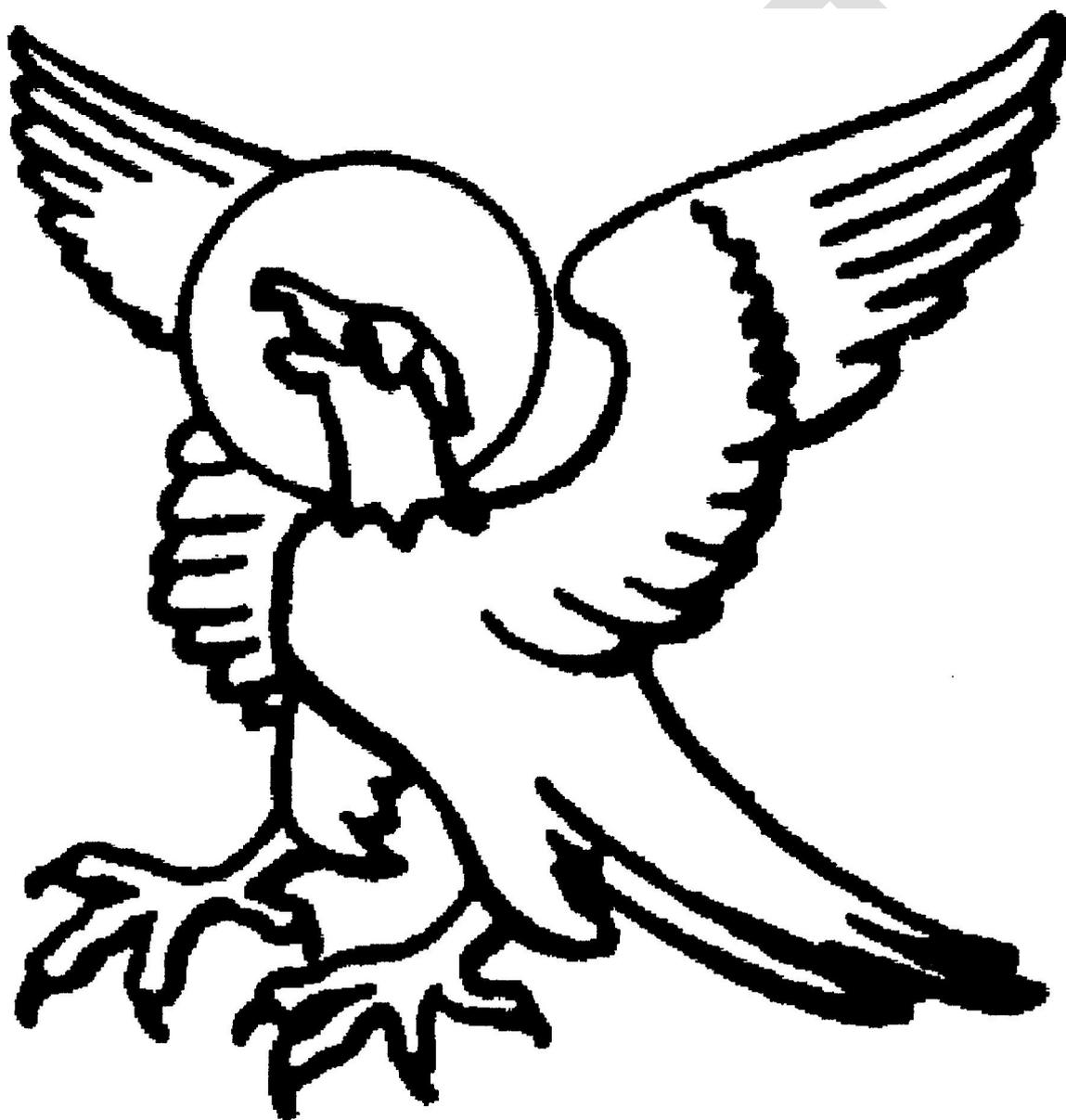

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, WATERBEACH

ANNUAL REPORT 2017



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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The primary objective of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. To achieve this, the PCC co-operates with the incumbent in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the Church; pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical. We are pleased to present this account of our activities in 2017.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to serve God in the community of Waterbeach. To achieve this, we must make the church available to all who need it, through worship reflecting the breadth of Christian experience, through service to all in need, through prayer and through teaching.

OUR VISION

To be a Church where we are:

Rooted in Christ

Growing together in the Spirit

Reaching out with God's love

OUR ETHICAL AND FAIR TRADE POLICY

- To use Fair Trade products wherever possible;
- To choose financial services from institutions which publish and report on their ethical trading policies;
- To choose consumable items (e.g. paper) from suppliers who can demonstrate the environmentally-friendly nature of their products;
- To consider the environmental impact of building works;
- To consider means of reducing our energy use in the long term;
- To educate ourselves and our church in environmental, ethical and fair trade issues.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The Church of St. John the Evangelist, Waterbeach is situated on Station Road, Waterbeach. It is part of the Diocese of Ely within the Church of England. The correspondence address is the Parish Office, St John's Church Room, Station Road, Waterbeach, Cambridge CB25 9HT.

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1 Balloon Street, Manchester, M60 4EP

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THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operates under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. It is exempted by order from registering with the Charity Commission. The appointment of PCC members is set out in and governed by the Church Representation Rules.

During the year the following served as members of the PCC:

Associate Vicar	The Revd. Paul Butler	Chair
Churchwardens	Tiffany Langton Ben Cons	
Deanery Synod Reps	Michael Williamson Katy Astley	Treasurer
Elected to April 2020	Jane Williamson Adrian Wright Richard Oakes Kirsty Morris Ruth Roca-Terry Mike Lynch	
Elected to April 2018	Hannah Cons Dorothy Druitt Ingrid Tregoing	

The Secretary to the PCC is Jennie Brandon

In 2017 the PCC held six meetings. We discussed:

- Building for Mission: heating, lighting and sound
- Parish Weekend 2017 –forward planning and feedback
- Stewardship
- Mission Action Planning
- Employment of a paid Children and Families' Minister
- Pastoral care team
- Potential Chapel of Remembrance/reflective space in church
- Kempe window restoration
- Purchase of new kettles for the Church Room kitchen
- Proposed Data survey
- Waterbeach Thread[ed]
- Putting the PCC Minutes on the website
- Replacing the Church Room as a long-term project

- Future employment of a youth minister
- Feedback from Paul's consultation with different age –groups in the church
- Safeguarding training
- The quinquennial inspection report
- Associate Vicar's licence
- Restoration of the Book of Homilies
- Jane Oakes' LLM application
- Employment of a new Church Cleaner
- The War Memorial Historical listing
- Lent programmes
- Fresh Expressions in Waterbeach School
- Rules for attendance at PCC meetings by non-members
- Risk assessments

The following PCC sub-committee met regularly to support the work of the PCC:

- The Building for Mission team, chaired by Paul Butler.

