

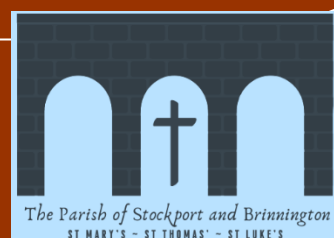
# Parish of Stockport and Brinnington

**St Mary**

Stockport Parish Church

**St Thomas**

**St Luke**



## Annual Report

for the year ending 31 December 2021



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This report (subject to update) was agreed at the Parochial Church Council meeting on the 6<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Signed SM Heap – PCC Secretary

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## **1. Introduction**

1.1.1 Thank you for downloading or otherwise acquiring a copy of this, the third Annual Report of the Parish of Stockport and Brinnington.

1.1.2 We are delighted to be able to hold the Meeting of Parishioners and Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2022 in person and within the normal time-table - rather than via Zoom and held later in the year.

1.1.3 The Minutes of the meetings held in 2021 (for year-ending December 2020) can be found at Appendix A.

1.1.4 One unexpected announcement made in December 2021 was that Lynne was to be leaving us early 2022 to become the new Bishop of Barking in the Diocese of Chelmsford. This of course now places us back into an interregnum situation - effective from February 2022 – although every effort will be made for the post to be filled as quickly as possible. Readers are asked to note that our Priest in Charge is therefore presently the Rev David Brewster – Rural Dean of the Deanery of Stockport.

1.1.5 Our Ministry Team, continue to cover services and parish business as near to normal as possible - in liaison with the Bishop of Stockport, Archdeacon of Macclesfield, Rural Dean and with the support of visiting clergy/speakers, the wardens, PCC and members of the congregations of all three churches.

1.1.6 If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us and we'll do our best to help.

### **Meeting of Parishioners 2022**

Required at the Meeting of Parishioners will be the election of Church Wardens for the coming year.

### **Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2022**

Required at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be the election of FOUR members for three years and TWO members for two years (posts presently held by co-opted members) to the PCC. Also required - the appointment of an Independent Examiner or Auditor. There are no Deanery Synod elections during 2022.

## **1.2 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2021**

1.2.1 The Parochial Church Council of the Parish Stockport and Brinnington (PCC) submits its reports and financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2021.

1.2.2 The PCC is required to report on changes to the Electoral Roll of the parish since the last APCM; to report on the proceedings of the council for the year ending on the 31<sup>st</sup> December preceding the meeting; to make available financial statements for the year ending of the 31<sup>st</sup> December preceding the meeting; to report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the church (or churches) of the parish; to report on the proceedings of the deanery synod and on other matters of parochial or general interest.

## **1.3 Aims & Purposes**

The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the Rector (and others) in promoting, within the ecclesiastical parish of Stockport and Brinnington, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. It has maintenance responsibilities for the churches of Stockport St Mary, Stockport St Thomas, Brinnington St Luke and the premises known as Stockport St Andrew (technically a closed church but used for other purposes).

## **1.4 Objectives & Activities**

The PCC is committed to the success of this relatively newly formed parish, enabling as many people as possible to worship at our churches and to become part of our parish community. To look at different partnership working initiatives, community development and opportunities of working with families, young people and children.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

Church Representation Rules 2020 - Copies of the publication are available from Church House Publishing ISBN 978-0-7151-1158-1

## **2. Clergy report for APCM 2022**

We started 2021 under covid restrictions and the year has seen us negotiate the pandemic as a parish through prayerful response to government restrictions and the needs of our worshipping and wider communities. We have continued to make use of our on-line presence through Stockport Parish PewTube, our websites and our social media via Facebook and more latterly Twitter for on-line worship and to keep the community abreast of parish activity. We have slowly re-introduced services and groups such as Foodie Friday, Thursday coffee morning at St. Luke's, Friday mornings at St. Thomas and the Tuesday lunchtime service at St. Mary where we are working ecumenically with Stockport church leaders. It is hoped that we can grow these partnerships, as well as those forged with Stockport Street Pastors, Sector 3 and the various organisations that use our buildings for annual events and bookings in the future.

We have also this year been able to build upon our relationship with both St Thomas' and St Paul's Church of England schools, offering weekly assemblies and seasonal services in our respective church buildings, as well as partnering with Stockport Christians in Schools Trust to offer Anti-bullying and Christmas workshops in school. Alongside our work in schools, we've also been able to support the work of Bernadette and her team at St Luke's Mums and Tots group, with a member of the Ministry Team going along each week.

We are thankful to all those who have given so generously toward the Community Support Fund and the food and clothing boxes at St Mary's, which have gone some way to helping some of those most in need across our parish.

Supported by the PCC, we as a clergy team remain committed that the Parish of Stockport and Brinnington be a place of learning and formation for all and we have been delighted to be able to have various ordinands and those discerning God's call on placement with us. Each of them has been a blessing to us and has brought something of themselves that has meant we learn from them, as they learn from us. One of our ordinands Jane has led a team of volunteers in introducing and running our Thursday lunchtime service 'Restore' in response to the need of people to make sense of the pandemic through a quiet space with God.

In September we held an urban retreat called Encounter with various indoor and outdoor prayer spaces and services at St. Mary's where people were encouraged to seek God in the urban.

Many thanks to the PCC and congregations for the sensitive and generous manner in which you have supported the clergy in our emergence from the pandemic. It has been clear that Jesus' values of love and care for one another have been at the heart of our decision making together.

**Revds Jess and Marie**

### 3. The Parochial Church Council

The Parochial Church Council is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure and holds charity status, although at this time the Parish of Stockport and Brinnington is not a registered charity.

Rector:	Rev Lynne Cullens (post vacant from February 2022)
Associate Minister:	Rev Jess Piper
Curate:	Rev Marie Flint
Reader:	Brenda Baxendale

Churchwardens:	St Mary's	Sue Heap
	St Thomas'	Jayne Brindley & Anne Jepson
	St Luke's	Paul Heard & James Kitchen

#### PCC Elected Members

St Mary's	Margaret Forster – Elected 2021 Tony Marsh – Elected 2020 Catriona Smith- (retiring)
St Thomas's	John Brearley Janet Langton – Elected 2021 Kevin Morgan – Elected 2020 Jane Scott – Elected 2020 Harry Long – (retiring)
St Luke's	Marilyn Donohoe (retiring) Jennifer Goulden (retiring)

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TWO vacancies covered by co-opted members- who automatically retire at APCM  
Pat Hamilton – St Luke's - Environment Officer  
Peter Nelson – St Thomas' – Vice Chair

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#### PCC Appointments:

Vice Chair:	Peter Nelson
Secretary:	Sue Heap
Treasurer:	John Brearley
Electoral Roll Officer:	Eric Tomlinson
Safeguarding Co-ordinator:	Brenda Baxendale
Environmental Officer	Pat Hamilton (from Jan 2021)
GDPR Co-ordinator	Sue Heap

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Deanery Synod Representatives	Linda Mather / Kevin Morgan / Adam Pinder
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External Examiner/Auditor -	Haskell Woolfe Accountants
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### **3.1 Report of the Parochial Church Council Secretary**

Sue Heap

Meetings for 2021 [ via Zoom] 7<sup>th</sup> April – Receiving of Accounts  
11<sup>th</sup> May /14<sup>th</sup> July / 18<sup>th</sup> October / 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021

*1<sup>st</sup> February 2022 – Section 11 Meeting [St Mary’s in person]*

*5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – Zoom meeting convened for the purpose of (a) Approving the draft of the parish profile (financial statements to be added) & (b) Approval of the Annual Report (prior to APCM 25/4) financial statements/accounts to be received and added into the report.*

Regular PCC business continued throughout 2021 mainly on-line meetings via Zoom - with other matters as needed dealt with via email. Minutes of all meetings are held by the PCC Secretary (electronic and hardcopy) and are available for inspection if required. All minutes are approved by the PCC and noted as being an accurate record.

All requirements (legislation and guidelines) adopted and observed.

### **4. Report of the Deanery Synod Representatives**

Linda Mather, Kevin Morgan, Adam Pinder

Due to covid restriction the first and only meeting of Stockport Deanery Synod took place on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

We were joined by Julie Withers, newly re-elected member of General Synod, Lay Chair of Bowden Deanery and Reader at St. Peter, Hale.

Julie led us in a talk about the “Pastoral Principles for living well together” which are being used in the discussions and reflections of the General Synod’s work “Living in Love and Faith”.

The Pastoral Principles can be found here: [COFE\\_02715\\_PastoralPrinciplesCards-UpdateApril19\\_AW-NEW.indd](https://www.churchofengland.org/COFE_02715_PastoralPrinciplesCards-UpdateApril19_AW-NEW.indd) ([churchofengland.org](https://www.churchofengland.org)).

### **5. Electoral Roll**

#### **Electoral Roll Numbers: Parish Total 137**

St Mary’s	Total 54	(Resident 7	Non resident 47)
St Thomas’s	Total 50	(Resident 10	Non resident 40)
St Luke’s	Total 33	(Resident 19	Non resident 14)
	[137]	[36]	[101]

The Electoral Roll for the parish has been prepared as required under the Church Representation Rules 2020 by our Electoral Roll Officer, Eric Tomlinson. The PCC thank Eric for undertaking this role.

## 6. Report of the Churchwarden(s) - on the fabric of church buildings

### 6.1 Fabric Report – St Mary’s in the Marketplace – April 2022

There continues to be an considerable amount of outstanding work both internally and externally – mostly as identified in the Quinquennial I Report of November 2018 (issued in 2019) and Electrical Inspection Report of August 2017 (issued February 2018).

**HOWEVER – other serious matters have recently arisen following an amount of stonework falling from roof level to the ground during recent storms and the need to remove (for Health and Safety reasons) a large amount of loose stonework found to be in danger of falling at time of inspection (March 2022).**

**We are also advised that a further three finials require taking down due to being unstable/unsafe and that there is also some minor storm damage to the Nave roof which will need to be repaired.**

**The cost of removal of the finials (including minor roof repairs) is £1500 (exclusive of VAT) – the cost of full repairs yet unknown – all costs subject to discussion with the insurance company to determine what amounts can potentially be recovered. Work recently undertaken and paid for out of appeal account (retention monies from previous works) being £540**

**Priority is obviously being given to ensuring the site is safe**

Recommendations in the summary of the QI report include:

#### Urgent Works Requiring Immediate Attention

- > Undertake a programme of works designed to address the backlog of maintenance issues identified in the report
- > Renew asphalt roof covering over South West Porch
- > Commission a report from a Structural Engineer into the integrity of the stone surrounds to windows, principally at Gallery level, where significant damage has occurred from corroding ferramenta .
- > Commission a report from a leaded light specialist into the condition of the glazing and ferramenta in connection with the above
- > Commission a report from a specialist timber treatment specialist into the condition of the structural timbers and boarding of the Bell Chamber, Clock Chamber, and Ringing Chamber floors
- > Ensure access can be gained to the Heating Chamber

#### Works Recommended as Essential Within the Next 18 Months

- > Re-fix sagging section of north Chancel eaves gutter over ridge of Clergy Vestry roof
- > Replace missing cover flashing at abutment of south Chancel roof slope and Nave east wall
- > Check security of cover flashings around perimeter of Nave roof and parapet gutters, secure into bed joints, and point in LM mastic



- > Check security of cover flashings to North West Porch and secure into bed joints where necessary. Back point in BLM mastic
- > Act on the recommendations of the Electrical Inspection Report
- > Mortar seal large gap between Tower east wall and abutting merlon to canted wall to the north
- > Check stability of cruciform finial to Chancel east gable and secure if necessary
- > Commission a report from a leaded light specialist into the condition of the glazing and ferramenta in connection with the above
- > Commission a report from a specialist timber treatment specialist into the condition of the structural timbers and boarding of the Bell Chamber, Clock Chamber, and Ringing Chamber floors
- > Subject to available funding instigate a programme of phased masonry repairs and re-pointing to the main body of the church, commencing with the north wall of the Nave, to address the defects noted
- > In association with the above masonry instigate a programme of works to attend to issues identified in respect of corroding ferramenta and failing wire ties to the leaded light glazing, informed by specialist report
- > Re-fix loose grilles covering heating ducts where noted
- > Lift and reset loose floor tiling adjacent to Kitchen, North Aisle
- > Point up / lift and reset damaged and displaced areas of paving in the churchyard
- > Remove loose copings to wall retaining ramp to South West porch entrance and secure to masonry beneath with stainless steel dowels

#### Works Recommended As Essential Within The Next 5 Years

- > Overhaul slated roof areas, including replacing any damaged / slipped slates where noted, and renew lead tin gles in stainless steel
- > Re-point ridge tiles to Nave
- > Renew asphalt roof covering and cover flashings over North West Porch, including any necessary timber remedial works, and renew Upvc downpipe in cast iron
- > Commission a programme of external decoration works to the building to include the following:
- > Rub down and redecorated corroding metal sections of bell mechanisms
- > Instigate a programme of periodic monitoring, by borescope or panel removal, to areas of timber wall panelling to detect early signs of rot in the wall cavity behind, specifically to: Rectors Vestry/ North and South Aisles and Galleries over
- > Subject to available funding continue with the phased programme of masonry and window repairs to the church, second phase being the South Aisle

Other recommendations are listed “as desirable works” and those where improvements could be made to improve disabled facilities and access to the church.

