

St John's Parish Church, Ben Rhydding

**ANNUAL REPORT and FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
of the PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
for the year ended 31 December 2017**

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2017

The members of the Parochial Church Council (the PCC) present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2017. The PCC is a registered charity and a public benefit entity within the meaning of FRS102. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the accounts, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (SORP FRS102) effective 1 January 2015. The PCC is eligible for, and has chosen to, apply the disclosure exemption permitted by FRS 102, Section 7.1B, and has not therefore presented a statement of cash flows in these financial statements.

Aims and purposes

The PCC has the responsibility, with the Vicar, Rev'd Peter Willox, in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the church - pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. The PCC is also responsible for the maintenance of the church building and hall of St John's, Ben Rhydding and for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the parish including deciding on how the funds of the PCC are to be spent.

The PCC is committed to enabling as many people as possible to worship at St. John's and become part of the church family. The PCC aspires to see the faith of the congregation being put into practice in the communities where members live and work, and so has a commitment to ensure that the teaching and worship are both challenging and relevant to today's society. The PCC is also committed to finding ways of helping others in the community find direction and challenge for their lives, as well as fellowship and comfort through their relationship with God and His Church.

The Vicar and the PCC have been working with the whole church of St John's to continue to develop our vision for the future. This can be summarised as:

“To be a growing family that encourages each member to mature in faith and discern God's call as we share God's love and bring the benefits of God's kingdom to our world”.

To help us achieve this vision we aim to develop:
deeper relationships; meaningful worship; growth in faith; a serving building; community engagement; faith sharing.

Over the year 2017/18 we chose *Faith sharing* as an over-arching theme for our work together.

The PCC met 11 times during 2017. In planning and carrying out activities at St John's for the year the PCC have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

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Review of performance and achievements

Church electoral roll and attendance

There are 148 (2016:150) people on the church electoral roll, of whom 47 (2016: 43) are not resident in the parish.

The average 2017 adult Sunday attendance was 89 (2016: 100) and for under 16's was 15 (2016: 20). However, our church membership list (based on those adults and children who attend at least once a month) has grown to 231, a net increase of 19 over the year. This includes new members from our Fresh Expression of Church, The Ark (see below).

Worship

In 2017 we continued to maintain and develop our pattern of Sunday worship, providing a variety of services to suit the needs of the congregation and those who come new to church. Every Sunday at 8am there is a traditional Book of Common Prayer communion service, except when there is a fifth Sunday in the month. The main service on Sunday is at 10am. Common Worship communion is celebrated on the first and third Sundays in the month. Our fourth Sunday celebration service is a relatively informal service of praise. On the second Sunday in the month, families with young children, including those who would not otherwise attend St John's, are encouraged to attend our Family Service. This is a shorter than usual service for all ages, involving activities for the children with a shorter message for the adults. A quieter and reflective service with healing prayer and communion happens at 10am on the fifth Sunday of the month which has a "Celtic" style liturgy.

The music for services is led by a variety of musicians and singers and is co-ordinated by Mark Stidworthy (first Sunday), Jan Copsey (Associate Priest) (second Sunday), David Atkinson (third Sunday) and Caroline Watson (fourth Sunday).

We have a preaching and leading team - Rev'd Peter Willox, Rev'd Jan Copsey, Sylvia Walker (Reader), Dawn Jenkins (Reader), Rev'd Roger Fry (retired) and the Ven. Mike Edson (retired) - who meet regularly to look at themes for services. Our Family Service is led by a team, Rev'd Peter Willox, Rev'd Jan Copsey, Shirley Malley, Sally Shelton and Sylvia Walker. There are many people who contribute in different ways to worship which adds to the sense of 'family' in our church. During the year Roger Fry decided it was time to step down from preaching and leading after many years of inspired and inspiring service. The Church family is very grateful for all that Roger has given to us.

We are continuing to explore creative approaches to worship to help people of all ages and backgrounds. For instance, we have been experimenting in our Family Service by 3 using the Scripture Union's 'Explore Together' material. The congregation were invited to participate in a "learning zone" of their choice to think and pray through the theme of the day in their own preferred learning style. We hope to use this style of worship more often in the future as it allows people of all ages to worship and learn together. In addition, we have developed a liturgy for the 3rd Sunday Communion which allows more space for reflection and the sharing our faith stories.