ASSOCIATE VICAR'S REPORT

Once again there has been much to celebrate in the St John's community. We have seen a continuing growth in the number of families who regularly attend church, and it's heartening to see the number of children that attend Kids Church each Sunday. We also recognise that we're an intergenerational family, and appreciate our more mature members for their wisdom and their faithfulness. We were delighted to appoint Cheryl Titmus to join the team as our Children and Families' Minister, a four day per week post. Cheryl comes with considerable experience in children's ministry and is an accredited psychotherapist. Cheryl's role is to lead and develop the children's ministry and connect with families in the wider community.

As a Christian community, we continued to value our diverse church traditions, and acknowledge the vitality of our relationships and our unity in diversity. Whatever our church tradition or worship style preference, our relationships are paramount as we seek to model the love of Jesus as a church family. We have sought to offer a number of worship encounters: from All Age and traditional through to Taizé (at Landbeach) and services with a more contemporary feel. We also launched our Sunday evening *Making Sense* series, which has sought to develop our biblical literacy.

We have sought to serve our local community through our Footsteps preschool groups and the Waterbeach Mothers' Union; the MU continued to serve church and the wider community in many practical ways, including providing welcome packs for Maple Court, South Cambridgeshire's hostel for the homeless.

I want to take this opportunity to record my appreciation to those who have helped to share the leadership load: Kirsty Morris who provided effective interim leadership of the Children's Team; Ros Wright and her team who set up the *Explore* events based around the major Christian festivals; Holli Bielby and Ingrid Tregoing for their sterling leadership of the Mothers' Union; Brian Macdonald-Milne and Chris Barter, our two retired ministers, and Malcolm Brown who assisted me in leading and preaching at Sunday services; the unstinting commitment of Michael Williamson, our choirmaster and treasurer, to both the sung worship of the church and the management of our finances; Adrian Wright for managing the hire of the Church Room, and doing many other supportive tasks, and Jennie Brandon for maintaining and developing the church administration; our two church wardens, Ben Cons and Tiffany Langton, who contributed a considerable amount of time and energy on a number of projects, in addition to routine church management - and for once again keeping the Vicar under control! Also a big thank to those members of the church family who served as stewards, chalice servers, readers and intercessors, without which our Sunday services could not run smoothly. Finally, I want to express my appreciation to the PCC, who as the leadership team of the church, have provided me with wisdom, guidance, good humour and an occasional 'no way', as we sought to lead the church together.

We look forward with hope and expectation as we seek to live out the gospel of Christ in 2018, through welcome, hospitality and costly love, and thereby lower the threshold for engagement with Christian faith.

DEANERY SYNOD

North Stowe Deanery Synod held three meetings during the year.

At the February meeting, which I was unable to attend, Peter Wood and Linda Church gave presentations on the Local Mission Projects Fund. We are very familiar with this in Waterbeach and grants from it are supporting our Children and Families' Minister.

In July we had an extremely informative talk from Geoffrey Hunter, the Church Buildings Consultant for the Diocese. He gave many thought-provoking ideas for increasing the contribution of church buildings to the communities they serve.

Also at that meeting the officers were elected and I was re-elected as joint Deanery Treasurer.

The November meeting included a presentation from the Revd. Janet Glover on, among other things, the **Growing as a Disciple** course. There was also a presentation from the Revd. Olivia Coles on Baptism and, in particular, how to follow up the families following on from the actual event.

Report compiled by Michael Williamson

CHURCH BUILDING AND ADMINISTRATION

CHURCH WARDENS' REPORT

This year saw our latest quinquennial report. There is some minor work that needs seeing to (this is not unexpected given the age of our building!) and these can be scheduled over the course of this quinquennial period, but in general the building is in excellent condition. The main issue raised is the level of damp in the building and we are hopeful that over the next few years the higher average temperature in the building may help with this long-standing issue.

We are aware that the sound system has not been working well since it was moved at the conclusion of the heating project. Given the impact this has on everyone's being able to engage in the service, this is currently the most urgent task to need doing. The current system is a good few years old, and so we are now looking to get a new one. We have had a number of companies in to quote for a new system and we are hopeful that a new one will be in place this year.

We'd like to thank Anne Careless for her hard work in cleaning the church over the last year. The church is sparkling!

A big thank you to all those who support us in our roles as church wardens including, in particular, Adrian Wright, Jennie Brandon, David Armstrong and the assistant church wardens. We are very grateful for all you do for the church. Thank you also to the Friends of St John's for their work in getting the Kempe Window restored.

The pastoral care team is now growing in number and we have a great team so do let us know if you are aware of anyone in the community, whether a church-goer or not, who would appreciate a pastoral care visit or ongoing support.

Ben will be stepping down at APCM after three years in the role and would like to thank everyone at St. John's who has patiently helped and supported him over the last three years and would like to wish his successor all the best. Tiffany would also like to thank everyone for supporting her in her first year as a churchwarden.

Please do get in touch with either of us if you have any issues you want to raise about anything going on in the church, whether it's to do with the building or anything else.

Report compiled by Tiffany Langton

BUILDING FOR MISSION

The Building for Mission team has had a quiet year but we are in the process of appointing a lighting engineer to design and install an updated lighting system. The new lighting will increase the available light to make service booklets easier to read as most of the nave is currently well below the recommended minimum lighting level recommended by the church care commission. Not only will the new system improve the lighting for services but it will also show off the architecture of the building in a more sympathetic way.

Should you have any questions about the upcoming lighting work please feel free to talk to any of the team.

Report compiled by Ben Cons

ADMINISTRATION

In the Church Office, this has been a challenging year as my role has expanded (taking on the Secretary role in PCC, compiling parish statistics for Diocese and being more involved in some funerals) and demanded more (the challenge of planning and preparing for new Data Protection legislation with the advent of the GDPR). The variety of the role continues to be satisfying but can make juggling priorities challenging!

The biggest jobs of the year were organising the Parish Weekend, basing those plans on feedback from the previous year and streamlining publicity for events from weekly and services to community events like Waterbeach Thread[ed] with a lot of graphic design involved since visual images are far more likely to be shared on social media and are more eye-catching in hard copy. Sadly the website has missed out on a major review as project after project has come rolling in.

Putting together new liturgies has taken a lot of time but meant more tailored services, especially for all-age services. The high level of christenings and funerals this year has meant a lot of careful record keeping. I have also spent a certain amount of time tracking down donkeys for hire of which there is not an enormous local supply!

As ever, I am struck by the grace and dedication of this wonderful church community (especially when I am compiling the rotas) and the grace of God in always providing the resources required just when they are needed. Even when it's a donkey!

I would once again like to thank the Church Wardens, Jane Oakes and Adrian Wright for all their help and Paul for his unstinting support and encouragement.

