun-loving, creative and thoughtful. After last year's highly successful visit to the Mountain Ranch, the children have decided they want to go swimming at the International Pool for their next outing....so we will aim to get that organised soon.

At Christmas we said goodbye to some faithful and long-standing leaders who God has lead to new areas of service and ministry – thank you so much Lianne, Julia and Ros.

**** This means that we are really in need of some new leaders who want to see 8-11 year olds growing in faith. No experience is necessary – you just need to enjoy being with children, want to help them know Jesus, and be happy to give an hour of your time on a Sunday morning 2 or 3 times a term. You will get far more out of it than you put in! ****

To help us manage with a reduced number of volunteer helpers (just 2), this term we have been having some joint sessions with the TGIs. These are fun, but having a group session with children aged 8 to 16 is obviously not ideal in meeting their very different needs. So, please consider whether you could get involved.

Thank you.

Caroline Willis

YOUTH REPORT



Since being employed as the Youth Worker at St Denys my first six months seem to have flown by. A lot has happened since I arrived!

In October, after consulting with the young people and the volunteers, it was decided to end the Friday night youth group known as Alpha and Omega. Unfortunately behaviour and discipline were such the trust and respect within the group respect was gone and without hope of it being regained. In lieu of this group we set up the Youth Cell which now runs on a Wednesday night. The group is split in two, years 7-9 and years 10-13. The younger group has thrived but the older group was not well and so in December, and again after consultation, that older group ceased. In the remaining Youth Cell we have film nights and socials and cover different topics from 'Trusting God' to 'What it means to be a Christian'. Our average is 6 young people a week.

A regular part of my week is leading Parish Prayers at The Bishop of Llandaff High School on a Tuesday morning. It's a mix of discussion and prayer ... and we have some fun and games from time to time too. I really enjoy this time and it's good to spend time with the youngsters in a different context. I'm also involved at St Teilo's and over Christmas I was asked to lead two year group assemblies.

One of my priorities in my first six months has been to try and build up relationships with our young people and I've met with many of the older youth over a coffee. This is important I feel and especially for those who don't attend meetings church regularly as it keeps them connected to church in some way and gives a space to discuss their faith.

Through these services I believe the young people learn more about themselves and how to use their gifts to worship God.

Through my links with St. Marks and our existing links with Christchurch, we have begun meeting every few months for a Sunday night Youth Group. This has helped to introduce them to other Christians their own age in their city. Young people from all three Churches spent a couple of days together at the start of March at our Youth Weekend Away. Having a larger group of young people allows more discussion, a sharing of resources and creates a more energetic atmosphere. The union of the three youth groups is working well and friendships are being made. This will continue as we meet every other month for a Sunday evening social and we will be going to the Soul Survivor festival together in the Summer holidays.

TGIS is our Sunday morning group for those in school years 7-13. We have a great group of five volunteers, Duncan Shadwell, Suzie Taylor, Melanie Falley, Stephen Brunner and Matt Sellers, who give their time to teach our young people the Gospel. Due to the small number of Disciples' volunteers at present we have been helping plug gaps and now meet together once a month in the Old School. This is okay for now, but is putting a strain on our volunteers for the long term. For our Sunday mornings to continue as they are now, we will need people to step forward to help even if it's only once a term. Please help if you can. It's in everyone's interests to nurture our children and young people in the faith.

I have acknowledged that there is a gap in the provision for those in the older part of the Youth. I have consulted with a few parents already and will continue to until the right solution is apparent. I have organised a few events since being at St. Denys. For the Harvest Supper we had eight young people and children come to our separate Supper and Fiona Porter-Smith was an incredible help with this, keeping them entertained with lots of cakes and decorating.

We next had the Light Party which was held as an alternative Halloween event, there were seventeen children between the ages of three and fifteen. It was an amazing time as we learnt about why we call Jesus 'Light of the World,' and decided to celebrate the light instead of the darkness. As Christmas came closer we had a few events to celebrate. We had our Christingle, for which Jane Shadwell was an incredible help, it was such a lovely service and nice to see families in Church we had never seen before. It was a great opportunity to celebrate Christmas with the children and an event I really enjoyed. We also co-led the Christmas Wrapped Up for the Year 2 pupils from Lisvane Primary with Lisvane Baptist Church.