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Worship (continued)

The Ark service, a fresh expression of worship, where people of all ages with or without learning difficulties are encouraged to join us in worship and fellowship in a very informal setting through crafts, dance, music and drama, runs monthly and is a great source of joy. It continues to grow in overall numbers and regularly draws a congregation of between 40 and 50, some of whom attend other churches as well, but a significant number are now owning The Ark as their church.

Messy Church services, which take place on a Saturday late afternoon bi-monthly, are aimed at enabling families of all ages to come and share some fun time and worship in a safe Christian environment. This also has seen a measure of growth and we have started to meet more often to include social time.

Our festival services continue to be well attended. 980 adults and children came to special services at St John's during Advent (2016: 1091). 600 people attended worship on Christmas Eve/Christmas Day (2016: 546) with our Christingle services being well attended by a large percentage of our parish. 166 people attended worship at Easter Sunday services (2016: 190).

Our fortnightly evening "prayer" services have enabled members of the congregation to reflect on and pray about the issues faced both locally and in the wider Church and world.

We continue to have good links with the Methodist Church in Ben Rhydding and held joint services on Ash Wednesday and Maundy Thursday. Our Fairtrade stall is now serving the communities of both Churches, and acts as a means of strengthening our links together. The Vicar also helps to run services in the Methodist Housing Association run sheltered scheme "Emmandjay Court".

We continue to offer communion services once a month at the two nursing homes in our parish, Kirkwood and Rosegarth, as well as taking communion to the sick and housebound. St. John's has a team who lead a service at the Ilkley Abbeyfield Centre, taking our turn in rotation with other churches in Ilkley.

One of the highlights of 2017 was the production of the Roger Jones musical 'Simeon'. This is a musical re-telling the Christmas story from the perspective of Simeon and was expertly staged by members of St John's and the local community and attended and directed on the day by Roger Jones and his team who also led part of the Sunday morning worship the following day.

In 2017 our clergy conducted 3 baptisms (2016: 1), 4 weddings (2016: 3) and 14 funerals (2016: 13).

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Fellowship and pastoral care

There continues to be a number of committed members of St John's who visit people who are sick, housebound or elderly on behalf of the Church, and far more who keep an eye on neighbours and those who are vulnerable simply as a matter of Christian love. Sylvia Walker (Reader) coordinates this important work.

Our small groups, which are coordinated by Rob Malley, meet for fellowship and study, continue to thrive and are always open to new members. During Lent all our discipleship groups took part in our "Moving On" course, the sister course to the START course, which helps people think about their role as a disciple of Christ. Then, in the autumn, we renamed all our small groups under the banner of "Growth Groups". This was an idea that had come out of the Leading your Church into Growth course done the previous year.

Cake & Chat continued to take place on the first Monday of each month in 2017 and is an opportunity for adults in the community to join for a couple of hours for fellowship, games, cake and chat.

In September 2016, St John's started to host a Care and Well Being Cafe, run by St. John's in partnership with Creative Support and local health professionals, providing support and entertainment for people with dementia and their carers. From September 2017 this became entirely the responsibility of St John's due to the withdrawal of external funding. We are pleased to announce that the Care and Wellbeing Cafe continues to flourish as it is now run by a small team of dedicated members from St John's.

The Church magazine launched in 2015 was produced twice in 2017. It aims specifically for the Church congregation to get to know more about each other.

Children and young people

The work with and amongst children and young people continues to be an important part of our ministry at St. John's. We run a structured crèche for babies and toddlers, a Sunday school, now known as 'Lighthouse' (ages 4-9) and Pathfinders (10-13) on the first, third and fourth Sunday and if there is a fifth Sunday. Our Lighthouse and Pathfinders groups continue to thrive although there is always need for new helpers and teachers.

Our CYFA group (14-18) meets every Sunday evening of term time. Numbers fluctuate as new members come up from Pathfinders and older ones go to University or elsewhere. As the children become teenagers it is difficult to keep them involved so they have been actively encouraged to take more of a role in deciding activities that the groups undertake: Pathfinders have been involved in raising awareness of Fairtrade and Justice issues, hosting a Rice Supper and engaging in other fundraising activities.