Report compiled by Jennie Brandon

MUSIC

I am really pleased that our choir has been joined by two young members (under 11); our average age must have dropped by a significant number of years. I am firmly of the belief that singing in a church choir is one of the most important ways in which we can involve young people and I am very pleased to be working with Cheryl to boost this.

As always, I thank members of the choir for their regular contribution to our worship.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WORK

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES' WORK ON SUNDAYS

This year Kidschurch has been led by Kirsty Morris, Sarah Edwards, Jane and Richard Oakes, and Holli Bielby, with Cheryl Titmus joining us in December. We have had between 10 and 20 children attending most weeks.

The pattern of children's ministry incorporates all age services at Landbeach (first Sunday) and at Waterbeach (third Sunday). On the second and fourth Sundays, Kidschurch meets in the church room, with the children being in church for the first hymn, then rejoining the main congregation at the peace.

Our topics for teaching have followed the lectionary for the year. We cater for between ten and twenty five children each week with an age range of a few months to twelve years.

Report compiled by Kirsty Morris

CHILDREN'S WORK BEYOND SUNDAYS

Volunteers from St John's also supported the Beaches churches together Holiday Club this year organised jointly with the Baptist Church and Salvation Army Church in Waterbeach, which was on the theme of 'Space Academy'. Around 60 primary school-aged children attended.

Report compiled by Kirsty Morris

CHILDREN'S 'EXPLORE' EVENTS IN 2017

The after school 'Explore Easter' and 'Explore Advent' sessions were once again popular events held just before the end of Spring and Autumn terms with 60-70 children plus parents present at each one. There were story boards and craft activities illustrating the main events of the two parts of Jesus' life. Refreshments and more activities were available in the Church Room.

Report compiled by Ros Wright

FOOTSTEPS

Footsteps continues to thrive, reaching over 90 different families during 2017. We have between 15-20 families attending each session on both a Monday and Friday – with a mix of different families. We frequently welcome back parents who attend Footsteps with baby number two, or three. We meet on a Monday and Friday during school term time. Footsteps is run by a team of volunteers, which last year was led by Sarah Edwards, Hannah Cons & Kirsty Morris on a Monday, (with Hilary Stobart & Alison Maddocks supporting them), and Holli Bielby on a Friday, (with Tiffany Langton stepping in when needed). We were also delighted to welcome Cheryl Titmus to our merry band in December of 2017.

We provide toys, puzzles, arts and crafts, hot drinks for adults and a variety of snacks for the children. We usually finish the sessions with musical instruments and action songs. We are delighted to be able to provide a range of toys and activities, to suit children from new-born to pre-school age. We have been able to purchase new toys as they expire and to continue to provide a variety of stimulating toys for the children. The children especially enjoy using the outdoor space, which is a real bonus for our group to have access to, giving them a chance for water and sand play in the fresh air during the warmer months.

We have been able to build up a rapport with the parents who attend, providing a sounding board and a safe non-judgemental space, as well as the all-important teas and coffees. The parents particularly appreciate our welcoming atmosphere and the quality of our freshly brewed coffee!

In December 2017, we were able to gift all the Footsteps families with a "Greatest Journey" story book, aimed at pre-school children, telling the story of the First Christmas. 2017 also saw us introduce "social" events, for parents to occasionally get together during the evening and chat without the interruption of little people. These have also been well-attended, attracting around 12 adults each time so far. For our next social event, we are currently planning to host a Fizz & Strawberries evening in the Summer term, as well as co-hosting an end-of-term Family BBQ with Saturdads & MU members in July.

Report compiled by Holli Bielby

SATURDADS

"Saturdads" is a Saturday morning "stay and play" group for Dads, Granddads, male carers and their children. During 2017, we ran bi-monthly Saturdads sessions, with Merlin Tregoing, James Bielby, Chris Barter and Rev. Paul Butler leading the sessions; and not forgetting Ingrid and Holli behind the scenes organising and providing sausage butties!

In 2017, I'm delighted to report that our session numbers have increased! We have welcomed 10 families (in addition to our own), and the number of attendees per session has also increased, with an average of 5 families attending. We continue to provide a range of toys and crafts, alongside teas, coffees and a hot breakfast.

Saturdads gives Dads an opportunity to play with their children and also provides a welcoming space to meet other Dads. The group has been greatly appreciated by the few Dads that have attended, and we look forward to reaching out to more and more families as the group grows. We currently meet bi-monthly, but would probably have scope to increase this to monthly, if we could find a few more volunteers.

We end the school year with an end of term BBQ - this year it's on 14th July - alongside families from our Footsteps and Mothers' Union groups. Please do continue to spread the word about Saturdads wherever you can - it's obviously working!

Report compiled by Holli Bielby

OUTREACH TO ADULTS

PILGRIM GROUP

Pilgrim was established in the Autumn of 2014 to encourage an identified group of about 5 unchurched people who were sympathetic to Christianity and looking to understand more about the Faith. Initially we met weekly on Monday lunchtimes in the church hall and since early 2015 on a Thursday from 12.15 to 2.00 p.m. We have continued in sharing a simple lunch and have been studying the Church of England Pilgrim Course series together with other courses in Advent and Lent.

The group has changed in that only two of the original "pilgrims" attend. One of the original group died in January 2018 and will be missed. Regularly 5 or 6 of the craft and chatter group now stay for lunch and three or four continue to join in with the pilgrim studies.

The group is generally led by Jane Oakes, with Paul leading when she is not available. We often have 5 -6 each Thursday.

Report compiled by Jane Oakes

CRAFT AND CHATTER

Craft and Chatter was established as a Fresh Expression of Church and commenced just after Easter 2015 and is led by Jane Oakes, Beccy Taylor and Helen Jameson and we are pleased that the core weekly attendance has this year increased dramatically to 8 – 10 people with a range of age from young mums with children to those in retirement.

A group of 8 from both craft and chatter and pilgrim attended the New Wine Christian Conference 2017.

Our mission statement:-

"To share God's love by providing a safe space where everyone feels welcomed and valued and can give and receive through the medium of creativity in arts"

We are supplying a weekly craft group on a Thursday morning for 2 hours where people can bring their own craft projects or undertake projects through resources provided by the group. This year the group has made various knitted and crocheted items for the local baby care unit at Addenbrookes, poppies for Remembrance Sunday and helped and contributed many items to the Waterbeach Thread(ed) exhibition in the church in January.

We are providing generous hospitality and resources as a token of God's abundant

provision for us. During the session we have discussion on faith topics and have a prayer table with opportunity offer people to be prayed for by the group during the following week. The aim is to grow community, share our stories lives and faith. Jane is in the process of training to become a Licenced Lay Pioneer and the leading of these groups is part of her ongoing training.

