

## **TREASURER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS TO THE 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2022**

I am unable to attend the APCM on the 14<sup>th</sup> May and I am grateful to Janine for presenting the accounts on my behalf. If anyone has any questions prior to the meeting please email me at [chardyseergreen@aol.com](mailto:chardyseergreen@aol.com)

During 2022 our branch of Lloyds Bank in Beaconsfield was closed. Our account was moved to the Hazlemere branch but our sort code and account number has remained the same. The change is far from convenient in terms of time and travel costs and has resulted in cash and cheques being paid in less frequently.

At the beginning of December we were finally able to move our account to online banking. This has made making payments and transfers quicker and easier as we are no longer reliant on the postal system.

I am once more grateful to David Jordan who has carried out a through examination of the 2022 accounts books and records. I am very pleased to report that David has agreed to continue in the role of Independent Examiner for 2023.

The accounts are set out slightly differently this year with the 2021 figures shown as an amalgamation of the general and restricted funds.

### **GENERAL FUNDS**

#### **Receipts.**

Planned giving to General Funds has increased from £37187 in 2021 to £39259 in 2022. No new donors have joined any of the schemes set up to facilitate planned giving, the increase is due to those donors to the Parish Giving Scheme who have linked their giving to the rate of inflation.

Our general collections have returned to the pre pandemic levels of 2019. This has been helped by the use of the contactless device allocated to us by the Diocese as part of their Digital Giving Rollout.

We have received two grants from the Diocese this year totalling £1625.

We received a full year of rental payments for use of the Parish Church Hall.

#### **Payments**

Payments to charities never exactly mirror donations received due to timing differences in paying over sums to the charities and reclaiming Gift Aid on donations.

Our Diocesan Quota (Parish Share) has been paid at the House for Duty level in 2022.

Other payments were largely in line with our budgeted projection. We are still benefiting from the 3 year fixed term contract agreed with our energy suppliers in December 2021.

#### **Outcomes**

At the end of 2022 we recorded a surplus of receipts over payment of £8159. From this we have been able to replenish our General Deposit Account with the £6000 we had to withdraw in 2021.

## RESTRICTED FUNDS

### Building (Friends of Holy Trinity)

In accordance with our published accounting policies we were able to use this fund for all payments in respect of repairs and maintenance on the church and church hall. However, even after the transfer of £1743 from the Ministry Fund the Buildings Fund is significantly depleted. It is unlikely the fund will be able to cover all maintenance costs in 2023 so these costs will have to be met by general funds.

### Ministry Fund

The Ministry Fund is now closed. After payment of recruitment and licencing costs the balance of the account, £1743, was transferred to the Buildings Fund. It was agreed to do this to comply with the wishes of the donors that the remaining fund should not be used, directly or indirectly, to pay the Parish Share.

Audrey Hardy PCC treasurer.