We continue to run two midweek morning toddler groups, "See and Know" on Wednesday and "Little Grasshoppers" on Friday. "See and Know" has a Christian emphasis, including a story, singing and a short time of prayer led by our Associate Priest.

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Children and young people (continued)

"Little Grasshoppers" offers an opportunity for carers to have time together whilst the children play and sing and the fourth Friday of every month there is a special counselling and support session PANDAS for mothers who have undergone traumatic birth experiences. These groups continue to draw new people and are much appreciated by those who attend. The focus on children in our Family Service and "Messy Church" are also important parts of our children's work.

All those who work with children and young people at St. John's are checked in accordance with our Vulnerable Adults & Child Protection Policy and are subject to its procedures which are in line with Diocesan guidelines. The policy was fully reviewed and updated during the year. Regular training in Child Protection and safeguarding issues is provided by the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor.

Local community

The church continues to be actively involved in the local community.

One of the highlights of the year was the twelfth annual Ben Rhydding community fete. This originally was the brainchild of a member of St John's, who invited other groups and organisations to participate, and now many groups and organisations within the parish play their part. Again, the fete took place in the lower area of our Parish, and this has enabled us to reach out to the community located there. Members of Church were available to give out details of our monthly services, and the Messy Church team put on crafts and games. Members of St John's provided jazz music, tea tent, publicity and were involved in many practical tasks on the day. Members of St John's also ran a barbecue to raise funds for our Ugandan mission partner, the Revival Centre in Matugga and a Messy Church outreach tent. Members of the Ben Rhydding Community Choir, based at St John's, also entertained the community.

Earlier, in the spring, we ran another of our "Fairtrade Fairs". These have provided a good opportunity for the local community to meet, have refreshments and buy local and 'fairly traded' goods. In November, we hosted a coffee afternoon to raise funds for The Revival Centre in Matugga, Uganda.

We have also been continuing a programme of open-to-the-community events under the banner of "Growing through the roof". This has been to help raise funds for our roof repairs (see below) but also to provide some high-quality events for our local community to enjoy. These have been greatly successful and much appreciated by all who have come. Events have included music, drama, dance and art, amongst other themes, and have been a showcase and celebration of local talent. Our run of events finished with an "Australian Christmas BBQ" on June 25th.

The children's nearly new sale, an opportunity to buy and recycle children's clothes, toys, games and books, continues to be a really important social and community event in Ben Rhydding. This happens twice a year and is a significant fundraiser for children's charities at home and abroad.

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Local community (continued)

Our links with local schools are coordinated by our links officer, Sue Boerrigter, who does occasional work with children from Moorfield and Ben Rhydding Primary Schools, bringing them into the church building to explore parts of their curriculum in situ and organises the use of our church by local schools for festival services at Easter, Harvest and Christmas. A dedicated team of volunteers take "Open the book" assemblies fortnightly in our parish schools, where Bible stories are presented dramatically and humorously. Peter, our Vicar, has recently been co-opted as a governor at Ben Rhydding Primary.

Another significant involvement in our community has been the continued development of a link, via a small group of church members, with Five Oaks, a housing scheme for people with disabilities. It has been a privilege to be accepted by the residents and to enable them to more fully participate in their refurbished facilities. One member of the Five Oaks community is currently a member of the PCC and has taken on the role of Disability Representative and has invited the PCC to meet in their community room.

In addition to all this, our church rooms continue to be used during much of the week by a large number of local groups for community and leisure purposes.

Links with other Christian organisations

St John's continues to have an active role in the deanery, which has now changed from the small Ilkley deanery to the newly formed South Craven and Wharfedale deanery. The Vicar is on the standing committee of the deanery synod. We continue to support and greatly benefit from the Otley Christian Resources hub (OCRH) which started out as a deanery project. Our Vicar is now Chair and a trustee of the OCRH which has become a charitable incorporated organisation. The Vicar represented St. John's at the very successful deanery marriage fair. The Church also maintains links with others in the Ilkley area through Churches Together in Ilkley (CTI). These Ecumenical links continue to be strong as the church plays its part in CTI, notably helping to support the locally organised Food Bank.