The group is an open group – all are welcome. It is particularly aimed at local people who are not a member of our or any church

Report compiled by Jane Oakes

LUNCH CLUB

As last year the number of people attending our lunches has fluctuated between 18 and 25 in number, although we can accommodate 32. Most of those attending are not regular members of our congregation so Lunch Club is very much part of our Outreach programme. The cost of a lunch is £3.50 and will remain at this price for the coming year. All our produce is freshly bought and where possible, locally. We aim to use fruit and vegetables that are in season and are menus are traditional but varied. A band of willing helpers have assisted us during the year in laying tables, welcoming our guests, serving food and washing up and I would like to thank them for all that they have done to help the lunches run smoothly.

In December, we said our farewells to Linden Leeke who has moved to Downham Market. Linden has organised and cooked the lunches since 2013, and helped Brenda Johnson with them for several years before that. She was thanked at our Christmas lunch for all that she has done for the Lunch Club and was presented with flowers and a gift. She will be much missed but we wish both Linden and Maurice well for the future in their new home.

Report compiled by Sheila Lynn

MAKING SENSE EVENINGS

In February we launched our new Sunday evening *Making Sense* series. The purpose was to develop our biblical literacy, discover the 'Big Picture' of the Bible and provide transformational encounter with the biblical texts they goes beyond solely intellectual engagement; we also established a learning community where we can grow in our faith and discipleship. We were privileged to host scholars with a national and international reputation in theology and biblical studies. The speakers and topics in 2017 are listed below and we are looking forward to further developing these events in 2018:

- Dr Hilary Marlow, Girton College, Cambridge: *Making Sense of the Old Testament*
- Dr Ruth Perrin, St John's College, Durham: *Making Sense of Leviticus*
- Dr Nathan MacDonald, St John's College, Cambridge: *Making Sense of the Prophets*
- Dr Alison Gray, Westminster College, Cambridge: *Making Sense of the Psalms*
- Professor Craig Blomberg, Denver Seminary, Denver, Colorado: *Making Sense of the Parables*
- The Revd Dr Paul Weston, Ridley Hall, Cambridge: *Making Sense of Matthew*
- The Revd Dr Mike Thompson, Ridley Hall, Cambridge: *Making Sense of Romans*
- Professor Gordon McConville, University of Gloucestershire: *Making Sense of Deuteronomy*
- Dr Dana Harris, Trinity Evangelical Divinity School, Chicago: *Making Sense of Revelation*

Report compiled by Rev Paul Butler

OTHER GROUPS AND CONCERNS

FAIRTRADE AND THE SREEPUR VILLAGE, BANGLADESH

St John's is registered as a Fairtrade church and endeavours to use Fairtrade products wherever possible to ensure the money it spends on coffee, tea and sugar benefits and improves the lives of the producers.

- A monthly stall of Fairtrade products is offered for sale to the congregation usually on the second Sunday of the month.
- Traidcraft catalogues are available and individual orders can be grouped with church grocery orders to offer free postage and a discount on catalogue prices. traidcraftshop.co.uk
- St John's continues to support the Sreepur Village in Bangladesh in its work with destitute women and children, street children in Dhaka and now also with the Rohingya refugees.
- www.sreepur.org.uk

Report compiled by Dorothy Druitt

THE MELANESIAN MISSION

The Melanesian Mission (UK) continues to be very grateful for the support of Waterbeach PCC for the Anglican Church in the Province of Melanesia in the Western Pacific, which includes the Solomon Islands, the Republic of Vanuatu and the French Territory of New Caledonia. The main supporters of the Mission in Ely Diocese are Waterbeach Parish and Selwyn College, Cambridge, which was founded in memory of Bishop George Augustus Selwyn, first Bishop of New Zealand, who himself founded the Melanesian Mission in 1849. The first Christian village was established in the Banks Islands, now part of the Republic of Vanuatu, 150 years ago in 1868, the same year that its local leader, George Sarawia, was ordained deacon. He was the first Melanesian of any denomination to be ordained.

As Archivist of the Melanesian Mission and as one who worked for many years in Melanesia, I have been helping a Canadian Ph.D. student studying at Selwyn College to prepare to go out to the Solomon islands later this year to study the effects of climate change in the islands, and what the church and other agencies are doing about it, and may be able to do better as a result of his research. He will report back to the Anglican Church of Melanesia and the Melanesian Mission in this country -- as well as Selwyn College. I am also preparing another book about the Solomon Islands, this time about conflict and Christianity there from the 16th century to the present time. I hope it will be published by Christians Aware,

Leicester, in 2019. The Solomon Islands was the country where the Japanese were stopped in their progress south in the Pacific in the Second World War, one of the episodes covered in the book.

I have been able to host a number of visitors from Melanesia in Waterbeach in the last few years, including three bishops. (I may have more visitors this year or next.) The last visitor was the Archbishop of Melanesia, the Most Rev George Takeli from the Solomon Islands, who is also Bishop of the Diocese of Central Melanesia, of which I was at one time Vicar-General and Diocesan Secretary. He spoke to the PCC, and afterwards met and addressed representatives from Waterbeach and neighbouring parishes in our Church Room. He had just attended the Melanesian Mission Festival in Nantwich, Cheshire, and preached in Chester Cathedral, and I heard him speak on both occasions. This year the Festival will be held at Selwyn College, Cambridge, on September 8, and I hope that members of the parishes in our benefice will grasp the opportunity of attending and learning more about the work of the Church in the islands, especially regarding evangelism, education, domestic violence, logging, fishing and climate change, which is a really serious issue -- some low-lying islands are having to be abandoned and the people moved elsewhere.

Please continue to keep the people of the islands of the Pacific in your thoughts and prayers. They really value their links with us.

Report compiled by Brian Macdonald-Milne (Honorary Canon of the Provincial Cathedral of St Barnabas, Honiara Solomon Islands)

WATERBEACH MOTHERS' UNION

2017 saw the number of our Mothers' Union branch members decrease considerably, to just 15 members. As a result, we decided to change to a mix of evening and daytime meetings, some joint with Milton Mothers' Union branch. Although this does not suit everyone, low numbers on Tuesday mornings and a lack of practical support for Holli and Ingrid have been fairly consistent, so

We have decided to focus on 'doing what we do well' - which is closer to our initial vision for the group - and have retained most of our projects going forward. An additional project that we have taken on is the preparation of Baptism boxes. This is a lovely idea, introduced to us by Ros, which includes preparing the boxes, with symbols of baptism, collecting messages written by family, friends and congregation, and then presenting the boxes to the candidates in the Baptism services. We are also considering providing a "bereavement box" to our local primary school, but we need more funds in order to do so!

Our continuing projects this year are: Welcome bags for Maple Court Twiddlemuffs for Elderly Care ward at Addenbrookes, "Baby and Toddler Oasis" tent at Feast, and Saturdads. We have also been able to help a number of new arrivals at Maple Court, with our members donating clothes, kitchenware and linen as and when it is needed. Through Holli, we are retaining our links with Footsteps, and Ros is continuing to lead us in making Mothering Sunday posies for the congregation, which are always gratefully received.

