

Parish of St. Mary the Virgin  
Bletchingley

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended

31st December, 2023

**Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31st December, 2023**

<b>Income</b>	Notes	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
Stewardship		64,155	61,708
Gift Aid (Tax rebate from HMRC)		17,400	16,637
Stewardship (non gift aid)		3,135	4,571
Collections		5,150	2,945
Fees (Weddings and funerals)		3,016	3,851
Donations		400	1,251
Book of Remembrance		175	175
Appeals see below		3,018	2,016
Diocesan Grants		540	
Miscellaneous Income		100	233
Thomas Chapman Charity (Clerks House)	2	0	0
Interest Received		1,143	463
Choir organist fee			200
<b>Total</b>		<u>98,232</u>	<u>94,051</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Donations paid	see below	3,075	4,105
Parish Support Fund		67,440	67,440
Altar Requisites		621	497
Book of Remembrance		189	147
Clergy Expenses		1,762	502
Organist		7,238	7,033
Computing & Electronics		477	477
Choir Organ and Music		630	783
Ministry to Children and Families		501	
Insurance		5,564	5,047
Light,Heat & Water		2,540	2,086
Parish Administrator - share of costs		6,800	6,250
Rent for use of Church House		3,600	3,600
Printing & Office Supplies		716	1,462
Repairs and Maintenance		1,831	2,572
Miscellaneous Expenditure		772	757
		<u>103,756</u>	<u>102,757</u>
<b>Surplus/(Deficit) for the year</b>		(5,524)	(8,706)
<b>Accumulated Fund at year beginning</b>		20,429	29,135
<b>Balance carried to Balance Sheet</b>		<u>14,905</u>	<u>20,429</u>

**Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 2023**

	Notes	<u>2,023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Central Board of Finance	3	3,816	35,673
Balance at Bank		17,368	8,627
Hungry Hermit Petty Cash		92	84
Debtors	4	863	
		<u>22,140</u>	<u>44,383</u>
Less: Creditors	5	(1,413)	(1,350)
		<u>20,726</u>	<u>43,033</u>

**Represented by:**

Unrestricted Reserves		14,905	20,429
Fabric Fund		1,377	20,389
Hungry Hermit*		765	7
Training Bell Fund		1,203	1,203
Flower Fund		697	1,005
Lectern		1,679	
Vestments		100	
		<u>20,726</u>	<u>43,033</u>

\*Hungry Hermit see overleaf

Submitted to and approved by the Parochial Church Council at a meeting held on 7th March 2024

Reverend Captain Paul T Fitzpatrick CA SCP  
Chair of PCC

Richard Fowler  
Churchwarden

**Appeals**

Coronation Lunch*	1117
Food bank collection	1029
Food bank collection	201
Remembrance day	300

Christingle	179
Midnight Mass	192
Totals	<u>3,018</u>

\*half of this was earmarked for the Caterham Food Bank and half for Bletchingley in Bloom

**Donations out**

Caterham food bank	1600	
Caterham food bank	220	
British Legion	<u>325</u>	2145

**Undistributed funds\***

Childrens society	179	
Renewed Hope	192	
Bletchingley in Bloom	<u>559</u>	930
		<u>3,075</u>

\*£250 was donated to the Childrens Society in January and £220 to Renewed Hope. £559 was earmarked for Bletchingley in Bloom for the fixture of a bench in Grange meadow to comemorate the coronation

## Movements to Restricted Funds in the year ended 31st December 2023

	Opening Balance	Income	Outgoings	Closing Balance
Fabric Fund*	20,389	7,426	26,438	1,377
Hungry Hermit*	7	2,411	1,652	765
Training Bell Fund	1,203	0	0	1,203
Flower Fund	1,005	270	578	697
Licensing ceremony*	0	513	513	0
Lectern*	0	2,404	725	1,679
Vestments	0	100		100
	<u>22,605</u>	<u>13,124</u>	<u>29,907</u>	<u>5,822</u>

\* Further details for these items are explained below

### Fabric Fund

Income was received from Friends of St Mary's Church  
Outgoings consisted of £26,088 for the new electric heating system and £350 for the removal of the gas meter.

### Hungry Hermit Income and Outgoings

	<u>2,023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>Income</b>		
Donations	2,411	2434
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Cost of operations	<u>1,165</u>	<u>1475</u>
<b>Surplus before donations</b>	1,246	959
<b>Donations out</b>		
Crisis		450
Caterham food bank - three donations		1050
Christian Aid	<u>488</u>	
Accumulated fund as at 1st January 2023	7	548
Net Surplus for year, after donations out	<u>758</u>	<u>-541</u>
<b>Accumulated fund as at 31st December 2023</b>	<u><u>765</u></u>	<u><u>7</u></u>

### Licensing Ceremony

The outgoings include £200 that was donated to the Bishop's Lent Appeal.

### Lectern

The sum of £1404 was collected at Robert Trotman's funeral and a further £1000 was donated. Of this, £725 was donated to Redhill food bank and the remaining £1679 will be used to purchase a new lectern.

## Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st December, 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL FUNDS	
			<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
<b>Incoming Resources</b>				
Incoming Resources from donors	94,073	13,124	107,197	96,343
Church Activities	3,016	0	3,016	4,259
Other sources of income	0	0	0	0
Income from investments	1,143	0	1,143	463
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<u>98,232</u>	<u>13,124</u>	<u>111,356</u>	<u>101,065</u>
<b>Resources Used</b>				
Donations out	3,075	1,413	4,488	8,320
The Work of the Church	98,850	891	99,741	98,309
Hungry Hermit Café		1,165	1,165	1,475
Property Management and Administration	1,831	26,438	28,269	2,572
<b>Total Resources Used</b>	<u>103,756</u>	<u>29,907</u>	<u>133,663</u>	<u>110,676</u>
<b>Net Incoming/(Outgoing) Resources</b>	(5,524)	(16,783)	-22,307	(9,611)
Balances at 1st January, 2023	<u>20,429</u>	<u>22,605</u>	<u>43,034</u>	<u>52,645</u>
<b>Balances at 31st December, 2023</b>	<u><u>14,905</u></u>	<u><u>5,822</u></u>	<u><u>20,727</u></u>	<u><u>43,034</u></u>

### Notes

**1** Principal Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 1997 together with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention on the accruals basis.

**2** Trusts and Charities

The PCC does not have control over any Charities and have not benefited from any in the past year. Three members of the PCC are trustees of the Thomaas Chapman Charity and two members are trustees of the Church House charity

**3** Deposits. Account with the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England (CCLA). Year start £35,673, interest received £1143, withdrawals during year to mainly to pay for the new heating system £33,000, leaving £3816 in the account.

**4** Debtors The sum owing from Nutfield parish for their contribution to the cost of the parish administrator. This was received early in the new year.

**5** Creditors. Comprised of the three 'Undistributed Funds' totalling £930 identified above, plus one account of £483 that was held over from 2022 to 2023.

### **Independent Examiner's Report to the Parochial Church Council**

This report on the accounts of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2023, which are set out on pages 2 to 4, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and s.145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

### **Respective Responsibilities of PCC and the examiner**

As the members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and section 144(1) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the Regulations.

### **Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 of the Act to be found in the Church Guidance, 2011 edition, issued by the Finance Division of the Archbishops' Council. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements 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 I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

### **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 respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
  - to prepare statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations.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.

Anthony Cock  
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Date

22-Feb-24