This is an interactive re-telling of the story of Christmas in a new and different way to help the children see the true meaning of Christmas. We have another event coming up at Easter called Easter Cracked which is similar.

As I start looking forward to the next six months, there are many events I would like to do to help us grow and bond as a Church family.

September, whilst seeming very far away, is coming up, with this I plan to do two different programmes to help those who for September brings a massive change. One will be two sessions for those going up to University in September, this will be a chance for them to chat over their worries with current and older students who can answer any questions or worries they have.

If you would like to know more or are interested in helping with any aspect of the Youth or Children's Ministry, please contact me and I would be happy to meet with you.

Charis Moon, Youth Leader



Having fun at the All Age Service!

Wednesday Eucharist and Coffee Morning Outreach



The Wednesday Morning Eucharist continues to provide a quiet reflective Service in the middle of a busy week. We have a very regular and committed congregation of about 16 to 20. We enjoy a Service that is often challenging and thought provoking as we listen to excellent sermons from Chris.

We are grateful to the visiting priests, including Neville and Rosemary, who stand in when Chris is not available. The Service also provides an opportunity for our placement students to gain the experience of leading a Service. We were sorry to lose Gerald who was very much part of this Service and enjoyed many a discussion over coffee.

I would like to thank especially Bill and Christine, Sheila and Brendan, and all our Readers as well as the ladies who regularly do the washing up!

So, come and join us one Wednesday morning at 10.15 am. You will be sure of a warm welcome and a biscuit or even cake!

Angela Goddard



Huggard Centre



The Huggard Centre is a Cardiff based Charity and have a day centre open 365 days of the year, a 20 bed hostel that includes an emergency bed facility, 14 shared houses with tenant support. All underpinned by development, advocacy, support, training and many volunteering opportunities. Last year we secured over £1.5M in benefits to give people an escape from the trap of being forced to beg on the streets enabling 1,300 to get help from Huggard and many are no longer on the streets thanks to our help. Every night over the winter period we open up our centre to over 40 people to give them an alternative to sleeping rough. The thanks of myself, fellow trustees and the Chief Executive, Richard Edwards are given for all the continuing support of Angela Goddard and the CASH Committee. Their hard work and dedication to improve the lot of people far less fortunate than ourselves is so appreciated by Richard and the whole of the Huggard team. Thank you also to the congregation at St Denys for all the love and concern they have shown.

Peter Lewis

Matthew 25: 35-40



Choir

Our loyal members have again supported our singing at the 9.30am Eucharist and Evensong services, as well as the occasional mid-week services, and of course, weddings.



We have sadly lost Michael Durrant this year, due to his health problems .but have been pleased to welcome a new soprano, Amanda Kingston,.

There was no Annual Dinner last January due to the sad period over December 2015 when our Church suffered several bereavements, and it was not thought to be appropriate so soon following these. Hopefully this will return next year.

In May we had our annual "Choirmen's Walk" which was organised by John Richards. This year we travelled to Shrewsbury for two nights, walking along the canal, singing in the Abbey This has now become a regular event which we hope to repeat in Worcester next year. We also have local walks throughout the year where some of the ladies join us.

For the Choir Outing, we visited West Country Steam Railway, and Dunster Castle. We rounded off the day with our evening meal at the Foresters Oaks in Langstone.. Another very enjoyable day with good sunshine throughout.

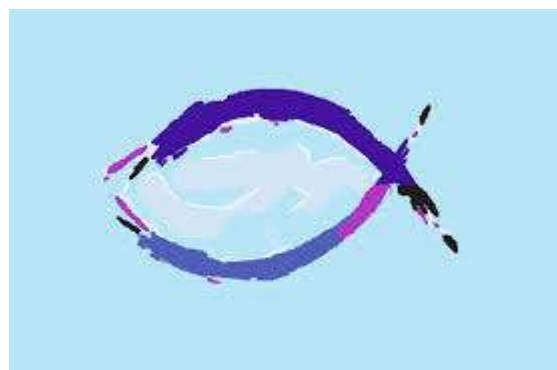
On Advent Sunday the Advent Carol Service was again well attended, as was the Annual Nine Lessons & Carols. at Christmas. This included well known favourites and some new carols..