We do hope that current, former, and new members will continue to support our group: being a member of the Mothers' Union for us is not about turning up to a meeting every month. It's a public acknowledgement that we share the same values with the other men and women of our Union, locally and globally. It is about knowing that these people will be people of action who will step up to promote stable family life, share the love of God and try to help people who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Report compiled by Holli Bielby

FLOWER GUILD 2017

Firstly I would like to say a big thankyou to all those who have contributed towards church flowers over the past year.

We have continued to decorate St John's with pedestals on a weekly rota through the generosity of the flower ladies. Thank you to all.

We have arranged for all the usual festivals and arranged for one wedding and the occasional funeral.

We have received appreciative comments on our efforts.

I hope that 2018 will be another successful year.

Report compiled by Chris Armstrong

THE FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S

- Our 2017 AGM was held on Saturday 6th May followed by a Songs of Praise service and dinner, with a talk by David Craig on the connections of the Fairhaven family of Anglesey Abbey and Fairhaven in Canada.
- The twice yearly newsletter and the Christmas card were sent to members as usual.
- Our only project continues to be the restoration of the Kemp window in the tower.
- Further consultations have been held with the Architect, the DAC and the Kempe Society and a consensus of opinions has been reached to go ahead with thermo-glazing the window. Details have been given to the PCC and their permission sought to go ahead with the necessary steps to put the work in hand. There is still some way to go but we are advancing. It is hoped that the work will be underway before the Friends AGM in 2018.
- The 2018 AGM and Dinner will take place on Saturday May 12th.

Report compiled by Ros Wright

WATERBEACH WIVES

St John's Waterbeach Wives had a varied and interesting programme through the year. The decision to only have one speaker per month due to increase in fees has worked well. On the third Wednesday in the month we have an in house evening hosted by a member or friends of a member. We are pleased to have raised £1000 for M.S. in loving memory of Melody Perkins.

Report compiled by Sheila Gill

LIVING WITH INTEGRITY

Living With Integrity is a community forum for Social Justice, Environment and Sustainability which meets formally at St John's and occasionally at other venues. We provide a drop-in exchange for information and discussion, and provide information on these to our congregations. We network with Diocesan and Cathedral initiatives such as the Ely Cathedral Business Group; we also liaise with other agencies and projects such as the CofE's Clewer Initiative against People Trafficking and, of course, Christian Aid, and FairTrade.

In the last year LWI has provided backing, fundraising or profile-raising for:

- Médecins Sans Frontière's work in Syria and the Middle East through parish events and Poems in the Kitchen
- Waterbeach Thread[ed], a cross-community pop-up event about Textiles, fundraising £600 for Macmillan Cancer Care; also supporting Sreepur and Emmaus. The event explored responsible use of Textiles and Plastics as well as enabling a wide range of talents to be celebrated in community and congregation.
- The Cambridge Liberal Synagogue's Mitzvah partnership with CamCrag for Calais Refugees.

As well as Breakfast Meetings we now provide evening meetings to widen opportunity for discussion and participation. Events are announced in The Fold; alternatively contact angelastoryteller@gmail.com or ring 01223 860214.

Report compiled by Angela Brown

BENEFICE LINK WITH THE R.C. PARISH OF ST GILLES, AVRILLE IN ANJOU, FRANCE

For some years now Waterbeach and Landbeach Parish Churches have been linked with the Roman Catholic parish of St Gilles, in Avrillé, just outside Angers, the chief city of Anjou in the Loire Valley. This link was suggested by some members of that parish who worshipped with us at the bi-lingual services I held in Landbeach and Waterbeach when the group from that town came over to visit the five Fen Edge villages, which have been linked with Avrillé for twenty years. The interchurch link is not part of the civic link officially, as this is not allowed by the French authorities, but it is parallel and complementary to it. Usually a group from our five villages, including Cottenham, Rampton and Willingham, visits Avrillé every other year, but because this year will be the 20th anniversary of the link and the people of Avrillé also want us to join them in commemorating the centenary of the end of the First World War, we are travelling by coach or other means to join them for a weekend in May, as we did in 2017. The dates this time are May 4th to 7th, which includes the Bank Holiday. We stay with people in the town, who are most welcoming.

An unusual aspect of the visit this year will be an ecumenical service which may include people from their link RC parish in Germany. I have been invited to preach in French. Next year the group from Avrillé are expected to visit us again.. The people of the parish of St Gilles, and their new parish priest, who is from Senegal in West Africa, hope that members of our two parishes will make a special effort to come and join with them in worship and other activities. Those interested should contact the Secretary of our local Twinning Committee, Mrs Julia Gwilt, who lives in Way Lane, Waterbeach, either by telephone on 07584 149512 or by e-mail to juliagwilt@gmail.com I will be happy to discuss aspects of the visit with anyone interested to know what happens on these occasions.

Report compiled by Brian Macdonald-Milne

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

FINANCIAL REPORT

The detailed financial statements can be found on pages 13-22.

This year the unrestricted funds show a deficit of £3,046, a considerable improvement on last year's deficit of £7,972. Behind these figures we see an increase in income of £4,290 and a reduction in costs of £1,012. Much of the increase in income comes from regular giving by the congregation, and we are immensely grateful for their generosity.

Further details can be found in the notes to the accounts, and details of the various funds under the control of the PCC can be found in note 11 on pages 21 and 22.

As part of our future financial plans, we have joined the Parish Giving Scheme. This is a facility run by the Diocese of Gloucester which has the potential to increase our regular giving and (incidentally) to reduce the Treasurer's workload. At the year end, six people had signed up and by the end of March 2018 we have ten subscribers who have given a total of £2,185 so far this year. We thank all the donors for their generous support.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees (who are the members of the PCC) to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable Accounting Standards and Statements of Recommended Practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

USE OF VOLUNTEERS

The text of this report shows just how much the church is dependent upon volunteers for its work. This is a matter that cannot be quantified with any degree of certainty.

INVESTMENT POLICY

Some funds that are held for long term purposes are held as shares in the appropriate CBF funds. Other cash deposits are placed in CBF deposit accounts.

GRANT-MAKING POLICY

The church, via the income from the Cup Trust, supports the work of Waterbeach and Landbeach Action for Youth.

In 2017, in addition to our support of the Children's Society from collections at Christmas and of the Royal British Legion at the service on Remembrance Sunday, we gave a total of £1,000 to five charities – The Amos Trust, Christian Aid, the Melanesian Mission and the Church Mission Society. It is the intention of the PCC to increase this total sum in the future once income permits.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The PCC is aware of the risks involved in its operation and takes appropriate steps to minimise them. In particular, it has a well-developed policy for dealing with children and vulnerable adults.

RESERVES POLICY

Because of the substantial support available to the PCC from the Ecclesiastical Charity, the PCC does not seek to maintain significant reserves. Any funds temporarily in surplus are generally earmarked for future use. It is the policy of the PCC to invest any surplus balances with the CBF Church of England Deposit Fund.

