



West
Dartmoor
Mission
Community

Annual Report for year ending 31st December 2012

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Mr Timothy Emerson ☎852070

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St Leonard's Sheepstor

Mrs Drinda MacDonald (till 28th Mar 2012)

Mr Richard Bayly ☎855292

Mr Peter Legassick (from 28th Mar 2012)

☎852970

St Peter's Meavy

Mr Philip Helby ☎855010

Dr Jenny Sharp ☎853652

St Mary the Virgin Walkhampton

Mr Mike Dobson ☎852937

Mrs Mary Geen (till ? ? 2012)

St Mary's Sampford Spiney

Mrs Rosalind Pugh ☎853442

St John the Baptist Horrabridge

Mrs Jean Horsfall ☎855482

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United Church Princetown

Parochial Church Council members:

St Paul's Yelverton

Kathryn Howard (Deanery Synod)

Belinda Gardiner (Deanery Synod)

Mr B Medhurst (Treasurer)

John Stratford

Diana Wallace

Martin Jury (Protection Officer)

Peter Corderoy

Vivienne Thompson

St Leonard's Sheepstor

Cdr T MacDonald RN (Lay Vice Chair, Treasurer until 28th Mar 2012. Retired from PCC 31st Aug 2012)

Mr P Legassick (Churchwarden from 28th Mar 2012, also Captain of Bell Tower)

Mrs M Bennett (Lay Vice Chair from 28th Mar 2012)

Mrs Caroline Jennings

Mr Russell Chapman

Mr R Bayly (Secretary, also Churchwarden, Deanery Synod, & Sacristan. Electoral Roll Officer from 28th Mar 2012)

Mrs D MacDonald (Electoral Roll Officer, Churchwarden and organist until 28th Mar 2012. Retired from the PCC 31st Aug 2012.)

Mr M Kemp (from 28th Mar 2012)

Miss P Legassick (from 28th Mar 2012)

Mr W Jennings (Co-opted and Treasurer from 28th Mar 2012)

St Peter's Meavy

Mr Philip Helby (Lay Vice Chair
and also churchwarden)
Mr Kerry D. Elson (Deanery Synod)
Mrs Mary Helby (Treasurer)
Mrs Sarah Gordon (Assistant
Treasurer)
Mrs Penny Shobrook
Mrs Pauline Hamilton-Leggett
Mrs Catherine Leather (retired from the
PCC)
Mrs Nicky Smith
Mrs Roslynn Tall (Protection
Officer)
Mrs Anne Inman (Secretary &
Electoral Roll Officer)

St Mary's Sampford Spiney

Brig Simon Hill (Lay Chairman)
Mr Keith Ebdon (Deanery Synod)
Mrs Elizabeth Cole (Treasurer)
Mrs Rita Hopwood (Minutes
Secretary)
Mrs Janet Mudge (Secretary)
Sir Peter Badge
Mrs Eleanor Cole
Mrs Helen Sims
Mrs Hazel Viney
Mr Peter Walde

Bankers & Independent Examiners**St Paul's Yelverton**

Lloyds TSB, Royal Parade, Plymouth &
HSBC, Bedford Square, Tavistock
Examiner: Col. G. Mills

St Peter's Meavy

National Westminster Bank, Bedford
Square, Tavistock
Examiner: Capt. D. Tall R.N.

United Church Princetown

Lloyds TSB, West Street, Tavistock
Examiner:

Sampford Spiney

Examiner:

St Mary the Virgin Walkhampton

Mr Jim Knight (Lay Vice Chair)
Mrs Chrissie Brannagan (Secretary)
Mr Kevin Baxter (Treasurer)
Mrs Kay Miall
Mrs Mavis Goddard

Mrs Derelie D'Oyly
Sarah Tuck
Tony Dando

St John the Baptist Horrabridge ECC

Peter Ballinger
Sybyl Heathcock
Phyl Hellier
Linda Hitchcock
Anita Hyne (Deanery Synod)
Gareth Jones (Treasurer)
Hilary Prout
Kathy Roche

United Church Princetown**St Leonard's Sheepstor**

Alliance & Leicester Commercial Bank,
Bootle.
Examiner: J. C. Fry FCA

St Mary the Virgin Walkhampton

Barclays Bank, Bedford Square,
Tavistock
Examiner: Mrs R Waldron

Horrabridge

Lloyds TSB, West Street, Tavistock
Examiner:

The Purpose of Each Parochial Church Council in the Benefice

Each Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

The PCC (Powers) Act 1956 states that the PCC *'is to cooperate with the minister in promoting in the parish the whole mission of the church, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical'*.

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules 2006.

The Rector's Report

It has been a year of momentous events for us as a country: The Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the London Olympics are the stand out national occasions that have given us a sense of community across the country. Some think that it will be a hard year to follow, not least because of the superstitious number 13 but thankfully we do not have to look to such nonsense as I look back on another very busy year in the life of this Mission Community. I use the words 'Mission Community' rather than 'Benefice' because we are now on a path which the Mission Community Council (MCC) has endorsed that we work towards becoming a Mission Community comprising a United Benefice rather than two separate legal entities as we acknowledge that what we can do together is greater than the sum of the things we can do separately.

The MCC has set up 5 groups that are working through our aims and objectives that we agreed in September. This will be an on-going programme that will roll on from year to year as we seek to extend the kingdom of God in West Dartmoor. There are many challenges that we face, some of which I will mention in due course, but my overall sense is one of being thankful to God for his goodness and faithfulness and for the numerous ways in which we have been able to proclaim Christ Jesus.

Comings and Goings

We welcomed to the ministerial team:

Revd Capt Gary Shirley as Associate Priest working across the whole Mission Community in October and as Gary finds his feet in his new role we look forward to receiving many blessings as a result of his ministry. We also welcome Carol, Gary's wife and Thelma, Carol's mother as they settle into their new life in Horrabridge.

Revd Mike Fairall as self-supporting Priest with permission to officiate (that means Mike is working with us in his retirement). Mike has years of experience in ministry in this part of Devon and we are very fortunate to have him join the team. We also welcome Marie, Mike's wife.

Revd Andy Barton as curate in training. Andy was ordained in September and will be with us for 3-4 years. We pray that his ministry will flourish so that, in due course, he will be equipped to take on his own role of responsibility elsewhere within the church. We also welcome Sioned, Andy's wife and Tom and Hannah their children.

We have also said some goodbyes:

Revd Jill Locock has retired from active priestly ministry as at 31st December. We will miss Jill's expertise in the team but wish her every blessing in her well-earned retirement. Thankfully Jill is not moving away and will be still worshipping with us as Roger, her husband, continues his ministry as a Reader.

Revd Peggy Salmon is moving to Tavistock Parish Church to make her spiritual home there, having spent 25 years working in these parishes. Again we wish Peggy every blessing in her new role.

Structural matters

‘If you find the perfect church don’t join it or you’ll spoil it’ is an old joke but underscores a truth that God’s Church is always in need of reformation not least because it is full of people like you and me: servants of Christ who constantly need God’s love and forgiveness. We are living in difficult times where our parishes face pressures: people pressures as we struggle to find people who want to stand as church officers and as we realise that the age profile of our congregations continues to be at the upper end of the age range. Financial pressures as some parishes, despite huge efforts, are not able to pay their way.

The Diocese of Exeter is not immune from these pressures and in 2012 faced a £600,000 hole in their budget. This has led to redundancies, vacancies in parishes being extended and the number of stipendiary clergy in post being reduced. We have lost the use of some vital people who have supported us in the past. We have a half time post still vacant in this Mission Community and I see little prospect of it being filled quickly.

Tavistock Deanery has also been looking at its structure as the Deanery Pastoral Committee has put forward a number of matters for consideration by the Deanery and those consultations are ongoing.

These changes will mean that we will have to look at our ecumenical partnerships in 2013, as the paperwork no longer reflects the reality of what is happening on the ground both in Princetown and Horrabridge.

It is against this background that we are working to form a Mission Community. This year, on 1st April, Princetown Parish was dissolved as an ecclesiastical parish. The two daughter churches have joined the Moorland Team and Princetown itself is now part of the parish of Walkhampton. So whereas we started the year with a 7 parish Mission Community, we end it with 6 parishes.

Signs of the kingdom

First, I want to say a thank you to everyone who is involved in the faithful weekly delivery of services across the Mission Community in each of the parishes. This is the backbone of our worship, all too easily taken for granted, but vital to our spiritual health and well-being.

Then there are a number of other key areas of ministry that are worthy of note. When we put on an ‘event’ they are extremely well supported by the wider community but what has so far eluded us is turning the ‘event-goers’ into disciples of Christ who want to be committed to a pattern of life modelled for us by Christ as part of their day to day way of being. So we can pack people in for Christingles, Remembrance Sunday, Carol Services, Harvest Suppers and the like – and thank God for that – but this has had little impact (as far as I can see) outside these events.

So we are building on these events and offering a wide variety of services and ways in which we can extend the kingdom: Ladies’ Lunches; Men’s Breakfasts; Healing Services; Bible Studies; [Nosh@9.30](#); Lighten our Darkness (a service for the bereaved); engagement with schools in Collective Worship; Crib Services; Supper

Evenings; Lent Courses; Occasional Offices (baptisms, weddings, & funerals); Choral Evensong supported by our choir drawn from across the Mission Community; midweek services; Mother's Union; coffee mornings; flower festivals; work in retirement homes, nursing homes and sheltered accommodation; pastoral visitors; worship teams; magazines; website; I could go on and you can read about all the good work that goes on in greater detail in this report.