**Electrical Inspection Report**—The last “5 year” Electrical Inspection Report was undertaken in August 2017 by D M Anderton Ltd.—the report received February 2018.

The general condition of the installation was reported as being UNSATISFACTORY and it was recommended that a further inspection was completed the following year—it was not—and no further action taken, other than to note the contents of the report.

*There were no C1 category findings — danger present / risk of injury—immediate remedial action needed. However there*

*were 12 C2 category findings—potentially dangerous—urgent remedial action needed and 9 C3 category findings - improvements recommended. NB: that the report covered 100 sockets having been tested, 50% lighting— limited tests to inaccessible areas and no testing undertaken to high level lights*

Urgently required a new inspection needs to be undertaken—a re-wiring programme costed and necessary plans and permissions obtained in order to seek grant funding etc. The Church would also wish to replace all light fittings, spot lights etc. and install a new lighting systems (LED energy efficient) throughout the church—including up-lighting to the Chancel Roof (oak timber beams ) and adequate downlighting in the Chancel and Sanctuary areas.

This was considered to be the next most urgent Phase of work(s) needed, but may be overshadowed by the recently discovered problems at roof height.

## **Works undertaken in 2021 have largely been achieved due to the successful bid for funding (Covid Recovery Grant):**

### **Replacement of Boiler No 3**

During 2021 – grant funding enabled the third boiler to be replaced at a cost of £9948.00 – bringing the heating system (although generally thought to be financially uneconomical to run - due to need to heat underfloor voids (warm air coming through grills in the floor) with outdated pipework – some of which is blocked off and not operational) back to full strength. With the increased cost of energy (the running of this system is also beginning to be unsustainable). The heating issue will need to be addressed over the summer months and necessary action taken to be more cost effective.

### **Tower Roof / Flag Pole Repairs**

The sum of £3204 - roof repairs to the tower and tower flag pole fixing – including provision of guy lines re-fixing of halyard

Further servicing of the flag pole ongoing

We were fortunate enough to get essential repairs completed early enough to fulfil our requirement to fly the Union flag for the funeral of the Prince Philip (April 2021).

### **High Level Roof Report / Works**

At a cost of £1020 - maintenance of Church roof, removing all vegetation and ensuring all rain-water goods flowing free. Some remedial works also undertaken at time of visit.

### **St Mary's turret clock – repairs and upgrades (funded by Stockport MBC)**

Completed November 2021

### **Bells**

The bells of St Mary's have been silent since the beginning of Covid – however with restrictions lifted works will be undertaken to check the bells and framework etc. with a view to ringing at Easter 2022.

### **Makin Electronic Organ**

Some minor repairs during the year – damage to circuit boards cause by church mice.

S M Heap – April 22

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## **6.2 St Thomas's Fabric Report 2022**

### EXTERIOR

#### West Gateway

The South side wall has suffered impact damage causing it to move off its base.

This is the second time this has happened. On the first occasion we were able to push the whole structure back. It may be possible to use

brute force to reposition it but long term will require a rebuild. Awaiting estimate for rebuild.

#### South East Corner Parapet

There is a gap in the parapet stone work which overhangs the South East corner. There is concern that the slab could fall. Identified as requiring urgent attention in the 2010, 2015 and 2020 our new Architect reported in his Quinquennial Inspection Report "this is of serious concern."

#### Stonework

Numerous parts of the stonework have become damaged as the cast iron ties have rusted and thus expanded and caused the stone to split. The stonework around the parapet gives greater concern as it allows water ingress between brick and ashlar.

Also there is considerable growth of vegetation where seeds have entered the gaps in the parapet stonework

A detailed survey was undertaken by Peter Skinner, the previous Architect.

Now in the possession of our Current Architect

#### Roof Leak

During heavy rain combined with a North wind the roof leaks in the North West corner. This problem has occurred ever since the Church was re-roofed in 1999. Cause has never been identified. No obvious visible signs of cause.

There is also an occasional leak in the South gallery and again there is no visible cause

Both leaks are causing consequential damage to the ceiling and probably to the wooden roof structure.

#### Interior Walls

Damage to plasterwork in the Vestry, Baptistry and Sacristy suggests that damp is rising from the three corners of the building. Roof drainage and the poor state of the flagging below the rainwater pipes is the probable cause. Our Architect is aware of the problem.

#### Broken Windows

There are 3 broken windows.

1. Upper storey North East corner. Ordinary glass fitted when the stained glass was removed.
2. Ground floor ante room off the vestry/portico steps. Georgian wired. Broken from the outside by persons unknown
3. Ground floor ante room off North East entrance. Georgian wired. Broken from outside by persons unknown

#### Drains

Some drains are blocked and have been found impossible to clear using self-help. Some drains require new covers due to corrosion of existing. Probably requires Drainage Contractor input.

#### Gates to East Entrance

New gates have now been fitted and to a certain extent they have reduced anti social activity. However it is known that the churchyard has been entered by scaling the wall.

#### Pathways

Pathways are in a poor state with many potholes. Much of the top layer of stone has disappeared in some areas. Potholes could be filled with new stone aggregate but that would only be a temporary solution.

#### Graffiti portico steps

A complete eyesore. Several trials by specialist contractors have proved to be ineffective. The pigment used to deface the building has penetrated deeply into the soft, absorbent sandstone ashlar. Being a Grade 1 listed building we are not

allowed to paint over the area with Masonry paint. It seems that the only solutions would be to a) Replace the stone. b) fix boarding over the area. (which would be allowed)

#### Flagpole

Is in a poor state of repair and currently unused. Will become unsafe over time and should be removed/replaced

#### South West Door

No longer used and in a state of neglect and disrepair. Needs repairing and oiling

#### Down Spouts

In a good state but need painting as they are cast iron and beginning to rust.

Advice to be sought from Architect as to Paint type and colour. (Listed Building Regs)

#### Gallery Windows

The "temporary" installation of double glazing in polycarbonate is proving to be quite successful in terms of warmth retention and noise prevention.

There are signs of water ingress via the temporary glazing.

In time, consideration should be given to replacing windows in keeping with the architecture. (Georgian squares?)

## INTERIOR

### Ceiling

The main ceiling is the final area in need of decoration. A quote of £10k was obtained in 2017.

### East Wall

Damage to the South pilaster and stencilled acanthus leaf decoration is in need of professional attention

### Vestry Plaster

Perished plaster in South East corner caused by rising damp

### Baptistry Plaster

As for Vestry plaster above

### Tower

The tower has four chambers.