Thanks again to Branwen for her care in looking after the choir robes; to Tony Edwards, for his assistance in playing, and sincere thanks to Roy for his continued invaluable help, particularly when we sing away.

We sang at Worcester Cathedral on Low Sunday, and are booked to sing again at Tewkesbury Abbey on Low Sunday next year.

Sincere thanks again to all those in, or associated with the Choir for their continued hard work, loyal support, and fellowship in all that we strive to achieve in our worship together.

Martyn Ridge



St Denys Ladies' Guild



This last year has been very quiet following the cancellation of the New Year Dinner. We have spent the year raising monies for Charity. In March we had our annual Lenten Address by the Rev. Chris. We also had our Bobath Coffee Morning raising £164. This was followed by a change in proceedings, because numbers at the Lunch had been falling we would try a Coffee Morning instead. This was a great success and we raised £94. Our annual cake stall at the Lisvane Festival Fete raised £149 and was manned by the committee. Our Summer Outing was to the Mansion House where we had the most enjoyable afternoon tea before we were taken on a tour of the house.

We had a quiet summer as we do not meet in August, in September we had the Macmillan Coffee Morning raising £163 for this good cause. In October we had our AGM preceded by Eucharist which our members enjoyed the informality of the setting. Rev Chris said that we needed to think of ways to attract new members as we were struggling to keep afloat. It was decided that we continue as we were and review the situation this year. At the end of the business a cheque for £200 was given to the Rev Chris to take to Mbale for the mother and baby work out there. The year finished with a very enjoyable Christmas lunch at the Pendragon where we were joined by Charis and the Rev Chris. This ended an enjoyable year of fund raising but most importantly of friendship and fellowship.

Christine Steward

Fabric Report



A second grant application was made to the Listed Places of Worship, Roof Repair Fund" in 2016, however, this was again unsuccessful. Over the next 12-18 months the PCC will review available funds and will seek to carry out repairs and replacement of the roof coverings as necessary.

External lights, the PCC approved the installation of new external LED lights-primarily as a health and safety issue to improve access during the dark winter months but also to "highlight" the beauty of the church as well. The lights are operated automatically by a time clock and sensors.

The post script to last year's fabric report in last year's vestry meeting announced that the Diocese had agreed to buy out the parish's equity share in the vicarage

We have received confirmation that £380k is being held by the Representative Body of the Church in Wales to allow us to develop a capital mission project for Church House.

An open congregational meeting was held in June 2016, where a few ideas were outlined and then in October a second meeting was held with representatives from various church groups as to what facilities and uses the new building could provide and be put to. Invitations are to be sent out to architects, quantity surveyors, etc to progress this scheme and further updates are to follow.

One issue which already has been discussed at PCC but congregation members have voiced their concerns about, is the heating system in the church and "cold" Sunday services. The electric panel heaters were installed some years ago, whilst these are still one of the most efficient ways to heat our church, the controls are not very user friendly or adaptable.

I have been investigating with a company the possibility of installing a new time control system, these modern systems will after a few months be able to react to cold snaps and to turn the heating on so that the desired temperature is achieved ready for the start of church services.

Again, many thanks to Denise Searle, parish secretary- the keeper of the key list, the heating system updater, for all she does around the church.

Martin Plow

Fabric Officer



Disciples enjoying some treats following Christmas carolling around the village!



The cheque from the Ladies' Guild in safe hands!

PARISH OF ST DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

PARISH OF ST.DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT**TO THE MEMBERS OF****THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF LISVANE**

I report on the Financial Statements of the Parish for the year ended 31 December 2016, which are set out on pages 2 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of Parochial Church Council and Examiner

As the Parochial Church Council, you are responsible for preparing the Financial Statements: you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

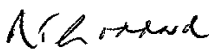
My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Parochial Church Council and a comparison of the Financial Statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the Financial Statements, and seeking explanations from you as the Parochial Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an opinion as to whether the Financial Statements present a "true and fair view" and my report is limited to those matters set out in the following statement.