Yet all this activity is no substitute for a relationship with God. It is out of our calling as human beings, made in the image of God, that we can do the 'human doing'. Without this sense of relationship with God then, as the psalmist reminds us, we build our community in vain. Any programme however extensive and well thought out has to be undergirded by the two great commandments to love God and our neighbour as ourselves.

Once again I want to thank everyone who has worked tirelessly with little or no recognition or reward through the past year in so many ways.

Revd Preb Nick Shutt

Rector

Deanery Synod Report

There have been three meetings; in February, June and July. There is a presentation on a specific topic followed by the business part of the meeting.

In February the speaker was Sally Farrant, a member of the diocesan staff who works mainly for the Council of Church and Society – where the church interfaces with the needy in our society.

The June meeting was a joint meeting of the Tavistock and Okehampton Deanery Synods and the presentation was on 'Reaching Families'. The speakers were Anna Norman-Walker (Diocesan Missioner) and Katherine Lyddon (Diocesan Children's Work Advisor).

The October meeting focussed on the work of the Deanery Pastoral Committee which had been reviewing the deanery plan. Revd. Preb. Nick Shutt, chairman of the recently reformed committee, gave a presentation on its discussions. Mission and growth were priorities; form must follow function and consultation was required. A response from the parishes was asked for by Easter. Annie Inman.

Benefice Choir

The choir led the singing in Mission Community services each month in 2012 and met together 50 times during the year. A modern composition written for the choir by Chris Shutt, as well as a Sea Sunday hymn written by Graham Kendrick in 2012 and the Jubilee Song by Gary Barlow were part of the choir's repertoire.

Mission Community services were held at Princetown, Meavy and St Paul's Yelverton. The choir also sang at the retirement service for Rev Nicola Hunt in St Paul's and the Licensing of Rev Prebendary Nick Shutt and Rev Gary Shirley in St John's Horrbridge. Good attendance was made by choir members at Evensongs, Healing services, 'Songs of Praise', 'Lighten our darkness' and for the Sea Sunday service. New and old hymns from 'Sing Praise' were sung at the Advent Carol

service in St Paul's. Christmas Carol services in candlelight at St Michael's Princetown (accompanied by the Salvation Army band), St Paul's Yelverton and St Leonard's Sheepstor were led by the choir.

Entertainment by the Benefice Choir at the popular supper evenings, the dedication of the Queen's Jubilee sundial at Roadford and Christmas Carols at the Walkhampton Inn and the Moorland Garden Hotel was enjoyed by members. Choir practices are social meetings, many followed by food and drink. We look forward to joyful singing in 2013 and always welcome new members to the choir to lead the singing at services in the Mission Community and at other events and venues.

Pauline Hamilton-Leggett

Benefice Prayer Chain

The prayer chain continues to accept requests for those living in the area and members' families, who are ill or in need. We meet approximately every 3 months for an update, but otherwise requests are passed from member to member by telephone. There is strict confidentiality at all times. We understand from feedback received, that many people feel that they are being prayed for, and derive much support from this.

At present our members are from St Paul's and St Peter's churches as, for various reasons, we have lost our representatives from St Leonard's and St Mary's. We are anxious to include support from other churches in the Mission Community and would welcome enquiries from anyone interested, who would be prepared to commit to daily prayer for those on the list. If you think that you may be suitable, please contact a member or the chain, or Nick, if you are unsure who is involved.'

Nicky Smith

Pastoral Visitors

There is a small group of people who visit a great number of people across the Mission Community in the name of the Church. This activity is supported by bi-monthly meetings where the group gather for prayer, some training and sharing. Much of what goes on happens unnoticed but it is a quiet but vital piece of pastoral work.

Mothers' Union Report

Ladies Lunches

Our Ladies lunches were enjoyed by many again this year. Once more they were attended by ladies from Holy Cross as well as from our own Mission Community - something we would like to encourage. We also have occasional attendees who are not members of any particular church but come along anyway.

As those who join us know, the atmosphere is very relaxed and, once again, Sara and

Phil at the Burrator have been very welcoming and have provided delicious soups which have been enjoyed by all.

We have again been very grateful to our speakers who have voluntarily come along to talk to us.

In January, Ross Tall spoke about being a naval wife, and she was followed by Kay Rouse, a Street Pastor from Plymouth.

In March we had a 'swan song' from Vicky Bligh who talked about CAP (Christians against Poverty). Unfortunately, she is no longer working in Yelverton so is unable to be with us. Di Brace, a Quaker from Tavistock, followed and then Sheila Bjork gave a moving speech about being blind.

It was lovely to see Daphne Freeman again in June and she was well supported by folk from Horrbridge where her husband had been rector. She spoke about the Mother's Union's 'Buy Bye Baby' Campaign.

The last of our Summer meetings was given by Jean Horsfall who gave us an amusing account of growing up in Herefordshire.

In September we had a talk from a lady who trains dogs for the deaf and this was also much appreciated. In October, Phillis Ball also gave us a very interesting talk about her life, and to finish the year, in November, we had Zimbabwe (Part 2) from Helen Motteux.

I do hope that this will encourage some of you, who have not come along already, to join us in 2013.

With many thanks to all who have supported us during the year.

Nicky.'

Men's Breakfasts

The Men's Breakfast continues to meet each month at the Burrator Inn. The breakfast is well supported and attracts between 15-20 men who share a full English Breakfast and then listen to a speaker who shares something of their life with us and how God has guided them. These talks usually provoke a number of questions from the men. So it is a good combination of physical and spiritual food! Do join us and if you'd like to know more simply email Nick at nick.shutt@dsl.pipex.com

Benefice Website

The Mission Community website, www.westdartmoorbenefice.co.uk, continues to attract a great deal of internet traffic. I am grateful to those who work to keep the website up to date and relevant - a constant battle! Particular thanks are due to Peter Hamilton-Leggett.

We are now embarking on the production of a Facebook page for the Mission Community and 2013 will see this coming on stream. It is the modern way of keeping

in touch and I receive requests for weddings, baptisms, information about burials, in fact all sorts of people use it ,which is a source of much encouragement.

Nick Shutt

Church Schools' Report

This year has been a very exciting one for the pupils and staff of Lady Modiford's and Meavy Primary Schools which together make up the West Dartmoor Federation.

The infectious celebrations for both the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the Olympic games spread to the children. Both schools had lovely Jubilee 'garden parties' and then came together for a mini Olympics. Children from both schools ran a torch from Walkhampton to Meavy where the schools mixed together for an afternoon of sporting activities. Everyone had a great time and it helped to cement the growing links between the schools.

Our aim is to keep the unique distinctiveness of both schools under the umbrella of the Federation. This has meant that on occasions each school will hold an event of their own and at other times we will have special joint events. The Reverend Nick Shutt and his team organised a church service to celebrate the federation and the appointment of the executive headteacher. This was held at St Paul's Church in Yelverton and there was a great turn out by parents, children and friends of both schools. We intend to make this a regular event and everyone will be warmly welcome to join us.

Lady Modiford's nativity celebration differed this year from previous performances and appeared on BBC Spotlight! The staff organised a travelling version of the story which moved around Walkhampton village, St Mary's Church and the school. There was even a small pony for Mary to ride! This was a delightful afternoon where the importance of the birth of Jesus was reinforced by the children acting the parts and 'living' the story. There was a huge turn out to walk with us and it was a great way to mark our Christmas celebrations.

More recently, both schools took up the opportunity to take part in the chorister outreach programme run in Exeter Cathedral. After several rehearsals at school, children from the federation joined other school groups in singing in the cathedral on a Saturday afternoon. The cathedral was packed and there was not a dry eye in the place such was the impact of wonderful singing.

The federation is close to the beginning of its very exciting journey and we hope many of you will be able to join us at various times to support and enjoy what we do. Please take the opportunity to come to our services and events throughout the year; you would be most welcome.

Report of the Parish of St Paul's, Yelverton in 2012

PCC Meetings

The PCC has met 6 times during the year. Among other subjects discussed were: the rationalization of services across the larger mission community, the quinquennial inspection.

The difficulty of heating the large and high area in the Church was followed up by a Churchwarden's visit to St Stephen's, High Street, Exeter. However St Stephen's Church was found to be smaller than St Paul's and had a lower, and very well insulated, ceiling, and could not be compared. St Paul's Church Hall is usually available for worship in extreme weather conditions.

During the year, cream teas organised by Sheila Stacey were a great success. The hire of the church for concerts by Plymouth University and the Dante String Quartet was also successful. The joint harvest supper with Holy Cross roman catholics and Rock methodists was enjoyable, and the Devon Historic Churches Fund was supported by parishioners. The weather for the well-organised fete was good and the Alms and Oblations Committee has made grants totalling £1260 to missions and charities.

The PCC wishes to express its thanks: to Nick, particularly, and the other ministers for their work on behalf of the parish and mission community, particularly Peggy Salmon for all her help over 25 years, and Jill Locock, who is retiring through ill health; to the congregation for its support and co-operation; and, to all those who help in so many different ways.

Fabric Report 2012

The lightning conductor has been inspected by Dawsons. The gutters and down pipes have been cleared, the organ and piano tuned, the boiler serviced and a new boiler door fitted. Carpets by the altar have had most of the candle wax removed, and the font cover and a side table have been renovated. Details of Team Rectors on the internal Church notice board have been updated.

Unfortunately, before Christmas there was a theft at the Church, which caused significant loss. Subject to this, the goods and chattels have been checked, and are substantially in order.

Occasional Offices

In 2012 there were:

Marriages	2
Baptisms	4
Funerals	3

Treasurer's Financial Review

After a series of difficult years the financial outcome for 2012 showed a distinct improvement with a surplus of £3,652 compared with £253 in the previous year.

