

**ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
PARISH CHURCH OF BLISWORTH**

Annual Report

And

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31st December 2022

Incumbent

Rev Canon Richard Stainer

Churchwardens

Fiona Mckenzie Angela Cheesbrough

Treasurer

Jonathon Murray

Bank

Cooperative bank plc

65/65a Abington St

Northampton

Independent Examiner

John Dorwood

Barn Owl Close

East Hunsbury

**Seeking to be welcoming to all and to extend the love of Christ to
the wider community**

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

PARISH CHURCH OF BLISWORTH

Annual Report for 2022

Background

Members of the PCC are either ex officio or elected by the Annual Church Meeting in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. Since the last Annual Meeting the following have served as members of the PCC.

Chairman: *Rev Canon Richard Stainer*

Churchwardens: *Fiona McKenzie Angela Cheesbrough*

Representative on the Deanery Synod: *Helen Halson*

Elected Members:

Jim Aveling Peter Banks Jenny Cahill Angela Cheesbrough Edith Green Marian Hancock Pat Masterman Jonathon Murray Hilary Spurrier

Church Attendance:

There are 47 on the Electoral Roll.

Review of the Year:

There were three PCC meetings during the year, two in church, one in a member's home

It was good to relax covid restrictions of mask wearing and handwashing and being able to offer communicants the opportunity of sharing the cup or dipping the wafer.

With help from a grant of £750, roofing work advised by the quinquennial inspection, was completed. Courtesy of a local grant of £2,000, the lighting problems were dealt with for the time being.

Following the unauthorised removal of ivy from the High Street wall, despite our efforts,

our insurance claim was rejected resulting in a final settlement of £800.

Due to the relocation of our organist, new hymn books, common across the benefice and a disc of tunes were purchased.

In June, a flower festival to celebrate the Queen's Platinum jubilee and involving most village organisations, was a huge success.

The Art Trail was hosted in October, the Christmas coffee morning in November and we continue to be indebted to Pat and Mason Masterman for their regular fundraising coffee mornings.

Routine maintenance of the boiler, fire extinguishers and organ continued. Volunteers continued to mow the church grounds, provide refreshments, clean the building, maintain the flag and pole, read and do intercessions.

Thanks to generous donors, the church path has been resurfaced.

The bellringers met for weekly practice and rang regularly throughout the benefice. They were honoured to ring in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June. Following the passing of her majesty Queen Elizabeth, two ringers tolled the tenor bell 96 times, one for each year of her life. Muffled bells were rung before her state funeral.

Accounts:

2022 was a challenging year for the church as international instability and uncertainty in the financial markets gave rise to inflation and price rises that impacted on us all.

Income for the year was £36,898, £767 more than 2021.

Giving by covenant through the Diocesan scheme raised £13,649, £785 less than 2021.

Service collections, donations, Gift Aid, grants and other fundraisers amassed £17,433.

Dividends and interest amounted to £4,047 and fees and other income totalled £1,769.

Expenditure was £47,133, £9,669 more than 2021. The largest single item was the Parish Share which was paid in full at £34,227, only possible with a transfer of £12,000 from our reserves.

£7,500 was spent on maintenance and £3,021 was spent on utilities and insurance. Other expense amounted to £2,385.

The card reader has been a limited success, generating only minimal additional funds, but is an essential tool in the long term as more people cease to carry cash.

The Diocesan scheme for planned giving with gift aid continues to be the main source of income.

We face a difficult year ahead with the challenges of an inefficient heating system and the precarious condition of our boundary wall.

Our sincere thanks are due to Helen Halson for administering the Gift Aid scheme, Pat and Mason Masterman for their continued fund raising, John Dorwood for auditing the accounts, but mostly to our congregation for their continued generosity.

The accounts for 2022 have been audited.

Rev Canon Richard Stainer (Rector) Jonathon Murray (Treasurer)

Examiner's Report

The Blisworth Parochial Church Council Accounts

For the Year Ended 31st December 2022

I have independently examined the accounts of St. John the Baptist, Blisworth, Parish Church Council as set out on the following pages.

The PCC has elected to prepare the accounts on the Receipts and Payments basis, and the requirement for independent examination allows me to report under Regulation 7 of the Church Accounting Regulations instead of under Regulation 25.

The examiner's responsibilities are to:-

Identify whether or not proper accounting records for the Blisworth Parish Church Council have been kept.

Check that the Blisworth Parish Church Council accounts agree with the accounting records.

Look for possible significant errors in the accounts of the Blisworth Parish Church Council.

Check that the Blisworth Parish Church Council accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations in so far as these apply to the Receipts and Payments basis.

Where matters arise from this examination that give cause for concern it is my duty to report it.

The examiner's report

No matters have arisen during the course of my examination where I have to give an adverse report.

J. U. Dorward

John Dorward
47 Barn Owl Close
East Hunsbury
Northampton
NN4 0UA

St. John the Baptist Blisworth PCC

Receipts and Payments Account for the Financial Year ended 31st December 2022

	General Fund	Bell Fund	Restoration Fund	Total	2021
INCOME					
Collection	2,616			2,616	1,852
Gift Aid	1,186			1,186	935
Donation	11,066			11,066	6,718
Covenant	13,649			13,649	14,434
Fund Raising	2,565			2,565	2,765
IR Refund	0			0	380
Fees	985			985	3,849
CBF Deposit Interest	83	22	177	282	42
CBF Dividend	3,765			3,765	3,641
Rector's Expenses	0			0	0
Bell Fund		30		30	15
Grant	755			755	1,500
Total	36,669	52	177	36,898	36,131
EXPENSE					
Insurance	1,815			1,815	1,753
Parish Share	34,227			34,227	27,910
Utilities	1,206			1,206	864
Rector Expenses	408			408	855
Organist	720			720	720
Restoration			0	0	1,650
Maintenance	7,500			7,500	2,838
Service Fees	298			298	230
Organ	118			118	214
Levies & Sundry Fees	307			307	161
Donations	0			0	0
Gifts	25			25	0
Sundry Costs	508			508	269
Bell Fund		0		0	0
Total	47,133	0	0	47,133	37,464
Fund Balances B/F	24,389	2,377	19,028	45,794	47,128
Transfers	22	(22)		0	0
Adjustment for rounding				0	0
(Deficit) / Surpluses	(10463)	52	177	(10234)	(1339)
Fund Balances C/F	13,948	2,407	19,205	35,560	45,794

J.U.D.