Independent Examiner's Statement

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

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material aspect, the requirements to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act, and to prepare Financial Statements which accord with those accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act, have not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn, to enable a proper understanding of the Financial Statements to be reached.

Signature:



Name:

R. T. GODDARD

Address:

26, ROWAN WAY

LISVANE

CARDIFF CF14 0TD

Dated:

7/3/17

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

INCOMING RESOURCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
INCOME				
A. Direct Giving				
Planned				
Regular contributions	74,423		83,073	
Gift Aid envelopes	17,734		17,903	
Other envelopes	<u>3,882</u>		<u>3,828</u>	
	96,039		104,804	
Collections	<u>12,105</u>		<u>12,427</u>	
	108,144		117,231	
B. Tax Refunds	<u>23,777</u>		<u>25,616</u>	
		131,921		142,847
F. Other Income				
Donations	1,150		596	
Fees	5,567		5,833	
For Building Fund	0		665	
For PONT	4,506		0	
For Outreach	3,487		2,531	
War Loan encashed	<u>0</u>		<u>2,100</u>	
		14,710		11,725
G. Investment Income		<u>0</u>		<u>20</u>
		<u>146,631</u>		<u>154,592</u>

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

RESOURCES EXPENDED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
PAYMENTS				
A. Mission and Charities				
(i) <u>Home</u>				
National:-				
Compassion UK	286		300	
Safe Families for Children	1,000		0	
SCIPS	210		0	
Plymouth House	153		0	
Bloodwise	100		0	
Others	<u>466</u>		<u>1,392</u>	
		2,215		1,692
Parish:-				
Children and Youth Work	3,824		2,313	
Outreach Work	<u>3,487</u>		<u>2,531</u>	
		7,311		4,844
Local:-				
Vicar's Discretionary	366		370	
Llandaff Widows and Orphans	1,000		800	
Good Neighbours in North Cardiff	500		1,000	
Ty Hafan	857		65	
Advent 111 Ordinands Fund	0		800	
George Thomas	1,000		110	
Cardiff Nativity	500		250	
Huggard Centre	1,000		575	
New Wine Cymru	500		575	
Cardiff Concern	1,000		0	
Velindre Cancer Care	115		105	
Cancer Research Wales	240		311	
Paradise Run	46		162	
Marie Curie/Holme Towers	250		0	
Noah's Ark	339		0	
2 Wish upon a Star	110		0	
Believe	72		0	
Others	<u>139</u>		<u>603</u>	
		8,034		5,726
(ii) <u>World</u>				
PONT	1,926		1,000	
Water Aid	535		660	
Just Earth	500		1,000	
Care for Uganda	250		0	
Others	<u>0</u>		<u>1,831</u>	
		3,211		4,491
Carried Forward		20,771		16,753

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

RESOURCES EXPENDED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016


	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
Payments brought forward		20,771		16,753
B. Maintenance of Ministry				
Parish Share	54,224		56,283	
Visiting Clergy and Preachers	1,343		1,440	
Clergy Offering	<u>1,200</u>		<u>1,000</u>	
		56,767		58,723
C. Maintenance of Buildings				
Light and Heat	2,379		2,155	
Insurance	514		629	
General Repairs	1,427		1,588	
Water Rates	271		286	
Carpets	<u>0</u>		<u>4,695</u>	
		4,591		9,353
D. Maintenance of Services				
Consumables	3,011		2,381	
Organ and Choir	<u>784</u>		<u>1,095</u>	
		3,795		3,476
E. Parochial Expenses of Vicar				
Light and Heat	2,745		2,810	
Car Mileage and Travel	2,525		1,784	
Telephone	1,032		913	
Water Rates	856		845	
Training and Hospitality	<u>167</u>		<u>227</u>	
		7,325		6,579
F. General Parish Expenses				
Youth Worker's Salary	7,654		0	
Telephone, Stationery and Postage	5,442		5,312	
7 Church Road Running Costs	4,537		4,556	
Secretarial Salary	6,948		6,910	
Sundry Expenses and Cleaning	779		549	
Associate Minister's Salary	0		11,003	
Depreciation of Fixtures	<u>600</u>		<u>600</u>	
		25,960		28,930
G. Cost of Raising Money				
Envelopes	125		121	
Loan Interest	<u>91</u>		<u>776</u>	
		216		897
H. Gardening		<u>5,412</u>		<u>4,330</u>
		<u>124,837</u>		<u>129,041</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR				
Unrestricted	18,214		29,581	
Restricted	<u>3,580</u>		<u>-4,030</u>	
		<u>21,794</u>		<u>25,551</u>