This improvement arose from a number of features. First, and most encouraging was that regular giving from monthly bank standing orders and weekly envelopes showed a material increase, with a number of new members and some

increase from existing members more than outweighing that lost from departing members, resulting in an increase of nearly £3,000, and I take this opportunity of thanking everyone for their giving. I can also note the frequent receipt of generous donations, many from parishioners who no longer find it easy to attend church services, and totalling more than £1,200. Again many thanks.

We were really pleased to hold our church fete again this year, which raised the magnificent total of £1,259, all of which went to support our chosen charities.

Miscellaneous income of £1,270 came principally from two sources. £821 was the result of three highly successful cream teas put on by Sheila Stacey and her wonderful helpers. The other main contributor is the use of the church for concerts, which lends itself really well for this purpose.

On the expenditure side, our contribution to the mission community expense budget was lower in this transitional year, but is likely to increase over coming years with the enlarged group of clergy. Although classified in our accounts as clergy expenses, the activities funded within the MC extend much more widely than that, but many of the new activities are largely self-funding and do not put a strain on parishes.

Heating and lighting is a little down, but only because we delayed our final delivery of oil until the new year. We did, however, have a rather busy year with R&R; the quinquennial inspection, repair of broken guttering, boiler repair and some much needed surgery on the trees overhanging the entrance gate and wall in front of the church all cost sizeable amounts.

The diocesan common fund contribution again fell a little, reflecting our decline in numbers. Valuable though this reduction is, we would much rather have a significant increase in our numbers at services and meet the consequent higher rate of contribution.

Finally, I can report on another successful year for the church hall. With the continuing very satisfactory usage, the income is good enabling us to afford regular maintenance. Of most note is the long overdue paving beside the entrance and replacement of rotted panelling. Despite this material expenditure the hall produced a surplus in excess of £1,500.

It is good to be able to report on a satisfactory year, and I thank all our parishioners for playing their part in this.

BM
28th January 2013

Fabric Report

ST PAUL'S CHURCH YELVERTON
Receipts and Payments Account for year to 31 December 2012

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Voluntary Income				
Envelopes & Bank Standing Orders	22,934		20,128	
Cash Collections	2,776		3,156	
Other Donations	1,128		235	
Legacies	0	26,838	500	24,019
Tax Recoveries				
Income tax recovered	5,627	5,627	5,833	5,833
Investment Income				
Dividends & Interest	857	857	839	839
Other Income				
Fees	1,323		1,132	
Summer Fete	1,259		0	
Special Parish Efforts	2,018		1,693	
Miscellaneous	1,271	5,871	1,296	4,121
TOTAL RECEIPTS		39,193		34,812
PAYMENTS				
The Ministry				
Clergy Expenses	1,249	1,249	1,836	1,836
The Church & Services				
Heating & Lighting	2,153		2,998	
Fire & Insurance	3,322		3,315	
Cleaning	923		983	
Organist	0		0	
Choir	0		20	
Upkeep of Services	81		186	
Repairs & Renewals	2,910		1,292	
Property	0	9,389	0	8,794
Other Ordinary Parish Expenses				
Gardening	541		528	
Magazine Diocesan Insert	90		82	
Parish Expenses	250	881	146	756
Payments Outside the Parish				
Diocesan Common Fund				
Contribution	20,698		21,327	
Mission Giving	3,278		1,693	
Miscellaneous Expenditure	46	24,022	153	23,173
TOTAL PAYMENTS		35,541		34,559
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		3,652		253
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) to TOWER FUND		0		0
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) to GENERAL RESERVE		3,652		253

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH YELVERTON

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2012

ASSETS	Market Value £	Cost £ £	
Investments			
Equities Investment Fund for Charities	39,595	11,592	
CBF Investment Fund Shares	24,512	14,543	26,135
Current Assets			
Cash at Bank		12,088	
Cash in Hand		46	
Deposit Account		8,500	
Fixed term deposit		30,000	50,634
Fixed Assets			
St Paul's Church Hall	Nil		Nil
Total Assets			76,769
 REPRESENTED BY			
Current Liabilities			
Loan from St Paul's Church Hall			5,000
GENERAL RESERVE ACCOUNT			
Balance at 1 January		66,358	
Surplus/(Deficit) after movements within designated accounts		3,652	
Balance at 31 December			70,010
TOWER FUND ACCOUNT			
Balance at 1 January		1,759	
Surplus/(Deficit) on Tower Fund account		0	
Balance at 31 December			1,759
Total Balance Sheet Value			76,769

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH HALL YELVERTON
Receipts and Payments Account for year
to 31 December 2012

	2012	2011
	£	£
Lettings	7,602	7,271
Electricity Meters	962	845
TOTAL RECEIPTS	8,564	8,116
 EXPENDITURE		
Heating & Lighting	1,462	1,203
Repairs & Renewals	3,046	3,426
Insurance	1,421	1,436
Cleaning	665	599
Misc. Exps.	392	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	6,986	6,674
 SURPLUS (DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR	 1,578	 1,442

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st DECEMBER 2012

	2012	2011
	£	£
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Loan to St Paul's Church	5,000	5,000
Cash at Bank	11,277	9,529
Cash in Hand	109	279
Total Assets	16,386	14,808
 REPRESENTED BY:		
Accumulation of Funds		
Balance at 1 January	14,808	13,366
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1,578	1,442
Total Balance Sheet Value	16,386	14,808

Notes to Financial Statements for year ended 31 December 2012

1. These accounts have been prepared on a Receipts and Payments basis in accordance with the requirements of the 1993 Charities Act for PCCs with income less than £100,000.
2. There are no remaining liabilities arising from the work programme on rendering the Tower. The balance of the Tower fund will be retained for future maintenance of the Tower.
3. The Church Hall is included as a fixed asset. The cost has been written down to nil, consistent with an asset which has no market value.
4. Accounts have been prepared separately for the Church and the Church Hall, but it should be noted that the combined totals of receipts and payments amounted to £47,757 and £42,527 respectively.
5. The combined total of balance sheet reserves at 31st December 2012 for the Church and the Church Hall amounted to £86,396
6. Moveable church furnishings held by the Churchwardens on trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal are recognised but not included and valued in the statement of assets.
7. Monies received at funerals for specified charities are not included in the accounts.

Approved by the PCC on 7th February 2013

PCC Chairman
Mr Tim Emerson

Treasurer
Brian Medhurst

Report of the Independent Examiner

I am satisfied that the audit requirement of section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 does not apply and that the accounts should be prepared in accordance with the terms of regulation 7 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 1995.

My examination has included a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. I have reviewed all unusual items and sought satisfactory explanations. The procedures do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements to keep proper accounting records and to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the regulations have not been met, or to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Col. Gordon Mills
Combe Park Farm
Roborough

Report of the Parish of St Peter's Meavy for 2012

PCC Report

The PCC will have met 4 times during the year 2012-2013 and has been well attended. There are two vacancies at present on the council and the number currently on the electoral roll is 66. St. Peter's has been represented on the benefice council.

Services continue to be usually well attended. The fourth Sunday "Service of the Word" continues to be presented by different members of the congregation, with participation by some younger members.

The PCC appreciates all the efforts of those who ring bells, arrange flowers, clean the church, and provide refreshments after services. In particular, the PCC would like to thank Mrs Pauline Hamilton- Leggett, our organist, and all others who have assisted with the musical side of our services and assist at services in other ways. Several members of the congregation sing in the benefice choir. There have been two churchyard working parties during the year.

At PCC meetings the PCC has been considering the provision for children in the church and has had an informal consultation with the congregation. The quinquennial inspection has taken place and planning for the more urgent work is underway. Plans for restorative and possible alteration at the east end are still under consideration.

Fundraising has continued. The PCC continue to appreciate the support of the Friends of St. Peter's. The church organised the cake and produce stall at the Meavy Oak Fair. Several charities have been supported.

The PCC would like to thank all members of the clergy team who have taken our services and have been pleased to welcome new members of the clergy team, and also would like to thank our churchwardens and treasurers for their hard work.
Annie Inman.

Occasional Offices

Baptisms	3
Weddings	5 and a service of blessing
Funerals	10 and a memorial service

Financial Review

Fabric Report

The quinquennial inspection was due this year and duly took place in August. Although there were quite a large number of items to remedy, fortunately nothing was found that could be classed as very large, expensive and urgent. A number of items, mainly concerning the roof in one way or another, fall together into a package and quotes are being sought for the work.

No significant work was carried out this year but the next step was taken in preparing to apply for a faculty to allow the long anticipated work to the east window, reredos and altar steps. An application was made for "informal advice" from the Diocesan Advisory Committee (DAC) and simultaneously from English Heritage, the Victorian Society and the Church Buildings Council. Following discussions within the PCC, further advice will be sought from the DAC.

Flower Arrangers' Report

2012 was another busy year for the Meavy Flower Arrangers. In June, for the Diamond Jubilee, thanks to Brenda Burt, we had special arrangements in the church in (of course) red, white and blue. Then in July we had "our" pillar to decorate in the nave of Exeter Cathedral as part of the Majesty Flower Festival. Very many thanks to Pauline Brown and Pauline Hamilton-Leggett for all their hard work doing this in a long, tiring day, but one which had spectacular results. One of the year's weddings in St. Peter's was a truly local event. In October, Kate Gawadzyn (nee Woods), reception teacher and site leader of Meavy School, was married. She was cheered on by pupils, staff and parents and some of the flowers in the church were arranged by the children themselves.

As well as thanking those who do the actual flower arranging from week to week, and those who come to help at Easter, Harvest and Christmas, I would like to thank all the other people who contribute behind the scenes. They are the people who donate things from their gardens or give money for buying extra flowers for festivals, as well as those who help look after the flowers and make them last and then clear them out when they are over. My gratitude to you all. Ros Tall.