One of our congregation is a trustee of CTI 2000, along with our Vicar who acts as Chair for the committee. CTI 2000 is a registered charity originally set up by Churches together in Ilkley (CTI) whose aim is to provide accommodation and opportunities for socialising, for those in our community with learning difficulties. It continues to be a privilege to be able to host the CTI 2000 gardening project for young adults with learning difficulties on our church allotment, and a few more people are now helping from the church. This connection also helps to strengthen ties between that and the Ark.

St. John's Church has many links into the world church and through money, gifts and prayers supports many good works and people, in places often quite different to ours. The congregation have also benefited from these links, being challenged to look at how they can be active Christians in our community. It is a privilege to have one of our mission partners in our congregation, James Dannenburg who is a Bible translator and regularly travels to Turkey to join with others as they produce Bibles in Turkic languages.

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Links with other Christian organisations (continued)

A number of church and local community members, including Rev'd Peter Willox, have travelled out to Uganda to see the work first-hand at the Revival Centre in Matugga, and our mission partner Bishop Ivan Lugolobi from the Revival Centre visited us again in June. We were pleased to welcome as a new mission partner Miss Azeria Spencer, who visited St John's to tell us about her new work amongst street children in Guatemala with Church Mission Society.

The mission support group, reconstituted under the temporary leadership of Mrs Sylvia Walker, is now chaired by John Sheen. The group continues to maintain contact with our mission partners and has also reviewed the list of mission partners and organisations we support. The Mission Support Group regularly provide information to update the congregation of the prayer and practical needs of our mission partners.

The group makes recommendations on mission giving to the PCC and managing the distribution of funds. In 2017, £9,250 was given to mission (2016: £9,102).

There were also special collections at church services during the year for Christian Aid, Tear Fund and Dogs Trust.

The church building and hall

The church continues to be open during daylight hours every day of the week for visitors and people who want to pray or be quiet. The hall and the lounge are hired out regularly by a large number of community organisations, as well as private individuals, and continue to be a good resource for the local community.

In terms of general maintenance projects in 2017, the main focus for the church was to complete the final phases of the church roof project which we managed to do a year ahead of schedule. The roofs repaired in 2017 were to the north nave, south chancel and nave, vestry/organ loft, church entrance and the lounge. Nearly £162,500 was raised in two years. 66% came from donations (including Gift Aid), 23% from grants and 11% from fundraising activities.

Other smaller projects included improving internal and external lighting, repainting cupboards in the lounge, tree trimming, a general deep clean of the church's interior walls following completion of the roofing works and the purchase of electric wall heaters for the Tower room so it can be used independently.

A Sound and Vision project to install a new projector and screen in the main church building and expand our sound system was completed in the Summer of 2017 and has already greatly enhanced our Sunday morning worship. The money to finance this project was given as a legacy from the estate of the late Lillian L'Estrange, and our thanks have gone to her executors. The operation of this equipment and the Pro Presenter software now installed is our next main focus and the system will require many more trained operatives if we are to use it to its full potential and give maximum benefit to all those attending services at St John's.

For more information about St John's ministry and mission, the website at www.benrhydding.org.uk is well established and is regularly updated.

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Governance and structure

Rev'd Peter Willox was licensed as Vicar on 16th September 2012. He is assisted by the Rev'd Jan Copsey, who is re-licensed as a non-stipendiary Associate Priest.

Committees

To enable the church to fulfil its Vision we have a number of committees and teams. These meet when required between full meetings of the PCC and bring items to it for discussion and decision.

Standing committee: This is the only committee required by law. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between meetings, subject to any direction given by the Council. This only meets as needed and has not met during 2017.

Finance committee: This oversees the general financial activities of St John's (including mission giving) by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting and maintaining appropriate financial controls.

Property committee. This oversees the maintenance and upkeep of the church buildings.

Mission support group: This attends to matters relating to St John's support of mission and relief agencies. The Mission support group works with our mission partners to assess needs.

Ministry development teams

As we progressed in to the new year of 2017, and after praying about the results from our Leading your Church into Growth (LYCiG) weekends in 2016, it was decided that, after seven years of dedicated work and commitment from the our two ministry development teams known as 'breathing in' and 'breathing out', that these should cease to meet and the PCC take back direct responsibility for the development of our ministry and mission.

Warden's team.

The Vicar meets regularly with the wardens, Jonathan Wearing and Caroline Elston; the Assistant Wardens, Janet Munro and Charles Jenkins; the Associate Priest, Rev'd Jan Copsey and our two readers, Sylvia Walker and Dawn Jenkins. This group helps set the agenda for PCC business and discusses the spiritual direction of the church.