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2016

	Note	2016		2015	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Vicarage			0		157,382
7, Church Road, Lisvane	1		123,873		123,873
Office and Other Equipment	1		954		1,100
Common Investment Fund	4		<u>384,300</u>		<u>300</u>
			509,127		282,655
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks		500		500	
Bank Balances		45,708		40,093	
Debtors		<u>9,335</u>		<u>8,150</u>	
		<u>55,543</u>		<u>48,743</u>	
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors		5,753		7,393	
Diocesan Loan		<u>0</u>		<u>3,000</u>	
		<u>5,753</u>		<u>10,393</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
			<u>49,790</u>		<u>38,350</u>
			558,917		321,005
DIOCESAN LOAN					
			<u>0</u>		<u>-10,500</u>
			<u>558,917</u>		<u>310,505</u>
REPRESENTED BY					
Unrestricted Reserves	5	171,036		310,204	
Restricted Reserves	4	<u>387,881</u>		<u>301</u>	
			<u>558,917</u>		<u>310,505</u>

Approved by the Parochial Church Council on7/3/17..... and signed on its

behalf by  (Chairman).

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016****1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable UK Accounting Standards, the "Statement of Recommended Practice" (SORP (FRS 102)) issued by the Charity Commissioners and the Church in Wales Accounting Regulations. The historical cost convention is used, except for the valuation of freehold property and contents used for Church purposes. No transitional adjustments are necessary as a result of the new SORP, and advantage has been taken of the exemption not to prepare a cash flow forecast.

A - Freehold Property

The Church and Churchyard are vested in the Representative Body of the Church in Wales and form no part of the assets of the Parish, any expenditure incurred by the Parish being written off in the year. The property at 7, Church Road, Lisvane was bequeathed to the Parish in December 1999 and is stated at probate valuation plus subsequent improvement costs. No provision is made for depreciation of freehold property since the value is considered to be not less than the accounts value.

B – Contents used for Church purposes

Church contents require a faculty for disposal and hence are considered to be inalienable property. They are represented by a large number of fittings, utensils and ornaments, many being historic in nature. Costs are not available for many of the items, and it does not appear practical or economic to obtain valuations, also to list or describe individual items might increase the risk of theft or vandalism. Therefore, expenditure on such items is written off in the year it is incurred.

C – Office and other equipment

These items are stated at cost less depreciation, which is calculated at 25% per annum on cost.

D – Incoming Resources

Planned giving, collections and donations are recognized when received, tax refunds being recognized when the incoming resource to which they relate is received.

2. PCC REMUNERATION

No member of the Parochial Church Council received any remuneration or expenses in the year or previous year.

3. EMPLOYEES

The Parochial Church Council employed two persons in the year (2015 – 2) at a total cost of £14,602 (2015 - £17,913).

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2016

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
4 RESTRICTED RESERVES				
a) HUGGARD CENTRE				
Opening Balance	1		1	
Received in the Year	1,933		2,680	
Paid out in the Year	<u>-1,933</u>		<u>-2,680</u>	
Closing Balance		1		1
b) PONT CHARITY				
Opening Balance	0		0	
Received in the Year	4,506		0	
Paid out in the Year	<u>-926</u>		<u>0</u>	
Closing Balance		3,580		0
c) COMMON INVESTMENT FUND				
Opening Balance	300		300	
Transfer of Vicarage at cost	157,382		0	
Revaluation of Vicarage - see note 5	<u>226,618</u>		<u>0</u>	
Closing Balance		<u>384,300</u>		<u>300</u>
TOTAL		<u>387,881</u>		<u>301</u>
5 UNRESTRICTED RESERVES				
Opening Balance	310,204		280,623	
Surplus for the Year	18,214		29,581	
Transfer of Vicarage at cost	<u>-157,382</u>		<u>0</u>	
Closing Balance		<u>171,036</u>		<u>310,204</u>