Church of St. John the Baptist, Blisworth
2022
Unrestricted Funds

		2021	
General Fund			24106
Opening Balance		24389	24106
Receipts	Collection General	2616	
	Gift Aid	1186	
	Donations	11066	
	Covenant	13649	
	Fund Raising	2565	
	I R Refund	0	
	Fees	985	
	CBF Dividend	3765	
	Rector's Expenses	0	
	Grant	755	
	Transfer from Bell Fund	22	
		36608	36076
Expenses	Insurance	1815	
	Parish Share	34227	
	Utilities	1206	
	Rector Expenses	408	
	Organist	720	
	Maintenance	7500	
	Service Fees	298	
	Organ	118	
	Levies & Sundry Fees	307	
	Donations	0	
	Gifts	25	
	Sundry Costs	508	
		(47133)	(35814)
Nett Balance		13865	24368
Balance of CBF Deposit Interest		83	22
Closing Balance		<u>13948</u>	<u>24389</u>
CBF Deposit Account	8709		
Co-Op Deposit Account	5194		
Balance in Hand	45		
Adjustment for rounding	0		
	<u>13948</u>		

f.u.o.

Church of St. John the Baptist, Blisworth
2022
Unrestricted Funds

		2021	
General Fund			24106
Opening Balance		24389	24106
Receipts	Collection General	2616	
	Gift Aid	1186	
	Donations	11066	
	Covenant	13649	
	Fund Raising	2565	
	I R Refund	0	
	Fees	985	
	CBF Dividend	3765	
	Rector's Expenses	0	
	Grant	755	
	Transfer from Bell Fund	22	
		36608	36076
Expenses	Insurance	1815	
	Parish Share	34227	
	Utilities	1206	
	Rector Expenses	408	
	Organist	720	
	Maintenance	7500	
	Service Fees	298	
	Organ	118	
	Levies & Sundry Fees	307	
	Donations	0	
	Gifts	25	
	Sundry Costs	508	
		(47133)	(35814)
Nett Balance		13865	24368
Balance of CBF Deposit Interest		83	22
Closing Balance		<u>13948</u>	<u>24389</u>
CBF Deposit Account	8709		
Co-Op Deposit Account	5194		
Balance in Hand	45		
Adjustment for rounding	0		
	<u>13948</u>		

f.u.o.

Church of St. John the Baptist, Blisworth
2122
Restricted Funds

		2021
Bell Fund		2362
Opening Balance	2377	
Receipts	30	15
Transfer Contribution to General Fund	(22)	(2)
Expenses	0	0
Nett Balance	2385	2375
Proportion of CBF Deposit Interest (282x2377/30321)	22	2
Closing Balance (CBF Deposit Account)	2407	2377

		2021
Restoration Fund		20660
Opening Balance	19028	
Expenses	0	(1650)
Nett Balance	19028	19010
Proportion of CBF Deposit Interest (282x19028/30321)	177	18
Closing Balance (CBF Deposit Account)	19205	19028

JM-D

St. John the Baptist Blisworth PCC

Notes to the Receipts and Payments Accounts for the year ending 31st
December 2022.

Levies and Sundry Fees Analysis

Copyright License	£	169
Card Reader hire fees	£	138

Sundry Costs Analysis

Training	£	220
Microphone	£	131
Council Recycling Fee	£	42
Ministry Resources	£	31
Flag	£	84
	£	815

Liabilities

Fees due to PDBF	£	103
------------------	---	-----

Assets

- a) Church Building and Land Insurance cover from 1st January 2022 £8,870,000.
- b) 6,127 shares in CBF Income units valued at 31st December 2022 £126,592.
- c) Handbells, Church Plate, Lawnmowers and other equipment

JM-D

Examiner's Report

The Blisworth Parochial Church Council Accounts

For the Year Ended 31st December 2022

I have independently examined the accounts of St. John the Baptist, Blisworth, Parish Church Council as set out on the following pages.

The PCC has elected to prepare the accounts on the Receipts and Payments basis, and the requirement for independent examination allows me to report under Regulation 7 of the Church Accounting Regulations instead of under Regulation 25.

The examiner's responsibilities are to:-

Identify whether or not proper accounting records for the Blisworth Parish Church Council have been kept.

Check that the Blisworth Parish Church Council accounts agree with the accounting records.

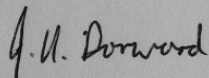
Look for possible significant errors in the accounts of the Blisworth Parish Church Council.

Check that the Blisworth Parish Church Council accounts have been properly prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations in so far as these apply to the Receipts and Payments basis.

Where matters arise from this examination that give cause for concern it is my duty to report it.

The examiner's report

No matters have arisen during the course of my examination where I have to give an adverse report.



John Dorward
47 Barn Owl Close
East Hunsbury
Northampton
NN4 0UA