We have three retired clergy in our congregation who offer support where they can, and whose wisdom and experience is of benefit to the whole church. Many members of the church give much of their time on a voluntary basis to help the church function and grow and the PCC would like to formally record its thanks to them. Where external professional advice is necessary the Diocesan Advisory Committee and church architect have proved most helpful.

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Financial summary

An overall deficit of £(41,784) was recognised in 2017 (2016: surplus £37,193). On our general (unrestricted) fund there was a surplus of £2,033 (2016: £15,841) and on restricted funds a deficit of £(43,817) (2016: surplus £21,352). The significant change in result is due to the timing of fundraising and expenditure on the church roof repairs.

The Church paid £91,882 in parish share in 2017 compared to the share request of £105,478. The PCC has budgeted for a share payment of £100,000 in 2018, an increase of 9%. The share provides support to other parishes and mission initiatives as well as clergy stipends, homes and pensions. The PCC recognises the importance of meeting its full share request and, whilst this continues to be a challenge, tries each year to move closer towards this goal.

Although the church was unable to pay its requested 2017 parish share in full by the deadline of 4 January 2018, no liability for this is being carried forward in these accounts based on the advice of the Diocese.

Pensions

St John's participates in NEST, a workplace pension scheme which is run by the NEST Corporation, a non-departmental public body which is accountable to Parliament through the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions.

The pension scheme is a defined contribution scheme. The pensions costs charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year were £108 (2016: £Nil)

Reserves policy

It is the PCC's policy to hold unrestricted funds which equate to three months' expenditure. These reserves are held to meet the day-to-day running costs of the church and to help finance significant projects as and when required. In 2017, due to the successful fundraising for the roof repair project, the PCC decided it was appropriate to release an amount equivalent to the 2016 surplus of £15,841 towards other areas of church expenditure. 40% was paid in parish share to the Diocese in 2017, 40% has been designated towards future maintenance and development projects and 20% towards Messy Church. A further review of unrestricted reserves will form part of the budget review process for 2019.

The budget is prepared on an annual basis, approved by the PCC, and by members, at the annual parochial church meeting. In 2017, the PCC has continued its policy of budgeting for major repairs and renewals expected in the year.

Risk management

The major risks to which the PCC is exposed have been reviewed, and systems or procedures designed to manage those risks have been established.

Rev'd P Willox
Chair
16 April 2018

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
for the year ending 31 December 2017

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2017 £	Restricted Funds 2017 £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Income and endowments:					
Voluntary income – direct giving		117,715	-	117,715	114,557
Restricted income		-	72,410	72,410	76,954
Gross income from events and other activities		22,381	-	22,381	22,166
Bank interest		296	-	296	188
Total income and endowments	2	140,392	72,410	212,802	213,865
Expenditure:					
Grants and mission giving	8	9,250	2,754	12,004	11,310
Support costs		1,889	378	2,267	2,263
Costs of generating voluntary income		-	1,044	1,044	1,086
Directly relating to the work of the Church		116,986	111,859	228,845	151,358
Church management and administration		10,234	192	10,426	10,655
Total expenditure	3	138,359	116,227	254,586	176,672
Net movement in funds		2,033	(43,817)	(41,784)	37,193
Reconciliation of funds:					
Balance brought forward		59,510	68,595	128,105	90,912
Balance carried forward		61,543	24,778	86,321	128,105

The accompanying notes on pages 13 to 21 are an integral part of this statement.

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BALANCE SHEET as at 31 December 2017

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	16,433	-
Current assets:			
Debtors and prepayments	5	10,724	12,906
Short term deposits		38,195	37,899
Cash at bank		25,284	80,138
		74,203	130,943
Liabilities falling due within one year	6	4,315	2,838
Net current assets		69,888	128,105
Total net assets		86,321	128,105
Represented by:			
Unrestricted funds	7	61,543	59,510
Restricted funds	7	24,778	68,595
Total funds		86,321	128,105

The Accounts were approved by the Parochial Church Council on 16 April 2018.