In 2016 the Diocese bought back our share of the vicarage for the agreed price of £384,000, provided the total amount is used to develop the site at 7 Church Road for appropriate uses. The amount is currently held within the Common Investment Fund of the Diocese. It will be released to us as needed to fund the development of the site.

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

BUDGET WORKSHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2016 (Budget)		2016 (Actual)		2017 (Budget)	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
PART 1: PAYMENTS						
A. Mission and Charities						
National	2,000		2,215		2,000	
Children and Youth Work	3,000		3,824		3,800	
Local	8,000		8,034		7,500	
World	<u>5,000</u>		<u>2,285</u>		<u>2,500</u>	
		18,000		16,358		15,800
B. Maintenance of Ministry						
Parish Share	54,224		54,224		53,330	
Visiting Clergy and Preachers	800		1,343		500	
Clergy Offering	<u>1,200</u>		<u>1,200</u>		<u>1,200</u>	
		56,224		56,767		55,030
C. Maintenance of Buildings						
Light and Heat	2,400		2,379		2,700	
Insurance	609		514		520	
General Repairs and Maintenance	6,400		1,427		6,500	
Water Rates	<u>300</u>		<u>271</u>		<u>280</u>	
		9,799		4,591		10,000
D. Maintenance of Services						
Consumables	2,800		3,011		3,000	
Organ and Choir	<u>1,200</u>		<u>784</u>		<u>1,000</u>	
		4,000		3,795		4,000
E. Parochial Expenses of Vicar						
Car Mileage and Travel	2,500		2,525		2,600	
Telephone	900		1,032		1,100	
Light and Heat	3,000		2,745		3,000	
Training and Hospitality	450		167		430	
Water Rates	<u>850</u>		<u>856</u>		<u>870</u>	
		7,700		7,325		8,000
F. General Parish Expenses						
Telephone, Stationery and Postage	6,000		5,442		5,500	
7 Church Road Running Costs	5,000		4,537		4,600	
Secretarial Salary	7,000		6,948		7,100	
Youth Worker Salary	16,000		7,654		20,600	
Sundry Expenses	600		779		700	
Depreciation of Fixtures	<u>600</u>		<u>600</u>		<u>600</u>	
		35,200		25,960		39,100
G. Cost of Raising Money						
Envelopes	127		125		125	
Loan Interest	<u>640</u>		<u>91</u>		<u>0</u>	
		767		216		125
H. Gardening		<u>4,400</u>		<u>5,412</u>		<u>4,945</u>
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>136,000</u>		<u>120,424</u>		<u>137,000</u>

PARISH OF ST. DENYS CHURCH, LISVANE

BUDGET WORKSHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2017

	2016 (Budget)		2016 (Actual)		2017 (Budget)	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
PART 2: RECEIPTS						
A. Direct Giving						
Regular Contributions	83,000		74,423		73,000	
Gift Aid Envelopes	18,000		17,734		18,000	
Other Envelopes	<u>4,000</u>		<u>3,882</u>		<u>4,000</u>	
	105,000		96,039		95,000	
Collections	<u>12,000</u>		<u>12,105</u>		<u>12,000</u>	
		117,000		108,144		107,000
B. Tax Refunds		<u>26,500</u>		<u>23,777</u>		<u>23,500</u>
		143,500		131,921		130,500
F. Other Income						
Fees	4,000		5,567		5,500	
Donations	<u>500</u>		<u>1,150</u>		<u>1,000</u>	
		<u>4,500</u>		<u>6,717</u>		<u>6,500</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS		<u>148,000</u>		<u>138,638</u>		<u>137,000</u>
SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR		<u>12,000</u>		<u>18,214</u>		<u>Nil</u>

Note: Outreach activities are funded separately and are not included in the Budget Worksheet.