Bell ringers' report

We have had a fairly full year covering services and weddings within the benefice, which is only due to the fact that we have a committed band of ringers that are willing to turn out for wherever they are needed each week.

We have enjoyed our usual trip away in May, this year to Cornwall, and in October the deanery day was hosted by Lamerton, another successful day.

There is always a welcome and if anyone in the congregation thinks they would like to have a go then please come along to practice night (Monday in Sheepstor or Thursday in Meavy, both at 7:30p.m.) or get in touch with the tower captain.

Meavy 853370

Sheepstor 852970

Pauline Brown

Meavy Tower Captain

Friends of St Peter's Church

The Friends of St Peter's Church held various events during 2012 to help support the Church Council in maintaining the fabric of the Church.

Duo Volatus gave another well supported concert in March, raising over £600 and our thanks go to Mike and Annie Inman for their organisation of this.

Geri Parlbay gave an interesting talk on "The Portrayal of St Peter through Art" in May and our chairman, Michael Parle lead a well supported walk to Sheepstor and back to Meavy in August, which was followed by a cream tea.

We were pleased to welcome Mrs Sue Spackman to our Annual Meeting to talk about the work of the Diocesan Advisory Committee.

Our Christmas card for 2012 featured the east window in the Drake Chapel and this sold well.

The Friends committee manned the bookstall at Meavy Oak Fair, helping raising funds for the village and community.

Our membership stands at 41 with 3 new members during 2012. We produce an annual newsletter copies of which may be picked up at the back of church or downloaded from our website. The Friends is an independent group of local people who support the PCC in maintaining the fabric and furnishings of the Church and we would like to encourage new members from the local community to join us. Please pick up a leaflet from the back of the church or visit our website on <http://www.meavy.org.uk/fsp>.

Meavy C of E Junior School

St Peter's Church, Meavy

Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council for the year ended 31st December 2012

Priest in Charge:

The Revd. N S Shutt
12 Blackbrook Close
Walkhampton

Bank:

National Westminster Bank
Bedford Square
Tavistock

Independent Examiner:

Mr. D. M. Tall

Meavy Parochial Church Council
Financial Statement for year ended 31 December 2012
GENERAL FUND Receipts and Payments Account

	2011		2011	
	£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS				
Planned Giving				
Gift Aided	10,978.85		12,166.92	
Income tax recovered	3,843.06		2,732.62	
Not Gift Aided	645.00	15,466.91	670.00	15,569.54
Other Voluntary Income				
Church collections	2,270.84		2,536.15	
Donations (See note 2)	743.93		1,089.77	
Income tax recovered	0.00		910.87	
Special collections (see note 3)	1,560.90		352.17	
Fundraising (see note 4)	950.76		2,407.14	
		5,526.43	5.00	7,301.10
Churchyard Income				
Burial fees and memorials	1,469.00		1,651.00	
Burrator Parish Council Grant	0.00	1,469.00	0.00	1,651.00
Miscellaneous Income				
Wedding and other fees	708.00		1,550.00	
Funeral fees	495.00		630.00	
Investment income	1,250.00		1,190.77	
Contribution to church costs	1,600.00		2,445.00	
Refunds (VAT/Insurance)	0.00		2,615.70	
Services Upkeep	10.35	4,063.35		8,441.47
TOTAL RECEIPTS		26,525.69		32,963.11

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
PAYMENTS				
The Ministry				
Benefice Expenses	1,188.88		1,614.52	
Common Fund	19,867.00	21,055.88	19,215.00	20,829.52
Church Building and Services				
Electricity & fuel oil	2,319.44		1,387.86	
Minor works	291.00		271.93	
Inspections & reports	796.24		621.66	
Insurance	2,149.37		2,104.38	
Upkeep of services	416.79		236.94	
Major Works	114.14	6,087.48	675.85	5,298.62
Miscellaneous				
Churchyard maintenance	1,056.00		1,056.00	
Fund raising cost (see note 5)	92.00		432.52	
Parish magazine	121.50		119.20	
General expenses (see note 6)	173.92		64.31	
Payment to charities (see note 7)	1,810.90	3,254.32	915.01	2,587.04
TOTAL PAYMENTS		<u>30,397.68</u>		<u>28,715.18</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		-3,871.99		4,247.93
Bank current & deposit accounts at 1 Jan 2012		<u>15,121.12</u>		<u>8,414.28</u>
Bank current & deposit accounts at 31 Dec 2012		<u>12,649.13</u>		<u>15,121.12</u>

Meavy Parochial Church Council
Financial Statement for year ended 31 December 2012

RESTRICTED FUNDS Summary

	Fabric General £	Churchyard £	SPY Club £	TOTAL £
Receipts	1,400.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Payments	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Bank accounts at 1/01/2012	<u>10,137.56</u>	<u>142.00</u>	<u>37.00</u>	<u>10,316.56</u>
Bank accounts at 31/12/2012	<u>11,537.56</u>	<u>142.00</u>	<u>37.00</u>	<u>11,716.56</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES at 31 December 2012

	2012		2011	
	£ Market Value	£ Cost	£ Market Value	£ Cost
Investment assets				
M&G Charifund (1,000 units)	11,998	987	10,901	987
CBF Investment Fund (1,168 shares)	<u>13,267</u>	<u>12,501</u>	<u>12,068</u>	<u>12,501</u>
	<u>25,265</u>	<u>13,488</u>	<u>22,969</u>	<u>13,488</u>
Cash funds				
Restricted Funds				
Bank balance current account		11,717		10,317
General Funds				
Bank balance current account		932		4,804
Deposit account CBF		7,500		7,500
Amounts owing to PCC		0		0
Total cash		<u>20,149</u>		<u>22,620</u>
Other Monetary Assets/Liabilities				
Assets				
Gift Aid tax claim (General Fund)		2,750		
Liabilities				

Notes to Financial Statement for year ended 31st December 2012

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the church accounting regulations 2006 using the receipts and payments basis

2. Donations

Wall Safe	281.37	
Wedding Blessing	20.00	
Funerals `	412.56	(Mewton, Ayres, Hingston-Jones, Rowett)
Miscellaneous	25.00	
Lopes charitable trust	5.00	
	<u>£743.93</u>	

3. Special Collections

Catylist	216.20	Lent Lunch
Christian Aid	43.10	Lent Lunch
Shekinah	89.10	Soup Lunch
Mission to Seafarers	150.00	
Farm Africa/Tavistock		
Food bank	342.00	Harvest
Royal British Legion	219.20	
Heartswell	246.58	N. Waterhouse memorial
Children's Society	254.72	Christmas day collection
	<u>£1,560.90</u>	

4. Fund raising

Coffees	303.92
Easter Egg Hunt	57.30
Flower Festival coach trip	69.50
Games evening	110.34
Christmas stalls	179.70
Wreath Making	230.00
	<u>£950.76</u>

5. Fund raising costs

Meavy Hall rent	92.00	Games evening + soup lunch+ harvest lunch
	<u>£92.00</u>	

6. General Expenses

Postage (Treasurers)	26.92
Christian Copyright Licence	99.00
Meavy School (Rent)	48.00
	<u>£173.92</u>

7. Payments to Charities

Meavy School Governors	250.00	
Catalyst/Christian Aid	259.30	Lent Lunch
Shekinah	89.10	Soup Lunch
Mission to Seafarers	150.00	
Farm Africa	183.00	Harvest
Tavistock Foodbank	159.00	Harvest
Royal British Legion	219.20	
Childrens Society	254.72	
Heartswell	246.58	N. Waterhouse memorial
	<u>£1810.90</u>	

Receipts – Planned Giving Income tax recovered for period from beginning December 2010 to end December 2011.

Restricted funds account is money that has been donated or raised for a specific fund or purpose.

£1,400 income is gift aided tax recovered on £5000 donation from Sara Mason.

Movable church furnishings held by the church wardens on special trust for the PCC are not valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Signed

Mary Helby Hon Treasurer

4th February 2013

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. PETER'S, MEAVY**

This report on the attached financial statements of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2012 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 ('the Act').

Respective responsibilities of trustees and the examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 41 of the Act; and
- to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations

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.

Signed D. M. Tall 19th February 2013

St Leonard's Church, Sheepstor

Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council (PCC) for the year ended 31 December 2012

Administrative Information

St Leonard's Church lies at the centre of the seventeen dispersed houses and farmsteads which make up the village of Sheepstor. It is part of the united Benefice of Yelverton, (itself within the West Dartmoor Mission Community), which is in the Tavistock Deanery of the Church of England Diocese of Exeter.

The PCC is a charity exempted from registration with the Charity Commission.

PCC members from 1 January 2012 until the time of this report were:

Priest in Charge: Rev'd Preb Nick Shutt

Churchwardens: Mrs Drinda MacDonald

Also Organist, Electoral Roll Officer (Until 28/3/2012.
Retired from PCC 31/8/2012)

Mr Richard Bayly

Also Hon Secretary, Deanery Synod representative,
Sacristan (Electoral Roll Officer from 28/3/2012)

Mr Peter Legassick (from 28/3/2012)

Also Captain of Bell Tower

Members: Cdr Timothy MacDonald R.N.

Also Lay Vice Chair, Hon Treasurer (until 28/3/2012.
Retired from PCC 31/8/2012))

Mrs Marion Bennett (Lay Vice Chair from 28/3/2012)

Mrs Caroline Jennings

Mr Russell Chapman

Mr M Kemp (From 28/3/2012)

Miss P Legassick (From 28/3/2012)

Mr W Jennings (Co-opted and Treasurer from 28/3/2012)

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All church members are encouraged to register on the electoral roll and stand for election to the PCC.