----- Vicar (Chair)

----- Warden

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 December 2017

1. Accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, the applicable accounting standard FRS102 and SORP FRS102.

The financial statements have been prepared using the accruals basis and the historic cost convention. The financial statements include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body, nor those that are informal gatherings of church members.

a. Funds

Unrestricted funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application for the general purposes of the PCC. Restricted funds are designated for a specific purpose by the PCC. The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible in law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that are affiliated to another body nor those which are informal gatherings of church members.

b. Incoming resources

Voluntary income:

- Collections and donations are recognised when received.
- Income tax recoverable on Gift Aid income is recognised when claimable.
- Grants and legacies to the PCC are accounted for as soon as the PCC is notified of its entitlement and the likely amount due.
- Funds raised from special events and activities are accounted for gross of expenditure.

Other income:

- Rental income from letting church premises and allotments is accounted for when incurred.
- Parochial fees for weddings, funerals etc are accounted for when they arise.

c. Resources used

Expenses, grants, mission giving and Diocesan Share are accounted for when payable.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 December 2017 (continued)

d. Balance sheet

Fixed assets:

- Consecrated land and buildings are excluded from the accounts by Section 10(2) of the Charities Act 2011 as they are removed from the definition of charity for the purposes of the Act. Costs associated with the maintenance or improvement of such assets are written off in the year incurred.
- Moveable church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are considered to be inalienable property. There is insufficient cost information available to capitalise historic purchases of these assets. From 2014, purchases of such assets are capitalised where the cost is greater than £4,000 and depreciated over their useful lives.
- All other fixtures, fittings and office equipment are capitalised where the cost is greater than £4,000 and are depreciated over their useful lives.

Current assets:

- Amounts owing to the PCC at the yearend are shown as debtors.
- Short term deposits include cash held at the bank or in the money market.

e. Reserves policy

The PCC has considered the amount of reserves that should be held and has decided that three months of operating costs is appropriate.

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 December 2017 (continued)

2. Income and endowments

	Unrestricted Funds 2017 £	Restricted Funds 2017 £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Voluntary Income (direct giving)				
Regular giving	90,180	-	90,180	88,936
Other collections at services	4,140	-	4,140	2,776
Income tax recoverable	23,395	-	23,395	22,845
	117,715	-	117,715	114,557
Restricted income	-	65,488	65,488	69,317
Income tax recoverable	-	6,922	6,922	7,637
	-	72,410	72,410	76,954
Gross income from events and activities:				
Church hall and allotment fees	19,168	-	19,168	18,173
Fees	2,577	-	2,577	1,938
Sundry receipts	636	-	636	2,055
	22,381	-	22,381	22,166
Bank interest	296	-	296	188
Total income and endowments	140,392	72,410	212,802	213,865

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 December 2017 (continued)

3. Expenditure

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2017 £	Restricted Funds 2017 £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Grants and mission giving:					
Mission partners	8	7,050	-	7,050	6,400
Other mission agencies	8	2,200	-	2,200	2,600
Other charities and agencies	8	-	2,754	2,754	2,310
		9,250	2,754	12,004	11,310
Support costs:					
Teaching and worship		1,889	378	2,267	2,263
Costs of generating voluntary income:					
Fundraising supplies		-	1,044	1,044	1,086
Directly relating to the work of the Church:					
Parish share to Diocese		91,882	-	91,882	80,400
Clergy expenses		940	-	940	967
Hospitality		-	1,260	1,260	910
Insurance		2,392	-	2,392	2,351
Repairs and maintenance	9	15,212	110,032	125,244	59,125
Telephone and postage		817	-	817	810
Utilities		5,743	-	5,743	6,795
Depreciation		-	567	567	-
		116,986	111,859	228,845	151,358
Church management and administration					
Administration wages	10	9,359	-	9,359	8,934
Bank charges		-	192	192	205
Printing and stationery		522	-	522	1,356
Sundry expenses		353	-	353	160
		10,234	192	10,426	10,655
Total expenditure		138,359	116,227	254,586	176,672

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NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS - 31 December 2017 (continued)

4. Tangible fixed assets

	Church equipment £
Cost	
At 1 January 2017	-
Additions	17,000
Disposals	-
At 31 December 2017	17,000
Depreciation	
At 1 January 2017	-
Disposals	-
Charge for the year	567
At 31 December 2017	567
Net book value	
At 31 December 2017	16,433
At 31 December 2016	-

