

ST MARY'S CHURCH, NETTLETON & BURTON

ANNUAL REPORT

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2014

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year ended 31st December 2014

Background

Nettleton Parochial Church Council (PCC) is responsible for co-operating with the By Brook benefice team ministry, led by the Revd Jonathan Philpott, in promoting, in the ecclesiastical parish, the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical, as required by the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956.

Membership

The PCC is a charity excepted from registration with the Charity Commission. Members of the PCC are either ex-officio or elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM) in accordance with the Church Representation Rules. The following served as members of the PCC from April 15th 2011.

Ex-officio

Revd Jonathan Philpott
Rev Gillian Parkin
Mrs Marje Caie – Diocesan Synod member

Elected

Ms Sheena Payne
Mrs Annie Trubody
Mr Ian Wilson
Mrs Ann Wilson
Mr John Millican (Treasurer)
Dr Ruth Lortal

Co-opted

Mr. Alistair Caie (Health & Safety)

The PCC is represented on the By Brook Team Council by Mr John Millican or Mrs Marje Caie.

Electoral Roll and Church Attendance

There were 17 parishioners on the new Church Electoral Roll prepared for the APCM on 25th April 2014, one of whom is not resident in the Parish. One of the parishioners has since died.

The average attendance for normal Sunday services in 2014 was 13.7, compared with 11 in 2013.

Review of the Year

The PCC met on 4 occasions during the year.

There was a TGI Friday informal service and social evening in 7 months of 2014, each with a different theme. They had an average attendance of 9, compared with 10 in 2013. The October TGI Friday was followed by a Harvest Supper, and the December TGIF was a Carol Service.

The 5th Sunday Big Breakfast services was held on Mothering Sunday.

Our mission to children continued during 2014 with Service with a Smile which is proving popular. We had a Christingle with a Baptism.

There was a church cleaning day in the summer.

Committees

There is one committee of the PCC, an Events Organising Group, comprised of all the lay members of the PCC and also Jo and Jonathan Smith, Sallie Belcher and Chris Bennett. It is an informal group wishing to provide fun for the community while improving the finances of the church. Occasional help from other members of the community is gratefully accepted.

The committee organised the following fund raising events: Pancake Supper; Village Fete; which was shared with the newly formed Burton Community Association. Village Barbecue, and Christmas Supper at The Old House at Home.

All daytime services include refreshments provided by the committee and other volunteers, and all evening services include drinks and nibbles. These were also provided for a visit from the By Brook Walkers.

We have increased the monthly Lunch club to meeting twice a month, due to popular request. It continues to attract new faces into the church.

Fabric, Goods and Ornaments

Building and equipment maintenance and inspection is carried out on a regular basis by Alistair Caie. The organ tuning, testing of electrical appliances, fire extinguishers and the lightning protection have all been inspected by the relevant bodies.

The PCC would like to express their gratitude to Al Caie for his time and effort over the year.

The high level gutters are inspected annually and cleared if required. The ground gutters are cleared regularly.

A Quinquennial inspection was carried out in July.

Churchyard

We continued to use the services of James Bruce Scott, to maintain the churchyard at his high standard.

The area for wild life continues to be looked after with help from parishioners.

Finance

Treasurer's Annual Report Year End 2014- Parish Of Nettleton & Burton

1.0 Net Inflow Of Funds Mainly Due To There Being No Expenditure On Major Repairs.

1.1 Over the 2014 financial year there has been a net inflow of £3109.73 as income exceeded expenditure. This compared with an inflow of £2812.55 in 2013. This is a variance of £297.18 from 2013 to 2014.

1.2 The main cause of the above inflow was that no major repairs were carried out in 2014 as in 2013.

2.0 Income From Giving

2.1 Total The income from all giving was £8065.07 in 2014 compared with £7198.85 in 2013, giving an increase of £866.22. These totals were calculated by adding all the lines for giving income in the accompanying summary table.

2.2 Tax - Efficient Restricted.

Tax – efficient restricted giving was down from £2088 in 2013 to £1660 in 2014. This was due to one - off donations in 2013. The £1660 total received in 2014 was through standing orders. The 2013 total for standing orders also was £1660.

2.3 Total Of Giving By Standing Orders And Gift Aid (Line 1), Non – Gift Aid Planned Giving (Line 4), Non – Eff Restricted (Line 5) And Collections At Services (Line 6).

2.3.1 The total for the above was £6405.07 in 2014 compared with £5110.85 in 2013, giving an increase of £1294.22. Of this £712.60 is due to an increase in the total of gift aided and non - gift aided donations at services and non -efficient restricted giving. This is due partly to increased attendances at services. Both the above totals for 2014 and 2013 include £1096 from unrestricted giving through standing orders both gift aided and non gift aided. ie Unrestricted giving in 2014 through standing orders was unchanged from 2013.