Objectives and Activities

St Leonard's PCC has responsibility for working with the incumbent, the Rev'd Nick Shutt, in the Parish, and with other PCCs and the Mission Community Council, in promoting the whole mission of the Church, pastoral, evangelical, social and ecumenical within the Mission Community. The PCC is responsible for the care and maintenance of St Leonard's church and churchyard.

Review of the Year

Church Attendance and Services

The electoral roll rose to 18 of whom 11 were not resident in the parish, and two left the village during the year.

We held services on every Sunday apart from Benefice services on 5th Sundays in the month. The average church attendance counted in October rose from 9 to 10, but this increased significantly for church festivals and special services such as the carol service, at which this year we had 140 people in church. Other large congregations came together for Good Friday, our thanksgiving service with staff and students from the University of Plymouth for the mission project on 20 May, harvest festival and services for baptism, weddings and interments of ashes.

We were able to welcome to services during the year both the Archdeacon, the Venerable Ian Chancellor, and the Diocesan Missioner, Revd. Preb. Anna Norman-Walker.

We again hosted the Good Friday walk of pilgrimage, with a short service at St Leonard's and the carrying of the cross to the top of the tor behind the church. The PCC offered its traditional hot Palestine soup and hot cross buns in St Leonard's room afterwards.

The harvest service again drew a good congregation and the supper was held in the church hall, following its successful restoration.

The carol service was held by candlelight with traditional refreshments afterwards in the village hall. It was the largest church congregation for which we can find recent record.

Occasional Offices

In 2012 there was one baptism, of the son of a couple who were married in the church two years ago. There were six interments of ashes, including those of the Brooke family mentioned below. There was one funeral, two weddings and one blessing of a wedding.

Visitors

The connection of the village of Sheepstor with the Rajahs of Sarawak, from the Brooke family, whose tombs and graves of family relatives lie in the churchyard, was given renewed emphasis during the year. The ashes of Anthony Brooke, the last Raja Muda, were interred in the churchyard along with those of his daughter following a memorial service in the church. A large number of family members attended as well as well wishes of Sarawak. The Sarawak national anthem was played, possibly for the first time since Sarawak came under the British crown in 1946.

We continue to give a major emphasis to our mission to visitors of whom we have many, drawing on Sheepstor's wonderful position as a gateway to Dartmoor, its proximity to Burrator Reservoir, its featuring in the film "War Horse", and the links to the Brooke family and Sarawak.

During the year our new audio welcome installation enhanced our ability to welcome visitors and explain the church and its role. We had been successful during 2011 in obtaining funds for a mission project from the Diocesan Million for Mission

Fund. In partnership with Plymouth University we developed this audio welcome which offers 6 recorded stories about the church and its use to welcome visitors. This went live on Easter Day. Its evaluation showed warm support from the congregation and from visitors.

Leading Worship

The clergy group this year welcomed Revd. Gary Shirley as Assistant Priest, Revd. Andy Barton as Curate, and Revd. Mike Farrell as a non stipendiary member of the clergy team. Sadly, Revd. Jill Locock decided to withdraw from active ministry leading services and Revd. Peggy Salmon decided to move the focus of her ministry to Tavistock. The first Sunday in the month continued to be led by lay members of the congregation who read the service, gave talks and led intercessions and the worship group will continue to develop and lead these services over the coming year. Congregations remain very encouraging to the worship group's efforts.

Cdr. Tim and Mrs Drinda MacDonald left the village during the year, having decided to move to east Cornwall. They are already sorely missed. Drinda had been the key lay leader of the church for nearly 20 years, being a churchwarden for over 15. Throughout that period she had played the organ for the church and led the development of music in our worship. She has left a wonderful legacy in new embroidered altar frontals, chalice veils and burses as well as Christmas decorations. Tim had been the treasurer and led the management of church maintenance for most of this time and more recently had led our morning prayer services, reading the service.

With Drina's departure we were fortunate to gain the support of Tony Dando who has become our organist as well as occupying the same role at Walkhampton. We have introduced a supplementary hymn book based on the hymn sheets which Drinda introduced us to and this extends our singing into some of the modern canon as well as a range of old favourites.

The PCC continues its active policy of support for women in the priesthood and in leading worship. It has been disappointed by continued delay in the progress towards appointing women bishops.

Benefice and Mission Community

During the year the West Dartmoor Benefice expanded to join with Horrabridge and Sampford Spiney. A single Mission Community Council operates over the two benefices affected to lead work on mission and growth. St Leonards strongly supported this developing co-operation across the mission community and would wish to see similar links develop between Anglican churches and ecumenically in the area of the Tavistock Deanery.

Meetings and Non Worship Activity

The PCC met four times during the year under the chairmanship of the lay vice chair, Cdr MacDonald until the AGM and thereafter Mrs M Bennett.

The maintenance committee met as needed under delegations from the PCC and reported major issues to the PCC. A significant step forward in the development of the church was achieved when the old organ was finally removed and the space left was renovated through the considerable work of members of the village. Plans are now being developed for the future use of this space in partnership with the Friends of

St Leonard's. This project is likely to require significant repointing of the exterior of parts of the Church in line with the last quinquennial survey.

The Friends also helped run a work party in the summer which contributed to the Churchyard looking tidy and well-kept in keeping with principles of sustainability.

Treasurer's Report - Financial review

This year has seen an upturn in our financial fortunes, although, in part, of a temporary nature only.

Total receipts rose by over £2000 (35%) whilst expenses fell slightly giving a balance of receipts over payments of £1519 against a shortfall of £248 in the previous year.

Planned giving rose by £105 (8%) overall - attributable mainly to the envelope scheme. Gift aid tax recovery fell in line with the revision of the tax regime whilst there was no movement in the banker's standing order scheme. This prompts us to promote this latter method of giving with greater effort in the coming year.

The pattern of casual cash giving showed little movement. Church collections of over £800 again suggest further scope to recruit to the standing order scheme.

Our thanks are due once more to the Parish Council for their annual grant towards upkeep of the Churchyard and especially for a generous increase over the previous year.

We were asked to provide more pastoral services than in a typical year - two weddings, a funeral and burial, six interments of ashes and five memorials - this windfall brought in £1100 in fees and £200 in associated donations. Income from fees is typically very erratic with large year to year differences - we certainly cannot expect a similar income from this source on average over future years. Against this background and for planning purposes our assumed income should not include this source.

We have held three significant events during the year each of which resulted in generous giving from those attending. We were privileged to host the District Ringing Competition and most grateful for the £274 donations received from competitors and their supporters. Our Harvest Festival service and supper resulted in voluntary contributions of £386 - this was passed to the Benefice Treasurer in support of Farm Africa and Tavistock Food Bank. The annual carol service was attended by a capacity congregation of 140 souls resulting in collection and food donations which together totalled £346.

Income from investments remained disappointing, due both to low investment rates in general and to the restraints imposed on PCCs in particular. Our investments with the CCLA which stood at approximately £43,000 at the beginning of the year brought in only £1,030, equivalent to 2.3%.

The pattern of expenditure remained largely unchanged, major items, as usual, being the common fund payment, insurance and upkeep of the Churchyard.

The year has seen minimal exceptional expenditure. Minor repointing of the roof upstand flashing being the only significant item. First stage refurbishment and redecoration of the Lady Chapel, vacated by the pipe organ, has been completed in part with voluntary labour. Our grateful thanks are due to those who gave their time

and not insignificant effort to complete this work in time for a wedding in early December.

This year we have made no donations to charity other than the Harvest Festival collection.

Whilst we have had a good year financially, this is no cause for complacency. The increase in income was due almost entirely to 'one off' events with little movement in our regular sources. Whilst routine costs are unlikely to increase significantly in future, there remains much work identified by the quinquennial inspection, together with completion of the Lady Chapel refurbishment. We are in discussion with the Friends of St. Leonard's concerning the latter.

It should be noted that in accordance with charities accounting practice, deposits and receipts not cleared at the year end together with amounts owing and payments not cleared at year end are excluded from the figures described above. Likewise these amounts from the previous year are included. Please see the statement of assets and liabilities for more detail.

William Jennings
Hon Treasurer

**PARISH CHURCH OF
ST. LEONARD, SHEEPSTOR**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ending 31 December 2012

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Unrestricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account For the year ended 31 December 2012

	See Note	<u>2012</u>		<u>2011</u>	
		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
<u>Planned giving:</u>					
Banker's standing orders		1,300.00		1,300.00	
Envelope scheme		1,622.04		1,401.00	
Income tax recovered		<u>719.11</u>	3,641.15	<u>835.41</u>	3,536.41
<u>Other voluntary income:</u>					
Collections in Church		848.27		1,180.39	
Box and other freewill offerings		140.78		161.28	
Gifts and donations	1	<u>281.50</u>	1,270.55	<u>10.00</u>	1,351.67
<u>Churchyard:</u>					
Parish Council contribution		<u>612.50</u>	612.50	<u>372.50</u>	372.50
<u>Miscellaneous income:</u>					
Fees for pastoral services	2	1,348.00		143.00	
Events & visits	3	723.55		14.50	
Sundries		13.40		100.00	
Sale of postcards/guides		228.27		277.77	
Interest & Investment income		<u>60.88</u>	<u>2,374.10</u>	<u>48.51</u>	<u>583.78</u>
Total receipts during year	4		<u>7,898.30</u>		<u>5,844.36</u>
PAYMENTS					
<u>The Ministry:</u>					
Clergy expenses (net)		131.89		189.12	
Common Fund		<u>2,184.00</u>	2,315.89	<u>1,911.00</u>	2,100.12
<u>The Church building and services:</u>					
Utilities	5	355.00		188.00	
Repairs inc. Quinquennial		440.00		922.08	
Insurances		1,584.88		1,550.66	
Church and Services upkeep			2,379.88	<u>248.40</u>	2,909.14
<u>Miscellaneous:</u>					
Churchyard upkeep		619.80		612.50	
Gifts to charities		671.05		270.55	
General expenses, incl. Faculty		<u>392.64</u>	<u>1,683.49</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>1,083.05</u>
Total payments during year			<u>6,379.26</u>		<u>6,092.31</u>
Excess of receipts over payments			1,519.04		(247.95)
Balance at 1 January			<u>7,581.04</u>		<u>7,828.99</u>
Balance at 31 December			<u>9,100.08</u>		<u>7,581.04</u>