5. Debtors and prepayments

	2017	2016
	£	£
Income tax recoverable	6,005	7,526
Other debtors	4,719	5,380
	10,724	12,906

6. Liabilities falling due within one year

	2017	2016
	£	£
Sundry accruals	4,315	2,838

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7. Funds

Restricted funds are as follows:

a) Movement in restricted funds

	1 January 2017	Incoming Resources (note 2)	Resources Expended (note 3)	31 December 2017
	£	£	£	£
Funds:				
Clothing Sale	-	2,157	(2,257)	(100)
Sound and Vision	20,277	-	(567)	19,710
Messy Church	245	97	(342)	-
Roof fund	46,909	68,474	(111,268)	4,115
The Ark	622	410	(36)	996
Wellbeing Café	542	775	(1,260)	57
Other	-	497	(497)	-
Total	68,595	72,410	(116,227)	24,778

b) Net assets by fund

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total
	£	£	£
31 December 2016:			
Current assets	62,348	68,595	130,943
Liabilities	(2,838)	-	(2,838)
Total at 31 December 2016	59,510	68,595	128,105
31 December 2017:			
Current assets	65,858	24,878	90,736
Liabilities	(4,315)	(100)	(4,415)
Total at 31 December 2017	61,543	24,778	86,321

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8. Grants and mission giving

	2017	2016
	£	£
Mission partners:		
James Dannenberg (Partnership Trust)	3,900	3,800
Give a Child a Hope	1,125	1,100
MAF	1,125	1,100
CPAS	425	400
Church Missionary Society	475	450
	7,050	6,850
Other mission agencies:		
Open Doors	1,125	1,100
Otley Community Resources Hub	250	550
Sudan Link	525	500
Tear Fund	300	-
	2,200	2,150
Total mission giving	9,250	9,000
Other charities and agencies:		
Clothing sale:		
Martin House	790	875
Give a Child a Hope	790	650
NSPCC	388	-
Hannah Thompson	289	-
Children in Need	-	326
Winston's Wish	-	357
	2,257	2,208
Other	497	102
Total other charities and agencies	2,754	2,310
Total grants and mission giving	12,004	11,310

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9. Repairs and maintenance

	2017	2016
	£	£
Church roof repairs	110,032	49,191
Church guttering	6,786	-
Church specialist high-level cleaning	1,320	-
Boiler repairs	973	-
Tower room heating and redecoration	663	-
Survey	324	-
Sound and vision system	-	1,800
Hallway redecoration/refurbishment	-	1,506
Emergency lighting	-	1,358
IT equipment and repairs	-	491
Lighting and electrical installation and repairs	128	396
Notice board	-	138
Piano and organ tuning and repairs	680	510
Cleaning services	2,392	1,946
Sundries including full appliance servicing	1,946	1,789
Total repairs and maintenance	125,244	59,125

10. Staff costs

The Church had three part-time employees in 2017 whose wages during the year were:

	2017	2016
	£	£
Church Secretary	6,377	6,189
Hall Bookings Secretary	2,277	2,225
Schools Link Officer	705	520
Total staff costs	9,359	8,934

No member of the PCC was paid an allowance.

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**STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES
OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

The Charities Act 2011 requires the Parochial Church Council (PCC) to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the PCC and of its financial activities for that year. In preparing these financial statements, the PCC is required to:

1. Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
2. Make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
3. Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the PCC will continue in operation.

The PCC is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy, at any time, the financial position of the PCC and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church Accounting Regulations 2006. The PCC is also responsible for safeguarding the assets and hence for taking steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Parochial Church Council and signed on its behalf by:

Rev'd Peter Willox
PCC Chair

St John's Parish Church, Ben Rhydding

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
TO THE PCC OF ST JOHN'S BEN RHYDDING**

This report on the accounts of St John's Parish Church, Ben Rhydding for the year ended 31 December 2017, which are set out on pages 11 to 21, is in respect of an examination carried out under regulation 3(c) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act).

Respective responsibility of trustee and examiner

The PCC is responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The PCC consider that the audit requirements of regulation 3(c) of the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and section 144 of the Charities Act do not apply and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items and disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you, as trustees, concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's report

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

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

W A Rising FCA (Retired)

.....16 April 2018