Signed _____ Position _____

Date _____ 2018

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR 2017

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE PCC OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, WATERBEACH FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31ST, 2017

This reports on the accounts of the Trustees for the year ended 31 December 2017 is in respect of an examination carried out under the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 and s145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 142(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an Independent Examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the PCC is not subject to audit under Charity Law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners in Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general directions given by the Charity Commission.

An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts 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 a full audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

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 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the methods and principles of the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) effective 1 January 2015) 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.

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Matthew Pettifer FCA
Staffords Chartered Accountants
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

		2017				2016			
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL
		Funds	Funds	Funds	FUNDS	Funds	Funds	Funds	FUNDS
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:	Note								
Donations and legacies	2(a)	52,666	28,391	-	81,057	47,156	149,870	-	197,026
Other trading activities	2(b)	6,902	-	-	6,902	6,852	101	-	6,953
Other	2(c)	698	600	-	1,298	1,976	-	-	1,976
Investments	2(d)	115	3,749	-	3,864	107	3,113	-	3,220
TOTAL		60,381	32,740	-	93,121	56,091	153,084	-	209,175
EXPENDITURE ON									
Charitable activities	3(a)	58,925	26,710	-	85,635	52,059	153,576	-	205,635
Raising funds	3(b)	982	-	-	982	1,339	388	-	1,727
Other	3(c)	3,682	25	-	3,707	11,203	-	-	11,203
TOTAL		63,589	26,735	-	90,324	64,601	153,964	-	218,565
Gains / (losses) on investment assets		162	-	4,239	4,401	178	-	4,692	4,870
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		(3,046)	6,005	4,239	7,198	(8,332)	(880)	4,692	(4,520)
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS	8	-	-	-	-	360	(360)	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(3,046)	6,005	4,239	7,198	(7,972)	(1,240)	4,692	(4,520)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS									
Balances brought forward at 1/1/2016		(32)	5,925	46,960	52,853	7,940	7,165	42,268	57,373
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD AT 31/12/2017		(3,078)	11,930	51,199	60,051	(32)	5,925	46,960	52,853

BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2017

	Note	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	2017	2016
		£	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	5(a)	459	-	-	459	1,632
Investments	5(b)	1,951	-	51,199	53,150	48,749
		2,410	-	51,199	53,609	50,381
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors & prepayments	6	6,593	4,878	-	11,471	6,796
Stock	7	925	-	-	925	-
Deposits		805	5,064	-	5,869	5,536
Cash at bank and in hand		(12,548)	9,418	-	(3,130)	1,768
		(4,225)	19,360	-	15,135	14,100
LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR						
Creditors and accruals	8	(1,263)	(7,430)	-	(8,693)	(7,628)
NET CURRENT ASSETS						
		(5,488)	11,930	-	6,442	6,472
LIABILITIES: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR						
Interest-free loans	9	-	-	-	-	(4,000)
TOTAL NET ASSETS						
		(3,078)	11,930	51,199	60,051	52,853
FUNDS						
Revaluation reserve		1,907	-	49,621	51,528	47,127
Other funds	11	(4,985)	11,930	1,578	8,523	5,726
Total funds		(3,078)	11,930	51,199	60,051	52,853

Approved by the PCC on _____ 2018

R M Williamson
Treasurer

Paul Butler
Chair

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

General information

The PCC is a corporate body established by the Church of England and operated under the Parochial Church Council Powers Measure. It is exempted by order from registering with the Charities Commission. The financial statements are presented in Sterling, which is the functional currency.

1 Accounting Policies

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are as follows:

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006, together with applicable accounting standards and Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" FRS 102 (2015).

Waterbeach PCC meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention except for investment assets which are shown at market value.

Going Concern Basis

The PCC considers that the going concern basis is appropriate as they consider the reserves levels and expected giving and other income to be at sufficient levels to ensure that the PCC can meet its essential financial obligations for the next 12 to 18 months and on that basis the PCC is a going concern.

Financial reporting standard 102 - reduced disclosure exemptions

The PCC has taken advantage of the following disclosure exemption in preparing these financial statements, as permitted by FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland':

- the requirements of Section 7 Statement of Cash Flows.

Funds

General funds represent the funds of the PCC that are not subject to any restrictions regarding their use and are available for application on the general purposes of the PCC. Funds designated for a particular purpose by the PCC are also unrestricted.

The accounts include all transactions, assets and liabilities for which the PCC is responsible by law. They do not include the accounts of church groups that owe their main affiliation to another body nor those that are informal gatherings of Church members.

Income

Income is recognised when the PCC has entitlement to the funds, any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Voluntary income and capital sources

- collections are recognised when received by or on behalf of the PCC.
- Income tax recoverable on gift aid donations is recognised when income is recognised.
- Funds raised by the groups and similar activities are accounted for gross.

Other income

- rental income from the letting of the church premises is recognised when the rental is due.
- although all fees for weddings and funerals pass through the church accounts, only those fees due to the PCC are recognised in these accounts.

Income from investments

- Interest entitlements are accounted for as they accrue.

Gains and losses on investments

- Realised gains or losses are recognised when investments are sold.
- Unrealised gains or losses are accounted for on revaluation of investments at 31 December.

Grant income

- Grant income is recognised when the PCC is legally entitled to the income and it can be measured with reasonable certainty.

Legacy income

- for legacies entitlement is taken as the earlier of the date on which either: the PCC is aware that probate has been granted, the estate has been finalised and notification has been made by the Executors to the Trust that a distribution will be made, or when a distribution is received from the Estate. Receipt of a legacy, in whole or in part, is only considered probable when the amount can be measured reliably.

Resources expended

Grants

- Grants and donations are accounted for when paid over, or when awarded, if that award creates a binding obligation on the PCC.

Activities directly relating to the work of the Church

- The diocesan ministry share is accounted for when payable. Any ministry share unpaid at 31 December is accounted for in these accounts as an operational (though not a legal) liability and is shown as a creditor in the Balance Sheet.

Fixed Assets

Consecrated property and movable church furnishings

- Consecrated and beneficed property is excluded from the accounts by s.10(2)(a) and (c) of the Charities Act 2011.
- Moveable church furnishings held by the Vicar and Churchwardens on special trust for the PCC, and which require a faculty for disposal, are accounted as inalienable property unless consecrated.
- All expenditure incurred during the year on consecrated or benefice buildings, whether maintenance or improvement, is written off as expenditure in the SOFA and separately disclosed.

Other fixtures, fittings and office equipment

- Equipment used within the church premises is depreciated on a straight line basis over 5 years. Individual items of equipment with a purchase price of £1,000 or less are written off when the asset is acquired.