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Restricted and Endowment Funds Receipts and Payments Account For the year ended 31 December 2012

	See Note	Restricted Funds £	<u>2012</u> Endowm't Funds £	Total	<u>2011</u> Total £
RECEIPTS					
<u>Other voluntary income:</u>					
Donations to Bell Fund					125.00
Bell Fund Grants					7,947.32
EDBF Grant for B'cast System					1,900.00
<u>Miscellaneous income:</u>					
Interest & Investment income		610.43	361.63	972.06	922.75
Bell Fund tax and VAT recovery					112.86
Tower repair VAT recovery					<u>0.00</u>
Total receipts during year		610.43	361.63	972.06	<u>11,007.93</u>
PAYMENTS					
<u>The Church building and services:</u>					
Repairs to tower					.
Bells restoration					<u>9,382.01</u>
Broadcast System	6	<u>308.33</u>		<u>308.33</u>	<u>9,382.01</u>
		<u>308.33</u>		<u>308.33</u>	
Excess of receipts over payments		302.10	361.63	663.73	1,625.92
Balance at 1 January		<u>16,876.50</u>	<u>16,164.88</u>	<u>33,041.38</u>	<u>31,415.46</u>
Balance at 31 December		<u>17,178.60</u>	<u>16,526.51</u>	<u>33,705.11</u>	<u>33,041.38</u>

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Statement of Assets and Liabilities As at 31 December 2012

See Note	<u>General</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>2012</u> <u>Endowm't</u> <u>Funds</u> £	<u>Total</u> £	<u>2011</u> <u>Total</u> £
Monetary Assets					
Bank current a/c	2,388.07	13,572.42		15,960.49	14,808.48
CBFCE deposits	6,712.01	3,606.18	16,526.51	26,844.70	25,813.94
Total bank balances	9,100.08	17,178.60	16,526.51	42,805.19	40,622.42
Investments, at market value		13,576.41	5,176.38	18,752.79	17,058.35
Total Funds	9,100.08	30,755.01	21,702.89	61,557.98	57,680.77
Other assets					
Income tax recoverable from Gift Aid	736.60			736.60	698.00
Deposits & receipts not cleared at year end ⁷	798.60			798.60	195.00
Amounts owing & payments not cleared at year end ⁸	(68.70)			(68.70)	(435.00)
Total Assets	10,566.58	30,755.01	21,702.89	63,024.48	58,138.77
Movement in Total assets	2,527.54	1,528.82	829.35	4,885.71	

Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

Notes to Financial Statements For the year ended 31 December 2012

1	Gifts and Donations	£
	Two gifts by individuals of more than £100	200.00
	Visiting ringers	25.00
	Other minor donations	56.50
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		281.50
2	Fees for pastoral services	
	Banns	7.00
	Weddings	136.00
	Funerals	45.00
	Burials	196.00
	Interment – Ashes	480.00
	Memorials	284.00
	Donations associated with pastoral services	200.00
		<hr/>
		1,3848.00
3	Events & Visits	
	Brook Memorial Service	63.50
	Ringling Competition – Food & Donations	274.00
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		337.50
4	Other Events	
	Harvest Festival Collection - £386.05 (£157.00 gift aid and £229.05 cash) passed to Benefice Treasurer in support of Farm Africa and Tavistock Food Bank.	
5	Utilities	
	Utilities comprise electricity only. The expenditure shown is the total of regular monthly planned payments to EDF over the year and does not equate exactly to the consumption of electricity.	
6	Audio Guide System	
	Expenditure against the audio guide system grant of £1,900 is £330.83 to date. Any further expenditure is expected to be minimal. It is not clear at this stage whether the balance of funds will have to be returned to the donor.	
7	Deposits and Receipts not cleared at year end	
	Carol service collection	346.41
	Visiting ringers donation	9.00

	Food Donations at Carol Service		22.85
	December Cash Register		171.34
	Fees		249.00
			<hr/> 798.60
8	Amounts owing and payments not cleared at year end		
	Printing of posters		22.50
	Testing of lightning conductor		46.20
			<hr/> 68.70
9	Investments		
	CBFCE Investment Fund Shares	No of Shares	Market Value 31 Dec 2012
			£
	Lady Bryant Bequest	456.00	5,176.38
	Church Repair Fund	1,195.98	13,576.41
			<hr/>
	Total	1,651.98	18,752.79
10	Endowment and Restricted Funds		
		Bal at 1 Jan 2012	Movement in
			Year
			Bal at 31 Dec
			2012
		£	£
	Endowment Funds		
	Lady Bryant Bequest	3,727.72	254.55
	D ST J Forrer Bequest	12,137.16	107.08
	Sir Massey Lopez	300.00	
	Church Repair Fund		
			<hr/>
	Total	16,164.88	361.63
	Restricted Funds		
	Church Repair Fund	16,876.50	302.10
			17,178.60

Independent Examiner's Report to Sheepstor Parochial Church Council

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J C Fry, FCA

Clearbrook,
15th February 2013

Report of the Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Walkhampton in 2012

Members of P.C.C. – Jim Knight (Lay Vice Chair), Mike Dobson (Churchwarden), Mary Geen (Churchwarden), Chrissie Brannagan (Secretary), Kevin Baxter (Treasurer), Kay Miall, Mavis Goddard, Derelie D'Oyly, Sarah Tuck, Tony Dando.

The P.C.C. met three times during the year and there were four extraordinary meetings. During this period, Mary Geen stepped down from her churchwarden and P.C.C. roles owing to ill health. Jim Knight was unable to attend all meetings for the same reason. Tony Dando was co-opted in September. David and Christine Lenthall were approached with a view to being co-opted in January 2013.

The regular 9.30a.m. Sunday services were re-scheduled for 9 o'clock as part of a move to enable members of the ministry to cover all their responsibilities. When 'Nosh at 9.30' was introduced it was decided that there would be no service on the 3rd Sunday in the month.

Once again the harvest supper was a joint event with Lady Modiford's School, with the children preparing soup and rolls.

The Remembrance Sunday service, attended by the Cubs and Beavers, was held in the Memorial Hall prior to gathering around the cross for 11a.m. About 120 people attended.

During the summer months, the church was opened on one afternoon each week and was visited by walkers and other casual visitors.

After what seemed to be a long time, the faculty for the west-end re-ordering was granted, despite there being some issues about the design of the screen. Some pews were removed to enable an examination of an area of the flooring.

Occasional Offices

Treasurer's Report

Receipts

The regular Giving has dropped this year from £14,285 2011 to £12,978 in 2012. With a loss of one service a month and the reduction of tax reclaim this has reduced our income. If you ignore the fundraising for WERF we have increased monies by 11.5% for the day to day running of the Church

Payments

This year we have spent £6,353.00 less than last year biggest cost been £4675.96 to the architect. Common fund went down from £10,711.00 to £10,595.00. Fuel bill went up approx £500 more this year.

Savings

Another poor year for any return on savings, with interest received of £272.50 on £89K

General Running

Ignoring WERF monies in and out for general running we are down by £1,039.57

Total Assets

The overall asset position for the Church at the end of 2011 was £174,972.61 and this has increased to £178,189.87 in 2012. However, of this sum £137,488.11 is earmarked for West End Reordering Fund

Health & Safety Report

The new font cover was installed early in the year, with the old cover retained, behind the organ.

Mike Dobson Churchwarden.

Churchwarden's Report

The Church opening programme during the months of June to September ran again thanks to the support of congregation members and some villagers. Visitor numbers were down on the previous year, due to the extremely poor weather.

Repairs were made to the organ, because of a siphoning problem and it also had its annual service. In addition the annual inspection was carried out on the fire extinguishers and lightning conductors. A full electrical survey was carried out in readiness for the quinquennial and this revealed that in order to comply with the current regulations, upgrading of the earthing wiring on the boiler, organ and main switchboard was needed. This work was completed in December.

In late summer a section of the flooring in the north aisle was lifted; so that a photographic record could be sent to the DAC to support our faculty application for the WERF project. Conditional approval was received from the DAC for the WERF project in late autumn and the issues raised by them are being dealt with to obtain full approval for the project.

In October work was carried out in the Lady Chapel to remove the wooden plinth and the curtains surrounding the altar. This was then moved forward to make it more functional.

Finally to help improve the lighting in the church, some new types of bulbs were installed over the main altar area. They are not only low energy but have also made a significant improvement to light levels. The plan will be to proceed with the introduction of these bulbs in the rest of the church as and when we run out of the old type bulbs.