1. The Clock Chamber. Contains the four clock faces. There is a new ladder giving access to the Cupola. In good state.

2. The bell chamber. Contains Four bells providing the clock chimes and one bell for ringing for services

All the bells are in good condition but the "Service Bell" is loose in its head stock. If it were to fall, it would fall onto the four clock bells. Precautions have been taken in that a wooden frame has been erected just below the bell so that if it does fall it will only drop a matter of inches onto the frame.

This area needs cleaning, the walls need painting and the wire netting attached to the louvres needs renewing. Over time it has rusted and recently it was found that a pigeon had gained access and was nesting. Pigeon evicted and netting repaired. Later inspection showed further pigeon infestation via more corroded netting. The louvres were also covered with plastic sheeting to reduce winds entering the area. Over time this has been torn and needs replacing.

During a recent visit by Smith's of Derby to carry out clock maintenance, the engineer reported that the floor of the bell chamber was unsafe .

3. The Clock mechanism chamber. The clock mechanism is contained within a wooden cabinet with glass doors. The cabinet and walls would benefit from a coat of paint and the area needs cleaning.

4. The lower chamber. Giving access to the gallery and upper chambers. Used too much as a storage area. Walls become very damp in winter. Could do with painting.

### Cellar

This houses the boiler which continues to function satisfactorily.

Piping in this area could do with lagging

Eddie Lockett - 1 April 2022

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### **ORGAN REPORT for St Thomas' Church (Stockport Parish) – April 2022**

The organ has survived three Covid-related church closures and the relative inactivity remarkably well.

Return to full Sunday use was only gradual, the Sung Eucharist re-instated in September 2021 after an absence of eighteen months. During this Covid period, Harisson & Harisson had suspended all routine tuning and maintenance. Nevertheless, their visit in December 2021 found the organ in good fettle, the tuning holding up well. This is a reflection of Harisson's expertise and the benefits of controlled heating, double-glazing and humidification.

Unfortunately, the humidifier's casing is disintegrating (first recorded 2019). Holes are appearing in the aluminium lid, putting the unit's operation at risk. Some parts have become detached and the motor is slightly noisy (a rumbling is audible). Humidifiers are now made using fibreglass, eliminating corrosion problems and extending their working life. However, installed 25 years ago and now well past its "use by" date, the current humidifier has undoubtedly helped keep the organ playable. Whilst promising to keep the current humidifier working for as long as possible, Watkins & Watson recommend a replacement. The cost of £3,110.00 (+ VAT) includes any modifications required to fit existing water, electricity and wind supplies to the new unit. If the current unit fails, and is not replaced, the organ will decline, probably quite quickly!

Finally, we have been warned by Harisson & Harisson that the blower cabinet is lined/insulated with asbestos. Whereas routine maintenance is safe, further intervention or repairs would require specialist removal of the asbestos prior to any work being done.

*Peter Mayo*

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### **6.3 St Andrew's Community Church (Hall Street)**

There were no specific issues at St Andrews other than several breakdowns of the heating system (resolved as they arose) and outstanding work needed to check guttering (clear and clean) and repairs to the front wall following road traffic collision (reported to insurers).

Grounds maintenance (including management of the private road between St Andrew's Church and St Andrew's Court - owned by us) ongoing and completed by A T Garden Services Ltd.

However – April 22 – major water leak discovered resulting in the supply to the heating being capped off. As pipework runs under a solid floor repairs cannot be undertaken resulting in the need for this to be replaced as soon as possible by surface pipework - before water supply can be reconnected to the heating system.

S M Heap – April 22

## **6.4 St Luke's Parish Centre**

St Luke's Parish Centre continues to provide a vital hub within Brinnington.

It is however recognised that its usage is limited due to the restraints of the present footprint of the building and the facilities available. St Luke's Parish Centre is ready for a new start—to be practical, functional, attractive and noticeable—to once again position itself in the midst of community life—to encourage church attendance as well as community events—to be able to offer Marriages, Baptisms and Funerals which the new development provides. More than a church, this will be a community hub, offering a place for volunteers to show the love of Christ and for members of the community to experience Christ in a relaxed and welcoming setting. Weekly activities offering a glimpse as what St Luke's is all about and a gateway to Sunday attendance.

Architects were appointed, plans have been submitted, public consultations taken place, planning permission is pending....

2021 was a year of preparation

2022 we anticipate to be a year of ACTION as we work towards achieving this goal.

### **NB St. Luke's Church redevelopment – update from Brenda Baxendale Development Co-ordinator**

Plans have been submitted to Stockport Council. This week 4th April, they have asked for an extension until 13th May 2022. We have received one observation from a member of the public who appears to be a resident of Brinnington, who while agreeing with the proposed development doesn't feel we are providing adequate facilities for profoundly disabled adults. The architect is seeing if we can improve on the existing plan for the appropriate WC.

**Maintenance issues : Two minor maintenance issues compared with our other Worship centers, but still needing attention as it could be years rather than months before our redevelopment is completed, are the lights in the parish hall which need the strips replacing and the electric shutters on the Remembrance Garden side of the hall, 2 of which will not open due to faults on the motors.**

### **Report of the Centre Manager at Section 10**

## **7. Report of the Safeguarding Co-ordinator**

**Brenda Baxendale**

### **Safeguarding Report 2021**

2021 was a busy year for Safeguarding, the new Policy was approved by the PCC and all recommendations put in place.

During the year we had a number of issues arising including an historical one, these were investigated and referred to the Diocesan Safeguarding Officer. All documentation has been recorded and filed.

All the Ministry team have undergone training via zoom on the Virtual Pathway Leadership Module (C2) and have received their certificates, copies of which are now on file, these have to be renewed in 3 years' time.

Going forward into 2022, it is a requirement from the Diocese that ALL members of the PCC whether working with children and vulnerable adults or not should undergo DBS checks as well as Safeguarding training at the appropriate level. This will start as soon as possible after the Annual Parochial Church Council meeting.

Brenda Baxendale

Safeguarding Co-ordinator – April 22



## 8. Report of the GDPR (Data Protection) Co-ordinator

Sue Heap

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into effect in the UK in May 2018 replacing the Data Protection Act 1998. The GDPR gives individuals more rights and protection in how their personal data is used by organisations.

Parishes must comply with its requirements, just like any other charity or organisation

The law is complex, but there are a number of underlying principles, including that personal data:

- 1. will be processed lawfully, fairly and transparently.
- 2. is only used for a specific processing purpose that the data subject has been made aware of and no other, without further consent.
- 3. collected on a data subject should be “adequate, relevant and limited.” i.e. only the minimum amount of data should be kept for specific processing.
- 4. must be “accurate and where necessary kept up to date”
- 5. should not be stored for longer than is necessary, and that storage is safe and secure.