Current Assets

- Amounts owing to the PCC as 31 December in respect of fees, rents or other income are shown as debtors less provisions for amounts that may prove uncollectable.
- Short term deposits include cash held on deposit either with the CBF Church of England Funds or at the bank.

Creditors and provisions

Creditors and provisions are recognised when the PCC has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

2	Income and endowments from	2017				2016			
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL
		Funds	Funds	Funds	FUNDS	Funds	Funds	Funds	FUNDS
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
2(a)	Donations and legacies								
	Tax efficient planned giving	33,155	740	-	33,895	30,149	200	-	30,349
	Income tax recovered	9,248	-	-	9,248	8,213	1,783	-	9,996
	Other planned giving	828	-	-	828	951	-	-	951
	Other Giving (CAF,GAYE)	1,700	-	-	1,700	1,200	1,850	-	3,050
	Other Giving (Gift Aid)	-	-	-	-	20	2,110	-	2,130
	Collections at services	3,216	641	-	3,857	3,084	840	-	3,924
	Sundry donations	760	5,000	-	5,760	462	2,200	-	2,662
	Sundry donations (Gift aid)	100	1,040	-	1,140	-	5,070	-	5,070
	Church Room Coffee	118	-	-	118	60	-	-	60
	Donations from first footsteps	541	-	-	541	295	-	-	295
	Flower guild income	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	100
	Making sense income	-	206	-	206	-	-	-	-
	Grants	2,000	20,764	-	22,764	2,250	135,817	-	138,067
	Legacies	1,000	-	-	1,000	-	-	-	-
	Social and Fundraising	-	-	-	-	372	-	-	372
		52,666	28,391	-	81,057	47,156	149,870	-	197,026
2(b)	Other trading activities								
	Traidcraft stall	857	-	-	857	1,247	-	-	1,247
	Church Room Lettings	2,691	-	-	2,691	3,285	-	-	3,285
	Sale of books	-	-	-	-	6	101	-	107
	Fees	2,429	-	-	2,429	2,197	-	-	2,197
	Printing	-	-	-	-	69	-	-	69
	Sale of diaries	-	-	-	-	48	-	-	48
	Other trading activities	925	-	-	925	-	-	-	-
		6,902	-	-	6,902	6,852	101	-	6,953
2(c)	Other								
	Ministry share rebate	610	-	-	610	758	-	-	758
	Parish weekend income	-	600	-	600	574	-	-	574
	Insurance claims	-	-	-	-	614	-	-	614
	Miscellaneous income	88	-	-	88	30	-	-	30
		698	600	-	1,298	1,976	-	-	1,976
2(d)	Investments								
	Dividends	99	3,735	-	3,834	80	3,076	-	3,156
	Interest Received	11	14	-	25	22	37	-	59
	Rents	5	-	-	5	5	-	-	5
		115	3,749	-	3,864	107	3,113	-	3,220
	TOTAL	60,381	32,740	-	93,121	56,091	153,084	-	209,175

3	Expenditure on	2017				2016			
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	TOTAL
		Funds	Funds	Funds	FUNDS	Funds	Funds	Funds	FUNDS
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
3(a)	Charitable activities								
	Ministry share	39,106	-	-	39,106	37,918	-	-	37,918
	Associate vicar's expenses	1,819	63	-	1,882	1,766	-	-	1,766
	Associate vicar's stipend supplement	-	18,199	-	18,199	-	16,527	-	16,527
	Church running expenses	3,502	-	-	3,502	3,718	-	-	3,718
	Church utility bills	2,229	-	-	2,229	1,696	-	-	1,696
	Church maintenance	1,675	1,501	-	3,176	1,393	-	-	1,393
	Major repairs	-	-	-	-	-	1,872	-	1,872
	Heating project	-	-	-	-	-	130,771	-	130,771
	Upkeep of Services	1,459	172	-	1,631	1,238	418	-	1,656
	Upkeep of Churchyard	122	-	-	122	5	50	-	55
	Missionary and Charitable giving	1,000	2,529	-	3,529	920	1,470	-	2,390
	Flower Guild expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Third Space costs	-	-	-	-	-	51	-	51
	Making sense costs	-	307	-	307	-	-	-	-
	Hall running costs	495	971	-	1,466	387	-	-	387
	Salaries, wages & honoraria	7,446	882	-	8,328	7,455	-	-	1,285
	Support costs	72	629	-	701	346	915	-	1,261
	Education and Training costs	-	502	-	502	57	1,502	-	1,559
	Parish weekend costs	-	955	-	955	1,330	-	-	1,330
		58,925	26,710	-	85,635	58,229	153,576	-	205,635
3(b)	Raising funds								
	Books for resale	-	-	-	-	-	388	-	388
	Traidcraft stall	982	-	-	982	1,319	-	-	1,319
	Fund-raising	-	-	-	-	20	-	-	20
		982	-	-	982	1,339	388	-	1,727
3(c)	Other								
	Church Administration	2,414	-	-	2,414	3,575	-	-	9,745
	Depreciation	1,173	-	-	1,173	1,173	-	-	1,173
	Miscellaneous expenditure	95	25	-	120	285	-	-	285
		3,682	25	-	3,707	5,033	-	-	11,203
	TOTAL	63,589	26,735	-	90,324	64,601	153,964	-	218,565

4 Staff costs

The PCC had 3 part time employees during the year. Total wages and salaries for the year were £7,535 (2016: £7,536). No employee received emoluments which exceeded £60,000. During the year 6 members of the PCC were paid a total of £6,289 in expenses (2015: 9 members paid £7,105). These expenses were mainly those for the Associate Vicar. Other PCC members were reimbursed for amounts expended on purchases for the Church.

5	Fixed assets for use by the PCC					
5(a)	Tangible fixed assets					
			General	Church	Education	Total
			£	Room	£	£
				£		
COST	At 31 December 2016		11,229	4,230	433	15,892
	Additions		-	-	-	-
	At 31 December 2017		<u>11,229</u>	<u>4,230</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>15,892</u>
DEPRECIATION	At 31 December 2016		9,597	4,230	433	13,087
	Charge for the year		1,173	-	-	1,173
	At 31 December 2017		<u>10,770</u>	<u>4,230</u>	<u>433</u>	<u>15,433</u>
NET BOOK VALUE	At 31 December 2016		<u>1,632</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,632</u>
	At 31 December 2017		<u>459</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>459</u>

5(b)	Investments				
	All investments are held as shares in the CBF Investment Fund				
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total
		Funds	Funds	Funds	
	Number of shares	119	-	3,123	3,242
	Value at 31 December 2017	£1,951	-	£51,199	£53,150
	Value at 31 December 2016	<u>£1,789</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>£46,960</u>	<u>£48,749</u>

6	Debtors					
	The total amount of £11,471 (2016 - £6,796) is made up as follows:					
		2017	2017	2017	2017	2016
		Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment	Total	Total
		Funds	Funds	Funds		
		£	£	£	£	£
	Income tax recoverable	3,882	-	-	3,882	3,448
	Prepayments and accrued income	1,309	4,878	-	6,187	3,226
	Other debtors	1,402	-	-	1,402	122
		<u>6,593</u>	<u>4,878</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,471</u>	<u>6,796</u>

7	Stock		
	The total amount of £925 (2016 - £0) is made up as follows:		
		2017	2016
		£	£
	Donated item	925	-
		<u>925</u>	<u>-</u>
	A gold coin was anonymously donated to the PCC.		

