

Annual Accounts for the year to 31st December 2022

Treasurer's report

The Annual report and Financial Statements of the PCC for the year ending 31st December 2022 are made up of 2 parts. Pages 1 to 12 show the parish information and reports of the various committees of the Parish and pages 13 onwards show the Financial Accounts.

The assets of the Parish are split into funds:

- The unrestricted or General Fund – can be used for any costs.
- Designated funds – the use of these funds is determined by the PCC eg memorial garden, HT roof.
- Restricted funds – these funds must be used for the purpose stated by the donor or fundraising activity eg children's work, choir costs.
- Endowment funds – only the interest and dividends can be used for clergy expenses as stated by the HBWB Trust. The capital must remain invested.

The Statement of Financial Activities (page 14) show the movement and balances of all the funds in the Parish with a year end total of £1.751m, an decrease on 2021 of £120.4k. (See page 28 for details of funds). However, this includes the value of assets and investments as well as restricted and designated funds which are not available for general purposes. The unrestricted (General) fund total at the end of the year was £55.5k (£64.2k in 2021).

The Unrestricted or General fund is used for everyday running of the Parish including general maintenance. (details on page 32). We began the year expecting to be incurring a deficit of £22.1k but by the end of the year the deficit was only £8.8k. Income was £16.2k above expected as reduced pledge giving was partly offset by generous legacies and some energy grants. Car park income was higher than expected as the fees calculated by FBC were higher than the forecast. Expenditure was mainly as budgeted. This has resulted in a balance of £55.5k in the General fund being carried forward to 2023. There were £4.7k of investment losses during the year reversing the 2021 gains. £21.7k was recovered in Gift Aid giving during the year thanks to the continued monthly giving of our parishioners. The Parish donates 7.5% of pledged giving to the nominated charities during the year which amounted to £6,503 in 2022.

During 2022, the significant movements to the restricted and designated funds were investment losses of £85.2k reversing the gains of £86.5k in 2021. Much of this was due to the fall in value of the investments at the end of the year as Stock market prices were low. Most of the investments are in CCLA managed funds. The lease on the Hub ended in March 2022 and £15.5k of Dr Collin's Memorial fund was transferred to fund the deficit. There is still a balance of £14.9k in the Dr Collins fund which is partly used to help the Friendship Group. The Prices fund received grants of £5.0k in 2022 which was used to fund work with children. The income from the HT hall was significantly higher than 2021 but it still made a loss in 2022 partly due to energy costs. The income from SC Hall was also higher than 2021 and continues to make a surplus.

The Balance Sheet (page 15) shows the value of the assets of the Parish totalling £1.751 million of which £543.1k is in designated funds (use determined by the PCC), £886.9k is in restricted funds (use determined by the donor) and £266.0k in Endowment Funds (only the income from investment can be used).

The HBWB Endowment fund had interest and dividends of £7.9k and revaluation losses of £30.7k during the year. The income from this fund is used for clergy expenses and associated admin.

The investments include £40k in shares, £318k in Diocese managed funds and £525k in Parish managed investment funds through CCLA. £158k of the cash at bank and in hand is in deposit accounts.

Although the Parish appears well off, only the £55.5k in the unrestricted fund and the interest from the HBWB fund can be used for the everyday transactions of the churches. The rest is in funds only to be used as specified or are capital assets. The PCC regularly review the designated funds to determine whether some funds can be undesignated and used for general purposes. The PCC welcomes any gifts made to the Parish, especially non-restricted ones which will be used wisely according to the need at the time.

The Covid 19 Emergency Fund had a balance of £9.5k at the year end but there are still requests to pay rent arrears etc relating to Covid 19, so it is expected to be wound up in 2023 once the balance has been dispensed.

I'd like to thank all those involved in producing these accounts and all the work put in during the year to ensure the smooth running of the Parish finances.

Sue Marshall
Treasurer