Explaining the jargon:

Personal data is information relating to a living individual, who can be identified directly from that data or indirectly by reference to other data held.

Processing is anything done with/to personal data, including storing it.

The data subject is the person about whom personal data are processed.

The data controller is the person or organisation who determines the how and what of data processing, in a parish usually the incumbent or PCC

NB: The 2020 update to the Church Representation Rules refers to preparation and publication of the Electoral role and fully observed by our Electoral Roll Officer.

At the present time records -as required- remain held and controlled by individual members of the Ministry Team, Safeguarding Co-ordinator, PCC Secretary, PCC Treasurer etc.

Requirements of the GDPR observed.

SMHeap – April 22

## 9. Report of the Environmental Officer

Pat Hamilton

Our parish held climate-focused services in all 3 churches on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August, to explore the theological and scientific basis of creation care, to pray and to commit to action for climate justice

We were urged to tell politicians that we want a cleaner, greener, fairer future at the heart of plans to rebuild a strong economy.

In the run-up to COP26 (The United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties) in November 2021 in Glasgow, over 2,200 churches and church groups throughout Britain and Ireland participated in this Climate Sunday Initiative, addressing climate change by holding Climate Sunday services,

The PCC appointed me as Environmental Officer to take forward the parish's concern for climate change and its ***commitment to work towards Net Zero Carbon by 2030 as agreed by the General Synod of the Church of England.***

In particular

\*\*\*exploring ways of heating and lighting the churches in a more ecological way.

\*\*\* looking into reducing plastic use and generally being greener in St Mary's café

\*\*\*Using recycled paper when possible

Marie, Ian and I joined the Young Christian Climate Network Relay from the G7 in Cornwall to COP26 in Glasgow, as it passed through Stockport, from Reddish Vale Country Park and on to St Paul's Heaton Moor on 9<sup>th</sup> September. The Relay called upon the Church and government leaders at COP26 to "Rise to the Moment!", campaigning to stop any country going into debt because of climate change.

Post COP26 The Environmental Issues Network, which brought us the Climate Sunday campaign, recommends the following three themes as priorities for climate campaigning by churches in 2022, while the UK still has the presidency of COP:

\*\*\*ending fossil fuel development in the UK,

\*\*\*compensation for Loss and Damage

\*\*\*Ecological Conversion.

## **10. Report from St Luke's Parish Centre Manager**

Linda Mather

### ST LUKE'S PARISH CENTRE REPORT 2021

Dear All

Last year, 2021 was a challenging year for all of us. Due to the corona pandemic, the Sunday service had to be moved from the Chapel into the main hall so that we could comply with social distancing guidelines. The centre was in lock down for most of the year as we did not feel we could meet the guidelines laid down by the government. Slimming World ran their group when they could as they had the necessary training and protective measures in place. In September we had sufficient measures in place and felt confident enough to open up the Thursday coffee bar on a donations only basis. In November we began opening the stalls as well with a limited number of items available for sale. Movieland classic held their Christmas showing in the middle of December.

Portable appliance and fire extinguisher testing was completed as scheduled. There are a number of building issues which need to be rectified as soon as possible. These are the replacement of two high level lights which are flickering and means that the whole row cannot be used. Two window roller shutter motors have failed and need replacing. Some of the wooden fire escape doors are rotting along the bottom edges and will probably fail a fire inspection. We realise that major changes to the building are scheduled to start in the near future but some of these issues may need to be resolved before then.

We suffered a major power outage and we were without power for a few days. This was caused by a broken mains cable approximately 50 metres from the building.

Fortunately, our loyal volunteers have all returned to help us and we are grateful for their continued support and dedication.

Thanks go to St. Luke's, Holmes Chapel and St. Saviours, Great Moor for their support and donations

In spite of all the difficulties that our Parish will have to face in the coming months, if we work together and put our hope and trust in God, I am sure that we will be able to overcome these challenges.

Kind regards

Linda

## 11 **Report of the Parochial Church Council Treasurer**

**John Brearley (Assisted by Kevin Morgan & Jane Scott)**

Stockport and Brinnington Overall Financial Summary 2021 & the full detailed 2021 accounts are attached.

Attached also is a summary and top level analysis by church showing how the 2021 result compares with 2020

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2021 was, as we expected it would be, a very challenging year for the parish financially. Our total income fell from £128k in 2020 to £61k in 2021 whilst expenses at £120k were up from £56k in 2021. The resultant deficit was £60k reduced our funds from £105k at the start of the year to £48k at the end.

### Income

Recurring giving from the congregation at £59k was £21k (or 29%) down as we sadly lost and some members moved away.

Last year we received a legacy of £13k, we have not received any this year.

Last year we received a grant of £30k from the Culture Recovery Fund as Government Coronavirus support. This represented 90% of the grant and we have received the balance of £3k in 2022 and will reflected that as income in the 2022.

There was no income from Richardson Street which was empty throughout the year. We incurred costs of £3k.

We received income of £5k from letting St Andrews which just covered its costs. This income has now finished.

Fees retained by the PCC increased by £1k and we were successful in generating £3k of letting income from St Thomas's / St Mary's.

The Nave Café cost us £3k as the income dwindled because of course of covid closure but the costs remained.

### Parish Share

Last year we had a credit of £7k on Parish share as payments were suspended due to Covid. We agreed a level of resumed payments this year with the diocese, and this saw us pay £23k. The annual Parish share (at 1.4 clergy) is c£30k and as at the end of the year we had an arrears balance of c£20k

Total church expenses at £54k were £8k up on last year.

The major lines in here are:

Insurance – 2020 £17k, 2021 £17k unchanged

Utilities – 2020 £18k, 2021 £20k we have yet to see the full year effect of reopening and the current further increases in gas and electricity prices

Maintenance – 2020 £2k, 2021 £4k

Additionally we spent one off repairs:

£18k on essential, but discretionary repairs at St Mary's the major item being replacement boilers (£10k) as we took the opportunity of the CRF grant to do this as £15k of the £33k grant was allocated to essential repairs one of the qualifying heads.

£8k was spent replacing the gates to improve the security at St Thomas's

#### Reserves / Cash

The £60k deficit offset by a £3k transfer from restricted funds reduced our funds to £48k at the end of the year.

Additionally we have within restricted funds an amount of £31k that was the retention on works at St Mary's where the contractor subsequently went into liquidation. We have taken legal advice and this can be released which means we have effective funds of £79k at the end of the year.