Mike Dobson, Churchwarden 07/01/13

Lady Modiford's C of E (VA) Primary School

**St Mary's the Virgin Church Walkhampton
Financial Statement for the year ended 31 December 2012**

General (Unrestricted) Fund Receipt & Payment account

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Regular Giving				
Planned Giving	9,479.91		9,974.60	
Collections	1,101.87		1,427.10	
Income tax recovered	2,396.69	12,978.47	2,883.63	14,285.33
Other Voluntary receipts				
Donations	327.64	327.64	785.42	785.42
Receipts from activities for generating funds				
General Fund WERF	9,455.23		83,982.23	
Parish magazines sales	359.88		393.00	
Miss Lillicrap coffee evening	146.20		157.60	
Donation	300.00			
Art & Craft Cafe	587.00		371.17	
Mrs D Doyley Walk			145.00	
Village Market Coffee & stall	684.24		915.41	
Bell Ringers Tea	0.00		105.00	
Devon Historic Churches			60.00	
Bell Ringers cash	0.00		10.00	
		11,532.55		86,139.41
Receipts from Church activities.				
Grant BPC Churchyard	330.15		0.00	
Team Fees	2,219.00		2,770.00	
Sir Massey Lopes	7.50		7.50	
Refunds	540.00		0.00	
		3,097.05		2,777.50
Receipts from investment				
CBF	203.74		201.73	
National Savings interest	272.50		223.54	
Savings account interest	0.00	476.24	0.00	425.27
Total Receipts		28,199.19		104,412.93

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
Payments				
Sundries Misc	1,468.85		1,129.81	
Ministry Expense	638.09		890.44	
Heating & light	1,515.84		1,052.19	
Refund	0.00		100.00	
Insurance	2,921.44		2,679.85	
Common Fund	10,595.00		10,711.00	
Churchyard Expenses	1,594.98		1,512.26	
Charity Donation	480.00		495.29	
Magazine Costs	434.00		466.00	
Refunds Charitable Costs	0.00		500.00	
Service Expenses	135.33		120.00	
Church Repairs	735.20		0.00	
WERF expenses	4,675.96		11,155.68	
Total Payments		25,194.69		30,812.59

Statement of Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2012

	2012	2011
Bank current account	88,569.69	85,624.93
Business Access Account	2.92	2.92
Deposit Account National Savings	89,617.26	89,344.76
	174,972.61	174,972.61

Notes

1. The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 using R&P basis.
2. The following assets are recognized but not necessary valued in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities: Movable Church furnishings held by the churchwardens on special trust for the PCC and which require a faculty for disposal.
3. The expenses paid to the clergy may include a small immaterial proportion which relates to their function as PCC members. Some payments given to PCC members for stationary reimbursements.
4. The payment to missions and overseas relief agencies included £180 Sponsor a nurse in Uganda. Also £300 to Catalyst work
5. The following amount £137,488.11 for WERF.
6. Charity donations collected

Catalyst	£45.00
Children's Society	£20.67
Christian Aid	£45.00
Embrace the Middle East	£68.00

The above donations are not recorded in the above financial report.

6. CBF Investment fund we have 420 shares valued at £10.23 total £4,296.60
Approved by the PCC on 3rd February 2013 and signed on their behalf by Mr K Baxter (PCC Treasurer).

K Baxter Treasurer

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO
THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL OF ST. MARY'S,
WALKHAMPTON**

This report on the attached financial statements of the PCC for the year ended 31st December 2012 is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and section 43 of the Charities Act 1993 ('the Act').

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As members of the PCC you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. You consider that the audit requirement of the Regulations and section 43(2) of the Act do not apply. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those financial statements in accordance with the terms of the Regulations.

Basis of this report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 43(7)(b) of the Act. That examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the PCC and a comparison of the accounts with those records. It also includes considering any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements and seeking explanations concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

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- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and,
- to prepare financial statements, which accord with the accounting records and comply with the requirements of the Act and the Regulations

have not been met;

or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

SignedMrs R Waldron 25th January 2012

Princetown Church

A local Ecumenical Partnership between the
Princetown Methodist Church and
St Michael and All Angels Church, Princetown

Annual Report

Year ending 31st December 2012

Rector
Revd Nick Shutt

Methodist Minister
Revd Pam Stranks

Rector's Statement

On 1st April 2012 the ecclesiastical parish of Princetown ceased to exist. I have already written about this in my annual report. What is important to realise is that Princetown as a Christian community has not disappeared. We still meet with our Methodist friends and colleagues in the Methodist Chapel every week for worship. The Ecumenical paperwork may now be out of date and will need to be addressed but we are still being a Christian presence in that community. Dr Phil Harbottle who was Churchwarden until 1st April 2012 has written a short report as follows:

Sunday services have been varied and very encouraging with most service leaders (both Anglican and Methodist) adapting skilfully to our unpredictable numbers (1 to 20). Messy Church services have continued once a month (1st Wed) and are generally well supported and provide a great opportunity for contact with many who do not attend on Sunday.

A final APCM was held for the Church Council and the Methodist accounts are now the only accounts relevant to Princetown as a church so have not been included in this report which relates to the Anglican Mission Community. In future years any entries relating to Princetown will be found within the Walkhampton parish report as Princetown is now part of that ecclesiastical parish.

Nick Shutt
Rector

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST HORRABRIDGE ANNUAL REPORT

CHURCHWARDENS

Mrs. Jean Horsfall 855482

Mrs. Carolyn Hemenstall 852385

ECC MEMBERS

Peter Ballinger

Sybil Heathcock

Phyll Hellier

Linda Hitchcock

Anita Hyne Deanery Synod Representative

Gareth Jones Treasurer

Hilary Prout

Kathy Roche

BANKERS

Lloyds TSB Tavistock

The ECC met 6 times in 2012

In January representatives from Horrbridge and Sampford Spiney churches met with Bishop John to discuss plans for a profile to set out re change of requirements needed in view of our joining the West Dartmoor Benefice.

The Friends of St John's Fund Raising Committee has increased our kitchen funds to well over £4000. This included a sponsored walk by John Howells and a very successful Bluebell walk and cream tea. We were blessed with the weather that day, one of the very few sunny days of 2012! The Friends also staged an Arts and Crafts exhibition in the church, and John Howells gave a talk entitled "An Evening in Paradise".

In the past year we have held a pancake supper, a Passover supper, a harvest supper and 6 men's breakfasts. All very successful and all these functions have taken place in the church.

Even though we have no children attending regular services, the school held a harvest festival service and a Christingle service in church with a very high attendance.

In March we hosted the Women's World Day of Prayer and in October the licensing of the Preb Rev Nick Shutt as Priest in Charge and the Rev Captain Gary Shirley as Associate Priest.

The Rev Pam Stranks left the manse at Horrbridge and is now in Tavistock in charge of the Methodist circuit there. She has been replaced by the Rev John Swanston.

The lead on the porch roof has been replaced with an alternative material. In 2012 our quinquennial inspection was due. Fortunately nothing major was found to need attention.

In June we held our Summer Fair and we finished the year by hiring 2 tables at the village market.

OCCASIONAL OFFICES

In 2012 there were:

3 Baptisms

6 Funerals

[JH and CH](#)

**UNITED CHURCH OF
HORRABRIDGE
ECUMENICAL CHURCH COUNCIL**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ending 31 December 2012

**United Church of Horrabridge
Ecumenical Church Council**

**Unrestricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31 December 2012**

RECEIPTS

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
<u>Planned giving:</u>				
Regular giving	9,800.65		11,732.33	
Special collections	56.00		272.87	
Income tax recovered	<u>2,579.46</u>		<u>7,311.56</u>	
		1,2436.11		19,316.76
<u>Other voluntary income:</u>				
Collections in Church	2,054.23		2,576.75	
Donations (non specific)	43.00		1,982.44	
Legacies	0.00		3,925.00	
Special appeals	260.00		267.60	
Men's breakfast	93.70		99.62	
General fundraising	<u>1,895.88</u>		<u>1,410.75</u>	
		4,346.81		10,262.16
<u>Miscellaneous income:</u>				
Fees for pastoral services	811.00		2,324.00	
Investment income	137.58		145.31	
Hire of Methodist Hall	0.00		374.00	
Proceeds from sale of shares	3,260.33			
Miscellaneous income	<u>968.40</u>		<u>1,057.02</u>	
		<u>5,177.31</u>		<u>3,900.33</u>
Total receipts during year		<u>21,960.23</u>		<u>33,479.25</u>

**United Church of Horrabridge
Ecumenical Church Council**

**Unrestricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31 December 2012**

PAYMENTS

	<u>2012</u>		<u>2011</u>	
	£	£	£	£
<u>The Ministry:</u>				
Common Fund (C. of E.)	6,796.33		12,386.00	
Tavistock Methodist Circuit	<u>2,868.00</u>		<u>3,948.00</u>	
		9,664.33		16,334.00
<u>The Church buildings and services:</u>				
<u>St John's:</u>				
Utilities	864.94		1,799.21	
Insurance	2,328.92		2,217.61	
Maintenance	1,276.60		819.47	
Roof repairs	2,354.67		0.00	
<u>Methodist Chapel:</u>				
Utilities and maintenance	<u>0.00</u>		<u>795.84</u>	
		6,825.13		5,631.68
<u>Other costs</u>				
Administration	149.05		47.15	
Services upkeep	119.62		659.22	
Salaries and support costs	1,300.00		1,572.42	
Ministers expenses	930.00		522.64	
Miscellaneous	1,182.05		789.85	
Donations	0.00		100.00	
Gifts to charities	<u>2,062.00</u>		<u>2,047.61</u>	
		<u>5,742.72</u>		<u>5,738.89</u>
Total payments during year		<u>22,232.18</u>		<u>27,705.02</u>
Excess of payments over receipts		<u>-271.95</u>		
Excess of receipts over payments				5,774.23
Balance at 1 January		<u>12,693.36</u>		<u>6,919.13</u>
Balance at 31 December		<u>12,421.41</u>		<u>12,693.36</u>

**United Church of Horrabridge
Ecumenical Church Council**

**Restricted Funds Receipts and Payments Account
For the year ended 31 December 2012**

	<u>2012</u>		<u>2011</u>	
	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	1,522.54			0.00
Additions during year:				
Fundraising	1,429.10		1,022.54	
Donations	<u>1,625.00</u>		<u>500.00</u>	
Balance at 31 December 2012		<u>4,576.64</u>		<u>1,522.54</u>

**Statement of Assets and Liabilities
As at 31 December 2012**

Monetary assets

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2012	Total 2011
Lloyds TSB Bank plc	7,335.40	0.00	7,335.40	7,604.39
CAF Bank	<u>5,086.01</u>	<u>4,596.14</u>	<u>9,682.15</u>	<u>6,611.51</u>
	12,421.41	4,596.14	17,017.55	14,215.90
Investments		<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,004.87</u>
	<u>12,421.41</u>	<u>4,596.14</u>	<u>17,017.55</u>	<u>17,220.77</u>

Liabilities Nil

Notes

Restricted Funds. Restricted Funds are funds raised and set aside to fund works in creating a new kitchen.