2.3.2 A second reason for the increase in the above total is that there were many more village lunches in 2014 than in 2013 . Thus village lunch donations included in the above totals of £6405.07 in 2014 and £5110.85 in 2013 totalled £972.08 in 2014 compared with £390.46 in 2013, giving an increase of £581.62.

2.3.3 Please note. Line 1 for ‘Standing Orders And Gift Aid’ in the accompanying Summary Sheet includes gift aided village lunch donations. Similarly Line 6 for ‘Collections at Services’ includes non - gift aided village lunch donations.

3.0 Fund Raising Income.

3.1 Net fundraising income for 2013 was £2266.39 in 2014 compared with £1556.76 in 2013. These totals have been taken from the Financial Summary Table after deducting the cost of fund raising which comprises payments to the hosting premises.

3.2 Due to £283 being raised from Ride And Stride in 2013 but not received until 2014, the respective totals of net fund raising for 2014 and 2013 are £1983.39 and £1839.76.

4.0 Fees.

The total of fees received in 2014 was £1028.50 compared with £864 in 2013. The 2014 total was boosted by fees from a wedding. The totals for 2013 and 2014 were noticeably higher than for 2012 when fee income was £419.50 when there were less funerals.

5.0 Upkeep Of Church and Churchyard.

5.1 The expenditure on the upkeep of the church and churchyard was £4438.23. compared with the total of £3494.14 in 2013, giving an increase of £944.09.

5.2 Much of the above increase was due to the £952.35 expenditure on electricity in 2014 compared with £321.84 in 2013. This was an increase of £630.51 in electricity costs. The main reason for this is that the electricity meter was inoperative in late 2012 and in early 2013 and Southern Electric did not seek any charges for consumption for this period, thus giving artificially low charges for 2013. It is estimated that about £100 of the above £630.51 increase in costs is due to the greater number of village lunches. The remaining £530.51 is due to the above waiving of charges by Southern Electric and normal fluctuations in winter usage of electric heaters.

5.3 A second cause of the above increase in 5.1 was an increase of £277.87 in the cost of grass mowing. The cost was £1152 in 2014 compared with £874.13 in 2013. In 2014 there were more visits which were at a higher rate than in 2013. But the rates still represent good value.

6.0 Upkeep Of Services

The 2014 costs were £388 of payments to organists and to bellringers. This compares with an unusually low total of payments to organists of £238 in 2013.

7.0 Grants

£942.46 of grants were made in 2014 compared with £614.66 in 2013. These included two grants £270.09 to Wiltshire Air Ambulance, two grants totalling £253.02 to the Children’s Society, £10 to Gloucester and Bristol Ringers, £25 to Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust and £384.35 to Burton Community Association. The amount of £384.35 was half of the fete proceeds and half of a donation to the fete.

8.0 Diocesan Quota

The PCC increased the diocesan quota from its 2013 figure of £3200.04 to £3400.04 in view of the poor financial position of the diocese. The quota was paid in full.

9.0 Benefice Quota

The full benefice quota of £700.05 was paid in 2014.

10.00 Transfer To Monmouthshire Building Society Reserve Account

Three transfers of £1000 each were made from the NatWest current account into the above Reserve Account. These were on 28th March 2014, 3rd October 2014 and 18th December 2014. ie £3000 in total. £147.62 in interest was paid into the account on 31st March 2014. The interest rate is 1.15% per annum. above this has only occurred because no major repairs were carried out in 2014.

11.0 Conclusion

11.1 As above there has been an inflow of £3109.73 into St Mary's funds during 2014. As in Section 1.2

11.2 The restricted development fund, which was started in January 2012 to fund the provision of facilities at St Mary's, has increased to £5901.45. The PCC plans to install a composting toilet financed by this fund and by grants. However the PCC faces a challenge during this and following years in making financial provision for major repairs which have been identified in the recent Quinquennial inspection.

Breakdown Of Net Fund – Raising 2014.

ie with Costs Of Fund Raising deducted.

This is for the compilers of the Fund – Raising Section of the APCM Report only.

Pancake Supper	- £293.70	plus donations of £65
= £358.70		
Barbeque	- £227.50	plus donation of
£3.62	= £231.12	
Fete	- £755.19	plus donations of
£13.50	= £768.69	
Sale Of Cakes	- £9	plus donations of £40
= £49		
Sale of Preserves	- £8	
Ride & Stride 2013	-£283	
Ride & Stride 2014	-£85	
Yatton Keynell Market	-£127	
Advent Supper	-£478	plus donations of £90
= £568		
Total	-£2266.39	
plus donations of £212.12	=	£2478.51

Note –Income from collections has increased and we have made substantial contributions to the church and community.