By Church position,

The second schedule shows the by church split of the two years results in total and on an 'underlying' basis excluding legacies, the CRF grant, Parish share and the £15k of repairs funded by the CFR

On this underlying basis the performance of the three churches is as follows:

	2020	2021
St Mary's	£7k surplus	£13k deficit
St Thomas's	£14k surplus	£4k deficit
St Luke's	£1k surplus	£5k deficit

These numbers include what could be described as discretionary maintenance of £3k at St Mary's (excess expenditure over the CRR grant) and £8k for new gates at St Thomas's

<b>PCC Stockport and Brinnington Statement of Financial Activity for year ended 31st December 2021</b>				
<b>Receipts</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	<b>St Thomas</b>	<b>St Luke</b>	<b>Combined</b>
<b>Voluntary giving</b>				
<b>Planned giving (1)</b>				
Tax-Efficient planned giving	£ 11,473	£ 19,290	£ 4,860	£ 35,623
Other Planned Giving	£ 2,480	£ 728	£ 861	£ 4,069
<b>Collections at services (3)</b>				
Loose cash collections	£ 1,351	£ 417	£ 806	£ 2,573
Other gift Aid	£ 125	£ 426	£ 370	£ 921
<b>All other giving and voluntary receipts, including special appeals (recurring and one-off) (4)</b>				
Community Fund Gift Aid		£ 420		£ 420
Community Fund Non Gift Aid		£ 145		£ 145
Candles	£ 371	£ 64		£ 435
General donations	£ 2,022	£ 305	£ 1,708	£ 4,034
Specific donations	£ 1,668		£ 200	£ 1,868
Gift Aid recovered (planned giving and one-off donations) (6)	£ 2,900	£ 4,929	£ 1,308	£ 9,136
Tax recovered on community fund gift aid (6)		£ 105		£ 105
<b>Legacies received (capital value) (7)</b>		£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>Grants (include recurring and one-off) (8)</b>	£ -	£ -		£ -
Total voluntary giving	£ 22,389	£ 26,828	£ 10,112	£ 59,328
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>				£ -
Fundraising activities (gross proceeds) (9)				£ -
<b>Income from investments</b>				£ -
Interest	£ 3	£ 47		£ 50
Richardson St		-£ 2,740		-£ 2,740
Total income from investments	£ 3	-£ 2,692	£ -	-£ 2,690
<b>Church activities</b>				£ -
Fees retained by PCC (weddings, funerals etc.) (11)	£ 661	£ 436	£ 225	£ 1,322
Trading activities (gross proceeds), NOT fundraising (12)				£ -
Hire of church	£ 1,500	£ 1,710		£ 3,210
Hire of St Andrews	£ 779			£ 779
Commercial other	£ 40			£ 40
Nave Café Income	-£ 2,962			-£ 2,962
Parish centre income			£ 1,585	£ 1,585
Total receipts from Church Activities	£ 18	£ 2,146	£ 1,810	£ 3,974
<b>Other incoming resources</b>				£ -
Other receipts not already listed (13)				£ -
Total other incoming resources	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>Totals</b>				£ -
RECEIPTS	£ 22,409	£ 26,282	£ 11,922	£ 60,612

<b>Payments</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	<b>St Thomas</b>	<b>St Luke</b>	<b>Combined</b>
<b>Costs of generating funds</b>				£ -
Costs of fundraising activities	£ 50	£ 33	£ 17	£ 100
Total cost of generating funds	£ 50	£ 33	£ 17	£ 100
<b>Church activities</b>				£ -
Mission giving and donations (18)	£ -	£ 650		£ 650
Community fund expenditure (18)		£ 180		£ 180
Diocesan parish share contribution (19)	£ 11,011	£ 7,268	£ 3,744	£ 22,023
Salaries, wages and honoraria (20)	£ 75	£ 2,604	£ 4,818	£ 7,497
Curate housing (21)	£ 2,373	£ 1,566	£ 807	£ 4,747
Rectory council tax (21)	£ 1,244	£ 821	£ 423	£ 2,488
Rectory telephone (21)	£ 224	£ 148	£ 76	£ 448
Rectory grounds maintenance (21)	£ 153	£ 101	£ 52	£ 306
Rectory water (21)	£ 67	£ 44	£ 23	£ 134
Total Church Activities	£ 15,148	£ 13,382	£ 9,942	£ 38,473
<b>Church expenses</b>				£ -
Mission and evangelism costs (22)				
Website	£ 113	£ 47	£ 175	£ 335
Church running expenses (including governance) (23)			£ -	£ -
Church insurance	£ 6,517	£ 7,628	£ 2,439	£ 16,585
Church maintenance and repairs	£ 3,064	£ 657	£ 619	£ 4,341
Caretaking supplies	£ 1,842	£ 80		£ 1,922
Organ maintenance	£ 240	£ 283		£ 523
Altar expenses	£ 585	£ 414	£ 34	£ 1,033
Sundries	£ 540	£ 264	£ 38	£ 842
Special purchase	£ 1,020		£ 470	£ 1,490
Choir		£ 110		£ 110
Presentation	£ 120	£ 79	£ 41	£ 240
Printing, stationery, postage and licences	£ 1,492	£ 255	£ 36	£ 1,784
Church phone	£ 1,791	£ 279	£ 149	£ 2,219
Audit fees	£ 180	£ 119	£ 61	£ 360
Shared expenditure	£ 355	£ 235	£ 121	£ 711
Church utility bills (24)	£ 10,933	£ 6,802	£ 3,255	£ 20,989
Costs of trading (25)				£ -
Total Church expenses	£ 28,793	£ 17,251	£ 7,440	£ 53,484
<b>Major capital expenditure</b>				£ -
Major repairs to the church building (27)	£ 17,198	£ 7,734	£ -	£ 24,932
Major repairs to church hall/other PCC property including redecoration (28)		£ -		£ -
New building work to the church, church hall, clergy housing or other PCC property. (29)			£ 3,227	£ 3,227
Total Major capital expenditure	£ 17,198	£ 7,734	£ 3,227	£ 28,159
<b>Other expenditure</b>				£ -