Investments. During the year investments held for the J Chichester, Mrs A F Binning-Monro, R Credicott and W R Northmore legacies were sold. As each legacy was a separate trust having a value of less than £10,000, advantage was taken of the provisions of the Charities Act 2006 enabling small trusts to be wound up. In accordance with the regulations the proceeds were used to reimburse general funds which had been depleted by expenditure on the objects of those trusts.

Church Furnishings. Moveable Church furnishings held by the incumbent and churchwardens on special trust for the Church Council are not given a value and are therefore excluded from the Statement of Assets.

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J C Fry, FCA
Clearbrook,
26th February 2013

**St Mary's Parish Church
Sampford Spiney**

**Annual Report of the Parochial Church Council for the
year ended
31st December 2012**

Administrative Information

St Mary's Church Sampford Spiney is part of the Diocese of Exeter within the Church of England.

The correspondence address is:

The Rectory, Horrabridge, Nr Yelverton, Devon PL20 7RE

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is a charity excepted from registration with the Charity Commission.

PCC members who have served from April 2012 until the date of this report are:

Priest in Charge:	Rev Nick Shutt
Lay Chairman:	Brig Simon Hill
Church Warden:	Mrs Rosalind Pugh
Deanery Synod Representative:	Mr Keith Ebdon
Treasurer:	Mrs Elizabeth Cole
Minutes Secretary:	Mrs Rita Hopwood
Secretary:	Mrs Janet Mudge

Elected Members:

Sir Peter Badge
Mrs Eleanor Cole
Mr Michael Doidge
Mrs Helen Sims
Mrs Hazel Viney
Mr Peter Walde

Structure, Governance and Management

The method of appointment of PCC members is set out in the Church Representation Rules. All Church attendees are encouraged to register on the Electoral Roll and stand for election to the PCC. The full PCC meets at least 4 times per annum. With the increasing influence of the West Dartmoor Mission Community the PCC decided to elect Simon Hill as its Lay Chairman for the foreseeable future.

Objectives and Activities

The rhythm of church life and worship has continued much as before, and we have adjusted over the year to the implications of being a part of the Mission Community. Simon Hill and Ros Pugh have represented the parish at Mission Community meetings, supported by Helen Sims. Wider PCC members have also made considerable efforts to engage with Mission Community meetings.

The PCC was delighted by the arrival of Rev Gary Shirley as Associate Priest living in Horrabridge Rectory and by the appointment of Rev Andy Barton as Curate living in Yelverton Rectory. The licensing of Rev Nick Shutt as Priest in Charge and Rev Gary Shirley as Associate Priest on 14 October was greeted with great pleasure and relief that a period of uncertainty and excessive work pressure on Rev Nick Shutt had been brought to a very satisfactory conclusion.

Representatives of the PCC are working in Mission Community Task & Finish Groups led by our clergy in addressing Safeguarding/Bus List (Helen Sims) and Finance, Conservation and Tourism (Simon Hill). The main challenge in 2013 will be to develop a

Mission Community Plan for submission to the Deanery – at a Mission Community wide meeting all felt that this was the right level to start such planning.

Our fund raising activity will be reported separately.

Church Attendance

There are 26 parishioners on the Church Electoral Roll. The average weekly attendance was 10, with increased attendance at Easter at 17, and over the Christmas period at 54. Of particular note was the Good Friday service attendance of 27 to which many children brought their parents and grandparents. During the year there have also been 2 marriages and 1 funeral.

Church Warden's Report

Immersion in the Mission Community has brought some changes notably the service readings and Epistle have been changed to fit in with Horrabridge otherwise the clergy involved would have to preach two sermons. That said, we continue to use the King James Bible, except for Baptisms where the Common Worship version is used.

The number of people attending church services is falling and, although this is in line with the general trend across the country, it is something we will need to think hard about as the regular participants and communicants are the life blood of the church.

On a more positive note, we have a good variety of people taking our services and plans are being made to strengthen the pastoral team.

The number of people caring for and doing minor works on the church and churchyard continues to grow, for which we are very grateful. The new cover to the side altar is a big improvement; it was only on its removal that we realised how very worn the old one had become! The next minor items that need replacing are the Christmas tree decorations.

Many have commented on the positive atmosphere and welcome at St. Mary's Church which we hope will encourage others to join us for a service from time to time. All comments and feedback are listened to and we need both church goers and parishioners to keep us informed of those in need of help or a pastoral visit.

We continue to see a steady flow of visitors to our church and will be looking into how we can present the history of our church and community in an appealing and fresh way,

Review of the Year

It was a matter of great sadness that we lost one of our most loyal and dedicated parishioners in 2012 – David Sommerfelt will be sorely missed.

With the support of the Bishop of Plymouth and the hard work of Rev Nick Shutt concerns over our ability to recruit new clergy for the Mission Community were not realised. As Priest in charge the latter continues to arrange our service takers for which we are most grateful. We hosted the Mission Community Fifth Sunday service this year with a full church for Book of Common Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion.

As always we are hugely dependent on the goodwill of our parishioners namely:

Our bell ringers who ring on special occasions and First Sundays

David Crocker, our loyal organist

Peter Badge continues to manage the rota for readers and sidespeople.

Mary Badge and her team continue to organise the flowers.

Helen Sims looks after the church linen and brass and acts as sacristan when necessary.

Peter Walde continues to look after the new churchyard and keeps the paths tidy.

A-J Charlesson who has managed the Easter, Christmas and Harvest Festival set ups

We continue to be very blessed with enthusiastic and committed fundraisers who contribute hugely to the life of the church – Mike Doidge ran the Harvest Supper and Auction and Helen Sims once again masterminded the Christmas Extravaganza which together raised over £3000. We were also most grateful for the donation from the annual Sheepdog Trials which raised £500 despite appalling weather and for Ros Pugh's efforts in raising £600 at the Curry Lunch and some £200 + from jam and marmalade sales at the church door. These activities raised much needed funds, as well as being very enjoyable and drawing into the life of our church many who would not normally attend services.

Fabric

Our community has an excellent reputation for looking after the fabric of our church and we are currently striving to raise enough money to repair our tower and replace our electrical/ heating system, at a combined cost of some £60,000. We very much hope to be able to complete this work in 2013. In the first 6 months of our fundraising campaign, we are most grateful for the following donations:

£5000 from the Garfield Weston Foundation

£2000 from the Devon Historic Churches Trust

£1000 from the Allchurches Trust Ltd

£9221 from the community of Sampford Spiney

We have a bid lodged with the Church Buildings Council for £5000 and intend to bid for a smaller sum to the Veneziana Fund in February. The Heritage Lottery Fund has encouraged us to bid for £20000 and that process is underway – this bid will include £5000 with which to interpret the history of the church and its community.

In addition the PCC has its usual programme of events planned for 2013 plus a guitar concert, a wine tasting, an art exhibition, a flower festival and a parish barbecue and raffle.

Financial Review

Our Financial Statement is attached.

ST MARY'S CHURCH SAMPFORD SPINEY

Receipts and Payments Account for Year to 31 December 2012

RECEIPTS

	2012		2011	
	£	£	£	£
Voluntary Income				
Envelopes & Bank Standing Orders	2,343.20		2,717.78	
Cash Collections	724.40		730.82	
Other Donations	475.00	3,542.60	500.00	3,948.60
Tax Recoveries				
Income Tax Recovered	585.80	585.80	679.44	679.44
Investment Income				
Dividend & Interest	1.60	1.60	5.10	5.10
Other Income				
Fees	871.00		898.00	
Sheep Dog Trial	500.00		1,200.00	
Parish Council Rent	190.00		180.00	
Transfer from CAF Deposit Account	1,500.00		0.00	
Christmas Extravaganza	0.00		406.61	
Cheese & Wine Evening	0.00		1973.00	
Miscellaneous	123.04	3,184.04	0.00	4,657.61
TOTAL RECEIPTS		7,314.04		9,290.75

PAYMENTS

The Ministry				
Clergy Expenses	0.00	0.00	155.23	155.23
The Church & Services				
Heat & Lighting	382.00		985.14	
Fire & Insurance	1,488.51		1,446.58	
Organist	400.00		400.00	
Repairs & Renewals	1,070.08	3,340.59	126.00	2,957.72
Other Ordinary Parish Expenses				
Miscellaneous	1,353.56		865.16	
Fund Raising Costs	0.00	1,353.56	717.49	1,582.65
Payments Outside the Parish				
Diocesan Share	4,141.00	4,141.00	4,398.00	4,398.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS		8,835.15		9,093.60

SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR THE YEAR		(1,521.11)		197.15
CASH AT BANK ON 1 JANUARY		3,734.24		3,537.09
CASH AT BANK ON 31 DECEMBER		2,213.13		3,734.24