8	Liabilities: amounts falling due within one year		
	The total amount of £8,693 (2016 - £7,628) is made up as follows:		
		2017	2016
		£	£
	Accrued accountancy charges	540	540
	Interest free loans	1,500	3,000
	Creditors and accruals	6,653	4,088
		<u>8,693</u>	<u>7,628</u>

9	Liabilities: amounts falling due after more than one year				
				2017	2016
				£	£
	Interest-free loans			-	4,000
				-	4,000

10 Transfers between funds

The transfer from the Education Fund to the Parish Weekend Fund was to eliminate the deficit on the latter fund at the year end. The transfer from the Heating Fund to the new Sound System Fund follows from the writing off of the loan to the heating fund by the donor and their wishes to see the funds put towards a new sound system for the church.

11	Summary of movements in funds						
		Jan 1st, 2017	Incoming resources	Outgoing Resources	Gain / (loss) on investments	Transfers	Dec 31st, 2017
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	Unrestricted funds						
	General Fund	(8,263)	60,279	(63,467)	-	-	(11,451)
	Dimock bequest fund	845	65	-	-	-	910
	Revaluation of Dimock Bequest	1,745			162		1,907
	Legacies and donations fund	5,427	-	-	-	-	5,427
	Book of Remembrance fund	214	37	(122)	-	-	129
		(32)	60,381	(63,589)	162	-	(3,078)
	Restricted funds						
	Associate Vicar	-	18,199	(18,199)	-	-	-
	Chancel Fund	1,577	117	-	-	-	1,694
	Children and families minister	-	1,540	(882)	-	-	658
	Education	190	2,114	(1,366)	-	(315)	623
	Fabric	3,844	2,674	(2,497)	-	-	4,021
	Heating fund	(129)	5,093	-	-	(5,000)	(36)
	Making sense	-	206	(307)	-	-	(101)
	Old Churchyard	56	-	-	-	-	56
	Parish weekend	-	640	(955)	-	315	-
	Sound system fund	-	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
	Special Collections	38	641	(679)	-	-	-
	Youth Worker	349	1,516	(1,850)	-	-	15
		5,925	32,740	(26,735)	-	-	11,930
	Endowment Funds						
	Cup Trust	1,423	-	-	-	-	1,423
	Revaluation of Cup Trust	41,372	-	-	3,863	-	45,235
	Chancel (Endowment)	105	-	-	-	-	105
	Revaluation of Chancel Fund	3,053	-	-	285	-	3,338
	Fen Road	50	-	-	-	-	50
	Revaluation of Fen Road	957	-	-	91	-	1,048
		46,960	-	-	4,239	-	51,199
	TOTAL	52,853	93,121	(90,324)	4,401	-	60,051

Unrestricted Funds

The General Fund – this fund represents the main income and expenditure for the church during the year.

The Dimock Bequest fund – this is a fund that has been designated by the PCC. The capital comes from a legacy left to the Church many years ago which has been invested in CBF units. The income from dividends and interest are used for occasional projects within the church.

Book of Remembrance fund – the fees charged by the PCC for names in the Book of Remembrance are used to contribute to the maintenance of the churchyard.

Legacies and Donations fund – The opening balance came from a donation of £5,000 plus Gift Aid tax relief given by a member of the congregation in 2007. It is intended to use the money for specific purchases.

Restricted Funds

The Associate Vicar Fund – the PCC is paying to the Diocesan Board of Finance a sum of money to provide increased hours for our Associate Vicar, Paul Butler, to work full time in the parish. All the costs of this are provided by the Waterbeach Ecclesiastical Charity.

The Chancel Fund – the accumulated income from an endowment to be used for repairs to the Chancel.

Children and Families Minister – the PCC has appointed a Children and Families Minister to enhance our work with this group. Income comes from donations from the congregation and two grants, one from the Ely Diocesan Mission Fund and the other from the Ministry of Defence in recognition of work to be done in the new developments to the north of the village.

The Education Fund – the accumulated income from the Waterbeach Sunday School Fund.

The Fabric Fund – funds given by donors specifically for the upkeep and improvement of the fabric of the Parish Church.

Heating Fund – during 2016 a new gas heating system was installed in the church. Funds for this were received from various sources including donations from members of the congregation and gift aid tax thereon, the Amey Community Fund and the Waterbeach Ecclesiastical Charity. The deficit will be written off once all the final bills are received and VAT is reclaimed.

Making Sense Fund – this is funds expended on and donations received at a series of lectures presented on Sunday evenings. Over the longer term this fund is expected to break even.

The Old Churchyard Fund – the PCC has received various grants and donations for planting and maintaining the Old Churchyard in Station Road.

Parish Weekend Fund – this represents the income and expenditure for the Parish Weekend. It includes some restricted donations. The deficit has been written off by a transfer from the Education Fund.

Sound System Fund – this is a fund set up following the donation by a member of the congregation referred to in note 10 above. Funds are to be used for enhancements to the church sound system as noted in the body of the main report.

The Special Collections Fund – this represents funds raised by church members for various charitable purposes and which are passed directly on to the organisation involved.

The Youth Worker Fund – funds received from the Cup Trust (see below) and used to support the WAY project.

Endowment Funds (all held by the Ely Diocesan Board of Finance as custodian trustee)

The Chancel Fund – the endowment that provides income for the maintenance and repair of the Chancel.

The Fen Road Mission Hall Fund – provides a small income for the general purposes of the PCC.

The Cup Trust – income from this is paid into the Youth Worker Fund (see above).

Funds in all the above endowments are held as units in the CBF Investment fund.

12 Commitments

There were no commitments to expenditure not detailed in the accounts.

13 The Waterbeach Ecclesiastical Charity

The Waterbeach Ecclesiastical Charity is an independent charity whose trustees are the Priest-in-Charge and Churchwardens ex officio.

14 Sunday School Fund

Ely Diocesan Board of Finance holds funds as Custodian Trustee on behalf of the Sunday School. The capital cannot be accessed but the income can be spent by the Sunday School – as determined by Vicar and the Churchwardens. Accordingly this endowment fund is excluded from the PCC accounts as the monies are not controlled by the PCC.

15 Independent Examiner's remuneration

The independent Examiner's fee for the examination of the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2017 amounts to £540 including VAT and is included in Church Administration.

16 Related party transactions

There are no related party transactions, other than those disclosed in Note 4 to the accounts.

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