Other payments not already listed				£ -
Total other payments		£ -		£ -
<b>Totals</b>				<b>£ -</b>
PAYMENTS	<b>£ 61,189</b>	<b>£ 38,400</b>	<b>£ 20,626</b>	<b>£ 120,215</b>
Change to Unrestricted funds at 31/12/2021	<b>-£ 38,780</b>	<b>-£ 12,118</b>	<b>-£ 8,705</b>	<b>-£ 59,603</b>
				<b>£ -</b>
<b>Fund transfers</b>				<b>£ -</b>
Transfer from St Luke building fund			£ 3,227	£ 3,227
Transfer to community fund		-£ 490	£ -	-£ 490
Total transfers	£ -	-£ 490	£ 3,227	£ 2,737
Unrestricted Balance at 31/12/2020	<b>£ 52,701</b>	<b>£ 38,650</b>	<b>£ 13,623</b>	<b>£ 104,974</b>
Unrestricted Balance at 31/12/2021	<b>£ 13,921</b>	<b>£ 26,041</b>	<b>£ 8,145</b>	<b>£ 48,107</b>

<b>Funds breakdown</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	<b>St Thomas</b>	<b>St Luke</b>	<b>Combined</b>
<b>Unrestricted Balance at 31/12/2021</b>	£ 13,921	£ 26,041	£ 8,145	£ 48,107
St Luke building fund	£ -	£ -	£ 10,043	
Community fund		£ 1,584		
Total funds	<b>£ 13,921</b>	<b>£ 27,625</b>	<b>£ 18,188</b>	<b>£ 59,734</b>
<b>CASH AND INVESTMENT BALANCES</b>	<b>St Mary</b>	<b>St Thomas</b>	<b>St Luke</b>	<b>Combined</b>
Cash and deposit balances as at 31/12/21				£ -
St Mary current account	£ 7,921			£ 7,921
St Thomas + PCC Stockport and Brinnington (see below)		£ 25,521	£ -	£ 25,521
St Luke Current and CCLA account			£ 17,051	£ 17,051
Outstanding Debtors	£ 2,900	£ 5,034	£ 1,308	£ 9,241
Outstanding Liabilities	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
			£ -	£ -
				£ -
Total Cash Value 31/12/2021	<b>£ 10,820</b>	<b>£ 30,555</b>	<b>£ 18,359</b>	<b>£ 59,734</b>



St Thomas + PCC Stockport and Brinnington - Breakdown of funds	Value
St Thomas Current account	£ 14,539
St Thomas Deposit account	£ 8,345
PCC Stockport and Brinnington	£ 2,594
Cash in hand	£ 43
Total available funds	£ 25,521

St Mary restricted funds other accounts	31/12/2020	Receipts / Transfer in	Interest	Payments / Transfer out	31/12/2021
St Mary Appeal fund (Nat West)	£ 30,863			£ -	£ 30,863
Interior account (Natwest)	£ 5,486	£ -		£ -	£ 5,486
Harold Beard - Current account (NatWest)	£ 666				£ 666
Harold Beard - Business reserve (NatWest)	£ 22,945	£ 2,874	£ -	£ -	£ 25,819
Business Reserve (Nat West)	£ 126		£ 0		£ 126
Stockport St Mary PCC (CCLA)	£ 684		£ 0		£ 684
Hallworth (CCLA)	£ 1,768		£ 1		£ 1,769
Stipend Account (CCLA)	£ 2,700				£ 2,700
Curacy A/c (CCLA)	£ 4,761				£ 4,761
					£ -
Total St Mary restricted funds					£ 72,874
St Thomas restricted funds	31/12/2020	Receipts / Transfer in	Interest	Payments / Transfer out	31/12/2021
Appeal fund	£ 15,069	£ 25			£ 15,094
Total St Thomas restricted funds					£ 15,094

**STOCKPORT & BRINNINGTON - OVERALL  
FINANCES ANALYSIS**

	2020	2021
Planned giving	50,750	39,692
Collections at services	5,416	2,573
Other giving	9,776	7,388
Gift aid recovered	17,169	9,241
Recurring giving	83,111	58,893
Legacies received	12,845	0
Grants received	30,060	0
Total voluntary giving	126,016	58,893
Interest income	22	50
Income from Ricahrdson St	3,080	0
Costs of Richardson St	-1,647	-2,740
Richardson St net income	1,433	-2,740
Fees retained by PCC	269	1,322
Income from letting St Andrews	6,093	5,940
Cost of St Andrews	-7,027	-5,161
Net income/cost of St Andrews	-934	779
Income from letting St Thomas's / St Marys		3,210
Nave café income	2,095	366
Nave café costs	-3,349	-3,328
Net income/cost from Nave Café	-1,254	-2,962
Other commercial income	569	475
Parish Centre income	1,933	1,585
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>128,054</b>	<b>60,612</b>
Costs of fundraising activities	-75	-100
Mission giving and donations	-1,673	1,060

Mission fund expenditure	-1,406	-1,710
Parish share	6,926	-22,023
Cost of fundraising, mission giving and fund expenditure parish share	3,772	-22,772
SALARIES		
Salaries wages and Honoraria	-7,624	-7,497
Curate housing	-2,322	-4,747
Rectory council tax	-1,254	-2,488
Rectory telephone / Water / Garden maintenance	-1,205	-889
Church activities	-8,633	-38,392
Website	-566	-335
Childrens work	-1,976	0
Altar expenses	-145	-1,033
Audit fees	-360	-360
Caretaking supplies	-705	-1,922
Choir	-107	-110
Choral	-200	0
Insurance	-16,798	-16,585
Maintenance & repairs	-2,438	-4,341
Church phone including Mobile for St Mary	-1,657	-2,219
Flowers	-113	-143
Organ maintenance	-663	-523
Parking	-99	0
Community	0	-180
Presentation	-42	-240
Printing stationary postage licences	-1,604	-1,784
Shared expenditure	-211	-711
Sundries	-45	-2,189
Utilities	-18,228	-20,989
Church expenses	-45,957	-53,664
Major repairs - St Thomas's - income		
Major repairs - St Thomas's - costs	-259	-7,734
Major repairs - St Thomas's - net cost falling to unrestricted funds	-259	-7,734
Major repairs - St Mary's - income		0
Major repairs - St Mary's - costs		-17,198
Major repairs - St Mary's- net cost falling to unrestricted funds	0	-17,198

Major repairs - St Luke's- income		0
Major repairs - St Luke's - costs	-1,113	-3,227
Major repairs - St Luke's- net cost falling to unrestricted funds	-1,113	-3,227
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>-55,962</b>	<b>-120,215</b>
<b>SURPLUS/DEFICIT</b>	<b>72,092</b>	<b>-59,603</b>
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS B/F</b>	<b>44,665</b>	<b>104,974</b>
Transfers in/out of restricted funds	-11,783	2,737
Surplus/deficit above	72,092	-59,603
<b>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS C/F</b>	<b>104,974</b>	<b>48,107</b>
<b>RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>		
<b>Within St Thomas's accounts</b>		
St Luke's building fund	13,270	10,043
Community fund	1,094	1,584
	14,364	11,627
<b>With separate bank accounts</b>		
St Mary's appeal fund	30,863	30,863
Interior account	5,486	5,486
Harrold Beard	23,611	26,486
Business reserve	126	126
Stockport St Marys PCC	684	684
Hallworth	1,768	1,769
Stipend account	2,700	2,700
Curacy a/c	4,761	4,761
	69,999	72,875
<b>TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS</b>	<b>84,363</b>	<b>84,502</b>
<b>Appeal fund</b>	<b>15,245</b>	<b>15,094</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>204,581</b>	<b>147,704</b>

STOCKPORT & BRINNINGTON - OVERALL FINANCES ANALYSIS - BY CHURCH SPLIT													
				2020 Actual					2021 Actual				
			2020	2020	2020	2020	2020		2021	2021	2021	2021	2021
			St Mary's	St Thomas's	Parish account	St Luke's	Total		St Mary's	St Thomas's	Parish account	St Luke's	Total
Underlying Income			28,518	41,869	0	14,762	85,149		22,409	26,282	0	11,922	60,612
CRF grant			30,060	0	0	0	30,060		0	0	0	0	0
Legacies			0	0	0	12,845	12,845		0	0	0	0	0
Total income			58,578	41,869	0	27,607	128,054		22,409	26,282	0	11,922	60,612
Underlying costs			-21,555	-27,495	0	-13,838	-62,888		-35,682	-30,449	0	-16,866	-82,997
Parish share			3,225	2,129	0	1,572	6,926		-11,007	-7,950		-3,761	-22,718
Repairs expenditure at St Marys covered by CRF			0	0	0	0	0		-14,500	0	0	0	-14,500
Total costs			-18,330	-25,366	0	-12,266	-55,962		-61,189	-38,400	0	-20,626	-120,215
Underlying surplus/deficit			6,963	14,374	0	924	22,261		-13,273	-4,168	0	-4,944	-22,385
Surplus/deficit			40,248	16,503	0	15,341	72,092		-38,780	-12,118	0	-8,705	-59,603
Funds b/f			12,345	20,702	0	11,618	44,665		53,093	38,260	0	13,621	104,974
Transfers to/from rstricted funds			500	1,055		-13,338	-11,783		0	-490	0	3,227	2,737
Surplus/deficit			40,248	16,503	0	15,341	72,092		-38,780	-12,118	0	-8,705	-59,603
Funds c/f			53,093	38,260	0	13,621	104,974		14,313	25,651	0	8,143	48,107

## Appendix 1



### PARISH OF STOCKPORT AND BRINNINGTON

### MEETING OF PARISHIONERS & ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

25<sup>TH</sup> April 2021 via Zoom

## MINUTES

### Meeting of Parishioners

- Apologies for Absence — Jennifer Goulden / Tony March / Gillian & Mark Clough / Rita Waters
- Resolution to suspend the “disqualification after six periods of office” rule until such time as the resolution is revoked by a subsequent meeting of parishioners.

**Proposed: Peter Nelson / Seconded: Jayne Brindley (Agreed)**

- Election of Churchwardens

Jayne Marie Brindley

nominated Jane Scott

seconded John Brearley

Anne Elizabeth Jepson

nominated Jane Scott

seconded John Brearley

Susan Margaret Heap

nominated Catriona Smith

seconded Isobel Clarkson

Paul Heard

nominated Brenda Baxendale

seconded Jane Scott

James Kitchen

nominated Brenda Baxendale

seconded Jane Scott

one vacancy (St Marys)

**Proposed: Peter Nelson / Seconded: David Birch (Agreed)**

Meeting ended: 1.09

## **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

- Welcome & Introduction from the Rector of Stockport and Brinnington
- Apologies for Absence – as above
- Minutes of the Meetings held on the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020  
**Proposed: David Birch / Seconded: Jane Scott (Agreed)**
- Matters arising (none)
- Presentation of Electoral Roll (Eric Tomlinson).

Thanks to Eric for his continued support with the preparation and updating of the Electoral Roll and thanks from Eric to the three churches allowing him to undertake this role. To note: that when changes (additions or deletions) are identified these should be reported to Eric (or via the Ministry Team) as soon as possible.

### ➤ **Election of Members to the Parochial Church Council**

Thanks given to those retiring at this meeting – David Birch, Patricia Hamilton, Herbert Quick & Peter Nelson.

To note that Peter and Pat have agreed to retain certain duties and will therefore be given co-opted membership at the first meeting of the PCC in order to perform those tasks.

New appointments (for a period of three years)

Margaret Forster

Proposed: David Birch / Seconded: Sheila Andrews

Janet Langton

Proposed: Jayne Brindley / Seconded: Ann Jepson

**Proposed: Adam Pinder / Seconded: Sheila Andrews (Agreed)**

This will leave two elected vacancies at this time

Due to retire April 2022: Marilyn Donohoe, Jennifer Goulden, Harry Long & Catriona Smith

➤ **Presentation of Annual Report & Financial Statements** (Lynne Cullens/Kevin Morgan)

Comments:

John Brearley      “Strong position to start on” – John having a clear understanding of the accounts prior to being officially appointed as our new Treasurer. Thanks to Kevin for his clear and well presented accounts – “a job well done”.

Peter Nelson      Proposed a vote of thanks to Kevin / Seconded by Lynne with “virtual” clapping of hands in approval.

Adam Pinder:      Question raised to as when monies held (retention of Phase 6) by St Mary’s could be released for other purposes – answer unknown - issue to be raised externally and reported back to future PCC meeting

Lynne Cullens:      General thanks given to everyone and to Sue (me) for preparation of the report, and tasks undertaken “work in – week out “ (thank you so much) ...

**Proposed: Peter Nelson / Seconded: John Brearley (Agreed)**

➤ **Appointment of External Examiner/Auditor**

Haskell Woolfe Accountants, Stretford

**Proposed: Peter Nelson / Seconded: Adam Pinder (Agreed)**

*Those appearing on screen (names given or person(s) identified) :*

*Sheila & David Andrews / Brenda Baxendale / David Birth / John Brearley  
Jayne Brindley / Heather Chant / Jane Crook / Lynne Cullens / Marilyn Donohoe / Marie Flint  
Margaret Forster / Pat & Ian Hamilton / Sue Heap/ Paul Heard / Anne Jepson / James Kitchen  
Kate Langton / Eddie Lockett / Sarah Mason / Linda Mather / Kevin Morgan/ Peter Nelson  
Adam Pinder / Jess Piper / Geoff Rayner/Jane Scott /Anne Stewardson/Catriona Smith  
Eric Tomlinson*

*in addition unidentified telephone numbers or account references.*





